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**MS 566
John Murdock Papers
1933 - 1947****DESCRIPTION**

This small collection consists of political materials and educational brochures associated with Rep. John Murdock and his wife while serving in the U.S. Congress. Murdock's political speeches and remarks are provided in copies of the *Congressional Record* from 1937 to 1945. Educational brochures feature a series for school children titled "Uncle Sam Remembers" highlighting various important buildings and locations in the Washington area. Mrs. Murdock wrote these pamphlets. Another grouping of educational brochures, collected and forwarded to Arizona schools, featured prominent locations and people associated with American and Washington D.C. history. Copies of newspaper submissions written by Murdock are present under the title "Arizona Characters in Silhouette" (1933 – 1934) and "As It Appears to Your Congressman" (1943).

1 Box, .5 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

John R. Murdock was born near Lewistown, MO April 20, 1885 and graduated from the University of Iowa in 1925. He returned to Missouri after completion of graduate work at the University of Iowa and University of California at Berkeley and taught elementary school. Murdock was an instructor at the Normal School at Tempe, AZ and later became Dean of this institution from 1933 to 1937. He was elected to Congress in 1937 and served until 1953. Murdock died February 14, 1972.

ACQUISITION

Donated by Rep. John Murdock between 1940 and 1946.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was previously processed and revised by Dave Tackenberg in March 2010.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1

Folder 1	Murdock Newspaper Articles – “Arizona Characters in Silhouette”	1933 – 1934
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