

## ***Appendix II***

### **Julia Morgan's Ledgers for the Beach House and Other Hearst-related Jobs in Greater Los Angeles 1925–1939**

In using “job ledgers” and similar terms in this book, I should be more precise. The Morgan-Forney Collection has three loose-leaf binders that are separate from the Distribution of Expenses sheets; the binders’ three-holed, lined pages measure 8-1/2” high by 5-1/2” wide. Consider the jobs listed in Appendix I for the earliest year, 1924. If we think of a cluster of pages for most of those jobs, we’ll be closer to visualizing the three binders from which Appendix II is selectively drawn.

With regard to the years following 1924—for 1925, 1926, and so on—we would find that an established cluster gains more entries, if applicable, for the current year. But a newly launched job would require an equally new cluster for its purposes. Thus my description of 2003 in *Building for Hearst and Morgan: Voices from the George Loorz Papers*:

The three account ledgers in the Morgan-Forney Collection contain hundreds of loose-leaf pages, all of which are unnumbered and many of which have entries on both sides. More than a thousand sides exist, comprising a varied assortment of fronts and backs of pages. The smallest jobs command a single, front-sided page only. But many of the jobs have a separate title page, whose back gives a typewritten record of commissions or other payments. One or more pages of itemized entries follow, governed by the size of the job. The main San Simeon account has about 120 pages, the main Wyntoon account about twenty-five, and nearly all the non-Hearst accounts fewer still. No matter their range, though, the pages following the title-recap page are handwritten (true of so many pages in the ledgers, whether a given account has a title page or not).

The largest of the Santa Monica Beach House accounts (or page clusters) consists of a title-recap sheet and five front-and-back page units (or ten sides, to describe things differently). The next largest account consists of the title-recap and four fronts-and-backs (eight sides); all the other Beach House accounts or clusters are smaller.

In addition, the Beverly Hills accounts and other Hearst-Morgan efforts in greater Los Angeles during these years are included here.

NOTE: The ledger numbers 1 through 19 have been devised for this appendix only (the original Morgan-Forney ledgers are unnumbered).

**Ledger #1 1700 Lexington Road, Beverly Hills**

1925-1928

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1925

Sept.	29	Blue Prints	\$13.00	
	18	Travel Miss M.	4.75	
	28	"	15.50	
	28	"	13.00	
		[monthly total]	46.25	
Oct.	3	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	7.70	
	10	"	53.84	
	17	"	67.30	
	2	Refund T[haddeus] Joy	1.48	
		Travel "	38.52	
	15	Travel [unnamed]	75.00	
	31	Overhead	109.25	
		[monthly total]	[353.09]	
		[total to date 46.25 + 353.09]		399.34
Dec.	5	D. R. Time	53.84	
	12	"	32.70	
	19	"	59.60	
Jan.	2	"	53.84	
Dec.	15	Travel T. Joy	66.80	
	15	" (refund [reimbursed])	8.20	
	31	" Miss Morgan	14.00	
Dec.		Overhead	307.70	
		[monthly total]	[596.68]	
		[total to date 399.34 + 596.68]		996.02
		Total 1925		996.02
1926		Total Cost to Date		996.02

Jan.	9	D. R. Time	\$43.59	
	16	"	98.08	
	23	"	65.38	
	30	"	62.28	
	4	Travel T. Joy	46.40	
	20	" Miss Morgan	5.00	
	22	" T. Joy	75.00	
	31	Overhead	158.36	
		[monthly total]	554.09	
		[total to date 996.02 + 554.09]		1,550.11
Feb.	6	D. R. Time	79.49	
	13	"	145.30	
	20	"	38.47	
	1	Travel Miss Morgan	20.00	
	15	"	20.00	
	28	Overhead	161.64	
		[monthly total]	464.90	
		[total to date 1,550.11 + 464.90]		2,015.01
Mar.	27	D. R. Time	10.90	
	31	Overhead	5.51	
		[monthly total]	16.41	
		[total to date 2,015.01 + 16.41]		2,031.42
Apr.	3	D. R. Time	50.00	
	10	"	50.00	
	17	"	44.87	
	24	"	26.93	
		Blue Prints	1.78	
		Telegrams	0.83	
	30	Overhead	229.00	
		[monthly total]	403.41	
		[total to date 2,031.42 + 403.41]		2,434.83
May	1	D. R. Time	52.56	
	8	"	67.31	
	29	"	13.46	
	31	Overhead	58.23	
		[monthly total]	191.56	
		[total to date 2,434.83 + 191.56]		2,626.39
June	5	D. R. Time	7.70	
	12	"	65.36	

June	17	D. R. Time	\$40.03	
	26	"	3.85	
	12	Travel Miss Morgan	10.00	
	30	Overhead	77.53	
		[monthly total]	204.47	
		[total to date 2,626.39 + 204.47]		2,830.86
July	30	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
		[total to date 2,830.86 + 25.00]		2,855.86
Aug.	21	D. R. Time	92.70	
	28	"	21.55	
	31	Overhead	69.58	
		[monthly total]	183.83	
		[total to date 2,855.86 + 183.83]		3,039.69
Sept.	4	D. R. Time	18.82	
	30	Blue Prints	0.36	
	30	Overhead	14.91	
		[monthly total]	34.09	
		[total to date 3,039.69 + 34.09]		3,073.38
Nov.	20	D. R. Time	58.85	
	27	"	29.25	
	18	Blue Prints	29.02	
	18	"	0.25	
	30	"	5.56	
	19	[or Nov. 9] Taxi	0.45	
	3[0]	Overhead	95.15	
		[monthly total]	218.53	
		[total to date 3,073.78 + 218.53]		3,292.31
Dec.	4	D. R. Time	30.78	
	18	"	27.30	
	31	" [or Dec. 21]	32.30	
		Prints—Dietzgen [?]	2.64	
		Blue Prints	0.85	
	31	W[alter] L[eroy] Huber retaining wall	17.00	
	31	Overhead (based on salaries for year)	132.22	
		[monthly total]	243.09	
		[total to date 3,292.31 + 243.09]		3,535.40
1926		Total Cost for year		2,539.38
1927		Total Cost to Date		3,535.40

Jan.	Overhead on D. R. Time Dec. 31	26.74
	Cost 1927	26.74
1928	Total Cost to Date	\$3,562.14
	(Bonuses 132.22)	
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The cover sheet for Ledger #1 is marked "Miss Marion Davies." Two of the four entries sheets are headed "W. R. Hearst"; three of the four also refer to Marion Davies. The recap sheet contains few details for a job of this size; it notes merely that \$2,000 was received on account from Hearst on November 19, 1926; the balance of \$1,562.14 is left unmentioned (but see the notes for Ledger #2, pertaining to the Beach House: the \$2,000 here was part of \$5,000 unevenly divided between the Beverly Hills job and the Beach House job).

### **Ledger #2 Beach House, 415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica**

1926-1929

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1926

June	19	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	\$48.85
		Blue Prints	0.25
		"	20.51
		Petty cash	16.60
	26	D. R. Time	181.78
	12	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00
	30	Overhead	152.91
		[monthly total]	445.90
July	3	D. R. Time	197.06
	10	"	137.31
	17	"	105.00
	24	"	105.00
		Blue Prints	39.54
		"	13.83
		Petty Cash	4.75
	31	D. R. Time	105.00
July	1	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00
	9	"	37.00
	22	"	60.00

July	20	I[srael] Sack hardware sample	\$5.00	
	24	Travel Miss Morgan	45.00	
	31	Overhead	605.98	
		[monthly total]	1,490.47	
		[total to date 445.90 + 1,490.47]		1,936.37
Aug.	4	Blue Prints	23.22	
	10	"	3.60	
	11	"	36.72	
	7	D. R. Time	105.00	
	14	"	105.00	
	21	"	35.77	
	17	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00	
		Blue Prints	3.96	
	10	[Walter] Steilberg services on pool and bridge	75.00	
	28	D. R. Time	6.15	
		Blue Prints	1.10	
	24	Travel Miss Morgan	40.00	
	31	Overhead	153.21	
		[monthly total]	603.73	
		[total to date 1,936.37 + 603.73]		2,540.10
Sept.	14	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	3	Travel [Lazar] Nusbaum	42.00	
	4	D. R. Time	88.10	
	15	Blue Prints	0.97	
	11	D. R. Time	31.54	
	18	"	45.00	
	20	Blue Prints	1.08	
	22	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00	
	25	D. R. Time	45.00	
	30	Blue Prints	2.08	
	30	Overhead	166.03	
	[monthly total]	476.80		
		[total to date 2,540.10 + 476.80]		3,016.90
Oct.	2	D. R. Time	40.38	
	9	"	3.60	
		Blue Prints	3.35	
	7	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00	
	16	" Mr. Nusbaum	41.00	
	11	Carpenter Bros. Inc.	11.50	
23	D. R. Time	38.47		

Oct.		Prints	\$0.40	
		Blue Prints	6.02	
	1	Phone	3.85	
		Blue Prints	0.85	
		Telegrams	2.16	
	31	Petty Cash	1.00	
	31	Travel T. Joy	10.00	
	30	D. R. Time	107.46	
	31	Overhead	78.43	
		[monthly total]	378.47	
		[total to date 3,016.90 + 378.47]		3,395.37
Nov.	1	Phone	3.85	
	6	D. R. Time	70.00	
	13	"	25.01	
	20	"	16.53	
	3	Travel T. Joy	22.00	
	9	"	33.00	
	18	Blue Prints	2.63	
	30	"	0.78	
	30	Travel T. Joy (marble)	5.00	
	30	Overhead	120.46	
		[monthly total]	299.26	
		[total to date 3,395.37 + 299.26]		3,694.63
Dec.	11	D. R. Time	13.46	
	18	"	30.40	
		Telegrams	1.80	
	9	Travel T. Joy	20.00	
		Overhead (based on salaries for year)	176.75	
		[monthly total]	242.41	
		[total to date 3,694.63 + 242.41]		[3,937.04]
1926		Total for year		3,937.04
1927		Total cost for job to date		3,937.04
Jan.	22	D. R. Time	10.74	
	31	Blue Prints	0.90	
	31	Overhead	8.89	
		[monthly total]	20.53	
		[total to date 3,937.04 + 20.53]		3,957.57
July	6	Travel LeF [James LeFeaver]	44.00	

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July	16	Travel Miss Morgan	\$65.00	
		[monthly total]	109.00	
		[total to date 3,957.57 + 109.00]		4,066.57
Aug		Telephone	1.50	
		Telegrams	2.94	
	6	D. R. Time    Travel?	34.62	
	13	"	3.85	
	20	"	21.15	
	27	"	21.15	
	18	Travel LeF	73.82	
	29	"	45.40	
	26	[George] Loorz bursar fund	100.00	
	29	Expense LeF	2.20	
	31	Overhead	90.86	
	31	Bonus distribution	100.28	
		[monthly total]	497.77	
		[total to date 4,066.57 + 497.77]		4,564.34
Sept.	5	D. R. Time	17.31	
	10	"	26.92	
		Telephones	0.60	
		Telegrams	3.45	
		Blue prints	4.92	
	17	D. R. Time	13.46	
	24	"	1.92	
	12	Travel LeF	53.54	
	15	"	48.75	
	24	"	42.51	
	30	Petty cash	0.22	
	30	Overhead	46.70	
		[monthly total]	260.30	
		[total to date 4,564.34 + 260.30]		4,824.64
Oct.	3	D. R. Time	15.38	
	10	"	3.85	
	1	Telegrams	0.48	
	15	D. R. Time	17.30	
	22	"	15.38	
	29	"	3.85	
	9-11	Travel LeF	42.13	
	20	"	42.40	
		Supplies sent BHo. [Beach House]	0.90	
	31	Overhead	23.42	

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Oct.		[monthly total]	\$165.09	
		[total to date 4,824.64 + 165.09]		4,989.73
Nov.	1	Telephones 6.75 & Telegrams 1.62	8.37	
	5	D. R. Time	28.84	
	12	"	3.85	
	19	"	13.46	
	2-5	Travel LeF	51.73	
	14-16	"	47.75	
	23	" Miss Morgan	50.00	
	30	Overhead	25.94	
		[monthly total]	229.94	
		[total to date 4,989.73 + 229.94]		5,219.67
Dec.	3	D. R. Time	7.05	
	10	"	13.46	
	1	Telephone	7.65	
		Telegrams	3.78	
	1	Blue Prints	0.25	
	17	D. R. Time	3.84	
	24	"	17.31	
	5-7	Travel LeF	41.65	
	18-20	"	44.48	
	31	Overhead	29.95	
		[monthly total]	169.42	
		[total to date 5219.67 + 169.42]		5,389.09
	31	Bonus distrib. Nov. & Dec.	111.80	
		1927 Total [5,389.09 + 111.80 - 3,937.04]		1,563.85
1928		Jan. 1 Total Cost to Date [5,389.09 + 111.80]		5,500.89
Jan.	7	D. R. Time	17.30	
	14	"	5.77	
	21	"	3.85	
	28	"	3.85	
		Telegrams	0.55	
	3	Travel LeF	37.45	
	1	Telephone	2.90	
	30	Travel LeF	42.50	
	31	Overhead	31.08	
		[monthly total]	145.25	
		[total to date 5,500.89 + 145.25]		5,646.14

Feb.	4	D. R. Time	\$15.38	
	11	"	3.84	
	18	"	11.53	
	25	"	5.77	
	17	Travel LeF	42.25	
	29	Overhead	28.95	
		[monthly total]	107.72	
		[total to date 5,646.14 + 107.72]		5,753.86
Mar.	3	D. R. Time	1.92	
	10	"	3.85	
	17	"	15.38	
	24	"	3.84	
	12	Travel LeF	40.35	
	30	"	42.10	
	31	Overhead	16.17	
		[monthly total]	123.61	
		[total to date 5,753.86 + 123.61]		5,877.47
Apr.	7	D. R. Time	30.77	
	14	"	5.77	
	21	Expense G. Loorz	175.63	
	30	Overhead	20.11	
		[monthly total]	232.28	
		[total to date 5,877.47 + 232.28]		6,109.75
May	1	Telephone	4.45	
		May Bonus	24.64	
		[monthly total]	[29.09]	
		[total to date 6,109.75 + 29.09]		6,138.84
		Dec. Bonus General	21.54	
		JM 28.18 [+ 21.54]	49.72	
		Cost to date incl. bonuses		6,188.56
		(1928 Cost not incl. bonus	613.31)	
		( " Bonuses	74.36)	
		( " Cost	687.67)	
1929		Total Cost to Date		6,188.56
		(Bonuses 286.44)		
		[6,188.56 - 286.44]		\$5,902.12

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Hearst's name appears on the cover sheet for Ledger #2 and on each of the eight entries sheets; Marion Davies isn't mentioned anywhere in the ledger. A penciled note in Morgan's hand appears at the top of the first entry sheet: "5% of working drawings & what help needed."

The recap sheet, which unlike the one for the first ledger is as detailed as any to be found in the Morgan-Forney Collection, confirms the five-percent commission and indicates that \$21,458.12 was the total billed on this job; the last two portions of it (\$10,000 and \$8,458.12) were paid in December 1928 and June 1929. The combined \$18,458.12 was in addition to \$3,000 received on account from Hearst on November 19, 1926—the same date that \$2,000 was paid on the Beverly Hills job (Ledger #1).

On the recap sheet in Ledger #2, \$795.50 was earmarked for "1700 Lexington Ave." And thus the dangling \$1,562.14 in Ledger #1 was reduced to \$766.64, an amount not addressed or reconciled elsewhere in these records.

### **Ledger #3 New Santa Monica, 415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica**

1928-1931

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1928

Aug.	28	Travel Miss Morgan [monthly total]	\$35.00 35.00	
Sept.	22	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	5.77	
	6	Travel Miss Morgan	18.00	
	15	Salary H. H. Benedict	70.00	
	22	"	70.00	
	18	Travel Miss Morgan	38.50	
	24	" Mr. [James] LeFeaver	41.45	
	10/1	" Miss Morgan	35.00	
	29	D. R. Time	19.24	
	30	Overhead [monthly total]	13.00 310.96	
		[total to date 35.00 + 310.96]		345.96
Oct.	6	D. R. Time	1.92	
	13	"	17.32	
	20	"	7.69	
	27	"	17.31	
	1	Bl[ue] Telegrams	4.67	

Oct.	1	Telephone	\$3.50	
	1-8-15-22	Salary H. H. Benedict @ 70.00	280.00	
	4	Travel Mr. LeFeaver	43.95	
	17	"	37.30	
Nov.	1	" Miss Morgan	5.00	
Oct.	15	"	35.00	
	31	Overhead	231.54	
		Oct. Bonus	42.88	
		[monthly total with 11/1 @ 5.00]	[728.08]	
		[total to date 345.96 + 728.08]		1,074.04
Nov.	1	Blue Telegrams	0.48	
	3	D. R. Time	9.62	
	17	Blue Prints ([Frank] Hellenthal)	16.70	
	17	D. R. Time	5.77	
	24	"	15.38	
	10/29	Salary H. H. Benedict @ 70.00		
	& 11/3	"	140.00	
	12	"	70.00	
	19	"	70.00	
	26	"	70.00	
	20	Travel Mr. LeFeaver	45.75	
	12/3	" Miss Morgan	5.00	
	30	Overhead	172.78	
		[monthly total with 12/3 @ 5.00]	621.48	
		[total to date 1,074.04 + 621.48]		1,695.52
Dec.	1	D. R. Time	3.84	
	1	Telegrams	1.28	
	8	D. R. Time	3.84	
	15	"	3.85	
	22	"	7.70	
	29	"	19.23	
	3-10	H. H. Benedict 2 weeks @ 70.00	140.00	
	17	"	70.00	
	22	"	70.00	
	29	" tennis ct. [court] & garden	41.29	
	29	" Clinic sal[ary] 7.18 travel 8.00	15.18	
	11	Pacific Blue Print Co.	13.78	
	18	Travel Mr. LeFeaver	44.45	
	1/1/29	"	43.85	
	30	Salary O. U. Ott	225.00	
	1	Telephone	13.45	
	11/1	"	5.80	

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Dec.	31	Overhead	\$211.83	
		[monthly total with all entries]	934.37	
		[total to date 1,695.52 + 934.37]		2,629.89
		Bonuses (General 126.74)		
		(J. M. 267.77)	394.51	
		Total 1928 Cost incl. bonuses		3,024.40
		( " " Bonuses 437.39)		
1929		Total Cost to Date		3,024.40
Jan.	5	D. R. Time	30.77	
	15	"	5.77	
	1	Telegrams	1.21	
	1	Telephones	22.10	
	5	H. H. Benedict Tennis & garden	48.47	
	12	"	61.03	
	19	D. R. Time	7.70	
	26	"	9.61	
	22	Travel Miss Morgan	35.00	
	19	H. H. Benedict Fence & Garden	64.62	
	26	"	61.03	
		Travel	3.20	
		Salary Mausoleum	3.60	
		Travel & Clinic Salary	5.37	
		Travel	0.90	
Jan.	31	Overhead	178.33	
		[monthly total]	538.71	
		[total to date 3,024.40 + 538.71]		3,563.11
Feb.	8	Pacific Blue Print Co.	19.46	
	[?]	H. H. Benedict Clinic	3.60	
		" car	1.00	
Feb.	[?]	H. H. Benedict Garden		
		& T[ennis] Ct. [Court]	174.11	
Feb.	[?]	H. H. Benedict Mausoleum	10.75	
Feb.	23	D. R. Time	9.61	
	2	"	7.70	
	9	"	5.77	
	16	"	5.77	
	1	Telephone	19.20	
	28	Overhead	125.06	
		[monthly total]	382.03	
		[total to date 3,563.11 + 382.03]		3,945.14

Mar.	2	D. R. Time	\$13.46	
	9	"	9.62	
	1	Telephone	3.85	
	23	D. R. Time	11.54	
	30	"	5.77	
		Travel Miss Morgan Apr. 2 & 3	30.00	
	12	Travel Miss Morgan Mausoleum	10.00	
	12	"	30.00	
		[Mar. 12 total mistakenly added]	40.00	
	19	"	30.00	
		Car expense Douras Mausoleum	0.77	
		H. H. Benedict Garden & Court	177.70	
		" Mausoleum	34.09	
		" Pool	61.03	
		" car Mausoleum	6.00	
	31	Overhead	143.38	
		[monthly total]	607.21	
		[total to date 3,945.14 + 607.21]		4,552.35
Apr.	5/4	T. Joy D. R. Time	75.00	
	6	D. R. Time	5.77	
	13	"	5.77	
	20	"	9.61	
	27	"	88.47	
	1	Telegrams	6.10	
	1	Telephone	3.16	
	1	Blue Prints	1.84	
	11	" Pac. Blue Print Co.	9.15	
	15	Travel Miss Morgan	35.00	
	13	Salary H. H. Benedict Mausoleum	25.12	
		" Pool	132.83	
		" Ct. [Court] & Garden	52.05	
		Travel " Mausoleum	5.00	
		" Miss Morgan	35.00	
	30	Overhead	341.69	
		[monthly total]	831.56	
		[total to date 4,552.35 + 831.56]		5,383.91
		Above billed May 6/29		5,383.91
		(Bonuses 440.18) 6/22 Received		5,383.91
		(May 4 T. J. Salary above)		
May	18	D. R. Time	8.67	
	25	"	[blank]	

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May	3	Travel Miss Morgan	\$20.00	
	17	"	12.50	
	14	Salary W. T. Steilberg	20.00	
	31	Overhead	4.30	
		[monthly total]	65.47	
		[total to date as of May 1928]		65.47
June	22	D. R. Time	15.78	
	29	"	21.53	
	1	Blue Prints	0.68	
	1	" Mausoleum	0.25	
	3	W. L. Huber	20.00	
	13-15	Travel Miss Morgan	47.00	
	22	" T. Joy	75.00	
	7/1	" Miss Morgan	5.00	
		" Miss Morgan	15.00	
		Pac. Blue Print Co.	2.15	
	30	Overhead	19.53	
		[monthly total]	221.92	
		[total to date 65.47 + 221.92]		287.39
July	18	Pac Blue Print Co.	24.17	
	6	D. R. Time	21.15	
	13	"	67.57	
	20	"	101.13	
	27	"	30.88	
	1	Blue Prints	4.44	
	1	Telegrams	0.62	
	1	Telephone	7.35	
	2	Travel T. Joy	65.90	
	2	Salary Mr. [Warren] McClure	18.35	
	3	W.L. Huber	40.00	
	11	Travel F. Lloyd	10.00	
	31	Overhead	144.14	
		[monthly total]	535.70	
		[total to date 287.39 + 535.70]		823.09
Aug.	3	D. R. Time	58.48	
	10	"	23.08	
	10	" Guest Hs. [House]	55.00	
	17	"	28.69	
	24	"	27.29	
	31	"	26.93	
	20	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00	

Aug.	9/3	Travel Mr. LeFeaver	\$27.60	
	1	Telephone	2.90	
	1	Telegrams	0.48	
	19	Pac. Blue Prints	23.60	
	8	Travel T. Joy 12.90 exp. 13.85	26.75	
	8	Pd. By T. J. to Zebold (salary)	55.00	
	31	Overhead	100.86	
		[monthly total]	486.66	
		[total to date 823.09 + 486.66]		1,309.75
Sept.	7	D. R. Time	5.77	
	7	" Guest Hs.	31.75	
	14	"	26.54	
	1	Telegrams	0.73	
		Blue Prints [Guest Hs.]	1.76	
	21	D. R. Time	5.77	
	21	"	58.50	
	13-15	Travel Mr. LeFeaver	2.20	
		"	13.75	
	8	Pac. Blue Print Co.	10.90	
	30	Travel F. Lloyd	10.00	
	28	D. R. Time	7.19	
	10/8	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00	
	1	Telephone	2.90	
	30	Overhead 415 [Ocean Front]	15.04	
	30	" Guest Hs.	93.90	
		[monthly total]	301.70	
		[total to date 1,309.75 + 301.70]		1,611.45
Oct.	5	D. R. Time	20.76	
	1	Telephone	2.90	
	12	D. R. Time	5.78	
	19	"	41.43	
	26	"	26.84	
	8	Travel Miss Morgan	17.00	
	9	Blue Prints Pac. Blue P. Co.	2.60	
	4	Express chgs. office records	6.00	
	31	Overhead	59.20	
		[monthly total]	182.51	
		[total to date 1,611.45 + 182.51]		1,793.96
Nov.	2	D. R. Time	1.93	
	9	"	3.85	
	16	"	1.92	

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Nov.	23	D. R. Time	\$5.77	
	30	"	3.85	
	1	Telegrams	0.48	
	1	Blue Prints	0.78	
	25	Travel Miss Morgan	20.00	
	18	T. Joy travel (rent) July & Aug	165.00	
	30	Overhead	9.82	
		[monthly total]	213.40	
		[total to date 1,793.96 + 213.40]		2,007.36
Dec.	1	Telegrams	0.69	
		Blue Prints	0.34	
	7	D. R. Time	3.85	
	14	"	1.91	
	31	Overhead	8.77	
		[monthly total]	15.56	
		[total to date 2,007.36 + 15.56]		2,022.92
1929		Cost (2,395.51 refunded [reimbursed])		(2,022.92)
1930				
Jan.	1	Total Cost to Date		7,406.83
		[1929: Jan-Apr 5,383.91 + May-Dec 2,022.92]		
Jan.	11	D. R. Time	3.85	
	31	Overhead	3.30	
		[monthly total]	7.15	
		[total to date 2,022.92 + 7.15]		2,030.07
Feb.	8	D. R. Time	9.61	
	15	"	3.85	
	22	"	1.92	
	7-9	Travel Mr. LeFeaver 30.00 + 10.25	40.25	
	28	Overhead	8.18	
		[monthly total]	63.81	
		[total to date 2,030.07 + 63.81]		2,093.88
Mar.	1	D. R. Time	3.85	
	8	"	5.77	
	15	"	5.75	
	22	"	5.77	
	29	"	5.77	
	1	Telegrams	0.96	

Mar.	31	Overhead	\$15.07	
		[monthly total]	42.94	
		[total to date 2,093.88 + 42.94]		2,136.82
Apr.	5	D. R. Time	5.77	
	12	"	7.70	
	19	"	62.97	
	26	"	69.22	
	1	Telephone	8.65	
	1	Blue Prints	0.10	
	14-18	Travel T. Joy	52.45	
	24	" Miss Morgan	40.00	
	30	Overhead	105.53	
		[monthly total]	352.39	
		[total to date 2,136.82 + 352.39]		2,489.21
May	10	D. R. Time	3.85	
	1	Telephone	2.90	
	1	Telegrams	0.96	
	1	Blue Prints	0.94	
	17	D. R. Time	3.85	
	24	"	5.77	
	30	Travel T. Joy 5.00 + 8.88	13.88	
	31	Overhead	7.31	
		[monthly total]	39.46	
		[total to date 2,489.21 + 39.46]		2,528.67
June	7	D. R. Time	3.84	
	14	"	3.85	
	21	"	1.92	
	28	"	1.93	
		Telephone	2.90	
		Telegrams	0.48	
		Blue Prints	1.64	
	21	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	30	Overhead	8.61	
		[monthly total]	50.17	
		[total to date 2,528.67 + 50.17]		2,578.84
July	5	D. R. Time	1.92	
	12	"	3.84	
	19	"	1.92	
	26	"	1.92	
	9	Travel Miss Morgan	40.00	

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July	23	Travel Miss Morgan	\$25.00	
	1	Telegrams	0.48	
	31	Overhead	7.47	
		[monthly total]	82.55	
		[total to date 2,578.84 + 82.55]		2,661.39
Aug.	16	D. R. Time	3.84	
	23	"	1.92	
	15	Travel Miss Morgan	40.00	
	9/2	"	40.00	
	30	D. R. Time	3.84	
	31	Overhead	5.68	
		[monthly total]	95.28	
		[total to date 2,661.39 + 95.28]		2,756.67
Sept.	1	Telegram	0.76	
	13	D. R. Time	1.92	
	20	"	1.92	
	19	W. T. Steilberg engr. Services	10.00	
	22	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	30	Overhead	3.25	
		[monthly total]	42.85	
		[total to date 2,756.67 + 42.85]		2,799.52
Oct.	1	Telegrams	2.24	
		[total to date 2,799.52 + 2.24]		2,801.76
Nov.	1	Telephone	2.90	
		1930 Cost 781.74		2,804.66
1931		Total Cost to Date		\$8,188.57
		[1928: 5,383.91 + 1929: 2,022.92 + 1930: 781.74]		

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Ledger #3 includes two small jobs that aren't itemized in Morgan's annual Distribution of Expenses—the Douras Mausoleum in Hollywood and a precursor to the Marion Davies Clinic in Sawtelle. Both jobs crop up in 1929 only.

Neither Hearst's nor Marion's names appear on the cover sheet or anywhere else amid the ten entries sheets of New Santa Monica, the largest ledger in the Hearst-Davies-Morgan greater Los Angeles group.

Hearst paid \$10,871.55 on New Santa Monica against \$8,188.57 in Morgan's expenses (the difference in her favor was \$2,682.98, yet the last two payments came in as late as December 1932 and May 1933). Overall, he paid

a further \$5,383.91 (for a grand total of \$16,255.46) on New Santa Monica, with the \$5,383.91 no doubt pertaining to Ledger #4, for which no recap sheet exists; see the note there for additional details.

**Ledger #4 321 Ocean Front, Santa Monica**

1928-1931

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1928

Dec.	29	H. H. Benedict Fence & sea wall	\$8.97	
	31	Overhead	5.06	
		[monthly total]	14.03	
		Bonus (General 0.83)		
		" (J. M. 1.96)	2.79	
1928		Cost incl. bonuses		16.82
		Total Cost to Date		16.82

1929

Jan.	5	H. H. Benedict bulkhead & fence covering	8.97	
	12	"	8.97	
	31	Overhead	10.74	
		[monthly total]	28.68	
		[total to date 16.82 + 28.68]		45.50
Feb.	[?]	H. H. Benedict	64.62	
	28	Overhead	36.96	
		[monthly total]	101.58	
		[total to date 45.50 + 101.58]		147.08
May	4	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	3.85	
	11	"	99.35	
		"	3.85	
	18	"	117.30	
	25	"	147.58	
	1	Telephone	20.30	
	1	Telegrams	4.88	
	1	Blue Prints	1.20	
	3	Travel Miss Morgan	20.00	

May	17	Travel Miss Morgan	\$12.50	
	14	Pac. Blue Print Co.	1.90	
		T. Joy Travel, rent etc.	250.00	
	31	Salary W[arren] A. McClure	55.00	
	31	Overhead	184.66	
		[monthly total]	922.37	
		[total to date 147.08 + 922.37]		1,069.45
June	1	Telegrams	2.76	
	1	D. R. Time	84.25	
	8	"	79.36	
	15	"	66.12	
	22	"	109.61	
	29	"	96.03	
	1	Telephone	3.70	
	1	Blue Prints	14.00	
	7/1	Travel Miss Morgan	5.00	
	24	Pac. Blue Print Co.	8.45	
	26	Travel Mr. LeFeaver	40.75	
	3	Pac. Blue Print Co.	23.25	
	30	Overhead	223.90	
		[monthly total]	757.18	
			[total to date 1,069.45 + 757.18]	
July	6	D. R. Time	56.02	
	13	"	57.59	
	20	"	105.41	
	27	"	107.84	
	1	Blue Prints	0.60	
	12	Travel Mr. LeFeaver	40.00	
	18	Pac. Blue Print Co.	24.00	
	11	Travel F. Lloyd	11.00	
	31	Overhead	213.35	
		[monthly total]	615.81	
		[total to date 1,826.63 + 615.81]		2,442.44
Aug.	3	D. R. Time	94.79	
	10	"	138.07	
	17	"	68.99	
	24	"	126.17	
	31	"	91.92	
	5-7	Travel Mr. LeFeaver	40.50	
	8	Stringer Storage Co.	1.41	
	19	Pac. Blue Print Co.	22.00	

Aug.	31	Overhead	\$237.27	
		[monthly total]	821.12	
		[total to date 2,442.44 + 821.12]		3,263.56
Sept.	7	D. R. Time	29.30	
	14	"	61.54	
	21	"	5.77	
	28	"	3.84	
	8	Pac. Blue Print Co.	15.00	
	10	T. Joy Travel	31.86	
	30	F. Lloyd	10.00	
	10/8	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00	
	30	F. Lloyd Travel	5.00	
	30	Overhead	80.76	
		[monthly total]	258.07	
		[total to date 3,263.56 + 258.07]		3,521.63
Oct.	5	D. R. Time	14.10	
	1	Telegrams	1.44	
	12	D. R. Time	5.78	
	19	"	3.85	
	26	"	5.77	
	22	Travel F. Lloyd	45.00	
	9/11	" to L.A.	1.44	
	9/14	" to S.F.	22.54	
	9/31	"	24.40	
	31	Overhead	18.73	
		[monthly total]	143.05	
		[total to date 3,521.63 + 143.05]		3,664.68
Nov.	2	D. R. Time	5.77	
	9	"	5.77	
	16	"	5.77	
	23	"	5.77	
	30	"	3.85	
	30	Overhead	15.28	
		[monthly total]	42.21	
		[total to date 3,664.68 + 42.21]		3,706.89
Dec.	7	D. R. Time	3.85	
	14	"	3.85	
	18	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00	
	31	Overhead	11.72	
		[monthly total]	49.42	

		[total to date 3,706.89 + 49.42]	\$3,756.31
1929		Total 3,739.49	
1930			
Jan.	1	Total Cost to Date	3,756.31
Jan.	18	D. R. Time	1.92
	1	Telegram	0.48
	31	Overhead	1.65
		[monthly total]	4.05
		[total to date 3,756.31 + 4.05]	3,760.36
Feb.	8	D. R. Time	1.66
	28	Overhead	0.88
		[monthly total]	2.54
		[total to date 3,760.36 + 2.54]	3,762.90
Mar.	1	D. R. Time	3.85
		1930 [total to date 3,762.90 + 3.85]	3,766.75
		1930 Cost 10.44	
1931		Cost to Date	\$3,766.75
		[1928: 16.82 + 1929: 3,739.49 + 1930: 10.44]	

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Ledger #4 contains no cover sheet. Since the versos of these were often used as recap sheets, the lack of the latter in this case may thus be explained. Were the cover-recap sheet extant, it would most likely show that Hearst's surplus of \$5,383.91 on Ledger #3 was applicable to the final cost on Ledger #4 of \$3,766.75 (leaving \$1,617.16 in Morgan's favor).

The combined figures for Ledgers #3 and #4 are \$16,255.46 paid against \$11,955.32 in Morgan's expenses, leaving her with \$4,300.14 above costs.

As with Ledger #3, Hearst and Marion's names appear nowhere amid the four entries sheets of Ledger #4.

**Ledger #5 1700 Lexington Road, Beverly Hills**

1929

1929

Apr.	25	Travel T. Joy	\$75.00	
		[monthly total]	75.00	
May	2	Travel T. Joy	25.00	
		[total to date 75.00 + 25.00]		100.00
June	8	D. R. Time	50.64	
	22	"	8.46	
	29	"	23.97	
	3	Pac[ific] Blue Print Co.	4.55	
	30	Overhead	43.58	
		[monthly total]	131.20	
		[total to date 100.00 + 131.20]		231.20
July	6	D. R. Time	62.44	
	13	"	31.02	
	27	"	19.74	
	31	Overhead	73.92	
		[monthly total]	187.12	
		Total 1929 [231.20 + 187.12]		418.32

1930

Jan.	1	Total Cost to Date		\$418.32
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Ledger #5 consists of a single entry sheet headed "Marion Douras, Beverly Hills (1929 Scheme)"; there is no cover or recap sheet. The \$418.32 may have been charged against the eventual overage of \$4,300.14 on Ledgers #3 and #4.

**Ledger #6 Los Angeles Examiner Building 1101 S.  
Broadway, Los Angeles**

1930-1932

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1930

Sept.	30	Travel Miss Morgan [monthly total]	\$60.00 60.00	
Nov.	1	Telegram	0.48	
		D[rafting] R[oom] Time	1.80	
	29	"	3.59	
	10	Travel Miss Morgan	58.00	
	30	Overhead [monthly total]	2.80 66.67	
		[total to date 60.00 + 66.67]		126.67
Dec.	1	Blue Prints	0.12	
	20	D. R. Time	44.87	
	27	"	44.87	
	31	Overhead [monthly total]	84.54 174.40	
		[total to date 126.67 + 174.40]		301.07
		Cost 1930		[301.07]
1931		Total Cost to Date		301.07

1931

Jan.	1	Blue Prints	15.55	
	1	Telegrams	0.62	
	17	D. R. Time	37.70	
	24	"	7.18	
	31	"	30.50	
	11	Travel Miss Morgan	50.00	
	20	Berth "	4.50	
	20	Travel "	50.00	
	27	Griffin & Benedict engrs. Petty cash	79.90 2.91	
	31	Overhead [monthly total]	47.48 326.34	

		[total to date 301.07 + 326.34]	\$627.41
Feb.	24	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00
	16	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00
	9	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00
		Blue Prints Denny	4.08
	1	Telegrams	2.90
	1	Telephone	8.70
	1	Blue Prints	25.38
	28	D. R. Time	12.31
Mar.	2	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00
Feb.	28	Overhead	5.70
		[monthly total]	169.07
		[total to date 627.41 + 169.07]	796.48
Mar.	9	Travel Miss Morgan	10.00
	16	"	10.00
	30	"	15.00
	1	Blue Prints	0.24
		[monthly total]	35.24
		[total to date 796.48 + 35.24]	831.72
Apr.	23	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00
	13	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00
	3	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00
	4	D. R. Time	4.61
		Telephone	0.48
	30	Overhead	2.06
		[monthly total]	62.15
		[total to date 831.72 + 62.15]	893.87
May	4	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00
	20	F. Foley extra marble for mantel	11.75
		[monthly total]	[26.75]
		[total to date 893.87 + 26.75]	920.62
Jul.	14	W[alter] L[eroy] Huber engr. serv.	316.50
		[total to date 920.62 + 316.50]	1,237.12
Aug.	22	D. R. Time	6.15
	31	Overhead	3.51
		[monthly total]	9.66
		[total to date 1,237.12 + 9.66]	1,246.78

Oct.	1	Telephone	\$2.90	
	1	Blue Prints	2.64	
		[monthly total]	5.54	
		[total to date 1,246.78 + 5.54]		1,252.32
		Cost to Date		[1,252.32]
		1931 Cost	951.25	
1932		Total Cost [1930: 301.07 + 1931: 951.25]		\$1,252.32

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The Los Angeles Examiner Building, as distinct from the Los Angeles Herald Building half a mile to its west, is the one that Julia Morgan initially worked on from 1912 to 1915. Decades later—in 1962, when Hearst’s two Los Angeles papers merged as the *Herald-Examiner*—the older building on South Broadway was renamed accordingly. Hence some confusion can arise in our noting that an architect besides Morgan designed the Herald Building of the early 1920s on South Trenton, which street no longer exists and which area the Staples Center now occupies.

The Morgan-Forney Collection contains three ledgers on the Examiner Building. The largest dates from 1922 through 1925, with most of its entries preceding the 17-year span of Morgan’s Distribution of Expenses sheets.

Our concern here is with the second ledger, the one beginning in September 1930 and continuing to the late part of 1931. Its recap sheet refers to “alterations and additions” to the Examiner Building, with “charges being 6% of an approximate cost of \$25,000”—in other words, \$1,500. When Hearst paid that amount in July 1931, it led to Morgan’s being \$247.68 in the black against her eventual \$1,252.32 in total expenses. There’s no indication, though, of whether the job went over the projected \$25,000.

### **Ledger #7 Marion Davies Children’s Clinic Sawtelle, West Los Angeles**

1931-1934

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1931

Mar.	7	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	\$60.00
	14	"	60.00
	21	"	60.00

Mar.	30	D. R. Time	\$60.00	
	9	Travel Miss Morgan	17.00	
	16	"	10.00	
	30	"	20.00	
	31	Overhead	105.84	
		[monthly total]	392.84	
Apr.	4	D. R. Time	33.08	
	11	"	63.84	
	18	"	84.59	
	25	"	123.21	
	14	Edw. Denny prints	4.80	
	16	"	12.62	
	1	Strecker prints	3.42	
	1	Edw. Denny prints	3.46	
	4	Travel Miss Morgan	20.00	
	13	"	20.00	
	23	"	30.00	
	30	Overhead	136.20	
		[monthly total]	535.22	
		[total to date 392.84 + 535.22]		928.06
May	2	D. R. Time	90.50	
	9	"	60.00	
	16	"	55.35	
	23	"	61.92	
	30	"	43.09	
	1	Telegrams	0.95	
	1	Blue Prints	2.92	
	19	" Denny	17.64	
	1	Petty cash April	4.43	
	4	Travel Miss Morgan	20.00	
	18	"	30.00	
	26	"	35.00	
	31	Overhead	124.34	
		[monthly total]	546.14	
		[total to date 928.06 + 546.14]		1,474.20
June	1	Telegrams	0.48	
	1	Blue Prints	2.94	
	6	D. R. Time	32.68	
	18	Travel Miss Morgan	27.00	
	30	Overhead	22.22	
		[monthly total]	85.32	

		[total to date 1,474.20 + 85.32]	\$1,559.52
July	11	D. R. Time	46.14
	18	"	60.00
	25	"	60.00
	31	Overhead	110.48
		[monthly total]	276.62
		[total to date 1,559.52 + 276.62]	1,836.14
Aug.	1	D. R. Time	60.00
	1	Blue Prints	0.51
	11	Miss Morgan Travel	40.00
	31	Overhead	34.20
		[monthly total]	134.71
		[total to date 1,836.14 + 134.71]	1,970.85
Sept.	1	Blue Prints	7.08
		[total to date 1,970.85 + 7.08]	1,977.93
Oct.	31	Postage etc.	1.76
		[total to date 1,977.93 + 1.76]	1,979.69
Nov.	24	Travel Miss Morgan	35.00
	1	Blue Prints	17.33
		Telegram	0.52
		[monthly total]	52.85
		[total to date 1,979.69 + 52.85]	2,032.54
Dec.	1	Blue Prints	0.20
	1	Travel Miss Morgan	50.00
	15	"	35.00
	23	C[harles] Langlais layout & B. P. electric	54.50
		[monthly total]	139.70
		[total to date 2,032.54 + 139.70]	2,172.24
1931		Cost 2,172.24	
1932			
Jan.	1	Total Cost to Date	2,172.24
	1	Telegrams	0.48
	1	Blue Prints	19.60
		[monthly total]	20.08
		[total to date 2,172.24 + 20.08]	2,192.32

Mar.	12	D. R. Time	\$8.97	
	19	"	50.00	
	26	"	53.85	
		Telegrams	1.41	
		Blue Prints	9.27	
	7	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00	
	14	"	30.00	
	20	"	30.00	
	28	"	35.00	
		Postage	0.17	
	31	Overhead	66.78	
		[monthly total]	315.45	
		[total to date 2,192.32 + 315.45]		2,507.77
Apr.	2	D. R. Time	50.00	
	9	"	57.70	
	16	"	55.77	
	23	"	53.85	
	30	"	53.59	
	14	Douglas Honnold, inspector		
		39 hours [@] 1.363	53.16	
	21	" to Apr. 16	16.36	
	29	" 23	30.00	
	18	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00	
	26	"	30.00	
	30	Overhead	144.29	
		[monthly total]	574.72	
		[total to date 2,507.77 + 574.72]		3,082.49
May	1	Blue Prints	13.05	
		Telegrams	1.84	
	7	D. R. Time	53.84	
	14	"	16.16	
	21	"	51.92	
	5	Salary Douglas Honnold	40.90	
	10	"	42.27	
	17	"	16.36	
	27	"	43.63	
	19	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00	
	28	"	35.00	
	28	D. R. Time	5.77	
	6/8	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00	
	30	Overhead	82.98	
		[monthly total]	433.72	

		[total to date 3,082.49 + 433.72]	\$3,516.21
June	1	Telegrams	0.52
	1	Telephone	5.80
	4	D. R. Time	3.84
	11	"	3.84
	18	"	9.99
	25	"	46.51
	1	Blue Prints	13.08
	1	Douglas Honnold Salary 5/28	42.27
	8	" 6/4	27.27
	15	" 6/11	25.91
	23	" 6/18	46.36
	27	" 6/25	50.45
	8	Travel Miss Morgan	20.00
	24	Miss Morgan Travel	45.00
	30	Overhead	227.14
		[monthly total]	567.98
		[total to date 3,516.21 + 567.98]	4,084.19
July	1	Blue Prints	2.13
		Telegrams	0.69
	9	D. R. Time	46.94
	16	"	6.15
	23	"	3.85
	7	Douglas Honnold Salary 7/2	35.45
	13	" 7/9	32.72
	20	" 7/16	34.09
	25	" 7/23	30.00
	7	Travel Miss Morgan	45.00
	8/1	"	25.00
	18	"	20.00
	30	D. R. Time	9.98
	31	Overhead	193.22
		[monthly total]	485.22
		[total to date 4,084.19 + 485.22]	4,569.41
Aug.	1	Blue Prints	1.08
	6	D. R. Time	3.07
	13	"	4.62
	20	"	3.07
	27	"	4.62
	5	D. Honnold Salary 7/30	25.91
	9	" 8/6	24.54

Aug.	13	D. Honnold Salary	8/13		
	20	"	8/20	\$46.36	
	27	"	8/27	27.27	
	31	Overhead		172.65	
		[monthly total]		313.19	
		[total to date 4,569.41 + 313.19]			4,882.60
	8/5	Less Refund D. Honnold part salary		515.31	
		[total to date 4,882.60 - 515.31]			4,367.29
Sept.	3	D. R. Time		3.07	
	10	"		3.07	
	17	"		3.07	
	24	"		1.54	
	1	Telegrams		0.48	
		Blue Prints		0.18	
	8	D. Honnold wk[week]	9/3	20.45	
	12	"	9/10	19.09	
	22	"	9/17	27.27	
	26	"	9/24	21.82	
	30	Overhead		87.65	
		[monthly total]		187.69	
		[total to date 4,367.29 + 187.69]			4,554.98
Oct.	17	Travel Miss Morgan		10.00	
	23	"		10.00	
	1	D. R. Time		3.07	
	8	"		4.61	
	15	"		1.53	
	29	"		4.61	
	11	Douglas Honnold	10/8 24 hrs	32.72	
	27	"	10/15 17 "		
		"	10/22 14 "	42.27	
	8	"	10/1 14 "	19.09	
	31	Overhead		127.54	
		[monthly total]		255.44	
		[total to date 4,554.98 + 255.44]			4,810.42
Nov.	5	D. R. Time		3.07	
	12	"		3.07	
	19	"		4.61	
	1	Telegrams		1.80	
	30	Overhead		12.58	
		[monthly total]		25.13	

		[total to date 4,810.42 + 25.13]	\$4,835.55
		Total Cost 1932 [4,835.55 - 2,172.24 + 515.31]	3,178.62
		Refund "	515.31
1932		Total Cost to Date	4,835.55
1933		Cost to Date	4,833.55
May	17	W. L. Huber a/c engr. services	276.00
		Cost to Date	5,111.55
1933		Cost 276.00	
1934			5,111.55
Feb.	6	W. L. Huber bal. engr. serv. 5/13/31	300.00
1934		Cost 300.00	
		Total Cost to Date [5,111.55 + 300.00]	\$5,411.55

– Closed –

The cover sheet for Ledger #7 is marked “Marion Davies Foundation.” Similar wording appears at the head of the recap sheet and each of the seven entries sheets. The term “Hospital Unit” appears in five places; there’s no use of the term “Children’s Clinic.” Hearst’s name doesn’t appear in the ledger.

The job was done at 6% through Frank Hellenthal as contractor. Morgan would have to have been allotted closer to 8% to break even, for the amount she billed and received was \$4,203.65—this falling short by \$1,207.90 of her total expenses of \$5,411.55.

Douglas Honnold practiced architecture in Los Angeles under his own name from 1929 to 1952. He’d been a draftsman for George Washington Smith in Santa Barbara from 1924 to 1926; earlier still, 1922 to 1923, he’d studied at UC Berkeley, where he may have met George Loorz, who was three years older but who was enrolled in the College of Engineering at the same time. The guidebook Honnold later wrote for the American Institute of Architects, *Southern California Architecture 1769-1956*, has long been out of print and is quite scarce.

Under July 29, 1932, on the Marion Davies Foundation recap sheet, this entry appears: “Reimburse actual wages [\$515.31] paid D. Honnold, concrete inspector during structural operations, as required by [Los Angeles] city ordinances, from Apr. 14 to Jul. 12, inc.”

**Ledger #8 Marion Davies Greenhouse, 415 Ocean Front,  
Santa Monica**

1931

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1931

Apr.	24	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	\$55.00	
	27	Travel W. McClure	57.50	
	30	Overhead	24.58	
		[monthly total]	137.08	
		[total to date]		137.08
May	16	D. R. Time	4.65	
	31	Overhead	1.86	
		[monthly total]	6.51	
		[total to date 137.08 + 6.51]		143.59
June	1	Blue Prints	6.52	
	1	Telegrams	0.96	
	6	Blue Prints Pac. Blue Print [Co.]	5.60	
	6	D. R. Time	1.53	
	13	"	35.26	
	8	Warren McClure Travel	35.00	
	30	Overhead	25.01	
		[monthly total]	109.88	
		[total to date 143.59 + 109.88]		[253.47]
		1931 Cost		253.47

1932

Jan.	1	Total Cost to Date		\$253.47
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– Closed –

The greenhouse recap sheet is headed "Miss Marion Douras, c/o Mr. Alexander T. Sokolow, 702 Standard Oil Bldg]. L.A." Sokolow was Hearst's controller.

The same sheet shows that Morgan's 7% on this small job (whose total cost was \$6,168.63) equated with \$431.80, this against her expenses of \$253.47. The difference in her favor was \$178.33.

Frank Hellenthal was mentioned again. Another name also figures, that of Clyde Robinson, a house painter from Santa Monica who was active at Wynton on and off through the later 1930s and into the 1940s.

An elevation drawing of the greenhouse, dated 1931, appears in the second of two volumes by Sam Watters, *Houses of Los Angeles: 1920-1935*, p. 261.

### **Ledger #9 Grilles at #415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica**

1932

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1932

Jan.	23	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	\$22.58	
	30	"	18.44	
	31	Overhead	24.57	
		[monthly total]	65.59	
		[total to date]		65.59
Feb.	6	D. R. Time	7.18	
	1	Blue Prints	1.02	
	20	D. R. Time	7.17	
	29	Overhead	9.26	
		[monthly total]	24.63	
		[total to date 65.59 + 24.63]		90.22
Mar.	1	Blue Prints	1.39	
	1	Telephone	4.80	
		[monthly total]	6.19	
		[total to date 90.22 + 6.19]		[96.41]
1932		Total Cost		\$96.41

– Closed –

The recap sheet for ledger #9 is simple and to the point. It refers to “actual expense incurred by us in connection with design and erection of iron grilles for residence at 415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica.” Morgan billed Hearst for the \$96.41 on July 21, 1932. She received payment four weeks later, on August 18.

**Ledger #10 Painting 321 Ocean Front, Santa Monica**

1932

1932

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May	3	Travel Miss Morgan	\$50.00	
	19	"	20.00	
		[monthly total]	70.00	
		[total to date]		70.00
June	1	Telephone	7.70	
	1	Telegrams	0.69	
		[monthly total]	[8.39]	
		[total to date 70.00 + 8.39]		[78.39]
		Total Cost		\$78.39

– Closed –

Ledger #10 is another small one whose recap sheet is straight to the point; it refers to “actual expense incurred by us in connection with spec[ifications] and letting of contracts for and supervision of painting of residence at #321 Ocean Front.” The amount at stake was the \$78.39 shown above.

The term “residence” may have a bearing on whether the 321 part of the Beach House compound was a service building or, in contrast, the guest quarters that some visualize.

**Ledger #11 Painting 415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica**

1932-1933

1932

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Oct.	15	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	\$3.07	
	22	"	1.53	
	29	"	3.07	
	3	Travel Miss Morgan	12.50	
	17	"	10.00	
	23	"	10.00	
		[60. added to last three entries]		
	31	Overhead	9.07	
		[monthly total, excluding 60.00]	49.24	

		[total to date]		\$49.24
Nov.	5	D. R. Time	3.07	
		Telegrams	4.05	
	30	Overhead	3.59	
		[monthly total]	10.71	
		[total to date 49.24 + 10.71]		59.95
Dec.	31	D. R. Time	3.07	
	31	Overhead	4.22	
		[monthly total]	7.29	
		[total to date 59.95 + 7.29]		67.24
1932		Cost		[67.24]
1933		Total Cost to Date		67.24
Jan.	1	Blue Prints	0.50	
		[total to date 67.24 + 0.50]		67.74
Feb.	4	D. R. Time	9.23	
	28	Overhead	11.44	
		[monthly total]	20.67	
		[total to date 67.74 + 20.67]		88.41
		Pantry		
Sept.	1	Blue Prints	1.09	
		[total to date 88.41 + 1.09]		[89.50]
		1933 Cost 22.26 Overhead 28.32		
		Cost to Date [1933 Overhead not charged]		\$89.50

– Closed –

The wording on the recap sheet for ledger #11 is almost identical to that for Ledger #10; the number on Ocean Front of 321 has been adjusted to read 415. The amount billed in February 1934 and received two months later was \$149.50, exactly \$60 more than the \$89.50 indicated above. The \$149.50 no doubt reflects the \$60 that was written in the margin next to the three travel entries for October 1932.

Another departure from Ledger #10 is that the cover sheet and recap sheet for Ledger #11 mention “Miss Marion Douras.” Neither of these two ledgers mentions Hearst.

**Ledger #12 Los Angeles Examiner Building**

1933, 1934

1933

Feb.	2	Mr. LeFeaver travel warehouse	\$18.75	
		[monthly total]	18.75	
Apr.	29	D[rafting] R[oom] Time whse	10.76	
	27	Travel Mr. LeFeaver "	31.85	
	30	Overhead "	12.62	
		[monthly total]	55.23	
		[total to date 18.75 + 55.23]		73.98
June	1	Blue Prints [whse]	0.25	
		[total to date 73.93 + 0.25]		74.23
Aug.	19	D. R. Time [whse]	10.80	
	19	Travel Mr. LeFeaver "	32.51	
	31	Overhead "	8.11	
		[monthly total]	51.42	
		[total to date 74.23 + 51.42]		125.65
Sept.	23	D. R. Time (counter)	13.50	
	30	Overhead	9.32	
		[monthly total]	22.82	
		[total to date 125.65 + 22.82]		148.47
Oct.	1	Blue Prints	0.51	
	14	D. R. Time	17.23	
	31	Overhead	16.00	
		[monthly total]	33.74	
		[total to date 148.47 + 33.74]		182.21
Nov.	1	Blue Prints	0.53	
		[total to date 182.21 + 0.53]		[182.74]
		1933 Cost 182.74		
1934		Cost to Date		\$182.74

- Closed -

In 2003, in *Building for Hearst and Morgan*, I alluded on p. 95, note 70, to Hearst's art collecting, prompted by this small ledger in the Morgan-Forney material. I'm more inclined now to think that the warehouses in question were for the storage of newsprint and the like.

The brief recap sheet for ledger # 12 merely says under October 5, 1933: "Portion of expenses of 3 trips to Los Angeles for inspection of warehouses." It was Jim LeFeaver who made each of these trips.

The amount billed in early October was an even \$75.00, which was the amount received at the end of that same month—\$107.74 less than the \$182.74 shown above at the closing of this minor account.

### **Ledger #13   Cosmopolitan Bungalow Projection Room, Culver City**

1933-1934

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1933

Dec.	27	Travel Miss Morgan to meet Mr. [Frank] Hellenthal	\$32.00
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1933		Cost	32.00
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1934		Cost to Date	32.00
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Jan.	1	Telegrams	0.48	
	6	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	5.74	
	13	"	35.90	
	20	"	56.00	
	27	"	56.00	
	25	Travel Miss Morgan	45.00	
		Postage	0.42	
	31	Overhead	179.76	
		[monthly total]	379.30	
		[total to date 32.00 + 379.30]		411.30

Feb.	1	Telephone	3.10	
	1	Telegrams	0.72	
	1	Blue Prints	16.96	
	3	D. R. Time	28.80	
	10	"	56.00	
	17	"	24.41	
	19	Travel Miss Morgan	40.00	

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Feb.	3/2	Travel Miss Morgan	\$10.00	
		"	25.75	
	28	Overhead	92.39	
		[monthly total]	298.13	
		[total to date 411.30 + 298.13]		709.43
Mar.	1	Telegrams	0.72	
	1	Blue Prints	0.51	
	19	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00	
	26	"	10.00	
		[monthly total]	26.23	
		[total to date 709.43 + 26.23]		735.66
Apr.	1	Blue Prints	0.51	
	2	Travel Miss Morgan	10.00	
	8	"	12.50	
	16	"	12.50	
		Blue Prints Hellenthal	9.67	
		[monthly total]	45.18	
		[total to date 735.66 + 45.18]		780.84
May	2	Travel Miss Morgan	10.00	
	17	"	12.50	
	6/1	"	10.00	
		[monthly total]	32.50	
		[total to date 780.84 + 32.50]		813.34
June	15	Travel Miss Morgan	12.50	
	27	"	12.50	
	1	Telegrams	0.66	
		[monthly total]	25.66	
		[total to date 813.34 + 25.66]		839.00
July	1	Telegrams	[blank]	
	10	Travel Miss Morgan	10.00	
	19	"	10.00	
		[monthly total]	20.00	
		[total to date 839.00 + 20.00]		859.00
Aug.	1	Telegram	0.52	
	2	Travel Miss Morgan	12.50	
	14	"	10.00	
	23	"	12.50	
	9/3	"	12.50	

Aug.	31	Overhead	[blank]	
		[monthly total]	\$48.02	
		[total to date 859.00 + 48.02]		907.02
Sept.	13	Travel Miss Morgan	7.50	
	10/1	"	9.00	
		[monthly total]	16.50	
		[total to date 907.02 + 16.50]		[923.52]
		1934 Cost	891.52	
1934		Cost to Date [1933: 32.00 + 1934: 891.52]		\$923.52

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Ledger #13 is densely detailed and is headed “Mr. W. R. Hearst, c/o Mr. A[lexander] T. Sokolow,” the controller also mentioned in Ledger #8. The first sheet of itemized entries is headed “Cosmopolitan Studio, Hollywood.”

Morgan pursued the job through Frank Hellenthal at a straight 6% commission, which yielded \$1,197.32 for her office against the \$923.52 in expenses shown above. The total cost of the job was \$19,955.25, although the figures on the page-long recap sheet are hard to follow in two places. Regardless, Morgan made out satisfactorily on this first of two Bungalow jobs (to the modest tune of \$273.80). See Ledger #19 for the other Bungalow job.

#### **Ledger #14 Beach House Sun Rooms 415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica**

1934, 1935

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1934

Mar.	24	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	\$32.83	
	31	"	7.18	
	26	Travel Miss Morgan	10.00	
	31	Overhead	32.57	
		[monthly total]	82.58	
		[total to date]		82.58
Apr.	2	Travel Miss Morgan	10.00	
	8	"	12.50	
	1	Telegrams	1.03	
	16	Travel Miss Morgan	12.50	

		[monthly total]	\$36.03	
		[total to date 82.58 + 36.03]		118.61
May	2	Travel Miss Morgan	7.50	
	6/1	"	7.50	
		[monthly total]	15.00	
		[total to date 118.61 + 15.00]		133.61
Aug.	15	Travel Miss Morgan	5.00	
		[total to date 133.61 + 5.00]		138.61
		1934 Cost		138.61
1935		Total Cost to Date		\$138.61

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The recap sheet for the sun rooms is headed in part, "Mr. W. R. Hearst, 1060 So. Broadway, Los Angeles," the address of Hearst's office in the Los Angeles Railway Building, catty-corner to the Examiner Building. The single sheet of entries includes this line at the top: "Alterations—2nd & 3rd Floor Sun Rooms."

The recap itself says "In full for services in connection with alterations to Sun Rooms at 415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica, in 1934, 7% of cost (\$3,286.67)," which equals \$230.06, the amount Morgan billed on January 10, 1935. She received payment four months later, on May 21, a sum exceeding her costs of \$138.61 by \$91.45.

### **Ledger #15 George Hearst House, Holmby Hills**

1934, 1935

1934

May	2	Travel Miss Morgan	\$7.50	
	17	"	12.50	
	6/1	"	7.50	
		[monthly total]	27.50	
		[total to date]		27.50
June	9	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	35.90	
	16	"	20.10	
	23	"	20.10	
	15	Travel Miss Morgan	12.50	

June	27	Travel Miss Morgan	\$12.50	
	30	D. R. Time	4.30	
	30	Overhead	50.58	
		[monthly total]	155.98	
		[total to date 27.50 + 155.98]		183.48
July	7	D. R. Time	46.00	
	14	"	25.80	
	28	"	18.48	
	10	Travel Miss Morgan	10.00	
	19	"	10.00	
	31	Overhead	55.25	
		[monthly total]	165.53	
		[total to date 183.48 + 165.53]		349.01
Aug.	1	Blue Prints	0.92	
	2	Travel Miss Morgan	12.50	
	15	"	10.00	
	23	"	12.50	
	9/3	"	12.50	
Sept.	1	Blue Prints	4.20	
		[monthly total]	52.62	
		[total to date 349.01 + 52.62]		401.63
Sept.	13	Travel Miss Morgan	7.50	
	10/1	"	9.00	
		[monthly total]	16.50	
		[total to date 401.63 + 16.50]		418.13
1934		Expenses [to date]		418.13
1935		Expense to Date		\$418.13

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The cover sheet is marked "Mr. George Hearst c/o Business Management Corporation, California Bank Bldg., Beverly Hills, Cal." The first of two entries sheets is headed the same; it also refers to "Mr. and Mrs. George Hearst, 10353 Strathmore Dr., Holmby Hills."

The recap sheet is similarly headed. It names Frank Hellenthal as the contractor; then under January 10, 1935, it refers to "Actual expense incurred in connection with alterations to and furnishing of residence" at the address on Strathmore Drive, as above. The amount billed on that date was the same \$418.13 as in the accrued expenses.

If ledger #15 can be trusted (if an odd typographical error wasn't made), the \$418.13 was not received by Morgan until June 23, 1939, more than four years later. Penciled next to that entry is "Lorna Hearst a/c Mitchell office." By 1939, Lorna Hearst was George Hearst's second ex-wife; the name Mitchell undoubtedly pertains to Larry Mitchell, an attorney for the Hearst-Davies interests who's mentioned periodically in the main part of this book.

### **Ledger #16 Beach House 415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica**

1935, 1936

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1935

Apr.	4	Travel Miss Morgan	\$15.00	
	21	"	22.00	
		[monthly total]	37.00	
		[total to date]		37.00
May	4	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	78.14	
	11	"	90.44	
	18	"	60.65	
	25	"	45.25	
	1	Travel Miss Morgan	55.00	
	21	"	26.15	
		F[rack] A. Hellenthal blue prints	1.47	
	31	Travel Miss Morgan	40.00	
	31	Overhead	207.08	
		[monthly total]	604.18	
		[total to date 37.00 + 604.18]		641.18
June	1	Telegrams	1.62	
	1	D. R. Time	56.00	
	8	"	24.44	
	22	"	30.10	
	30	Overhead	51.80	
		[monthly total]	163.96	
		[total to date 641.18 + 163.96]		805.14
July	1	Blue Prints	1.69	
		Telephone	5.95	
		Telegrams	0.48	
	6	Travel Miss Morgan	55.00	

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July	28	Travel Miss Morgan	\$25.00	
		[monthly total]	88.12	
		[total to date 805.14 + 88.12]		893.26
Aug.		June 8 Travel Miss Morgan		
		(refunded S[teve] Zegar for advance)	21.60	
	13	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	21	"	16.00	
		[monthly total]	62.60	
		[total to date 893.26 + 62.60]		955.86
		1935 Cost	955.86	
1936		Total Cost to Date		\$955.86

– Closed –

The cover sheet for ledger #16 concludes with “Service Wing,” a term used on the recap sheet also: “Beach House service wing alterations 415 Ocean Fr[ont]; Mr. W. R. Hearst, 1060 So. Broadway, Los Angeles.” In contrast, the two sheets of entries refer simply to “Alterations 1935.”

The recap summary says: “On a/c for services in connection with Service Wing additions and alterations at #415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica, charges being 7% of payments as follows.” All told, the job comprised \$35,347.40 in construction costs; 7% of that figure came to \$2,474.32 for the Morgan office, a substantial increase of \$1,518.46 over its travel and other expenses of \$955.86.

Nonetheless, the smaller building at 321 Ocean Front goes unmentioned in this ledger, leaving unclear the domestic or utility (versus guest-house) status of that smaller building that still stands today at the north end of the Beach House compound.

**Ledger #17 Beach House Alterations 415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica**

1936-1937, 1938

1936

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Jan.	18	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	\$48.00	
	31	Overhead	51.84	
		[monthly total]	99.84	
		[total to date]		99.84

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Mar.	29-30	Travel Miss Morgan [total to date 99.84 + 40.00]	\$40.00	139.84
Apr.	1	Blue Prints	0.42	
	4	D. R. Time	40.20	
	7	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	20	"	25.00	
	29	"	10.00	
	30	Overhead [monthly total] [total to date 139.84 + 121.16]	20.54 121.16	261.00
May	1	Telegram	0.48	
		Blue Prints	3.72	
		Telephone	3.10	
	11	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00	
	29	"	15.00	
	13	W. L. Huber engr. design Apr/36 [monthly total] [total to date 261.00 + 57.30]	20.00 57.30	318.30
June	27	D. R. Time	4.95	
	25	Travel Miss Morgan	30.00	
	30	Overhead [monthly total] [total to date 318.30 + 38.01]	3.06 38.01	356.31
July	12	Travel Miss Morgan	10.00	
	4	D. R. Time	20.10	
	11	"	47.42	
	18	"	20.10	
	31	Overhead [monthly total] [total to date 356.31 + 177.79]	80.17 177.79	534.10
Aug.	1	Blue Prints	1.08	
	8	D. R. Time	58.00	
	15	D. R. Time	88.00	
	22	"	84.00	
	16	Travel Miss Morgan [or Aug. 10]	25.00	
	25	"	25.00	
	31	Overhead [monthly total] [total to date 534.10 + 426.90]	145.82 426.90	961.00

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Sept.	12	D. R. Time	\$25.75	
	19	"	30.15	
	26	"	20.10	
	1	Telegrams	0.72	
	1	Blue Prints	26.49	
	7	Travel Miss Morgan	50.00	
	30	"	25.00	
		Petty cash	0.22	
	30	Overhead	57.00	
		[monthly total]	235.43	
		[total to date 961.00 + 235.43]		1,196.43
Oct.	3	D. R. Time	20.10	
	10	"	15.80	
	31	"	6.15	
	14	Travel Miss Morgan	55.00	
	24	"	25.00	
	1	Telegrams	0.59	
		Blue Prints	3.84	
	31	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	31	Overhead	15.60	
		[monthly total]	167.08	
		[total to date 1,196.43 + 167.08]		1,363.51
Nov.	7	D. R. Time	4.61	
	14	"	4.61	
	21	"	4.61	
	1	Telegrams	0.76	
	1	Blue Prints	1.73	
	10	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	30	Overhead	10.79	
		[monthly total]	52.11	
		[total to date 1,363.51 + 52.11]		1,415.62
Dec.	1	Telegrams	0.48	
	1/3	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	21	"	25.00	
	3	"	25.00	
	18	W. L. Huber (reconstruction) engr. sers. [engineering services]	10.00	
		[monthly total]	85.48	
		[total to date 1,415.62 + 85.48]		[1,501.10]
1936		Expense [to date]		1,501.10

1937		Total Expense		\$1,501.10
Jan.	9	D. R. Time	9.22	
	16	"	7.72	
	23	"	4.61	
	30	"	6.15	
	19	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	31	Overhead	47.92	
		[monthly total]	100.62	
		[total to date 1,501.10 + 100.62]		1,601.72
Feb.	6	D. R. Time	4.61	
	13	"	6.15	
	20	"	6.15	
	24	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
	3/3	"	10.00	
	28	Overhead	18.14	
		[monthly total]	70.05	
		[total to date 1,601.72 + 70.05]		1,671.77
Mar.	26	Travel Miss Morgan	25.00	
		[total to date 1,671.77 + 25.00]		1,696.77
Apr.	10	D. R. Time	15.51	
	30	Overhead	14.92	
		[monthly total]	30.43	
		[total to date 1,696.77 + 30.43]		1,727.20
		1937 Cost 226.10		
1938		Cost to date [1936: 1,501.10 + 1937: 226.10]		\$1,727.20

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“Alterations, etc.” is the only way the cover sheet of Ledger #17 can be distinguished from that of Ledger #16’s “Service Wing.” The “Alterations” ledger contains the usual references to “Mr. W. R. Hearst, 1060 So. Broadway, Los Angeles” on the two recap sheets. The first three entries sheets are headed “1936 Alterations”; the fourth and final sheet is headed “1936-7 Alterations.”

More so than most other ledgers in the Hearst-Davies-Morgan greater Los Angeles group, the recaps for Ledger #17 indicate a staccato of eleven billings from May 1936 through March 1937, paid in ten varied installments over the same period (the second payment covered two of the billings). Morgan’s fee was 7% (5,781.21) of the nearly \$82,600 that Hearst spent on

construction—a substantial increase for her of \$4,054.01 over her itemized costs of \$1,727.20.

All of the work in Ledger #17 appears to have been for the sake of 415 Ocean Front, not for the smaller 321 building that may in fact have been the main subject of Ledger #16.

**Ledger #18 Beach House 415 Ocean Front, Santa Monica  
Garden Terraces**

1937-1938, 1939, 1942

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1937

Dec.	1	Blue Prints [monthly total]	\$1.10 1.10	
1937		Cost		1.10
1938		Cost to Date		1.10
Jan.	1	Blue Prints [total to date 1.10 + 0.60]	0.60	1.70
Feb.	8	F. A. Hellenthal blue prints [total to date 1.70 + 0.60]	0.60	2.30
Mar.	26	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	9.88	
	23	Miss Morgan travel	10.00	
	31	Overhead [monthly total]	13.03 32.91	
		[total to date 2.30 + 32.91]		35.21
Apr.	13	Travel Miss Morgan	15.00	
	30	D. R. Time	55.00	
	30	Overhead [monthly total]	46.55 116.55	
		[total to date 35.21 + 116.55]		151.76
May	1	Blue Prints	0.52	
	21	Travel Miss Morgan	20.00	
	28	D. R. Time	4.23	
	31	Overhead [monthly total]	1.10 25.85	

		[total to date 151.76 + 25.85]	\$177.61
June	1	Blue Prints [total to date 177.61 + 0.68]	0.68 178.29
		1938 Cost 177.19	
1939		Cost to Date [1937: 1.10 + 1938: 177.19]	\$178.29
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1942			
Apr.	13	Blue Prints to Mr. Burrud Postage [monthly total]	\$4.18 1.18 5.36

The familiar “Mr. W. R. Hearst, 1060 So. Broadway, Los Angeles” appears at the head of the recap sheet for Ledger #18; the same sheet refers to “work on garden terrace,” whereas the single entries sheet speaks of “Garden Terraces” in the plural.

Morgan charged 7% on the first \$196.67 worth of work but only 2% on the remaining \$9,725.26. A bit of mathematical juggling later, she billed a total of \$198.44 for \$9,921.93 in construction costs—still a twenty-dollar increase over her itemized costs of \$178.29, despite the low commission involved.

As for the activity in 1942, open space at the foot of the recap sheet, along with Ledger #18 having been the last one among the Beach House subjects, probably explains why the following recap was made on the Garden Terraces sheet: “To expense incurred in furnishing blue prints of Beach House, etc.” The costs, as listed above were as little as \$5.36. What doesn’t show above (but does on the recap sheet) is that an additional \$15.00 was tacked on for “Office expense,” bringing the total amount billed on April 20, 1942, to \$20.36, a sum received on May 8 of that year.

### **Ledger #19   Cosmopolitan Bungalow 910 Benedict Cañon Drive Beverly Hills**

1938-1939, 1940

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1938

June	11	D[rafting] R[oom] Time	\$28.21
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June	18	D. R. Time	\$2.83	
	22	Travel Miss Morgan	22.00	
	30	Overhead	5.91	
		[monthly total]	58.95	
		[total to date]		58.95
Aug.	1	Blue Prints	7.53	
		Total Cost [to Date]		66.48
1939		Brought Forward		66.48
Feb.	1	Blue Prints	1.60	
		[total to date 66.48 + 1.60]		68.08
May	20	D. R. Time	19.75	
	27	"	29.61	
	31	Expenses (postage)	0.20	
	14&16	Travel Miss Morgan—to S.S., to L.A., back to S.S. & S.F.	55.00	
	31	Overhead	27.79	
		[monthly total]	132.35	
		[total to date 68.08 + 132.35]		200.43
June	3	D. R. Time	33.84	
	1	Blue Prints	1.15	
	10	D. R. Time	18.33	
	17	"	46.53	
	24	"	23.55	
	19	Travel Miss Morgan	50.00	
	7/10	"	25.00	
	6/26	"	40.00	
	30	Overhead	123.41	
		[monthly total]	361.81	
		[total to date 200.43 + 361.81]		562.24
July	11	Spanish Tile ([Frank] Pellando)	15.00	
	1	Blue Prints	15.43	
	1	D. R. Time	22.00	
	8	"	22.00	
	15	"	9.87	
	22	"	5.65	
	16	Travel Miss Morgan	50.00	
	24	"	50.00	
	31	"	50.00	

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July	31	Overhead	\$81.54	
		[monthly total]	321.49	
		[total to date 562.24 + 321.49]		883.73
Aug.	5	D. R. Time	11.28	
		Blue Prints	0.67	
	19	D. R. Time	5.64	
	26	"	22.56	
	7	Travel Miss Morgan	50.00	
	14	"	50.00	
	21	"	50.00	
	28	"	50.00	
	31	Overhead	36.42	
		[monthly total]	276.57	
		[total to date 883.73 + 276.57]		1,160.30
Sept.	1	Telegrams	0.78	
	16	D. R. Time	55.00	
	30	"	35.25	
	11	Travel Miss Morgan	50.00	
	15	" (Wyntoon) re Bungalow	30.00	
	18	" Miss Morgan	50.00	
	10/2	"	50.00	
	30	Overhead	50.69	
		[monthly total]	321.72	
		[total to date 1,160.30 + 321.72]		1,482.02
Oct.	1	Blue Prints	7.21	
	1	Telegrams	0.43	
		Postage	1.49	
		Telegram	0.50	
		Blue Prints	0.20	
	9	Travel Miss Morgan	28.90	
	10	messenger	0.15	
		[monthly total]	38.85	[38.88]
		[total to date 1,482.02 + 38.85]		1,520.87
Nov.		Travel Miss Morgan 10/28	25.00	
		Total Cost to Date		1,545.87
		1939 Cost 1,479.39		
1940		Brought forward [1938: 66.48 + 1939: 1,479.39]	\$1,545.87	

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“Miss Marion Douras” the cover sheet for Ledger #19 is partly marked—that along with including the address in Beverly Hills on Benedict Cañon Drive. The top of the first entries sheet (there are three altogether) is marked “Cosmopolitian Bungalow—Miss Davies,” followed by “moved to 910 Benedict Canyon Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif.” The tops of the two other entries sheets are marked “Miss Davies” also.

The brief recap sheet is headed “Miss Marion Douras, c/o Ella Williams, Cosmopolitan Productions, LA; F. A. Hellenthal, contractor.” The recap summary merely says “On a/c prof. serv. in connection with alterations and additions to Bungalow,” followed by a penciled notation of “total 1500.”

Morgan billed \$700 on August 10, 1939, and received that amount on September 13. Her itemized costs were already in the \$1,200- to \$1,300-range by then. No explanation appears as to how these discrepant amounts were reconciled, if at all.

Nineteen forty figures only in that Morgan’s final expenses of \$1,545.87 were “Brought forward” at some unspecified date in that year. Nothing whatsoever appears in Ledger #19 that relates to the work done in 1940 around the corner at 1700 Lexington Road, a job that Morgan evidently had as little to do with as Frank Hellenthal did (the latter having been underbid by George Loorz).

A detailed audit of Ledgers #1 through #19, conducted by Joanne Aasen in 2010, disclosed that only one discrepancy (of three cents) exists in any of the ledgers—this in the October 1939 section of Ledger #19, where the monthly total of \$38.85 should have been \$38.88.