• Inventory of Rowland Boxes

Eleven boxes in Special Collections contain unpublished manuscripts, unpublished typescripts, as well as published material.

Box 1 Rancho Documents: Folders 001 through 048

Box 2 Rancho Documents: Folders 049 through 102

Box 3 (Two Scrapbooks)

Incomplete scrapbook (14 leaves) of mounted clippings, plus various mission pamphlets, Santa Cruz Mission and Dedication of Santa Cruz Governmental Center 1967.

Complete scrapbook (20 pages) of newspaper clippings on Santa Cruz History.

Box 4 (Miscellaneous Publications)


California. Division of Forestry. Forest Fire Collection. 1940.


Desert Cavalcade of the Imperial Valley. 1946.

First Methodist Church. Santa Cruz. Centennial Memorial, 1848-1948.

First Methodist Church. Watsonville. First 100 Years, 1852-1952.

Heath, Clara B. Sea Mosses. n.p., n.d.

Santa Cruz City & County maps (various publishers)

Monterey County. Auditor. Monterey County Tax Rates. 1943.

Box 5 (Miscellaneous Material)

Alcalde Book A: Deed records (mostly in Spanish, some English translations)

Deed with original map: Castro to Blackburn, to Lynch & Bailey.

Index [to] Town Assessments. (small manuscript notebook, undetermined town)

Loma Prieta State Forest. 1937. (proposal) (another copy: Spec Coll NRLF SD144.C2 B75 1937

Photographs: 3 negatives: "Gold diggers at Twin Lakes Beach"; Monterey Custom House; Sonoma Mission, 1935.

Rowland, Jeannette. Memo to Dorothy Deming Wheeler regarding membership in Santa Cruz Historical Society.

Rowland, Leon. Articles on various subjects: Villa de Branciforte, Records of a Forgotten Town; Rafael Pinto (biography, with English translations).


Box 6 (14 folders: Miscellaneous Documents)


2: Facts Relative to Junior Colleges. 1939.


5: History of Santa Cruz County by Gertrude McHaley. looseleaf. typescript 75 pgs.


10: Santa Cruz, City. Transcribed Official Survey by Wright & Foreman 1866. typescript. 13 pgs.


**Box 7 (14 folders: Miscellaneous Documents)**

1: Del Monte Wave. March 1887. pages 3 to 20 only. parts missing.

2: Martina Castro documents related to her ownership of Ranchos. Includes portraits of Martina Castro and some of her family, in Franklin company photo folder (Palo Alto).


4: Ghost Town Relics. Stockton. n.d.


6: Abstract of Title to Part of Lot 4 and Lot 10, City of Santa Cruz. Property of Philipp Gotrub. 1888.

7: Rowland, Leon. Index to Rowland Scrapbook(s) vol. 1 & 2.

8: California Historical Society correspondence with Leon Rowland. Various newspaper clippings. List of California settlers and apparent dates of residence.


10: California. General comparison of California water district acts 1950. 54 pgs.

11: Soquel residents - lists for various years. Other source material for Leon Rowland's History of Soquel. approx. 25 pgs.

13: Christmas Number of the San Francisco News Letter. 1898. 80 pgs.


Box 8 (23 Envelopes with Articles re: Santa Cruz History & Santa Cruz Historical Society)

1: Bolsa del Pajaro land litigation. 1837 grant to Rodriguez. Judge McKee decision.

2: "Santa Cruz Early Day Problems" address by Leon Rowland, 1949. Includes sources for the address. "Old Gilroy" and other material on early settlers; e.g., Paul Sweet.


4: From "Santa Cruz County" by Leon Rowland. 1941. typescript. Various Santa Cruz subjects.

5: An Economic Survey of the Cities of Watsonville, Santa Cruz and Contiguous areas. (1944) [another copy: McH Stacks HC108.S453 S2]

6: Sunset Magazine. The Road of a Thousand Wonders. 1907. 72 pgs. (ad. for Southern Pacific Co.) Includes Santa Cruz description.

7: Santa Cruz, City of. General Plan. 1964.


9: Copy of Langley's 1867 Santa Cruz County residents and occupations. typescript. 1 leaf.


11: Leon Rowland articles: typescripts on various subjects.

12: Santa Cruz newspaper clippings. 1934-

13: Articles on the location of the Santa Cruz Mission. Rowland typescripts.

14: Transportation Santa Cruz and San Francisco. Rowland typescripts.

16: Gold Rush & other Minerals of the Santa Cruz Mountains. Rowland typescripts.

17: Scott Family of Scotts Valley by Mrs. M. F. Watson. Rowland typescripts.


23: "Chinatown" by Robert O. Lincoln (annotated); Sentinel articles by Ernest Otto; et al.

Box 9 (5 folders: Gov. Arrillaga & Branciforte)

1: Petition for use of the San Andreas [sic] Rancho from Fathers Quintana and Marquinez. 1812. Includes Rowland's transcription and translation of the original 1812 copy from the Provincial Archives.


3: Rowland's annotated translation of Branciforte Archives. typescript. approx. 50 pgs.

4: Branciforte Residents, taken from Mission Records and Branciforte Archives. approx. 40 pgs. typescript.


Box 10 (7 Folders: Notebooks)

1: Sources on California Taxes. Pages from binders.

2: Santa Cruz County taxes. Sources and articles. Pages from binders.

3: Public Welfare. Sources and articles. Pages from binders.

4: Santa Cruz Election results, precincts, and politics. Pages from binders.

5: School expenditures. Pages from binders.

7: California. Board of Equalization. Trade Outlets. Quarterly Report (20 items, 1940s & 1950s) [more at McH Stacks HJ 5715.U6 C274]

Box 11 (63 folders: all related to Castro Lands, containing land ownership records, transcriptions of records, and documents dealing with the Rancho San Andrés. Copies of deeds, mortgages, tracings of diseños, e.g., Soquel Rancho (Box 11:folder 40), translations of juridical possession documents. Includes an original Expediente for Rancho San Andrés entitled "Jurisdiction de Branciforte No. 15, Año de 1833." Some documents, most in Spanish, contain English translations. Many documents are on thin paper and are fragile.

The following folders have (previously) been identified:

1 through 9: Spanish documents relating to Rancho San Andrés.

10: Expediente for Rancho San Andrés. [The term expediente may be compared to a modern Abstract of Title for real property]

11: Monterey, April 30, 1844.

12: Includes a seal.

13 & 14: Signed by Jose Figueroa, Governor of California.

15: Note signed by Jose Figueroa and Augustin V. Zamorano.

16: Notice, with Seal of Territory of California.

17: Note signed by Jose Figueroa and Augustin V. Zamorano.

18: Number 566 - Guadalupe Castro - San Andrés - Feb. 17, 1853

19: Monterey document, half of which is missing.

20: Monterey, 1833, includes signatures.

21: Monterey, Aug. 17, ca. 1830.

22: Ownership of Rancho San Andrés.

24: Northern California, May 13, 1823.

25: Northern California, Monterey, May 13, 1823.

40: Diseño of Rancho Soquel [Diseño = primitive sketch map]

41-63 more copies of documents (transcribed from originals)