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**Brandes, Raymond Stewart, 1924-
Papers, 1955-1970**

DESCRIPTION

The collection relates to Brandes' work with the National Park Service at Globe, Arizona and the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society in Tucson. Subjects mentioned in the collection include Southwestern archaeology and methodology, Hohokam culture, military posts in Arizona and the history of the Southwest. Noteworthy in the collection are annotated bibliographies Brandes compiled for the Land of Sunshine magazine and the New Mexico Historical Review.

4 Boxes, 1.75 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Raymond Stewart Brandes was born on January 2, 1924 in San Diego, California. Brandes moved to Reno, Nevada in 1950 and enrolled in two history courses that year, one at the University of Nevada, and the other by correspondence at the University of Arizona in Tucson. By 1956, Brandes was employed by the National Park Service, Southwestern Monuments Headquarters at Globe, Arizona where he surveyed an early Hohokam site in Gila County, Arizona. The excavation of the site brought him in contact with archaeologists from the University of Arizona. Brandes received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Arizona in 1960 and joined the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society the same year as Curator of collections. He became Historian of the Society later that year. From 1961 to 1964, Brandes was editor of the Arizoniana, the historical journal published by the Society. Brandes left Tucson in 1964 to become Assistant Director of the San Diego Historical Society.

ACQUISITION

Donated by Raymond S. Brandes over a number of years starting in 1957.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was originally processed by staff of the Arizona Historical Society. It was updated by Nancy Siner in March 2009.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of four boxes of manuscript material arranged in four series: (1) correspondence, 1956-1960; (2) printed matter, 1955-1970; (3) manuscripts, 1956-1960; (4) research notes. His papers document his contributions to archaeological and historical study in Arizona. Series one, Correspondence, 1956-1960, consists of letters from Emil W. Haury, head of the Anthropology Department of the University of Arizona; Harold S. Colton, Director of the Museum of Northern Arizona; and Edward B. Danson, Assistant Director of the Museum of Northern Arizona regarding the excavation in Gila County, Arizona, 1956-1957. There is also a letter from Brandes' father, John Brandes, 1960. Series two, Printed Matter, 1955-1970, consists of material reflecting Brandes' career as a historian. Included are newspaper clippings about his research into military posts in Arizona and bibliographies for research in Arizona history. Series three, Manuscripts, 1956-1960, includes drafts of Brandes' reports, papers and publications. Of noteworthy value are Brandes' annotated bibliographies. Topics include the history of Southwestern archaeology, the Apache Indians, and bibliographies of articles relating to the Southwest that appeared in the magazines Land of Sunshine from 1895-1916 and in the New Mexico Historical Review, 1926-1959. Series three, Research Notes, n.d., consists of Brandes' archaeological notes taken at the Gila County site, notes on military posts of Arizona, the Wham payroll robbery, the bibliography of the magazine Land of Sunshine and biographical notes on Arizona Territorial lawyers and legislators.

Box and Folder Listing

Series 1: Correspondence, 1956-1960

Box 1

- f.1 Correspondence relating to the Gila County excavation, 1956-1957
A letter from Brandes' father, John Brandes, 1960

Series 2: Printed Matter, 1955-1970

- f.2 Newspaper clippings, bibliographies and other miscellaneous printed material

Series 3: Manuscripts, 1956-1960

- f.3-6 An archaeological survey within Gila County, Arizona
f.7-9 Historical introduction and footnotes to Martha Summerhayes' Vanished Arizona
f.10 Opportunities for research in Arizona history (Phi Alpha Theta Award Paper)
An early ball court near Globe, Arizona
Critical essay on the history of the Franciscan Missions of California, 1769-1821
Frank Hamilton Cushing: Tenatsali
The life and death of two Arizona military posts
The Wham paymaster robbery
Book review, Virgin land, the American West as symbol and myth by Henry Nash Smith
Book review, The great plains by Walter Prescott Webb

Box 2

- f.11 Forts of Arizona
f.12 The history of Southwestern archaeology
f.13-19 Apache Indians, an annotated bibliography
f.20 Land of Sunshine, an annotated bibliography
f.21 New Mexico Historical Review, an annotated bibliography

Series 4: Research notes, n.d.

Box 3

- f.22-23 Arizona military posts
f.24 The Wham paymaster robbery
f.25-27 Archaeological survey within Gila County
f.28-29 The history of Southwestern archaeology

Box 4

- f.30-32 The history of Southwestern archaeology
f.33 Land of Sunshine
f.34 Arizona's territorial lawyers and legislators