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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:  Leslie E. Gregory was born in Guatemala on Nov. 28, 1878 and came to Tucson in 1893. His initial occupation as an accountant was soon surpassed by that of newspaper reporter and editor. Gregory’s principal writings appear in the Arizona Silver Belt between 1925 and 1930. He had a great interest in Arizona history and communicated with individuals on events and historical persons important to Arizona and the Southwest. During the 1930s Gregory worked in Globe, AZ in conjunction with the Federal Writers Project. Many of the draft manuscripts in this collection are believed to have originated with the program. Gregory maintained correspondence with John Clum, Will C. Barnes, J. H. McClintock and many others on diverse aspects of the history of Arizona and the Southwest. He died Nov. 30, 1946 in Globe, AZ.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:  Contains the correspondence and draft manuscripts associated with Leslie E. Gregory’s interest in Arizona history. Correspondence with individuals also interested in the history of the area includes Earle R. Forrest, J.H. McClintock, Will C. Barnes, John P. Clum, and Woodworth Clum. Additional correspondence exists between Charles Newton and T.T. Overton from the early 1900s. Letters include exchange of information on the Pleasant Valley War, General John Fremont, train robberies in southern Arizona, travels of Cabeza de Vaca and Apaches at the San Carlos Indian Reservation. Manuscripts are believed to all be associated with Gregory in the capacity as writer or editing of works for the Federal Writers Project. News clippings reflect essays on prominent events and individuals of Arizona history written by Gregory including John P. Clum, the Pleasant Valley War, the Wham payroll robbery near Fort Thomas in 1889 and the hanging of Eva Dugan. Receipts and assay reports are associated with Chas Newton in the 1890s and do not appear to have any connection directly with Gregory.