DESCRIPTION

This diary was kept intermittently during the year 1931. It contains references to the weather in Nogales, AZ, Strever's work responsibilities, off-duty activities, and a trip to California to visit relatives. Diary entries commence with a reference to Christmas 1930 and terminate with the end of the year 1931 with Strever making references to the poor pay, depressing working conditions, and the poor morale. January 1-2 entries relate some of the activities along both sides of the border in celebration of the New Year with drinking and partying. Strever references the large crowds of partiers from Phoenix and Tucson who visited the Paris Inn, the Cosmopolitan Hotel, and the Old Aztec Club in Sonora, Mexico. Work related activities included checking individuals and autos, inspecting passports and crossing cards, and coordination with border authorities on the Mexico side of the line.

1 Box, .25 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

In 1931 Earl Strever was a Border Agent working at Nogales, AZ. He started using a diary, which he received from friends in Texas as a Christmas gift. During the course of the year he worked in Nogales and took one trip to California to visit relative in late November and early December. No additional information on Strever has been located.

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