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### Descriptive Summary

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**Date (inclusive):** 1911-1954

**Collection number:** MS 51

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### Collection Description

The collection consists of letters to McFarland, primarily from other railroad aficionados, letters concerning the Railway & Locomotive Historical Society, R&LHS Pacific Coast Chapter newsletters and announcements of excursions and miscellaneous photograph lists (not McFarland images) and retirement and scrapping lists for Southern Pacific steam locomotives. Correspondents include Charles E. Fisher, Gilbert H. Kneiss, David L. Joslyn, and Charles Smallwood.

### Historical Background

Robert H. McFarland was a railroad enthusiast and photographer in the San Francisco Bay Area during the early and mid-twentieth century. Prior to his death in 1954, he photographed Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, Southern Pacific, Western Pacific, Northwestern Pacific, and traction subjects, as well as maritime and city views.

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Folder 1

**Letters**

Folder 2	<b>Railway &amp; Locomotive Historical Society, Pacific Coast Chapter newsletters</b>
Folder 3	<b>Railway &amp; Locomotive Historical Society, Pacific Coast Chapter excursion announcements</b>
Folder 4	<b>Miscellaneous rosters, scrapping lists, and photograph lists</b>
Folder 5	<b>Miscellany</b>