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**Martha Oatman McSparrin Collection
Manuscript Group 12**

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Martha Oatman McSparrin Collection, Manuscript Group 12
Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Special Collections and University Archives
1 box; 0.5 linear feet

Biographical Note

Mrs. Martha Oatman McSparrin graduated from Indiana State Normal School in 1924, and she became a school teacher. Her husband, Mr. McSparrin, was instrumental in establishing vocational education in Western Pennsylvania. Martha's mother, Samantha Leasure Oatman, briefly attended the Indiana State Normal School in the late 1800s.

Scope and Content

The Martha Oatman McSparrin Collection dates from 1884 to 1924, and is housed in one archival box. The collection includes photographs, personal effects, certificates, and other miscellaneous papers. This collection contains a few personal effects of these three individuals, including several photographs, Martha's graduation and teaching certificates, and an autograph book that belong to her mother Samantha.

Provenance

Unknown.

Restrictions

None.

Processor

Records rearranged and inventory rewritten by Special Collections in 2001 and 2014.

Container List

Box 1 (8 Folders)

1. Indiana State Normal School photograph, April 24, 1924
2. Pewter Napkin Ring
3. Picture of Samantha Leasure Oatman
4. Studio card of Samantha Leasure Oatman as a child
5. Two oval portraits of Samantha Leasure Oatman in a gutta-percha
6. Martha Jane Oatman's certificates from the Indiana Model School, June 14, 1918
7. Martha Jane Oatman's teaching diploma from the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association, September 8, 1920
8. Autograph book of ISNS student Samantha Leasure Oatman, January 29, 1884