DESCRIPTION

This collection consists of photographs of the George Martin family, owners of Martin Drug Co. in Tucson. It includes portraits of George Sr., his wife Delfina, and his eight children, as well as Martin Drugstore and some areas of southern Arizona. Also present are snapshots of World War I. One box includes large format photographs of Martin Drugstore, Martin family portraits, and group pictures with members of the Martin family with various people and organizations around Tucson.

4 Boxes, 3.75 linear ft.

ACQUISITION

Unknown

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by the staff of the Arizona Historical Society and updated by Nancy Siner in March 2009.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

George Martin, Sr. was born in Ireland on July 4, 1832. There he apprenticed with a physician before coming to the United States in September 1851. He enlisted in the Army and in March 1852 was stationed in Fort Yuma. When he was honorably discharged, he was offered a partnership in managing the Agua Caliente ranch in Gila City, which he did for three years until returning to Yuma to manage the Hooper and Co. store. He opened his own drugstore in 1872, and in 1884 moved his business to Tucson. George Martin, Sr. married Delfina Redondo and they had eight children: Stephana, Matilda, Delphine, Agnes, Mary, George Jr., Andrew, and Louis. The three boys were born in Yuma; the others were born in Tucson. Andrew Martin became the head of the Martin Drugstore chain when his father retired. Delfina died on October 4, 1904 and George Sr. died on March 30, 1907.
George Martin Jr. served on the Arizona Board of Pharmacy from 1908-1915 and after became the head of the local Crystal Coca Cola Bottling Company. He was a member of the Rotary Club, a charter member of the Tucson Golf and Country Club and one of the founders of the Old Pueblo Club. He died on January 13, 1967. Andrew Martin became the head of the Martin Drugstore chain.

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

Box 1

f.1-8 Portraits of Andrew Martin  
f.9-10 Group photographs  
f.11 School photographs  
f.12-13 Unidentified children and family  
f.14 Unidentified home interior  
f.15 Military photographs  
f.16 Rotary Club photographs  
f.17 American Legion photographs  
f.18 Snapshots of New York Harbor  
f.19 Photographs of San Xavier Mission, 1960  
f.20 Unidentified landscape  
f.21-30 World War I snapshots

Box 2

f.31 World War I snapshots  
f.32 Delfina Redondo Martin (Mrs. George Martin, Sr.)  
f.33 Delphina Martin (daughter of George and Delfina Martin)  
f.34-38 Portraits of George Martin, Jr.  
f.39 Snapshots of George Martin, Jr.  
f.40-41 George Martin, Jr.  
f.42 Martin home interior, 202 E. Speedway  
f.43-44 George Martin, Jr. with groups and individuals  
f.45 Home of A.O. Johnson, Amarillo, Texas, 1949  
f.46 George Martin, Jr. and Anheuser Busch  
f.47 George Martin, Jr. at Coca Cola Convention, 1910  
f.48 George Martin, Jr. at Rotary Club Convention in Mexico City, 1933  
f.49-50 Portraits of George Martin, Sr.  
f.51-53 George Martin, Sr. with daughters and family members  
f.54 George Martin, Sr. home  
f.55-56 Portraits of Louis Martin  
f.57-59 Portraits of Mary A. Martin

Box 3

f.60-62 Mary A. Martin with sisters and friends  
f.63 Mary A. Martin with groups and family members  
f.64 Portraits of Matilde Martin  
f.65 Portraits of Stephana Martin  
f.66-68 Martin family snapshots
f.69-73 Martin Drugstore images
f.74  Portraits of Concha Rebeil
f.75  Portraits of Ricardo Ronstadt
f.76-79 Unidentified images
f.80  Unidentified children, Phillip Davis, and Victor and John Clark
f.81  Assorted postcards
f.82  Martin family album (from Andrew P. Martin)

**Box 4**

Oversize photographs