The scrapbook was created by Arthur B. Langford, County Sheriff from 1907 to 1919, the son of Robert Jackson Langford, who was County Sheriff from 1899 to 1905.

This scrapbook contains newspaper articles, high school memorabilia, and wedding invitations from the 1890s to the 1910s. Langford graduated from San Jose High School in 1897, and saved many programs and invitations to high school graduations, class days, and dances. He also saved newspaper articles that were of interest to him.

A biography of Arthur B. Langford can be found at: http://www.mariposaresearch.net/santaclararesearch/SCBIOS/ablangford.html
Newspaper articles about a San Jose High School reunion, the spelling of ketchup, and the value of C. C. Morse’s home, which still stands in Santa Clara.

- **High School Graduates.**
  
  **June 24, 1897.**
  
  **The Alumni Association Held Its Annual Reunion.**
  
  The Various Classes for Twenty-Four Years Had Representatives Present at the Exercises Last Evening.

  The San Jose High School Alumni Association’s reunion at Y. M. I. Hall last evening was a merry affair. There were representatives present from every class since the institution has been in existence, a period of twenty-four years. The main part of the evening was devoted to dancing. Frank M. Gray acted as floor manager, and this feature of the entertainment was delightfully arranged.

  A banquet followed, at which a toast programme was presented. J. A. Tudor acted as toastmaster, and “The Occasion” was responded to by Mrs. R. J. Langford, a member of the High School’s pioneer class. Mrs. Langford’s son, Arthur B. Langford, was among the speakers responding to the toast, “Class of ’97.” The other toasts were: “San Jose High School Alumni Association,” Roy Burbank; “Faculty,” Mrs. Mary Pilot; “New High School,” Maud Main; “High School Reminiscences,” Frank H. Benson.

- **Which is correct, catsup, catchup or ketchup, and what’s the origin of the word?**

The original is the East Indian word “Kitjap,” which is an East Indian pickle. The proper English spelling is catchup. Catsup and ketchup are forms used by careless people, because they are often mispelled thus on the labels.

- **Thousands of Dollars**

**Value of the Estate of C. C. Morse of Santa Clara.**

In the matter of the estate of C. C. Morse, Lester L. Morse today filed a petition for letters of administration.

The estate is said to consist of real property valued at $71,145 with personal property, corporation stock and mortgages, making the total value of the estate $681,130.

The heirs are the widow, Mrs. Maria Morse and the following children: Eva A. Birge, Stella M. Morse, Winifred M. Morse and the petitioner, Lester L. Morse.

The petition recites that no will has been found. The widow, also filed a petition requesting that her son be appointed administrator.

W. A. Johnston is attorney for the petitioner.
Arthur B. Langford was a member of the Gama Eta Kappa Fraternity, which was the oldest national high school fraternity, founded in 1882 at the Boys High School (now Lowell High School) in San Francisco. There were chapters at high schools throughout the country. High school fraternities and sororities were banned by state legislature in 1909.
Comics about Halley’s Comet’s appearance in 1910.
Headline for article about the new San Jose High School building, 1897.
The San Jose High School Alumni Association requests the pleasure of your company at its Annual Re-union, Y. M. J. Hall, Thursday evening, June 24th, 1897.

Your presence is requested at a Reception to be given to the Class of '97, S. J. H.S. by the Class of '98, Knights of Pythias Hall, Monday Evening, May 31st, 1897.
SAN JOSE
HIGH SCHOOL
'96

Commencement,
Tuesday, June 23.
San Jose High School

'97

Commencement
Wednesday, June 23d.

Graduates

Clara F. Abbott, B. Stewart Crow,
Ernest Adams, Roy V. Davis,
Mary E. Alden, Gertrude I. Bennett,
Bertha R. Bacher, Lucile Dimon,
Forrest C. Bailey, Mabel Druvev,
W. L. Barnum, Gertrude E. Flannery,
William E. Blauer, Will B. Greeley,
Walter W. Bradley, Myrtle J. Hayford,
George E. Chappell, Edith Cecil Koch,
C. Earle Clement, Frank E. Lake,
Mamie E. Courtney,
SENIOR CLASS '97
CARPE DIEM

Class Day
June 25, '97

Program:

I. Overture
II. Orchestra
III. President's Address
Arthur B. Langford
IV. Class History
Elsie Wood
V. Vocal Solo
Bertha R. Bacon
VI. Oration, "Social Doctrine"
Will B. Greeley

VII. Class Poem
Mary E. Alden
VIII. Violin Solo
Edwin Williams
IX. II. Stewart Chow
X. Advice to Under-graduates
W. L. Barnes

V. M. L. Hall
Monday Evening, June 25
Senior Banquet....

'97 to '96

Programme....

JUNE 3, 1896

San Jose High School

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Programme

1 Piano Solo Bertha Bacher
2 Piano Duet Minnie Theurkauf and Alice McMillan
3 Stump Speech Walter Black

1 Waltz Cornelia
2 Deux Temps
3 Lancers Helie
4 Schottische
5 Waltz
6 Deux Temps Helie
7 La Mode
8 Medley Cornelia
1 Extra
2 Extra Helie

...Toasts...

1 Toast Master Irving Ryder
2 Occasion Norman Kooser
3 Class of '97 Haven Edwards
4 Class of '96 Will Greeley
5 Faculty Fred Horton
6 Response Prof. Schumate
7 Ladies Stewart Crow
8 Gentlemen Gertrude Bennett
9 Societies Anna Fraser
10 High School Harry Smith
The San Jose High School

The Auditorium...
San Jose, California...

Box A

Alice Edwards

Natalie "Sweet" Hart

Ruth Neagle

Pimco Sabinelli

Roy Davis

Arthur Langford

24th Commencement Exercises
Wednesday evening
June 22
San Jose High School

'99

Victory Theatre.
Tuesday Evening, June 20th.

Annual Commencement
of the
Santa Clara High School,
at the
Methodist Church,
Friday Evening, June 24th, 1898,
at 8 o'clock.
Unidentified women and baby. The baby may be Arthur B. Langford’s nephew Robert Jackson Langford.
Unidentified photographs. Possibly Arthur B. Langford and his wife Alice.
Mrs. Maria Morse requests the honor of Mr. & Mrs. A. B. Langford's presence at the marriage of their daughter Winifred to Mr. Albert Livingstone Hart on Wednesday evening, the twenty-second of March, one thousand nine hundred and five at eight o'clock, nine hundred and eighty-one Fremont Street, Santa Clara, California.

Bertha E. Behrendt
Mr. James M. Chilton
Married
Saturday, January second
nineteen hundred and four

Born
CHILTON—in San Jose, August 16, 1904, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Chilton, a son.

At Home after February first
San Jose, Cal.