
Historical Photographs of Four Ethnicities on California's Central Coast

Late 1800s-1970s

Descriptive Summary

Title: Historical Photographs of Four Ethnicities on California's Central Coast

Dates: Late 1800s-1970s

Collection Number: consult library

Creator/Collector:

Extent: 200 photographs available online, 500 are in the full collection

Online items available  <http://www.oac.cdlib.org/items/ark:/13030/c8wd3z0f>

Repository: Black Gold Cooperative Library System

Abstract: Black Gold Cooperative Library System Advisory Board's Photo Essay collection includes black and white photographic images of historical interest spanning from the late 1800s up to the 1970s. The images strive to recognize people of four heritages who without recognition helped to build the social and economic prosperity of California Central Coast. The collection consists of selected images from four Photo Essays: 1) African Americans on the Central Coast, 2) Asian Pacific Americans on the Central Coast, 3) Hispanics on the Central Coast: 300 Years of History, 4) Native Americans on the Central Coast.

Language of Material: English

Access

Contact the Black Gold Cooperative Library System. Associated booklets are located at many member library jurisdictions of the Black Gold Cooperative Library System.

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Preferred Citation

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Acquisition Information

The collection was compiled by the Photo Essay Task Force of the Black Gold Cooperative Library System Advisory Board and the Black Gold Information Center during the 1990s.

Biography/Administrative History

During the 1990s, Black Gold Information Center and System Advisory Board (SAB) assembled the collection of over 500 historical photographs borrowed from a number of museums, libraries, archives and other cultural organizations, as well as from individuals and family collections. For the Native Americans on the Central Coast Photo Essay, the SAB Task Force collaborated with John R. Johnson, Curator of Anthropology, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. The Photo Essay project was produced in cooperation with the Administrative Council of the Black Gold Cooperative Library System and System Administration with support from the State of California under provisions of the California Library Services Act, administered by the California Library Services Board.

Scope and Content of Collection

This collection includes black and white photographic images of historical interest spanning from the late 1800s up to the 1970s. The photographs strive to document people who, without recognition or great material rewards, helped to build the social and economic prosperity of California's Central Coast in the counties of San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara and Ventura. People, places and events are depicted through topics such as education, family life, social, civic, religious and cultural activities, sports, war, road, railroad and building construction, urban businesses, rural ranching and agriculture operations. The collection consists of the following four Photo Essays: 1) African Americans on the Central Coast, 2) Hispanics on the Central Coast: 300 Years of History, 3) Asian Pacific Americans on the Central Coast (including Chinese Americans, Filipino Americans and Japanese Americans), 4) Native Americans on the Central Coast (including Tataviam, Nicoleno, Salinan and branches of the Chumash Linguistic Family).

Indexing Terms

African Americans--California

African Americans--California--Central Coast

African Americans--Employment

Asian Americans--California
Asian Americans--Employment--California
Automobiles--California
Beets--California
Business people
Chinese Americans--California
Chumash Indians--California--Central Coast
Churches--California
Evacuations--California--Santa Maria--1940-1950
Farming--California
Filipino Americans--California
Floats (Parades)--California
Fruit industry--California
General stores--California
Grocery stores--California
Hispanic Americans--California
Hispanic Americans--Employment--California
Indians of North America--California--Central Coast
Japanese Americans--California
Japanese Americans--Employment--California
Manners & customs--California
Mexican Americans--California
Missions--California
Pacific Islander Americans
Packing plants--Employees--California--Central Coast
Post offices--California
Road construction--California
Salinan Indians--California
Seed trade--California
Stores & shops--California
Sugar industry--California
Trucks--American--California
Higuera family
Furukawa family
Matsuoka family
Moriwaki family
Murakami family
Utsunomiya family
Valenzuela family
Boy Scouts of America
Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)
San Buenaventura Mission
Santa Barbara Mission
United States War Relocation Authority
Central Coast (Calif.)
Betteravia (Calif.)
Chinatown (San Luis Obispo, Calif.)
Eto Farm (Los Osos, Calif.)

Guadalupe (Calif.)
Illif Ranch (Santa Maria, Calif.)
Lompoc (Calif.)
Morro Bay (Calif.)
Nagano Farm (Morro Bay, Calif.)
Oxnard (Calif.)
Pismo Beach (Calif.)
San Luis Obispo (Calif.)
San Luis Obispo County (Calif.)
Santa Barbara (Calif.)
Santa Barbara County (Calif.)
Santa Maria (Calif.)
Santa Maria--Lompoc Army Air Base (Santa Maria, Calif.)
Santa Paula (Calif.)
Ventura County (Calif.)
Waller Park (Santa Maria, Calif.)
Black-and-white photographs
Photographs
Group portraits
Agricultural laborers
Railroad construction workers--California
