

MS-230

The Museum of Northern Arizona
Harold S. Colton Memorial Library
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Flagstaff, AZ 86001
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Title

Louis Grundel collection

Dates

ca. 1881-1884

Extent

51 photographic prints (38 cyanotypes, 13 black & white reprints), 2 copy negatives

Biographical History

Louis Grundel (8 January 1896-3 February 1975) was the son of J.H. Grundel, who was a surveyor for the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad during its construction. While working for Atlantic & Pacific, J.H. acquired these photographs, but it is unclear who the original creator was.

Scope and Content

Collection consists of photographic material documenting the construction of the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad from Albuquerque, New Mexico to Needles, California. The Atlantic & Pacific Railroad later became part of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway, which subsequently was absorbed by the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway, and has now been incorporated into the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company.

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Languages and Scripts of the Materials

English

Finding Aids

A previous finding aid is available upon request.

Custodial History

Louis received the cyanotypes from his father.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Materials were donated by Louis Grundel in 1950, and originally cataloged as History accession 1395/H78-115. They were transferred to the Archives in 1980 as accession #MS-230.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

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Publication Note

Cline, Platt. *They Came to the Mountain: The Story of Flagstaff's Beginnings*. Flagstaff, AZ: Northern Arizona University with Northland Press, 1976.

Description Control

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| Louis Grundel collection | | | | |
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| File# | File Description | Date(s) | Extent | Box/Folder |
| MS-230-1 | Cyanotype Prints | ca. 1881-1884 | 38 prints | Asst. Box 6.1 |
| MS-230-2 | Reprints and Copy Negatives | ca. 1881-1884 | 13 prints, 2 negatives | Asst. Box 6.2 |

LCSH Access Points

Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Company

Railroad construction workers

Railroad companies -- Southwest, New