

Finding Aid to the C.W. Geary Collection

Descriptive Summary

Title: C.W. Geary Collection

Date Range: 1897-1933

Collection number: [Accession #84-4](#).

Extent: 4 boxes

Repository: County History Center, Contra Costa County Historical Society, 724 Escobar Street, Martinez, CA 94553, 925-229-1042

Legal status: public

Information for Researchers

Access: Collection is open for research.

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Scope and Content: The boxes contain account books and ledger books for the Geary Store in Walnut Creek, and a property title search book relating to a petition by the Geary family regarding a County roadway in 1933. C.W. Geary ran a store on Bonanza Street in Walnut Creek in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

Arrangement of Materials: Materials are stored in four boxes as described below.

Box 1

- Geary Store, Nov 1900-Dec 1901. Accounts book listing individual merchandise for each customer. Indexed.

Box 2

- Property title search book belonging to the Rowland family, related to a petition to the County by G.F. Geary and nine other property owners asking the County to abandon an unnamed roadway in Reliez Valley (Contra Costa County) in 1933.
- Ledger book of an unnamed business, presumably the Geary Store, 1898-1900 (a set of initials on the opening page of the book reads "C.W.G.").

Box 3

- Ledger book from the Geary Store, 1901-02. Many of the ledger pages also were used for extensive note-taking and writing long after the book's original use as a business ledger, judging from the more contemporary subjects mentioned in the writing and notes.

Box 4

- Ledger book of Geary Store, 1897-1900.

Indexing Terms: Business Records