

**TITLE:** George A. Boyd Collection

**DATE RANGE:** 1950's-1980's

**CALL NUMBER:** FM MSS #132

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** .75 linear feet (2 boxes)

**PROVENANCE:** Records were donated from 1994-1996 by Consuelo P. Boyd, George A. Boyd's wife.

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**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:** George Addison Boyd was born in Texas in 1907. He earned a bachelor's degree from Austin College in Sherman, TX and a master's degree from Iowa State. After arriving at Arizona State College (now known as Arizona State University) in 1954, he played an important role in the 1950's and 1960's in developing a research program at the college where he later earned the title of Coordinator of Research.

In 1956 he launched a bid to obtain a two-year medical college for the campus. His plan was rejected. In 1967, he became the Associate Director of the Center for Meteorite Studies. He was influential in bringing the world famous meteorite collection of Dr. H.H. Nininger to campus. He was married to Consuelo P. Boyd, a teacher, translator, columnist and writer. He died in 1991.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:** No series. Records are arranged alphabetically.

Because of Boyd's interest in meteorology and science, this collection contains information regarding those subjects. Of note are Boyd's research notebooks which contain detailed descriptions of his meteorite site visits and findings. Of significance is a manuscript copy including original notes and corrections of George A. Boyd's book *Autoradiography For Biology and Medicine*. The book was later published in 1955 under the title *Autoradiography In Biology and Medicine*. Two research reports are within the collection. Of interest is a research proposal to travel to the Sahara Desert in West Africa near Chinguetti, Mauritania in order to find an 800,000 ton mass reported to be there. The report contains copies of correspondence as well as a detailed plan, budget and outline for the trip.

**CONTAINER LIST:**

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Dates</b>
1	1	Manuscript copy of <i>Autoradiography For Biology and Medicine</i> , chapters 1-4 (1 of 3)	N.D.
1	2	Manuscript copy of <i>Autoradiography For Biology and Medicine</i> , chapters 5-11 (2 of 3)	N.D.
1	3	Manuscript copy of <i>Autoradiography For Biology and Medicine</i> , chapters 12-End (3 of 3)	N.D.
1	4	Research Notebooks-#1	1950-1951
1	5	Research Notebooks-#2	1965
1	6	Research Notebooks-#3	1965-1980
1	7	Research Notebooks-#4	1980-1984
2	1	Research Notebooks-#5	N.D.
2	2	Research Notebooks-#6	N.D.
2	3	Research Reports-Zinc Recovery from steel making	N.D.
2	4	Research Reports-Chinguetti Reconnaissance Trip, Summer 1970	1970