

# Guide to the Wanted Posters Collection

WA MSS S-3705



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## Collection Overview

**REPOSITORY:** Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library  
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**CALL NUMBER:** WA MSS S-3705

**TITLE:** Wanted posters collection

**DATES:** 1903–1924

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.21 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** In English.

**SUMMARY:** 16 wanted posters for criminal suspects primarily in California and Missouri, with additional posters from Kansas, North Dakota, and Oregon, 1903-1924. Crimes include failure to provide for minor children, rape, embezzlement, forgery, grand larceny, and contributing to the dependency of a minor. Most posters include a monetary reward and an image or description of the suspect. Includes 2 photographs of suspects.

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## Requesting Instructions

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Purchased from Fairlook Antiques on the Arthur Corbitt Hoskins Memorial Fund, 2018.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

## Conditions Governing Use

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## Preferred Citation

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## Processing Information

Collections are processed to a variety of levels, depending on the work necessary to make them usable, their perceived research value, the availability of staff, competing priorities, and whether or not further accruals are expected. The library attempts to provide a basic level of preservation and access for all collections, and does more extensive processing of higher priority collections as time and resources permit. This collection received a basic level of processing, including rehousing and minimal organization, in 2019.

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## Scope and Contents

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## Arrangement

Organized into five series: I. California Wanted Posters, 1923-1924. II. Missouri Wanted Posters, 1903-1911. III. Kansas Wanted Poster, 1919. IV. North Dakota Wanted Poster, 1924. V. Oregon Wanted Poster, 1924.

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## Collection Contents

### Series I: California Wanted Posters, 1923–1924

b. 1, f. 1	Black, Charles	1923
b. 1, f. 2	Hedges, Olin P. and George Clark	1924
b. 1, f. 3	Leeper, William	1923
b. 1, f. 4	Loomis, E. D.	1924
b. 1, f. 5	McLean, W. J.	1924
b. 1, f. 6	Saunders, Zephie	1923
b. 1, f. 7	Spence, Robert	1924
b. 1, f. 8	Tice, Albert and Theodore Reser	undated

**Series II: Missouri Wanted Posters, 1903–1911**

b. 1, f. 9	Byers, Benjamin	1903
b. 1, f. 10	Everly, Charles H.	1906
b. 1, f. 11	Gaulding, William and Henry Gaulding	1904
b. 1, f. 12	Snider, Thomas W.	1911
b. 1, f. 13	Te Linde, Frank Arnold	undated

## Series III: Kansas Wanted Poster, 1919

b. 1, f. 14

Puffenberger, William H.

1919

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## Series IV: North Dakota Wanted Poster, 1924

b. 1, f. 15

Daly, B. L.

1924

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## Series V: Oregon Wanted Poster, 1924

b. 1, f. 16

Annes, A. A.

1924

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## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### Subjects

Crime -- West (U.S.)  
Criminal justice, Administration of -- West (U.S.)  
Criminals -- West (U.S.)  
Law enforcement -- West (U.S.)  
Outlaws -- West (U.S.)

### Geographic Names

California -- Politics and government -- 1850-1950  
Kansas -- Politics and government -- 1865-1950  
Missouri -- Politics and government -- 1865-1950  
North Dakota -- Politics and government -- 20th Century  
Oregon -- Politics and government -- 1859-1950

### Genres / Formats

Photographs -- United States  
Wanted posters

### Names

Annes, A. A., active approximately 1924  
Black, Charles, active approximately 1923  
Byers, Benjamin, active approximately 1903  
Clark, George, active approximately 1924  
Daly, B. L., active approximately 1924  
Everly, Charles H., active approximately 1906  
Gaulding, Henry, active approximately 1904  
Gaulding, William, active approximately 1904  
Hedges, Olin P.  
Leeper, William, active approximately 1923  
Loomis, E. D., active approximately 1924  
McLean, W. J., active approximately 1924  
Puffenberger, William H., active approximately 1919  
Reser, Theodore  
Saunders, Zephie, active approximately 1923  
Snider, Thomas W., active approximately 1911  
Spence, Robert, active approximately 1924  
Te Linde, Frank Arnold  
Tice, Albert