

## Sid Unwin fonds

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions1>

Part Of: Sid Unwin fonds

Description Level: 1 / Fonds

Fonds Number: M 31

V 25

Sous-Fonds: M 31

V 25

Accession Number: 7102, 7112

Reference Code: M31 / V25

GMD:                      Photograph

## Album

Photograph print

Textual record

Private record

Published record

Date Range: 1898-1985

Physical Description: 7 cm of textual records. -- 5 photograph albums (ca.375 prints). -- 28 photographs : prints

History /

Biographical:

Sidney Joseph Unwin, [1880?]-1917, was a guide and outfitter at Banff, Alberta. Born in England, Unwin returned, after serving with the volunteer cavalry in the South African (Boer) War, to his home in London, England for a brief period to work as a surveyor's clerk, and in the fall of 1904 he moved to Banff. Initially, Unwin worked for guides and outfitters Syd Baker and Jimmy Simpson. In the winter of 1905 he began his own trapline. In 1907, Unwin began work for Billy Warren and accompanied Mary Schaffer and Molly Adams on their expeditions to the Maligne Lake, Saskatchewan River areas.

After two years of working for Warren, Unwin began his own guiding outfit and in 1912, with the aid of his sister Ethel and brother Arthur, the Unwins established Unwin's Curios and Souvenirs. In 1914, Sid Unwin enlisted in the Canadian army and took up with the 22nd Battery (Howitzer), 6th Brigade, Canadian Field Artillery 2nd Division. In 1916 he saw his first action in France. He fought in the battle for Vimy Ridge, was injured May 3, 1917 and died on June 29, 1917 at the East Leeds War Hospital.

Scope & Content:

Consists of two sous-fonds: I. Sid Unwin sous-fonds; II. Unwin family sous-fonds.

Sid Unwin sous-fonds pertains to Unwin's activities in the South African (Boer) War, in the Banff area as a guide and citizen, in the First World War, and to his family. It consists of the following series: A. South African (Boer) War records, 1900-1901; B. Guiding and Banff related records, 1904-1914; C. First World War records, 1914-1919; D. Sid Unwin Memorials, 1917-1946; E. Personal photograph albums, 1898-1912.

Unwin family sous-fonds consists of: A. Personal family records, 1917-1968; B. Alice Fulmer correspondence, 1965-1985.

Name Access: Unwin, Sid

Subject Access:	Exploration, discovery and travel
	Family and personal life
	Military
	World War I
Access Restrictions:	Some restrictions on access to originals
	Copyright, privacy, commercial use and other restrictions may apply
Language:	English
Finding Aid:	Finding aids and reference tools: arrangement outline
	file description
	reference photocopies
Related Material:	Related in part to the Ethel Unwin fonds (M178/V646)
Creator:	Unwin, Sid
Category:	Exploration, discovery and travel
	Family and personal life
	Military
Title Source:	Fonds, sous-fonds and series title based on contents
Processing Status:	Processed

This material is presented as originally created; it may contain outdated cultural descriptions and potentially offensive content. [Read more.](#)