



**Collection #:** MSS 386  
**Name:** The George McFarlane Mood, M.D. History of Roper Hospital  
**Dates:** 1938, no date  
**Size:** .25 cubic feet  
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**Biographical Note:** George McFarlane Mood was born in Charleston, S.C. on March 18, 1880. After attending the College of Charleston, he graduated from the Medical College of South Carolina in 1901. He completed an internship at St. Francis Xavier Hospital, and went on to establish a private practice. Dr. Mood became a professor of bacteriology at the Medical College of South Carolina in 1904. Dr. Mood served on the Board of Commissioners of Roper Hospital from 1916 to 1950, and also served as president of the Charleston County Tuberculosis Association from 1925 to 1936, the Medical Society of South Carolina, and the Widows and Orphans Society of Charleston. He was also a member of the Charleston County Medical Society, the South Carolina Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.

Dr. Mood was known for his commitment to public health concerns. He did postgraduate studies in New York, Philadelphia, and New Orleans on milk and meat sanitation, rabies vaccine procedures, and bubonic plague treatment. He also served as chair of a campaign against typhoid and malaria

fever in Charleston, providing oversight to the drainage of mosquito breeding areas and working to improve Charleston's sanitation. Dr. Mood also served as the bacteriologist for the Charleston County Board of Health.

Dr. Mood married Catherine Ravanel Jervey, and had four children. He died in 1957.

**Scope and Content Note:** The George McFarlane Mood, M.D. History of Roper Hospital, 1938 and no date, .25 cubic feet, consists of Dr. Mood's typescript and notes on the history of Roper Hospital. The collection includes excerpts from meeting minutes of the Medical Society of South Carolina, typescript of a talk on the history of Roper Hospital by Dr. R.S. Cathcart, signed over to Dr. Mood to "use as may see fit", and Dr. Mood's handwritten notes on Roper Hospital. There are also files with typescripts on the Aikin Foundling Hospital and Shirras Dispensary. All of the materials in the collection are undated except for Dr. Cathcart's typescript. The collection has been arranged alphabetically.

**Related Collections:**

MSS 76-77 R.S. Cathcart Roper Hospital Manuscript

**Subject Headings:**

Cathcart, R.S.

Mood, George McFarlane (1880-1957)

Aikin Foundling Hospital

Roper Hospital

Shirras Dispensary

Hospitals -- history -- South Carolina

**Inventory:**

Folder 1: The Aikin Foundling Hospital, no date

Folder 2: History of the Present Roper Hospital, 1938

Folder 3: History of Roper Hospital, no date

Folder 4: History of Roper Hospital (Handwritten), no date

Folder 5: Notes From Minutes of the Medical Society of South Carolina, no date

Folder 6: Notes From Minutes of the Medical Society of South Carolina, no date

Folder 7: Notes From Minutes of the Medical Society of South Carolina, no date

Folder 8: Notes From Minutes of the Medical Society of South Carolina, no date

Folder 9: Notes On Roper Hospital, no date

Folder 10: Roper Hospital 1852-1934, no date

Folder 11: Shirras Dispensary, no date