



Conditions of Use

The policies below are designed to protect the AHS collections while providing the best possible access to researchers. Your signature on the form indicates that you agree to these conditions. Researchers may be barred from future use of the reading room and AHS collections for violating these policies.

Reading Room

- ❖ The reading room is open to researchers during regular hours as posted.
- ❖ Researchers must sign the *Conditions of Use* form each day upon arrival. Permission to examine materials will be given upon completion and signature of the form.
- ❖ All bags must be put into lockers before entering the reading room. For locations without lockers, bags will be stored at the reference desk.
- ❖ AHS reserves the right to deny access to any material that is fragile, not yet processed, or which is restricted at the wish of the donor.
- ❖ AHS is a non-circulating, closed stacks repository. Materials may not leave the Reading Room. Theft or mutilation of materials is a crime that will be prosecuted.
- ❖ No ink may be used in the Reading Room. Pencils are provided.
- ❖ Food, beverages, and smoking are not allowed.

Requesting Material

- ❖ After signing in you will be given a call form. Complete the form with as much detail as possible, including collection name, box and folder numbers, call number, and author. **Please print clearly.**
- ❖ Items can be pulled ahead of time and placed on hold if an appointment is made. For out of town researchers this can be a time saving approach. Please contact the office(s) at 480-387-5355, 520-617-1157, or AHSreference@azhs.gov to set up a research appointment.

Use of Materials

- ❖ All materials are to be handled with great care. Materials should not be rearranged within their folders or boxes. They must be kept in the order in which they are delivered. Suspected irregularities in arrangement should be brought to the attention of the staff.
- ❖ No marks may be added or erased from any archival material.
- ❖ Materials must not be leaned on, written on, folded anew, traced, or handled in any way likely to damage them.
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