

Fred Richan collection

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Summary Information

Repository	University Archives, Texas State University
Title	Fred Richan collection
Date [inclusive]	1925-1991
Extent	0.084 Linear feet Two folders in one document case.
Location note	Materials may be stored off-site. Advance notice may be required for use.
Language	English

Preferred Citation note

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Biographical/Historical note

Fred Richan was born in Provo, Utah in 1904 and raised in Eureka, Utah. He graduated from Provo High School in 1922, and he went on to attend Brigham Young University. In 1928, he graduated from BYU with a B.S. in zoology.

In 1930, Richan went to work for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Department in Bozeman, Montana. Subsequently, he held positions in the department at Glacier National Park in Wyoming and Springfield, Utah. He married Henriette Kessels on November 12, 1932.

Richan and his wife moved to San Marcos, Texas in 1943 where he served as the manager of the National Fish Hatchery until his retirement in 1963. During his tenure as manager, the fish hatchery was located on land that was transferred to the University. He lived on the grounds of the hatchery for about twenty years while serving as manager.

In 1967, Richan assisted in the opening of the Aquatic Station office at Southwest Texas State College. In 1983, Richan worked closely with Southwest Texas State University to develop the Aquatic Biology Development Fund, which is used to support activities of students and faculty engaged in research and management of streams, rivers, ponds, and reservoirs in Central Texas.

Richan passed away at age eighty-six in San Marcos, Texas on April 11, 1990.

The donor, Dr. H.H. Hannan graduated from Southwest Texas State Teachers College in 1957 with a degree in Bachelor of Science in Biology. He joined the Biology Department faculty in 1960 and taught until 1989. As the first director of the Aquatic Station, he engaged with Fred Richan often. After teaching part-time for ten years, he retired in 1998.

Scope and Contents note

This collection contains items related to the life of Fred Richan and the history of the U.S. Fish Hatchery in San Marcos, Texas.

Series I contains: Seven photocopied newspaper articles documenting life of Fred Richan and U.S. Fish Hatchery in San Marcos, Texas. A copy of a 1991 newsletter titled The Guardian, a gift club of Southwest Texas State University. Back page features Fred Richan as a Hall of Honor member in 1990. A photocopy of provisional outline of the Fred and Yetta Richan Aquatic Biology Development Fund. Signatures present: Fred Richan and Jerome Supple, President of Southwest Texas State University.

Series II contains: Eight black and white photographs of Fred Richan, Yetta Richman, and the U.S. Fish Hatchery. One color photograph of Old Main on the campus of Texas State University.

Arrangement note

Items are arranged into two series: printed materials and photographs. Series I: Printed Materials, 1925-1991; Series II: Photographs, 1950-1957, Undated.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Conditions Governing Access note

Open to researchers without restriction.

Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Donated by Dr. Herbert Hannan in 2010.

Related Materials

Separated Materials note

Seven original newspaper articles were separated. Articles were were photocopied and removed for preservation purposes.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- U.S. Fish Hatchery-San Marco, Texas.

Collection Inventory

Printed Materials 1925-1991	Box 1	Folder 1
Photographs Undated	Box 1	Folder 2