

OVERLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY COLLECTION (1908-1912)-MSS 89

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The Overland Telephone and Telegraph Company was incorporated as the Arizona Overland Telephone Company in 1908. The first meeting of the incorporators (John Belser, G.O. Scott and A.C. Webb) took place on June 2, 1908. At that time, the Directors of the company were named. They were: John Belser, W.C. Colcord, A.C. Webb, E.J.W. Webb, G.O. Scott and J.H. Thompson. Later, J.C. Crawford was added to the list.

The Articles of Incorporation were filed in the office of the County Recorder of Maricopa County, and with the Stoddard Incorporating Co. (owned by Isaac T. Stoddard, a later President of the Overland Company) in May of 1908. In the Articles it stated that the company was to operate in the Phoenix area and that the purposes of the company were: to make contracts; to construct and maintain telephone and telegraph lines and fuel plants for lighting and heating purposes; to handle rights of ways and franchises for supplying electricity and gas; to transmit messages for toll; to set up a general mercantile business; to handle shares of stock in their own company and in other companies, and others.

The Arizona Overland Telephone Company had, by 1910, become the Overland Tel. & Tel. Co. The Company sold out to Mountain States Tel. & Tel. Co. in June of 1912 for the sum of \$432,000. All transactions (transfer and delivery of the Overland Company's property and the settling of the shares of stock etc) had to be completed by July 20, 1912.

The Presidents of the company were: John Belser (Vice-President, 1909), John W. Foss (1910), Isaac T. Stoddard (1911 and 1912) and E.E. Kirkland (1912). The Secretaries of the Overland Company were: A.C. Webb (1908 through 1910), Frank T. Alkire (1911) and W.B. Matheson (1912).

The Overland Tel. & Tel. Co. Collection contains vouchers and bills to and from various people and businesses, mostly in the Phoenix area, legal papers and documents of the Overland Company including their Articles of Incorporation and By-laws, a purchase ledger and twelve booklets concerning Deeds of Trust to the Valley Bank of Phoenix.

Three Document boxes. 152 items.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Overland Tel. & Tel. Co., originally the Arizona Overland Telephone Company, was incorporated in 1908. The Company did business in the Phoenix area until July of 1912 at which time they sold out to Mountain States Tel & Tel Company. The Overland Co. Collection contains: vouchers and bills to and from various people and businesses; legal papers and documents of the

Company, including their Articles of Incorporation and By-laws; a purchase ledger and twelve Deed of Trust booklets.

3 Document Boxes 152 Items 1908 1912

Box 1 Vouchers and bills A - M 1912

Folders:

1. American Conduit Co.
 Le Roy Anderson
 Arizona Democrat
 Arizona Eastern R.R. Co.
 Arizona Gazette
 Arizona Motor Co.
 Arizona Publishing Co.
 Automatic Electric Co.

2. Babbitt Bros. Mercantile Co.
 Babbitt-Polson Company
 Barber Asphalt Paving Co.
 Barrows-Fooshee Furniture Co.
 Bennett Lumber Co.
 A.L. Boehmer
 Buckeye Commercial Co.
 Buckeye Livery & Transfer Co.
 Buckeye Water Co.

3. Central Electric Co.
 Cisney & Cisney
 City Ice Delivery Co.
 Club Stables
 The Coconino Sun
 Collings Vehicle & Harness Co.
 Commercial Electrical Supply Co.
 W.H. Constable Inc.
 Frank B. Cook

4. Dean Electric Co.

5. Ray Eddy
 The Evening Free Press

6. Fairbanks Morce & Co.
 Farmers & Merchants Bank
 Flagstaff Electric Light Co.
 W.N. Fickas

7. Glendale Ice Co.
Glendale Livery & Sales Stable
Goldman & Co.
M. Goldwater & Bro.
Greene & Griffin
H.S. Griswold
8. Alfred J. Peters & Co. (Hayden Flour Mills)
Dwight B. Heard
The Holbrook Argus
Home & Riggs
P.T. Hurley
Daniel Hutchinson
9. The Jerome Copper Belt H.W. Johns-Manville Co.
David Johnson
10. Chas. Kearley
H.E. Kell & Co.
Kellogg Switchboard & Supply Co.
Kibbey Bennett & Bennett
B.F. Kierulff, Jr. & Co.
W.J. Kingsbury
J.H. Kinney
Jesse F. Keely
E.E. Kirkland
11. Harry Lukin
Alex H. Lyons
12. Marshall Blacksmith Co.
G.W. McClarty
The McNeil Co.
Mesa Livery & Feed Yard
F.P. Drew & Sons Mesa Lumber Yard
Millecam's Cash Store

Box 2 Vouchers and bills N - Z 1912, Legal papers 1908-1912

Folders:

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New State Electric Supply & Fixture Co.
The New York Store

Box 2 Continued

2. The Oliver Typewriter Co.
O.K. Stable
O'Malley Lumber Co.
M.B. Otero
Owl Drug Co.

3. Pacific Creamery Co.
Pacific Gas & Electric Co.
Palo Verde Store
T.J. Parry
The Peoples Lumber Co.
City of Phoenix
Phoenix Cycle Co.
Phoenix Flour Mills
Phoenix Foundry
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Phoenix Oil Co.
Phoenix Savings Bank & Trust Co.
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R.L. Polk & Co.
Porter Saddlery & Harness Co.
Pratt-Gilbert & Co.

4. John A. Roebblings Sons Co. of California Henry W. Ryder

5. Sanborn Map Co.
Sandwich Electric Co.
Samuel N. Seip
South Side Gas & Electric Co.
Standard Oil Co.
R.F. Stauffer
Stewart & Templin
Celora M. Stoddard
Isaac T. Stoddard

6. Harry W. Taffe
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Telephony Publishing Co.
Tempe Livery
Tempe Water Dept.
Ezra W. Thayer
Omar A. Turney

7. Union Lithograph Co.

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