



MS028 – Margaret Tolbert Collection of Idaho Postcards

Donor: Margaret Tolbert

Collection Number: MS028

Dates: approximately 1911-1915

Extent: 11 black and white postcards

Scope/Content Description: This collection consists of eleven (11) black and white postcards that individually measure 5 3/8 inches X 3 3/8 inches. 9 of the postcards depict the construction and/or operation of Arrowrock Dam on the Boise River. Two other postcards display scenes from the Shoshone ice caves.

The postcards were not mailed. Instead, they were kept as souvenirs by Margaret Tolbert's mother, Harriet May Wallace (9/1875-8/1967). The back of six of the Arrowrock postcards feature hand written notes that describe the dam's construction, features, and operational aspects.

Arrangement: Margaret Tolbert Collection of Idaho Postcards are arranged by geographic location.

Conditions Governing Access: Open to all users.

Languages: Collection materials in English

Custodial History: Boise City Archives acquired the slides in this collection from Margaret Tolbert in August 2016.

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Historical Notes: Construction on Arrowrock Dam commenced in 1911. It opened four years later in 1915 under the direction of the U.S. Reclamation Service (predecessor to the Bureau of Reclamation). The dam is located on the border of Elmore and Boise counties, and its primary purpose is to provide irrigation water for agricultural industry in the Treasure Valley.

Processing Information: Stephanie Milne-Lane processed this collection in autumn 2018.

Names and Subjects:

Arrowrock Dam (Idaho)

Irrigation – Idaho

Boise River (Idaho)

Detailed Description of the Collection:

Item Number:	Description:
001	Lake B.M. Hall – Showing Dam in the Distance
002	Arrowrock Dam
003	Arrowrock Dam
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005	Arrowrock Dam
006	Arrowrock Dam
007	Arrowrock Dam
008	Arrowrock Dam
009	Arrowrock Dam
010	No. 36 Middle Chamber, Shoshone Ice Caves, Shoshone, Idaho
011	No. 22 Entrance Shoshone Ice Caves, Near Shoshone, Idaho

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