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INTRODUCTION

The Theodore Mansfield Young Papers contain information regarding Young's mining company, Paramount Mining-Milling-Smelting and Refining Corporation. The company operated in the West. It owned many subsidiaries that operated mines. The collection contains many pieces of correspondence with Young, the business history of Paramount Mining, maps of claims and mines, and records of the company's claims.

DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were donated to the University of Missouri by Marvin Van Glider on 11 March 1985 (Accession No. 279).

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Theodore Mansfield Young was born on January 15, 1893 in West Virginia. He died November 26, 1952 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Young was a miner and businessman. During the Depression, he collected property and gold mining rights across the West. He was the director of finance and corporation organizer for Paramount Mining-Milling-Smelting and Refining Corporation. The company's largest holdings were located in Oregon. Authorities accused Young of running schemes and swindling his investors in multiple states. At one point, the FBI wanted him. The mining corporation did not survive these scandals.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains business correspondence received and written by Young and several personal references. The collection includes a comprehensive written history of the Paramount Mining Corporation, contracts and claim records for the company, maps of the claims and mines, as well as diagrams of how the corporation was structured.

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