

Box 4: Kenneth Gilliland: Memoirs of Cohen Bray house & family

Writings by and Interviews with Kenneth Gilliland [KG=Kenneth Gilliland]

1. 1/1989 Remembrance of Emelita Cohen written for her memorial service; attributed to KG, 4 pp.
2. 8/13/1993 KG, Interview #2, outline of topics, 2 pp.
3. 4/8/1994 Letter to Frederic Propas from KG responding to a request for the VPCO Newsletter describing a Bible found at the 1440 29th Street home.
4. 4/21/1995 "1440 29th Ave Cohen Bray House History" KG response to questions asked by Hank Dunlop; 34 pp. paper binding; includes photo copy
5. 7/1995 "A Profile Study of Alfred Henry Cohen" by KG, 4 pp.
6. 1995 "A profile study of Alfred Henry Cohen" by KG for the 1995 midsummer edition of the VPOC newsletter. 3 pp typed
7. 5/8/1996 Transcription of interviews with KG regarding the history of Cohen Bray House; Typed with handwritten comments. 3 pp
8. 10/29/1996 "A glimpse into the life of Emma Bray Cohen-the married years" by KG
9. 1/21/1997 "Some Sausal Creek Reminiscences" by KG 3 pp.
10. 10/30/1997 Letter to Martine McAlester from KG stating: "Enclosed is my revision of and corrections to your text on the subject of Cohen-Bray House of Oakland, CA"
11. 1997 "Cohen-Bray House 1884" with handwritten note 'final draft;' found with the above letter to Martine McAlester 2 pp.
12. 10/30/1997 "Cohen-Bray House 1884" with handwritten note 'revised copy' found with above letter to Martine McAlester 2 pp.
13. 1997 Letter to KG from Martine McAlester, Research Asst to Lee and Virginia McAlester thanking KG for his 'write up' for *A Field Guide to America's Historic Neighborhoods and Museum Houses* by Lee and Virginia McAlester
14. 2/9/1998 "Early California-A Precipice of the Past" by KG 4 pp.
15. 6/8/1999 Handwritten letter, 'Dear (blank)' inviting people to an annual get together for family and friends for a potluck garden picnic at the old family homestead at 1440 29th Ave; signed Helen, Ken, and Chris
16. 6/2021 List of questions for KG about his memories of the garden at Cohen Bray House
17. 6/15/2001 Interview with KG re the Cohen Bray House garden
18. 8/2004 "Remembrances of things past" by KG; 5 pp.
19. No date Typed letter 'Dear Nancy' re: The Moses Family Bible and family relationships

20. No date "Growing up on the Fruitvale Property" by KG, typed, 2 pp.
21. No date "A few playtime remembrances of yesteryear" by KG typed w/handwritten notes, 1p.
22. No date "A few playtime remembrances of yesteryear" by KG, typed w/ handwritten notes, 4 pp.
23. No date "A few playtime remembrances of yesteryear" by KG includes a photo of "Uncle Ed's Barn" 2 copies
24. No date "A few remembrances of Yesteryear" by KG with editorial changes 4 pp.
25. No date "History of the Cohen Bray House" attributed to KG 2 pp.
26. No date "It often happens that something of noteworthy value gets past our eyes" attributed to KG 1p
27. No date "Watson Augustus Bray: A vignette of his life as a young man" by KG, 3pp.
28. No date "A few suggested topics that are appropriate to, or representative of, the family..." by KG; 14 topics, 2 pp.
29. No date Handwritten notes by KG on business establishments in the Fruitvale District
30. No date "Some of the business establishments in Fruitvale that I remember" by KG
31. No date "A look at early commercialism of Fruit Vale" attributed to KG 2 pp.
32. No date "A look at the early commercialism of Fruit Vale beginning in 1859 (when Watson Bray began residence in his estate)" by KG
33. No date Description of the 2/28/1884 wedding of Alfred H Cohen and Emma Bray
34. No date Handwritten history of the Bray family beginning in 1850 when Watson Augustus Bray came to California with a description of the Cohen Bray house; attributed to KG 4 pp.
No date "The Odyssey of a Fruitvale Pioneer" describes the history of the Bray family from 1849 to present; attributed to KG, 3 pp.
35. No date "History of the Bray family of Oak Farm" by KG 5 pp.

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