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Guide to the Frank H.H. Roberts, Jr., and Edwin
N. Wilmsen's papers concerning the Lindenmeier
Site, Larimer County, Colorado, 1934-1978

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Frank H.H. Roberts, Jr., and Edwin N. Wilmsen's papers concerning the Lindenmeier Site, Larimer County, Colorado
Date:	1934-1978 1934-1978
Identifier:	NAA.1986-29
Creator:	Roberts, Frank H. H. (Frank Harold Hanna), 1897-1966 Wilmsen, Edwin N.
Extent:	6.5 Linear feet 6.5 Linear feet
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Related Materials

The National Anthropological Archives holds MS 4851 Frank Harold Hanna Roberts, Jr., papers and photographs and MS 7076 Lindenmeier: Concluding Report on Investigations, 1934-1974.

Preferred Citation

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Restrictions

The Frank H.H. Roberts, Jr., and Edwin N. Wilmsen's papers concerning the Lindenmeier Site, Larimer County, Colorado are open for research.

Access to the Frank H.H. Roberts, Jr., and Edwin N. Wilmsen's papers concerning the Lindenmeier Site, Larimer County, Colorado requires an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

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Historical Note

From 1934 to 1940, Roberts worked at the Lindenmeier site, "the largest paleolithic site yet discovered in the Western Hemisphere," but he never got a chance to publish his material because of other duties. Shortly before he died, however, Roberts gave permission to Wilmsen, a student at the University of Arizona, to use Lindenmeier material for his dissertation. Wilmsen was then a logical choice when a 1966 committee (consisting of Henry Bascom Collins, Clifford Evans, Waldo Rudolph Wedel, and Richard Benjamin Woodbury) sought someone to bring Roberts' materials into publishable form. Wilmsen, then an employee of the Museum of Anthropology at the University of Michigan, was made a research associate of the Smithsonian and brought to Washington to work during 1967-1969. Wilmsen's manuscript was published

under Roberts and his own name with the title *Lindenmeier, 1934-1974: Concluding Report on Investigations*, number 234 in the series *Smithsonian Contributions to Anthropology*, 1978.

Scope and Contents

The collection contains material of both Roberts and Wilmsen and consists of 1. copies of Roberts' notes (including notes of John Cotter, 1935), 1934-1940; 2. subject file; 3. manuscripts; 4. data sheets; 5. illustrations; 6. computer tape of book; 7. computer printouts on artifacts; 8. illustrations and mounted photographs; 9. newspaper with article on Roberts, 1940; 10. photographs.

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Places:

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