

TITLE: Neal Heywood Papers

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: Joseph Neal Heywood, known as Neal Heywood, was born on October 23, 1876 in Springvalley, Lincoln County, Nevada. He was the oldest son of Joseph Neal Heywood (-1905) and Sarah Francelle Heywood (1860-1937).

In 1881, the Heywood family moved from Upper Kanab, Utah Territory, to Bush Valley, Arizona Territory. They crossed the Colorado River at Lee's Ferry and then traveled through the Little Colorado River settlements until they reached their destination of Alpine in Bush Valley. The Heywoods acquired 160 acres of bottom land and began manufacturing cheese to sell at Springerville, Saint Johns and Holbrook.

In 1888, The elder Heywood received his missionary call for the Church of Jesus Christ Latter-day Saints (Mormons). He spent the next three years in New Zealand. Hard times descended upon the family and ranch in Alpine. Sarah Heywood taught at schools in Saint Johns and Luna Valley. In 1891, Joseph Heywood returned to farming and assumed the bishopric of Alpine.

Neal Heywood attended Brigham Young Academy in Provo, Utah from August 1895 to February 1897. Sickness forced him to terminate his studies and return to his family in Saint Johns, Arizona where they had moved in 1896 to relieve Sarah's respiratory problems. Neal Heywood began teaching at Saint Johns and Greer in June 1897. The family moved to Thatcher, Arizona in 1899.

Neal Heywood accepted his missionary call in 1900 and was assigned to the North Texas Conference of the Southwestern States Mission. He arrived at Cobb, Texas on April 4, 1900. He was transferred to the East Kansas Conference in October of 1901. Heywood was released from missionary work on May 27, 1902. After his father died in 1904, he assumed responsibility for the family.

On May 11, 1906, Heywood married Alvenia Savage in Salt Lake City. They remained there while he studied law, but returned to Thatcher when his mother contracted typhoid fever. Neal and Alvenia Heywood had three children, Cleona, Joseph, and Mary. Alvenia Heywood died on February 21, 1915 from complications during a pregnancy.

Heywood attended classes at the University of Missouri in 1910. He studied medicine at the Los Angeles College of Osteopathy from 1911 to 1915. He took graduate courses at the Post Graduate Medical School in New York City, New York in 1919.

On January 30, 1916, Heywood married Emma Frederickson. They had five children, Bernard Shernil (1917-), Max Winston, Charles Wallace, Junius Neal (1922-1950) and Pearl (1930-). Discouraged with Thatcher, they moved to Saint Johns in August 1920. Heywood entered into a partnership with a Dr. Bouldin, but dissolved their practice after two years. Neal and Emma Heywood moved to Snowflake, Arizona in 1923. In this small town and in the surrounding Navajo County, Neal Heywood practiced osteopathic medicine until 1951.

Heywood combined his professional, civic, and religious interests. He established a maternity hospital in Snowflake; he began vaccination programs in schools from Lakeside to Joseph City; as the poorly-compensated Navajo County Health Officer and often at his own expense, he cared for many people unable to pay for their own health care. He also was an early supporter of the establishment of the Snowflake Water System, city parks, and community swimming pool. Heywood served on the Public Welfare Board and the Snowflake High School Board for several years. He was a member of the Holbrook Rotary Club and served as its president for one year.

Heywood benefited his church. He was superintendent of the Adams Ward in Los Angeles, California, High Councilman in the St. Joseph Stake in Thatcher, Arizona and president of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association in Saint Johns. He regularly taught religious classes in his church in Snowflake

Haywood retired in 1951 and moved to Lewiston, Idaho to be near his son, Bernard, also a doctor. Bernard Heywood joined the armed forces in 1952 and Neal and Emma Heywood returned to Snowflake. They later lived in Holbrook and Mesa. Neal Heywood died in Mesa in 1968; Emma Heywood died in 1971.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: This collection of the papers of Neal Heywood consists of four boxes of manuscript material arranged in six series: (1) Correspondence, 1919-1967; (2) Diaries, 1872-1958; (3) Memoirs, 1935-1964; (4) Speeches, 1927-1954; (5) Printed Matter, 1901-1967; and (6) Financial Documents, 1919-1951.

The bulk of this collection consists of correspondence and both typescript and holograph diaries relating to the missionary and medical careers of Neal Heywood. The materials related to the Heywoods' work in Arizona, Kansas, Texas, and Utah, and his compilation of manuscripts pertaining to Mormon history, cattle ranching, polygamy, Bush Valley, Arizona, and pioneer families of Arizona.

Series One, Correspondence, 1919-1967, relates to Neal Heywood's personal and business career in Arizona. It is arranged chronologically and is mostly outgoing rather than incoming correspondence. Correspondence includes Heywood's second wife Emma, their children Junius, Pearl, and Bernard, Heywood's brothers Yates, David and Leland; friends Evans and Prime Coleman, Dean and Harriet Curry, and the Arizona Pioneers Historical Society. The topics of the letters regard the present and past activities of two generations of the Heywood family, the settlement in Alpine, Arizona, and the acquisition of the Heywood collection by the Arizona Pioneers Historical Society.

Series Two, Diaries, 1872-1958, consists of three different diaries. The first diary was kept by Joseph Heywood from January 1, 1872 to August 15, 1894 (however, there are large gaps in the narrative from April 1, 1872 to February 8, 1878; April 19, 1878 to November 1, 1878; and August 1881 to March 22, 1894). There are no holograph copies of the diaries, but the typescript copies describe the elder Heywood's labors in Upper Kanab, Utah Territory; the family's move to Bush Valley, Arizona Territory, and his ranching and freighting activities in Arizona and Utah. Notes by Evans Coleman accompany these diaries for the period March 8, 1878 to March 13, 1880.

The second diary was kept by Neal Heywood and chronicles his missionary efforts in Texas and Kansas from March 1, 1900 to June 1, 1902. An outline of these diaries (folder 24) contains a brief but useful synopsis of the observations recorded by Heywood. The typescript copies of the diaries (folders 25 through 31) reveal his struggles with prevailing prejudices against the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, especially the problems of polygamy and prophecy. He wrote about the land and people of Texas (entry for August 31, 1900). Missionaries in the field had to provide their own food and shelter and Heywood noted his constant struggle for those necessities (entry for November 20, 1900). Heywood had many discussions, some quite heated, with followers of different denominations, particularly Baptists. The seven holograph diaries (folders 45 through 48) are also contained in this series.

The third diary by Neal Heywood extended from 1929 to 1958 (with several gaps for the years 1929, 1931, 1935, 1940-43, and 1952). In it he recorded the day to day activities and observations of a small town doctor. He mulls over the background of cases he has attended and wonders what the future will hold for those people (entries November 25, 1928; May 7, 1930). He noted payment irregularities (entry April 1, 1932) illegitimate children (entries April 5, 1939; September 2, 1939), acute poverty (entry November 22, 1939), and faithlessness shown by patients (entry August 22, 1944). Heywood had a deep concern for the welfare of both his family (entry January 6, 1945) and his patients (entry January 22, 1945).

Series Three, Memoirs, 1927-1964, consists of Neal Heywood's writings about his life and Arizona history. Autobiographical information include reminiscent narratives written in 1940, 1941, and 1950, and several undated typescripts. Reminiscences, 1935-64, recalled sketches of polygamists in Utah and Arizona and a history of Alpine, Arizona. He also collected the experiences of friends such as Mr. and Mrs. Evans Coleman, Prime Coleman, Alma Frederickson, Leona Hansen, Lloyd Henning, Elizabeth Coleman Jacobs, Joseph R. Peterson and Ammon Tenny. The Fredrickson article claimed to be an eyewitness account of Francisco Villa's raid on Columbus, New Mexico in 1916.

Series Four, Speeches, 1927-1954, consists of untitled talks given by Heywood before various groups in Navajo County. It includes several funeral orations (June 26, 1949; August 6, 1950), and a collection of miscellaneous jokes, poems and anecdotes.

Series Five, Printed Matter, 1901-1967, includes newspaper clippings concerning Snowflake, Arizona, obituaries of Prime Evans, Sarah Heywood, Emma Heywood; Mormon missionary calling cards of Ira R. Rudy and George Parkinson; a program from the New York Academy of Medicine (1919); and a program from the dedication of the Fort Bush monument (153) of Alpine, Arizona which was built by the settlers as protection against the Apaches in 1880. The last program also lists the settlers in Alpine from 1876-1884. Heywood's missionary certificate of 1900 is also included in this series.

Series Six, Financial Documents, 1919-1951, consists of seven accounts-payable ledgers (1923-1949), receipts and statements of money owed to Heywood by patients in Snowflake and surrounding Navajo County for medical services. The ledgers listed the names of patients, treatment given and charges made to the account.

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CONTAINER LIST:

Box	Folder	Description	Dates
1		Series 1, Correspondence	1919-1967
	1	Correspondence	1919
	2	Correspondence	1928-1939
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	5	Correspondence	1944-1945
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	10	Correspondence	Jan-Apr 1949
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	12	Correspondence	Sep-Dec 1949
	13	Correspondence	Jan-Apr 1950
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	20	Correspondence	1954
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		Series 2, Diaries	1872-1880; 1900-1902; 1928-1958
	24	Outline to Heal Heywood Diary	1900-1902
	25	Typescript	Mar 1-Aug 31, 1900
	26	Typescript	Sep 1-Feb 8 1901
	27	Typescript	Feb 9-Jun 9, 1901
	28	Typescript	Jun 10-Oct 8, 1901
	29	Typescript	Oct 9, 1901-Mar 8, 1902
	30	Typescript	Mar 9-Jun 1, 1902
	30a	Duplicate copies of Diaries	Mar 1, 1900-Jun 1, 1902
	31	Typescript	1928, 30, 32-34, 36-39
	32	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	1940, 1944-45
	33	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Apr 2-Nov 21, 1946
	34	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Jan 1-May 19, 1947
	35	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Jun 7-Dec 30, 1947
	36	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Jan 1-Mar 14, 1948
	37	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Haywood	1949
	38	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Jan 10-Jul 22, 1950
	39	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Jan 15-Nov 20, 1951
	40	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Mar 28-Aug 12, 1953

3	41	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Jan-Mar 4, 1954; Feb 3-Nov 7, 1955
	42	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Feb 23-Nov 30, 1956
	43	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Jan 8-Dec 2, 1957
	44	Typescript and Holograph Diaries of Neal Heywood	Jan 15-Mar 1, 1958
	45	Holograph Diaries of Neal Haywood	Mar 1, 1900-Feb 8, 1901
	46	Holograph Diaries of Neal Haywood	Feb 9-Oct 8, 1901
	47	Holograph Diaries of Neal Haywood	Oct 9, 1901-Jun 1, 1902
	48	Holograph Notebooks of Neal Haywood	Oct 9, 1901-Jun 1, 1902, 1901, no date
	49	Typescript of Joseph Heywood Sr. Diaries	Jan 2-Apr 29, 1972; Feb 9-Apr 18, 1878; Nov 2-Dec 31, 1878
	50	Typescript of Joseph Heywood Sr. Diaries	Jan 1-Jun 27, 1879
	51	Typescript of Joseph Heywood Sr. Diaries	Jun 28, 1879-Jun 12, 1880
	52	Evans Coleman notes for first part of J.N. Heywood, Sr. Diary	Jan 2, 1872-Jan 1, 1880
	53	Typescript of Joseph Heywood, Sr. Diaries	Jan 13-Jul 16, 1880
	54	Typescript of Joseph Heywood, Sr. Diaries	Jul 7-Dec 31, 1880
	55	Typescript of Joseph Heywood, Sr. Diaries	Jan 1-Jul 1881; Mar 23-Aug 15, 1894
	56	Evans Coleman notes for Joseph Heywood, Sr. Diaries	Jan 13-Mar 13, 1880
		Series 3, Memoirs and Reminiscences	1935-1964
	57	Autobiographical Memoirs by Neal Heywood	1940-1948
	58	Autobiographical Memoirs by Neal Heywood	1950
	59	Autobiographical Memoirs by Neal Heywood	No date
	60	Autobiographical Reminiscences by Neal Heywood	1935-1964
3a	61	Reminiscences of Sarah Francelle Heywood & Alvenia Savage Heywood collected by Mary Heywood Lewis	ca. 1960

3a	62	Reminiscences of Joseph Neal Heywood collected by Mary Heywood Lewis	ca. 1960
	63	Reminiscences collected by Neal Heywood (Stories by Evans Coleman, Prime Coleman, Mrs. E.B. Coleman, Alma Frederickson, Leona Hansen)	ca. 1900-1950
	64	Reminiscences collected by Neal Heywood (Stories by Lloyd C. Henning, Joseph Peterson, Ammon M. Tenney)	ca. 1900-1950
		Series 4, Speeches	1927-1954
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		Series 5, Printed Matter	1901-1967
	70	Clippings, obituaries, cards, certificates	1901-1967
		Series 6, Receipts and Ledgers	1919-1951
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		Ledger	1934-1938
		Ledger	1938-1940
		Ledger	1940-1944
		Ledger	1944-1951