

Western Range Cattle and Other Industries Study Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Western Range Cattle and Other Industries Study Papers

Span Dates: 1823-1947

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1880-1920)

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Collector: Brayer, Herbert Oliver, collector

Extent: 75 microfilm reels

Language: Collection material in English

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Summary: Reproduces business records and personal papers including incorporation agreements, stockholder lists, journals, correspondence, maps, photographs, and printed matter relating to the cattle industry in Colorado, Kansas, Texas, and other areas. Also contains material concerning mining, including articles of agreement, stockholder lists, and summaries of capital and shares.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Brayer, Herbert Oliver, collector.

Frewen, Moreton, 1853-1924.

Organizations

Matador Land and Cattle Company.

Powder River Cattle Company.

Prairie Cattle Company.

State Historical Society of Colorado.

Swan Land and Cattle Company.

Subjects

Cattle trade--Colorado.

Cattle trade--Kansas.

Cattle trade--Texas.

Cattle trade--West (U.S.)

Cattle trade--Wyoming.

Cattle--Economic aspects--West (U.S.)

Economic history.

Investments, British--United States--History--19th century.

Mines and mineral resources--West (U.S.)

Places

United States--Economic conditions--19th century.

United States--Economic conditions--20th century.

West (U.S.)--Economic conditions--19th century.

West (U.S.)--Economic conditions--20th century.

Provenance

The microfilm collection of the Western Range Cattle and Other Industries Study Papers was received by the Library of Congress from the State Historical Society of Colorado in 1956. The microfilm was sent to the Library as part of an agreement with Herbert O. Brayer, state archivist of Colorado. In the late 1940s Brayer surveyed sources pertinent to

American economic history in various European repositories. The Library defrayed some of the expenses and received a copy of the microfilm of material selected by Brayer.

Processing History

A finding aid to the Western Range Cattle and Other Industries Study Papers was created in 1999 and revised in 2012.

Additional Guides

A description of the Western Range Cattle and Other Industries Study Papers appears in the *Library of Congress Information Bulletin* 15, no. 32 (August 6, 1956): 422-423.

Copyright Status

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Access and Restrictions

The papers of the Western Range Cattle and Other Industries Study are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Microfilm

This collection consists solely of microfilm on 75 reels and is not available for interlibrary loan.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Reel number, Western Range Cattle and Other Industries Study Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers on the microfilm edition of the Western Range Cattle and Other industries Study Collection span the years 1823-1947, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1880-1920. The collection includes incorporation agreements, stockholder lists, journals, correspondence, maps, photographs, and printed matter relating to the cattle industry in Colorado, Kansas, Texas, and other areas and the Matador Land and Cattle Company, Swan Land and Cattle Company, and the Prairie Cattle Company. The microfilm is organized into two series: [Cattle Industry Files](#) and [Mining and Other Business Files](#).

The majority of the material was reproduced from the originals in the Registrar of Companies Office in Edinburgh, Scotland. A reproduction of the index to companies register (1856-1920) from the Registrar of Companies in London, England, is found on Reel 22. Reels 23-28 contain material relating to the cattle industry reproduced from the Registrar of Companies Office in London. Reels 29-34 reproduce Moreton Frewen's Ranch Papers (1823-1932), the originals of which are in the Special Collections Division, University of North Dakota Library, Grand Forks, North Dakota. These papers supplement Frewen's personal papers in the Library of Congress and deal with his activities in conjunction with the Powder River Cattle Company in Johnson County, Wyoming.

Reels 35-75 contain material relating primarily to mining. This material, reproduced from originals in the files of the Registrar of Companies, Bush House, London, England, consists mainly of articles of agreement, stockholder lists, and summaries of capital and shares.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in two series:

- [Cattle Industry Files, 1856-1947](#)
- [Mining and Other Business Files](#)

Description of Series

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REELS 35-75	<u>Mining and Other Business Files</u> Business records including articles of agreement, stockholder lists, and summaries of capital and shares. Organized as filmed.
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