

# Container List

2013-59 ~ Papers, Personal ~ Willys Peck Collection

08/04/2021

| Container Description   | Folder | Location | Creator         | Date Subjects   | Title   |
|---|--------|----------|-----------------|---|---|
| 1: H081001<br><i>Two folders of assorted research material and clippings on Los Gatos resident Charles Erskine Woods. Includes a handwritten letter from Woods to the Los Gatos Mail-News dated May 8, 1937, in response to the newspaper's "presentation of my views on Russia and Trotsky" in the May 6th issue.</i>  | 1 & 2  |          | Peck, Willys I. |   | File on Charles Erskine Woods                               |
| 1: H081001<br><i>Memoranda to staff regarding the Awards for Commitment to Excellence. Peck won the Editorial award in 1988, and nominated Dale Cockerill in 1989.</i>  | 10     |          |                 |   | Mercury News ACE Awards                                     |
| 1: H081001<br><i>Letters documenting the establishment of a scholarship through the West Valley College District Foundation in Willys Peck's name after Peck donated the \$1000 he received for his Mercury News ACE award in 1988.</i>   | 11     |          |                 |   | Willys Peck-Mercury News Award for Commitment to Excellence |
| 1: H081001<br><i>Three black and white photographic prints of Peck holding a bunch of balloons in the newsroom in front of a group of staff members, and being hugged by another staff member.</i>  | 12     |          |                 |   | Party photographs   |
| 1: H081001  | 13     |          |                 | Labor unions<br>Newspapers<br>Journalists                                 | American Newspaper Guild Local 98 membership cards          |
| 1: H081001<br><i>Assortment of contracts between The San Jose Newspaper Guild and Northwest Publications, Inc., publisher of the San Jose Mercury and San Jose News.</i>  | 14     |          |                 | Labor unions<br>Newspapers<br>Journalists<br>Contracts<br>Employee rights | American Newspaper Guild Local 98 contracts                 |
| 1: H081001<br><i>Includes documents from a binder of information dated 1958; program and info on the 1958 convention held in San Jose; "If I Were A Newspaperman..." 1958 brochure; "Shop Steward Duties" handwritten notes; 1960 financial statement and handwritten note with tally of hours worked; strike memoranda; Report of the Human Rights Committee (n.d.).</i> | 15-17  |          |                 | Labor unions<br>Newspapers<br>Journalists<br>Employee rights              | American Newspaper Guild Local 98 assorted documents        |
| 1: H081001<br><i>1) Memorandum from Tom Brew to Bob Ingle regarding the Mercury emblem on masthead (June 4, 1991)<br/>2) "The 100 Years of the 'San Jose News': 1983-1883" chronology (prepared by R. Magovern, 9/88)<br/>3) Portion of timeline of Mercury News history 1986-1990</i>  | 3      |          |                 |   | Mercury News history  |
| 1: H081001<br><i>CHP Press identification cards issued to Willys Peck for the San Jose Mercury /San Jose Mercury-News</i>   | 4      |          |                 |   | California Highway Patrol identification cards              |
| 1: H081001<br><i>Letters and memorandum to Peck sent from members of the public in response to his articles, as well as complimentary notes/memos from other Mercury News staff and editors on his work.</i>  | 5-7    |          |                 |   | Letters to Willys Peck from public, editors                 |

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| 1: H081001  | 8       |          |                          |               | Willys Peck newsroom performance evaluations                      |
| 1: H081001  | 9       |          |                          | 1987          | Victorian Classics of San Francisco book review                   |
| <i>Correspondence, press release, review of Windgate Press' "Victorian Classics of San Francisco." The review appeared in the Arts &amp; Books section of the July 5, 1987 San Jose Mercury News.</i>   |         |          |                          |               |   |
| 2: H081002  |         |          | San Jose Newspaper Guild |               | American Newspaper Guild Local 98 publications                    |
| <i>Newsletter published by San Jose Newspaper Guild/CWA, Local 98: San Jose Guildsman / The Guild's Paper / Guild news</i>  |         |          |                          |               |   |
| 2: H081002  |         |          | San Jose Mercury News    |               | San Jose Mercury News employee publications                       |
| 1) Mouse Droppings: Computer-Assisted Reporting at the Mercury News (1996-1999).<br>2) San Jose Mercury News Dateline (February 1993)<br>3) CQ: Style memos from the Mercury News copy chiefs (April 1996-January 2000)<br>4) Prose & Cons: A biweekly newsletter about the journalism of the Mercury News (September 1997-April 1998)  |         |          |                          |               |   |
| 3: H081003  |         |          | San Jose Newspaper Guild |               | Gridiron Dinner programs  |
| <i>1952 was the first Gridiron Dinner produced by the San Jose Newspaper Guild, modeled after the Washington, D.C. Press Club event.</i>  |         |          |                          |               |   |
| <i>Incomplete run: 1952-1957; 1960, 1962, 1964, 1968, 1970, 1972, 1974, 1987, 1988, 1990</i>  |         |          |                          |               |   |
| 4: H025736  |         |          | Peck, Willys I.          |               | Scripts for plays and Gridiron Dinner sketches; Gridiron ephemera |
| <i>Collection of scripts and assorted manuscripts for Mercury News Gridiron dinner sketches. Peck wrote many plays for performance at a stage built at his house in Saratoga, including:</i>  |         |          |                          |               |   |
| <i>The Straight Flush</i><br><i>Push Pink Prune Pickers Probe</i><br><i>The Strategy Session</i><br><i>Smog Odyssey</i><br><i>Do not fold, spindle or mutilate</i><br><i>How subdivided was my Valley?</i>  |         |          |                          |               |   |
| <i>Also includes assorted tickets and invitations.</i>  |         |          |                          |               |   |
| 5: H000662  |         |          |                          |               | Mock front pages for Mercury News staff departures                |
| <i>Retirement party invitations, and mock front pages for staff departures:</i>   |         |          |                          |               |   |
| <i>Fred Hassett retirement party</i><br><i>Ben Phillips front page (February 10, 1988)</i><br><i>Dale Lane front page (July 10, 1987)</i><br><i>Harry Farrell front page (January 9, 1987)</i><br><i>Bob Ingle front page (January 9, 1985)</i><br><i>Larry Jinks retirement party (January 22, 1994)</i><br><i>Martin Gerber retirement party</i><br><i>Bill Hanley (Saratoga city administrator)</i><br><i>Ardith Hilliard front page</i>   |         |          |                          |               |   |
| 5: H000662  | H002425 |          |                          |               | Newspaper Guild publications (oversize)                           |
| 1) <i>The Guild Reporter (American Newspaper Guild - December 26, 1958): Includes supplement documenting the Newspaper Guild's first 25 years</i><br>2) <i>The Guild Reporter (American Newspaper Guild - September 25, 1959): Front page story on the contract ending the first strike in the history of the San Francisco-Oakland Newspaper Guild</i><br>3) <i>The Bay Guildsman (San Francisco-Oakland Newspaper Guild, May 1959): Front page story on San Jose Guild strike</i><br>4) <i>The Bay Guildsman (San Francisco-Oakland Newspaper Guild, October 1959): Front page story on San Francisco Guild</i> |         |          |                          |               |   |
| Labor contract (LCSH)<br>Strikes<br>Newspaper industry<br>Nineteen fifties (LCSH)   |         |          |                          |               |   |

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