

Guide to

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Dr. Thomas S Bishop Collection

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Historical Note

Dr. Thomas S. Bishop was born in Virginia in 1865 and later moved to Albany, Mo. where he taught school for several years. He then attended Medical School, presumably in Mo., and practiced medicine in Albany, before deciding, in 1915, to move to Phoenix, where he and his wife had visited on several occasions.

He purchased an 80 acre ranch in Phoenix, and abandoned his medical practice for a career as a highly successful citrus and cotton grower. Dr. Bishop also became a very active land purchaser and, later in life, donated several acres of land to further the development of present-day Scottsdale.

Series Description

This collection contains numerous photos of the Bishop family in various stages of activity, and several desert landscape scenes. There are also many documents and certificates pertaining to land purchase transactions, and ledger books showing both his medical practice entries and accounting entries for the Writer's Plantation Co., Dr. Bishop's enterprise.

CONTAINER LIST

BOX 1

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| Folder 1 | Photos, Dr. & Mrs. Bishop, Camelback Mt., Hay harvest |
| Folder 2 | Photos, Mrs. Bishop, Meredith Bishop, daughter, small orchestra |
| Folder 3 | Photos, Bishop family activities, desert landscapes |
| Folder 4 | Photos, San Xavier Mission, Pueblo Ruins, Mrs. Bishop & family members, WWI Servicemen, Camelback Mtn. |
| Folder 5 | Photos, Bishop family members and Activities, "Kukiboo cow" |
| Folder 6 | Photo album prepared by Dorothy Alice Herndon Bishop, daughter, depicting life on Kewpie Ranch. cotton fields, family members. |
| Folder 7 | Biographical info. on Dr. Bishop, assorted papers, certificates and newspaper articles dealing with agricultural matters and land acquisitions. |
| Folder 8 | Assorted papers, letters and deeds dealing with land sales and acquisitions, citrus grower documents. |
| Folder 9a | Various certificates, Dr. Bishop. |

- Folder 9b Various receipts, check copies and bills, Dr. Bishop.
- Folder 10 Ledger book, medical practice, 1902-1903, and
 Writer's Plantation Company, 1916-1917.
- Folder 11 Phoenix Title and Trust Co. Documents.
- Folder 12 Ledger book, farm expenses, income from 1949-1954.
- Box 2
Ledger, medical practice, Jan. 1 to Aug. 13, 1914.