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Summary Information

Repository	Arkansas State Archives
Title	Bernie Babcock card
Date	1922
Extent	0.2 Cubic feet 1 folder
Language	English
Language of Materials	Materials entirely in English.
Microform [Reel]	MG00216

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Biographical Note

Bernie Babcock (1868-1962) was born Julia Burnel Smade on April 28, 1868, in Unionville, Ohio, to Hiram and Elizabeth Smade. Julia was called Bernie by her friends and family. The Smade family moved to Russellville, Arkansas, where Bernie attended public school. Bernie enrolled at Little Rock College and attended for one year, but left to marry William Babcock at the age of 18. After her husband's death, she turned to writing to support herself and five children. In 1899, she began writing a weekly literary column in the Arkansas Democrat and later became the telegraph and society editor there. She also contributed historical and religious articles to national magazines and served as editor of the Arkansas Sketch Book. During her career, she published five books on the life of Abraham Lincoln. During the early 1900s, she was active in the women's suffrage movement and later in the Prohibition movement. In the 1920s, she helped create the Museum of Natural History in Little Rock and served as its director from 1928 to 1953, and during the 1930s served as the Folklore Editor of the Federal Writers' Project in Arkansas. Upon her retirement from the museum in 1953, she moved to Petit Jean Mountain to write, where she died on June 14, 1962.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains a card designed by Bernie Babcock featuring a poem and drawing by her dated 1922.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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This collection is open for research use. The ASA possesses the material listed in this finding aid in the original format, but due to preservation concerns this collection is accessible to the public through microfilm format.

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

South by Southwest Books, Fayetteville, Arkansas, 1978.

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1922: Card with poem and drawing by Bernie Babcock, front is signed "Bernie Babcock,"
back says "Late-but not too late to send you all best wishes"