

Guide to  
**Gladys Whitney Manuscript Collection**

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## **HISTORICAL NOTE, SCOPE & CONTENT**

Gladys Whitney was very active in the Juvenile Home Auxiliary, an organization created to provide shelter, food and clothing for disadvantaged, abused or abandoned children in the Maricopa County area. There are several letters and other documents in this collection describing the functions and activities of this organization.

Glady's husband, Joe Whitney was in an auto dealer partnership with an individual named Brooks, from around 1941 until the business was sold in 1960. Real estate papers documenting this business are available. There are also Whitney personal tax documents in the collection. Joe Whitney was involved in Glendale City politics, and there are legal summons from the 1930's, revealing lawsuits brought against the city over a business license fee regulation.

## **CONTAINER LIST**

Box 1. Folder 1: Documents relating to the operations of the Juvenile Home Auxiliary 1954-1960. Included are purchasing invoices, letters of thank you to and from Mrs. Joe (Gladys) Whitney and the Constitution for the organization.

Folder 2: A diary booklet with some entries and documents about work with polio victims, 1954.

Folder 3: Personal tax records for Joe and Gladys Whitney, 1930-1945.

Folder 4: Several 1956 newspaper articles pertaining to a dispute which arose between the police department and the Juvenile Home Auxiliary, over the success and effectiveness of their Foster Home policy.

Folder 5: A diary booklet, labeled Dr. Harry Steelman, M.D., containing entries of children names and ages.

Folder 6: Business documents for the Brooks & Whitney Auto Dealership, existing between 1941 and 1960, when it was sold.

Folder 7: Copies of Primary & General Election ballot results from 1932, City of Glendale. Also, copy of Glendale City budget for 1933.

Folder 8: Three legal summons documents, dated in the 1930's, detailing lawsuits brought against the City of Glendale by business owners, contesting the constitutionality of a business license fee enacted by the City. Joe Whitney was a member of the Glendale Common Council and is listed as one of the defendants.

Folder 9: Whitney personal real estate documents and insurance papers, 1934-1948, and a stock certificate dated.

Folder 10: Glendale Elementary school photos, 4<sup>th</sup> grade, 1947-48.