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Photographs of New Guinea peoples, circa 1943-1945

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Photographs of New Guinea peoples
Date:	circa 1943-1945
Identifier:	NAA.PhotoLot.93-15A
Extent:	17 Prints (silver gelatin)
Language:	Undetermined .

Administrative Information

Provenance

Donated together with pieces of barkcloth by Edith L. Miller to the National Museum of Natural History in 1990 (accession 380528). Transferred to the National Anthropological Archives by Susan Crawford in July of that year.

Location of Other Archival Materials

Painted bark cloth from New Guinea, donated at the same time, held in the Department of Anthropology collections in accession 380528.

Preferred Citation

Photo Lot 93-15A, Photographs of New Guinea peoples, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

Restrictions

The collection is open for research.
Access to the collection requires an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

Biographical Note

According to the donor, Edith L. Miller, the photographs were made by her brother while he was serving with the 163rd Regiment, 41st Division, US Army, in New Guinea during World War II. Which brother is not known, as Miller had four brothers: Arthur Eugene Wilks, Delbert Earl Wilks, George James Wilks, and Roy Clinton Peck.

Scope and Contents

Images of New Guinea people (mostly women and children), a boat, a village, and members of the United States Army. Many images show the women holding packs of cigarettes, probably from soldiers.

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NAA Photo Lot 93-15A, USNM ACC 380528

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Soldiers

Types of Materials:

Photographs

Names:

United States. Army

Places:

New Guinea