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Guide to the Arno Atoll films, circa 1950

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Human Studies Film Archives
Title:	Arno Atoll films
Date:	circa 1950
Identifier:	HSFA.1983.03
Creator:	Mason, Leonard, 1913-2005 National Science Foundation (U.S.) United States. Navy
Extent:	Film reels (color silent; 3600 feet; 16mm) Linear feet
Language:	No linguistic content; Not applicable .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Received from Leonard Mason in 1983.

Provenance

Previously titled "Arno Atoll ca. 1950."

Processing Information

Titles are supplied by the archivist for untitled films.

Preferred Citation

Arno Atoll films, Human Studies Film Archives, Smithsonian Institution

Restrictions

The collection is open for research. Please contact the archives for information on availability of access copies of audiovisual recordings. Original audiovisual material in the Human Studies Film Archives may not be played.

Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

Scope and Contents

Footage shot of Arno Atoll, Marshall Islands, as part of the Coral Atoll Project sponsored by the National Science Foundation and the United States Navy. Scenes include aerial shots of the atoll; harvesting and processing fronds of coconut and pandanus trees for weaving mats, baskets, and clothing and for roofing; women's dances; preparing and roasting breadfruit; butchering and roasting pig; making sennit; fishing activities; and dancing.

Wade, Gerald: cameraman ; Davenport, William: researcher ; Emery, Kenneth: photographer ; Milne, James: translator. University of Hawaii.

The collection also includes scripts and shot notes used by Dr. Mason to prepare an edited film.

Outrigger canoe ; Grass skirts ; Sennit making ; Cookery ; Breadfruit preservation bwirn ma beljij ; Coconut copra sennit ; Pandanus tree thatch fruit mat clothing ; Dance stick secret ; Aerial view Arno Atoll ; Pig food preparation ; Ship AKL U.S. Naval vessel ; Tools shell ; Weaving basket ; Festival games gunny sack race tug of war ; Fire drills ; Jekkaro coconut tree sap

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Local Number

HSFA 1983.3.1

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Marshallese

Types of Materials:

silent films

Places:

Arno Atoll (Marshall Islands)
Oceania