# Guide to the Astrid Arnoldson Papers, ca. 1920-1929.

# Collection Number: 7726

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## DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

Title:

Astrid Arnoldson papers, ca.1920-1929.

Collection Number:

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Creator:

Astrid Arnoldson

Quantity:

0.6 cubic ft.

Forms of Material:

Scrapbooks, loose photos, yearbooks, diary, university booklet.

Repository:

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#### Abstract:

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Collection material in English

#### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Born in Sweden, Arnoldson emigrated to the United States as a young girl and later studied at Stanford, the University of California-Berkeley, and the University of Montana. She never married and lived in the home her parents had built in Missoula, Montana, near Sacajawea Park. She dressed like a man and wore jodhpurs and leather boots. She did a lot of mountaineering, and had various lesbian lovers.

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#### **SUBJECTS**

#### Names: Arnoldson, Astrid.

#### Subjects:

Lesbians--Montana.

Mountaineers--Montana.

#### Form and Genre Terms:

Photographs.

## INFORMATION FOR USERS

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# **RELATED MATERIALS**

Collecting program: Human Sexuality Collection.

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