Archive
Lakeshore Museum Center
Scott M. Hackley Collection

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Object ID Numbers: 2011.053.005 to 2011.053.037

Location: LMC Archive, room 204, shelf N 7, Photographs in J 4 and Shelf V 2 Box Z

Dates: 1890-1984

Quantity: 1 Grey Document, 3 Photograph Envelopes, 1 Oversize Folder (.6 Linear Feet)

Restrictions: No Restrictions

Abstract: This small collection contains archival materials and photographs that belonged to Scott M. Hackley, and includes information about his life in California. Scott M. Hackley, also known as Bill Hackley, was the grandson of Charles H. Hackley and Julia Hackley, and was the son of Charles Moore Hackley and Edith Morse Hackley. Scott was born in Muskegon and then moved to California with his parents and siblings. This collection provides information about the life of a descendant of one of Muskegon's most influential families, and how Scott M. Hackley still remained connected to the Muskegon community.

Historical Information: Scott Morse Hackley, known as Bill Hackley, was born on March 19, 1911 to Charles Moore Hackley and Edith Morse Hackley. He is the grandson of Charles Henry Hackley and Julia Moore Hackley. Scott had four siblings, Esther, Charles M., Anna Louise, and John Powers Hackley. He was born in Muskegon and then later moved to California with his parents and siblings.

He married Alexandra Hageman in 1939 and had one daughter Christine who was born in 1940. During World War II, Scott M. Hackley worked as an observer and inquiring locomotive fireman for the Union Pacific railroad, a job he held for a total of eight years. Before and after the war, Scott M. Hackley served as a member of the Sheriff’s Mounted Posse, which was composed of both paid and volunteer staff who were experienced horse riders and assisted in searches in areas not accessible by motor vehicles. They also provided patrol of public places and natural areas. Charles Moore Hackley was an honorary member and, as an excellent horse rider, Scott joined his father to help serve the sheriff.

After serving in WWII, he worked in sport fishing and other marine activities in the Santa Monica Bay area from 1945 to 1960. Two years later, Scott (Bill) was named Santa Monica's acting harbor master after having served as an assistant for two years. In 1964, he was appointed president of Santa Monica Municipal Employees Association (MEA).

Scott Morse Hackley later married Julienne Burrill on December 27, 1966 and they lived in Santa Barbara, California. They had two daughters, Stacey and Chrissy.
After he retired from serving as the Harbor Master, he focused on his hobby for railroads. Scott became the first president and general manager of the Zuma Canyon & Pacific Railroad in Malibu when he built his own model railroad with his wife Julie. An avid sailor, he twice participated in a trans-Pacific yacht race.

Scott Morse Hackley died August 24, 1983 in Santa Barbara, California.

**Scope and Contents:** This collection is arranged into eight series: Correspondence, Death Certificate, MEA Newsletters, Sheriff's Mounted Posse, Newspaper Clippings, Received Publications, Miscellaneous, and Photographs.

The Correspondence series contains 12 letters, the majority sent to Scott Morse Hackley (SMH), and include the following: a letter sent from the Hackley Hospital describing a recent remodeling project and the new lobby waiting room dedicated to Charles H. Hackley, sent 1981 and a response sent the same year; a letter to SMH from Eugene W. Biscailuz, Sheriff of Los Angeles County, congratulating SMH on becoming Harbor Master, sent 1962; a note to SMH from Santa Monica Bank with a newspaper clipping on SMH becoming Harbor Chief, sent 1962; a letter sent from Santa Monica Bank congratulating SMH on becoming the president to MEA, sent 1964; a letter sent to SMH from Mr. George C. Vincent regarding a Hackley Heritage Letter, sent 1977; three letters sent to SMH from Hackley Heritage Association and Herb Strum detailing current projects, their need for photographs and furniture for the house, and requests for information, all sent 1976; two letters sent to William S. Hackley from the Hackley Library and the Board of Education regarding the Julia Hackley Reading Room, sent 1983; and a letter sent to SMH from the Santa Monica Office of City Council congratulating him on becoming president of MEA, sent 1964.

The Death Certificate series includes multiple copies of Scott Morse Hackley's death certificate.

The MEA Newsletters series contains five issues of the Municipal Employees Association (MEA) newsletter from Santa Monica. The newsletters include business news, news about elections, events, members' opinions on current events, minutes from meetings, a list of officers, general occurrences, and related photographs. The newsletters in this series are from 1963 to 1964.

The Sheriff's Mounted Posse series includes a roster of the Silver Mounted Posse with a list of members and photographs from 1951, a membership booklet from 1941, and a sticker with a star and the logo.

The Newspaper Clippings series includes numerous articles about Scott M. Hackley's activities as Harbor Master in Santa Monica, a few short articles about his career, various articles about events in Muskegon as they pertain to the Hackley family and the history of the area, an obituary for Charles Moore Hackley, an newspaper image of Scott's brother John Hackley from World War II, and several clippings about the ship *Erie Hackley*. The clippings are from 1941 to 1972.
The Received Publications series contains various materials that Scott M. Hackley received in his lifetime and includes materials such as: Hackley Heritage Association brochures and booklets, a 75th Anniversary booklet from Hackley Union National Bank, two copies of the Hackley Hi-Lites from the Hackley Hospital and Medical Center celebrating their 75th Anniversary, a Red Cross program booklet for an Open House held on Hackley Day, May 25, 1943, and a small book Poems Now and Then by Elsie Janis, with a handwritten note from the author that states: "Merry and Happy X-Mas Mr. C.M. Hackley."

The Miscellaneous series includes various materials that did not fit within any other series, and includes a Hackley Art Museum invitation for an exhibit featuring the painting The North American Indian by Edward S. Curtis, a family information sheet on the Hackley and Morse families compiled in 1983, a list of Santa Monica City officials, an estate sale poster from the Los Angeles Bank, two magazine pages that contain an image of Scott M. Hackley and his wife Julie, and an invitation to a New Mexico art gallery sent in 1984.

The Photographs series includes portraits, snapshots, and other photographs of the following: Scott Morse Hackley, Charles Moore Hackley, Edith Morse Hackley, Santa Monica Harbor Department in 1960, a family cookout, Sheriff Eugene W. Biscailuz, and Hackley Hospital after a remodeling project in the 1980s.

**Arrangement:** This collection was donated by the heirs of Scott Morse Hackley and thus the order in which Scott M. Hackley originally placed the materials is not known. This collection was arranged into logical series, which were created to provide the best access possible. All of the materials were placed in acid-free folders and in acid-free boxes. As this collection is composed of several different types of paper, acid-free interleaving paper have been placed where needed. Where possible, the newspaper clippings were photocopied and the originals discarded. The photographs are stored in the filing cabinet J or in an oversize box Z on shelf V 2 to best protect the artifacts. All of the photographs are interleaved with acid-free tissue paper or acid-free paper. This collection has been cataloged on PastPerfect.

**Contents:**

2011.053.037- Archival Materials  
Located on Shelf N 7

**Series 1: Correspondence**  
Dates: 1962 to 1983

**Series 2: Death Certificate**  
Date: September 6, 1983

**Series 3: MEA Newsletters**  
Dates: 1963 to 1964

**Series 4: Sheriff's Mounted Posse**  
Dates: 1941, 1951
Series 5: Newspaper Clippings
Dates: 1941 to 1972

Series 6: Received Publications
Dates: 1943, 1945, 1980, bulk undated

Series 7: Miscellaneous
Dates: 1983, 1984, bulk undated

Series 8: Photographs

2011.053.005- Portrait of Charles Moore Hackley
Date: c. 1910 to 1930

2011.053.006- Portrait of Edith Morse Hackley
Date: c. 1910 to 1930

2011.053.007- Portrait of Scott Morse Hackley
Date: c. 1950 to 1960

2011.053.008- Portrait of Scott Morse Hackley
Date: c. 1950 to 1960

2011.053.009- Drawing/ Portrait of Scott Morse Hackley
Date: c. 1930 to 1940

Location: Shelf V 2 Box Z

2011.053.010- Santa Monica Harbor Department
Date: July 19, 1960

2011.053.011- Santa Monica Harbor Department
Date: July 19, 1960

2011.053.012- Scott Morse Hackley
Date: 1960s

2011.053.013- Scott Morse Hackley
Date: c. 1925 to 1935

2011.053.014- Scott Morse Hackley
Date: 1960s

2011.053.015- Scott Morse Hackley
Date: 1950s
   Date: 1930s

2011.053.017- Scott Morse Hackley "Sheriff's Mounted Posse L.A. County."
   Date: 1930s

   Date: 1930s

2011.053.019- Charles Moore Hackley
   Date: c. 1940 to 1959

2011.053.020- Charles Moore Hackley, middle, and Scott Morse Hackley
   Date: 1940 to 1959

2011.053.021- Scott M. Hackley at a cookout with other men at a local residence in California.
   Date: 1950 to 1965

2011.053.022- Sheriff Eugene W. Biscailuz
   Date: 1940

2011.053.023- Charles Moore Hackley and Scott M. Hackley on horses at a ranch in California.
   Date: 1940 to 1955

2011.053.024- Scott Morse Hackley
   Date: 1970s

2011.053.025- Charles Moore Hackley as a young man.
   Date: 1890s

2011.053.026 to 2011.053.036- Hackley Hospital Exteriors and Interiors
   Date: 1981

Location: Cabinet J Drawer 4