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University of Arizona. Agricultural Extension Service  
Reports of Arizona Agricultural Extension and Home Demonstration Agents,  
1925-1946 (bulk 1927-1935)

### **DESCRIPTION**

These bound typescripts of Pima County agricultural extension and home demonstration agents' annual reports, for scattered years between 1925 and 1946, contain written reports, photographs, charts, statistics, blueprints, and newspaper clippings. The reports summarize the agent's work and accomplishments in teaching new methods of agriculture and home economics to residents in rural communities within Pima County.

2 boxes, 1 linear ft.

### **HISTORICAL NOTE**

The Agricultural Extension Service was a cooperative project of the University of Arizona, College of Agriculture and the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture to encourage agriculture and home economics in rural Arizona. Its staff traveled throughout Arizona to disseminate and promote the latest scientific ideas, tools and equipment in rural areas.

### **ACQUISITION**

The materials were transferred from AHS ephemera files in 2012 to provide better access.

### **ACCESS**

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### **PROCESSING**

Kim Frontz prepared this finding aid in March 2012.

### **ARRANGEMENT**

In two series: Agricultural agent reports, 1927-1945. Home Demonstration agent reports, 1925-1946. Arranged chronologically within series.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Series of annual reports, of Pima County extension agents, consisting of reports, photographs, charts, statistics, blueprints, and newspaper clippings for scattered years. The reports summarize their work and accomplishments in rural communities including Amphitheater, Tanque Verde, Flowing Wells, Cortaro, Jaynes, and the Santa Margarita, Empire and Sawyer Ranches.

Subjects of the agricultural reports include farm crops, pecan and walnut orchards, animal husbandry, irrigation and flood control, rodent and predator control, and 4-H Club activities. The reports cover the years 1928-29, 1931, 1935, and 1946. Highlights include photographs of 1946 German P.O.W. farm labor camps at Continental and Marana, Marana cotton crops, Civilian Conservation Corps projects, and agricultural projects on Tohono O'odham reservations. The agricultural agents were C. B. Brown, G. E. Blackledge, and O. W. Dishaw.

Home Demonstration reports, dated 1926, 1928-1929, 1931, 1935, and 1946, include written reports with statistics and newspaper clippings, and concern work done in communities on the Tohono O'odham Indian reservations, and in rural communities such as Tanque Verde, Flowing Well, Amphitheater, Sahuarita, Rillito, Davidson, Sunnyside, Empire, Arivaca, Wrightstown and Vail. The work was conducted in conjunction with the area schools, the Pima County Health Center, and the home department of the W.C.T.U. Subjects of the program include food preparation and preservation, nutrition, school lunch, sewing, and sanitation and hygiene. The agent was Evalyn A. Bentley. The 1934-35 and 1945-46 reports contain a few photographs of participants and sewing projects.

## Box and folder list

### Box 1

- f.1 Agricultural Agent report, Dec. 1927-Dec. 1928
- f.2 Agricultural Agent report, Dec. 1928-Dec. 1929
- f.3 Agricultural Agent report, Dec. 1930-Dec. 1931
- f.4 Agricultural Agent program of extension work (chart), Dec. 1931-Dec. 1932
- f.5 Agricultural Agent report, Dec. 1934-Dec. 1935
- f.6 Agricultural Agent report, Dec. 1945-Dec. 1946 (includes P.O.W. camp photos)
- f.7 Agricultural Agent report on 4-H Clubs, Dec. 1945-Dec. 1946

### Box 2

- f.8 Home Demonstration Agent report, Dec. 1925-Dec. 1926
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- f.12 Home Demonstration Agent report, Jan. 1931-Dec. 1931
- f.13 Home Demonstration Agent report, Dec. 1934-Dec. 1935
- f.14 Home Demonstration Agent report, Dec. 1945-Dec. 1946
- f.15 Agricultural Experiment Station, Home Garden Reports #44, #51, 1942