Watson, Mary Verda, 1887-1981 (MSS 499)

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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 499   WATSON, Mary Verda, 1887-1981

1/2 box. 5 folders. 202 items. Postcards.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Mary Verda Watson was born in 1887 to John and Susan Watson in Grayson County, Kentucky. She matriculated at Western Kentucky State Normal School, where she met Samuel Crittenden Ray (1881-1965) of Barren County, Kentucky. They married on 24 December 1912. They lived briefly in Barren County, before moving to Lilac, Kentucky in Grayson County to be near Verda’s parents. Samuel served one term each in the Kentucky House and the Kentucky Senate. He also farmed and was a bi-vocational pastor at the Little Clifty Baptist Church and the Hanging Rock Baptist Church. Verda was active in the Woman’s Missionary Union. They both taught school in Grayson County. Verda died on 21 December 1981 in Campbell County, Kentucky and was buried in Grayson County.

COLLECTION NOTE

This collection consists exclusively of postcards mailed to Mary Verda Watson, of Grayson County, Kentucky, from friends, students and family members. Many of them bear no message, and many of the ones which do, contain only light news about events or places that the correspondent had witnessed. Kentucky scenes are the chief subject matter of the cards, but the group also contains a fair number of holiday and novelty cards.

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BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Postcards – Kentucky

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