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Descriptive Summary
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Abstract: Photographs of the California Mother Lode region taken by Alma Lavenson during the 1930s through the 1960s.
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Scope and Contents Note
Contains images of the Mother Lode region taken during the 1930s through the 1960s. Includes photos of Gold Rush era ruins, towns and countryside. Pictured are churches, hotels, firehouses, cemeteries, courthouses, personal residences and commercial buildings, including three Chinese businesses. Also contains a few photos of the effects of hydraulic erosion on the landscape and three portraits of unidentified men. One image (no. 1996-99-41) features the photographer Imogen Cunningham, from the back, standing in a doorway.

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

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