

Guide to

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Jean Provence Papers, 1895-1974

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COLLECTION-LEVEL DESCRIPTION

The Jean Provence Papers consist of correspondence, published materials, and photographs accumulated by Jean Provence during his lifetime. Many of the materials detail his involvement with the United States Air Force, as he worked at Luke Air Force Base. Jean Provence was a prolific playwright, so many of his published comedic plays are found here. One apparently unpublished musical comedy is also included.

Some of the most interesting materials included in the Jean Provence Papers relate to the group Maricopa County Citizens for Decent Literature's efforts to ban various magazines. Many cartoons are also included, as are two comic books. Provence apparently collected stamps, so what remains of his stamp collection has been included here.

Many of Jean Provence's interests lay outside Arizona, and therefore outside the mission of the Arizona Historical Society—Central Arizona Division Library and Archives. A list of the materials that have been removed from the Jean Provence Papers appears after the Container List.

General subjects covered in this collection are: military history, education history, literature, tourism, Arizona history and western U.S. history.

CONTAINER LIST

SERIES 1: PERSONAL, 1928-1964

Box : Folder

- 1 : 1 Correspondence, 1959-1964
- 1 : 2 Maricopa County Citizens for Decent Literature, 1961
- 1 : 3 Awards and Clippings, 1950-1965
- 1 : 4 Cartoons, 1928-1929
- 1 : 5 Scrapbooks, 1930
- 1 : 6 Scrapbooks, 1930, 1949
- 1 : 7 Musical Play, n.d.
- 1 : 8 Flag Stickers, n.d.

SERIES 2: AIR FORCE, 1944-1974

- 1 : 9 Correspondence, 1963-1972
- 1 : 10 Luke Air Force Base Christmas Cards, n.d.
- 2 : 11 USAF Thunderbirds, 1956
- 2 : 12 Luke Air Force Base, 1944-1974

SERIES 3: EDUCATION, 1924-1958

- 2 : 13 Arizona Education, 1952-1958, n.d.
- 2 : 14 Miami High School Senior Class, 1924 composite photograph (framed)
- 2 : 15 Notebooks, n.d.
- 2 : 16 Notebooks (B), n.d.
- 2 : 17 Notebooks (C), n.d.

SERIES 4: TOURISM, 1956-1974

- 3 : 18 Publications, 1962-1974, n.d.
- 3 : 19 Tour Books, 1956-1957, 1969-1970

SERIES 5: PUBLISHED MATERIALS, 1895-1974

Plays by Jean Provence

- 3 : 20 American Eagle
- 3 : 21 Campus Queen
- 3 : 22 A Date For Danny
- 3 : 23 How's Your Hokumbedo?
- 3 : 24 It's A Great Life
- 3 : 25 It's Great To Be Sixteen; June Fever
- 3 : 26 Little Sweetheart
- 3 : 27 Miss Jimmy
- 3 : 28 Miss Sixteen
- 4 : 29 No Boys Allowed
- 4 : 30 Petticoat Ranch; Plucked Peacocks; Sugar Foot Minstrel, First Part
- 4 : 31 That's Our Boy
- 4 : 32 Too Many Stars

Other

- 4 : 33 Apache Trail Business Directory, 1964
- 4 : 34 *Arizona Review*, 1971-1973
- 4 : 35 Comic Books, n.d.
- 4 : 36 Congressional Record, 1965
- 4 : 37 *The Entertainers' Handbook*, n.d.
- 5 : 38 *Evangeline*, 1895
- 5 : 39 Fine Arts Catalog, AZ State Fair, 1963
- 5 : 40 Frontier Army—Map of Forts and Camps
- 5 : 41 Lake Havasu, 1968-1969
- 5 : 42 *Life*, AZ State College, 1946
- 5 : 43 Litchfield Park, c. 1967
- 5 : 44 *Look Magazine*
- 5 : 45 *A Message to Garcia*
- 5 : 46 News Clippings (early AZ history), 1957-1974
- 5 : 47 News Clippings, various topics, 1963-1973, n.d.
- 5 : 48 Newspapers/Clippings, 1953, 1963-1967
- 5 : 49 *The 19th Hole*, n.d. (mixed drink recipes)
- 5 : 50 Old man and donkey cartoon, n.d.
- 5 : 51 Picacho Pass pamphlet, n.d.
- 5 : 52 *Pictorial America, AZ Edition*, 1945
- 5 : 53 Recreational Map of the United States, 1948
- 5 : 54 *Rosita*, 1937-1941
- 6 : 55 *A Spiritual Almanac for Servicemen*, 1942
- 6 : 56 Westside Directory Buyers' Guide, 1967
- 6 : 57 *The Wild, Witty West*, 1966

SERIES 6: STAMP COLLECTION, 1932-1945

- 6 : 58 Aide aux Artistes, 1942
- 6 : 59 California Exposition Stamps, 1935
- 6 : 60 Denmark
- 6 : 61 Envelopes
- 6 : 62 Norway
- 6 : 63 Stamps and Postmarks

SERIES 7: REALIA, n.d.

- 6 : 64 Pop-up Gift Trim and Cigar Wrappers, n.d.

SERIES 8: PHOTOGRAPHS, 1906-c.1930

- 7 Photograph album relating to Provence's life in Tulsa, OK and his involvement in the boy scouts. (Box 7 is an oversize box).

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