

Edmond Joseph Theophilus McWeeney

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Papers of Edmond Joseph Theophilus (Theo) McWeeney, relating to his medical education and career as a Tuberculosis specialist at the Irish Department of Health and the World Health Organisation. Papers also include autobiographical and other articles and lectures written by McWeeney.

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EJTM
Edmond Joseph Theophilus McWeeney

Collection
1925-1970s

Extent:

1 box

Creator:

McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Papers of Edmond Joseph Theophilus McWeeney, including papers relating to his medical education and career as a Tuberculosis specialist at the Irish Department of Health and the World Health Organisation. Papers also include articles, lectures and other prose writing by McWeeney, many of which are autobiographical. Also a small collection of newspaper cuttings relating to his father Prof E J McWeeney.

Arrangement:

Files are arranged thematically

Administrative History:

Edmond Joseph Theophilus (Theo) McWeeney was born in 1894 the son of the pathologist Professor Edmond J McWeeney. Theo McWeeney was a medical student at University College Dublin on the outbreak of the First World War, he left his studies to join the British Army serving on the Western Front. He returned to Dublin receiving his MB in 1922, after which he spent time in the Irish Free State Army Medical Service and the Medical Service of the Royal Air Force. McWeeney received his MD in 1932, he then worked for the Public Health Department in Ireland, which a special focus on Tuberculosis. In 1950 McWeeney moved to the World Health Organisation, providing advice on Tuberculosis. He retired in 1964 returning to Dublin, where he wrote and lectured. He died in November 1976, leaving a wife Margaret 'Patsy' (nee Brady) and a daughter, Dr Monica McWeeney.

Acquisition:

The papers were donated to the archive by the McWeeney family.

Access Conditions:

Access subject to the conditions laid out in the Heritage Centre Access Guidelines

Reproductions:

Copying of archive material is subject to the conditions laid out in the Heritage Centre Copying Guidelines

EJTM/1 Medical Training and Career 1930-1942

Extent:

31 items including rolled items

Creator:

McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Papers relating to the medical training and career of Theo McWeeney, including his degree certificates, letters of recommendation and letters of appointment.

EJTM/2 Tuberculosis and the BCG Vaccine in Ireland 1938-1947

Extent:

16 items

Creator:

McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Reports and papers of TB and the BCG vaccine from McWeeney's time as medical officers with the Department of Health. File includes a typescript report on a 'Tuberculin Survey in Artane Industrial School' (1945), a report by McWeeney on 'The Employment of BCG Vaccination in Ireland' (1946), the typescript of a lecture by McWeeney on BCG (1947) and an undated 'Epidemiological History of Tuberculosis in Ireland' by B O'Donnell. +File also contains a number of printed articles on TB more generally including an article by McWeeney 'A Survey with Histoplsmin in Dublin' (1946).

EJTM/3 Newspaper Cuttings 1941-1962

Extent:

18 items

Creator:

McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Newspaper cuttings about or by McWeeney

EJTM/4
World Health Organisation

Series
1950-1964

Extent:
7 files

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:
Papers relating to McWeeney's time with the World Health Organisation. In 1950 McWeeney was released from his position with the Department of Health to join the World Health Organisation as a consultant on Tuberculosis, he worked first in India followed by a series of other postings, including missions to Ghana and the Philippines.

EJTM/4/1 Photographs

**c.1950s-
1960s**

Extent:
25 items

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:
File of photographs, mostly unlabelled, covering McWeeney's time with the WHO, photographs include images of McWeeny and other WHO officials and also of the vaccination programmes.

EJTM/4/2 Personal Letters

1955-1960

Extent:
8 items

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:
Letters from Theo McWeeney to his wife during his mission to Ghana with the World Health Organisation in 1960, with a letter from McWeeney and his wife to

their daughter written while they were living in India during McWeeney's posting there (1950). File also contains a copy of a letter from Theo McWeeney to Amy, written from New Delhi in 1950, with details of his work and travels in India.

EJTM/4/3 Professional Correspondence

**12 February
1959 - 13
September
1975**

Extent:
c. 100 pages

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:
File of correspondence relating to McWeeney's work for the World Health Organisation, letters refer to organisation for McWeeney's work for the WHO, some of the letters also contain references to personal subjects.

EJTM/4/4 Report on Mission to Ghana

**19 December
1960**

Extent:
22 pages

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:
Typescript of report by McWeeney, Short Term Consultant in TB to the WHO, on his mission to Ghana in December 1960

EJTM/4/5 Report on Mission to Philippines

1964

Extent:
6 items

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Typescript copies of reports by McWeeney, Short Term Consultant in TB to the WHO, on his mission to the Philippines between 1963 and 1964. File also contains some related letters and documents.

EJTM/4/6 Lectures and Writing

1960s

Extent:
c.50 pages

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:
File of manuscript and typescript notes, lectures and articles by McWeeney based on his experiences while working for the WHO

EJTM/4/7 WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia

1958, 1968

Extent:
2 items

Creator:
World Health Organisation

Description:
Typescript organizational chart of the WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia dated 31 July 1958.
Newsletter of the Regional Office dated 31 December 1968.

EJTM/5
Articles, Autobiographical and Other Writing

Series
[1960s-1970s]

Extent:

6 files

Creator:

McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Series of files containing articles, autobiographical and other writings by McWeeney

Arrangement:

Material has been divided by type

EJTM/5/1 Autobiographical Manuscript

**[1960s-
1970s]**

Extent:

c.40 pages

Creator:

McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Manuscript of chapters and parts of an autobiography written by McWeeney

EJTM/5/2 Biographical Articles

**[1960s-
1970s]**

Extent:

14 items

Creator:

McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Series of manuscript and typescript articles and pieces for radio written by McWeeney and based on his life experiences, including a manuscript based on his time with the Royal Flying Corps.

EJTM/5/3 Travel Writting

**[1960s-
1970s]**

Extent:
4 items

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:
Typescript and manuscript of piece of travel writing by McWeeney, places covered include Hong Kong, the Philippines, India and the Costa del Sol.

EJTM/5/4 'Shoneen'

[1960s]

Extent:
4 items

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:
Manuscript and typescript drafts of a short story by McWeeney entitled 'Shoneen', with related letters and notes. The story deals with the experiences of an Irish boy between c.1913-1919 who served in the British Army.

EJTM/5/5 Writing on Golf

[1960s]

Extent:
4 items

Creator:
McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:
Manuscript and typescript drafts of McWeeney's writing on the subject of golf including, 'Golfing in Asia', a story 'The Other Mans Game' and 'Golf on the Edge of the World'.

EJTM/5/6 Book Reviews and Miscellaneous

[1960s]

Extent:

5 items

Creator:

McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Manuscript book reviews by McWeeney, with
typescript articles on miscellaneous subjects

EJTM/6
'Diner offert en L'Honneur dr Dr McWeeny'

Item
6 March 1952

Extent:

1 item

Creator:

Restaurant Jammet Dublin

Description:

Printed menu for a dinner given in honour of Dr McWeeney in Dublin in March 1952. On the back of the menu are the signatures of those attending, including some leading Irish physicians of the time.

EJTM/7
Obituaries and biographical note

Item
[1970s]

Extent:

4 items

Creator:

[McWeeney, Margaret, c.1907-2005]

Description:

Typescript 'biographical note on Dr E J T McWeeney', with three obituaries of Dr McWeeney one from the WHO Regional Office for South-East Asia magazine, and one from the Journal of the Irish Medical Association.

EJTM/8
Travel documents

File
1948, 1975, undated

Extent:

3 items

Creator:

[McWeeney, Margaret, c.1907-2005]

Description:

File of travel documents including Dr McWeeney's passport, issued October 1948, a certificate of Nationality, issued June 1975, and an undated free travel pass.

EJTM/9
Professor E J McWeeney

Item
1925

Extent:

1 item

Creator:

McWeeney, Edmond Joseph Theophilus, 1894-1976

Description:

Bound volume containing newspaper cuttings relating to the death of Professor E J McWeeney in 1925. Professor McWeeney was the father of Dr Theo McWeeney.