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Scope & Content Note:
This is a comprehensive collection of photocopied primary and secondary works by and about John Wesley Powell collected by Marcia Thomas during two years of research for the volume John Wesley Powell: An Annotated Bibliography (2004). Addresses, excerpts of larger works, journal articles and newspaper clippings comprise the bulk of the collection. There are also copies of bibliographies and guides consulted by Thomas in gathering these documents as well as notes on collections and copies of material held in archival collections Thomas visited throughout the country while compiling this work. This collection is arranged into the following series equivalent to the organization of Thomas’s book:

I. Primary Sources
II. Secondary Sources
III. Sources Consulted
I. **Primary Sources**

1-1: Annual Reports of

- Bureau of American Ethnology
- Smithsonian Institution
- U.S. Geological Survey

1-2: Newspaper Clippings

1-3: Organizational Conferences & Reports of

- Anthropological Society of Washington
- International Geological Congress

1-4: Reports to Illinois Governmental agencies

1-5: Reports to U.S. Congress

1-6: Works by Powell

II. **Secondary Sources**

2-1: Works about Powell (A-Z)

2-2: Works about Powell (no author)

III. **Sources Consulted**

3-1: Essential Guides and Bibliographies

3-2: Manuscript and Archival Institutions