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W. Stanley Hanson photographs relating to Seminole
people in Florida, possibly 1914, 1930-1931

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	W. Stanley Hanson photographs relating to Seminole people in Florida
Date:	possibly 1914, 1930-1931
Identifier:	NAA.PhotoLot.62
Creator:	Hanson, W. Stanley
Extent:	285 Copy negatives (circa) 291 Copy prints
Language:	Undetermined .
Digital Content:	Image(s): W. Stanley Hanson photographs of Seminole Indians in Florida

Administrative Information

Provenance

After Hanson's death his supporter Robert D. Mitchell acquired the photographs and possibly added some of his own to the collection. In 1947-1948, Mitchell loaned the collection to the Bureau of American Ethnology for copying.

Location of Originals

Originals were returned to Robert D. Mitchell.

Location of Other Archival Materials

Photographs of and writings about artifacts collected by Hanson are held in the Hanson Family Archives of the Seminole Lodge of the Woody Hanson family of Fort Myers, Florida.

Available Formats

Digital surrogates are available online.

Preferred Citation

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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

W. Stanley Hanson (1883-1945) was a resident of Ft. Myers, Florida, where his father William Hanson was a physician to the Mikasuki community. W. Stanley Hanson built on his family's close connections with the tribe, becoming a trusted advisor and recording the lives of Mikasuki in photographs and writing.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of photographs, most made by W. Stanley Hanson, which document Seminole and Mikasuki people, villages, and camps. Some photographs depict dugout canoes, wagons and cattle, construction of a chickee, Osceola's gravesite, and daily activities. There are also some images of Dr. W. Stanley Hanson.

Local Call Number(s)

NAA Photo Lot 62

Reproduction Note

Copy prints and copy negatives made by Smithsonian Institution, 1957.

Local Notes

Last name previously misspelled as "Hansen." Spelling corrected September 16, 2009.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Canoes and canoeing
- Cooking
- Dwellings
- Indians of North America -- Southern states
- Laundry
- Miccosukee Seminole (Mikasuki)
- Seminole

Cultures:

- Miccosukee Seminole (Mikasuki)
- Seminole

Types of Materials:

- Photographs

Names:

Mitchell, Robert D. (collector and possible photographer)