

## Finding Aid to the Roy Bloss Collection

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### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Roy Bloss Collection

**Date Range:** 1970s

**Collection number:** **Accessions 91-02, 92-61 (1991.02 & 1992.61)**

**Extent:** 11 document boxes plus books

**Repository:** County History Center, Contra Costa County Historical Society, 724 Escobar Street, Martinez, CA 94553, 925-229-1042

**Physical location:** Special Collections

**Legal status:** public

### Information for Researchers

**Access:** Collection is open for research.

**Publication Rights:** Contact the Contra Costa County Historical Society for publication permission.

**Preferred Citation:** Suggested citation of these records is: [Identification of item], Roy Bloss Collection, Contra Costa County Historical Society.

**Scope and Content:** This collection consists of material concerning the Pony Express, including books, pamphlets, letter press plates, photos, manuscripts, and material on Contra Costa County places. Roy wrote the book, *Pony Express-The Great Gamble*.

### Arrangement of Materials:

The collection is housed primarily in two places. The special collections room has nine boxes.

- **Boxes 1-5:** (91-02) letter press plates for Pony Express book
- **Box 6:** (92-61) San Ramon Valley SP Right-of-Way Study Committee (1981-1991): minutes, news clippings, correspondence, studies, presentations.
- **Box 7:** (91-02) Notes, correspondence, and manuscript for *Pony Express, The Great Gamble*; also (91-79) transcript of talk given to CCCHS meeting, 9/28/1991 about "Pony Express, Fact and Fiction"
- **Box 8:** (91-02) Manuscripts for the Pony Express book, correspondence and papers with the CCCHS.
- **Box 9:** artwork for the *Contra Costa Chronicles*, Roy Bloss was editor

The library has two boxes and books.

- **Box 10:** clippings, papers on reenactment in 1960, studies, and brochures
- **Box 11:** papers, brochures, and correspondence on the Pony Express Monument, Centennial Committee, & William Frederick Fisher (pony express rider) (variety of accession numbers)

### Indexing Terms

Pony Express

