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Elsing, Morris J., 1883-1959
Photograph albums, ca. 1907-1920

DESCRIPTION

Five photograph albums containing photographs of mining activity mostly in Cananea, Mexico and Bisbee, Arizona, ca. 1907 to 1920, and photographs of the exit of the Federales and entrance of Juan Carbal and the Maderistas into Cananea in May 1911. There are also photographs of fires and floods in Bisbee between 1908 and 1912.

5 boxes, 3 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Chief Geologist and Mine Superintendent, Elsing arrived in Arizona in 1907 and worked for the Phelps Dodge Copper Queen Mine in Bisbee. In 1910 he was chief geologist and mine superintendent for the Cananea Consolidated Copper Company in Sonora, Mexico. He returned to Bisbee in 1918 to open a consulting office, remaining there until his transfer to Tucson in 1928.

ACQUISITION

Donated by Morris Elsing, January 1958.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

This finding aid was prepared by Kim Frontz in July 2000.

BOX LIST

Box 1 -- Album 1

Photographs include:

- Machinery, buildings, miners at mines including the Cobre Grande, Ronquillo, Eureka Hill.
- Bisbee including Main Street after a 1911 flood showing damages to buildings
- Political activity in Cananea including Federales leaving Cananea after surrender, Maderistas after the capture of Cananea, Yaqui soldiers, Juan Cabral and soldiers, May 1911
- Sept. 16, 1912 celebrations
- Cananea bullfight

Box 2 -- Album 2

Photographs include:

- Machinery, buildings (interiors and exteriors) of the Cananea Consolidated Copper Company
- Don Venustiano Carranza, chief of constitutionalists in Mexico
- Cananea strike meeting about 1915

Box 3 -- Album 3

Photographs include:

- Copper Queen Mine interiors of shafts, miners, exteriors and machinery
- Copper Queen engineering group in office
- Bisbee flood of 1910 showing damage at Copper Queen precipitating plant

Box 4 -- Album 4

Photographs include:

- Detroit Copper Company machine shop, smelter, concentrator
- Morenci
- Old Dominion Copper Company mine and smelter
- Bisbee, Oct. 14, 1908 fire
- Bisbee drilling contest, July
- Bisbee flood, Main Street
- Copper Queen dispensary
- Roosevelt Dam
- Cananea including march of Federales leaving Cananea after surrender, entry of Juan Carbal and Maderistas after the surrender of Cananea, May 1911

Box 5 -- Album 5

- Copper Queen Consolidated Mining Company photographs of diagrams only