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MS 1464
Lawton, James M. Collection
1914 - 1944

DESCRIPTION

The James M. Lawton Collection consists of financial worksheets and tax preparations for local clients and organizations. Prominently represented are materials associated with the Arizona Desert School of Tucson, Cananea Consolidated Copper Company, Hacienda Otero Ranch, and Russell Electric & Machinery Company of Tucson. Personal papers present reflect Lawton's activities with the Tucson Boy Scouts, the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association events and planning, and the Tucson Red Cross. A 1919 application for Lawton to the Arizona State Board of Accounting is also present.

1 box, .5 linear feet

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

James M. Lawton was born in Havana, Cuba in 1877 and came to Tucson in 1914. He attended St. Mark's School in Southboro, MA and Harvard University. Based in Tucson, Lawton worked as a certified public accountant preparing financial reports and assisting clients in tax preparations in the southern Arizona area. He was president of the Tucson chapter of the American Red Cross and a member of the local Community Chest, Tucson Chamber of Commerce, and the Old Pueblo Club. Lawton was involved for many years with the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association and served as president of the Southwestern Chapter. He was the first president of the Tucson Council of Boy Scouts and had the Boy Scout Camp on Mt. Lemmon named in his honor. James Lawton died in 1958.

ACQUISITION

Unknown

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by Dave Tackenberg in July 2012.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1

Folder 1: Arizona State Board of Accounting	Membership Application	1919
f.2	Border State Tennis Association Tournaments & Information	1914 – 1937
f.3	Rotary Club of Tucson Correspondence	1921/1923
f.4	Correspondence & Events Associated with Tucson Red Cross, War Savings Committee, Boy Scout Camping, and Community Chest	1917 – 1923
f.5	Arizona Desert School – Correspondence for 1937 School Audit	1937
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f.9	Arizona Desert School – Banking Account Worksheets	1936 – 1937
f.10	Arizona Desert School – Income Tax Return Preparations	1936 – 1937
f.11	Arizona Desert School – Fiscal Year Report & Income Tax Information	1938
f.12	Rancho de La Sombra – Financial Worksheets & Papers	1942
f.13	Cananea Consolidated Copper Company – Financial Papers	1914
f.14	Hacienda Otero Ranch – Financial Papers & Expenses	1937 – 1938
f.15	Russell Electric & Machinery Company – Financial Papers & Tax Forms	1943 – 1944
f.16	Grabe Electric Company – Financial Papers & Tax Preparations	1943 - 1944