
Register of the San Joaquin Valley College Collection, 1878-1912

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Church of the United Bretheren in Christ

San Joaquin Valley College (Woodbridge, Calif.) - Records and correspondence

Woodbridge Seminary (Calif.)

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Biography

The Church of the United Brethren in Christ established its California headquarters at Woodbridge, near Lodi (1878), and shortly thereafter opened a preparatory school, Woodbridge Seminary (1879). This institution subsequently became a four college (1883) graduating its first class in 1885. As such it was the first institution of higher learning in the San Joaquin Valley. Before San Joaquin Valley College closed its doors (1897) due to competition from better financed institutions in the Bay Area, it had graduated some fifty students, the most notable of which was probably Congressman, later U.S. Tax Collector for the Port of New York, Marion DeVries. The school curriculum included the traditional classical courses of the day, as well as business, music and art.

Scope and Content

The San Joaquin Valley College Collection includes: the College Grade Book (1883-1897); President's & Treasurer's Reports (1883-1897); many College Catalogues, Graduation Announcements and like materials, as well as clippings and reminiscences.

BOX 1: SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY COLLEGE COLLECTION

- 1.1: College Catalogues, 1886/87-1887/88; 1892/93-1894/95
- 1.2: Commencement Exercise Programs, 1887, 1892-1896
- 1.3: Commencement Invitations, 1886, 1889, 1891, 1893-1895, 1897; Music, 1893-94
- 1.4: Lawyer opinion as to ownership of College property
- 1.5: Purchase Agreements, Deeds & Articles of Incorporation, 1878, 1883, 1890, 1897, 1903
- 1.6: College Ensign (Jul 1890)
- 1.7: Constitution & By-Laws of Philophranean Society
- 1.8: Misc. Concert & Oration Programs
- 1.9: Misc. Financial Documents [piano bill of sale; tuition check]
- 1.10: School ribbons & ephemera
- 1.11: College Grade Book, 1883-1897 [complete]
- 1.12: President's & Treasurer's Reports, 1879-1897 [complete; incl. two typescript transcriptions]
 - a-Interview with T.R. Burkett, 1912 [incl. w/ transcriptions]
 - b-Mrs. W.J. Horn. "Woodbridge College notes," n.d. [incl w/ transcriptions]
 - c-Henry & Mary Corell reminiscences [incl w/ transcriptions]
- 1.13: Clippings
- 1.14: Invitations & Programs to 1956 Historic Marker Dedication