

**TITLE:** Campbell Family Papers

**DATE RANGE:** 1914-1977

**CALL NUMBER:** MS 132

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 1 box, .25 linear ft.

**PROVENANCE:** The Campbell Family Papers were deposited with the Arizona Historical Society by Alexander Brodie Campbell between 1961 and 1964, and by Allen Campbell in 1981.

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**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:** Thomas E. Campbell was born in Prescott, Arizona Territory in 1878. He was the first graduate of Prescott High School and later attended St. Mary's College in California. Campbell was elected to the 21<sup>st</sup> Territorial Legislature in 1900. He was appointed Yavapai county assessor in 1907 and was elected to that position in 1912.

Campbell was the lone Republican elected to state office in 1914, winning a post on the state tax commission. While in that office he became known as the father of Arizona's revenue and tax laws. He was elected governor in 1916 and assumed office in January, 1917. A court contest, however, resulted in George W.P. Hunt's being named to the office by a margin of 43 votes. Campbell later won clear-cut majorities in the 1918 and 1920 gubernatorial races, but was defeated in 1922.

During World War I, Campbell was associated with the food administration program directed by Herbert Hoover. He later worked in the United States Treasury Department during the Wilson administration. Subsequently, he served with the Interior Department as chairman of the board of survey and adjustments for federal reclamation projects, was named by Calvin Coolidge to represent the United States at the International Exposition in Seville, Spain in 1926, and was appointed by President Hoover to the U.S. Civil Service Commission in 1930. He remained on the Commission until 1933. Campbell was Arizona's Republican National Committeeman from 1924 to 1928. He was also a leader in the development of the Colorado River.

Thomas E. Campbell died in Phoenix, Arizona in 1944.

Alexander Brodie Campbell, son of Thomas E. Campbell, was born in Prescott in 1903 and graduated from Phoenix Union High School and the University of Arizona. Alexander Brodie Campbell died in Sylmar, California in November 1968.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:** This collection of the Campbell Family Papers consists of one box of manuscript materials arranged in four series: (1) Correspondence, 1914-1915 and 1961-1964; (2) Manuscripts; (3) Speeches, 1912-1930; (4) Military Service Records, 1869 and 1910-1915.

The bulk of this collection consists of correspondence between Alexander Brodie Campbell and the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society, and historical manuscripts written by members of the Campbell family. Many of the items are photocopies.

Series One, Correspondence, contains three items from Thomas E. Campbell regarding a newspaper article on taxation and several letters from Alexander Brodie Campbell to Yndia Moore, Secretary of the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society, regarding family papers and history.

Series Two, Manuscripts, includes several manuscripts touching on the Industrial Workers of the World in Arizona, development of the Colorado River, and the Campbell Family and its involvement in the political and social life of Arizona. Several of the manuscripts are untitled fragments. The identities of all of the authors of the manuscripts are not known.

Series Three, Speeches, consists of three speeches by Thomas Campbell dealing with taxation and governmental administration in Arizona and the United States.

Series Four, Military Service Records, consists of photocopies of the military records of Daniel Campbell, father of Thomas E. Campbell, relating to service in the Civil War.

**CONTAINER LIST:**

| <b>Box</b> | <b>Folder</b> | <b>Title</b>   | <b>Dates</b> |
|------------|---------------|--|--------------|
| 1          | 1             | <b>Correspondence:</b> Thomas E. Campbell – Verne Dyson  | 1914-1915    |
|            | 2             | <b>Correspondence:</b> Alexander Brodie Campbell – Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society (holograph)  | 1962-1964    |
|            | 3             | <b>Correspondence:</b> Alexander Brodie Campbell – Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society (typescript) | 1962-1964    |
|            | 4             | <b>Correspondence:</b> Alexander Brodie  | 1961-1963    |

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|  |    | Campbell – Herbert V. Young,<br>Rockwell Hereford   |                     |
|  | 5  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> The I.W.W. in Arizona<br>(holograph)  | Undated             |
|  | 6  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> The I.W.W. in Arizona<br>(typescript)   | Undated             |
|  | 7  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> Things I can Never<br>Forget  | Undated             |
|  | 8  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> The True Story of the<br>Colorado River Compact   | Undated             |
|  | 8  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> Development of the<br>Colorado River.   | Undated             |
|  | 8  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> Campaign of 1916<br>(fragment)  | Undated             |
|  | 8  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> Your Side, My Side and<br>the Right Side  | Undated             |
|  | 8  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> Mud's Account of<br>Jerome  | Undated             |
|  | 8  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> Campbell's<br>Administration in 1921-1922   | Undated             |
|  | 8  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> The Summer of 1919-<br>A.D. (holograph and typescript)  | Undated             |
|  | 8  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> An Interesting Westerner  | Undated             |
|  | 8  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> Marriage of Miss E. Gale<br>[sic] Allen and Mr. T.E. Campbell   | Undated             |
|  | 9  | <b>Manuscripts:</b> Untitled fragments  | Undated             |
|  | 10 | <b>Speeches:</b> Centralized Administrative<br>Authority  | 1912                |
|  | 10 | <b>Speeches:</b> The United States Civil<br>Service   | 1930                |
|  | 10 | <b>Speeches:</b> Untitled item  | Undated             |
|  | 11 | <b>Military Records:</b> Certificate of<br>Disability for Discharge, Service and<br>Medical Record, Pension questionnaire | 1869, 1910,<br>1915 |