DESCRIPTION

This small collection consists of photographs depicting ranch activities, facilities, and students at the Evans Ranch School. Images show boys in athletic activities including tennis, football and swimming. Other photos feature student cabins, horses, barns, and riding activities. Nine images highlight student participation in the Tucson Mid-Winter Rodeo activities.

1 Folder, .25 linear ft.

HISTORICAL NOTE

H. David Evans started a college-preparatory school for fourteen to eighteen year old boys in 1902 located near Mesa, Arizona. In 1921 Evans purchased the 3R Ranch near Tucson and started a second school. In 1922 – 1923 the Mesa school was closed and operations centered at the Tucson location. The ranch had horses, a swimming pool, and tennis courts. And was nearly self-sufficient with the raising of alfalfa for the livestock. The instructors were generally young Ivy League men and well educated. The tuition in the 1930s was $1600 annually and that covered board and room. Each student was assigned a horse and had the responsibility for its care and feeding as well as ranch tasks.

ACQUISITION

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