

Box 8: Emelita Assorted papers

Section 1: Cataloged 4/2021 by Roberta O'Grady; re-formatted 8/2024 by Kate Mc

1. Inventory of Mother's Silver – June 8, 1946.
2. Assorted collection of blank postcards.
3. Wrapping paper samples (2)
4. Viewpoint 'Musings on Bump City' - September 16, 1979, San Francisco Sunday Examiner and Chronicle . Photography. Dorothea Lange.
5. Thank you notes for an event given by Florence and Gene Jurs. April 22, 1978. Note to Emelita from Florence Jurs. Note to Emelita from Caroline Torre. Note to Emily from Kimi and George Matsumoto.
6. List of guests for a party for the board members, University YWCA, hosted by Florence and Gene Jurs, April 22, 1978.
7. Menu found with List of Guests for party for Board Members, University YWCA, April 22, 1978.
8. Alameda Times Star, Saturday, November 4, 1978. 'Alameda Hospital Auxiliary Receive Awards' Emelita circled the name Muriel Simpson, identified as a neighbor.
9. San Francisco Examiner and Chronicle, World, Sunday October 14, 1979. 'Visual Treats of San Francisco Life in Contrast' review of book 'San Francisco as it Is, as it Was.'
10. Program for the Senior and Graduate Dance Concert, Mills College, March 22, 1956.
11. Postcard from Germany, December 10, 1939.
12. Postcard to Cretia and Tom Edwards, Richmond, CA from Emelita Cohen announcing that the Oakland City Council voted to make the Cohen Bray House an Oakland landmark, December 4, 1974.
13. Ten postcards from the Great Northern Railway in Glacier National Park.
14. Alameda Times Star, Monday, April 24, 1978. Article on a luncheon held at the Cohen Bray House by Emelita Cohen given by Mills College Alumnae Association for volunteers at the Fruitvale Bargain Box.
15. Thank you note to Emelita from Grace Wander, a guest at the Bargain Box luncheon. Letter dated April 29, 1978.
16. Thank you note from Mrs. Gay Torre for a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Jors at the Cohen Bray House June 1, 1978.
17. Christmas card from the Donalds, sent to Emelita December 1964.
18. Invitation to an Open House at the Cohen Bray House given by Connie Weaver, Sandy and Paul Weaver, Sunday, October 5, 1975.
19. Invitation to the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morris Lyman, Sunday, April 13, 1978 given by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morris Lyman III, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Eugene Graber.
20. Article from the Montclarion, October 17, 1979 showing Lake Merritt in 1915 with description of the history of Lake Merritt.
21. Article from the Oakland Tribune on East Bay Transportation 'Sixty Years Ago' referring to 1874, saved by Emelita, no date.
22. Unidentified block print, apparently saved by Emelita.

23. Newspaper article on the history of Oak Tree Farm and Cohen Bray House, no date on name on paper.
24. Unidentified letter, no date, apparently saved by Emelita.
25. Letter to Emelita from Eric, October 30, 1980, referring to photographs taken at 'your party.'
26. Christmas card with photo of the Schma family in 1974, enclosed is article on Donald Schma, in envelope addressed to Emelita Cohen.
27. Article, Alameda Times Star, April 24, 1978, on a luncheon held at the Cohen Bray House for the Fruitvale Bargain Box Volunteers. Date of the Cohen Bray House is wrong.
28. Four items related to the Presentation Ceremony of the California Heritage Council, Oakland Landmarks Preservation Advisory Board honoring the First Unitarian Church of Oakland. The Pardee House and the Alfred H. Cohen House, February 14, 1978. Invitation, program, letter to Emelita from the Oakland Chamber of Commerce and newspaper article on the event.
29. Contra Costa Times, March 29, 1979, article on honoring a teacher at Acalanes High School.
30. History of Mills Hall, Mills College.
31. Typed question by Hester to Emelita regarding the wearing of a black uniform.
32. Unidentified, no date, newspaper article on the history of the Oaktree Farm and the Cohen Bray House, quoting Emelita's comments. 'Pocket of the Past.'
33. Photo of Girl Scouts visiting the Cohen Bray House, on the back of a Girl Scout calendar, November 1962.
34. Brochure announcing the 1942 season at Timbertall Girl Reserve Camp of the YWCA.
35. Newspaper article on 'Girl Friday Business Services Opening in Fruitvale.' Newspaper and date not identified.
36. Christmas card to Emelita from Miss Frances Harvey, December 1951.
37. Card with poem, "The winter has flown and the Springtime glows with the light of love."
38. Invitation to the reception at the Cohen Bray House on the 100th Anniversary of the house, 1884-1984.
39. Newspaper article from the Hills Publications, July 30-31, 1998. Part 2 on Oakland's Historic Home Museums, describing the Cohen-Bray House, Part II (Montclair).
40. Handwritten "Release to the San Francisco Chronicle" on the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Cohen Bray House, May 20, 1984.
41. Small card with a picture of a bird, signed by Emelita.
42. Receipt for cleaning. John F. Snow Dyeing and Cleaning Works, no date.
43. Sample of wrapping paper.
44. Letter from Herbert A. Jump (sp?), pastor of First Congregational Church, Oakland, CA to his congregation requesting contributions to the Home Missionary Society, May 16, 1912.

Section 2: Cataloged by Mara Melandry October 2024

1. 100th anniversary items: press releases to Tribune, Alameda Time Star and SF Chronicle. Draft of press release. Invitation to party. Commemorative cocktail napkins
2. Emelita's funeral testimonies. Obituary story by Kathie about Emelita's death (5 pp.)
3. Galley proof of book by Joan Charles titled *Wrong Turning*. 1947. Google search didn't turn up anything about Joan Charles
4. Magazine: International Studio. Issue of September 1925
5. Movie theater programs. No dates. Ad Charlie Chaplin movie "Night at the Show", dated 1915
6. Emelita's blue book for English exam at Cal, 1918
7. Stories about dogs from newspapers
8. Grades from Cal, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919. Membership card for Cal Alumni Assoc. 1926. Two photos, one of Emelita vamping and an unidentified woman. Savings account book from 1921-1926
9. Brochure about Vincent Hartgen; art professor at University of Maine. He had arranged for Emelita's woodcuts to be shown at the University. 1967
10. Map of Carmel issued by real estate developers; no date
11. 9/1938 issue of Olana, historic mansion in NY State with personal letter to Emelita about estate
12. Water color of bridge; no date; no artist
13. Letters and postcards to Emelita; a few to Emma. Oldest 1907 most recent 1988. Many empty envelopes addressed to Emelita
14. Obituaries of relatives and funeral programs. Emelita's notes on deceased
15. Emelita's notes on Douglas for her write-up
16. Emelita's thoughts on imagination; other random thoughts
17. Five color photographs of Kathie Donald with her three kids. One of Kathie with Emelita. One of Emelita possibly with Barbra Donald
18. Postcards to C. Winkler addressed to 1440 29th Ave. Card to Muzzie. Four unused postcards
19. Notice from Oakland Fire Department about safety. Notice from neighborhood group watch group. First Aid booklet
20. Two notices from Alameda County about Emelita's estate
21. Kit Carson's death, her obituary. Condolence letters to Emelita
22. Big cards to Emelita wishing her merry Xmas and expressing appreciation. Emelita's letter to friends asking them to write memories of her mother
23. Small home-made booklet titled "Books Read in 1926" with short reviews
24. Letter to NYC YWCA with suggestions about hobbies. Probably from Emelita but third page missing.
25. List of addresses. No date
26. Address book; no date
27. List of family birthdays by month. List of Xmas gifts from Emelita to family 1940
28. Two meal cards for hospital stay; no date
29. Notes on wall papers in house; one typed page. No date. Not by Emelita

30. Directory of accredited camps 1969
31. Two hand-drawn maps showing directions to house
32. CSAA bill paid; 3/1988. Receipts from SF Chronicle. Bill from PG&E 1988. Newsletter from PG&E 1988
33. Agenda and meeting notes by Emelita for Girl Reserves 1937
34. Copy of Daily Cal 10/7/1915. Undated news article about book of photos of trees
35. 1934: order for Emelita's hobby book. One sheet of unused stationery from National Institute of Social Relations
36. Pen and Ink drawing of man on horseback. No date; no artist
37. Notes on YWCA brochure for San Francisco. Stationery for YWCA. No dates
38. Agreement for loan of color slides of house to Cameron Stanford House. 1975.
39. Ideas for brochure about the Cohen Bray house. No date. Emelita's handwriting
40. Letter from Alfreda to Muzzie, 1942
41. Short story about boy from newspaper
42. Ad for vacuum cleaner
43. Small watercolor on stationery, signed E.C. (probably Emelita)
44. List of payments from stocks; no date
45. Envelope addressed to Patty with watercolor by Emelita
46. Announcement for painting exhibit at Oakland Museum
47. Undated letter to Barbara (probably Barbara Donald) from Sister about letter to her mother when she was 15. Too bad we don't have it.
48. Puns about color pink
49. Typed one page about self-celebration
50. Emelita's notes (6 pages) list of to-do and dispute with someone named Edith over car. Threats by Emelita to pursue lawsuit.