DESCRIPTION

This collection consists of personal and business correspondence, records and receipts, and ranching activities associated with Silver Carl Miller and the Eloy Ranch (1941-1947) and the Miller Cattle Company (1923-1929). The first folder contains family correspondence and genealogical information on the Miller family between 1841 and 1951 including a one page biographical sketch of Silver C. Miller produced for the 1930 edition of History of Arizona. Railroad information in the collection reflects the period during which Miller worked for the Southern Pacific. Correspondence with the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen (1909-1910) and Southern Pacific Railroad publications and procedures guides are included. A news-clipping scrapbook highlights Miller’s activities in the Miller Cattle Company, ranching information, and general interest topics.

2 Boxes, 1.25 linear feet

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Silver Carl Miller was born in Bellevue, Texas on November 29, 1888. Upon finishing school Miller moved to California where he entered employment with the Southern Pacific Railroad until 1910. He moved to Phoenix and entered into the cattle business in a partnership with his brother Joseph D. Miller. Originally titled the Miller Brothers the company name was later changed to the Miller Cattle Company with Silver Miller as president. In 1925 he organized the Roosevelt Irrigation District. In addition Miller participated in organizing the Farm Bureau Federation, Hay Growers Association, the Grain Growers Association, and the Dairy Producers Association. In 1912 Miller married Louise Elizabeth Corgiat and they had seven children. Mr. Miller was a member of a Masons, International Marine Club, and Arizona Club. He served in the American Expeditionary Force in Europe in 1918 during the First World War. The exact date of death is unknown.

RELATED ITEM

A photo collection on the Miller family is also available (PC 079).

ACQUISITION

The collection was acquired from Louise Sabrina Wolf in 1989.

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PROCESSING

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