

Dates: 1977-2005

Size: 2 lf (4 boxes)

Abstract:

A collection of the Buddhist Temple of San Diego monthly newsletter, the *Bussei Script* for the dates, January 1977 – November 2005.

Biographical / Historical Notes:

The *Bussei Script* is produced in San Diego, California by the Buddhist Temple of San Diego as a newsletter for its members.

The origins of the Buddhist Temple of San Diego can be traced back to the Otay flood disaster of January 27, 1916. The flood killed eleven Japanese residents and brought many of the early immigrants closer together due to their strong Jodo Shinshu upbringing. They began to meet more frequently and also gathered on weekends at various locations to hold religious meetings. On May 19, 1926, the upper floor of a building on Sixth and Market served as the first official Buddhist Temple of San Diego. The Temple remained at that location for five years until, with a growing membership, it moved to its current location on 29th and Market St.

In the early years of the Temple, the *Bussei Script* was initially called the Kaiho and was a bulletin written in Japanese and English. The version we know today as the *Bussei Script* was first produced in 1947 by the Young Buddhist Association. It serves to inform members of the various activities of the Temple.

Scope and Content:

A collection of the monthly newsletter the *Bussei Script* produced in San Diego, California for the Japanese-American community for the dates January 1977 – November 2005.

The collection does not contain any of the earlier issues or those that are current.

The newsletter contains both English and Japanese articles. The newsletter primarily contains Temple and community activities. It also provides information on recreational activities, special events, school announcements, donors, members and their families, as well as summaries of board meetings and upcoming services.

Arrangement:

The collection is arranged chronologically.

Condition and Preservation:

The newsletters of 1977 to 1991 are generally in fair condition although some of the pages appear a little worn. The later years of 1992 to 2005 are in good condition.

Citation:

The *Bussei Script*, AC 5, Japanese American Historical Society of San Diego Archives

Collection Access Restrictions:

The collection is open for research.

Collection Use Restrictions:

The Buddhist Temple of San Diego holds the copyright to the unpublished materials. Restrictions may apply.

Language of Materials:

English and Japanese.

Processing Information:

Darryl Agliam, March 2018

<u>Box</u>	<u>Title/Subjects</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January, February, March, May – December	1977
1	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January – December	1978
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1	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January – December	1981
1	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January – December	1982
1	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January – December	1983
1	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January, March – July, October – December	1984

1	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January – March, June – December	1985
1	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January – February, April – December	1986
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4	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January – December	2003
4	<i>Bussei Script:</i> January – March, July - October	2004
4	<i>Bussei Script:</i> July - November	2005