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**PC 170**  
**Taylor, Walter Penn, 1888-1972**  
**Photographs, 1919-1950 (bulk 1927-1934)**

**DESCRIPTION**

Photographs that record biological data; these include rat dens, erosion, and plant growth which were taken as part of Taylor's work with the U. S. Biological survey. Primarily photographs of landscapes documenting particular biological studies.

2 boxes, 1 linear ft.

**ACQUISITION**

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**RELATED MATERIAL**

The papers and journals of Walter P. Taylor are held by the University of California at Berkeley.

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**PROCESSING**

Jim Bailey prepared this finding aid in 1999.

**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Walter P. Taylor, pioneer in the field of wildlife management, was born in Wisconsin in 1888. After graduating from Throop Polytechnical Institute in Pasadena, he moved to Berkeley and in 1909 became assistant curator at the California Museum of Vertebrate Zoology. At the same time, he completed a Ph.D. in vertebrate zoology and became Assistant Biologist for the Biological Survey under the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He worked for the agency for 35 years and retired as Senior Biologist in 1951. During his years with the federal government, he worked in California, the Pacific Northwest and Arizona, Texas and Oklahoma. In Arizona, he also was a professor of economic zoology at the University of Arizona.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The photographs show biological effects of various facts on plants and animals in Arizona, New Mexico and several other places in the Southwest. The photographs document the effects of erosion, grazing and other factors on land in various parts of Arizona, most of which are well identified. Places include Santa Rita Reserve, Fort Valley, Tanque Verde Catcus Forest (Saguaro National Monument), Grand Canyon, Coconino Forest and Yuma County. One folder of Civilian Conservation Corps (C.C.C.) camps is included. Also illustrated are Forest Service Ranger Stations, U.S. Agricultural Experiment Stations and Arizona ranches.

Animals studied include porcupines, wood rats, squirrels, gila monsters, and jack rabbits. Photographs document the dens of the animals as well as their impact on particular sites. Also included in the collection are several photographic log books kept by Taylor identifying the photographs.

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