

**TITLE:** Ellinwood Family Papers

**DATE RANGE:** 1889 - 1982

**CALL NUMBER:** MS 243

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 21 boxes, 10.5 linear feet

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**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:**

Everett E. Ellinwood, noted Arizona jurist, was born July 22, 1862, in Rock Creek, Ohio. Upon receiving a law degree from the University of Michigan in 1890, Ellinwood moved to Flagstaff, Arizona Territory to open a practice. In 1893, President Grover Cleveland appointed him United States District Attorney to the territory, a position he held until 1989.

After his tenure as district attorney, Ellinwood resumed private legal practice and had offices in Flagstaff, Tucson, Prescott, Bisbee, and Phoenix. In addition, he worked as an attorney for the El Paso and Southwestern Railroad and the Phelps Dodge Corporation, was a member of the Arizona Constitutional Convention in 1910, belonged to the American Bar Association and the Arizona State Bar, and served as president of the Phoenix National Bank and Phoenix Savings and Trust Company. Committed to serving his adopted state, he launched an ill-fated campaign against incumbent Governor G.W.P. Hunt in the 1926 Democratic primary. Ellinwood ran on a platform of resolving the Colorado River controversy, strengthening the state's banks, and eliminating waste in state government. With an interest in the state's educational needs, he served as president of the Board of Regents from 1923 to 1927, and again from 1933 to 1941.

E.E. Ellinwood married Minnie L. Walkley, also a native of Rock Creek, in 1886. They had two children, Cornelia Ellinwood Morris and Ralph Everett Ellinwood. Mrs. Ellinwood passed away in 1932, and he married Hazel Nesbit the following year. On August 8, 1943, the senior Ellinwood died at the age of 81.

Ralph Ellinwood was born August 9, 1893, in Flagstaff, Arizona Territory. He benefited from a private education, attending boarding schools in California and New Hampshire before graduating from the Montclair Military Academy and, later, Amherst College.

In his junior year at Amherst, the United States declared war on Germany and the Younger Ellinwood enlisted in the American Field Service. He sailed to France in June, 1917, to serve with an ambulance unit attached to the French army. Captured by the Germans in May, 1918, Ellinwood spent the remainder of the war as a prisoner. Upon returning to the States in 1919, he recounted his experiences in Behind the German Lines, which he paid to have published the following year.

Forgoing a career in law, Ralph Ellinwood pursued newspaper work, earning a B. Lit. degree from the Columbia School of Journalism in 1921. The same year he married Clare Rounsevell, whom he had met while going to school in California. Born June 29, 1896 in Cuba, New York, Clare served overseas during World War I, stationed in France with the U.S. Army Base Hospital 20 as secretary to the commanding Officer.

Living briefly in Bisbee and Tucson, the Ellinwoods moved to California where Ralph worked as a telegraph editor of the "Sacramento Union". They returned to Tucson in November, 1924, when Ralph Ellinwood and William R. Matthews purchased the "Arizona Daily Star" from the Phelps Dodge Corporation. Ellinwood served as editor while Matthews worked as business manager.

On August 30, 1930, Ralph Ellinwood suffered a fatal heart attack. After her husband's death, Clare took an active role in running the Newspaper. Besides being a contributor to the "Star", she directed the policies of the paper's women's department away from merely society news to coverage of more important women's issues. She remained co-publisher and half owner from her husband's death until 1965. Among her many civic activities, Clare Ellinwood supported the Nature Conservancy and served as a trustee for the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. She died January 1, 1989.

Ralph and Clare Ellinwood had three children: Thomas, born in 1922; Betsey, born in 1924; and John, born in 1925. Thomas followed in his father's journalistic footsteps, working as both an illustrator and executive editor for the "Arizona Daily Star".

#### **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:**

The Ellinwood papers consist of twenty-one boxes (10.5 cubic feet) arranged in twelve series: (1) Correspondence, 1889-1982; (2) Published Material, 1906-1971; (3) Unpublished Material; (4) Legal Records, 1892-1916; (5) Archaeological Expedition Material, 1923-1924; (6) Campaign Material; (7) Family Histories; (8) Miscellaneous Material, 1890-1954; (9) Photographs; (10) Postcards; (11) Scrapbook Material; and (12) Certificates.

This collection contains numerous correspondence from the Ellinwoods and Rounsevells, two very prolific letter-writing families. However, the primary correspondents are Ralph and Clare Ellinwood. The Ellinwood letters are rich in biographical material.

Although the Rounsevell contributions do not pertain directly to Arizona History, they too contain valuable biographical information. Clare Rounsevell Ellinwood came from an interesting pedigree. Her paternal grandparents, George and Elizabeth Rounsevell, were political and social activists who supported progressive and socialist causes. Kate C. Rounsevell (later Johannessen), Clare's mother, served overseas during World War I with the Y.M.C.A. Her father, Nelson Rounsevell, was founder, editor and publisher of the "Panama American" newspaper, and pursued many other business ventures throughout his life.

Series One, Correspondence, 1889-1982, contains the private and public letters of the Ellinwood and Rounsevell families. Notable among the Ellinwood material are letters from Ralph to his family while serving overseas in World War I. When news of Ralph's internment reached the States, the elder Ellinwoods were inundated with sympathy letters from family and friends, including William Brophy, Michael Riordan and Senator Marcus Smith. Letters between Everett and Ralph Ellinwood, as well as Ralph and newspaperman Bart P. Guild of the "Bisbee Review", provide insight into the subsequent purchase of the "Arizona Daily Star". Following her husband's death, Clare Ellinwood received numerous telegrams and sympathy letters, including regards from Senator Henry Ashurst, G.W.P. Hunt, and Edith Kitt of the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society. Earlier Rounsevell correspondence contains the wartime experiences of Clare, Kate, and Nelson, all of whom volunteered for service. Folders are arranged chronologically by subject.

Series Two, Published Material, 1906-1971, includes published works by Ralph and Thomas Ellinwood, George and Elizabeth Rounsevell, and Nelson Rounsevell. Elizabeth Rounsevell served as editor of the "Women's Department", a column from the socialist publication, "The World". Her published works also include poems, letters to the editor, and articles in newspapers and periodicals, all of which contain her thoughts on socialism and contemporary issues. Items are arranged chronologically by subject.

Series Three, Unpublished Material, contains essays written by Ralph Ellinwood while a student at Columbia. Of particular interest is a piece on Women's suffrage. Elizabeth Rounsevell's writings are in the form of essays, speeches, and diaries. Most are undated. Topics deal with the issues of Progressivism, labor, socialism, and taxation. Both Kate and Nelson Rounsevell wrote down their reminiscences as volunteers during World War I. Folders in the series are arranged by subject.

Series Four, Legal Records, 1892-1916, contains the personal docket of U.S. District Attorney Everett E. Ellinwood and copies of indictments under Acts of Congress, U.S. Penal Code and Revised Statutes. Copies of depositions regarding the expulsion of Navajos from public lands and accompanying correspondence to the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Indian Affairs are included. Folders are arranged chronologically.

Series Five, Archaeological Expedition Material, 1923-1924, consists of a diary, drawings, photographs and negatives of an archaeological expedition to northern Arizona and Rainbow Bridge, Utah. Ralph Ellinwood, who accompanied a University of Arizona archaeological team, compiled the material. This expedition served as the basis for an Ellinwood manuscript found in

Series Three, folder 109. The second half of Ellinwood's diary contains entries on the acquisition of the "Arizona Daily Star".

Series Six, Campaign Material, pertains to Everett E. Ellinwood's unsuccessful bid to defeat incumbent G.W.P. Hunt in the 1926 Democratic gubernatorial primary. Included are photographs of Ellinwood, a newsletter, brochures detailing his platform, and a copy of his final campaign speech.

Series Seven, Miscellaneous Material, 1890-1954. This series contains a broad and varied collection of items that belonged to members of the Ellinwood and Rounsevell families. Among the E.E. Ellinwood material is a 1934 letter from Tucson Mayor Henry O. Jaastad typed on Arizona copper. A citation from the American Field Service, as well as a final exam from Columbia School of Journalism are found in the Ralph Ellinwood folder. Much of the Kate Rounsevell miscellany concerns her work overseas, 1918-1919. Items in this series are arranged chronologically by subject.

Series Nine, Photographs, contains Ellinwood family photos, mostly of Ralph as a young student and his eldest, child Thomas, and Nelson Rounsevell's photos from Nevada, California, Washington, Panama, and Peru. Folders are arranged by subject.

Series Ten, Postcards, consists of items collected by Ralph Ellinwood during his tour of duty in France and reveal the devastating effects of war. Ellinwood's Arizona postcards have been transferred to the Arizona Postcard Collection. Most of the postcards in the Nelson Rounsevell folder are from Central and South America.

Series Eleven, Scrapbook Material, contains newspaper clippings chronicling Everett E. Ellinwood's campaign for governor of Arizona.

Series Twelve, Certificates, contains certificated, diplomas and licenses belonging to Everett, Ralph and Cornelia Ellinwood. Items in this series are arranged chronologically and are housed in Oversize.

**CONTAINER LIST:**

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
<b>1</b>		Series One, Correspondence	1889-1982
	1	E.E. Ellinwood to Ralph Ellinwood	Sep-Dec 1912
	2	E.E. Ellinwood to Ralph Ellinwood	Jan-Dec 1913
	3	E.E. Ellinwood to Ralph Ellinwood	Jan-May 1914
	4	E.E. Ellinwood to Ralph Ellinwood	Sep 1919-May 1920
	5	E.E. Ellinwood to Ralph Ellinwood	Sep 1920-May 1921
	6	Minnie W. Ellinwood to Ralph Ellinwood	Jan-May 1912
	7	Minnie W. Ellinwood to Ralph Ellinwood	Jan-May 1913

	8	Minnie W. Ellinwood to Ralph Ellinwood	Jan-May 1914
<b>2</b>	9	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Oct 1906-Dec 1907
	10	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Jan-Dec 1908
	11	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Feb-Dec 1909
	12	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Jan-Dec 1910
	13	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Jan 1911-Dec 1912
	14	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Jan-Jun 1913
	15	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Sep-Dec 1913
<b>3</b>	16	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Jan-Nov 1914
	17	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Mar-Jul 1915
	18	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Aug-Dec 1915
	19	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Jun-Jul 1917
	20	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Aug-Sep 1917
	21	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Oct-Dec 1917
	22	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Jan-Mar 1918
<b>4</b>	23	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Apr-May 1918
	24	Ralph Ellinwood to Family while POW	Jun-Dec 1918
	25	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Jan-Mar 1919
	26	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	Jun-Dec 1919
	27	Ralph Ellinwood to Family	1920-1921
	28	Miscellaneous to Ralph Ellinwood re. Enlistment	May-Jun 1917
	29	Ralph Ellinwood re. <u>Behind the German Lines</u>	1919-1920
	30	Bart P. Guild to Ralph Ellinwood	Dec 1919-May 1921
	31	Miscellaneous to Ralph Ellinwood	1920-1921
<b>5</b>	32	Ralph Ellinwood to Clare Rounsevell	Sep 1915-Aug 1916
	33	Ralph Ellinwood to Clare Rounsevell	Sep 1916-Feb 1917
	34	Ralph Ellinwood to Clare Rounsevell	Mar 1917-Apr 1918
	35	Ralph Ellinwood to Clare Rounsevell	Apr-Oct 1919
	36	Ralph Ellinwood – Clare Rounsevell	Nov 1919-Dec 1920
	37	Ralph Ellinwood – Clare Rounsevell	Feb-Apr 1921
	38	Ralph Ellinwood – Clare Rounsevell	Apr 12-20, 1921
<b>6</b>	39	Ralph Ellinwood – Clare Rounsevell	May 1921
	40	Ralph Ellinwood – Clare Rounsevell	June 1921
	41	Ralph Ellinwood – Clare Rounsevell	Aug-Nov 1921
	42	Ralph Ellinwood – Clare Rounsevell	Jan-Dec 1922
<b>7</b>	43	Ralph Ellinwood – Clare Rounsevell	Jun-Dec 1923
	44	Ralph & Clare Ellinwood	Feb-Nov 1923

	45	Ralph & Clare Ellinwood –Rounsevell Family	1925-1928
	46	Ralph & Clare Ellinwood – Rounsevell Family	1921-1925
	47	Ralph & Clare Ellinwood – Ellinwood Family	1922-1930
	48	Miscellaneous to Ralph & Clare Ellinwood	1921-1928
<b>8</b>	49	Clare Rounsevell	1917-1919
	50	Clare Rounsevell	Jun-Dec 1918
	51	Clare Rounsevell	Jan-Nov 1919
	52	Miscellaneous to Clare Rounsevell	1916-1920
	53	Clare Ellinwood re. Ralph Ellinwood death	August 1930
	54	Clare Ellinwood re. Ralph Ellinwood death	Sep 1930
<b>9</b>	55	Clare Ellinwood re. Ralph Ellinwood death	Sep 1930
	56	Clare Ellinwood re. Ralph Ellinwood death	Sep 1930
	57	Clare Ellinwood re. Ralph Ellinwood death	Oct 1930-Oct 1931
	58	Sympathy Cards to Clare Ellinwood	1930
	59	Clare Ellinwood	1931-1942
	60	Clare Ellinwood	1943-1945
<b>10</b>	61	Clare Ellinwood re. Pulliam Deal agreement	Sep-Oct 1946
	62	Clare Ellinwood	1946-1947
	63	Clare Ellinwood	1948
	64	Clare Ellinwood	1949
	65	Clare Ellinwood	1950-1951
	66	Clare Ellinwood	1952-1953
	67	Clare Ellinwood	1954-1982
<b>11</b>	68	Cornelia Ellinwood	1915
	69	Cornelia Ellinwood	Jun-Nov 1916
	70	Cornelia Ellinwood Cards	Dec 1916
	71	Cornelia Ellinwood Cards	Dec 1916
	72	Cornelia Ellinwood Morris	Jan-Dec 1918
	73	Cornelia Ellinwood Morris	1930
<b>12</b>	74	Ellinwood Family	1895-1912
	75	Ellinwood Family	1913-1914
	76	Ellinwood Family	1915
	77	Ellinwood Family	1918-1919
	78	Ellinwood Family	1920
	79	Ellinwood Family	1921
	80	Miscellaneous Ellinwood Family	Jan 1914-Jan 1917
	81	Miscellaneous Ellinwood Family	Jan-Jun 1918
<b>13</b>	82	Ellinwood Family re Ralph's Internment as POW	Jun 1918
	83	Ellinwood Family re Ralph's Internment as POW	Jul 1-19, 1918
	84	Ellinwood Family re Ralph's Internment as POW	Jul 20-30, 1918
	85	Ellinwood Family re Ralph's Internment as POW	Aug-Sep 1918
	86	Ellinwood Family re Ralph's Internment as POW	Oct 1918-Mar 1919

	87	Miscellaneous Ellinwood Family	1919-1922
<b>14</b>	88	Everett & Minnie Ellinwood	1930-1937
	89	George & Elizabeth Rounsevell	1889-1912
	90	George & Elizabeth Rounsevell	1913-1916
	91	George & Elizabeth Rounsevell	1917-1922
	92	Nelson Rounsevell	1906-1913
	93	Nelson Rounsevell	Mar-Dec 1914
	94	Nelson Rounsevell	1915-1916
	95	Nelson Rounsevell	Jan 1917-May 1918
	96	Nelson Rounsevell	Jun-Dec 1918
<b>15</b>	97	Nelson Rounsevell	Jan-Dec 1919
	98	Nelson Rounsevell	1920-1922
	99	Nelson Rounsevell	Jan-Nov 1923
	100	Nelson Rounsevell	1924-1948
	101	Kate Rounsevell	1910-1918
	102	Kate Rounsevell Transcripts	May 1918-Oct 1919
	103	Kate Rounsevell	1919-1954
<b>16</b>		Series Two, Published Material	1906-1971
	104	Ralph Ellinwood manuscript <u>Behind the German Lines</u> and publishers galleys	1920
	105	Thomas Ellinwood <u>More Cow Country</u>	1971
	106	Elizabeth Rounsevell published material	1906-1918
	107	Nelson Rounsevell published material	1933
		Series Three, Unpublished Material	1933
	108	Ralph Ellinwood manuscripts	1919-1920
	109	Ralph Ellinwood manuscripts	1923-1924
	110	Elizabeth Rounsevell manuscripts	1892-1920
	111	Elizabeth Rounsevell manuscripts	Undated
	112	Elizabeth Rounsevell manuscripts	Undated
	113	Elizabeth Rounsevell diaries	1904-1917
<b>17</b>	114	Elizabeth Rounsevell manuscripts & newspaper clippings, on the Socialist Encampment	1910
	115	Nelson Rounsevell (under name Ted Phelps)	1915
	116	Nelson Rounsevell manuscripts	1917-1922
	117	Kate Rounsevell diary and Manuscript	1918-1919
		Series Four, Legal Records	1892-1916
	118	Everett E. Ellinwood	1892-1899
	119	Everett E. Ellinwood	1897
	120	Everett E. Ellinwood copies of indictments	1909-1916
<b>18</b>		Series Five, Archaeological Expedition Material	1923-1924
	121	Ralph Ellinwood, Archaeological Expedition	1923-1924
		Series Six, Campaign Material	
	122	Everett E. Ellinwood campaign material	1926

		Series Seven, Family Histories	
	123	Ellinwood Family History	
	124	Rounsevell (Wolcott, Quin, Phelps) Family Histories	1932-1942
		Series Eight, Miscellaneous Material	1890-1954
	125	Everett E. Ellinwood	1934
	126	Ralph Ellinwood	1907-1918
	127	Ralph Ellinwood	1919-1923
<b>19</b>	128	Clare Rounsevell Ellinwood	1917-1954
	129	Cornelia Ellinwood Morris	1893-1918
	130	George & Elizabeth Rounsevell	1890-1923
	131	Nelson Rounsevell	1914-1932
	132	Kate Rounsevell	1918-1923
<b>20</b>		Series Nine, Photographs	
	133	Ellinwood Family miscellaneous photographs/negatives	Undated
	134	Nelson Rounsevell miscellaneous photographs	1909-1914
		Series Ten, Postcards	
	135	Ralph Ellinwood postcards from France	1917-1918
	136	Ralph Ellinwood miscellaneous postcards	Undated
	137	Nelson Rounsevell miscellaneous postcards	Undated
<b>21</b>	Oversize	Series Eleven, Scrapbook Material	1926
		Everett E. Ellinwood, gubernatorial race material	1926
		Series Twelve, Certificates	undated