



Guide to the W. I. Booth and A. Allen Photograph Album of Goldfield, Nevada

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Booth, W. I.
Creator:	Allen, A.
Title:	W. I. Booth and A. Allen Photograph Album of Goldfield, Nevada
ID:	PH-00355
Date [inclusive]:	approximately 1900 to 1910
Physical Description:	0.21 Cubic Feet (1 oversized box)
Physical Description:	1.30 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The W. I. Booth and A. Allen Photograph Album of Goldfield, Nevada (approx. 1900-1910) contains forty-five black-and-white photographs taken by photographers W. I. Booth and A. Allen. The images depict the Goldfield, Nevada townsite; mines, miners, camps, and equipment; horses pulling freight and carriages across the desert; and topographical features of Goldfield and outlying areas. The photographs document the mining boom in the Goldfield area during the early 20th century.

Preferred Citation

W. I. Booth and A. Allen Photograph Album of Goldfield, Nevada, approx. 1900-1910. PH-00355. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Biographical Note

W. (William) I. Booth was a photographer, mining company president, and real estate agent in Goldfield, Nevada. Booth operated a photography gallery and studio in the Weber Building on Main Street in Goldfield. He worked in the field photographing views of Goldfield, its mines, and surrounding areas. He also did portrait work in his studio, which opened in 1904. During this time, he also sold residential lots in the Ramsey Addition of Goldfield, which at the time adjoined

the townsite to the east and south. In 1905, he became president of the Shoshone Bullfrog Mining Company, which operated seven claims in the Bullfrog Mining District of Nevada.

A. (Arthur) Allen was a photographer who took over Booth's studio in 1904. Allen continued to photograph life in and around Goldfield and the mines. He controlled the sales and usage of his and Booth's photographic work. He also worked as the managing editor of the *Goldfield Chronicle*, a newspaper that ran from 1906 to 1909.

Sources:

"Local News Nuggets." *The Goldfield News*, September 30, 1904. Accessed October 14, 2019. <https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/lccn/sn85058379/1904-09-30/ed-1/seq-3/>

Michel, Peter. "Exhibit Highlight - Images in Silver: Photography of Goldfield, America's Last Great Gold Rush." June 2, 2014. Accessed October 11, 2019. https://www.library.unlv.edu/whats_new_in_special_collections/2014/06/exhibit-highlight-images-silver-photography-goldfield

"News of Bullfrog." *The Goldfield News*, March 24, 1905. Accessed October 14, 2019. <https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/lccn/sn85058379/1905-03-24/ed-1/seq-1/>

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Scope and Contents Note

The W. I. Booth and A. Allen Photograph Album of Goldfield, Nevada (approx. 1900-1910) contains forty-five black-and-white photographs taken by photographers W. I. Booth and A. Allen. The images depict the Goldfield, Nevada townsite; mines, miners, camps, and equipment; horses pulling freight and carriages across the desert; and topographical features of Goldfield and outlying areas. Mines and leases include the Florence, Jumbo, Combination, January, Vernal, and Tonopah mines; and the Curtis, Richards, Velvet, and Ricker-Ryder leases.

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Arrangement

Materials remain in original order.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

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Processing Note

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Related Materials

Related Collections

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

Tonopah-Goldfield Mining Photograph Collection, 1901-1905. PH-00023. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Nevada Mining Photograph Collection, 1868-1933. PH-00361. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Mining districts -- Nevada

- photographs
- Goldfield (Nev.)

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
People and places, Goldfield, Nevada and surrounding areas: photograph album	
Outskirts of Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, 1903 November (0355_0001)	oversized box 01
View of Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, 1904 September (0355_0002)	oversized box 01
Columbia and Jumbo Mines, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, 1904 November (0355_0003)	oversized box 01
Street in Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, 1904 September (0355_0004)	oversized box 01
Horse team pulling stagecoach in desert: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0005)	oversized box 01
View of Goldfield, Nevada looking north: photographic print, 1904 October (0355_0006)	oversized box 01
Buildings on Main Street, looking north, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0007)	oversized box 01
People panning ore at mining camp, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0008)	oversized box 01
Jumbo Mine site, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0009)	oversized box 01
Florence and Jumbo Mine sites, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0010)	oversized box 01
Men loading sacks of ore onto wagon, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0011)	oversized box 01
Horse team pulling wagons loaded with ore, looking east from Jumbo Mine, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0012)	oversized box 01
Hoists at Jumbo Mine, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0013)	oversized box 01
Men and a child examining ore at Bartlett Lease: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0014)	oversized box 01
Jumbo Mine, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0015)	oversized box 01
Team pulling wagons loaded with ore at Curtis Lease, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0016)	

	oversized box 01
Men loading sacks of ore onto wagon at Richards Lease, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0017)	oversized box 01
Men loading sacks of ore onto wagons at Florence Mine, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0018)	oversized box 01
Florence Mine shaft, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0019)	oversized box 01
Men with stacks of sacked ore at Florence Lease, Tonopah, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0020)	oversized box 01
Men loading sacks of ore at Florence Lease, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0021)	oversized box 01
January Mine, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0022)	oversized box 01
Packtrain at January Mine, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0023)	oversized box 01
Men working at Velvet Lease, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0024)	oversized box 01
Explosion at Velvet Lease and Ricker-Ryder Lease, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0025)	oversized box 01
Men, woman, and dogs at Velvet Lease, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0026)	oversized box 01
Combination Mine, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0027)	oversized box 01
Columbia Mountain and the town of Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0028)	oversized box 01
Men working at Sandstorm Mine, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0029)	oversized box 01
Man and horse at Adams Mine, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0030)	oversized box 01
Men working at the Red Top Mine, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0031)	oversized box 01
Men of the Tonopah Club standing on hillside in Tonopah, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0032)	oversized box 01
Hills in Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0033)	oversized box 01
Horses and carriage on hillside in Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0034)	oversized box 01
Men standing at mine near Black Butte, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0035)	oversized box 01

Men working at Vernal Mine, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0036)	oversized box 01
View of construction in Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0037)	oversized box 01
Women and children posing on Main Street, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0038)	oversized box 01
Packtrain pulling wagons loaded with ore toward Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0039)	oversized box 01
Children in front of bottle house, Goldfield, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0040)	oversized box 01
Men loading sacked ore at Tonopah Mine, Tonopah, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0041)	oversized box 01
People loading sacked ore for transport, Tonopah, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0042)	oversized box 01
Packtrains with ore leaving mine, Tonopah, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0043)	oversized box 01
Tonopah Mine ore being hauled to mill, Tonopah, Nevada: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0044)	oversized box 01
Close-up of a Joshua tree: photographic print, approximately 1900 to 1910 (0355_0045)	oversized box 01