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## Collection Overview

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## Administrative Information

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## Historical Note

The Bureau of Biological Survey, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), developed an interest in the production of fur-bearing animals when fur prices began rising in the late 1890s and early 1900s and the depletion of wild fur-bearing animals increased. In 1911 the Bureau proposed that the National Zoological Park in Washington, D.C., conduct experiments in the breeding of minks. Experiment stations and research projects were later established in Saratoga Springs, New York (1923), Fontana, California (1927), and Petersberg, Alaska (1937). Cooperative research projects with Swarthmore College and Cornell University were started in 1938, and fur fiber investigations were initiated at Beltsville, Maryland, that same year. In 1924 the Bureau established the Division of Fur Resources to coordinate and conduct research investigations and gather statistics on fur farming.

Under the Reorganization Act of 1939 the Division along with the Bureau became part of the Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of Interior. In 1946-1947 the Division's functions related to the breeding, producing, and marketing of domestically raised fur-bearing animals were transferred to the Animal Husbandry Research Division of the Department of Agriculture.

Most of these records belong to the files of Frank G. Ashbrook. Ashbrook was appointed Junior Animal Husbandman, USDA, in 1914. He was placed in charge of the fur animal experiment station in Saratoga Springs in 1923 and in 1924 became in charge of the newly organized Division of Fur Resources.

Ashbrook was appointed by Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson in 1930 as commissioner general to represent the United States at the International Fur Trade Exposition and Congress held in Leipzig, Germany. In 1942 he advised the War Department on the use of furs during wartime. Ashbrook transferred to the Department of Interior under the Reorganization Act of 1939 and in 1949 became civilian-in-charge of Wildfur Animal Investigations, Branch of Wildlife Research, Fish and Wildlife Service. In 1953 he was elected fur man of the year. Ashbrook retired from government service in 1957.

A small amount of material filed into the records belongs to Stanley P. Young and Richard H. Manville, former directors of the Bird and Mammal Laboratory located in the National Museum of Natural History.

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## Descriptive Entry

These records include correspondence, statistics, journal articles, and newspaper clippings concerning the fur industry, fur farming, and fur resources; research investigations on domestically raised fur animals; laws and tariffs concerning textiles and fur trading; correspondence concerning the China dog-skin case, 1934-1942; correspondence regarding the history of the fur trade and the Division of Fur Resources; Reorganization Act of 1939; the transfer of the Division's functions concerning domestic fur animals to the Animal Husbandry Research Division, 1946-1947; and reports by Frank G. Ashbrook and other staff members on trips to fur animal experiment stations, wildlife refuges, private fur farms, and fur association meetings.

Correspondents include Frank G. Ashbrook, Gerald J. Boileau, Ned Dearborn, James F. Donnelly, Herbert L. Dozier, Robert K. Enders, Ira N. Gabrielson, William Temple Hornaday, Harold L. Ickes, Joseph R. Jackson, Marvin Jones, Charles E. Kellogg, Charles D. Lawrence, Richard H. Manville, Merle H. Markley, Harold N. Marsh, David C. Mills, Urban C. Nelson, Martin R. Nicholson, Walter J. Scott, Harold D. Smith, Frank K. Sturgis, Edwin R. Theis, Henry Wagner, Henry Wallace, Edwin M. Watson, M. L. Wilson, Stanley P. Young.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Fur trade
- Fur trade -- Law and legislation
- Fur trade -- United States
- Livestock
- Mammalogy

Types of Materials:

- Clippings
- Manuscripts

Names:

- Ashbrook, F. G. (Frank Getz), 1892-1966
- Fur Animal Experiment Station (Saratoga Springs, N.Y.)
- International Fur Trade Exposition and Congress (1930: Leipzig)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- United States. Bureau of Biological Survey
- United States. Department of Agriculture
- United States. Department of Agriculture. Animal Husbandry Research Division
- United States. Department of Agriculture. Division of Fur Resources
- United States. Department of the Interior
- United States. Reorganization Act of 1939

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- Box 1 of 20                      Folder 4 National Federation of the Fur Industry - Correspondence, newspaper clippings, and annual reports, 1943-1945. Also includes copy of Frank G. Ashbrook and Horace J. McMullen, "A Preliminary Study of Statistical Data on Fur Resources and the Fur Trade," 1925.
- Box 1 of 20                      Folder 5 The Journal of the Technical Association of the Fur Industry, June 1934. Contains Frank G. Ashbrook's discussion on fur.
- Box 1 of 20                      Folder 6 National Association of the Fur Industry; Western Conference, May 1929.
- Box 1 of 20                      Folder 7 National Association of the Fur Industry. Correspondence and articles, 1924-1925. Includes memorandum of agreement between the Association and the Bureau of Biological Survey.
- Box 1 of 20                      Folder 8 Talks given at the Fur Consultant's Training Course, September 1940. Sponsored by the Associated Fur Coat and Trimming Manufacturers, Inc. Includes talk by Frank G. Ashbrook.

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- Box 2 of 20 Folder 2 "10 Years With the Silver Fox Industry," 1929-1938. Prepared by the New York Auction Company.
- Box 2 of 20 Folder 3 Fur Dresses and Fur Dyers Association, New York City, 1924, 1944.
- Box 2 of 20 Folder 4 Victor R. Fuchs, *Raw Fur Prices*, 1951. Fur Brokers Association of America, Inc.
- Box 2 of 20 Folder 5 The American Fur Merchants' Association, Inc. Correspondence, 1934, 1953-1954.
- Box 2 of 20 Folder 6 Reports from the American Fur Merchants' Association, Inc., 1953.
- Box 2 of 20 Folders 7-8 American Fur Merchants' Association, Inc., Executive Director's Annual Reports, 1940-1951.
- Box 2 of 20 Folder 9 American Fur Merchants' Association, Inc., market reports, merchandise reports, special reports, and President's addresses, 1934-1942.

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- Box 3 of 20 Folder 1 Retail Manufacturing Furriers of America. Correspondence, 1948.
- Box 3 of 20 Folder 2 National Board of Fur Farm Organizations, 1963.
- Box 3 of 20 Folder 3 Women's Wear Daily, 1948-1952. Also, Herman Friedlander's "Retail Fur Sales in the United States," 1955.

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## Series 3: FUR TRADE HISTORY, 1921-1963.

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- Box 3 of 20 Folder 5 Tariff and Quotas - Fur animals and furs. Correspondence, memoranda and reports, 1921-1922, 1929-1939, 1946.
- Box 3 of 20 Folder 6 U.S. Tariff Commission, 1930-1959.
- Box 3 of 20 Folder 7 Domestic and international fur trade. Includes David C. Mills, "The Fur Industry," 1926; and Mills, "The International Fur Trade," 1926; and Thomas J. Biggins, "International Trade in Furs," 1928.
- Box 3 of 20 Folder 8 Russian fur trade, 1946-1950.
- Box 3 of 20 Folder 9 Congress - American embargo; Seven Russian Furs, 1951-1955.
- Box 3 of 20 Folder 10 David C. Mills and Frank G. Ashbrook, "Trade Routes of the Fur Industry," 1924.
- Box 3 of 20 Folder 11 Origin of furs.
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- Box 5 of 20 Folder 5 Washington, D.C. 1933-1940. Comparative effects of cold storage and fumigation on the quality of dressed furs representing different species. (Mink, rabbits, Hudson seals).
- Box 5 of 20 Folder 6 Articles by David C. Mills in the Journal of Home Economics, 1926-1927, on the preparation of furs, fur dressing, fur dyeing, and care of furs.
- Box 5 of 20 Folder 7 Cold storage of furs, 1930-1955.
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### Box 7

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Box 7 of 20 Folder 2 Alaska: Miscellaneous journals pertaining to Alaska; Alaska Game Commission reports (1950-1956).

Box 7 of 20 Folder 3 Alaska: General Correspondence, 1946, 1958-1959.

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- Box 13 of 20 Folders 11-12 Maryland. Mostly correspondence and memoranda with the Carnegie Institution of Washington, Department of Embryology, Baltimore, Maryland, 1932-1937.
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- Box 15 of 20 Folder 11 W. B. Bell, 1920. Report on the International Live Silver Fox Exhibition, Montreal, Canada, 1920.
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- Box 15 of 20 Folder 13 Merle H. Markley, 1941. Trip to the United States Fur Animal Experiment Station, Saratoga Springs, New York, and to the Beachwater National Wildlife Refuge, Cambridge, Maryland.
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### Box 16

- Box 16 of 20 Folder 1 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1921. St. Louis, Missouri; Winter Sale of the International Fur Exchange. Also includes a "Report on Status of the Shipments of Pelts made by the Predatory Animal Inspectors to Funsten Brothers and Company, International Fur Exchange," 1912.
- Box 16 of 20 Folder 2 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1921. Information Obtained in New York City Regarding the Silver-Fox Business and Allied Fur Interests.
- Box 16 of 20 Folder 3 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1922. A Comparison of the Fox Industry in Canada with that of the United States.
- Box 16 of 20 Folder 4 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1922. The Present Condition and Future of the International Fur Exchange; Report on the Sale of Biological Survey Furs in St. Louis; Report of Examination of Fox Pelts Offered for Sale at the Autumn Sale of International Fur Exchange, St. Louis.

- Box 16 of 20 Folder 5 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1922. Report of the Annual Meeting of the American Fox Breeders Association, Boston, Massachusetts; Report of Trip made October 16 to December 14, 1921, to Fox Ranches in the United States and Canada.
- Box 16 of 20 Folder 6 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1922. Report of American Fox Breeders Association Meeting, Boston; Report on Various Fox Ranches Visited on Trip January 17-February 12, 1922; Conditions at Keeseville Fur Farm, and, Suggested Plans for the Organization of a New Experimental Fur Farm; New York Auction Company Inc., Public Auction Fur Sale; Annual Report - Production of Fur-Bearing Animals.
- Box 16 of 20 Folder 7 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1923. Fox Farmers Meetings in Alaska to Organize Fox Breeders Associations; Report on the Methods of Feeding, Breeding, and Management of Blue Foxes on the Islands of Alaska; American Fox Breeders Association Meeting, Boston; International Live Stock Show, Chicago, and, Third Annual Live Silver Fox Show, Muskegon.
- Box 16 of 20 Folders 8-11 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1923. Detailed report on Alaskan Trip, June 16 to October 15, 1922. Includes photographs of Alaskan Islands and their terrain, inhabitants, towns, buildings, fur ranches, and two photographs of Ashbrook.
- Box 16 of 20 Folder 12 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1923. Production of Blue Foxes in Alaska; American Silver Fox Breeders Association, Boston; Fur Sale, New York Auction Company, New York City; Investigations in the Production of Blue Foxes on the Islands of Alaska; Examining Shipment of Blue Fox Skins, New York City; Report on Conditions in Alaska; Trip to New York and Philadelphia; International Fur Exposition and Convention; Locating a site for a New Experimental Fur Farm, Oakland, Maryland.
- Box 16 of 20 Folder 13 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1924. Experimental Fur Farm, Saratoga Springs, New York; Muskrat Conditions, Dorchester County, Maryland.
- Box 16 of 20 Folder 14 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1925. Fur Week Rally, New York City; First Annual Live Fox Exhibit under the Auspices of the American National Fox Breeders Association; New York State Fox Breeders Association, Watertown, New York; Field Trip, Ottawa, Saratoga Springs, New York City, and Marlboro, Massachusetts; Ottawa Conference of Canadian and United States Fox Men.
- Box 16 of 20 Folder 15 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1926. Conference with David C. Mills, General Director, National Association of the Fur Industry, New York City; Field trips and meetings with various persons; First Biennial Convention, National Association of Fur Industry, New York City; Live Fox Show and Convention, American National Fox Breeders Association, Buffalo, New York; Examination of Silver Fox Skins, Quebec, Canada and New York City; Museum of Natural History (N.Y.C.) and Society of Mammalogists Meeting; Muskrat Marshes, Maryland, and Trap manufacturing Plant, Chester, Pennsylvania; Experimental Fur Farm and Fox Ranches.

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- Box 17 of 20 Folder 2 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1928. Includes - International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners; Muskrat Raising; American Game Protective Association; and Various Trips.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 3 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1929.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 4 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1930. Includes - International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 5 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1931. Annual Conference of the Massachusetts Game and Fish Association, Boston.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 6 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1932. Annual Report for the Division of Fur Resources.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 7 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1933. Includes material on the Rabbit Experiment Station, Fontana, California; Puget Sound Fox and Fur Farmers' Association; Fur Animal Experiment Station, Saratoga Springs, New York.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 8 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1935. Includes material on the excise tax on fur; Fur Station on Beachwater Migratory Bird Refuge, Cambridge, Maryland; Division of the Russian fur industry with Arthur K. Stashevsky, head of the Soviet Fur Syndicate, Moscow.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 9 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1936. Hearing and brief in protest to a proposed PWA project to construct a canal through the Blackwater Migratory Bird Refuge; The effect of the proposed Sea Level Canal from Cambridge, Maryland to Fishing Bay via Little Blackwater River on the Federal Blackwater Migratory Bird Refuge.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 10 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1937. Includes material on Regional Directors and Game Management Agents; Blackwater Migratory Bird Refuge; Conference at the Bureau of Standards; Tax Exemption for Fur Farmers (Conference with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue); North American Wildlife Conference.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 11 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1938. Includes material on the Dog Skin Case; Blackwater Refuge, Maryland; Fur Animal Experiment Station, Saratoga Springs, New York; Trade Practice Conference for the Fur Industry; North American Wildlife Conference.

- Box 17 of 20 Folder 12 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1939. Includes material on various trips; Prince Edward Island, Canada; Improvement of Cambridge Harbor, Maryland, and a waterway between Cambridge Creek and Fishing Bay via Little Black River, Maryland.
- Box 17 of 20 Folder 13 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1940. Material includes a report on "Conditions affecting Fur Animal Production on the Lafi Marshes," Loninona; New England Game Conference.
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- Box 18 of 20 Folder 2 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1942. Includes material on the New England Fur Farmers Association.
- Box 18 of 20 Folder 3 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1943. Includes material on the National Federation of Fur Industry; North American Wildlife Conference.
- Box 18 of 20 Folder 4 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1944. Includes material on the "Fur Farmers' Wartime Problem Conference."
- Box 18 of 20 Folders 5-18 Frank G. Ashbrook. China Dog-Skin Case, 1934-1942. Includes correspondence, reports, memoranda, and newspaper clippings.
- Box 18 of 20 Folder 19 Frank G. Ashbrook. 1947. "Procedures in Trapping, Handling and Selling Furs Taken on State Refuges in Louisiana."
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- Box 19 of 20 Folder 2 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1948. Herbert L. Dozier and Ashbrook inspection and trip to Elkins, West Virginia.
- Box 19 of 20 Folder 3 Frank G. Ashbrook. FY 1949. Herbert L. Dozier and Ashbrook Field Trip to Southwestern Louisiana Institute, Lafayette, Louisiana, March 1949. Includes photographs of wildlife refuge in Georgia.
- Box 19 of 20 Folder 4 Frank G. Ashbrook. July-December 1949. Correspondence and reports concerning fur specifications for the Quartermaster General, United States Army (Fur-Ruff Strip).

- Box 19 of 20                      Folder 5 Frank G. Ashbrook. November 1949. Field trip to Southern cities.
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- Box 19 of 20                      Folder 7 Frank G. Ashbrook. Report of Travel; Weekly Itinerary and Report of Activities. 1947-1954.
- Box 19 of 20                      Folder 8 Frank G. Ashbrook. 1947-1957. Travel Authorization.
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