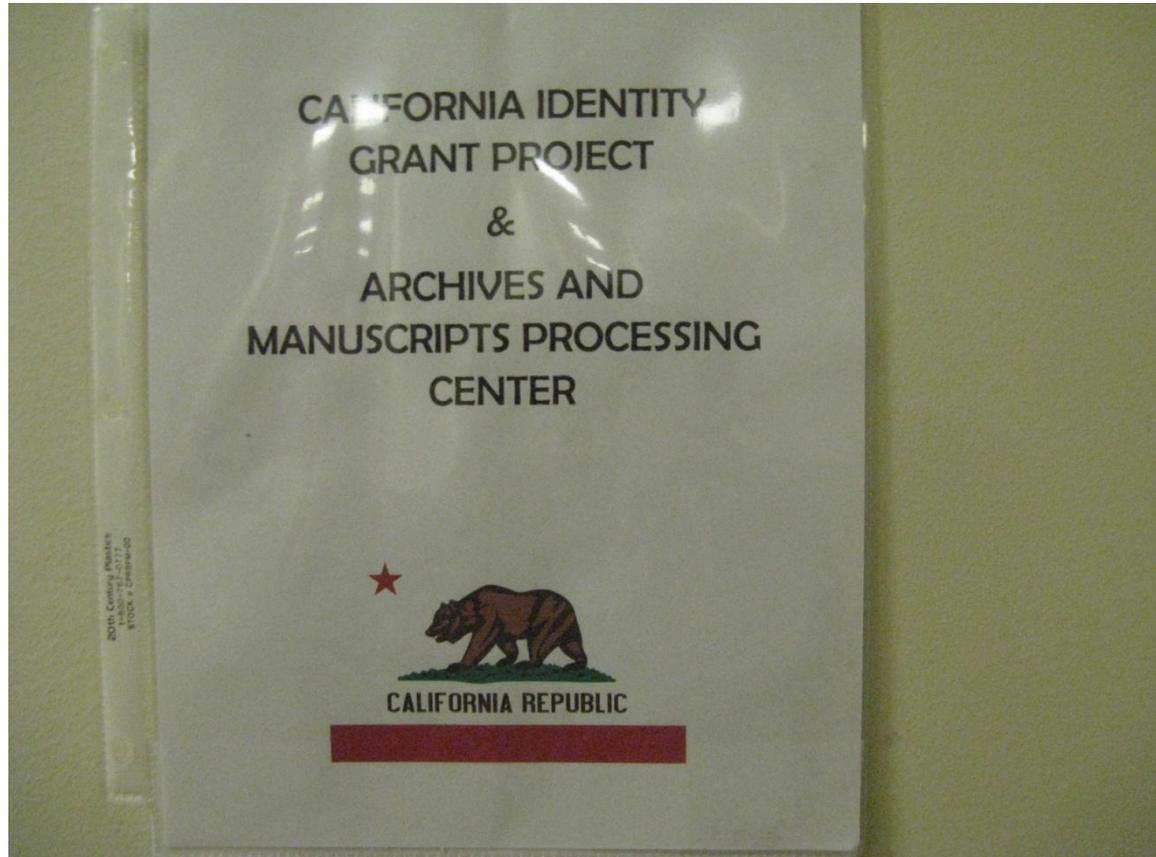


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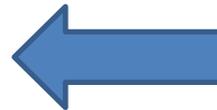


Huntington Library and the USC Institute on
California and the West

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Cataloging This Way



Origin of Project

Huntington-University of Southern California Institute for California and the West (ICW)

Association of Research Libraries' national agenda
"Hidden Collections"

Statewide initiative to coordinate the acquisition, cataloging, and future collection development of California historical archives

Huntington Library Manuscripts Department Backlog

Purpose

Provide doctoral students with access to primary resources - “Better Readers,” USC, UC Irvine, San Jose State University and UCLA

Provide a strategic response to ARL’s “Hidden Collections” agenda

Start working on Huntington Manuscripts Department backlog

Incorporation of processing center into Manuscripts Department organizational structure

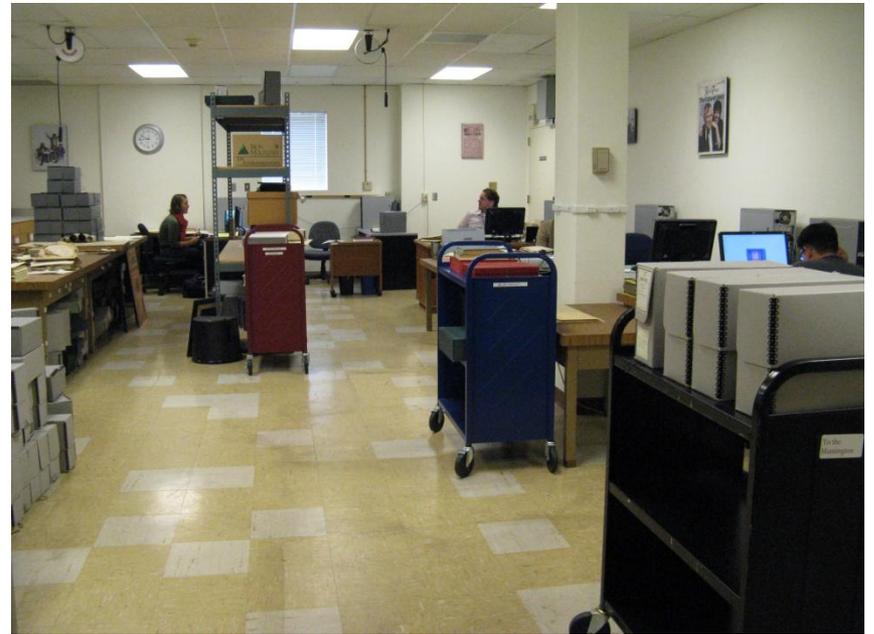
Planning

Student cataloging guide

Find space for students

Supplies, etc.

Office Space



Training/Processing

Throw them in the deep end

Library of Congress

Finding Aids

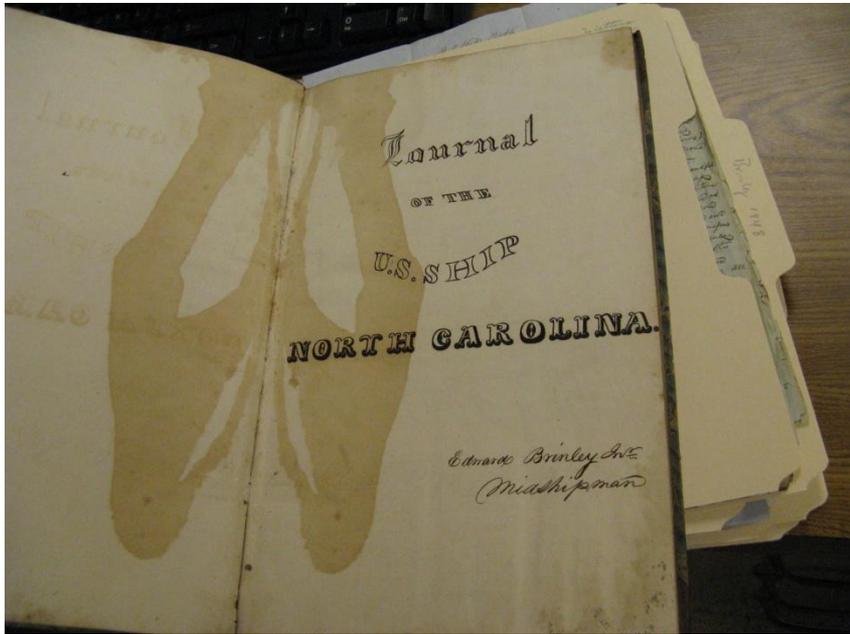
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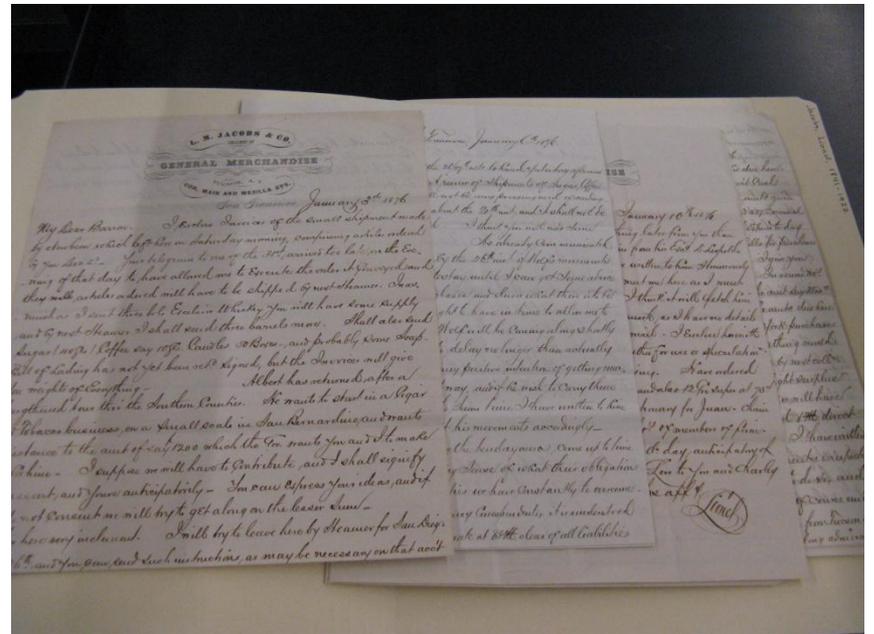


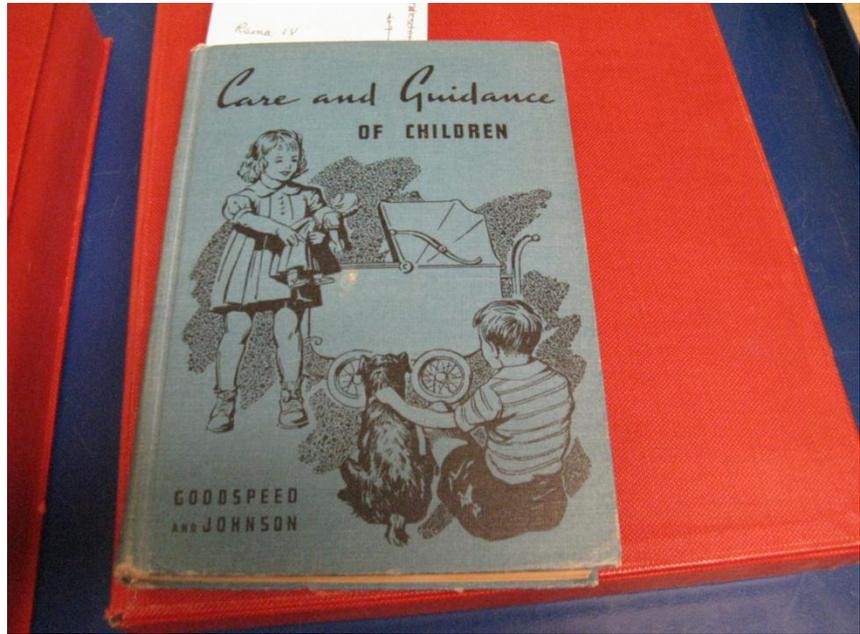
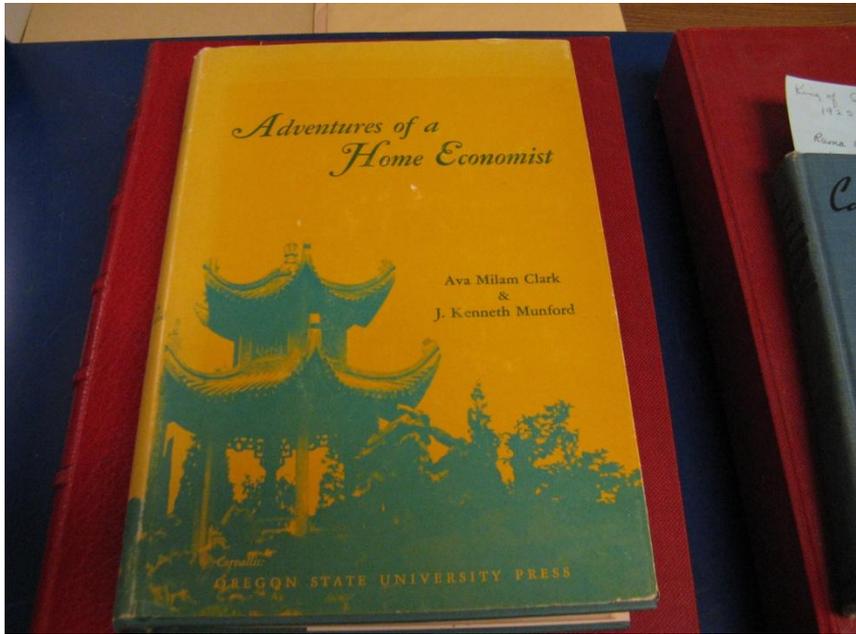
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In Many Forms







Finding Aid/Record Creation

Creation of finding aid from examples

Review of their finding aid

MARC record/OPAC record

Henry E. Huntington Library - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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The Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens

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AUTHOR silverberg, robert Search

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 Title **Papers of Robert Silverberg, 1953-1992.**

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Description 1,882 pieces, plus ephemera.
89 boxes.

Organization The papers of Robert Silverberg are arranged in the following series: 1. Manuscripts (Boxes 1-52); 2. Correspondence (Boxes 53-78); 3. Ephemera (Box 79); 4. Oversize (Boxes 80-89).

Biog. note Robert Silverberg was born in Brooklyn, New York on January 15, 1935 to Michael and Helen Silverberg. He was an only child. At an early age Silverberg began writing and by the time he entered his teenage years he was submitting stories to science fiction magazines. His first published novel *Revolt on Alpha C* was released in 1955. In 1956, he won the Hugo Award for "Most Promising New Author." He was the youngest person ever to receive this award. Simultaneously, Silverberg attended Columbia University where he earned a degree in Comparative Literature in 1956. Upon graduation, Silverberg became a full time writer. For a brief period of time, Silverberg took a break from writing science fiction and dabbled in other genres including nonfiction in the area of pre-history, archeology, and exploration for both adults and the young adult audience. In addition to writing nonfiction, he wrote a number of soft-core pornography novels under the pseudonym Don Elliot and Elliot.

By the mid-1960's, Silverberg returned to the science fiction scene when Frederik Pohl, the editor of *Galaxy*, convinced him that the science fiction audience had changed and a new more literate kind of story would sell. His major works released during this time include *Nightwings*, *Dying inside*, *Tower of glass*, *Thorns*, *Downward to the Earth*, *The book of skulls*, and *Shadrach in the furnace*. He also wrote a number of short stories which received much acclaim including *Sundance*, *Born with the dead*, *Caliban*, and *In Entropy's jaws*. During Silverberg's career, he wrote over 60 novels, 10 books in the *Majipoor* series, 22 short story collections, 52 nonfiction works, and 16 anthologies. He has written under various pseudonyms: Walker Chapman; Ivar Jorgenson; Calvin M. Knox; David Osborne; Robert Randall; and Lee Sebastian. Silverberg has served as the President for the Science Fiction Writers of America and was the American guest of Honor at the 28th World Science Fiction Convention in Heidelberg, Germany in 1970. He has won the Hugo award three times, the Nebula award five times, the Locus award nine times, the Prix Apollo, and the Jupiter award. Silverberg has written for various magazines and *Ace Doubles*. Since 2007, he has served as President of the Fantasy Amateur Press Association.

Internet

Outcome

Better readers, use of their strengths,
knowledge

Over 100 collections off of backlog - 97
as of 9/22/10

Review of cataloging workflows,
guidelines, reader feedback

Be careful what you wish for, you just
might get it

Collections Completed



Future Challenges

Encoding finding aids

Continue work on backlog

Finding money to continue project