
Guide to the C. Ray Varley Papers

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Descriptive Summary

Title: C. Ray Varley Papers

Dates: 1967-1992

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Collection number: UArch FacP 20

Creator: Varley, C. Ray

Collection Size: 2 linear feet (5 document boxes)

Repository: University of California, Santa Barbara. Library. Dept. of Special Collections
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Abstract: This collection contains correspondence, clippings, official statements, and studies which provide a record of Varley's service to the campus as Vice Chancellor, particularly in relation to UCSB's neighboring community, Isla Vista. In addition to the official record, the collection contains records of Varley's book, *Isla Vista, U.S.A.*, including original photographs and slides, two copies of Varley's book, and publication information.

Physical location: Del Sur, University Archives, 29A.

Languages: English

Access Restrictions

None.

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Acquisition Information

Multiple donations from C. Ray Varley.

Biography

C. Ray Varley served the University of California, Santa Barbara as Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance from 1967-1970. He took a particular interest in Isla Vista and worked to establish a sense of community in the area. Early in 1970, Chancellor Vernon Cheadle modified Varley's title to Vice Chancellor of Business and Finance and Isla Vista Affairs. He served in that capacity until 1971 when he left Santa Barbara to accept an appointment as the Administrative Vice President of the University of Utah.

As was the situation at many other colleges and universities in the late 1960s and early 1970s, UCSB students participated in the growing counterculture. Isla Vista became the local center of political and social unrest, culminating with the riot of

February 1970 which ending in the burning of the Isla Vista Bank of America building. Varley, as Vice Chancellor of Isla Vista affairs, was directly involved in the campus's response to the unrest. Later that year, he published *Isla Vista, U.S.A.*, a pictorial history of Isla Vista, positively reflecting the compact community adjacent to the UCSB campus.

Scope and Content of Collection

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The collection was developed through four separate donations by Varley. The first donation, 1981, was primarily clipping files developed while Varley was Vice Chancellor. The second, date unknown, included photographs used in the production of his book, *Isla Vista, U.S.A.* (1970) and a copy of the book. The third donation, 1992, included additional clippings, the bulk of the correspondence, and the personal section (the autobiography and the awards and tributes). The fourth donation included fifteen black and white negatives of UCSB's Faculty Club taken as the building neared completion and the tape background music used in "The Isla Vista Story," a slide show that Varley presented to various University and community groups.

Indexing Terms

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

Varley, C. Ray

University of California, Santa Barbara

Isla Vista (Calif.)

Related Material

See UArch 17, Office of the Chancellor, Chancellors' Records, for more records from the administration during Varley's time, including the files of Chancellor Vernon Cheadle.

See UArch 11, Public Information Office Biographical Files.

For more information about Isla Vista, especially from the time in which Varley was Vice-Chancellor, see Isla Vista Resources list: <http://www.library.ucsb.edu/speccoll/ivweb/iv1.html>

Series I: **Personal**

Box 1: 1 **Personal autobiography (partial), 1992**
Box 1: 2 **Personal awards and tributes, 1968-1970**
Map Cabinet 19: **Isla Vista Park Bench Award: Man of the Year, 1970**
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Series II: **Administrative**

Box 1: 3 **Correspondence, incoming & outgoing, 1967-1971**
Box 1: 4 **Physical Planning Committee, 1970**
Box 1: 5 **Scrapbook of construction projects, 1967-1971**
Box 1: 6 **Clippings, 1961-1969**
Box 1: 7 **Clippings, 1970-1972, 1988**
Box 2: 1 **Statements re: Isla Vista, 1970-1971**
Box 2: 2 **Trow Report and follow up, 1970**
Box 2: 3 **Faculty response to disturbances, 1970-1971**

Series III: ***Isla Vista, U.S.A.* and Photography**

Box 2: 1-2 ***Isla Vista, U.S.A.* (2 copies), 1970**
Box 2: 3 ***Isla Vista, U.S.A.* copyright & consent forms, 1970**
Box 2: 4 **"Isla Vista Story" slide show guide, n.d.**
Box 2 **"Free Isla Vista" lapel pin, n.d.**
Box 2: 5 **Larger format photographs, ca. 1970**
Box 2: 6 **Slides of IV and UCSB**
Box 2: 7 **Original negatives from *Isla Vista, U.S.A.* (9) and Faculty Club (9), ca. 1970**
Box 3 **Smaller format photographs with corresponding page numbers, ca. 1970**

Box 4-5

Smaller format photographs of IV (unnumbered), ca. 1970