

# Cauthorn Club Records, 1893-1940

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Cauthorn Club (Oregon State College)
<b>Title</b>	Cauthorn Club Records
<b>Dates</b>	1893-1940 (inclusive) 1893 1940 1930-1940 (bulk) 1930 1940
<b>Quantity</b>	0.5 cubic foot, (1 oversize box) 1 microfilm reel, (25 linear feet)
<b>Collection Number</b>	RG 101
<b>Summary</b>	The Cauthorn Club Records document student housing and activities at Oregon State College through financial records (1893-1896 and 1908-1909) and a rollbook and scrapbook (1928-1940).
<b>Repository</b>	<a href="#">Oregon State University Libraries, Special Collections and Archives Research Center</a> Special Collections and Archives Research Center 121 The Valley Library Oregon State University Corvallis OR 97331-4501 Telephone: 541-737-2075 Fax: 541-737-8674 <a href="mailto:scarc@oregonstate.edu">scarc@oregonstate.edu</a>
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	Collection is open for research.
<b>Languages</b>	English

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## Historical Note

The original Cauthorn Hall (now Fairbanks Hall) was constructed in 1892 as the first men's dormitory at Oregon Agricultural College and served as the men's dormitory until 1912. It was named for Oregon Senator Thomas E. Cauthorn, who obtained the state funding for construction of the building.

When Weatherford Hall was completed in 1928, the four units of the structure were named for four prominent supporters of Oregon State College: Thomas E. Cauthorn, Daniel V. Poling, Curtis L. Hawley, and Austin T. Buxton. The Cauthorn Club was an organization of men residents of the Cauthorn wing of Weatherford Hall.

## Content Description

The Cauthorn Club Records include financial records documenting room and board paid by men residents of the original Cauthorn Hall for the periods 1893-1896 and 1908-1909 and a rollbook and scrapbook documenting the members and activities of the Cauthorn Club from the late 1920s until

1940. The scrapbook includes photographs and ephemera of club member and student body president, Robert W. (Bob) Henderson.

## Use of the Collection

### Preferred Citation

Cauthorn Club Records (RG 101), Oregon State University Archives, Corvallis, Oregon.

## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

The Cauthorn Club Records consist of three series: I. Rollbook; II. Financial Records; and III. Scrapbook.

### Processing Note

All photographs in the scrapbook are incorrectly labeled as "P 81". This number does not apply to this collection.

### Related Materials

Additional information about student life in Cauthorn Hall in the early 1900s is available in the [Memorabilia Collection](#) (MC Buildings-Cauthorn Hall). Records of other dormitory clubs include the [Poling Hall Club Records \(RG 36\)](#) and the Hawley Club Minutes in the [University Housing and Dining Services Records \(RG 145\)](#), which include additional information on student housing at Oregon State College. The Associated Men's Halls Scrapbook includes photographs and ephemera from all the Weatherford Hall units during the 1930s.

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

### Series I: Rollbook, 1928-1938

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The rollbook consists of hand-written entries by Cauthorn Club members during the 1930s that give the member's name, the years he lived in the Cauthorn Club, his activities while a student at Oregon State College, his work after graduation from Oregon State, and occasional comments. The rollbook does not include complete entries for all members. This series also includes lists of members for the late 1920s through late 1930s.

### Series II: Financial Records, 1893-1909

The financial records document room and board payments by Oregon Agricultural College men students for the original Cauthorn Hall. The room furniture receipts record the furniture provided for each room and its return by the resident.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Reel		
1	2-1: Bills	1893
1	2-2: Board receipts	1895-1896
1	2-3: Room furniture receipts	1895-1896
1	2-4: Ledger	1908-1909
1	2-5: Miscellaneous checks and receipts	1908-1909

### Series III: Scrapbook, 1930-1940

Box1

apx 12x17 in.

The scrapbook contains newspaper clippings, snapshot photographs, several individual and group portraits, dance cards, and ephemera documenting the members and activities of the Cauthorn Club. Of especial note are images of Robert W. (Bob) Henderson and ephemera pertaining to his election as student body president in 1937; photographs of students at Marys Peak; a tribute to Bliss Worth, an Oregon State College student who died in 1934; and photographs of Walther Ott and Alvord Lathrop.

## Names and Subjects

#### Subject Terms :

Clubs--Oregon--Corvallis.  
 Men--Oregon--Corvallis--Societies and clubs.  
 Student activities--Oregon--Corvallis.  
 Student housing--Oregon--Corvallis.  
 Students--Oregon--Corvallis--Social life and customs.

#### Personal Names :

Henderson, Robert W. (Robert Wesley), 1914-

#### Corporate Names :

Oregon Agricultural College--Student housing.  
 Oregon Agricultural College--Students.  
 Oregon State College--Student housing.  
 Oregon State College--Students.

#### Form or Genre Terms :

Photographic prints.  
 Scrapbooks.

#### Other Creators :

##### Corporate Names :

Oregon Agricultural College.  
 (creator)

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