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ANCIENT ORDER OF UNITED WORKMEN
Papers, 1895-1909

DESCRIPTION

Articles of incorporation, membership lists, minutes for the Tucson lodge (1902-1909), membership ledger for the Florence lodge (1895-1909), newspaper clippings, by-laws and miscellaneous publications of the Ancient Order of United Workmen (A.O.U.W.). The papers concerning the building in Tucson include the names of all the contractors who worked on the A.O.U.W. Hall. It also includes names of "U.S. Officers at Tucson, Arizona February 12, 1898," the names of "lodges and members who contributed toward the erection of the A.O.U.W. Temple," "Lists of members of the Tucson Board of Trade," and a complete list of the member of A.O.U.W. members in Tucson. Minutes of the meetings generally cover aid to members.

1 Box, .5 linear ft.

HISTORICAL NOTE

The A.O.U.W. was a fraternal organization founded in Pennsylvania in 1868 with chapters incorporated around the country. The Tucson chapter was incorporated in 1894 and built their lodge in 1898. The organization was open to white males between the ages of eighteen and forty-five. Their principle was to "united in fraternal relation, cultivate unity among them, and secure to them the benefit of co-operative aid in sickness and distress."

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