Finding Aid to the
Effie and Olaf Rosenberg Photograph Collection

Effie Rosenberg, 1909-1990
Effie and Olaf Rosenberg Photograph Collection, 1930s
26 copy photographic prints
Collection number: Photograph 2085

OVERVIEW

Access: The collection is open under the rules and regulations of the Institute.

Provenance: Donated by Effie Rosenberg, 1987 (Acc. 2210)

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BIOGRAPHY

Effie Rosenberg (Sept 4, 1909- February 27, 1990) and her husband, Olaf (Ole) Rosenberg (March 13, 1909- April 25, 1979) were residents of Fargo, North Dakota. They were both involved with the Fargo-Moorhead Ski Club in the 1930s. Olaf Rosenberg was born in Aberdeen, South Dakota and moved with his parents to Fargo at the age of six. He married Effie Johnson in 1931. Ole was a member of the Fargo-Moorhead Ski Club and was in the senior class during the 1939 Fargo Ski Club annual tournament. He won several skiing trophies as a competitive skier. Olaf served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He worked at Fargo Motor Supply and also worked for the City of Fargo as a garbage utility worker, retiring in 1974. Olaf died in 1979 in Fargo.

Effie Johnson was born in Lisbon, N.D. where she graduated high school. She moved to Fargo and worked for Herbst Department Store in the hat department for several years. Effie died in
1990 in Rochester, Minnesota. Olaf and Effie had two sons and a daughter, Larry, Michael, and Carol (King).

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Olaf and Effie Rosenberg Photograph Collection cover events of the Fargo Ski Club in the 1930s in Fargo, N.D. Photographs in the collection include area skiers at the base of the jump including Olaf and Effie Rosenberg (2085.2.2), the jump at its construction, and Olaf with other area skiers using the jump. Other people photographed in the collection are: Mr. and Mrs. Bob Craig, Mr. and Mrs. Jessler, and members of the Viking Ski Club in various locations.

The collection consists of twenty-six gelatin images taken by Effie Rosenberg. The gelatin silver prints are copies of the originals photographs; with the originals retained by Effie Rosenberg. These photographs were accessioned as part of a scrapbook and ski programs (photocopies) compiled by Effie Rosenberg that have been organized as Institute Small Collection 613.

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