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## Guide to the Sewell F. Graves Photograph Collection

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#### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Sewell F. Graves Photograph collection,

**Date (inclusive):** ca. 1890-1920,

**Date (bulk):** (bulk 1890-2001)

**Collection number:** MS 204

**Creator:** Graves, Sewell Fogg

**Extent:** 67 photographs

**Repository:** University of California, Santa Cruz. University Library. Special Collections and Archives  
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**Abstract:** This collection consists of photographs of the Graves and Byrne families lives in Santa Cruz at the turn of the 20th century.

**Physical location:** Stored offsite: Advance notice is required for access to the papers.

**Language:** English

#### Access

Collection open for research.

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**Acquisition Information**

Gift of William F. Stone, Jr. in 2001

**Biographical Note**

Sewell Fogg Graves (1843-1923) was the photographer of this collection. His daughter, Helen P. Graves married George G. Byrne, co-owner of Byrne Bros. Hardware on Pacific Avenue in downtown Santa Cruz. George and Helen's daughter Gertrude (1901-1992) was the donor's mother. Gertrude was born in Santa Cruz, and graduated in the first class of the newly built Santa Cruz High School after the 1915 fire.

**Scope and Contents Note**

This collection consists of Graves and Byrne's family photographs of Santa Cruz, the family homes, West Cliff drive, the beach and wharf area, churches, schools, and downtown Santa Cruz.

**Arrangement**

The photographs are arranged by size.

**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

**Subjects**

Graves, Sewell F. (Sewell Fogg)--Archives  
Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk (Calif.)  
Photography--California--Santa Cruz.  
Santa Cruz (Calif.)--History.

**Biographical material, 1919-2001**

**Physical Description:** 1 folder

**Scope and Content Note**

Contains a news clipping about a family member and a copy of a note from the donor giving the family genealogy.

Box-folder 1:1

**News clipping and note, 1941, 2001**

Box-folder 1:1

**Gertrude Byrne's commencement program, Santa Cruz High School, 1919**

**4x5 Photographs, 1900-1930**

**Physical Description:** 41 photographs

**Scope and Content Note**

Contains photographs of family members, family homes, and Santa Cruz scenery.ca. 1890-1930.

Accession No. 204.1 **Ben Martin - the way the street looks now.**

Accession No. 204.2 **Portrait of Ernest Otto, ca.1890-1910**

Accession No. 204.3 **West Cliff Drive, ca.1900**

Accession No. **Helen Byrne's home at 350 Laurel St., Santa Cruz (Cleveland and Laurel St.)**

204.4-8

Accession No. **1927**

204.4, 204.8

Accession No. 204.5 **1927**

Accession No. 204.6 **1941**

Accession No. 204.7 **1942**

Accession No. 204.9 **Aunt Mabel and Uncle Walter's home**

Accession No. **Home of Walter C. Byrne, King Street**

204.10

Accession No. **George G. Byrne home, 320 King Street, Santa Cruz**

204.11

Accession No. **Bay View School, Santa Cruz**

204.12-14

Accession No. **7th grade class, ca.1913**

204.12

Accession No. **8th grade class, Teacher, Nettie Newman, ca.1913**

204.13

Accession No. **6th grade A class, 1913**

204.14

Accession No. **Santa Cruz High School Boosters in Gilroy, October 1913**

204.15

Accession No. **After the Santa Cruz High School Fire, October 1, 1913**

204.16-17

Accession No. **A crowd relaxing on the steps of the Santa Cruz Beach Casino, ca.1910-1915**

204.18

Accession No. **West Cliff Drive at Woodrow Avenue, old Cliff Museum with "Free Cliff View" sign on roof, ca. 1900-1925**

204.19

Accession No. **Santa Cruz Beach and wharf, ca. 1900-1915**

204.20

Accession No. **West Cliff Drive, ca. 1900-1915**

204.21

Accession No. **West Cliff Drive looking towards Natural Bridges beach**

204.22

Accession No. **Ocean break**

204.23

Accession No. **West Cliff Drive by Woodrow Avenue, ca.1900-1915**

204.24

Accession No. **Country lane with a carriage parked on side of the road**

204.25

Accession No. **Portrait of a man sitting in a convertible Model T.**

204.26

Accession No. **Six people in a horse drawn carriage with a fringe on top.**

204.27

Accession No. **Buckboard wagon driven by two men**

204.28

Accession No. **Portrait of two couple in convertible Model T [License 4563]**  
204.29  
Accession No. **Man and woman cooking over campfire**  
204.30  
Accession No. **Interior of Byrne Bros. Hardware store in Santa Cruz, ca. 1900-1915**  
204.31  
Accession No. **Circus parade down Pacific Avenue, ca.1900-1920**  
204.32-34  
Accession No. **Interior view of old Congregational Church, Santa Cruz**  
204.35  
Accession No. **Unidentified gothic style church**  
204.36-37  
Accession No. **Waves breaking on rocks at end of Woodrow Avenue - Vue L'Eau**  
204.38  
Accession No. **Grandma Drennau's back yard, now Wessendorf's Mortuary, ca. 1900-1920**  
204.39  
Accession No. **Garden at 320 King St., home of George G, Byrne, ca. 1900-1920**  
204.40  
Accession No. **Big Basin stage and campfire circle, ca. 1900-1920**  
204.41

**5x7 Photographs, 1900-1930**

**Physical Description:** 20 photographs

**Scope and Content Note**

Contains photographs of family members, family homes, and Santa Cruz scenery.ca. 1890-1930.

Accession No. 204.42-43	<b>After the fire at Santa Cruz high School, October 1913</b>
Accession No. 204.44	<b>Santa Cruz beach and wharf, ca. 1900-1920</b>
Accession No. 204.45	<b>Waves breaking on cliff, ca. 1900-1920</b>
Accession No. 204.46	<b>The Big Tree Road, Santa Cruz Mountains</b>
Accession No. 204.47	<b>Berry Creek Fall, Big Basin</b>
Accession No. 204.48	<b>Big Basin campfire circle and office buildings</b>
Accession No. 204.49	<b>Congregational church, Santa Cruz</b>
Accession No. 204.50	<b>First Santa Cruz High School,1895-1913</b>
Accession No. 204.51	<b>Climbing rose covering back porch and trellis at 320 King St., ca. 1900-1920</b>
Accession No. 204.52	<b>Buckboard driven by two men</b>
Accession No. 204.53	<b>Mr. Scroggy driving the Byrne Bros. mules and hardware wagon, Aug. 1911</b>
Accession No. 204.54	<b>Buchanan's ranch where we spent a summer when Gert was 12 yrs. old, 1913</b>
Accession No. 204.55	<b>Bucchanans, where our family spent one summer in Santa Cruz Mountains, ca. 1913</b>
Accession No. 204.56	<b>Newly built Santa Cruz High School, ca. 1915</b>
Accession No. 204.57	<b>Eight older women sitting on porch steps, ca. 1900-1920</b>
Accession No. 204.58	<b>West Cliff Drive near Vue L'Eau - natural bridge pass through visible, ca. 1900-1920</b>
Accession No. 204.59	<b>Gert in front of Dodge's yard at the corner of Bay and King Streets, ca. 1900-1920</b>
Accession No. 204.60	<b>Episcopal Church, Santa Cruz</b>
Accession No. 204.61	<b>Grandpa Sewell Graves oil painting outside, ca. 1900-1920</b>

**8x10 Photographs, 1900-1930**

**Physical Description:** 7 photographs

**Scope and Content Note**

Contains photographs of family members, family homes, and Santa Cruz scenery.ca. 1890-1960.

Accession No.     **Daughters of the American Revolution, Santa Cruz, 1939-1940**

204.62

**Scope and Content Note**

Family members identified are Aunt Mabel Byrne, Aunt Florence Byrne, Louise Sheppa (Lovett), Mrs. Ryland Drennau and Harriet Liles .

Accession No.     **Aerial view of First Congregational Church, Soquel, ca. 1940-1960**

204.63

Accession No.     **First Congregational Church chancel, Santa Cruz**

204.64

Accession No.     **Grandma Drennau's house and backyard - where Wessendorf's Funeral Parlor now stands on Church St.**

204.65

Accession No.     **Portrait of the Santa Cruz High School Football team, 1913**

204.66

Accession No.     **Teachers of the Congregational Sunday School - Helen Byrne, sitting in middle, bottom row, ca. 1898**

204.67

Accession No.     **Building remains after fire at Santa Cruz High School, 1913**

204.68