



Francisco Serrano (II) Collection

1888-2004 (bulk 1892-1916)

Textual documents, 2 books – one box, 5 linear inches

Francisco Serrano (II) was born in 1844 at Rancho Canada de los Alisos (what is now El Toro, California) to Jose Antonio Serrano and Petra Avila Serrano. Jose Serrano was the younger brother of Leandro Serrano, the first to build a permanent house in Riverside County and the son of Francisco Serrano (I) who was born in Aragon, Spain in 1745 and who came to Mexico with a Spanish expedition.

In 1879 Francisco (II) and Concepcion (Aros) Serrano moved their family to Prado and established the Serrano Ranch. After the move to Prado Francisco opened a general store in the area and a combination general/hardware store in Corona (on Main Street between 4th & 5th Street). Francisco and Concepcion lived in Prado until their deaths in 1922 and 1938. The family resided at the home they built until the Army Corps of Engineers began construction of the Prado Dam in 1938.

The collection consists of business records such as order forms and receipts related the daily life of Francisco Serrano's ranch and stores. Some familial and social records are contained in the collection, invitations to dances and weddings for example. The significance of the collection resides in the slice of life it provides about an early California and Riverside County family and how business was conducted on ranches and retail stores in the region.

Location: B-22

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Inventory

Call Number	Folder	Description	Date
M146/1	1	Finding Aid & Accession Records	
M146/1	2	Hand-written Kirby Bros receipt to Francisco Serrano "for the baling of his hay" in Rincon. (1 leaf)	August 8, 1888
M146/1	3	C.M. Smith receipt for 120# barb wire @ 6p, sold to Francisco Serrano (1 leaf)	June 8, 1889
M146/1	4	Southern California Railway invoice written to F. Serrano for one case of goods shipped from Anaheim to Rincon station. (1 leaf)	August 1, 1891
M146/1	5	Receipt from Mr. F. Serrano for milk sold to D. Durkee of Rincon Creamery in Rincon, Cal. (1 leaf)	September 1, 1891

M146/1	6	Receipt from Rincon Creamery in Rincon, Cal., for goods purchased by Mr. F. Serrano from D. Durkee. (1 leaf)	October 1, 1891
M146/1	7	Mollet & Baer (C.J. Mollet & George N. Baer, farriers & blacksmiths), invoice sent to F. Serrano for services rendered on October 15, November 20 and November 30 of 1891. (1 leaf)	December 1, 1891
M146/1	8	J.C. Stege Market (butcher & meat market) invoice sent December 1, 1891 to "Frank Serana" for orders placed October through December. Notation dated January 11, 1892 showing payment of \$500 and a remaining balance of \$345 for the bill. (1 leaf)	December 1, 1891
M146/1	9	Invoice from H.L. Cutler (butcher & meat market located on Main St, Opposite Hotel Temescal) to Mr. Serrano. (1 leaf)	January 1, 1892
M146/1	10	Invoice from H.L. Cutler (butcher & meat market located on Main St, Opposite Hotel Temescal) to Mr. Serrano. (1 leaf)	February 1, 1892
M146/1	11	Correspondence written on George W. Ford Nurseryman stationary, a letter to a purchaser discussing the shipment of trees. (1 leaf)	March 3, 1892
M146/1	12	Southern California Railway Company shipping receipt for a shipment of one bundle [illegible] from Santa Ana to the South Riverside Station. (1 leaf)	March 3, 189[2]
M146/1	13	Southern California Railway Company invoice for one bundle of trees sent by George W. Ford in Santa Ana to the South Riverside Station (1 leaf)	March 3, 1892
M146/1	14	Southern California Railway shipping receipt for 1 keg of wine from Francisco Serrano in South Riverside to Francisco Pico in San Jacinto, Calif. (1 leaf)	March 28, 1892
M146/1	15	Receipt for the purchase of 282 pounds of milk at 75 from Serrano by D. Durkee (1 leaf)	April 18, 1892
M146/1	16	Receipt for the purchase of 435 pounds of milk from Serrano by D. Durkee (1 leaf)	June 1, 1892
M146/1	17	Receipt for the purchase of 435 pounds of milk from Serrano by D. Durkee (1 leaf)	June 3, 1892
M146/1	18	Receipt for the purchase of 200 pounds of milk from Serrano by D. Durkee (1 leaf)	June 20, 1892
M146/1	19	Receipt for the purchase of 321 pounds of milk from Serrano by D. Durkee (1 leaf)	June 24, 1892
M146/1	20	Receipt from Circle City Meat Market, H. L. Cutler (butcher), located on Main Street near Post Office (1 leaf)	July 1, 1892
M146/1	21	A Social Dance and Supper invitation benefiting the Catholic Church. Dance was held at Lavenbarg and Hopkins Hall in Rincon, California (1 leaf)	July 29, 1895
M146/1	22	Receipt from Rincon Creamery in Rincon, Cal., for goods purchased by Mr. F. Serrano from D. Durkee. (1 leaf)	189[?]
M146/1	23	John Noble Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots & Shoes hand-written store receipt for various goods totaling \$17.55. (1 leaf)	189[?]
M146/1	24	John Noble Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots & Shoes hand-written store receipt for various goods totaling \$7.30. (1 leaf)	189[?]
M146/1	25	Deed from South Riverside Cemetery Association. Family Lot 212 was purchased by Francisco Serrano for \$25	September 28, 1900
M146/1	26	Invitation to a dance given by the "The Fumigator Club" at Rincon Hall, Rincon, Cal. (1 leaf)	March 11, 1905

M146/1	27	"Responsibility of a Life Insurance Company" brochure from the Provident Life and Trust Company of Philadelphia. Brochure was enclosed with the policy for Francisco Serrano. (1 leaf)	April 28, 1905
		"A Low Death Rate" brochure from The Provident Life and Trust Company of Philadelphia. Brochure was enclosed with the policy for Francisco Serrano. (1 leaf)	
		Provident Life and Trust Company of Philadelphia, Penna. Ten-Year Term Policy - life insurance policy in the amount of \$3000 for Francisco P. Serrano (1 leaf)	
M146/1	28	Provident Life and Trust Company of Philadelphia, PA. Policy on the Life of Joaquin Serrano of Rincon, Cal. in the amount of \$1000 (1 leaf)	May 17, 1905
		"A Low Death Rate" brochure from The Provident Life and Trust Company of Philadelphia. The brochure was enclosed with the policy in an envelope. (1 leaf)	
		Provident Life & Trust Company of Philadelphia brochure explaining the "Salient Points of the Statement for 1905." The brochure was enclosed with the policy in an envelope. (1 leaf)	
		Envelope for No. 119034 Provident Life and Trust Company of Philadelphia, PA policy on the life of Joaquin Serrano, Rincon, Cal. (1 envelope)	
M146/1	29	Social Dance invitation given at Rincon Hall. (1 leaf)	June 22, 1907
M146/1	30	Celaya-Bonillas Wedding Invitation written in Spanish. Wedding took place in Riverside, California (1 leaf)	August 1907
M146/1	31	Lease of Chattles - Corona Hardware and Implement Company for a cook stove for \$28. (1 leaf)	September 21, 1907
M146/1	32	California Mutual Live Stock Insurance Association policy purchased by F.P. Serrano of Prado, Calif. in the amount of \$1470. Notation on the policy indicates that it is a "DUPLICATE". (3 leaves)	May 24, 1909
M146/1	33	Postmarked envelope from Riverside Music Company to Mr. C. Serrano in Prado, CA. Back of the envelope lists facts about the city of Riverside. (1 envelope)	July 16, 1909
M146/1	34	Gran Baile Social hosted by the Independiente UPBM Logia No. 7 of San Bernardino, Cal. Invitation is written in Spanish and the event was held at Glass Brothers Hall in Corona, California. (1 leaf)	June 21, 1913
M146/1	35	Botiller-Otis Wedding Invitation. Wedding took place in Corona, California (1 leaf)	September 3, 1913
M146/1	36	Aguilar-Nielson Wedding Invitation. Wedding took place in Corona, California (1 leaf)	February 29, 1916
M146/1	37	Introduction to the Serrano Family by Darrell Talbert (1leaf)	circa 2009
M146/1	38	Cover from the binder that the Serrano Collection was donated in. (1 leaf)	circa 2009
M146/1		Softcover book. Sterner, John M., Toren, A. George, Hampson, R. Paul, Cross, Bryan R. and Rasson, Judith A. (April 1995) <u>Archaeological and Historical Investigations of Seven Sites in the Prado Basin.</u> U.S. Army Corps of Engineer, Los Angeles District: Los Angeles. 183 pages.	April 1995

M146/1	Softcover book. Sterner, Matthew A. (2004). <u>Ranching, Rails, and Clay</u> <u>The Development and Demise of the Town of Rincon/Prado</u> . U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District: Los Angeles. 231 pages	2004
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