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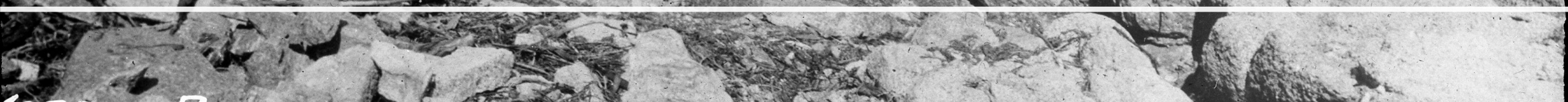


Highlights of the City of San  
Diego through Historical Images

# Morena Reservoir and Spillway 1916



Never seen images....



These precious one-of-a-kind historical images are rare and have yet to be seen by the public. Many of these images come from glass plate negatives, the City Clerk Archives and Records Management division continues to digitize these images for public access and preservation purposes.

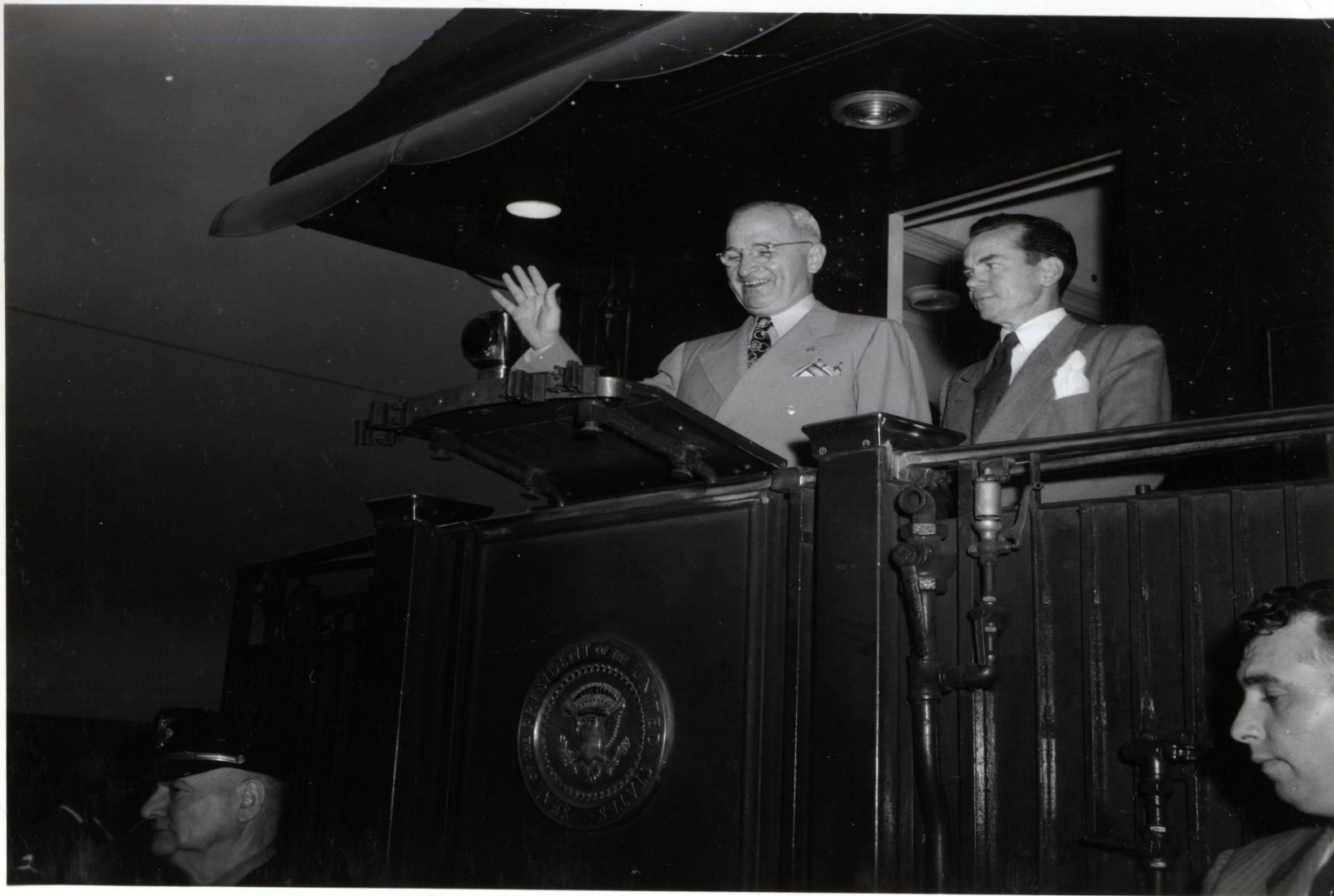


## Mission Beach “Opening Day” July 4, 1925



Don Juan Bandini, one of the early Spanish settlers that came to San Diego in 1922

Both wife and daughter Margarita, aided making the first American Flag in San Diego from strips of her clothing  
1840



“Distinguished  
Visitors”

President  
Harry S. Truman  
visiting  
San Diego

1948



## PORTRAIT ELLEN BROWNING SCRIPPS

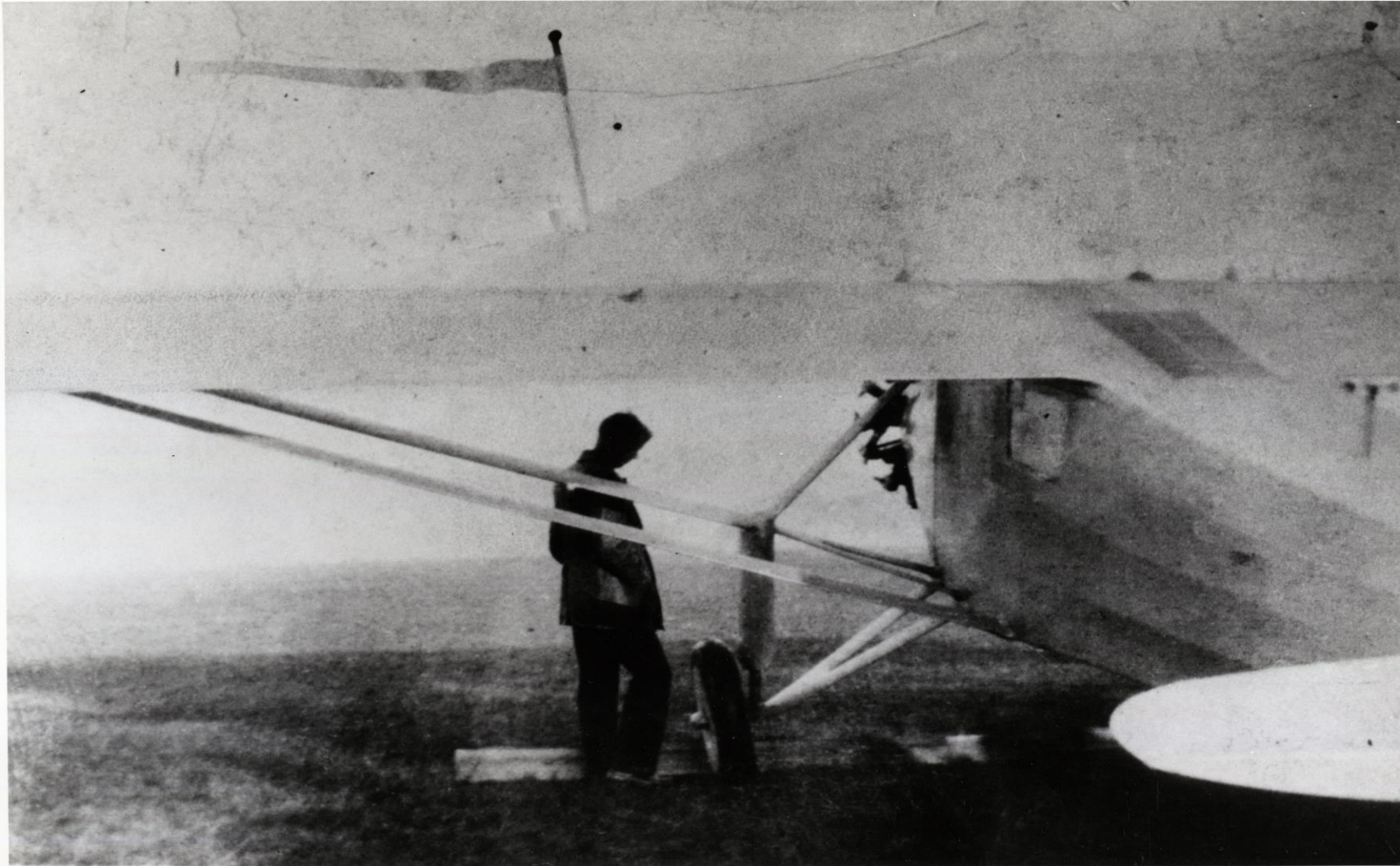
Scripps was worth an estimated \$30 million by the 1920s and was one of the wealthiest individuals in the United States, over 99% of her wealth was donated and invested in charitable causes and buildings throughout the City of San Diego

c.1890-1900



*Time* magazine coined Ellen Scripps as the “most beloved woman in Southern California”

**ELLEN BROWNING SCRIPPS  
(1836-1932)**



Charles  
Augustus  
Lindbergh

Photo taken  
prior to a solo  
flight in San  
Diego

May 1927

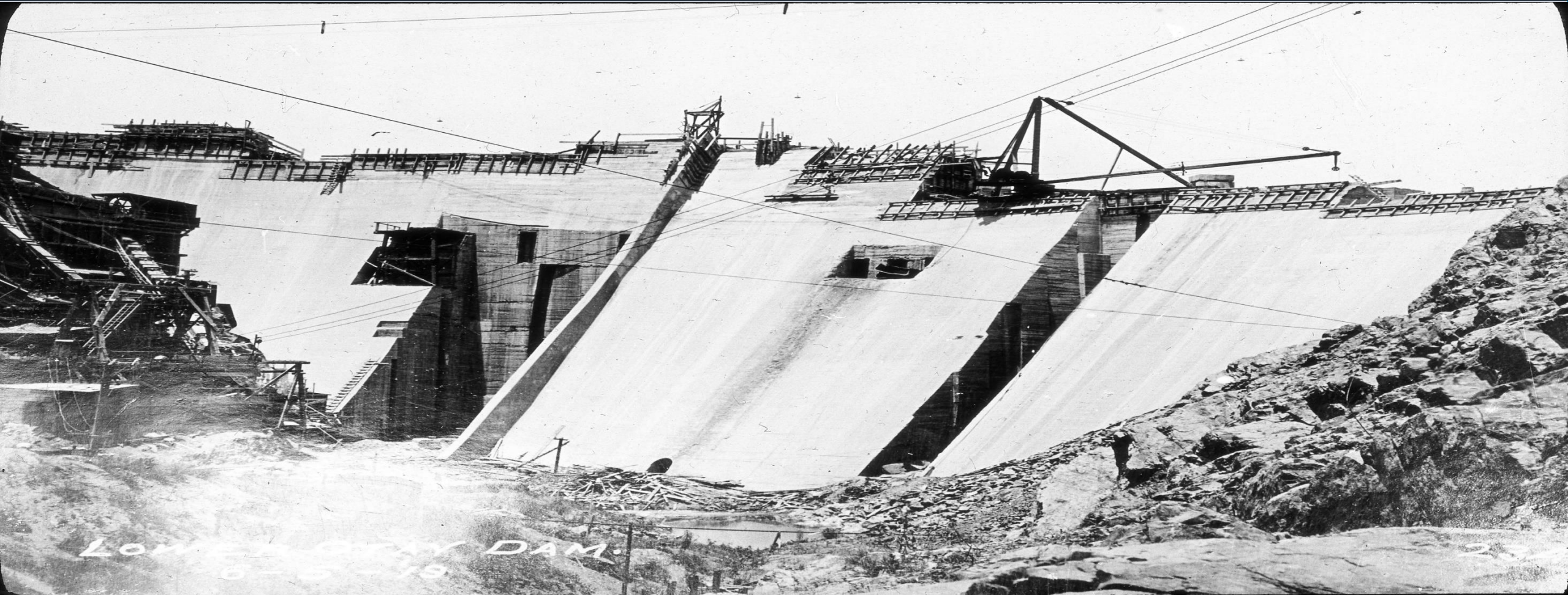




Katherine Olivia "Kate" Sessions was an American botanist, horticulturalist, and landscape architect closely associated with San Diego, California, and known as the "Mother of Balboa Park."



Daughter of Sitting Bull and Husband  
San Diego Mission 1913



# City of San Diego Lower Otay Construction 1919



City of San Diego,  
Otay Reservoir

San Diego Wood  
Stave Pipeline

February 27, 1929



City of San Diego El Capitan Dam – Laying the Foundation while Looking West 1933



**El Capitan Dam - Diver Tunnel 1933**



Eight inches of rain fell at the reservoir between Jan. 14 - 28th.  
The dam height had been elevated to 110 ft. in 1911, 40 inches water poured over the top.  
Sweetwater Dam finally gave way on January 30<sup>th</sup>, 1916



City employees pause  
for a photo opportunity  
at  
Hodges Dam Spillway  
Feb 1952

(Hollis, Horne, Chris,  
Ben, Frank, Smitty)





Early photo of “Chollas Lake” formally known as Chollas Heights Dam 1922



City Engineers Inspect the Morena Spillway (c.1900s)



City Employees Cleaning Torrey Pines Reservoir 1945

We hope you enjoyed these never-before-seen photos from the City Clerk Archives

These images will be added to the City Clerk's Digital Archives in the "Historical Gallery"



Stay tuned!



THANK YOU!