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**MS 765
Albert Stewart Collection
1918 – 1931/1944****DESCRIPTION**

This small collection consists of photographs and manuscripts associated with the travels of Rev A. C. Stewart to small Arizona communities between 1918 and 1931. Manuscripts articles prepared by Stewart appeared in *The Sunday-School Missionary* and contain highlights of his travels and activities within Arizona communities. Articles reflect work and travels performed in such communities as Verde Valley, Jerome, Hackberry, Gila Bend, Yorba Gulch, and Dragoon. Photos show Sunday-school groups, small rural schoolhouses & community buildings, ranches, and mountain scenery. Several years ago the photographs were removed from the manuscript materials of this collection and placed in the general photo section. A photocopied image and location index was prepared and is present in the manuscript collection enabling the researcher to locate specific images.

1 Box, .25 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Rev. A.C. Stewart was born near Allen, Nebraska in 1880. He was ordained in the Christian Church (Disciples) in Nebraska, but spent his later years as a member of the First Baptist Church in Tucson. Stewart moved to Arizona in 1917 as a missionary for the American Sunday Union. Initially headquartered in Prescott he soon relocated to Tucson in 1919. Stewart traveled extensively through Arizona especially to small, rural towns. His services as a missionary ranged from presiding over funeral services in areas without a religious leader, converting “unsaved souls,” distributing Bibles, organizing Sunday schools and Vacation Bible schools, holding evangelistic meetings, and creating congregations in small Arizona towns. His experiences motivated him to collect money and clothing for the poor he encountered on his travels. Stewart retired from the American Sunday School Union in 1943 but continued to work as a clergyman until the mid-1950s. He never married and died in 1951.

ACQUISITION - Donation and donation date unknown.

ACCESS - There are no restrictions on access to this collection.

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PROCESSING

The collection was reprocessed by Dave Tackenberg in September 2006.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1

Folder 1: Clippings, Letter & Poem (“Romantic Arizona”)	1944
f.2-3 Stewart Articles in <i>The Sunday-School Missionary</i>	1918 – 1931
f.4 Stewart Photo Inventory – Number Inventory List	
f.5 Stewart Photo Listing – Cochise County	
f.6 Stewart Photo Listing – Coconino, Gila, and Graham Counties	
f.7 Stewart Photo Listing – Maricopa, Mohave, Pima and Pinal Counties	
f.8 Stewart Photo Listing – Santa Cruz, Yavapai, and Yuma Counties	
f.9 Stewart Photo Listing – Images with no I.D.	