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**MS 605**  
**Arizona Federation Of Women's Clubs**  
**Papers, 1905-1965**

**DESCRIPTION**

Records of the Arizona Federation of Women's Clubs represented by yearbooks, minutes, some correspondence and scrapbooks. Local chapters, such as the Benson's Woman's Club and the Tucson Women's Clubs have fairly complete records, while some of the smaller local chapters have incomplete records.

15 Boxes, 7.5 linear ft.

**RELATED MATERIAL**

MS 912 : Tucson Woman's Club

**ACQUISITION**

Unknown

**ACCESS**

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**PROCESSING**

The collection was processed by Riva Dean in October 1999.

**ARRANGEMENT**

Four series: 1/Arizona State Federation, 2/ Local Chapters, 3/Geographical Divisions, 4/ General Federation of Women's Clubs

## **HISTORICAL NOTE**

The Arizona Federation of Women's Clubs was organized in Phoenix in November 1901 and admitted to the General Federation of Women's Clubs in February 1902.

The Arizona Federation was made up of local women's clubs around Arizona. Local chapters included the Tucson's Woman's Club, the Phoenix Woman's Club, the Benson Woman's Club and the Monday Club (in Prescott). The "object" of the Federation was the "mutual inspiration and concerted action among women's organizations in Arizona." The state federation had committees around the state for specific topics, e.g. Library Extension, Juvenile Court, Philanthropy, Legislative, Arizona History and Household Economics.

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

Much of the collection is represented by reports, yearbooks and scrapbooks. The yearbooks give the names of the members and listings of all the committees and give reports on the main focus of each local group. Some of the groups were more concerned with philanthropic efforts, while some were more concerned with "home" issues, like sewing and cooking. During the two World Wars, many of the local groups made an effort towards "war work." The Benson Woman's Club has more complete records than many of the other local chapters for the years 1926-1940. Edith Kitt, Secretary of the Arizona Pioneers Historical Society, was also president of the Arizona Federation so her correspondence from 1923 to 1931. For that reason, the correspondence of the President is complete for those years. That correspondence is largely from the local chapters giving reports on their activities.

The collection had previously been split between the Arizona Federation, the Benson Woman's Club and the Arizona Federation (Benson Woman's Club). All three were combined in 1999.

## **BOX AND FOLDER LIST**

### **Series 1 : Arizona State Federation**

#### **Sub-series 1: Yearbooks**

##### **Box 1**

f. 1-7 State Federation Yearbooks, 1905-1944

##### **Box 2**

f. 8 State Federation Yearbooks, 1948-1959

#### **Sub-series 2: Misc. State Federation Records**

f. 9 Minutes, 1911-1920

f. 10 Record of Items Contributed to APHS, 1928-1930

f. 11 Record of Items Contributed to the University Library

##### **Box 3**

f. 12 Programs, 1911-1940

f. 13 Scrapbook, 1922

#### **Sub-series 3: State Federation Correspondence with Edith Kitt**

f. 14-25 State Federation Correspondence with Edith Kitt, 1923-1928

##### **Box 4**

f. 26-36 State Federation Correspondence with Edith Kitt, 1929-1931

##### **Box 5**

f. 37 (bound volume) Reports, 1962-63

##### **Box 6**

f. 38 (bound volume) Reports, 1963-64

##### **Box 7**

f. 39 (bound volume) Safety Report, 1962-64

#### **Series 2 : Local Chapters**

f. 40 Arlington, Ashfork & Alhambra : Yearbooks, 1926-1944

f. 41 Benson : Minutes, 1926-1930

f. 42-43 Benson : Correspondence, Reports, Etc., 1919-1943

f. 44-45 Benson : Scrapbooks, 1934-36

##### **Box 8**

f. 46-48 Benson : Scrapbooks, 1937-1939

##### **Box 9**

f. 49-50 Benson : Scrapbooks, 1939-1941

f. 51-52 Benson : Yearbooks, 1923-1964

f. 53 Benson : Correspondence, 1940

f. 54 Bisbee : Program, 1923-24

f. 55 Bisbee : Yearbooks, 1912-1934

f. 56 Cartwright, Casa Grande, Chandler, Clarkdale : Yearbooks

- f. 57 Coolidge, 1928-1933
- f. 58 Desert Woman's Club, 1926-1934
- f. 59 Douglas, Duncan Woman's Clubs, 1929, 1942

**Box 10**

- f. 60 Flagstaff, 1914-1934, 1941/42
- f. 61 Fort Apache & Fort Thomas
- f. 62 Glendale & Globe, 1916-1945
- f. 63 Grandview Woman's Club, 1928-1936
- f. 64 Holbrook & Isaac, 1928, 1941
- f. 65 Marana & Mesa
- f. 66 Miami Woman's Club, 1924, 1941-1945
- f. 67 Kingman & Kirkland
- f. 68 Nogales, 1923-1942
- f. 69 Peoria, 1924-1933
- f. 70 Phoenix: Yearbooks, 1902-1920

**Box 11**

- f. 71-72 Phoenix: Yearbooks, 1920-1942
- f. 73 Phoenix, Capitol Woman's Club, Ebell Club & Roosevelt Club
- f. 74 Prescott, 1927-1946
- f. 75 Safford, Salome, San Carlos & Somerton
- f. 76 Tombstone, 1906-1925
- f. 77 Tucson Woman's Club: Bulletins
- f. 78-79 Tucson Woman's Club: Yearbooks, 1900-1921

**Box 12**

- f. 80-83 Tucson Woman's Club: Yearbooks, 1921-1965
- f. 84 Washington District, 1926-1929
- f. 85 Willcox, 1917-1939
- f. 86 Williams, 1941-1942
- f. 87 Winslow, 1923-1944
- f. 88-89 Yuma, 1918-1942

**Series 3 : Geographical Divisions**

**Box 13**

- f. 90 Central Division, Yearbooks, 1924-1932
- f. 91-94 Southern District : Minutes, Reports, etc., 1922-1934

**Box 14**

- f. 95-99 Southern District : Minutes, Reports, etc., 1935-1954
- f. 100 Southern District : Press Book, 1920-1946

**Box 15**

- f. 101 Southern District : Press Book, 1947-1956

**Series 4: General Federation of Women's Clubs**

- f. 102 General Federation, Directories, 1930-1932
- f. 103 General Federation, Reports, 1926-1931

f. 104 Program, 1931  
f. 105 Correspondence, 1931  
f. 106 Committees : Arizona History, 1929-1934  
f. 107 Committees : University Library, 1924-1926