

Robert E. Matson papers, 1899-1987

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Matson, Robert E
Title	Robert E. Matson papers
Dates	1899-1987 (inclusive) 1899 1987
Quantity	5.8 cubic feet (10 boxes) plus 4 sound tape reels and 1 oversize folder
Collection Number	6020 (Accession No. 6020-001)
Summary	Papers of a Washington State Ferry Captain
Repository	University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 speccoll@uw.edu
Access Restrictions	No restrictions on access.
Languages	English

Biographical Note

Robert E. Matson captained various ferries in Washington State. He also wrote a history of ferries in Washington for the Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society.

Content Description

Collection contains materials related to Washington State Ferries and Captain Robert E. Matson's career including log books for the MS Vashon, subject files (correspondence, ephemera, time tables, reports/surveys, drawings, news clippings, and notes) related to specific ferries in the Pacific Northwest, general subject files related to Washington State Ferries, U.S Coast Guard, correspondence, invitations, serials, scrapbooks, ephemera, sound tape reels, drawing/print signed by Jack Pamphrey, and "AQUILO" flag.

Use of the Collection

Restrictions on Use

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated by Nancy Siegle, 2016-05-20 ; 2016-08-10 ; 2016-09-07

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series 1: Log Books, Photo Albums, and Anthologies, 1936-1987

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
1	MS Vashon	1936-1960
2	MS Vashon	1959-1972
6	Unknown Ship	1986-1987
Box/Folder		
10	"Fun With Ferries" Anthology	1973
10	"Piling Busters Yearbook"	1951
10	Various Ships with Photographs	January- December 1918
10	Eagle Harbor	1938-1950
10	Ferry Kehloken Pilot House	May-October 1939
10	Puget Sound Navigation Company Intrastate Fleet	1949-1950
10	Mendocino and Nisqually	July 1936- December 1931

Series 2: Subject Series by Ship, 1899-1987

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Correspondence, newsclippings, reports, certifications, legal documents, newsletters, notes, and ephemera related to Ferryboats, Ferry Terminals, and other ships

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
2	S.S. Acme	1899
9	Anacortes Ferry Terminal	1951-1968
2	M.V. Arcadia	1980
2	M.V. Athlon	1955-1985
2	M.V. Avalon-Catalina	1978
2	STR Bainbridge	1934-1935
2	Ballard Ferry	1931-1980
2	British Columbia Ferries	1970-1978
9	Bremerton Ferry Terminal	1955-1969
2	Steamer Calista	1983
2	The Carolyn	1983
2	SS Catalina	1979
2	Charles Van Danime Ferry	1983
2	Chelan Ferry	1981
2	Chetzemoka Ferry	1932-1980
2	M.V. Chinook	1947-1969
2	Chippewa Steamship	1941-1982
2	M.V. Coho	1976-1978
9	Columbia Beach Ferry Terminal	1951-1969

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2	Columbia Ferry (Alaska)	1973
Box/Folder		
2	M.V. Crosline	1955-1967
Box		
2	STR Defiance	1980-1985
9	Edmonds Ferry Terminal	1951-1969
2	M.V. Elwha	1969-1970
Box/Folder		
2	M.V. Enetai	1955-1968
Box		
6	M.V. Elwha	1967-1970
2	M.V. Evergreen State	1957-1979
2	Express Ferry	1987
2	Fantome Yacht	undated
9	Fauntleroy Ferry Terminal	1954-1969
9	Friday Harbor Terminal	1957
2	Guemes Ferry	1979
2	Harstine Island Ferry	undated
2	M.V. Harvest King	1977
2	M.V. Hiyu	1967-1974
9	Hood Canal Bridge	1957-1958

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2	M.V. Hyak	1967-1986
6	M.V. Hyak	1966
2	M.V. Illahee	1957-1977
2	M.V. Kaleetan	1967-1980
6	M.V. Kaleetan	1967
Box/Folder		
2	M.V. Kehloken	1956-1978
Box		
9	Kingston Ferry Terminal	1957-1969
2	M.V. Kitsap	1925-1966
2	M.V. Kittitas	1980
2	M.V. Klahanie	1956-1986
2	M.V. Klahowya	1958-1981
2	M.V. Klickitat	1961-1985
9	M.V. Kulshan	1969-1973
Box/Folder		
9	M.V. Leschi	1932-1962
9	Lopez Ferry Terminal	1954-1957
9	Mukilteo Ferry Terminal	1954-1969
Box		
9	M.V. Nisqually	1957-1980

Container(s)	Description	Dates
9	M.V. Olympic	1963-1976
Box/Folder		
9	Orcas Ferry Terminal	1957
Box		
9	W.T. Preston (Sternwheeler)	1982
9	M.V. Quinault	1958-1977
3	M.V. Rhododendron	1956-1980
3	M.V. San Mateo	1959-1977
9	Seattle Ferry Terminal	1953-1969
9	M.V. Shasta	1958
9	Shaw Island Ferry Terminal	1954-1967
9	M.V. Skansonia	1955-1970
9	Southworth Ferry Terminal	1954-1959
3	M.V. Spokane	1973-1979
9	Tahlequah Ferry Terminal	1951-1964
3	M.V. Tillikum	1959-1980
Box/Folder		
3	M.V. Vashon	1955-1980
3	M.V. Walla Walla	1979-1980
Box		
9	M.V. Willapa	1955-1967

Container(s)	Description	Dates
9	Winslow Ferry Terminal	1953-1967
Box/Folder		
3	M.V. Yakima	1969-1970
Box		
9	Alice Photograph	1929
9	Alice Haviside + Photograph	1920-1982
9	Anne Comyn	1920-1927
9	Coquitlam City	1923-1966
9	El Merced	1923-1983
9	Elwell	1921-1926
9	George E. Billings Photographs	undated
9	Lake Union	1983
9	Monogahela	undated
9	Photostats from "Last Days of Sail on the West Coast"	1929
9	Phyllis Comyn + Photograph	1920-1929
9	Port Blakely Photographs	1918
9	Russell Haviside + Photograph	1922-1947
9	Sail	1947-1982

Series 3: Subject Series by Topic/Organization, 1912-1987

Correspondence, newsclippings, pamphlets, newsletters, and notes related to topics and organizations associated with ferryboats and history in Washington

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
3	Association of King County Historical Societies (AKCHO)	1985-1987
3	Ferryboat Associates	1986
3	Engines	undated
3	Historical Societies	1980
3	Horluck Transportation Co.	1945-1959
3	Idaho	1970s
3	Mercer Island News	1912-1935
3	Northwest Ferry Retirees	1981-1985
3	Retired Public Employees Council	1982-1987
3	U.S. Coast Guard	1957-1980
3	U.S. Maritime Service	undated
3	Virginia V. Excursions	1982
6	Washington Toll Bridge Authority	1957-1966

Series 4: Subject Series by Person, circa 1925-1986

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
3	Adlum, Merle	1974-1986
3	Anderson, Gorden	1981
3	Anderson, John L.	1925-1941
3	Barlow, Sam	1987

Container(s)	Description	Dates
3	Beachum, Walter	undated
3	Beckman, Dale	1985
3	Berger, H.O.	1926
4	Birse, Bud	1936-1958
4	Brazeau, Joe	1981
4	Campbell, Lorne	1985
4	Carlson, Tage	1986
4	Connover, C.T.	1957-1958
4	Cook, Robert	1984
4	Earles, Betty	1976
4	Hunter, Ron	1985
4	Kasch, Joe	1974
4	Lampman, Clarence	1961
4	Lee, Terry	undated
4	Lee, Oscar	undated
4	Lee, Mervin	1958
4	Lewis, Ron	1983
4	Mattson, Fred	undated
4	Nelson, Norman	1972
4	Olson, Berte	1959
4	Parker, Melvin	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
4	Payne, J. Howard	1933
4	Prohaska, Donald	1983
4	Ramsey, Hugh	1985
4	Robertson, Sam	1977
4	Sommerseth, Peter	1971
4	Thompson, Wilber	undated
4	Thorsen, Ted	1965
4	Vose, Bob	1980
4	Ward, Steve	1939
4	Winman, C.E.	1935
4	Wheeler, Lynda	1977

Series 5 : Washington State Ferries, 1938-1985

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
4	Washington State Ferry Budgets	1952
4	Washington State Ferry Bulletins	undated
4	Washington State Ferry Legal Agreements	1985
4	Washington State Ferry Reports and Surveys	1938-1979
4	Washington State Ferry Seniority and Officers Lists and Schedules	1955-1970
6	Washington State Ferry Traffic Statistics	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
6	Washington State Ferry Posters	undated
Tube		
8	Washington State Ferry Poster: "I Spent a Day Overseas"	undated
Mapcase-folder		
oversize folder	Washington State Ferry Posters	undated

Series 6: Correspondence, 1917-1980

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
5	General	1939-1978
5	Invitations	1917-1980
5	Seasons Greetings	undated

Series 7: Notes, 1986-1987, undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
5	Misc. Notes	undated
5	File Slips about Ships	undated
5	Time Tables	1986-1987

Series 8: Newsclippings, 1925-1981

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		

Container(s)	Description	Dates
5	Misc Clippings about Ferries	1925-1939
6	Misc Clippings about Ferries	1941-1981
6	Newsclippings (Cartoons)	undated
6	Newsclippings (Washington State Ferries Retirees Log Book)	1978-1981.

Series 9: Ephemera, circa 1964-1981

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
6	Misc.	1964-1975
6	Map	undated
6	Drawing/Print by Jack Pamphrey	1981
6	AQUILO Flag	undated

Series 10: Scrapbooks, 1928-1983

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
7	Scrapbook - Northwest Ferryboat Retirees	1978-1983
7	Scrapbook (mainly Newsclippings)	1957-1959
7	Scrapbook (mainly Newsclippings)	1961-1963
7	Scrapbook (mainly Newsclippings)	1964
7	Loose Scrapbook pages	1928-1956
Box/Folder		
7	Scrapbooks (mainly Newsclippings)	1868-1963

Series 11: Sound Tape Reels, undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Reel		
5" reel 7	Bonny - Pat's	undated
5" reel 8	Washington State Ferries (Victoria #2, Puget Sound, San Juan Island, General-Summer, Hood Canal, Seagulls/San Juan, Olympic Peninsula)	undated
5" reel 9	F.L. Gilbert Jacks - RPM	undated
Box		
5" reel 10	Unknown Reel tape	undated

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Ferries--Northwest, Pacific
Ferries--Washington (State)
Ferryboat captains--Washington (State)

Personal Names :

Matson, Robert E.--Archives

Corporate Names :

Washington State Ferries

Form or Genre Terms :

Business correspondence
Ephemera
Sound recordings

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Anacortes
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Bremerton
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Clinton
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Edmonds
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Fauntleroy
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Friday Harbor
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Lopez Island
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Mukilteo
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Seattle

Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Shaw Island (Island)
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Southworth
Ferry terminals--Washington (State)--Tahlequah
Personal Papers/Corporate Records (University of Washington)

Corporate Names :

British Columbia Ferry Authority

Geographical Names :

Eagle Harbor (Kitsap County, Wash.)

Titles within the Collection :

Piling busters yearbook

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