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Guide to the L. C. Northrup film of Craig
Mound excavation, Spiro Site, Oklahoma, 1936

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Collection Overview

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| Repository: | Human Studies Film Archives |
| Title: | L. C. Northrup film of Craig Mound excavation, Spiro Site, Oklahoma |
| Date: | 1936 |
| Identifier: | HSFA.1985.02 |
| Creator: | Northrup, L. C. (Lawerence C.) |
| Extent: | 1 Film reel (8 minutes; black-and-white silent; 200 feet; 16mm) |
| Language: | No linguistic content; Not applicable . |

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Received from the Florida State Museum in 1985.

Provenance

Previously titled "Craig Mound Excavation, Spiro Site, Oklahoma 1936."

Processing Information

Titles are supplied by the archivist for untitled films.

Preferred Citation

L. C. Northrup film of Craig Mound excavation, Spiro Site, Oklahoma, 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 a Works Progress Administration supported excavation in the, now, Spiro Mounds State Park. Excavations documented center around the Craig Mound and its "Great Mortuary." Film records recently exposed human burials focusing on platform burial remains. Good detail is given to the designs found on shell fragments as well as certain burials. Also recorded are ear flares, pot sherds, beads, projectile points, and carved shell artifacts.

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Local Number

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Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Archaeology
- Burial

Types of Materials:

- silent films

Places:

- North America
- Oklahoma