

**Dates:** August 1936 – May 1938

**Volumes:** 1

**Size:** .75 lf (2 boxes)

**Abstract:**

A scrapbook containing photographs, newspaper clippings and ephemera collected by Moto Asakawa during his time at the University of California, Berkeley.

**Biography/History:**

The creator of the scrapbook was Moto Asakawa. He was born in San Diego, California on March 16, 1915 and passed away on November 29, 2011. He graduated from the University of California, Berkeley in 1938 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. He was married to Florence Asakawa and had four sons, Bruce, Glenn, Don and Larry.

The Asakawa family was the original operators of the Japanese Teahouse and Garden located in Balboa Park. Moto and his family were interred during WWII and came back to find the Teahouse run-down and vandalized. The president of the zoological society requested the teahouse be torn down and replaced by a children's zoo. The teahouse was officially demolished in 1955.

Following his family's return from internment, they established the successful Presidio Garden Center in the 1950s. In the 1970s, Moto served as the president of the California Association of Nurseries and Garden Centers (CANGC) from 1975-76. He also helped establish the California Certified Nursery Professionals program and the CANGC's endowment for research and scholarships. Moto was also a founding member of Kiku Gardens, a senior citizen retirement home and president of the San Diego Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League.

**Scope and Content:**

This scrapbook contains photographs, newspaper clippings and ephemera collected by Moto Asakawa during his time at the University of California, Berkeley.

The photographs are primarily of buildings at UC Berkeley or the surrounding area such as the Golden Gate Bridge and the Bay Bridge. Ephemera includes brochures, postcards, invitations to events, theater and sport programs, and information items for school programming. The newspaper clippings are from or related to the football games between UC Berkeley vs. Stanford, UC Berkeley vs. UCLA and other schools. Of specific interest is a copy of the song "Cardinal be Damned" which could be considered as inappropriate in its content and is marked as "Absolutely for Men Only".

**Arrangement:**

The scrapbook does not appear to be arranged in any particular order.

**Condition and Preservation:**

The condition of the scrapbook is good, although it has been deconstructed to facilitate better access and to aid preservation. Loose materials have been placed in a separate folder.

**Citation:**

Moto Asakawa University of California, Berkeley Scrapbook, SB 3, Japanese American Historical Society of San Diego Archives.

**Collection Access Restrictions:**

The collection is open for research.

**Collection Use Restrictions:**

Restrictions may apply.

**Language of Materials:**

English

**Processing Information:**

Darryl Agliam, April 2018

**Provenance:** Created by Moto Asakawa

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Title/Subjects</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	1	Photographs: Buildings at UC Berkeley.  Ephemera:  Includes brochures, stickers.	1938
1	2	Photographs:  Buildings at UC Berkeley; Aerial view of UC Berkeley.  Ephemera:  Includes stickers, postcards of buildings at UC Berkeley.	1936
1	3	Photographs:  Golden Gate Bridge; Bay Bridge; Berkeley campus.  Ephemera:  Includes stickers, finals schedule.	1936-1937
1	4	Photographs:  Miscellaneous personal photographs.  Ephemera:	1936

		Includes stickers, brochures of football games and clubs, registration card invitations, delivery menu.  Newspaper clippings: Riots at UC Berkeley.	
1	5	Ephemera:  Includes coupons, brochures.  Newspaper clippings:  Football events; fraternity meeting.	1937
1	6	Ephemera:  Includes programs, invitations, membership cards.  Newspaper clippings: UC Berkeley.	1936-1938
1	7	Ephemera: Tickets.  Newspaper clippings:  Berkeley Bear; Howard Jones; football game; fire trucks.	1937
1	8	Ephemera:  Includes tickets, manuals, brochure.  Newspaper clippings:  UC Berkeley fires and riots; football game stats.	1936-1938
1	9	Ephemera:  Includes tickets, membership card, final study guides.  Newspaper clipping: Letter from "Japanese Killer"	1936-1937
1	10	Ephemera:  Includes invitation, brochure; Rose Bowl game program.	1937-1938
2	1	Ephemera:  Includes brochure, program, bank check.	1938

2	2	Ephemera: Includes membership cards, flags, programs, brochures.	1938
2	3	Ephemera: Includes programs, brochure, invitations.	1938
2	4	Loose material: Part of "The Finals"	
2	5	Loose material: Program - 9 <sup>th</sup> Annual Christian Youth Conference	