

Guide to

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**Ethel Suess Collection  
1923-1952**

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## **SCOPE AND CONTENT**

This collection contains papers, letters and documents pertaining to the Estate of Elmer F. Oyster, father of Ethel Suess. Oyster apparently lived in Southeastern Arizona in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century, although other information about his life is unavailable. Documents in this collection include official court records, property insurance policies and stock certificates. Letters and papers include receipts for insurance payments, updates on stock holdings and numerous letters from and to Ethel Suess. Much of the correspondence is between Ethel Suess, interested family members and attorneys in Globe, Az., and concerns final disposition of Oyster's residential property in Miami, Az.

## **CONTAINER LIST**

Folder 1: Gila County Arizona Court Settlement papers for the Estate of Elmer E. Oyster, father of Ethel Oyster Suess and grandfather of Eleanor Harris Degroff, donor of this collection.

Folder 2: Inventory and Appraisal of Elmer Oysters holdings, which including mining and oil stocks.

Folder 3: Inventory of the stock certificates owned by Elmer Oyster.

Folder 4: Stockholder update notices from World Oil Co., Ft. Worth, Tex., from 1930-1937. The Co. was sold in 1937. Ethel Suess held stock in the Co.

Folder 5: Miscellaneous correspondence pertaining to settlement of the Elmer Oyster Estate, up to 1931.

Folder 6: Miscellaneous correspondence to and from Ethel Suess regarding disposition of Oyster property in Miami, Az., up to 1940.

Folder 7: Miscellaneous correspondence from Febr. 1940, to August, 1941, regarding settlement of the Miami, Az. rental property in the Oyster estate.

Folder 8: Insurance policies held by Mrs. Suess on the Miami, Az. property from 1931-1939.

Folder 9: Copies of receipts for insurance premium payments on the Miami, Az. property and further correspondence regarding the disposition of the property.