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Summary Information

Repository	Arkansas State Archives
Title	John H. Sorensen papers
Date [inclusive]	1947-1972
Extent	0.25 Cubic feet 1 box
Language	English
Language of Materials	Material in English and Danish.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical/Historical Note

John Hjaelmhof Sorenson was a cartoonist, artist, and advertising executive in Little Rock, Arkansas. He was born on November 22, 1924, in Copenhagen, Denmark, to Paul Sorensen and Elly Hjelmfhof Sorensen. He immigrated to the United States following World War II and promptly contracted tuberculosis. At the Triboro Hospital for Tuberculosis in Jamaica, New York, Sorensen met Betty Hunter, an occupational therapy student from Arkansas. They married on June 15, 1949. They had three children. Sorensen continued to suffer from tuberculosis, and the couple started a move toward New Mexico in 1950. However, Sorensen was hospitalized while on their way. He remained in the Arkansas State Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Booneville for three years. Sorensen began recovering and started his career as a cartoonist in Little Rock. Later, his work appeared in many major publications including the Saturday Evening Post, Esquire, Cosmopolitan, and the Saturday Review. He was also president of Sorensen and Associates, an advertising company in Little Rock. He remained in Little Rock the rest of his life and died on April 6, 1969. The Arkansas State Archives also holds the papers of John Sorensen's wife, Betty Hunter Sorensen Adams; as well as those of her father Joseph Boone Hunter, who served as Director of Human Services at Rohwer Relocation Center.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains original artwork, cartoons, and ads designed by John H. Sorensen. It also contains certificates and documents related to his career as an artist and advertising executive, as well as a booklet from his time at the Triboro Hospital for Tuberculosis.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Betty Hunter Sorenson Adams, Little Rock, Arkansas, 1996.

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Original drawings undated	1	1
Cartoons undated	1	2
Greeting cards circa 1960s	1	3
Advertising agency circa 1950s	1	4
Advertising (examples) circa 1960s	1	5
Remittance advice (royalty checks) 1963-1972	1	6
Holds (cartoons run in magazines, etc.) 1956-1966	1	7
Certificates 1955-1956	1	8
Triboro Triumph, published by and for the patients of the Triboro Hospital for Tuberculosis, Jamaica 2, New York, as an activity of the Department of Occupational Therapy 1947 Fall	1	9
Magazine articles, reprints 1957-1967	1	10
Newspaper articles 1954-1969	1	11

Newspaper articles (Danish language) circa 1950s-1960s	1	12
Correspondence 1955-1970	1	13
Miscellaneous circa 1960s	1	14