

**John S. Armstrong Nursery Collection  
1889-1984**

**Ontario City Library  
Robert E. Ellingwood Model  
Colony History Room**



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## Descriptive Summary

### Title

John S. Armstrong Nursery Collection 1889-1984

### Creator

The collection documents the founding and growth of the Armstrong Nursery Company from 1889 to 1984. It includes the research notes on the hybridization of Armstrong's award-winning roses as well as 2 complete sets of the Armstrong Catalogs spanning the years from 1906 to 1984.

### Extent

**Number of containers:** 66

**Linear feet:** approximately 60

### Abstract

The collection is a multi-media archive of the Armstrong Nurseries, Inc., with records dating from 1889 to 1984. Holdings include company records and marketing materials, approximately 14,000 photographs and negatives, 7 motion picture films, 2 sound recordings, and approximately 40 rolled sheets of maps and plans.

John Armstrong was born on October 11, 1865 in Brantford, Canada. After contracting tuberculosis, his doctor recommended moving to a warmer climate. He decided to head west and arrived in Upland on March 3, 1889. He found he liked working outdoors and learned the nursery business during his tenure at the Horsley and Eaton Nursery. He soon parted ways with Mssrs. Horsley and Eaton, starting his own nursery and recovering his health in the process. He also bought land and began cultivating grapes, fruit and citrus trees.

In 1898, Armstrong bought 3 lots on D and Euclid from Andrew Chaffey for \$112 each. This land became the original Armstrong Nursery. He started a mail order catalog of roses and fruit trees in 1902 that continues to this day. He continued buying acreage and selling plants, riding the ever-expanding demand for ornamental trees and shrubbery from the 1920's on.

In the 1940's he pioneered the development of new varieties of roses, among them the Charlotte Armstrong, named for his first wife who died in 1947. More than 2,000,000 of this variety have been sold and it is the official flower of the city of Ontario. Though John Armstrong died in 1965, his 112 year old

company now has over 650 employees. Armstrong Garden Centers is the largest independent retail nursery company in the Western United States, specializing in the largest selection of roses (over 950 varieties), many developed and exclusive to the company.

The collection consists of 60 linear feet of documents which include John S. Armstrong's Memoirs, the Armstrong Nursery journals, ledgers, harvest books, diaries, maps and catalogs. There are also approximately 4000 photographs, 10,000 negatives, tapes, 16mm films and photographs of discontinued roses. The diaries contain the notes of Walter Lammerts, Herbert C. Swim, David L. Armstrong, and Jack C. Christensen written during their tenure in Armstrong's Research Department. Dr. Lammerts' notes on the hybridization of the Charlotte Armstrong Rose (Ontario's official flower) and Mr. Swim's notes on his prize-winning roses are included. These diaries date from 1938-1970.

## **Administrative Information**

### **Access**

Collection is open for research during the operating hours of the Robert E. Ellingwood Model Colony History Room, or by appointment.

### **Preferred Citation**

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### **Acquisitions Information**

The holdings were donated by Armstrong Roses (via VP for Research Jack Christensen), Mr. Jack Armstrong (via the Museum of history and Art, Ontario) and by Mr. Herbert Swim during 1985.

### **Processing Information**

The processing of this collection was made possible by a grant from the Elizabeth Lloyd Davis Foundation. The collection is available to the public with no restriction to access (with the exception of certain personnel records), provided it is accessed during history room business hours. It is a non-circulating collection. Luz Graue, LaVera Miller, Ronald Baker, 1985-86  
Joanne Boyajian 2007

The bulk of this collection is housed in (#boxes) in the Model Colony Compact Storage room. The negatives are stored in the John Armstrong Collection firesafe in the Compact Storage room. The American Rose Annual 1937-1989 (635.933 AME) is shelved in the Model Colony Reading Room. There is also an Oral History of John Awdry Armstrong dated February 27, 1978 on tape (MC Reading Room), transcription (on S drive under Oral Histories and in print in MC Reading Room) and digitized (on FOCL external hard drive and archival CD (in the Compact Storage Room).

Container list for archive boxes follows:

BOX 1

|            |                                  |                 |
|------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| LEDGER     | 1891 TO 1903                     |                 |
| JOURNAL    | 1918 TO 1919                     |                 |
| DOCUMENTS: | FIRST STOCKHOLDERS MEETING       | 3 DECEMBER 1920 |
|            | FIRST BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING | 3 DECEMBER 1920 |
|            | SUBSCRIPTION FOR CAPITAL STOCK   | 3 DECEMBER 1920 |
|            | RESOLUTION                       | 3 DECEMBER 1920 |

1. Daily Ledger. 1 September 1891 to 15 July 1903.
2. Journal. 1 June 1918 to 30 April 1919.
3. Documents.
  - (a) Stockholders Consent For Holding First Meeting. 3 December 1920.
  - (b) Minutes of First Stockholders Meeting. 3 December 1920.
  - (c) Waiver of Notice and Consent of All Directors for Holding First Meeting of The Board of Directors. 3 December 1920.
  - (d) Minutes of First Meeting of Directors. 3 December 1920.
  - (e) Subscription Payable After Organization for Capital Stock of Ontario Nurseries Company at a Meeting Held at its Office. 3 December 1920.
  - (f) Copy of Resolution Passed by the Board of Directors of the Ontario Nurseries. 3 December 1920.
4. [2 Copies of Resolution. See 3 (f).]

5. 2 Ledgers. (a) 29 January 1934 – 31 May 1934.  
(b) 1 June 1934 – 12 October 1934.
6. Loose Leaf Book. Contents: (a) Order of Responsibility  
(b) Procedures  
(c) Selection of Plants  
(d) Operation of Nursery.
7. Fruit Tree Scrapbook. 1940-1941.
8. Rose Scrapbook. [Includes notes on other flowering plants.]
9. Journal. October 1958 – August 1961.
- 9A. Ledger Sheet from Journal. Page 1.
- 9B. Closing entry leaf attached to Page 16 of Journal.
10. [News Release on Armstrong's acquisition of Del Rancho Fortuna Nursery in Kern County.  
1 July 1958. This document was found among the photographs in Box 38. Folder 19.]

## BOX 2

### JOURNALS ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

1. Accounts Payable. 1919-1920.
2. Journal. Sept. 1950 – Sept. 1951.
3. Journal. December 1951 – May 1953.
4. Journal. September 1954 – May 1956.
5. Journal. May 1956 – September 1957.
6. Journal. October 1957 – May 1959.
7. Journal. June 1959 – November 1960.
8. Journal. November 1960 – June 1962.
9. Journal. June 1962 – November 1963.
10. Journal. November 1963 – May 1965.
11. Journal. September 1966 – April 1968.
12. Journal. April 1968 – September 1969.
13. Journal. October 1969 – July 1971.

BOX 3

Armstrong Products, Inc. Purchase Journal.  
Del Rancho Fortuna Journals 1950 - 1955.  
Armstrong Nurseries Transfer Accounts Receivable.

1. Book 1. Armstrong Products, Inc. Purchase Journal  
Nov. 1950 - April 1959.  
Includes Envelope containing 2 Sheets of paper w/notations:  
a) Del Rancho Fortuna (Partnership) Capital Account Numbers  
b) Short list of Names of Addresses.
2. Book 2. Journal of Del Rancho Fortuna. 1950 - 1955.
3. Book 3. Armstrong Products, Inc. Cash Journal.  
Nov. 1950 - May 1954.
4. Book 4. Del Rancho Fortuna, Incorporated Journal.  
July 1955 - June 1957.
5. Book 5. Armstrong Nurseries Transfer Accounts Receivable.  
1959 - 1954.

BOX 4

Armstrong Nurseries Private Ledger

1. Book 6. Armstrong Nurseries Transfer Private Ledger.  
1928 - 1935.  
[Marked G/L 10/1/28 and 9/20/35.]

BOX 5

GENERAL LEDGER 1936 - 1939

GENERAL LEDGER - J.S.A. 1938 - 1940

1. General Ledger 1936.
2. General Ledger 1937.
3. General Ledger - J.S.A. 1938.

4. General Ledger 1938.
5. General Ledger - J.S.A. 1939.
6. General Ledger 1939.
7. General Ledger - J.S. A. 1940.

BOX 6 (Now in Box 5)

GENERAL LEDGER 1940 - 1942  
GENERAL LEDGER - J.S.A. 1941 - 1943. [Inc. financial data on Armsley Square sub-division].

1. General Ledger 1940.
2. General Ledger - J.S.A. 1941 [Inc. financial data on Armsley Square sub-division.]
3. General Ledger 1941.
4. General Ledger - J.S.A. 1942.
5. General Ledger 1942.
6. General Ledger - J.S.A. 1943.

BOX 7 (Now in Box 5)

GENERAL LEDGER 1942 - 1945

GENERAL LEDGER - J.S.A. & C.A.A. 1944

GENERAL LEDGER - J.S.A. 1945, 1946.

1. General Ledger 1942/3.
2. General Ledger - J.S. A. & C.A. A. 1944
3. General Ledger 1943/4.
4. General Ledger - J.S.A. 1945.
5. General Ledger 1944/5.

6. General Ledger - J.S. Armstrong 1946.

BOX 8 (Now in Box 5)

GENERAL LEDGERS 1946-1949.

1. General Ledger 1946.
2. General Ledger 1947. [Inc. envelope with a sheet of paper containing the following note:  
"Misc. Income & Expense Analyses 9-30-47"]
3. General Ledger 1948.
4. General Ledger 1949.

BOX 9

TRANSFER LEDGER 1917 - 1923.

GENERAL LEDGERS: 1951 - 1959 and 10 Oct. 1954 - 30 Sept. 1962.

1. Transfer Ledger 1917 – 1923.
2. General Ledger 1951 – 1959.
3. General Ledger 10 Oct. 1954 – 30 Sept. 1962.

BOX 10

LEDGERS: 31 Oct. 1962 – 30 Sept. 1968

GENERAL LEDGERS: Book 1 31 July 1969 – 30 Sept. 1972

Book 2 30 Sept. 1972 – 15 June 1973

[All the folders marked "Ledger 31 Oct. 1962 – 30 Sept. 1968" were originally in a binder that disintegrated].

1. Ledger. 31 Oct. 1962 - 30 Sept. 1968, pages 1-100.
2. Ledger. 31 Oct. 1962 - 30 Sept. 1968, pages 101-200.
3. Ledger. 31 Oct. 1962 – 30 Sept. 1968, pages 201-300.
4. Ledger. 31 Oct. 1962 – 30 Sept. 1968, pages 301-390.

5. Ledger. 31 Oct. 1962 – 30 Sept. 1968, pages 391-525.
6. Ledger. 31 Oct. 1962 – 30 Sept. 1968, pages 526-648.
7. Ledger. 31 Oct. 1962 - 30 Sept. 1968, pages 649-768.
8. Book 1. General Ledger. 31 July 1969 – 30 Sept. 1972.
9. Book 2. General Ledger. 30 Sept. 1972 – 15 June 1973.

BOX 11

PROPERTY TAX RECEIPTS: 1921-1941.

CITY and COUNTY TAXES: 1931-1940.

SALES , INCOME, and SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES 1940-1941

1. Property Tax Receipts 1921.
2. Property Tax Receipts 1922.
3. Property Tax Receipts 1923.
4. Property Tax Receipts 1924.
5. Property Tax Receipts 1925.
6. Property Tax Receipts 1926. [Inc. original folder w/notes].
7. Property Tax Receipts 1927.
8. Property Tax Receipts 1928.
9. Property Tax Receipts 1929.
10. Property Tax Receipts 1930.
11. City and County Taxes 1931.
12. City and County Taxes 1932.
13. City and County Taxes 1933.
14. City and County Taxes 1934.
15. City and County Taxes 1935.
16. City and County Taxes 1936.
17. City and County Taxes 1937.
18. City and County Taxes 1938.

19. City and County Taxes 1939.
20. City and County Taxes 1940.
21. Sales Tax, Income Tax, Social Security. 1940. [Includes other papers dating from 1932.]
22. Taxes on Real Estate, etc. 1941.
23. Income Tax, Soc. Sec., Sales Tax 1941.

BOX 12

REAL ESTATE TAXES 1942-1945, 1947-1953.

INCOME, SALES, UNEMPLOYMENT, OLD AGE, and CAPITAL TAXES 1942-1944.

1. Real Estate Taxes 1942.
2. Income, Sales, Unemployment, and Old Age Taxes 1942.
3. Real Estate Taxes 1943.
4. Sales, Soc. Sec., Income Taxes 1943.
5. Real Estate Taxes 1944.
6. Sales, Soc. Sec., Income, and Capital Taxes 1944.
7. Real Estate Taxes 1945.
8. Real Estate Taxes 1947.
9. Real Estate Taxes 1947 (cont.)
10. Real Estate Taxes 1948.
11. Real Estate Taxes 1949.
12. Real Estate Taxes 1950.
13. Real Estate Taxes 1950. (cont.)
14. Property Papers – San Bernardino 1951.
15. Property Papers – City of Long Beach 1951.
16. Check copies of Property Taxes Paid. 1951-1952.
17. Property Papers – Los Angeles 1951.
18. Property Papers – Riverside 1951.
19. Property Papers – Orange County 1951.

- 20. Real Estate Taxes 1952.
- 21. Real Estate Taxes 1953.

BOX 13

Income Tax 1927 -1936  
 Sales Tax 1935-1939  
 Capital Stock Tax 1934, 1937, 1938  
 Social Security Tax [aka Old Age Annuity Tax] 1937-1939  
 Unemployment Insurance 1936-1938  
 Inventories 1943-1951

- 1. Income Tax 1927
- 2. Income Tax 1928. [Inc. Copy of Articles of Co-Partnership (of Armstrong Nurseries) made and entered into on 31 December 1927, by and between John S. Armstrong, Charlotte A. Armstrong and John A. Armstrong. This folder also includes correspondence w/ the Internal Revenue Service.]
- 3. Income Tax 1929.
- 4. Income Tax 1930.
- 5. Income Tax 1931.
- 6. Income Tax 1932. [Mentions Incorporation.]
- 7. Income Tax 1933.
- 8. Income Tax Returns  
 Capital Stock Tax Returns 1934  
 Gift Tax Returns
- 9. Income Tax  
 Capital Stock Tax 1935  
 Sales Tax.
- 10. Sales Tax  
 Income Tax  
 Corp. Franchise Tax 1936  
 Unemp. Ins.  
 [Inc. Tax Research Report]
- 11. Sales Tax Returns  
 State & Federal Income Tax Returns

Capital Stock Tax Returns 1937  
Unemployment Insurance  
Old Age Annuity

BOX 14

Inventory 1952-1954

Work Sheets for Financial Reports 1948-1955

Miscellaneous Accounting Data 1944, 1946, 1949.

1. Inventory Sept. 30, 1952.
2. Inventory Sept. 30, 1953.
3. Inventory Sept. 30, 1954.
4. Inventory Sept. 30, 1955.
5. Work Sheets 1945-46.
6. Work Sheets for Financial Reports 1948-49.
7. Work Sheets Financial Reports 1949-1950.
8. Work Sheets 1951.
9. Work Sheets 1952.
10. Work Sheets 1953.
11. Work Sheets 1954.
12. Work Sheets 1955.
13. Accounting Date Year Ending 9-30-41.
14. Misc. Accounting Data 1944.
15. Misc. Data 1946 & before.
16. Misc. Accounting Data 1949.

BOX 15

1. Inventory of Material Transferred from Ontario Museum.  
Correspondence re: Transfer.
2. Resolution No. 5206. [Issued by the Ontario City Council after the Charlotte Armstrong Rose was chosen as the official flower for the City of Ontario, CA.  
6 March 1962.]
3. John Samuel Armstrong, 1865-1965. [Memoirs]. 1956.
4. [Congressional Record of the 86<sup>th</sup> Congress. 20 January 1959.  
Contains article on John S. Armstrong by William L. Roper. P. 855]
5. "Success Story" sponsored by the Richfield Oil Corporation.  
[It is numbered #286, and aired] 28 December 1956 between 7:00-7:30p.m.
6. a) Biographical Data on John S. Armstrong. 29 August 1960.  
b) "John S. Armstrong's Wonderful World of Color."  
c) Biographical Data for Encyclopedia of American Biography. 1 September 1965.
7. Obituary, John S. Armstrong died 12 June 1965.  
List of firms and Licensees to be notified.
8. Condolences.
9. "J. Awdry Armstrong: Rose Breeder Extraordinary."
10. Day book. [J.S.A.] November 1895-January 1898.

BOX 16

TRIAL BALANCE w/RECAPITULATION 1912-1909

- BOOK 1. September 30, 1912 – December 31, 1913.
- BOOK 2. August 31, 1911 – August 31, 1912.
- BOOK 3. July 31, 1910 – July 31, 1911.
- BOOK 4. May 31, 1910 – May 31, 1910.
- BOOK 5. April 30, 1908 – April 30, 1909.

BOX 17

TRIAL BALANCE 1912 – 1938.

BOOK 1. June 1917 – December 1921.

BOOK 2. January 1927 – December 1931.

BOOK 3. January 1922 – December 1926.

BOOK 4. January 1932 – December 1938.

BOX 18

ARTICLES: Nursery  
Roses  
Camellias  
J.S. Armstrong

CERTIFICATES

PRICE LISTS

SHEET MUSIC

DRAFT LAY-OUTS

1. "The Armstrong Nurseries." April 11, 1957.
2. "Only 1962 All-American Rose Selection Grandiflora Winner Named in Honor of John S. Armstrong, Founder of Fames Western Nursery."  
  
"1962 All-American Rose 'John S. Armstrong' seen as 'King' of Grandiflora Class."  
  
"The Rose for 1962."
3. Armstrong Nurseries, Inc. Stationery.
4.
  - 1) "Report on National Association of Mail Order Nurserymen Convention."  
c 1952.
  - 2) "Yellow Camellias?!!!" by H. C. Swim.
  - 3) "What Hybridizers are Doing for Us."  
Rough draft. May 6, 1954.

- 4) "The Rose – Our Queen Flower." A story outline for Look Magazine by Robert L. Jordan. March 1, 1960.
- 5) Original draft of "The Rose . . . ."
5. Collection of newspaper clippings about J.S. Armstrong and related subjects.
6. Memos 1927, 1928, 1931, 1936. Note signed by H.C. Swim  
Re: Gustavo Farar and Jose Jauregui, March 5, 1985.
7. [Memos from J. A. Armstrong re: Nursery Operation and Procedures.
8. Memos from Jess C. Watt. 1929, 1930, 1931.
9. "Armstrong Roses: Commercial Production and Research Methods (including All-American Winners, Popular and Newer Roses.)"
10. "Armstrong Roses: Propagation and Hybridization," by Jack E. Christensen, Director of Research.
11. "How Armstrong Roses are Grown." 1982.
12. "How Armstrong's New Roses are Created." 1982  
[Slides accompanying script are in a separate box.]
13. "Rosa Gigantea and Its Hybrids" by H. Cayeux.  
The Journal of Heredity, vol. xx, No. 7. July 1929.  
Trans. Mrs. Franklin Harris.
14. Soil Survey: The Wasco Area – California. A.C. Anderson, Bruce C. Owen, L.R. Koehler and Ralph Cole. Washington, D.C. Dept. of Agriculture, Series 1936, No. 17.  
August 1972.
15. "Armstrong's 1965."
16. 4 Certificates: Acknowledgement of Copyright of Armstrong  
Armstrong Nursery Catalog. 30 Jan. 1933.
  - b) Ibid. 1966.
  - c) Ontario Chamber of Commerce.
  - d) Little League Baseball. 1972.
17. Wholesale and Commercial Plant Price Lists – 1968-1973.

18. Sheet Music: "Meet me In Sonoma."  
"Sonoma Rose."  
Words and Music by James F. Glann.
19. Draft lay-out of an Armstrong Truck. 8 Nov. 1961.
20. Photographs: a) Frank Maitral in an original Moreland truck. 1914.  
b) 3 Front views of the Armstrong Nursery. C. 1933-1935.  
c) Euclid Avenue. Date Unknown
- Photographs (cont.)
- d) Old Armstrong House.  
N.E. corner "D" and Euclid. c. 1915.  
J.S. Armstrong standing Little girl-Olive Freeman (?).
- e) San Antonio Heights c. 1915.
21. "Pioneers – Rotary Welcomes You." Date n/a.
22. a) 2 Clossies: Armstrong Nursery c. 1915.  
b) Aerial View of Armstrong Nursery.  
September 21, 1928 at 10:00 a.m.  
c) Armstrong Orchard c. 1915.

[All the photographs in this box were originally donated to the Ontario Museum of History and Art by John Armstrong. They were transferred to the Model Colony Room, Ontario City Library in February 1985. The Museum has 4 x 5 negatives of these photographs.]

#### BOX 19

#### LETTERS PATENT

1. Rose Sutter's Gold (#41137-A-8) PP 885  
Discard 11-69 Expired 10-25-66.  
[Written on Cover: "Final Govt. Fee \$31.50 pd. 7/18/49."]
2. Rose First Love (#4298-25) PP921  
Discard 2-7-70 Expired 2-7-67.
3. [Original Cover to Folder 2 w/notes.]
4. Rose Buccaneer (43133-A-3) PP1119  
Expired 8-12-69.
5. [Original Covr to folder 4 w/notes.]

6. Panamint Nectarine (#40015-22) PP1119  
Expired 5-27-69.
7. [Part of Original Cover to folder 6 w/notes.]
8. Patent Documents- Expired and Dedicated to Public.
9. Ibid.
10. Ibid.
11. Ibid.
12. Ibid. [This Patent was issued by the British Government for Rose Mojave  
27 March 1952.]
13. Ibid. [Patent (#547062) was issued by the Italian Government for Rose  
Roundelay  
24 September 1956.]
14. [Original Cover to Folders 8-13 w/notes.]

BOX 20

1. Rose Classification.
2. Rose Mosaic Virus.
3. Rose Pests.
4. Roses – Pest Control.
5. Rose Pictures.
6. Planting Guides.
7. Rose Planting Info.
8. Rose Propagation.  
Rootstock, Parentage, etc.
9. Tips for Successful Rose Culture.
10. Pruning.
11. Rootstock.

12. Roses-- General.
13. Rose Info [Charlotte Armstrong Rose – History , descendants, etc.]
14. Thomas, Capt. George C. Jr., Dr. Huey story, etc.  
[this folder contains the complicated but thorough research done by Mr. Donald W. DeManche, Director of Public Relations of the Armstrong Nurseries, Inc. He wanted to “document the background history” of Dr. Robert E. Huey and Capt. George C. Thomas Jr. Both men had a part in developing the stock that would give origin to the Rose Charlotte Armstrong.]
15. Mini Rose Planting Guide.
16. Armstrong Originations (Roses).
17. Climbing Roses.
18. Container Roses.
19. Rose Culture.
20. Rose Descriptions.
21. Roses – Disease Resistant.
22. Rose Gardens (Public).
23. Miniature Roses.
24. New (1981) Roses. “Can’t publicize until June.”
25. Roses – Old Time.
26. Rose Parentage.
27. Rose Seedlings  
Index 1935.
28. Rose Seedlings  
Index 1936.
29. Rose Seedlings  
Index 1937 #1.
30. Rose Seedlings  
Index 1937 #2.
31. Rose Seedlings  
Index 1937
32. Show Roses.

33. Roses. Sub list.
34. Roses. Tree Rose Maintenance and Winter Protection.
35. Soils.
36. Spacing.

DESCRIPTIONS  
ROSES

37. Allspice.
38. Ann Factor.
39. Apollo.
40. Aquarium.
41. Bahia.
42. Cara Mia.
43. Century Two.
44. Cherish.
45. Cherry Vanilla.
46. Command Performance.
47. Contempo.
48. Double Delight 73 R 09. [inc. 1 envelope w/photograph  
1 envelope w/name tags.]
49. El Dorado. [inc. 1 Blk/Wht photograph.]
50. Election.
51. Forever. [Photograph only.]
52. Gingersnap -75 R 71.
53. Gypsy.
54. Heidi, Honest Abe, Honey Moss. [inc. pen sketches of small children. Artist name  
n/a.]

55. Hocus-Pocus – 72 R 42. [inc. 6 Blk/Wht photographs.]
56. Honor.
57. Ivory Tower – 74 R 08. [incl. Envelope w/addresses of 5 Nurseries that were cut out and pasted to the inside front cover of the original folder:
  - McFarland Rose Productions  
(McFarland, CA)
  - Conklin Nurseries  
(McFarland, CA)
  - O.J. Nelson & Sons' Nursery, Inc.  
(Apopka, Fla.)
  - Kenly Rose  
(Phoenix, AZ.)
  - Mansion Nurseries  
(Wasco, CA)
58. Jazz Fest.
59. Jolly Roger.
60. Kentucky Derby. 1972-73.
61. Love.
62. Luck Lady.
63. Madras.
64. Magic Mountain. 1972-1973.  
[inc. 1 Blk/Wht photograph. Histoy of how M.M. was born.]
65. Marie Antoinette.
66. Marina.
67. Marmalade. [inc. 6 Blk/Wht photographs.]
68. Matterhorn.
69. Misty – 72 R 09. [inc. 4 Blk/Wht photographs.]
70. Molly McGredy.
71. Pascali.
72. Phoenix. [inc. 1 Blk/Wht photograph. a.k.a.'Taj Mahal'.]
73. Picasso.

74. Pilgrim.
75. Portrait.
76. Puerto Rico. [inc. 3 Blk/Wht photographs.]
77. Red Chief.
78. San Diego.
79. Secret Love.
80. Sierra Dawn.
81. Sonoma. 1972-73 [inc. 1 Blk/Wht photograph.]
82. Sunsong – 72 R 41. [inc. 1 Blk/Wht photograph.]
83. Sweepstakes – 73 R 07.
84. Taj Mahal. 1972-73.
85. Touch of Venus [inc. 1 Blk/Wht photograph.]
86. Trumpeter.
87. Typhoo Tea. [a.k.a. Inferno PP3845.  
inc. 6 Blk/Wht photographs.]
88. AARS Winner 1976.  
Yankee Doodle - 72 R 16. [inc. 8 Blk/Wht photographs.]

BOX 21

1. AARS Bulletins.
2. AARS Garden Curator Letter.
3. Annuals.
4. Armstrong Preview Panel.
5. Avocados.
6. Bible Plants.

7. Berries.
8. Flowering Characteristics of Bush Roses.
9. Characteristics – Dwarf Peach Bonanza.
10. Characteristics of Hybrid Tea Climbers.
11. Chinese Dates. (Jujubes Lan & Li.)
12. Citrus – Dwarf Info.
13. Citrus (cont.)
14. Zone Maps.
15. Fruit – Container Culture.
16. Disease Control.
17. Fruits – General.
18. Fruit – Descriptions.
19. .... Descriptions (cont.)
20. .... Descriptions (cont.)  
1968  
1978-79  
1980-81.
21. Fruit Tree Problems.

#### FRUIT TREES DECIDUOUS

22. Apples.
23. Apricots.
24. Cherries.
25. Figs.
26. Jujubes.
27. Kiwi – Also see “Berries.”
28. Nectarines.

29. Peach Bonanza
30. Peach – Commercial.
31. Peach –General.
32. Bonanza – Improved Dwarf Peach.
33. [Original Cover to Folder 32 w/list of names.]
34. Bonanza Complaints.
35. Peach Troubles.
36. Persimmon.
37. Dwarf Fruit Trees.  
Korean Cherry, etc.
38. Pear.
39. Plums.
40. Grading Standards.
41. Informative Articles by Jack, Tom and Larry.  
History.
42. Grape.
43. Grape Info.
44. Landscaping.
45. Landscaping (cont.)  
Armstrong Nurseries Plant Classification.
46. Late Season Planting for Bare Root Roses.

BOX 22

Variety Description  
 Grading and Scoring of All-American Rose Selection  
 Letters Concerning Plant Problems  
 Ornamental and Fruit Trees.

1. Variety Descriptions – Roses.
2. Variety Descriptions – Roses.

3. [1943-1981 AARS Roses, pp. 1-60]  
Variety Descriptions – Roses.
4. [1943-1981 AARS Roses, pp. 61-121]  
Variety Descriptions – Roses.
5. [1943-1981 AARS Roses, pp. 122-139]  
Roses.
6. Planting Guides.
7. Master – White Copy \*All American Rose Selections.  
Scoring Sheet.
8. Follow-Up. Slide Sets.
9. S.E. Variety Grade Sheet.
10. #65. Sucker Growth.
11. Form Letters & Cards.
12. Tips for Successful Rose Culture.
13. Late Season Planting Instructions.
14. #50. Gift Certificates.
15. #51. Balance Due – Ship – Enc [losures.]
16. #52. Return Orders – Enc [losures.]
17. #53. Card – Rose Societies (no donation.)
18. #54. Minimum Order Required Out of 48 States – Enc.
19. #55. Guarantee.
20. #56. First bloom not typical.
21. #57. Do not have this season. Enc. Remittance & Catalog.
22. #58. Plant Problems.
23. Camellias.
24. Gardenia Gold Magic.
25. Wisteria.
26. Small Fruits and Vegetables.

Descriptions.

27. Apricot – Nugget.
28. Mulberry – Black Beauty.
29. Nectarina. [inc. 1 Blk/Wht photograph.]
30. Armqueen Nectarine.
31. Mayred Nectarine.
32. Armking Nectarine.
33. Nectarine Snow Queen.
34. Nectarine Palomar.
35. Armgold Peach.
36. Peach Army.
37. Bonanza.
38. Peach Champagne.
39. Dwarf Peach – Golden Treasure.
40. Peach – June Gold.
41. Peach – Saturn.
42. Peach – Springtime.
43. Red Baron Fruiting – Flowering Peach.
44. Peach – Valigold.
45. Reports and Pollination listings and Miscellaneous.  
[Initials H.C.S. on Front Cover]
  - a) Acreage.
  - b) H.C. Swim's Report on His Texas Trip (1949).
  - c) Citrus Control.
  - d) Rose Production Calendar.
  - e) Propagation Tests.
  - f) Temperature Data.
  - g) Berry, Apple, Camellia and Citrus Crosses.  
1942-1947
46. Peach Crosses. 1942-1946.

47. Deciduous Fruit Index. 1949-1953.
48. Memorandums, Reports, Misc. [c.1953-1954.]
49. Budding Lists. [1971-1972.]
50. [Rose Crosses. 1976-1977.]
51. Rose Licensees. 1976 Budding.
52. Rose Licensees. (cont.)
53. Rose Licensees. 1979 Budding.
54. Gift Certificates.
55. Prize Certificates.
56. Mail Order Manual. 1981-1982 Season.

BOX 23

Fruit Crosses & Patents

Roses: Culture

Trial Gardens

Licensees

Patents

1. "Propagating Roses" by H. M. Butterfield.  
Revised Jan. 1948. Rcvd. 16 March 1953.
2. Miscellaneous Papers referring to Fruit Crosses 1961.
3. Rose Trial Garden – 1961. 17 pages.
4. Tentative plans for 1973. Culture of P. 5117-5.
5. Descriptive Form for Rose Variety.
6. Description Forms.
7. Memo from H.C. Swim to Jack Christensen (1971).  
Subject: Patent Description.
8. Peach Patents. [c. 1968-1970.]
9. 1970 Index – Variety Orchard, Ontario.

10. Rose Licensees. 1974 Budding.
11. Rose Licensees. 1975 Budding.
12. Rose Licensees. 1977 Budding.
13. Armstrong Patented Roses. (A & N Licensees.)
14. Rose Licensees. 1978 Budding.
15. Rose Licensees. 1978 Budding (cont.)
16. Avocados. [inc. 4 photographs  
3 Bulletins from the California  
Avocado Society. 1944-1946.  
120 leaves.]
17. Citrus 1927-1945.  
[120 leaves.]
18. Fruit Seedlings. 1941-1951.  
[123 leaves.]  
Apple  
Apricot  
Berry  
Cherry  
Grape  
Citrus.
19. Fruit Seedlings. 1941-1958.  
[140 leaves.]  
Nectarines  
Peaches  
Prunus.
20. Fruit Seedlings. 1941-1958.  
[90 leaves, pp. 141-230]
21. A – F Deciduous Fruits.  
Test. 1939-1960.  
[160 leaves.]
22. G – N. Including Nuts.  
Tests. [118 leaves.] 1939-1955.
23. A – O.  
Deciduous Fruits. [146 leaves.] 1939-1958.

24. P – Z.  
Deciduous Fruits. [98 leaves.] 1939-1955.  
Tests.
25. Sub-Tropicals. [11 leaves. P. 1-111.] 1939-1955.  
[Inc.: a) Folder containing a list of Marketability of avocados  
from the California Avocado Association.  
b) "Hand Pollination Effect in the Cherimoya."  
c) Cyrtocarpa H.B.K. Nov. Gen. & Sp. 7:19.1825.]
26. Sub-Tropicals (cont.) [74 leaves. Pp. 112-186.]  
[Inc: 1 Photograph  
1 Additional Folder (5A) w/letter.]
27. Fruit Varieties Discarded.  
Book #1  
A – O [107 leaves.] 1939-1945.  
[Inc.: 1 Additional Folder (6A) w/Newspaper article:  
"Visalia Seedless Emperor Crop Is Harvested."  
The Fresno Bee. 15 Oct. 1939, p. 8 D.]

BOX 24

Diaries: Fruit Varieties  
Ornamentals

1. Fruit Varieties Discarded.  
Book #2  
P - Z [100 leaves.] 1938-1951.  
[Inc. Folder 1A w/p.43]
2. Fruit Varieties Discarded.  
Book #2  
P – Z (cont.) [54 leaves. pp. 101-155.]
3. New Fruit. [21 leaves] 1969-1970.
4. Camellias.  
A – L [169 leaves.] 1941-1954.
5. Camellias.  
M – Z [102 leaves.] 1941-1954.  
(Seedlings under 'S')
6. Camellias.  
M – Z (cont.) [84 leaves.]
7. Camellias.

- Discards  
A – L [101 leaves.] 1939-1951.  
[There was a Binder marked “Camellia M – Z Variety Discarded” with no notes in it.]
8. Ornamentals. Book III. [No Book I or II was found with this collection.]  
[59 leaves.] 1938-1954.
  9. Roses.  
A – G [102 leaves.] 1939-1070.  
[Incl. 1 Additional Folder (9A) w/newspaper clipping.]
  10. Roses.  
H – O [159 leaves.] 1943-1956.
  11. Roses.  
P – Z [199 leaves.] 1939-1953.
  12. a) Roses. Seedlings & Miscellaneous.  
[8 leaves.] 1968-1970.  
b) Roses. [This group of notes are photocopies of other materials and were found  
loose in the filing cabinet. Many have ‘HCS Copy’ written on the right hand  
corner. They date from 1971 to 1974. 19 leaves.]  
c) Roses.  
A – Z [81 leaves.] 1967-1971.
  13. Rose Cultivars. [67 leaves.] 1967-1971.
  14. Discards. #1.  
A – C [149 leaves.]
  15. Discards. #2.  
D - F [142 leaves.]
  16. Discards. #3.  
G – K [210 leaves.]
  17. Discards. #4.  
L – O [164 leaves.]
  18. Discards. #5.  
P – R [117 leaves.]
  19. Discards. #6.  
S – Z [150 leaves.]
  20. Sports.

21. Water Mold Control. [1 leaf.] 9 May 1960.

BOX 25

HARVEST BOOKS 1979-1984

1. Harvest Book. 1979-1980.  
[112 leaves, pp. 1-112.]
2. Harvest Book (cont.)  
[163 leaves, pp. 113-276.]
3. Harvest Book (cont.)  
[57 leaves, pp. 277-333.]
4. Harvest Book. 1983-1984.
5. Harvest Book (cont.)
6. Crop Availability. 1979-1980.  
[179 leaves.]

BOX 26

1. a) The Rose Book Project [2 copies]  
A Proposal by Pamela Leuthold, Director of Public Relations & Advertising  
Services.  
Mayflower Books, Inc.  
26 May 1983.  
  
b) Southern Florist and Nurseyman. 15 April 1983.  
[re: Rose Olympiad.]  
  
c) Rose Olympiad. Promotion and Publicity.  
M.B. Reynolds & Associates, Inc.  
29 December 1982 ff.
2. Rose Budlist. [134 leaves.] 1982-1983.
3. Rose Budlist (cont.) Includes Sub-Var listing.  
[113 leaves. pp. 135-235.]
4. Rose Olympiad.

5. Original Binder. [This is a unique binder given to the Armstrong nurseries, Inc. It has the Olympiad logo designed for the Nursery after they were chosen: "The Official Licensee 1984 Olympic Games."]

BOX 27

- Receipts. [Included Donations to Rose Societies. 1978-1981.]  
ARNCO. Pd. Bills.

BOX 28

MATERIALS FOR ROSE GROWERS AND DEALERS.

1. Script and Photographs for "A Rose Is Born."  
2 copies. [See Box 38 Folder 6 for additional photographs.]
2. Folio to Rose Growers Introducing 1962 AARS Winner Rose  
John S. Armstrong, Gr.
3. Photographs for "The Rose For 1965" folio.  
[Inc: Roses... Lotte Gunthart  
Blithe Spirit  
Song of Paris  
Sweet Afton.]
4. Color Plates of Armstrong Roses.
5. "News from Armstrong Nurseries, Inc.  
Introducing four new roses for 1968."
6. Armstrong's Operation 'Red Glory' 1970.
7. [Inserts for Armstrong Wholesale Catalog and Previews.]
8. ARNCO. Pd. Bills, Correspondence. [1971-1973.]
9. ARNCO. (cont.)
10. "A Special Introduction of New Cut Rose Varieties."

BOX 29

BUSINESS FORMS

1. #60. Advance Order Reserved.
2. #61. Shipping Season Ended – Return Order.
3. #64. No Advance Order.  
Return Order.
4. #73. Card: Sales Tax on Handling.
5. #75. Card: No Program Covers.
6. #76. Card: Purchased Elsewhere.
7. Inland Mailing Service. Cleah Palmer. 82-83.  
448 S. Pershing  
San Bdn 92408 (888-6891)  
P.O. Box 5337 Zip 92403
8. Mail Order Reserve Inventory Worksheets. 82-83.  
Pricing – Quan. By ship date.
9. 82-83 Cat. Mail Order var.# only.  
Royalty, Sub-var, 3-rate price structure.  
Check list.
10. Master of Inventory & Manual  
Mail Order 1982-83.
11. Ordered from Wholesale Rose.
12. Ordered from Wholesale Deciduous.
13. 82-83 Catalog Coding and Ad Rept.
14. Mail Order from Wholesale Masters.  
(Rose, Tree Rose, Decid.).
15. Mr. Allen Manuel Dahlias  
Douglas Nurseries  
P.O. Box 47 (503-266-9419)  
Canby, OR 97013.
16. Sun Pantry Enterprises  
Maarten Voogd (714-848-1686)



33. Confetti Living Fence.  
Peacot.
34. Gift Certificates -- Ret. -- Prior to 1979.  
BOX 28
35. Gift Certificates 78-70.  
Returned for Purchase.
36. Gift Certificates. 1-150.
37. Gift Certificates. 151-300.
38. Gift Certificates. 301-499.
39. Gift Certificates. 500-699.
40. Mail Order/Gift Certificates.
41. Relief File.
42. Mail Order Policy Complaints.
43. Repl. Cert. 000-299.
44. Repl. Cert. 300-599.
45. Repl. Cert. 600-899.

BOX 30

PHOTO FILE INDEX

1. Photograph Index.
2. Sub-tropicals.
3. Azaleas and Camellias.
4. Ornamentals.
5. Miscellaneous.
6. Negatives.
7. Letterpress and Offset. Fine Art.

BOX 31

Order Processing Systems Functional Design Specification.  
Prepared by Price Waterhouse. [Accounting Firm].  
March 1981.

BOX 32

AUDIO VISUAL COLLECTION

REEL TO REEL TAPES

1. John S. Armstrong Program  
KFIL 106.3  
Friday 30 September 1960 @ 10:00a.m.
2. John S. Armstrong Interview with Jim Todd.  
23 September 1960.
3. John S. Armstong  
All-American Rose Winners  
Release 21 May 1961  
Length: 4 ½ minutes.

FILM All film containers empty as of 10-07. Films on DVD?

- |    |         |  |                           |
|----|---------|--|---------------------------|
| 1. |         | John S. Armstrong<br>16 mm.<br>Length: 95 ft.<br>Original. | 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday |
| 2. | 02776-1 | J.S. Armstrong<br>Copy.                                    | Birthday.                 |
| 3. | 02776-2 | J.A. Armstrong<br>16 mm.<br>Length: 76 ft.                 | 1955.                     |
| 4. | 09958   | J.S. Armstrong<br>Original.                                | Close-Ups.                |
| 5. | 09958   | J.S. Armstrong<br>Duplicate.                               | Close-Ups.                |

SLIDES

"How Armstrong's New Roses Are Created."  
Set #2  
54 35 mm. color slides  
Time: 20-30 minutes  
Subject: Hybridizing a new rose.  
Review of AARS winners originating from  
Armstrong's budding program.

BOX 33

"ROSE IS BORN"

- 19 8" X 10" black and white mounted photographs of "Rose is Born".  
[#5, #15 are missing.]
- 4 sets of 5 ½ " x 7" colored labels (Roses)  
5 ½ " x 7" colored labels (nuts, fruits, trees.)

[N.B. These colored labels were placed on the outside wrappings of the bareroot roses or trees to identify them.]

BOX 34

PRINTING PLATES

NAME TAGS

BOX 35

EMPLOYEE RECORD CARDS 1921-1926

EMPLOYEE RECORD CARDS 1924-1935

A-P

BOX 36

EMPLOYEE RECORD CARDS (cont.) 1924-1935

O-Z

BOX 37

POSTERS

BOX 38

ALBUM -- COLOR PLATES

ADVERTISING

PHOTOGRAPHS

**[N. B. The negatives are stored in Box 38-N  
Small Prints are in Box 38-P]**

1. Propagation/Farm  
Negatives and Prints. 1972.
2. Arnie and Jack. April 1972.  
Research Department Pix 2/28/71.
3. Jack E. Christensen  
2 5 x 8 B/W  
1 Negative.
4. Employees Photo. Bob DeMayo  
6 5 x 8 B/W  
1 5 x 7 Color  
1 8 x 10 Color  
1 3 7/8 x 4 7/8 Color negative  
1 35mm slide
5. Wasco Rose Festival  
6 3 1/2 x 5 B/W  
5 3 1/2 x 4 1/8 B/W  
2 3 1/2 x 4 1/2 Color John Armstrong Jr.  
1 3 1/2 x 5 Color John Armstrong Jr. w/Rose Queen.
6. Historical. [Includes Photographs of "Rose Is Born."  
6A Rose Is Born 6B Script for "Rose Is Born".
7. Employees – Former Office and Sales.
8. Armstrong, J. A. President Emeritus.

- [Inc. Negatives.]
9. Biographical Information. J. Awdry Armstrong.
  10. Employees.
  11. Armstrong, David L., Research Director.
  12. Armstrong, John R., General Sales Manager.
  13. H.C. Swim [Biography]  
[Newspaper Article has been encapsulated and is in Box 37.]
  14. H. C. Swim
  15. Landscaping #2. [Inc. negatives.]
  16. Landscaping #3. [Inc. negatives and small prints.]
  17. Propagation Department. [Inc. slides, small prints.]
  18. Land. Sold -- flooded -- etc. Land Data.  
[Photographs] Taken December 5, 1966.
  19. Del Rancho Fortuna Pictures.  
[News release on Armstrong's acquisition of this property, 1 July 1958, has been transferred to Box 1, Folder 10. Inc. negatives and small prints.]
  20. Wasco Buildings. [Inc. negatives and small prints.]
  21. Research Operations w/H.C. Swim.
  22. Field Equipment.
  23. Pest Control and Pest Control Equipment.
  24. Deciduous – Miscellaneous. [Inc. negatives and small prints.]
  25. Grape Fields and Digging.
  26. Deciduous Fruit Tree – Fields Roses.
  27. Wasco – Shipping Deciduous  
Trenches – Packing, etc. [Inc. negatives and small prints.]
  28. Gift Packages. Mail Order. [Inc. negatives and small prints.]
  29. Gift Certificate Enclosures.
  30. Armstrong Products.

31. Culver City Sales yard. [Inc. small prints.]
32. Fullerton Sales yard.
33. La Mesa Sales yard. [Inc. small prints.]
34. Long Beach Sales yard. [Inc. small prints.]
35. North Hollywood Sales yard. [Inc. negatives and small prints.]
36. Ontario Plaza Sales yard. [Inc. negatives and small prints.]
37. Ontario Plaza Sales yard. (cont.)
38. Wholesale Personnel. [Inc. small prints and negatives.]
39. J. Awdry Armstrong.  
Pekmez Release  
Oct. 1.  
[There were three envelopes included in this folder that contained negatives and prints of Armstrong Personnel. However the individuals were not identified. These have been stored in Box 38-P and Box 38-N, Folder #39.]
40. J. Awdry Armstrong.
41. Executive Groups. April 13, 1962.
42. John Armstrong, Jr. (Portrait)  
December 11, 1967  
Color only  
No B & W pix taken.
43. John Armstrong, Jr. (cont.)  
Biographical sketch.
44. Dr. David L. Armstrong
45. J.S.A. Story and Script.  
[Includes folder 45A w/collection of photographs.]
46. John S. Armstrong
47. John S. Armstrong(cont.) "A Rose Is Born"
48. John S. Armstrong (cont.) "Armstrong Story"  
[Includes: "last Chapter"]
49. John S. Armstrong (cont.)

The following folders #50, 51, 52, and 53 contain photographs originally donated to the Ontario Museum of Art and History by Jack Christensen in May 1985.

50. John S. Armstrong. [8 x 10 negative.]
51. John S. Armstrong. [8 x 10 colored photograph.]
52. John S. Armstrong.
53. John S. Armstrong
54. Roy Elliott (Portrait.)
55. Herbert C. Swim.
56. Armstrong Nurseries. Retiring Personnel.
57. Armstrong Nurseries. Retiring Personnel (cont.)
  - a) Jack M. Story Biography
  - b) Lawrence Ball appointment as Executive Vice-President and General Manager.  
Newspaper article. April 14, 1972.
58. Armstrong Nurseries  
Retiring Personnel (cont.)
59. Richfield "Success Story."
60. J.S.A. 98<sup>th</sup> Birthday. 10-14-63. Small prints only.
61. J.S.A. Presentation. 9-23-61. Small prints only.
62. J.S.A. in Garden & DeManche Girl.  
3-14-61. Small prints only.
63. Containers Production Dept. 1972. 1973.
64. Garden Centers: Ontario, No. Hollywood, Fullerton, and Central Office, Ontario.
65. [The photographs found in this folder are copies of Photographs of Ontario and Armstrong Nursery Field Production (1920-1930). They are part of the original donation to the Ontario Museum of Art and History which was transferred to the Ontario City Library Archives, May 1985.]
66. Foreign Visitors.

Association Pictures. [The photographs in this folder have been separated chronologically and their corresponding list of names placed in the next folder. That folder number is followed by an "L" (L=List).

68. Association Picture (1)  
1916 Convention of California Association of Nurserymen at Santa Barbara.
- 68L. 1916 Convention – List of names.
69. Association Picture (2)  
Meeting in Washington, D.C. No date available.
- 69L. List of Names.
70. Association Pictures (3)  
Past Presidents Attending the 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting  
Minneapolis, Minnesota. Wednesday, July 21, 1954.
71. AARS Meeting 1956 (4)  
Dave Stump  
Mrs. Bill Clarke  
Stick [sic] Dean
72. Association Picture (5)  
Past Presidents Banquet  
Miami Beach. July 1957.
- 72L. List of names.
73. Association Picture (6)  
Philadelphia. July 1959.
74. Association Picture (7)  
No place or date available.
- 74L. List of names.
75. Association Picture (8)  
AAN Past Presidents  
Washington, D.C.. July 19, 1961.
- 75L. List of names.
76. Association Picture (9)  
AAN Past Presidents  
JAA not present  
Denver, CO 1962.
77. Association Picture (10)

- AAN Past Presidents  
Houston, TX. July 1963.
- 77L List of names.
78. Association Picture (11)  
AAN Past Presidents  
Portland, OR. July 1965.
79. Photo Permission Release.
80. Photo Permission Release (cont.)
81. Helen Traubel Photographs.
82. Helen Traubel Photographs. (cont.)  
[Photograph Release Letters]
83. JAA's European Trip – June 1953.
84. JAA's European Trip – 1960.  
[Includes trip to Delbard Nursery in France]
85. Assorted photographs. [These photographs were found at the back of the file drawer.]
- 85N 2 8 x 10 negatives.
86. Assorted photographs (cont.) [Mr. Herbert C. Swim – color negatives  
2 ½ x 2 ½ B/W negatives]
87. Paste-ups for Bonanza Peach.
88. Photographs of Bonanza Peach.

### Box 39

#### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

1. Flower Shows.
2. Flower Shows (cont).
3. Rose Fields.
4. Rose Packing, Shipping, Mailing.
5. Jazz Fest.
6. Eiffel Tower.
7. Landscaping.

8. Peaches, Oranges, Grapes, Chestnuts, Reeves Apricot.
9. Century Two (Negatives)  
[see: Box 20 – Folder 43.]
10. [The following photographs and negatives were found stuffed in manila envelopes. Where identification is possible it has been noted. Where identification is unavailable only the Box number and Folder number was used.]

Includes: Renzo Dare Home

Rose Charlotte Armstrong

Azalea Rutherfordiana Firelight 1079-M-4.

Lavender Lady

Gift Shop Items

11. Rose Is Born. – Additional photographs.
12. Rose Hill(s) Rose Garden. (folder missing as of 10-07).
13. Charlotte Armstrong memorial Rose Garden.
14. Landscaping Photos – B/W (folder missing as of 10-07).
  - a. Circus Parade
  - b. Assortment – Montezuma, Rondelay, etc.
15. Rose Field Shots. [Ontario and Wasco.]  
[Inc. B/W negative of Trophies and Research Seedlings.]
16. How to Plant a Rose.
17. Aerial Views.
18. Warehousing of Rose Plants. [These photographs were found in the folder marked “Aerial Views.”]
19. Part of the “Rose Is Born” series.
20. J. Awdrey Armstrong w/Rose Monterey Jazz Fest. (folder missing as of 10-07).
21. Aerial Views. Wasco Fields and Buildings
  - a. Office and Shop Area
  - b. June Beds – Color and B/W
  - c. Rose Processing Building
  - d. Wasco Malofy Lease
    - June Beds
    - Pomegranates, etc.
    - Red Glory
  - e. Wasco 100 Ranch
    - Grape Cutting
  - f. Wasco Air Views
    - 100 Ranch
    - 500 Ranch

- 700 Ranch
- Malofy Ranch
- g. Wasco Rose Fields. Air Views 500 Ranch.
- h. Wasco 300 Ranch and Research  
Research and Sein Area
- i. Wasco Air View. 700 Ranch.  
2 year Deciduous.
- j. Wasco Air View. 100 and 700 Ranch
- k. Collection of Assorted Photographs.
  - i. John Armstrong Jr. w/ Rose Queen.
  - ii. A Rose
  - iii. Collage of newspaper articles on Presidential candidate  
John F. Kennedy, Jr. accepting an Armstrong Bare-Root  
Rose, **DUET**, as a gift from a little girl.
  - iv. Three individuals. Names n/a.
- 22. Rose Pruning Demonstration.
- 23. Rose Fragrance Story.
- 24. Rose Budding and Rose Production.
- 25. Fruit Trees. (folder missing as of 10-07).
  - a. Armstrong Variety Orchard  
Nectarine 57202-4  
Peach Armgold
  - b. John Kavacevich Orchard  
Nectarine Mayred  
Nectarine Armking
- 26. Roses – Growing and Harvesting. [Inc. an 8x10 of Connie Hines, actress  
starring in “Mr. Ed” C.B.S. TV (1961).]
- 27. Rose Flower Arrangement.
- 28. Rose Landscaping. (folder missing as of 10-07).
- 29. Landscaping Rothwell House (folder missing as of 10-07).  
1540 Laurel, Upland. [1964] Now owned by [Joseph and Marie] Conello.
- 30. Field Shots
  - a. Cleaning
  - b. Wasco
  - c. 500 Ranch
  - d. Digging
  - e. Harvest
  - f. Equipment
  - g. Chino Rose Fields [ Inc. 6 color slides of Wasco and Chino Rose  
fields in bloom.]

31. Rose Package
32. Copyrights [1944-1973]
33. Publicity. [Includes Ontario Air Views]
34. Publicity (cont.)
35. Publicity (cont.) [Includes a) Canned Roses and b) Union Pacific Engine]
- 36-44. In original Container List, processor skipped these folder numbers. We are unsure whether these folders are missing or are a clerical error in numbering.
45. Flower Shop Arrangements
46. Bonanza Peach. School children planting rose bush. Rose Delivery man.
47. Mixed Roses, Palette.
48. Folder missing as of 10-07.
49. Applause
50. Bravo
51. Rose Arranging Sequence
52. Rose Shows
53. Folder missing as of 10-07.
54. Night
55. Climbing Night
56. Signora
57. Sister Therese
58. Folder missing as of 10-07.
59. Rose Cl. Circus (not growing)
60. Chief Seattle
61. Rose Christian Dior
62. Rose County Fair (not growing)
63. Dainty Bess
64. Aamoscena Trigintipelata
65. Debonair
66. Edna Thomas
67. Fiesta
68. Floriade
69. Frau Karl Druschki
70. Frolic
71. Gay Princess
72. Gold Strike
73. Golden Slippers
74. Green Fire
75. Heat Wave

76. Isobel Harkness
77. Ivory Fashion
78. J. Otto Thilow
79. Joanna Hill
80. Jonkheer, M. G. Sandberg
81. Joseph Strand
82. Juno
83. K. A. Victoria
84. Katherine Kordes
85. Katherine T. Marshall
86. Korova
87. Lady Forteviot
88. Lady M. Elizabeth
89. Lady Margaret Stewart
90. Lal
91. La Jolla
92. L. C. Breslau
93. Leslie Dudley
94. Lilac Dawn
95. Lilibet
96. Lord Charlemont
97. Lorna
98. Los Angeles
99. Lucia Zuloaga
100. Lulu
101. Lydia
102. Marchioness Linlithgow
103. Margaret McGredy
104. Molly McGredy
105. Max Krause
106. McGredy's Ivory
107. McGredy's Scarlet
108. McGredy's Sunset
109. McGredy's Yellow
110. Melody
111. Midnight

Box 40

- 11 black 5.5x8.5 3-ring binders containing Order Adjustment Certificates. Date range is from 1981-1983.

- 1 small box of approximately 240 polaroid photos showing construction of research buildings in Wasco.

Box 41

**PHOTOGRAPHS**

1. Mme. Albert Barbier
2. Mme. Butterfly
3. Mme. Edouard Estaunie
4. Mme. Joseph Perrand
5. Mrs. Dudley Fulton
6. Mrs. E. P. Thorn
7. Mrs. G. A. Van Rossem
8. Mrs. L. B. Caddington
9. Mrs. Lovell Swisher
10. Mrs. Oswald Lewis
11. Mrs. Paul Gandie
12. Mrs. Pierre S. Du Pont
13. Mrs. Sam McGredy
14. Miss Clipper
15. Mme. Chiang Kai-Shek
16. Moonsprite
17. Patience
18. Phyllis Gold
19. Pixie
20. Poinsettia
21. Portadown Fragrance
22. Pres Macia
23. Princess Royal
24. Queen Alexandra
25. Raffel's Pride
26. Ramon Bach
27. Radiance
28. Redcap
29. Red Glory
30. Rev. F. Page Roberts
31. R. M. S. Queen Mary

32. Rome Glory
33. Roman Holiday
34. Rose Marie
35. Rotary Lyon
36. Rubaiyat
37. Ruby Lips
38. Sanguinaire
39. Sierra Glow
40. Silver Angele
41. Sir Henry Seagrave
42. Southport
43. Souv. de Claudius Pernet
44. Souv. de Jean Soupert
45. Souv. de Mme. Chambard
46. Spectacular
47. Springtime
48. Starfire
49. Starlet
50. Sunlit
51. Sunshine
52. Susan Louise
53. Sweet Fairy
54. Sweet Sixteen
55. Sweet Sue
56. Taffeta
57. Talisman
58. Thomas Yellow
59. The Doctor
60. Victoria Harrington
61. Ville de Paris
62. Virgo
63. Warrainee
64. Wildfire
65. Will Rogers
66. York & Lancaster
67. Belle of Portugal (climbing)
68. Billy Boiler (climbing)
69. Black Boy (climbing)
70. Bloomfield Dainty (climbing)
71. Captain Thomas (climbing)

72. Cascadia (climbing)
73. Cecile Brunner (climbing)
74. Cherokee (climbing)
75. Cherokee Pink (climbing)
76. Cherokee White (climbing)
77. Climbing Circus
78. Dainty Bess (climbing)
79. El Capitan (climbing)
80. Etoile de Hollande (climbing)
81. Daily Mail (climbing)
82. Rose Flash (climbing)
83. Gold of Ophir (climbing)
84. Golden Dawn (climbing)
85. Golden Rapture (climbing)
86. Heinrich Gaede (climbing)
87. Kitty Kininmouth (climbing)
88. Mermaid (climbing)
89. Mona Lisa (climbing)
90. Mme. Gregoire Staechelin (climbing)
91. Nora Cunningham (climbing)
92. Paul's Lemon Pillar (climbing)
93. Paul's Scarlet (climbing)
94. Picture (climbing)
95. Renae (climbing)
96. Reveil Dijonnas (climbing)
97. Roseanne (climbing)
98. Ruth Alexander (climbing)
99. Silver Moon (climbing)
100. Staechelin (climbing)
101. Sterling Silver (climbing)
102. Sungold (climbing)
103. Vicomtesse Pierre de Fou (climbing)
104. Ville de Paris (climbing)
105. Climbing Rose Misc. Photos
106. Caledonia (tree rose)
107. Mme. Herriot (tree rose)

## Box 42

Contains 84 folders (files) of photographs relating to the Armstrong Nurseries:

- 1 Aerial Views – 1949
- 2 Armstrong buildings 1949-1965
- 3 Camellias – Flirtation and Margaret Hertrich
- 4 Charlotte Armstrong Memorial Rose Garden
- 5 Christmas party 1947 (appears to be at the Merton E. Hill Auditorium on the Chaffey College/High School campus)
- 6 Events and exhibits
- 7 Flowers and plant arrangements
- 8 Annual Spring Flower show sponsored by the Ontario Jr. Chamber of Commerce- May 21, 1949
- 9 Fruit – berries
- 10 Fruit – nectarines Nectarina, Palomar, Panamint, Pioneer, Silver Lode
- 11 Fruit – peaches Altair, Bobolink, Double Delight, Earligold, golden Treasure, June Gold, Springtime, Saturn, Valigold
- 12 Fruit trees – Nectarina, Altair peach, Bonanza Peach Bush, Double Delight peach tree, unidentified others
- 13 Fruit – plum – Sierra
- 14 Fruit – other
- 15 Landscape Rose Center
- 16 Landscaping
- 17 Miscellaneous
- 18 Nursery gardens
- 19 Men – J. Awdry Armstrong
- 20 People – John S. Armstrong, J. Awdry, Olive Armstrong Freeman, Max Ross, David S. Stump, Dr. David L. Armstrong, John Armstrong, Jr.
- 21 People – Connie Hines, actress on “Mr. Ed” TV show 1961-66
- 22 People – Herb Swim
- 23 People – Helen Traubel
- 24 People – unidentified
- 25 Plant processing
- 26 Root conditions

## Roses

- 27 A-E: Ann Factor, Applause, Brigadoon, Candy Apple, Cara Mia, Century Two, China Doll, Country Fair, Dainty Bess, Debonair, Eiffel Tower
- 28 Aztec
- 29 Blithe Spirit
- 30 Bravo
- 31 Buccaneer
- 32 Charlotte Armstrong
- 33 Chief Seattle
- 34 Circus
- 35 Columbus Queen
- 36 Duet
- 37 El Capitan
- 38 Embers
- 39 Fandango
- 40 Fanfare
- 41 First Love
- 42 Forty Niner
- 43 Frolic
- 44 G-R: Gaujard, Gaytime, Grand Slam, Joseph's Coat, Lemon Spice, Mirandy, New Fashion, Ole, Puerto Rico, Northern Light, Pascali, Picture, Pinkie, Renae, Red Chief, Red Cushion, Red Glory, Ruby Lips
- 45 Garden Party
- 46 Green Fire
- 47 Heat Wave
- 48 Helen Traubel
- 49 High Noon
- 50 Isobel Harkness
- 51 John S. Armstrong
- 52 Juno
- 53 La Jolla
- 54 Lotte Gunthart
- 55 Lucky Lady
- 56 Matterhorn
- 57 Midnight
- 58 Mojave
- 59 Mona Lisa
- 60 Montezuma

- 61 Moonsprite
- 62 Nocturne
- 63 Pink Parfait
- 64 Redcap
- 65 Roundelay
- 66 S-W: Seventh Heaven, Simon Bolivar, Strawberry Blond, Sweet Afton,  
Sweet Sixteen, Yellow Cushion
- 67 San Antonio
- 68 Sierra Dawn
- 69 Song of Paris
- 70 Starlet
- 71 Summer Sunshine
- 72 Sutter's Gold
- 73 Taffeta
- 74 Tallyho
- 75 Unidentified
- 76 Valentine
- 77 Wildfire
- 78 Weeks "Tops in Roses"
- 79 Rose Canning
- 80 Rose Fields
- 81 "Rose is Born" series of photographs
- 82 Transportation
- 83 "Wonderful World of Roses" print narration to accompany slide show
- 84 Armstrong Photo Mailing folder
- 85 Nursery Catalogs
- 86 Armstrong Nurseries - 247 slides in 3-ring binder
- 87 Five issues of The Rangefinder magazine featuring Bryant's photos of  
Armstrong roses on the covers. 1961-1966. One issue of the Calif.  
Professional Photographer (Jan. 1968) with Armstrong rose on cover.

### **Boxes C1 through C10**

These boxes contain unbound Armstrong catalogs from 1903-04 through 1986, 1989-90 and 2008. The older ones could be relabeled and put into archival envelopes.

### **Box C11**

Contains outside catalogs from other growers.

**Box C12 and C13**

Contain catalogs donated by Herbert C. Swim with a complete run from 1916-1982 including a 1937 Spanish edition.

**Boxes C14 through C17**

Contain bound copies of Armstrong catalogs from 1917-1964 discontinuous run.

**Boxes Exc. 1-Exc. 7**

These boxes contain "excess" (duplicate) catalogs from 1915-1983 discontinuous run. They are available to any library upon request.