

# Charles Henry Carey Papers, 1896-1940

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Carey, Charles Henry
<b>Title</b>	Charles Henry Carey Papers
<b>Dates</b>	1896-1940 (inclusive) 1896 1940
<b>Quantity</b>	6 cubic feet, (6 boxes)
<b>Collection Number</b>	Mss 45
<b>Summary</b>	Papers of a Portland, Oregon, lawyer, municipal court judge, civic leader, and author of <i>History of Oregon</i> (1922). Includes correspondence, published materials, speech and lecture materials, files on organizations, and bail book list (1893-1894) of early Oregon settlers.
<b>Repository</b>	<a href="#">Oregon Historical Society, Davies Family Research Library</a> Davies Family Research Library Oregon Historical Society 1200 SW Park Avenue Portland, OR 97205 Telephone: 503-306-5240 Fax: 503-219-2040 <a href="mailto:libreference@ohs.org">libreference@ohs.org</a>
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	The collection is open to the public.
<b>Languages</b>	English
<b>Sponsor</b>	Funding for encoding this finding aid was provided through a grant awarded by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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## Biographical Note

Charles Henry Carey was a Portland lawyer and judge from 1883 to 1940. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, on October 27, 1857. Carey graduated from Denison University and received a law degree from Cincinnati College in 1883. He began his career as an associate in the Thayer and Williams law firm in Portland, Oregon, from 1883 to 1885. Carey lived and practiced, briefly, in Michigan from 1887 to 1889, before returning to Portland and organizing the law firm of Williams and Carey. He served for a time as President of the Willamette Steam Mills Lumbering and Manufacturing Company while organizing another law firm: Carey, Idleman, Mays and Webster (1894-1896), later renamed Carey and Mays (1895-1907). In 1907, Carey established a law firm with James B. Kerr, which survived until 1930. He also served as a municipal court judge from 1890 to 1894.

Carey was instrumental in establishing the Multnomah Law Library (1890) and the Oregon Bar Association (1892), serving as its secretary for years and twice elected its president (1912-1913, 1922-1923). He was vice-president of the American Bar Association from 1894 to 1914, and in 1904 was a delegate to the International Congress of Lawyers and Jurists in St. Louis, Missouri. He was instrumental in reorganization of judicial administration, procedures, and methods in Oregon.

Carey was active in other organizations, including: The League to Enforce Peace, League of Nations Association, Oregon World Court Committee, and Institute of Pacific Relations. He served as president (1927-1937) of the Oregon Historical Society and of the Lang Syne Society (1928-1929) and also as a board member for the Portland Art Association (1928-1933). In addition, he served on the boards of the Portland Arts and Crafts Society and the Portland Garden Club.

Carey authored a book and several articles on Oregon History. Included in his collection are drafts of articles, and a manuscript of his *History of Oregon* (1922). He also was a collector of historical maps.

## Content Description

Papers include: Correspondence (1920 -1940), published articles (1890-1930), speeches and lecture materials (1896-1930). Also included are notecards from Carey's cartographic research and a bail booklist of early Oregon settlers (1893-1894).

Correspondents include J. Neilson Barry, Ralph Budd, A. N. Bush, Frederick V. Holman, Thomas Coit Elliot, J. W. Knowles, John F. Logan, Charles H. Martin, E. B. MacNaughton, John H. Mitchell, H. W. Scott, and C.E.S. Wood.

Files included in the collection contain information on the following organizations: Oregon Bar Association, American Bar Association, Committee on Reform of Judicial Procedure, Portland Art Museum, Multnomah Law Library. Subjects include Oregon governmental and judicial systems, early Oregon settlement and frontier life, President Warren Harding's visit to Portland, and the visit of Romanian Queen Marie. The cartographic materials are primarily related to the Pacific Northwest.

## Use of the Collection

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### Preferred Citation

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## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

Series A: Map research files

Series B: General subject files

Series C: Correspondence

Series D: Ephemera

Series E: Bail book-list of early settlers of Oregon

Series F: Typescript of *History of Oregon*

## Acquisition Information

Gift of the Estate of Charles Henry Carey, July 1961, Accession 9515; and gift of Mrs. Eugene Rockey, 1974-1979, Accessions 13077, 13518, 14781

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

The following section contains a detailed listing of the materials in the collection.

### Series A:: Map research files, undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
1/1	Cartography of the Oregon Country (list of maps collected by Carey)	undated
1/2	Photographs of 35 maps	undated
1/3	Lists of maps Relating to America, Karpinski collection	undated
1/4	Notecards from Photostat map: Karpinski collection	undated
1/5	List of Arrowsmith Maps	undated
1/6	Notecards, typed of maps with description	undated
1/7	Notecards, handwritten originals	undated
1/8	Miscellaneous Notes (purchase receipts, correspondence on maps in Carey's collection)	undated

### Series B:: Subject files, 1839-1940

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2/1	<i>Adventures on Columbia River</i> typescript, 206 pp., by Ross Cox (edited by Carey)	1939
2/2	American Bar Association	1912-1936
2/3	American Council/ Institute of Pacific Relations	1927-1935
2/4	American Judicature Society	1935-1936
2/5-7	Barry, J. Neilson	1933
2/8	Biographical Data	undated
2/9	Book Reviews	1922-1936
2/10	Commissioner of Corporation	1933-1937
2/11	Committee on Reform of Judicial Procedure	1933-1937
2/12	Courts and Constitution	undated
2/13	Fort Clatsop	1925-1932
2/14	Gary, Rev. George H., diary, typescript	undated
2/15	Great Southern Railway Inc. (includes articles of incorporation, map of Oregon route)	1910-1912
2/16-18	Harding, (Warren G.)	1923
2/19	Initiative, referendum, and notes	undated
2/20	Lang Syne Society	1927-1929
2/21	League of Nations	1920-1935
2/22	League to Enforce Peace	1917-1919
2/23	Longview Washington, Bridge	1925-1927
3/1	McLoughlin Home Restoration Projects	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
3/2-4	Manuscripts, Notes, and Published Materials	undated
3/5	Mission of Diocese of Quebec	1839, 1841, 1842
3/6	Mission of Diocese of Quebec	1843, 1845, 1847
3/7	Mission of Diocese of Quebec, Mission of Walla Walla	undated
3/8	Mission of Diocese of Quebec	1855-1866
<b>Manuscripts, Notes, and Published Materials</b> Subject contents on folder		
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
3/9	General	undated
3/10	Notes, drafts, and memos	undated
3/11	<i>History of Oregon Book Orders and Sales</i>	undated
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
3/12	Multnomah Law Library	1933-1937
3/13-15	Nootka Sound Documents	undated
<b>Oregon Bar Association</b>		
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
3/16	General	1912-1919
3/17	General	1922
3/18	General	undated
3/19	Conservation items	undated
4/1	General	1924-1936

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
4/2	Oregon Iron Ore Development Corporation	1925-1940
4/3	Oregon "Pony" Locomotive	1924
4/4	Oregon Writers League	1923-1937
4/5-7	Politics	1902-1937
4/8-14	Portland Art Association	1915-1937
4/15	Portland Chamber of Commerce	1916-1935
4/16	Queen Marie of Romania Visit	1926
4/17	Speeches	undated
4/18	Speeches	1896-1916
4/19	Speeches	1916-1923
5/1	Speeches	1924-1933
5/2	University of Oregon	1924-1933
5/3	Whitman College	1921-1934
5/4	Willamette University	1931-1932
5/5	World Court	1924-35
5/6	Young, Ella (Immigration Case)	1928-1929

### Series C:: Correspondence, 1918-1939

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
5/7	A	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
5/8-9	B	
5/10	C	
5/11	D	
5/12	E	
5/13	F	
5/14	G	
5/15	H	
5/16	I-K	
5/17	L	
6/1-2	M	
6/3	N-O	
6/4-5	P	
6/6	R	
6/7	S	
6/8	T-V	
6/9	W	
6/10	X-Z	

## Series D:: Ephemera, undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<a href="#">Box/Folder</a>		
6/11	undated: General	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
6/12	1928: European trip	

## Series E:: Bail-book list of early settlers in Oregon, ca. 1893-1894

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
6/13	Bail-book list of early settlers in Oregon	ca. 1893-1894

## Series F:: Series F: Typescript of *History of Oregon*, ca. 1922

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
6/14	Typescript of <i>History of Oregon</i>	ca. 1922

## Names and Subjects

### Subject Terms :

Historians--Oregon--Correspondence

Judges--Oregon--Portland--Correspondence

Justice, Administration of--Oregon

Lawyers--Oregon--Portland--Correspondence

### Personal Names :

Barry, J. Neilson, 1870-1961--Correspondence

Budd, Ralph, 1879- --Correspondence

Bush, A. N. (Asahel Nesmith), 1858-1952--Correspondence

Carey, Charles Henry--Correspondence

Elliott, T. C. (Thompson Coit), 1862-1943--Correspondence

Holman, Frederick Van Voorhies, 1852-1927--Correspondence

Knowles, J. W. (John Wesley)--Correspondence

Logan, John Francis, 1868-1943--Correspondence

MacNaughton, Ernest Boyd, 1880-1960--Correspondence

Martin, Charles H. (Charles Henry), 1863-1946--Correspondence

Mitchell, John H. (John Hipple), 1835-1905--Correspondence

Scott, Harvey W. (Harvey Whitefield), 1838-1910--Correspondence

Wood, Charles Erskine Scott, 1852-1944--Correspondence

Young, Ella, 1867-1956--Correspondence

### Corporate Names :

American Bar Association

Lang Syne Society



League of Nations Association (U.S.)  
League to Enforce Peace (U.S.)  
Oregon Bar Association  
Oregon Historical Society--Archives  
Portland Art Museum (Or.)

**Geographical Names :**

Oregon--History

**Form or Genre Terms :**

Articles

Letters

Speeches

**Titles within the Collection :**

History of Oregon

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