

Museum of the New Llano Colony

Reading Library

Title:

Correspondence

Robert & Foy Madine Mueller Papers

Contains a variety of correspondence and other documents relating to the colony with dates from 1928-1957, plus some at the end which are missing dates. Most are after and in reference to the May Day Revolution in 1935 and are written by Geo. T. Pickett.

Author:

Various

Title:

The New Llano Cooperative Society and the R.F.

Blackmon Family

2013.2.1 -- Martha Palmer Collection

Description of the New Llano Colony by one of the "Texas families" who briefly joined the cooperative movement when the California group made the move to New Llano, Louisiana.

Author:

Jack R. Blackmon

Title:

The New Llano Colony in Arkansas

2013.2.3 -- Martha Palmer Collection

Short description of a difficult attempt to form a branch colony near Mena, Arkansas.

Author:

Viola Gilbert

Title:

A Study of Llano del Rio Community in the Light of Earlier Experiments in Practical Socialism

2013.2.4 -- Martha Palmer Collection

1918 thesis describing the Llano del Rio colony and its chances for success.

Author:

Archie Roy Clifton

Title:

Can We Cooperate?

2013.2.5 -- Martha Palmer Collection

Author Bob Brown brings his wife and mother to stay in the colony for 10 months as visitors, while he writes his book about colony life. Includes descriptions of many of the colonists and a physical description of the colony itself.

Author:

Bob Brown

Title:

Llano Cooperative Colony; An American Rural Community Experiment

2013.2.6 -- Martha Palmer Collection

May 1936 thesis that explores the New Llano Colony soon after the May Day "Revolution" of 1935.

Author:

Fred Hanover

Title:

New Llano: History of the Llano Movement

2013.2.9 -- Martha Palmer Collection

Written as a thesis by Mr. Davison in 1970, it begins with Job Harriman's dream and concludes with the discord and disillusion which ended the dream.

Author:

James N. Davison

Title:

Gateway to Freedom, The

2013.2.10 -- Martha Palmer Collection

Published by the Llano Colonist, this book describes the ideals of the colony -- including management, climate, industries, education, social life, etc. -- and then explains how to become a member.

Author:

New Llano Colony

Title:

Two Paths to Utopia: The Hutterites and the Llano Colony

2013.2.11 -- Martha Palmer Collection

Tells the story of two communal colonies -- that of the Christian Hutterites and the Llano Colony who believed in reform as opposed to obedience to God.

Author:

Paul K. Conkin

Title:

Bread & Hyacinths; The Rise and Fall of Utopian Los Angeles

2013.2.13 -- Martha Palmer Collection

The gripping, little-known saga of the great battle between Job Harriman, the West Coast's leading Socialist, and General Harrison Gray Otis, publisher of the Los Angeles Times.

Author:

Paul Greenstein, Nigey Lennon, and
Lionel Rolfe

Title:

New World Utopias

2013.2.14 -- Martha Palmer Collection

A photographic survey of communal life in the American west from 1870 to the present. The communities include the political, religious, and occult and all of them hold valuable lessons for the future.

Author:

Paul Kagan

Title:

A Constitution for the Brotherhood of Man

2013.2.30 -- Martha Palmer Collection

In this book, Ms. Loutrel describes the United Communities Bill which was patterned after the organization of the Llano Cooperative Colony. The Bill was introduced in the U.S. Senate in 1933 with the avowed purpose of providing industrial and agricultural communities for the unemployed U.S. citizens.

Author:

Anna Gregson Loutrel

Title:

The Llano Cooperative Colony and What it Taught

2013.2.40 -- Martha Palmer Collection

Written by a former colonist who later represented several dissatisfied colonists who filed lawsuits against the colony.

Author:

A. James McDonald

Title:

Young to You; Talks No. 8, 9, 10, and 12

2013.2.41 -- Martha Palmer Collection

Stories by colonist Sidney Young which appeared in the Llano Colonist and described the colony and their way of life.

Author:

Sidney Young

Title:

Memoirs of Bill Still

2013.7.3 -- Vernon Parish Tourism Collection

Internet blog that shares the memories of Bill Still who retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1962 and lived in the colony as a boy.

Author:

Bill Still

Title:

Crisis in Llano Colony, The

2013.10.2 -- John Crook

Explains events leading up to and the results of the 1935 May Day Revolution in the New Llano Colony.

Written by long-time colonist Sid Young.

Author:

Sid Young

Title:

Communities of the Past and Present

2013.15.1 -- David Labby

Published by the Llano Colonist, this book discusses a multitude of communities, including the Llano Cooperative Colony. Includes an introduction by Job Harriman.

Author:

Llano Colonist, The