

The Hihn-Younger Archive  
Special Collections, University Library — University of California at Santa Cruz  
**Activity Report — April 30, 2005**  
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**Dear Friends of the Hihn-Younger Archive:**

**In last year's report, I indicated our future plans to transcribe parts of the Archive, among other projects. Here is a progress report.**

*Upgrade and improve the content of the Hihn-Younger Archive Website.*

**We hope that you find the new and improved Website more attractive, easier to use, and an expanded content. This is always a "work in progress." <http://library.ucsc.edu/Zope/hihn/>**

*Transcribe and publish: Letters of Coleman Younger and C. B. Younger Sr.*

903 Letters, dated 1844 through 1891, in five volumes: Letters from and to Charles Bruce Younger Sr. and 68 sent by him to his father, Coleman Purcell Younger. (Gift of Helen Goode)

**Kristin Sanders, lately a Graduate Student from Library School, Simmons College, Boston, and now a Library Assistant in Special Collections, UCSC, has resumed (in March 2005) her work on the Coleman Younger/C. B. Younger Sr. Letters. Transcribing is complete. There will be verification and indexing required before we are in a position to "publish" these — in book form and on our Website.**

**A sample letter:**

*Friend Younger*

*Thank you for your proposition, but I am not in the field this campaign. I have determined to keep out of politics. As a friend of [Andrew] Craig I must certainly advise him not to accept the nomination for County judge because his defeat would be sure, in fact judging from present appearances no man brought out by the Democracy or endorsed by them can be elected and I deem it for the best interests of the party to let the election go by default, at least so far as County judge is concerned.*

*Yours, F. A. Hihn*

*Santa Cruz Sept 13, 1871.*

*Transcribe and publish: 25 volumes of Agreements and Deeds of F. A. Hihn and the Hihn Co. (Gift of Gloria Hihn Welsh)*

**Jennifer Fosgate, Assistant Librarian, UCSC, and Primary Assistant to the Coordinator has been transcribing these records, and she has completed volumes 1 through 8 of 22. We have published, in book form and on our Website, Volumes 1 through 6.**

Title F.A. Hihn Company : agreements, deeds, & leases /  
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Spine title Deeds of F.A. Hihn & F.A. Hihn Co  
Call # F868.S3 F3 2004 Vol. 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, Index to Vol. 1-6.

**Jennifer is currently transcribing Volume 9. We will review the status of her work after she has worked her way through Volume 12, and see if another six volumes will fit the same format as 1 through 6.**

*Select photographs for digitization.*

**This plan is to create a database of the Images in the Hihn-Younger Archive. It will record all we know about the images, who the subjects are, who took the picture, when it was taken, etc. We will also digitize the images for linking data to image — and these will be accessible to anyone via the WWW. This project is on hold. Other priorities have entered our agenda, but we will eventually get this done.** (Gifts from members of the Hihn and Younger families.)

*Catalog and Index 900+ maps of the F. A. Hihn Co. (Gift of Gloria Welsh)*

**Before Alan Allwardt left us for greener pastures (he now works for U.S. Geological Survey) he was able to catalog and index 959 maps in the Hihn Map Collection. This includes 18,791 names of Land Owners that are depicted on those maps. This will be a valuable resource for researchers. This resource has been used by the Map Room staff, as well as the Hihn-Younger Archive staff.**

**A new project was begun last year: We have been Indexing the Biographies that appear in 218 volumes of California County and Regional Histories (depicted on 33 rolls of microfilm). This is a collection that I acquired for the library (courtesy of the Louis E. Hihn Endowment). The problem is that the 33 rolls of film are not indexed. So, while F. A. Hihn and C. B. Younger Sr.'s biographies appear somewhere in these 218 volumes, which roll of film are they on? This required us to undertake an indexing project. We are within a hair's breath of completing this project. As of today, I added about 2,500 names to the database, boosting the total to nearly 35,000. When completed, we will mount the database on our Website, and it can be shared with the entire world.**

**For the past 28 years, Ronald Powell, a resident of Los Altos, has been compiling a history of the Soquel Augmentation Rancho and the Soquel Rancho (a portion of which is where Capitola is located). His work includes a History of F. A. Hihn, and includes the story of the partition of the Ranchos (C. B. Younger Sr. was one of the Referees who decided the validity of the ownership claims, some of which went to F. A. Hihn). Ron has donated his entire research to the Hihn-Younger Archive, over 60 volumes of material. Indexing of the primary 7 volumes is taking place now, with completion expected by the end of 2005.**

**A new project was started in January, 2004 — the transcribing and indexing of Leon Rowland File Cards. I have a volunteer, Joan Gilbert Martin, working with me on this. Leon Rowland (1884-1952), a newspaper columnist on local history, an editor of the *Santa Cruz Evening News*, and *Santa Cruz Sentinel*, was addicted to researching local history. He taught himself Spanish and translated most of the pre-statehood documents (from the founding of the Villa de Branciforte in 1791) and recorded the names of pioneers and members of their families. It is one of the most important research sources that we have available. This collection (about 10,000 cards) is contained in ten boxes of cards (3 x 5, and 8.5 x 4). We have completed about half, and are in the process of formatting two fully-indexed boxes for mounting on the Special Collections Website. An example of the richness of the collection may be estimated from the citations for the families of F. A. Hihn and C. B. Younger:**

Hihn & Field (Frederick Augustus Hihn & Storer Woodbury Field)	A-1 331.2
Hihn Building -- Brick	B-1 749.1
Hihn Building -- Tenants -- Attorneys Burnett & DeWitt	A-1 960
Hihn Building (corner Pacific Ave. & Lincoln St.)	B-1 5
Hihn Building (Lincoln St. & Pacific Ave.)	B-1 1.2
Hihn Company, F. A. (bookkeeper for)	A-1 372
Hihn Company, F. A.	B-1 548
Hihn, August Charles	A-1 447, 535
Hihn, Eulice William	A-1 644
Hihn, Frederick Augustus -- Gift of Capitola Lots for Church	B-1 834, 837
Hihn, Frederick Augustus	A-1 193, 331.2, 694.2;
	B-1 1.1, 16, 19, 41-42, 490, 542.1, 548, 593, 595, 749.1, 818,
	821-822, 826, 830-831, 841, 868.5, 878, 905, 949, 981.2, 995.1,
	1008.1, 1011.2-1011.3, 1014.4, 1027.1, 1031.4, 1032.2-1033.2,
	1033.4-1034, 1063.3
Hihn, Hugo Frederick ( <i>nee</i> Friedrich Hugo Hermann Hühn)	A-1 479; B-1 868.6
Hihn's Sawmill -- Valencia	B-1 548
Younger, Charles Bruce Sr.	B-1 593

**Undoubtedly there will be many, many more citations; but, we have only indexed two boxes to date.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

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