

SAN JOSE MISSION (ARIZONA BB:13:6)

EXCAVATION NOTES AND MANUSCRIPT

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These three folders contain related material and some duplication of materials. These materials came to the archives from different sources at different times. I have considered the possibility of putting them together and making a single description of the contents to improve the present descriptions, but have decided against this, because the materials are so confused such a project would take much time and the potential for improvement is not sufficient to justify the time.

There are two basic manuscripts. The first is entitled SAN JOSE DE TUCSON, ITS HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXPLORATION, edited by Terah L. Smiley. It deals only with a mission site on the west side of the Santa Cruz River just south of Congress Street, near downtown Tucson. The manuscript includes sections by Dobyms, Smiley, Jones and Barter. As I understand the history of the manuscript, it was put together in the early 1950's, but was never published. Later, Dobyms apparently pulled out of the project and has published parts of his section on Tucson history, but the remainder is still unpublished.

The second manuscript is entitled HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY IN TUCSON, edited by William W. Wasley. This was an attempt to pickup the material from Smiley's manuscript and combine it with an account of archaeological exploration of the Tucson Presidio site. The section on the Presidio is by Alan P. Olson. This account is notable especially for the discovery of a pithouse remains beneath the Presidio wall.

These three folders contain correspondence, newspaper clippings, several drafts and parts of drafts, sketch maps, and field notes. Much of the material is not dated, so it is difficult to determine priority of the draft manuscripts, author of editorial changes and marginal notes, etc. Mainly for this reason I leave the material as it stands for future editors to unravel. I understand that William J. Robinson is now editing some or all of these papers for publication.

The reader should also see the article, TUCSON: PUEBLO, PRESIDIO, AND AMERICAN CITY, by Cameron Greenleaf and Andrew Wallace (Arizoniana III:2, Summer, 1962) where evidence is given that there never was a Tucson mission called San Jose.

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