

Historic Sites Society of Arcata

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**Hodgson Family and Sound Lumber Collection Finding Aid**

Collection numbers 2013.01  
2014.02

Creator Hodgson Family members

Donor

Nancy Kinney, a member of the Hodgson Family, donated the collection to HSSA in 2013 and 2014. Mr. Don Hodgson (father of Nancy Kinney) was employed by the Sound Lumber Company as a truck driver. Mr. Hodgson worked for the California Barrel Factory in the 1940s.

Date Span 1930s- early 2000s inclusive dates  
1960s-2000 bulk dates

Size 1.5 cubic foot

Language English

Scope and Content

Photographs (including some negatives) and a small amount of ephemera showing the 10<sup>th</sup> Street Hodgson Family home and Sound Lumber Co., mid-Humboldt County locations and landscapes. Highlights are Arcata, Arcata Bottom, Samoa, Kneeland, Humboldt State University.

Access

Collection is open for research by appointment with Edie Butler or Claudia Israel. Contact information is: Edie Butler: 707-443-3289 or [edith.butler@humboldt.edu](mailto:edith.butler@humboldt.edu). Claudia Israel: 707-445-3355 or [misspin@sbcglobal.net](mailto:misspin@sbcglobal.net)

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Arrangement

Many of the photographs are still in the envelopes furnished by the photo developer. These were kept intact as "units". Other photographs were grouped by similar subject matter or format.

Where specific dates are given they are taken from the envelope from the photograph developing service (Phillips Camera Store in Arcata).

Processed by Edie Butler and Claudia Israel, Spring 2014.

**Container list**

2013.01

.01

6 images: color; 10/25/2002

"Picture of what used to be Sound Lumber Co. Drying Yards

.02

6 images: color; 9/21/1988

Pre-construction work for Yakama on old Barrel Factory grounds

.03

7 images: b & w; 1969/1970?

Arcata Railroad Station and surrounding area; Seely and Titlow Co. Warehouse

.04

34 images: color and b&w; wide date range

Hodgson Family, Sound Lumber Co.; Nancy K. Hodgson's 8<sup>th</sup> grade autograph booklet

.05

29 images; b&w; wide date range

Sound Lumber Co. and Hodgson home yard; booklet: Safety Instructions, Sound Lumber Co.

.06

10 images; color; 4/2/1984

Samoa Cookhouse and surrounding area of Samoa

.07

8 images; color; 1/27/2003

Arcata Plaza with focus on statue of McKinley

.08

32 images; color; 3/8/1993

Kneeland area roads and landscapes; Freshwater Garfield School

.09

48 images; color; 10/4/1994

Pastels on the Plaza; shots of chalk artwork on sidewalk. More of same in .10

.10

42 images; color; 10/4/1994

Pastels on the Plaza; shots of chalk artwork on sidewalk. More of same in .09

.11

36 images; color; 3/15/1993

Murals on west wall (retaining) of Larry's Market, Arcata (Wildberries Marketplace)

.12

50 images; color; 7/6/1996

West Arcata and Arcata Bottom landscapes, homes, barns, road signs. More of same in .13 and .15

.13

50 images; color; 6/17/1996

Arcata Bottom. More of same in .12 and .15

.14

26 images; color; 1/12/1995

Arcata historic homes; several views of about 6 homes

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20 images; color; 7/6/1995

Arcata Bottom; similar to contents of .12 and .13

.16

6 images; color; 9/20/1994

North Coast Cooperative building on First St, Eureka; Arcata Bottom, Bay School

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12 images; color; 7/26/2001

Northcoast Environmental Center/Marino's fire

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46 images (some negatives); color; 2/24/1994

Logan's Home, Arcata; 889 6<sup>th</sup> St.; "Daughter Marjorie, and George, Adams own and still live there"; 2 other historic Arcata homes

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11 images; b&w; 1963

Brizard's Centennial celebration

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9 images; b&w; circa 1953

Riverside (Korbel) covered bridge

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10 images; color; 8/15/1978

Chris and Rose Jacobson's garden on F. St, Arcata; "Chris was gardener for City of Arcata"

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21 images (some negatives); color; 8/27/1969  
Redwood National Park dedication day; Airport welcome of Air Force One and Presidents Nixon, Johnson and other dignitaries

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9 images; color; 1990's or later  
Arcata Bottom buildings, landscapes

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6 images; b&w; 4/1970  
Beginnings of Arcata's boat basin

.25

10 images; b&w; 4/1970  
Trinidad Head and Trinidad

.26

13 images; color; 8/1968  
Arcata Plaza (1 image), Samoa, Fairhaven

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5 images; color; 4/2001  
Arcata Plaza, esp. flower beds

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6 images; color; 1992  
Lamp making process by Hillard's for customer in Hawaii

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17 images; color; March 23-April 3, 1997  
Samoa, homes, streets, water towers

.30

3 images; b&w; 1951  
Arcata and Mad River Railroad depot, Arcata

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7 images; b&w and color; 1990's  
Arcata Plaza; street scenes – S. on H St from 13<sup>th</sup>, W. on 10<sup>th</sup> St.

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4 images; b&w; 1969  
Pilings that once supported the Arcata Wharf

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19 images; b&w and color; c. 1950's – 1990's  
School portraits of 3 boys, house on Samoa Rd., Logan home, Trinidad Pier (1945), Fernbridge, Korbelt covered bridge, murals in Arcata, Brizard Ranch in McKinleyville, pilings from RR bridge over Mad River

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1 image; b&w; c. 1940's  
Humboldt State College (University) Founders Hall with tennis courts in foreground. Image is in the box in which it was stored (appears to be) for years. Image is curled and flaking, in extremely poor condition.  
In July, 2013, Claudia Israel took the image to Swanlund's Camera in Eureka, CA. and discussed options with processor. Made arrangements for him to flatten image for a one time copy to be made and sent to an out of the area for digital restoration. Restored image is on a disk. An 8"x10" print was made and framed and is [in 2014] on display at Phillips House Museum

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2 images; b&w; 1959  
Phillips Camera Shop (probably); Don Hodgson, 2 paper bags from Phillips Camera Shop

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30 images; b&w and color; 2 negatives; 1950's-1960's with few in 1990's  
1953-1961 Arcata Elementary Schools (Stewart, Bloomfield) class group photos, many with children identified, school buildings (Bay, Stewart, Fickle Hill), Stewart School PTA Newsletter from 1960; Phillips house and associated barns and surrounding area (1976)

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Ephemera: school organizations, hardware store receipts, HSSA note cards (with Arcata home illustrations), 2 calendars from local businesses (but not produced locally)

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Ephemera: Note from Dr. Charles Falk; payroll slips; Bank of America loan/mortgage for a car, and for a home loan; Arcata tax receipt, polio insurance policy information, checking account records, cancelled checks

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4 images; b&w and color; 1960's, 2003

Highway 101, roadway right after a heavy hail storm, Coastguard station and beach; Aerial of Arcata in 2003

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Ephemera: School notice, paper, 8 1/2 x 11", school year 1958-1959. In part: "REMINDER !!!" to Parents about inoculations. Good condition.

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Ephemera: 16 page booklet, paper, color, "Simplicity fashion news" c. 1970's. Stamped on back page: BEN FRANKLIN

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Very Good condition

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Ephemera: Newspaper, commemorative issue The Arcata Union "100 years", 1886 - 1986.

5 sections

1886 - 1911, 16 pgs

1911 - 1936, 20 pgs

1936 - 1961, 20 pgs

1961 - 1986, 20 pgs

The Arts pg 21 - 40

Union Centennial, July 25, 1986

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Ephemera: Cheer/Pep songs from Humboldt State, c. 1932 - 1938 (?) on paper:

2 pgs, 8 1/2 x 11"

1 pg, 5 x 8 1/2"

3 ps, 8 1/2 x 14"

Very poor condition.

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School paper, 13 pgs, Report on Immigration for HSU Economics class. 1932 - 1933, by Ellen Matthissen. Stapled with 2 staples at top; Good condition.

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Cap. Freshman Beanie, felt, for HSU. Yellow/gold and green. Fair to Good condition.

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1 image; B&W; 1961

"Main building at Humboldt State College" (building is Founders' Hall)

3 1/2 x 3 1/2", scalloped edges.

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-1 image, sepia, 1937 or '38

Noted on back of photo: Waiting Tables at HSU Commons.

Helen Hansen, McFearson, E. Matthissen. 4" x 5".

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6 images; B&W and 12 negatives; 1966

Samoa beach when pulp mill installed its effluent pipe into ocean; negatives contain images of old boom truck at California Barrel Factory.

All in original envelope from Phillips Camera Shop, 823 'H' Street, ARCATA, CALIFORNIA; Processed for Don Hodgson 12-14-66; 3 1/2" x 3 1/2", scalloped edges

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12 images and 12 negatives; B&W; 1969

One of last old stump fields in the middle of Arcata is hand written on envelope. 3-3-69. 3 1/2" x 3 1/2", scalloped edges.

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1 image and 1 negative; B&W; 1979 (copy of an older image)

Arcata Wharf; processed for D. W. Hodgson, 5-24-79. 4" x 5" negative, in sleeve. All in original Phillips Camera Shop's envelopes. (Copy made from old pic of Tony Borges). 5 1/4" x 7", untrimmed left border

## **Collection 2014.02**

(processing is underway)