DESCRIPTION

Photographs and photograph albums of a pioneer Tucson family, friends and family homes in Tucson, ca. 1850 to 1955, but mostly from 1880 to 1900.

4 boxes, 3.5 linear ft.

ACQUISITION


ACCESS

Some materials restricted due to fragile condition; copies are available for patron use.

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PROCESSING

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Pioneer Tucson family; Benjamin Heney, Sr. was a Tucson Mayor, businessman and editor of El Fronterizo newspaper. His wife, Ermina Roca, was the daughter of local merchant Miguel G. Roca. Their children were Carlyle F. Heney, Ruth Heney, Mina (married Col. William D. Smith), and Freicia (married Col. Aubrey Lippincott). Aubrey Lippincott, Jr. was stationed with the 13th Cavalry at Columbus, New Mexico when Pancho Villa attacked in March 1916. His father was physician at Fort Lowell. Ruth Heney worked for the Tucson office of the U.S. Postal Service from 1912 to the 1950s. She attended the University of Arizona and graduated from the Girls Collegiate School of Los Angeles.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Photographs and photograph albums of family, friends and family homes including cartes-de-visite, cabinet cards, cyanotypes, and other formats. Includes portraits of the Heney family, P.R. Tully, William and Julia Zeckendorf, the Roca family, Gen. Ignacio Pesquiera, C.H. Lord, Francis J. Heney, Mariano Samaniego, Dolores Aguirre, and Elena Pearson.
There are images of students, dormitories, classrooms, and performances of Ruth’s high school in California, and the Heney sisters’ visit to Columbus, New Mexico about 1916. These photographs show army life and soldiers including images of soldiers playing polo. There are also images of a baby bathing in a U.S. government bucket and a small child photographing a stuffed bear.

**BOX AND FOLDER LIST**

**Box 1** – Album of cabinet cards and cartes-de-visite containing studio portraits of pioneer Tucson families related to the Heney family including:

- The Heney family
- The Roca family
- P.R. Tully
- Julia and Willam Zeckendorf
- Gen. Ignacio Pesquiera
- C.H. Lord
- Elena Pearson
- Mariano Samaniego and his wife, Dolores Aguirre
- Antonio Haro

**Box 2** – 3 albums

1. Chiefly unidentified infants and children of the family
2. Ruth Heney’s school days in California
   Heney sisters’ visit to army camp at Columbus, New Mexico
3. Dr. Lippincott and his grandson, two cyanotypes, a track runner, baby bathing in a bucket, and child photographing teddy bear, and other family scenes

**Box 3** – 2 albums

1. Girl’s Collegiate School in Los Angeles – school girls, theatrical costumes and plays, classrooms, dormitories, ca. 1890s
2. Unidentified family homes

**Box 4** Loose photographs

f.1 Ben Heney portraits, 1885-1955, includes street postcard
f.2 Heney family and homes including image of Tucson’s bell tower and George Smalley
f.3 Carlyle F. Heney
f.4 Ermina Roca Heney, ca. 1950s
f.5 Ruth Heney
f.6 Heney homes at 141 So. 5th Avenue, 338 N. Granada