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St. Francis Mission photograph collection,
circa 1902-1905, 1920s-1940s, 1960s

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	St. Francis Mission photograph collection
Date:	circa 1902-1905, 1920s-1940s, 1960s
Identifier:	NAA.PhotoLot.R74-10
Creator:	Buechel, Eugene
Extent:	3,800 Copy prints (circa; black and white)
Language:	Undetermined .

Administrative Information

Provenance

These photographs were copied from the original negatives in the St. Francis Mission archives, 1973-1974.

Location of Originals

Originals now in Marquette University Raynor Memorial Libraries in Milwaukee, WI.

Location of Other Archival Materials

Photographs of St. Francis Mission may be found in the National Anthropological Archives in MS 4574.

Location of Other Archival Materials

Marquette University's Raynor Memorial Libraries in Milwaukee, WI, holds the records of the St. Francis Mission.

Other Finding Aids

Inventory available in repository.

Available Formats

Copy negatives also available.

Preferred Citation

Photo Lot R74-10, St Francis Indian Mission photograph collection, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Access to the collection requires an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

This copy collection has been obtained for reference purposes only. Contact the repository for terms of use and access.

Biographical Note

St. Francis Mission was a Jesuit mission established on the Rosebud Reservation in South Dakota in 1886. The central function of the mission was education, in the form of the St. Francis Mission school. Father Digmann, often referred to as the founder of St. Francis Mission, also established thirty-seven mission stations around the reservation. In 1972 the mission school was turned over to the tribe's community corporation, Sicangu Oyate Ho, Inc., which renamed it St. Francis Indian School.

Scope and Contents

Copy photographs depicting buildings, farms, Dakota Indians, and mission school activities in and around the St. Francis Mission on the Rosebud Reservation. The majority of the photographs were made by Eugene Buechel, a Jesuit who served at St. Francis and Holy Rosary missions. The collection also includes some photographs by Fr. Salvatore Gentile of a Sun Dance on the Pine Ridge Reservation.

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NAA Photo Lot R74-10

Reproduction Note

Copy prints and negatives made by Smithsonian Institution, 1973-1974.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Indians of North America -- Great Plains
Sioux

Cultures:

Indians of North America -- Great Plains
Sioux

Types of Materials:

Photographs

Names:

Gentile, Salvatore

Places:

Pine Ridge Indian Reservation (S.D.)
Rosebud Indian Reservation (S.D.)
St. Francis Indian Mission (South Dakota)

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Sioux

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