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MS 1078
Taylor, Jared D.
Papers, 1882-1945 (bulk 1910-1923)

DESCRIPTION

Business correspondence, financial records, legal case files, land claim maps, and personal materials chiefly relating to Taylor's law practice in Bisbee, Arizona from 1906 to 1923 and, on a smaller scale, in Tombstone from 1923 to the 1940s. His legal cases included federal lands cases, debt collections, immigration and naturalization, criminal and civil suits, estates, military pensions, and mining claims.

17 boxes, 8.5 ft.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Jared D. Taylor, Bisbee and Tombstone attorney, U.S. Land Commissioner, and active Republican, was born in 1864 at Sheboygan, Wisconsin. He was the son of David Taylor, an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin. He received his law degree from the University of Wisconsin at Madison in 1887. In 1906, he relocated to Arizona and began a law practice in Bisbee. He was appointed U.S. Land Commissioner in 1909 and served until about 1920 while maintaining his law practice. Active in Republican Party politics, he worked on elections and ran for local offices in Bisbee and Cochise County. During 1923, he moved from Bisbee to Tombstone. He continued to practice law on a smaller scale into the 1940s. His office was located in the Medigovich Office Building and Sam Medigovich donated this collection to the Society.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Business correspondence, financial records, legal case files, land claim maps, and personal materials chiefly relating to Taylor's law practice in Bisbee, Arizona from 1906 to 1923 and later on a smaller scale in Tombstone, Arizona up to 1944. The bulk of the records cover the period from 1910 to 1923. The criminal cases are indicative of the social history of this period. These were the years of the Progressive Movement which included Prohibition and the control of prostitution through the Mann Act and a few of the criminal cases reflect this. It was also the period of World War I and there are several cases of failure to register for the Selective Service in 1917. As a lawyer in a border community, he also handled cases of smuggling including cases involving illegally exporting munitions to Mexico in 1913, and smuggling of liquor, cocaine and opium.

Immigration and naturalization cases include Chinese deportations cases. Debt collections files relate to Taylor's work collecting bad debts due to his clients. These files include many invoices from Bisbee businesses that may provide researchers with information about local businesses. Estates and military pensions of various individuals are present as well as a very few patents, marriage applications, and adoption papers. Mining records include claims, correspondence, and stock certificates relating to many mines and records of the Lucy Bell Mining Company and the Alto Mining, Milling and Smelting Company. In his work as U.S. Land Commissioner, Taylor accumulated files concerning homestead applications and other land transactions. There are also original land claim maps with ownership information penciled in.

Personal files include information on Taylor's investments, claims made against him, and his political activities. There is correspondence regarding campaigns of various people including Taylor himself. This collection did not contain any information concerning the copper miners' strike in Bisbee in 1917.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

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