



## Guide to the Edith Giles Barcus Family Photograph Collection

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Barcus, Edith Giles, 1895-1984
<b>Title:</b>	Edith Giles Barcus Family Photograph Collection
<b>ID:</b>	PH-00117
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	approximately 1878 to 1954
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1.09 Cubic Feet (9 hanging folders, 1 oversized box, 1 shared box of negatives, and 2 flat files)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	5.24 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Edith Giles Barcus Family Photograph Collection (approximately 1878-1954) consists of black-and-white photographic prints and negatives, as well as postcards and photograph albums. The images depict locations in Nevada including Las Vegas, Goldfield, Searchlight, and Tonopah, in addition to locations in Arizona, California, Colorado, Massachusetts, Utah, and Mexico. Also included are images of family, friends, and associates of the Giles Barcus family. The albums contain photographs depicting the Giles family as they traveled through the southwest United States and Mexico, as well as postcards from prominent locations in the southwestern United States.

### Preferred Citation

Edith Giles Barcus Family Photograph Collection, approximately 1878-1954. PH-00117. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Biographical Note

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Edwin Giles was born in East Chester, New York on August 27, 1871. Giles moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado in January of 1893, where he met and married Edith Corliss. They had twins, Edith Corliss Giles and Richard Scofield Giles, on July 19, 1985. Edwin Giles worked as a mining

engineer in Cripple Creek, Colorado, before following the mining boom to Nevada. The Giles family arrived in Goldfield, Nevada in 1907, where Giles began working to develop the Pioneer Mining Camp at the Pioneer Mine. Giles was elected to the position of Town Surveyor in Goldfield and held stock in most of the mines in the area. Giles remained active in politics and mining in Goldfield until his death on March 8, 1950.

His daughter, Edith Corliss Giles made a land claim on a mining property in the Mayflower District, Nevada at the age of twelve or thirteen. She married John Lucas Cadogan in approximately 1919, and they had one daughter Jane Alice Cadogan. John Lucas Cadogan died in 1941, and Edith Cadogan went on to marry J. Clyde Barcus on August 29, 1946 in Reno, Nevada. The couple remained in Goldfield operating the "Odd Shop," a jewelry, glass, and souvenir shop, until they moved to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1952. The two remained in Las Vegas until their respective deaths, J. Clyde Barcus in 1966, and Edith Giles Barcus in 1984.

Source:

Genealogy files about "J. Clyde Barcus." Accessed on February 20, 2020. Accessed on Ancestry.com

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials remain in original order.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

Collection is open for research.

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated by Edith Giles Barcus in 1980; accession numbers T183 and 1980-193.

### Processing Note

In 2020, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Ryan DiPaolo wrote the finding aid and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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## Related Materials

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### Related Collections

The following resources may provide additional information related to the materials in this collection:

Edith Giles Barcus oral history interview, 1977 March 17. OH-00162. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Edith Giles Barcus Family Papers, 1848-1979. MS-00206. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Names and Subjects

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- photographs

- Goldfield (Nev.)
- Postcards
- Giles, Edwin Scofield, 1871-1950
- Barcus, J. Clyde (James Clyde), 1889-1966

## Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Locations in Nevada, Arizona, California, Colorado, Massachusetts, Utah, and Mexico, approximately 1894 to 1954	
Las Vegas, Nevada: photographic print and postcard, approximately 1910 to 1939 Physical Description: 2 Items	folder 01  flat file 10
Hoover Dam (Boulder Dam): postcards, 1936 Physical Description: 7 Items	folder 01
Goldfield, Nevada: photographic prints and negatives, approximately 1904 to 1954 Physical Description: 34 Photographic Prints Scope and Contents Note: The Goldfield, Nevada photographs consist of black-and-white photographic prints and negatives from approximately 1904 to 1954. The images primarily depict Edwin S. Giles Mining Engineering office, the Giles home, and buildings on Main Street.	folder 01  folder 02  flat file 11  box SH-021
Round Mountain, Nevada: photographic prints, approximately 1910 to 1929 Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints	folder 02
Rhyolite, Nevada: photographic prints, 1940 Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints	flat file 10
Searchlight, Nevada: photographic prints, approximately 1930 to 1939 Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints	folder 02
Telescope Peak, Nevada: photographic print, 1932 Physical Description: 1 Photographic Prints	folder 02
Tonopah, Nevada: photographic prints and postcards, approximately 1920 to 1939 Physical Description: 4 Items	folder 03  flat file 10
Arizona: photographic prints, approximately 1920 to 1933	folder 03

Physical Description: 2 Photographic Prints

California: photographic prints and postcards, approximately 1894 to 1932	folder 03
Physical Description: 25 Items	folder 04
	flat file 10
Colorado, Massachusetts, and Utah: photographic prints and postcards, approximately 1894 to 1929	folder 04
Physical Description: 7 Items	
Mexico: photographic prints, approximately 1906 to 1936	folder 04
Physical Description: 24 Photographic Prints	folder 05
Joshua trees in Nevada desert: photographic prints, 1942	folder 05
Physical Description: 5 Photographic Prints	
Giles Barcus family, friends, and associates, 1878 to 1954	
Giles and Corliss family: photographic prints, approximately 1878 to 1949	folder 05
Physical Description: 61 Photographic Prints	
Scope and Contents Note: The Giles and Corliss family photographs contain black-and-white photographic prints from approximately 1878 to 1949. Included are images of Dr. William Giles, Edwin Scofield Giles, and Edith Warren Giles.	folder 06
	folder 07
	folder 08
	flat file 10
Cadogan and Patten family: photographic prints, approximately 1928 to 1938	folder 08
Physical Description: 21 Photographic Prints	folder 09
Friends, pets, and unidentified people: photographic prints, approximately 1928 to 1949	folder 08
Physical Description: 14 Photographic Prints	folder 09
Giles family and friends in Nevada: photographic prints, approximately 1910 to 1947	folder 09
Physical Description: 39 Photographic Prints	box SH-021
Family and travel albums: photograph albums, approximately 1890 to 1929	oversized box 12

Physical Description: 3 Items