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Descriptive Summary

Title: Elwood Mead Papers,

Date (inclusive): 1900-1942

Collection number: MEAD

Creator: Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936

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Scope and Content
- Correspondence, addresses, reports, and press releases on land settlement and irrigation projects in the Western States, Australia, and Mexico.

Access Points
- United States. Bureau of Reclamation. Board of Review
Yuma Project (Ariz.)
Irrigation -- West (U.S.)
Land settlement -- West (U.S.)
Agricultural colonies -- West (U.S.)
Land settlement -- Australia
Irrigation -- Australia
Irrigation -- Mexico

**Biography**

Professor of Rural Institute; born Switzerland County, Ind, Jan. 16, 1858; son of Daniel and Lucinda (Davis) Mead; B.S. Purdue University, 1882; C.E. Iowa State College, 1883; Doctor of Engineering Purdue University, 1904. Assistant Engineer, U.S. Army, 1882; Professor Irrigation Engineering, Colorado Agricultural College. 1883; State Engineer, Wyoming, 1888; Chief of Irrigation & Drainage Investigations, U.S.D.A., 1898; Chairman State Rivers & Water Supply Commission, Australia, 1907; Professor of Rural Institutions, University of California, 1915, U.S. Commissioner of Reclamation, April 1924 to date. Author: *Irrigation Institutions, Helping Men Own Farms. Reports on Irrigation* (U.S.D.A.). Member American Society of Civil Engineers, member British Institution, Engineers.

*Who’s Who in Engineering*, 1925. p. 1414

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**Box 1, Folder MEAD 1**

**Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.**

**Correspondence. 1912-1921.**

- Physical Description: 1 box (8 folders).
- See Correspondence File for contents

**Box 2, Folder MEAD 2**

**Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.**

**Systematic aid to settlers the first need in irrigation development. 1914.**

**Folder MEAD 3**

**Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.**

*A plan for reclaiming and populating the mesa lands bordering the Imperial Irrigation District / By Elwood Mead. 1919.*

- Physical Description: 6 p.; 24 cm.
- Note
  - NB: There is no MEAD 4

**Folder MEAD 5**

**Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.**

**Beneficial and economical use of water / [Elwood Mead].**

- Physical Description: 2 leaves; 28 cm.

**Folder MEAD 6**

**Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.**

**Value of reservoirs in the arid region / [Elwood Mead].**

- Physical Description: 5 leaves; 27 cm.

**Folder MEAD 7**

**Bancalari, Ignacio Lopez.**

*Report on the irrigation works of the Richardson Construction Company in the Yaqui Valley of Sonora. [1918?].*

- Physical Description: 10 leaves; 28 cm.

**Folder MEAD 8**

**Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.**

**The water resources of Mexico / [Elwood Mead]. [1911-1912].**

- Physical Description: 57, 49 leaves; 29 cm.
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<td>The irrigation project [sic] of the Canadian Pacific Railway / [Elwood Mead].</td>
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<td>Titles to water / [Elwood Mead].</td>
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<td>The relation of land settlement to irrigation development [by] Elwood Mead. [n.p., 1922?].</td>
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<td>Present policy of the United States Bureau of Reclamation regarding land settlement / By Elwood Mead. 1927.</td>
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<td>Department of the Interior, speech delivered by Elwood Mead, Commissioner of Bureau of Reclamation at dinner at National Arts Club, New York City, Tuesday, May 5, 1925 [on how to make rural life more attractive]. 1925.</td>
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<td>Physical Description: 13 leaves; 28 cm.</td>
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Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Land settlement and rural credits: statement of the need for an investigation / By Elwood Mead, Professor of Rural Institutions, University of California. 1916.
Physical Description: 5 leaves; 29 cm.

Advice to settlers in the irrigation districts. 1913.
Physical Description: 13 p.; 33 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Extract from the report of Elwood Mead, chairman of the State Rivers' Commission, Victoria, Australia, to the government of New South Wales, Australia, on the development and administration of the... 1911.
Physical Description: 5 leaves; 28 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Irrigation in Australia. [1913?].
Physical Description: 5, [10] leaves; 33 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
How to secure the complete development of Wyoming's irrigation resources. 1925.
Physical Description: 7 leaves; 29 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Letter report to Secretary Work of the Interior Department on the Federal reclamation projects in the West. 1926.
Physical Description: 18 leaves; 29 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Speech of Dr. Elwood Mead, Commissioner of Reclamation, on the problems and accomplishments of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, broadcast by Station WJSV at Washington, D.C., at 8... 1929.
Physical Description: 6 leaves; 29 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Federal reclamation as a national policy / Elwood Mead. [1930?].
Physical Description: 8, 8 p.; 28 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Solvency and value of Federal reclamation projects in all the Western States. 1925.
Physical Description: 11 leaves; 28 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Federal reclamation: its achievements and needs. 1929.
Physical Description: 10 leaves; 28 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Federal reclamation: what it should include. [1926].
Physical Description: [22] leaves; 28 cm.

Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.
Some economic aspects of Federal reclamation / address by Elwood Mead, Commissioner of Reclamation. 1928.
Physical Description: [3] p.; 29 cm.
| Folder MEAD 17 | Tour of inspection and examination of reclamation projects, June 1 to July 15, 1915. 1915. |
| | Physical Description: 1 folder. |
| | Physical Description: 1 v. (ca. 22 leaves); 29 cm. |
| | Physical Description: 23 leaves; 29 cm. |
| | Physical Description: 151 leaves; 29 cm. |
| | Physical Description: 22 leaves; 28 cm. |
| | Physical Description: 1 folder. |
| Box Box 3, Folder MEAD 24 | Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.  
| | Methods and policies which should govern the agricultural development of Green River Valley, Wyoming: abstract of report of Board of Review / Elwood Mead, E. G. Hopson, Jas. B. True.  
| | Physical Description: 15 leaves; 28 cm. |
| | Physical Description: [4] p.; 29 cm. |
| Folder MEAD 26 | Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936. Imperial Valley Project: reports, law and legislation, correspondence, maps. 1916-1919.  
| | Physical Description: 1 folder. |
| Folder MEAD 27 | Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936. Uncompahgre Valley Project, Colorado: reports, maps, correspondence, etc. 1917-1918.  
| | Physical Description: 1 folder. |
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Folder MEAD 29  United States. Bureau of Reclamation.  
Physical Description: 1 folder.

Folder MEAD 30  United States. Bureau of Reclamation.  
Salt River Valley Project, Arizona: reports, correspondence and maps. 1914-1915.
Physical Description: 1 folder.

Folder MEAD 31  Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.  
Sun River Project, Montana: correspondence. 1915.
Physical Description: 1 folder.

Box Box 4,  
Folder MEAD 32  Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.  
Yakima Project, Tieton and Sunnyside Units: correspondence. 1915.
Physical Description: 1 folder.

Folder MEAD 33  United States. Bureau of Reclamation.  
Interim report of the Yuma Mesa (Gila) Predevelopment Committee. 1900.
Physical Description: 26 p.; 28 cm.

Folder MEAD 34  United States. Bureau of Reclamation.  
Umatilla Project, Oregon: proceedings, reports, maps, correspondence. 1915.
Physical Description: 1 folder.

Folder MEAD 35  Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.  
Yuma Project, Arizona: correspondence, etc. 1915.
Physical Description: 1 folder.

Folder MEAD 36  United States. Bureau of Reclamation.  
Yuma Project, Arizona: notes, reports and correspondence. 1914-1937.
Physical Description: 1 folder.

Folder MEAD 36-1  United States. Bureau of Reclamation.  
Yuma irrigation project, Arizona-California / information compiled by United States Reclamation Service. 1909.

Folder MEAD 36-2  Facts, figures and pictures about the city of Yuma and the 150,000 acres of valley and mesa land along the Colorado River which is being reclaimed by the Reclamation Service under the Yuma project... [1915?].

Folder MEAD 37  United States. Bureau of Reclamation. Board of Review.  
Proceedings, Local Board of Review, Yuma Project, Arizona-California. 1915.
Physical Description: 271, 250, 172 leaves; 29 cm.

Folder MEAD 38  Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.  
Physical Description: 129 leaves; 29 cm.

Folder MEAD 39  The Elwood Mead Professorship of Engineering at Colorado State University. Limited ed. [Fort Collins, Colo.: College of Engineering, Colorado State University, [1973?]].

Folder MEAD 40  Mead, Elwood, 1858-1936.  

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Incoming Correspondence

Note
Arranged alphabetically by sender, 1915-1921

Anderson, George G., 1917 Nov. 14
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Physical Description: (8 pieces).

Bien, Morris, 1915 June 14-24
Physical Description: (8 pieces).

Biggs, Edgar A., 1916, Feb. 16
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Blair, R.E., 1915 Sept. 3
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Physical Description: (5 pieces).

Clapp, L., n.d.
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Physical Description: (17 pieces).

Physical Description: (3 pieces).

Cook, M.S., 1916 Oct. 2
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Crosman, Ralph M., 1916 Feb. 2
Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Physical Description: (29 pieces).

Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Doble, W.A., 1915 Oct. 29
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Fishbaugh, George, 1915 July 6
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Fly, B.F., 1915 Oct. 23
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Physical Description: (13 pieces).
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   Physical Description: (7 pieces).

Fraser, Malcolm, 1915 Oct.-Nov.
   Physical Description: (4 pieces).

Gibbs, Charles A., 1915 Aug. 31
   Physical Description: (1 piece).

Grunsky, C.E., 1917 Feb. 21-25
   Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Hadley, B.O., 1915 Oct. 18
   Physical Description: (1 piece).

Hanna, F.W., 1915 July-Nov.
   Physical Description: (5 pieces).

Hauser, H.H., n.d.
   Physical Description: (1 piece).

Hatch, C.H., 1915 July 23-30
   Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Heard, Dwight B., 1915 Nov. 2-11
   Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Henny, D.C., 1917 Jan.-May
   Physical Description: (12 pieces).

Holgate, H.L., 1915 June-Sept.
   Physical Description: (3 pieces).

Holt, Leroy, 1917 Apr.-May
   Physical Description: (4 pieces).

Jacobs, Joseph, 1917 Jan.-Apr.
   Physical Description: (11 pieces).

Jackson, J.M., 1915 Oct. 12-14
   Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Stoddard, Jess, 1918 Feb. 2
   Physical Description: (1 piece).

Johnson, Charles, 1915 Jun.-July
   Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Jones, Fred A., 1915 Jun.-Nov.
   Physical Description: (7 pieces).

Killian, Thomas, 1915 Aug. 21
   Physical Description: (1 piece).
Physical Description: (10 pieces).

Koebig & Koebig, 1917 Nov. 3
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Lane, Franklin, 1915 June-1917 Mar.
Physical Description: (11 pieces).

Physical Description: (11 pieces).

Lofftens, Grover, 1917 Nov. 16
Physical Description: (1 piece).

McIver, F.H., 1917 Apr. 6
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Mills, 1915 July 17
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Physical Description: (4 pieces).

Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Physical Description: (2 pieces).

Olin, Walter H., 1915 Aug. 4
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Physical Description: (9 pieces).

Packard, W.E., 1917 Dec. 6
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Phelen, James D., 1917 Nov. 30
Physical Description: (1 piece).

Physical Description: (6 pieces).

Ryan, W.A., 1915 Nov. 17
Physical Description: (2 pieces).

SMALEY, Abbott F., 1915 Sept. 9
Physical Description: (1 piece).
Smith, Earl B., 1915 Sept. 20
   Physical Description: (1 piece).

Snyder, I.N., 1915 Aug. 24
   Physical Description: (1 piece).

Taylor, T.U., 1915 June-July
   Physical Description: (5 pieces).

   Physical Description: (38 pieces).

Vomoul, L., 1915 Nov. 15
   Physical Description: (1 piece).

   Physical Description: (4 pieces).

Williams, Charles R., 1915 Oct. 23
   Physical Description: (2 pieces).

   Physical Description: (4 pieces).

Willis, R.H., 1921 July 13
   Physical Description: (1 piece).

Wills, R.E., 1916 Oct. 2
   Physical Description: (1 piece).

Outgoing Correspondence
   Approximately 215 pieces, many written to names on the above list.
   Note
   Arranged chronologically 1912-1918