MS 431  
Herman B. & Ida R. Leonard Collection  
1905 - 1946

DESCRIPTION

This collection consists of papers associated with two University of Arizona professors Herman B. Leonard and Ida (Reid) Leonard. Herman Leonard's papers contain personal correspondence, organizational membership cards & certificates, and a small 1921 diary. In addition, a number of brochures, maps, and advertisements depict other universities at which Leonard taught mathematics. Some Tucson concert programs and University of Arizona publications are also present. Materials associated with Ida Leonard include personal correspondence, membership cards & certificates, and appointment books. Numerous folders entail class notes, note cards, and lecture notes associated with her work in teaching Arizona and western history classes. There are also two drafts of her dissertation titled “The Relation of the Apache Indians to the Development of Arizona” dated 1910. The final box contains postcards primarily of foreign locations collected by Ida Leonard.

4 Boxes, 2 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Herman Leonard was born in 1872 in Detroit, MI and graduated from the University of Michigan in 1895. He taught mathematics at the University of Chicago, Lake Forest Academy, the University of Colorado, and then the University of Oregon until 1914. Leonard came to the University of Arizona and was head of the mathematics department from 1915 to 1938 when he relinquished his administrative position and continued to teach until 1953. He died December 19, 1955. Ida Reid Leonard was born in Ontario Canada March 16, 1875. She attended schools in Ontario and was awarded a teaching certificate in 1896. She taught school in Canada from 1896 to 1900 when she moved to the United States and attended the University of Arizona and taught in the Tucson public schools until 1906. Joining the University staff in 1906 Mrs. Leonard was an instructor in mathematics and history until 1913 and earned her master’s degree from the University of Chicago in 1910. In 1914 she became Arizona’s first dean of women. Ida and Herman were married in 1923. Ida Reid Leonard died August 26, 1947.

ACQUISITION - Donated by Estate of Herman B. Leonard in 1956.

ACCESS - There are no restrictions on access to this collection.

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PROCESSING - The collection was previously processed and reviewed by Dave Tackenberg in May 2010.
Box 1

Series 1: Herman B. Leonard, 1905 - 1946

Folder 1 Newspaper Clippings – Dr. Leonard 1923
f.2 Correspondence 1909 – 1941
f.3 Organizational Memberships
f.4 Certificates 1917/1918/1922/1946
f.5 Diary and Address Books 1921
f.6 Photographs – Mostly Unidentified
f.7 University of Oregon Bulletin 1909
f.8 University of Chicago Maps and Images
f.9 University of Michigan Bulletins and Brochures 1915 – 1918
f.10 University of Colorado Map and Advertisements 1905
f.11 University of California Street Map
f.12 Concert Programs 1916 – 1928
f.13 Cave Survey Notes with Prof. Cummings
f.14 Educational Association Materials 1910 – 1919
f.15 University of Arizona Publications – MISC 1905 – 1924
f.16 Automotive Materials (Jewett Auto) 1923/1926
f.17 Arizona Political Literature 1915 – 1921
f.18 Arizona Industrial Congress Bulletins 1923 – 1924
f.19 Postcards of Masonic Event and Parade


f.20 Ida (Reid) Leonard Personal History
f.21-23 Correspondence 1917 – 1944
f.24 Correspondence with John Riggs 1925 – 1926

Box 2

f.25 Appointment Books and Notebooks 1929/1932/1934
f.26 Membership Cards and Certificates 1929 – 1940
f.27 Notes, Bills, Receipts 1927 - 1930
f.28 Dissertation (First Draft) “The Relation of the Apache Indians to the Development of Arizona”
f.29 Dissertation (Second Draft) “The Relation of the Apache Indians to the Development of Arizona” 1910
f.30 Arizona History Class Lecture Notes
f.31-33 Arizona History Notes
f.34-35 Arizona History Note Cards

Box 3

f.36-37 Arizona History Note Cards
f.38 Western History Class Notes
f.39 Western History Note Cards
f.40 History of the West (#181) Notes
Box 4

Series 3: Travel Postcards

- Outside Arizona – Oregon
- Outside Arizona – MISC
- Outside United States – Canada
- Outside United States – England
- Outside United States – Italy
- Outside United States – France
- Outside United States – Spain
- Outside United States – Germany
- Outside United States – Belgium
- Location Tour Books