

JOHN LaMARR COLLECTION-MSS 73

Dates: 1871-1982

No. of Items: 2 boxes, 1.0 cu. ft.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

John LaMarr, historian for the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, researched and compiled the history of sheriffs in Arizona, which resulted in a substantial volume entitled Arizona Lawmen. The collection consists primarily of clippings and research notes collected in the course of compiling Arizona Lawmen. In addition, the collection includes a series of photographs which LaMarr had copied in connection with the book. A full inventory of the photographs follows. These photographs were obtained from various agencies and repositories for LaMarr's research purposes only, and may not be reproduced by the Arizona Historical Foundation. Three items were removed from the collection and cataloged separately as books.

DESCRIPTION

Box 1

Series 1 **Research Notes/Clippings**

Folder 1	Maricopa County, 1871-1968
Folder 2	Maricopa County, 1969-1982
Folder 3	Apache County
Folder 4	Cochise County
Folder 5	Coconino County
Folder 6	Gila County
Folder 7	Graham, Greenlee, La Paz, Mohave, Navajo, and Pima Counties
Folder 8	Pinal, Santa Cruz, Yavapai, and Yuma Counties
Folder 9	Arizona History-General
Folder 10	U.S. Marshals/Arizona Rangers
Folder 11	Miscellaneous

Box 2

Series 2 **Arizona Lawmen**

Folder 1	<u>Arizona Lawmen</u> proposed cover design
Volume 2	<u>Arizona Lawmen</u> manuscript, 1982

Box 2 Continued

Series 3 Photographs

- Folder 1 Early Law Enforcement (Items 1-10)
- Folder 2 Sheriffs-Portraits (Items 11-22)
- Folder 3 La Paz and Yuma County Sheriff Departments,
c. 1980 (Items 23-29)
- Folder 4 Maricopa County Sheriff Department, c. 1960
(Items 30-35)
- Folder 5 Miscellaneous (Items 36-54)
- Folder 6 Proof Sheets
- Folder 7 Negatives

The following items were removed from the LaMarr Collection and cataloged separately:

Adams, Marc. Villains and Heroes. The Arizona Republic, 1978.

Maricopa County Sheriff Department. Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Book of Memories, 1983.

Traywick, Ben. Tombstone, 1877-1900. Ben T. Traywick, 1970.

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PHOTOGRAPHS

Folder 1 Early Law Enforcement

1. Texas Rangers, c. 1890
2. Old Jail, 2 views
3. Records from Yuma Territorial Prison
4. Yuma Territorial Prison documents (ArizonaSheriff, March 1977)
5. Horse-drawn Police Wagon
6. Policemen posed in front of station
7. Arizona Highway Patrol car
8. Arizona Highway Patrol car
9. Arizona Highway Patrol car
10. Philadelphia and Reading Railroad and Coal & Iron Police Quarters, 1888

Folder 2 Sheriffs - Portraits

11. Milton Duffield, 1863-66
12. Crawley P. Dake, 1878-82
13. Zan L. Tidball, 1882-85
14. William M. Griffith, 1897-1901
15. Myron H. McCord, 1901-1905
16. Charles A. Overlook, 1904-1914
17. John R. Phipps, Yuma County Sheriff, 1982
18. Ernest W. "Goldie" Roach, 1945-46
19. Carl Hayden, Maricopa County Sheriff, 1907-1912
20. Wyatt Earp, 1905
21. Paul E. Blubaum, 1973
22. Unidentified Sheriff

Folder 3 La Paz and Yuma County Sheriff Departments

23. Yuma County Sheriff's Reserve Organization, c. 1980
24. La Paz County Sheriff Department insignia (from car door)
25. La Paz County Sheriff's Office staff, c. 1982
26. Rayburn Evans, La Paz County Sheriff, c. 1982 (2 views)
27. Annette Berry, Matron and Clerk, La Paz County Sheriff's Office, c. 1982
28. Ruth Herbst, La Paz County Sheriff's secretary, c. 1982
29. La Paz County Sheriff Department officer, c. 1982

Folder 4 Maricopa County Sheriff Department

30. Paradise Valley Sheriff's Posse

- 31. Equipment in the Bureau of Identification Department of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office
- 32-3 Maricopa County Sheriff Department Officers; group photo
- 34-5 Maricopa County Sheriff Department staff members. Some names on back.

Folder 5 Miscellaneous

- 36. Yuma County Sheriff badge, 1982
- 37. Wyatt Earp, Deputy U.S. Marshall oath of office, 1870
- 38. Copper Head Coronado Railroad Engine, Clifton, AZ
- 39. O. Frank Townsend, early Yuma County settler
- 40. Charles Trumbull Hayden
- 41. Isaac Polhamus on Colorado River boat
- 42. Charles Poston, 1864
- 43. Tombstone prostitutes
- 44. May Davenport, Tombstone prostitute
- 45. Minnie Bignon, Tombstone Madam
- 46. First Catholic Church at Yuma, AZ (adobe structure)
- 47. Switzer Store at Fort McDowell, 1867
*43-47 reproduced from The Arizona Sheriff
- 48. Brigham Young and his wives
- 49. U.S. Post Office, Earp, CA, c.1975
- 50. Unidentified structural remains
- 51. "Old Timers Rest Stop", c. 1880
- 52. Abandoned jail
- 53. Bureau of Indian Affairs police uniform insignia
- 54. Salt River Indian Agency, Tribal Police uniform insignia

Folder 6 Proof sheets - miscellaneous

Folder 7 Negatives - miscellaneous

John LaMarr Collection 1871 - 1977

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John LaMarr was a volunteer for the Maricopa County Sheriff's Posse from the 1970s until 1982. During this time he belonged to a crime prevention posse. He collected stories and photographs about the various county sheriffs offices of the state of Arizona. In addition, he also collected articles about U.S. marshals and rangers.

This collection represents LaMarr's effort to organize a variety of articles into a single volume about Arizona sheriffs of yesterday and today. Many of the articles were taken from the Arizona Sheriff magazine during the 1950s, 1960s and 1970s. The author has arranged his collection by Arizona counties, with Maricopa, the largest and most populous, first. In using the collection, the researcher should be aware that LaMarr's documentation is not always complete. The photographs are available for research use only and may not be reproduced.

Items found within the collection and subsequently removed were several copies of the magazine, The Arizona Sheriff, and a yearbook of the Maricopa County Sheriffs Office. The magazines have been added to the collection of Arizona Sheriff already retained by the Arizona Historical Foundation. In addition to these removals, duplicate information has been withdrawn from the collection, retaining only the finished manuscript and research materials.