

Iva Roach Benton photograph and letter

Descriptive Summary

Repository:	Georgia Historical Society
Creator:	Benton, Iva Roach
Title:	Iva Roach Benton photograph and letter
Dates:	circa 1895 -1920
Extent:	0.5 cubic feet (2 folders)
Identification:	MS 1764

Biographical/Historical Note

Iva Roach Benton was born in Indiana in approximately 1880 and died around 1950. She married Fred C. Benton who owned a photography studio in Oakland City, Indiana. Benton was an artist and photographer in several cities including Indianapolis, IN; El Paso, TX and Milledgeville, GA.

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of one photograph and one letter with its envelope. The photograph was most likely taken or retouched by Iva Roach Benton and developed by Baldwin & Barnes of Milledgeville, Georgia. The photograph is of female prisoners driving a team of horses to plow a field. The inscription on the back of the letter reads: Prisoners at work late 1890s or early 1900s. The letter was written by Benton in Milledgeville, Georgia and the envelope is addressed to Mrs. E.W. Stults in Norwood, West Virginia. She addresses the letter itself to both her brother and sister and discusses her personal life including her rheumatism and a possible trip to Macon, Georgia

Index Terms

Benton, Iva Roach
Card photographs (photographs)
Convict labor--Georgia--Milledgeville.
Female offenders--Georgia--Milledgeville.
Letters (correspondence)
Milledgeville (Ga.)
Stults, E.W., Mrs.
Women prisoners--Georgia--Milledgeville.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Unknown.

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Container List

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| 2 | | Iva Roach Benton letter, 1900 |