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Coconino Caverns Collection

AHS-ND.109



Descriptive Summary

Creator:	Cook, Stanley
Title	Coconino Caverns Collection,
Inclusive Dates:	1936-1939
Physical Description	30 file folders
Abstract	Coconino Caverns information; correspondence related to Coconino Caverns; Arizona and New Mexico postcards.
Collection number	AHS-ND.109
Language	English.
Repository	Arizona Historical Society/Flagstaff Archives PO Box 6022 Flagstaff, AZ 86011-6022 Phone: 928 523 5551 Fax: 928 774 1596 Email: ahsnad@infomagic.net

Biographical Note

Coconino Caverns was discovered in 1927 by Walter Peck near Yampai railroad siding into the area that is called "Grand Canyon West." Grand Canyon West is managed by the Hualapai Indian Nation, Peach Springs, Arizona. Soon after being discovered the Caverns became a tourist destination. Visitors were charged \$.25 to be lowered 150 feet into the cave. In 1936 the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) built a wooden stairway into the caverns. Then in 1962 an elevator was installed by drilling a 210 foot shaft into the cavern. The caverns draw about 70,000 visitors per year. The materials in this collections are from 1938 when the caverns were managed by Stanley Wakefield.

Scope and Content Note

Collection volume is 30 file folders (3 linear inches). Coconino Caverns information; correspondence related to Coconino Caverns; Arizona and New Mexico postcards.

Organization

2 Series. I. Correspondence. II. Miscellaneous.

Restrictions

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None.

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Access Points

Personal Name(s)

Cook, Stanley--Archives.

Geographic Name(s)

Grand Canyon Caverns (Ariz.)

Genre Form(s)

Correspondence.

Administrative Information

Credit Line

Arizona Historical Society/Flagstaff, AHS-ND.109

Container List

Series I. Correspondence, 1938

Correspondence related to Coconino Caverns; Arizona and New Mexico postcards.

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1.1 Four letters related to phone installation at Coconino Caverns, Deer Lodge, Peach Springs, Arizona, 1938

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1.2 Coconino Caverns inquiry letter from American Automobile Association of San Jose (elaborate letterhead); personal letter from Jack Foley to Stanley Wakefield, 1938

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1.3 Arizona and New Mexico postcards, 1936

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1.4 Arizona Highways correspondence, 1938

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1.5 Arizona State Tax Commission correspondence, 1938

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1.6 American Automobile Association, Washington D.C. office correspondence, 1938

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1.7 Coconino Caverns Company, Yampai Caverns, correspondence, 1939

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1.8 Coconino Caverns Company by-laws, and correspondence regarding by-laws, 1938

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1.9 Correspondence outlining Coconino Caverns Company problems with the county regulations, etc., 1938

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1.10 Law firm letter regarding Cavern development, 1938

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1.11 Conoco Travel Bureau correspondence regarding lodging near Coconino Caverns, 1938

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1.12 Stanley Wakefield letter to California State Vehicle Division, 1938

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1.13 Continental Oil Company letter requesting information regarding lodging near

Coconino Caverns, 1938

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1.14 Southwestern Beverage Company of Arizona letter, ca.1938-1939

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1.15 Santa Fe Railroad Passenger Agent letter, 1938

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1.16 Correspondence from L.S. Estle company, 1938

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1.17 National Park Service letter, 1938

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1.18 Correspondence ,

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1.19 Highway tour correspondence, 1938

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1.20 Letter from Arizona State Representative, Robert E. Morrow, to Stanley Wakefield, 1938

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1.21 Letter from MacKie and Kamrath architects, 1938

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1.22 Letter from American Automobile Association of San Jose (elaborate letterhead), 1938

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1.23 Shell (Oil Company) Touring Company letter, 1938

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1.24 Letter form C.B. Wilson, attorney, 1938

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1.25 William Alberts, State Land Department, letter to Eddie Cosgrave, 1938

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1.26 Letter from Office of Secretary of State (Arizona), James H. Kerby regarding campaign support, 1938

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1.27 Miscellaneous correspondence: from Pat Flynn of the Will Rogers Highway Association to Wakefield; Texico travel Service; Ned Phelps to Stanley Wakefield, 1938

Series II. Miscellaneous, ca.1938

3 folders. Materials include: National Travel Club memo; handwritten business notes regarding Coconino Caverns transactions; mailing list and financial log for Coconino Caverns.

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1.28 National Travel Club memo, ca.1938-1939

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1.29 Handwritten business notes regarding Coconino Caverns transactions, 1938

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1.30 Mailing list and financial log for Coconino Caverns, 1938
