

# Missouri State Archives

## Finding Aid 214.01

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### DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

#### Algoa Intermediate Reformatory

*Abstract:* Records of the Algoa Intermediate Reformatory, 1932- 1984

*Extent:* 24.4 c.f. (26 archival boxes, 9 record center boxes, 14 flat archival boxes, 9 volumes)

*Physical Description:* Paper and bound volumes

*Location:* Missouri State Archives

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### HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

The Algoa Intermediate Reformatory, also called the Missouri Intermediate Reformatory for Young Men and Algoa Farms, was opened on March 26, 1932. Located east of Jefferson City in Cole County, Algoa was intended to relieve overcrowding in the Missouri State Penitentiary. It was also created to house younger, first-time offenders.

The new institution was built in a cottage-type industrial school formation, with separate dormitories, vocational and administrative buildings. Algoa was originally designed for 1,000 inmates who farmed the land and raised dairy cattle. From 1942-1943, the Algoa dairy herds received national recognition for their quality. Inmates also received vocational education while at the reformatory.

Transfers from the Missouri State Penitentiary would increase throughout the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Eventually inmates of all ages and crimes would be housed at the Algoa facility. In 1984, the Department of Corrections instituted a new classification system. Algoa was renamed the Algoa Correctional Center and continues to serve as a minimum security prison.

## ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

### Bibliography

White, Dennis L. *History of Algoa Correctional Center*. n.d.

### Other Finding Aids

RG 213.01 Missouri State Penitentiary  
RG 225 Missouri Training School for Boys

## SERIES

The records are organized in the following series:

Bureau of Criminal Identification Records  
Discharge Registers  
Financial Registers of Inmates by County  
Fingerprint Cards  
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## Bureau of Criminal Identification Records, 1932-1949

*Extent:* 5 c.f. (12 archival boxes)

*Arrangement:* Numerically by inmate number.

### Scope and Content

A system of inmate identification giving inmate number, date, name, residence, alias, age, date and place of birth, physical description including marks and scars, emergency address, and prison record summary. Any previous criminal record is listed on the back of the form.

### Container List

Box	Volume Contents	Date
1	#1 – 466	17 Jan 1932 – 31 May 1933
2	#21 – 466	11 Apr 1932 – 31 May 1933
2	#467 – 873	1 June 1933 – 23 Feb 1934
3	#874 – 1194	23 Feb 1934 – 7 Dec 1934
3	#1195 – 1500	10 Dec 1934 – 20 Jun 1935
4	#1501 – 1800	21 Jun 1935 – 3 Mar 1936
4	#1801 – 2100	4 Mar 1936 – 6 Jan 1937
5	#2101 – 2400	6 Jan 1937 – 9 Oct. 1937
5	#2401 – 2700	9 Oct. 1937 – 6 Apr 1938
6	#2701 – 3000	6 Apr 1938 – 17 Nov 1938
6	#3001 – 3300	18 Nov 1938 – 20 May 1939
7	#3301 – 3600	20 May 1939 – 29 Nov 1939
7	#3601 – 3900	29 Nov 1939 – 9 Jul 1940
8	#3901 – 4300	9 Jul 1940 – 16 Jun 1941
9	#4301 – 4700	17 Jun 1941 – 9 Jul 1942
10	#4701 – 5100	9 Jul 1942 – 24 Feb 1944
10	#5101 – 5500	24 Feb 1944 – 25 Oct 1945
11	#5501 – 5900	25 Oct 1945 – 20 Feb 1947
11	#5901 – 6300	20 Feb 1947 – 17 Jun 1948
12	#6301 – 6700	15 Jun 1948 – 1 Dec 1949

## Discharge Registers, 1933-1959

*Extent:* 1 volume

*Arrangement:* Alphabetical.

### Scope and Content

Information may contain date of discharge, name, inmate number, age, race, birth state, occupation, sentencing county, offense, sentence, date received, time served, remarks.

### Container List

<b>Volume</b>	<b>Contents</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	A-Z	1933-1959

## Financial Registers of Inmates by County, 1945

*Extent:* 1 volume

*Arrangement:* By county.

### Scope and Content

Financial ledger of money received from counties. Information may include date received, inmate name, date discharged, inmate number, money paid by county.

### Container List

<b>Contents</b>
1945

## Fingerprint Cards, 1933-1938

*Extent:* 4.4 c.f. (11 archival boxes)

*Arrangement:* Numerically by inmate number.

### Scope and Content

Most inmates have two copies of the cards, one of which may have a mug shot attached. Cards may include name, inmate number, race, fingerprints, signature, date received, sentencing county, offense, sentence, date of birth, birthplace, age, nationality, physical description, scars and marks.

### Container List

Box	Folder	Contents
1	1	532 - 600
1	2	601 - 630
1	3	631 - 660
1	4	661 - 690
1	5	691 - 730
2	1	731 - 776
2	2	1398 - 1430
2	3	1431 - 1460
2	4	1461 - 1490
3	1	1491 - 1510
3	2	1511 - 1540
3	3	1541 - 1570
3	4	1571 - 1600
4	1	1601 - 1630
4	2	1631 - 1660
4	3	1661 - 1690
4	4	1691 - 1720
5	1	1721 - 1750
5	2	1751 - 1780
5	3	1781 - 1810
5	4	1811 - 1840
6	1	1841 - 1870
6	2	1871 - 1900
6	3	1901 - 1930
6	4	1931 - 1960
7	1	1961 - 1990
7	2	1991 - 2036

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Contents</b>
7	3	2200 - 2240
7	4	2241 - 2270
8	1	2271 - 2300
8	2	2301 - 2330
8	3	2331 - 2360
8	4	2361 - 2390
9	1	2391 - 2420
9	2	2421 - 2450
9	3	2451 - 2480
9	4	2481 - 2499
10	1	2500 - 2530
10	2	2531 - 2560
10	3	2561 - 2590
10	4	2591 - 2650
11	1	2651 - 2691

## Index to Registers, 1932-1984

*Extent:* 5 c.f. (14 flat archival boxes)

*Arrangement:* Alphabetical.

### Scope and Content

Cards indexing inmates of Algoa Intermediate Reformatory. Cards contain the inmate's name, Algoa number, sentencing county, dates received and discharged, and aliases.

### Container List

<b>Box</b>	<b>Contents</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	Abbey, Everette - Dillane, Patrick	1932 to the early 1960s
2	Dillard, Robert - Jones, Clifton	1932 to the early 1960s
3	Jones, Clyde - Plair, Oadee	1932 to the early 1960s
4	Plemmons, Billy - Watts, Charles	1932 to the early 1960s
5	Watts, Glennon - Zurn, Robert	1932 to the early 1960s
6	Aaron, Gray - Capron, Raymond Earl	early 1960s to the mid-1980s
7	Caracci, Vito - Eggert, Charles Wesley	early 1960s to the mid-1980s
8	Eickhorst, Charles Karl - Hasty, John Wesley	early 1960s to the mid-1980s
9	Hatch, D. H. - Kizer, Phillips	early 1960s to the mid-1980s
10	Kladis, Wm. Henry - Montgomery, Willie	early 1960s to the mid-1980s
11	Moody, Jim - Reynolds, William	early 1960s to the mid-1980s
12	Rhea, Earl - Stewart, Zelmer	early 1960s to the mid-1980s
13	Stidham, Charles Roy - Whorton, True	early 1960s to the mid-1980s
14	Wiber, William - Zweifel, Jacob Leslie	early 1960s to the mid-1980s



## Mugshots, 1932-1965

*Extent:* 10.2 c.f. (9 record center boxes, 3 archival boxes)

*Arrangement:* Numerical by inmate number.

### Scope and Content

Black and white mug shots of Algoa inmates. May be negatives, positives, or both. Unprocessed.

### Container List

<b>Box</b>	<b>Contents</b>
64	#1- 1999
65	#2000 - 3799
66	#3800 - 5150
HB1	#5151 - 5419
HB2	#5420 - 5702
HB3	#5703 - 5868
67	#5870 - 6499
68	#6500 -7099
69	#7100 - 8099
70	#8100 - 8999
71	#9000 - 10199
72	#10200 - 10920

## Numerical Registers, 1932-1965

*Extent:* 6 volumes

*Arrangement:* Numerically.

### Scope and Content

Information may include name, age, nativity, physical description, occupation, education, marks and scars, marital status, religion, former imprisonment, current offense, sentence, court term, date received, expiration date of sentence, how discharged. A remarks section records additional data on each inmate.

The last Algoa inmate number is #10920. A new numbering system began January 1, 1960, with all correctional facilities using the same numbers. Algoa inmates were identified by an R after their inmate number.

### Container List

<b>Volume</b>	<b>Contents</b>
1	#1 – 2400
2	#2401 – 4800
3	#4801 – 7200
4	#7201 – 9600
5	#9601 – 4108
6	#4109 - 11128

## Parole Registers, 1932-1950

*Extent:* 2 volumes

*Arrangement:* Numerically by inmate number.

### Scope and Content

Information contained in these registers may include name, inmate number, offense, sentence, sentencing county, date received and discharged, time served, sponsor name and address, employer name and address, address of parolee, remarks.

### Container List

<b>Volume</b>	<b>Contents</b>	<b>Date</b>
1	#1 - 4200	1932-1941
2	#4201 - 6789	1941-1950