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Dust Bowl Migration Archive, 1938-1998

Box 1: Haslam Correspondence.

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1. Correspondence -- Misc. letters to and from Gerald Haslam, September 1974-January 1998, plus 10 Best Censored Stories 1977
2. Correspondence -- telephone messages for Haslam, n.d.
3. Correspondence, including several first-hand accounts -- Aug.-Sept. 1976
4. Correspondence, including several first-hand accounts -- Oct. 13, 1977-Nov. 7, 1977 and 1 gallery show brochure.
5. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts -- Nov. 8, 1977
6. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts and 1 photo -- Nov. 9-14, 1977
7. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts and newspaper articles -- Nov. 18-30, 1977
8. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts and drawing -- Dec. 1977
9. Documentary film transcript "Talking Dustbowl", Video transcript "An interview with Dr. Joel W. Hedgpeth: A Reminiscence of Steinbeck and Ricketts", 2 proposals for class projects from Sonoma State University students about Dust Bowl Migration, May 11, 1990 and n.d.
10. Index of the Charles L. Todd Okie Studies Archive

Box 2: Letters to Haslam regarding newspaper article about "Okies".

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1. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts, 35 page manuscript, several short stories and questionnaire -- Feb.-June 1978
2. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts and questionnaire -- July-Sept. 1978
3. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts -- Oct. 16-17 1978, Book: "Ballads about Bygones" 1972, Book: "Poems from the Past" 1974
4. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts -- Oct. 18-30, 1978 & Dec. 11, 1978
5. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts, 1 song and 1 poem -- 1979
6. Correspondence regarding newspaper article about "Okies", including several first-hand accounts, 2 newspaper articles, 1 photo and 7 handwritten stories -- 1980-81, 1988

Box 3: Camp diaries and meetings, stories, letters, awards, music.

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1. Charles L. Todd's camp diaries and meetings -- Aug 1940 (originals)
2. Camp Stories -- Aug 1940
3. Letters and Awards to Charles L. Todd -- 1940
4. Camp music -- 1940
5. Camp music cont. -- 1942

Box 4: Camp newsletters (copies).

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1. The Associated Farmer -- Mar. 15, 1939-June 15, 1939



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2. The Covered Wagon -- Dec. 10, 1938-July 1940
3. The Covered Wagon and Westley Worldbeater -- Aug. 10, 1940-June 6, 1942
4. The Hub -- Feb. 19, 1940-June 14, 1942
5. The Tattler -- Nov. 17, 1939-Dec. 6, 1940
6. The Grapes of Wrath Times, May 22, 1933.

Box 5: Camp newsletters cont., newspaper clippings, pamphlets, play, stories, Grapes of Wrath 50th anniversary promotional material.

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1. Voice of the Migrant -- Dec. 22, 1939-March 15, 1940
2. Voice of the Agricultural Worker: V.O.T.A.W. -- March 22, 1940-July 4, 1942
3. Misc. newspaper and journal articles about the Dust Bowl migration, Charles L. Todd and camp music, 1940-1946.
4. Pamphlets - religious and government, 1938-1941.
5. Play - When the Land Died: Play In One Act by Robert K. Yeaton, n.d.
6. Story by John Steinbeck: I remember the Thirties, n.d.
7. Book - Okies: selected stories by Gerald Haslam, 1974.
8. The Grapes of Wrath 50th Anniversary promotional package, 1988.
9. Student paper, Haslam "California in Literature class;" Gerald Haslam paper, "What About the Okies?" typescript re Woody Guthrie; Library Pathfinder for research on Okies; *Guide to Steinbeck Country*; Index to Okie Studies Archive.

Box 6: Reports: Todd, Lubin Society, Dept. of Agriculture, misc.

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1. Reports by Charles L. Todd
 - a. Pea - Patch Press, n.d.
 - b. California, Here We Stay!, n.d.
 - c. Thurman Arnold, n.d.
2. Simon J. Lubin Society
 - a. The Rural Observer, Sept/Oct 1938-Aug, 1939.
 - b. Confidential News Service publication, May 22, 1939 and April-Dec 1939.
 - c. Report prepared by executive committee, balance sheet, Attention Members! bulletin, n.d.
 - d. Letters to Mr. Todd, April 5, 1939, May 28 1939, Aug 18, 1939, Oct 4, 1939
3. Reports and brochures from the U.S. Department of Agriculture
 - a. Washington D.C.: Living and Working Conditions of Migratory Farm Workers in the Florida vegetable Area and Rural Poverty, the Root of Migration, May 15, 1940 and July 19, 1941.
 - b. Farm Security Administration: Co-ops for the Small Farmer, The Meaning of Rehabilitation and The Migration of Farm Labor, Mar 21, 1940, Mar 21, 1940 and June 21, 1939.
 - c. Bureau of Agriculture Economics: Migration to California, Mar 16, 1940.
4. Reports and brochures from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, cont.
 - a. Chandler Farms, Inc., South-Central Arizona -- April, 1939
 - b. Casa Grande Valley Farms, Inc., South- Central Arizona -- April, 1939
 - c. Medical Clinic on Wheels -- May, 1939
 - d. The Place of Agricultural Labor in Society -- June 15, 1939
 - e. Community and Cooperative Service Programs in Region IX -- July, 1939
 - f. The Work of the Farm Security Administration in Region IX: 1938-1939
 - g. The FSA Home Management Program -- Jan., 1940
 - h. Health For Western Farm Workers -- Mar., 1940
5. Misc. excerpts from letters and articles, n.d.
6. Misc. reports, articles, bulletins, 1939 - 1941.
 - a. Misc. text from bulletins and articles, 1939-1940.
 - b. Associated Farmers Declaration of Law and Order, Jan 23, 1939.



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c. Associated Farmers of Ventura County Bulletin, June 14, 1939

Box 7: Misc. clippings, photos and recordings.

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1. Newspaper clippings about "Okie" artists and writers, March 1977.
2. Articles and papers dealing with the migration, 1940
3. Articles and papers dealing with the migration cont., 1975-1989.
4. Photos taken by Farm Security Administration photographers Robert H. Hemmig and Arthur Rothstein (1940-1941). Charles Todd is featured in a few of the images with his audio recording equipment. Several of the images are part of the Library of Congress' collection.
5. Newspaper clippings about Gerald Haslam, n.d.
6. Down An Old Road: The Poetic Life of Wilma Elizabeth McDaniel (VHS). Rough cut September 5, 2000. Created by Chris Simon

Box 8: Letters, awards and camp newsletters (originals).

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1. Letters and awards to and about Charles L. Todd, 1940.
2. The Covered Wagon -- Dec. 31, 1938-Oct 13, 1939
3. The Covered Wagon -- Oct. 21, 1939-July 13, 1940
4. The Covered Wagon -- July 13, 1940-July 27, 1940
5. The Covered Wagon -- Aug. 10, 1940-June 6, 1942
6. The Hub -- Feb. 19, 1940 - June 14, 1942
7. Voice of the Migrant -- Dec. 22, 1939-Feb. 16, 1940
8. Voice of the Migrant -- Feb. 23, 1940-Mar. 15, 1940
9. Gridley Camp News (Tulare) -- June 19, 1942 (vol 1 no 10)

Box 9: Camp newsletters.

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1. Voice of the Agricultural Worker: V.O.T.A.W. -- Mar. 22, 1940-May 1940
2. Voice of the Agricultural Worker: V.O.T.A.W. -- May 21, 1940-July 4, 1942
3. The Tattler -- Nov. 17, 1939-Dec. 6, 1940
4. Newspaper clippings about the dust bowl migration, n.d.
5. The Associated Farmers -- Sept. 15, 1939-Jun 15, 1939
6. "Okie" artists and writers newspaper clippings, March 1977.

Box 10: David Kinhead. Donated by David Kinhead's daughter, retired SSU nursing instructor B.J. Kinhead Blanchard in 2016.

Folder

1. Mobile Unit #1 [Calipatria] -- 1938-1940
 - Subjects include: Camp foremen, livestock, population figures
 - Significant Item: Imperial County, California 1938 statistics -- crop and livestock values
2. Agua Fria Camp Arizona -- Sep. 1939-Nov. 1940
 - Subjects include: School lunches & enrollment
 - Significant Item: Camp statistics with handwritten map of camp, items about Frank Tidwell
3. Travel -- 1938-1942
 - Subjects include: Travel documents for David Kinhead
 - 3.●.1. Subfolder: Letters
 - Significant Item: Regional conference documents
 - 3.●.2. Subfolder: Telegrams



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- 3.●.3. Subfolder: Vouchers for reimbursement of travel
Significant Item: Some copies with David Kinhead's signature
- 3.●.4. Subfolder: Notice of miscellaneous encumbrance
- 3.●.5. Subfolder: Miscellaneous
Significant Item: Travel itinerary
- 4. Work History -- 1938-1939
 - Subjects include: Transfers, pay rate, rent, bonds, personnel actions
 - 4.●.1. Subfolder: Appointments/posts
Significant Item: Annual salary, closing of Brawley Camp
 - 4.●.2. Subfolder: Evaluations
Significant Item: Letter of denial for raise in pay
 - 4.●.3. Subfolder: Personnel
Significant Item: Several letters about Charles E. Collins and other employees
 - 4.●.4. Subfolder: Conference materials
Significant Item: Agenda for conference on March 6-8, 1939
 - 4.●.5. Subfolder: Personal letters
Significant Item: Letters from O. C. [Cotton] Davis
 - 4.●.6. Subfolder: Miscellaneous
Significant Item: Documents about bonding of David Kinhead
- 5. Procedure Manual -- Jan. 1938-Apr. 1940
 - 5.●.1. Subfolder: Migratory labor instructions, numbers 1 – 31 -- 1939
Significant Item: California School Code Provisions Relative to Migratory Children
 - 5.●.2. Subfolder: Temporary grant instructions -- 1938
Significant Item: Documents about WPA [Works Progress Administration]
 - 5.●.3. Subfolder: Regional notice -- 1939-1940
Significant Item: Memo with list of county addresses
 - 5.●.4. Subfolder: Miscellaneous -- 1939-1940
Significant Item: Rules and regulations for camps
- 6. Field Work-Camps
 - 6.●.1. Subfolder: Arvin
Significant Item: Confidential report of survey on camp
 - 6.●.2. Subfolder: Bakersfield
Significant Item: Letter on strike situation in Bakersfield
 - 6.●.3. Subfolder: Brawley
Significant Item: Letters about furnishings for camp manager's house
 - 6.●.4. Subfolder: Coachella
Significant Item: Confidential report of survey on camp
 - 6.●.5. Subfolder: Corcoran
Significant Item: Letter about mobile unit
 - 6.●.6. Subfolder: Indio
Significant Item: Letters on workers alliance in Indio
 - 6.●.7. Subfolder: Kern County
Significant Item: Letter on bacteriological examination of water
 - 6.●.8. Subfolder: Lamont
Significant Item: Letter on reported social work cases in October 1939
 - 6.●.9. Subfolder: Riverside County
Significant Item: Items written by chairman of Riverside County Board of Supervisors
 - 6.●.10. Subfolder: Miscellaneous
Significant Item: WPA [Works Progress Administration] camps/projects Mohave - Tehachapi
- 7. Mrs. Bonds -- 1938
 - Subjects include: Mrs. Bonds background, O. C. [Cotton] Davis



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- Significant Item: *The American Mercury* news article
8. FSA Reunion – 1975
 - Subjects include: Farm Security Administration reunion
 - Significant Item: Letter and list of names
 9. Personal journal – Feb. 1937-Oct. 1938
 - Subjects include: Letters to friends, local news, camp behavior
 10. Tom Collins -- 1939, 1975-1976
 - Subjects include: Tom Collins's life before and during migratory camp period
 - Significant item: Letter to Gail Kefauver, Chronicle Books (1975) and letter to Mrs. Elaine Steinbeck c/o Viking Press (1975), both about Tom Collins
 11. Newspaper clippings, pamphlets, maps, envelopes
 - Subjects include: John Beecher, United States Senate Seventy-Fifth Congress Labor Displacement in the Cotton Belt
 - Significant Item: *San Francisco Chronicle* article: "The Okies Take a Place in American History" by Don Wegars, Chronicle correspondent, Monday October 16, 1978 (Dale Scales, Dick Bailey)
 - Significant Item: *San Francisco Chronicle* article: "How Okies Made Their Way" by Don Wegars, Chronicle correspondent, Tuesday October 17, 1978 (Photo by Dorothea Lange)
 - Pamphlet: "And I Will Be Heard" by John Beecher

Box 11: Quilt

- Made for wife-to-be, Evelyn Jacobs, of David Kinhead (see Box 10). Donated by David Kinhead's daughter, retired SSU nursing instructor B.J. Kinhead Blanchard in 2016.

Box 12: Working in California

- 5 cassettes, 4 booklets and learning and teaching guides. Reader's Radio, A Project of RadioWest, 1987.
- Books
 - McWilliams, Carey. *Factories in the Field: The Story of Migratory Farm Labor in California*. Peregrine Publishers, Inc., 1971. Signed by Gerald Haslam.
 - Stein, Walter. *California and the Dust Bowl Migration*. Greenwood Press, 1973. Signed to Gerry Haslam by the author.