GUIDE TO THE BOHEMIAN CLUB PAPERS

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Abstract: The Bohemian Club is a Gentlemen’s club in San Francisco that was established in 1872. The group included male journalists, artists, businessmen, university academics, and entrepreneurs. The Club put on a large range of activities for its members, most notably the yearly expedition to the Bohemian Grove in Sonoma County, where a Summer Encampment would take place. In the city, members were offered dinners, luncheons with prominent members of the arts world, concerts, and shows, often put on by their own members. The club maintained yearly traditions such as Thanksgiving dinner, Christmas celebrations, and the ‘Spring Jinks’ show. The ephemera collection mainly spans the early 1930s to the late 1940s, but there are scattered examples of ephemera from the early 1900s to the 1960s.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Provenance
Not known. Many documents apparently come from the personal collection of Arthur C. Alvarez, an Associate Professor of Civil Engineering at the University of California according to a 1924 register. Additionally, a small number of the documents were addressed to a Mark H. White.

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