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**MS 771  
J. W. Strode Scrapbooks  
1926 - 1936****DESCRIPTION**

This collection consists of newspaper clipping scrapbooks organized by J. W. Strode between 1926 and 1936. Each scrapbook features a particular subject that was of interest to Strode personally or as editor of the *Daily Silver Belt*. Many of the articles are from the *Silver Belt* but other newspapers and publication issues associated with the particular topic are present as well. Scrapbooks topics include tariff (protection of Arizona copper prices), immigration, politics, game and fish, Colorado River, federal lands in Arizona, taxation, and highways. Scrapbooks will be of special interest to researchers interested in Arizona topics of concern during the Depression years.

14 Scrapbooks, 8 linear ft.

**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

J. W. Strode was born in Bernadotte, IL on March 10, 1883. He attended public school in Illinois and additional schooling at the South Dakota School of Mines. Following mining and newspaper work in South Dakota, Mexico, Nevada, and California Strode came to Arizona in 1907. He became a legislative correspondent and special reporter for the *Miami Daily Silver Belt* as well as contributor to other Arizona newspapers. In 1929 he became the managing editor for the *Silver Belt*. In addition to newspaper work he was secretary to the Arizona Copper Tariff Commission (1930-1931), served on the Central Arizona Highway Project Association in 1930, and in 1930 was elected as a precinct committeeman in Miami, AZ.

**ACQUISITION**

Donated by J. W. Stode between 1936 and 1938.

**ACCESS**

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**PROCESSING**

The collection was previously processed and reviewed by Dave Tackenberg in April 2010.

## **Box and Folder Listing**

### **Scrapbook #1 Political (1930 – 1932)**

1930 Political Campaign of Governor Hunt  
Threat of Communism in America  
State Primary Elections  
State Sample Ballot for Nov. 4, 1930

### **Scrapbook #2 Bureaucracy, Reservations, and Public Lands (1930 – 1933)**

Reservation Lands Undeveloped  
Land Redistribution Needed in Arizona  
Opposing Extension of Reservation Lands  
Speech by Thomas Maddock at Governor Conference Oct. 28, 1931 (Public Lands)  
Federal Parks and Public Grazing Lands  
Prohibition News – Repeal and Enforcement Issues  
Series “All Our Yesterdays” History in Miami Area

### **Scrapbook #3 Colorado River (1929 – 1931)**

Colorado River Basin Acreage Numbers  
Boulder Dam Plans  
Issues of Use of Colorado River Water

### **Scrapbook #4 Tariff (1926 – 1931)**

Support for Copper Tariff to Protect Arizona Producers  
Community Support for Tariff  
Mine Declining Production Levels  
Article on African Copper Production and Competition

### **Scrapbook #5 Immigration (1929 – 1932)**

Mexican Immigration to US  
Need to Strengthen Laws  
Reduction of European Immigration  
States Sending Mexican Labor Back  
Series “All Our Yesterdays” History of Miami Area  
Arizona Pioneers and History Articles

### **Scrapbook #6 Highways (1929 – 1931)**

Traffic Census  
Road Building Projects  
Tourism and Travel in Arizona  
Central Arizona Highway Project Association to Promote Highway 60 Construction  
Proposed Federal Highway over Catalina Mountains

### **Scrapbook #7 Highways (1931 – 1935)**

Funding for Highway Construction  
Copy of AZ State Highway Commission Budget Report for State Funding  
Map of Arizona Highway System in 1931

### **Scrapbook #8 Taxation (1931 – 1935)**

Listing of Total Emergency Tax Measures in Arizona as of 1935  
Proposals for Tax Reductions in State

### **Scrapbook #9 Tariff (1933 – 1936)**

Copper Protection Needed  
Against Copper Imports  
Copper Prices in 1933 at 5-8 cents per pound

### **Scrapbook #10 Tariff (1932 – 1933)**

Higher Copper Code Petitioned For  
Need 10 cents Per Pound Import Tariff  
Minimum Wage in Arizona Copper Industry is 30 cents per Pound  
Speech by Henry F. Ashurst of Arizona “Tariff on Copper” May 6, 1932  
Articles on Copper in Africa

### **Scrapbook #11 Colorado River (1931 – 1936)**

Building and Completion of Boulder Dam  
Distribution Plans for Colorado River Water  
Parker Dam Conflict and Construction  
Gila River Project

### **Scrapbook #12 Taxation (1929 – 1931)**

County and State Tax Rates  
Needed Tax Reform  
Legislative Controversy on Tax Bills

### **Scrapbook #13 Fish & Game (1931 – 1935)**

Establishment of Fish & Game Reserves in Arizona  
Use of Forest Land  
Fish Hatcheries  
Support for Preservation of Large Herd of Kaibab Deer  
Controversies of Arizona State Game and Fish Commission

### **Scrapbook #14 Tariff (1931 – 1932)**

Copper Production and Needs for Protection  
Copper Production and Competition from Foreign Sources