

# **Capital Bicycle Club Collection**

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### **Summary Information**

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**Title:** Capital Bicycle Club Collection

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The members were overwhelmingly professional men who devoted much time and money to bicycling. The Club held its first meetings in member homes, but growth caused club members to rent a space on 10th Street, N.W. near H Street. In 1880 the Club moved to 412 11th Street, N.W. In 1882 the Club moved to 919 G Street, N.W. for two years until the federal government bought the building for office space. In response, the Club decided to finance the construction of its own building at 409 15th Street, N.W. Ground broke on May 18th 1886.

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Although bicycling was the main focus of Club members, social activities included banquets, a bicycle debating society, and a camera club, which sponsored America's first photography salon the "Washington Salon and Art Photographic Exhibition" in 1896. The most prolific photographer of the Club was founding member and 1884 Captain, Max Hansmann who employed the cyanotype development method popular in the 1880's, which produced brilliant Prussian blue prints. Max Hansmann's efforts left a vibrant pictorial record of the Club's activities and accomplishments.

The Club remained active until about 1912 when the clubhouse was moved from 409 15th Street, N.W. to 1347 Pennsylvania Avenue. Active participation ceased and the old clubhouse at 409 15th Street, N.W. was torn down in 1927. Surviving members continued to hold annual events including the "61st Capital Bicycle Club Birthday" held on January 31, 1940.

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#### **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Statement**

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### **Custodial History**

The original donor of the photographs in the collection is not specifically identified. Part of the collection consists of photographs transferred from the Washington, D.C. Historic Image Collection. Other photographs have a stamp on the back reading "Public Library November 16, 1951, Washingtoniana", and few others in Series I are stamped with "Clarence G. Allen, The Ontario. Apt. 601. Tel. Col. 800". Clarence G. Allen was an active member of the Capital Bicycle Club. A

scrapbook in Series II was created by the D.C. Public Library and charts the activities of the Capital Bicycle Club from 1891-1929.

#### **Processing Information**

General processing procedures included: covering each photograph in a protective plastic Mylar cover; interleaving the scrapbooks with buffered tissue paper to resist acid migration; and covering of record books with buffered tissue paper to contain red rot. The Memorabilia and Official Records series are arranged chronologically by date and type. The Photograph series is arranged by date and event following the imposed order of negative number as a chronological guide within individual folders. Those items without a discernable date are placed at the end of each folder and box, except where type clearly indicates an earlier date such as in Series I, Box 3. Photograph credit and type as well as negative number are noted when available. Cyanotypes are generally separated by type within folders, except when duplicate images exist to maintain order.

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### **Controlled Access Headings**

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### **Collection Inventory**

### Series 1: Photographs, 1882-1890

#### **Scope and Contents**

The series consists of photographs of the Capital Bicycle Club and it's members from 1882-1890. The series is arranged chronologically by date and event featuring both group and individual shots. Club members Clarence G. Allen, L. Warren Seely, Herbert S. "Bert" Owen, and Max Hansmann are prominently featured. The reverse of the photographs notes members, dates, locations, and specific activities. The 5th Annual League of American Wheelmen Races on May 20, 1884 and Herbert S. "Bert" Owen's Birthday Run on May 7, 1888 were photographed heavily. The "Procession of the Sacred Cat" on February 22, 1887 features some very interesting photographs of club members in costume. Max Hansmann was the primary photographer for the club and applied the popular cyanotype development method to many of the photographs, which gives them a blue tint. Cyanotype photographs are noted in the folder description along with available corresponding negatives from the Washington, D.C. Historic Image Collection. The series also contains reproductions of the club's original photographs by the Star newspaper for an article documenting the club's history printed sometime in 1926, which include two mounted rotogravures. Rotogravure is an early photomechanical process of printing photographs in newspapers. A copy of the Star article can be found in the collection's vertical file.

Title/Description

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Natural Bridge Tour - C. Allen/M. Hansmann/L.W. Seely (photograph by Max Hansmann - negative 14020), September 1882	Box 1	Folder 1	
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### Series 2: Memorabilia, 1880-1929

#### **Scope and Contents**

The series consists of scrapbooks and assorted clippings, papers, and programs of the Capital Bicycle Club and it's members from 1880-1929. Box 1 contains the club's official scrapbook from 1880-1890 with Box 2 containing a scrapbook prepared by the D.C. Public Library spanning 1891-1929. Each scrapbook is chronologically arranged by date and contains clippings, prize ribbons, and programs. Both scrapbooks had been assigned a catalog number

by the Washington, D.C. Public Library of Wash.Ref.796-606c244r. Of special note is founding member L. Warren Seely's original manuscript for the "Presentation of the Cat", circa 1883. A corresponding transcript is included in the series from The Republic's January 27, 1883 issue. The "Sacred Cat" served as the club's official mascot with the "Procession of the Sacred Cat" held on February 22, 1887. Photographs of the "Procession of the Sacred Cat" can be found in Series I.

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Assorted clippings and articles - "The Capital and the Capital Club" - The Wheelman, November 1883	Box 6	Folder 3
Assorted clippings and articles - "Columbia Bicycle Prize Cup" clipping from The Wheelman, Undated	Box 6	Folder 4
Assorted clippings and articles - "Presentation of the Cat" transcript from The Republic, January 27 1883	Box 6	Folder 5
L. Warren Seely manuscript "Presentation of the Cat", 1883	Box 6	Folder 6
Programs - Eleventh Anniversary Banquet of Capital Bicycle Club, January 31 1890	Box 6	Folder 7
Programs - Leap Year Entertainment, February 29 1892	Box 6	Folder 8
Assorted papers, 1892-1940	Box 6	Folder 9
Assorted papers - Ticket to Annual Excursion to Marshall Hall and Indian Head, July 26 1892	Box 6	Folder 10
Assorted papers - Directory, May 6 1907	Box 6	Folder 11
Assorted papers - Dinner list, January 15 1929	Box 6	Folder 12
Assorted papers - List from Max Hansmann's stationary for "61st Capital Bicycle Club Birthday", January 31 1940	Box 6	Folder 13
Assorted papers - Blank membership certificate, Undated	Box 6	Folder 14
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### Series 3: Official Records, 1881-1911

#### **Scope and Contents**

The series consists of the official records of the Capital Bicycle Club from 1881-1911. A list of officers for each year is included in the records as well as the club's official meeting minutes as recorded by the Secretary. Box 3 contains copies of the Executive Committee's official correspondence from 1886-1890. Like the scrapbooks in Series II, each record book was assigned the catalog number of Wash.Ref.796-606c244r by the Washington, D.C. Public Library.

Title/Description	Instances	
Capital Bicycle Club Secretary's Record, October 1881 – April 1884	Box 7	Folder 1
Capital Bicycle Club Secretary's Record, May 1884 – December 1885	Box 7	Folder 2
Capital Bicycle Club Secretary's Record, May 1897-July 1911	box 8	Folder 1
Capital Bicycle Club Secretary's Record, January 1886-October 1895	Box 9	Folder 1
Capital Bicycle Club Secretary's Record, January 4, 1886-May 3, 1890	Box 9	Folder 2

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