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DESCRIPTION

A short history of the Southwest Experiment Station in Tucson run by the United States Bureau of Mines. The manuscript describes the history of the beginnings of the station in 1916 as well as the metallurgical programs and projects conducted at the Tucson station. It describes the station facilities and equipment from 1916 to 1952. The bulk of the collection are photographs of people working in offices or with equipment at the station. Some of the employees are identified, but most are identified only by the task they are performing.

1 Box, .25 linear ft.

HISTORICAL NOTE

In 1915, the Secretary of the Interior authorized ten mining-experiment and seven mining safety stations. The Tucson site was authorized and activated in 1916. Under a cooperative agreement with the University of Arizona, it is located on the University campus. It functions as a metallurgical research unit. Over the years, many changes have been made as to the area served and its exact function, but it has primarily done research on copper mining.

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