

## Finding Aid to the Ethel Bailey Higgins Papers, ca. 1933-1963

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### Summary Information

Repository	San Diego Natural History Museum Research Library
Creator	Higgins, Ethel Bailey, 1866-1963
Title	Ethel Bailey Higgins Papers, ca. 1933-1963
Date [inclusive]	ca. 1933-1963
Extent	3.0 Linear feet Correspondence, manuscript materials, and plant lists.
Language	English

### Preferred Citation

[Identification of item], Ethel Bailey Higgins Papers (Archives collection 1994.0414). Research Library, San Diego Natural History Museum.

## Scope and Contents

The Ethel Bailey Higgins Papers, ca. 1933-1963, consist of three boxes of archival materials relating to Higgins' career at the San Diego Natural History Museum as Curator (later Associate Curator) of Botany. Series 1 holds correspondence between Higgins and colleagues (A. F. Fischer, H. N. Lowe, and L. M. Klauber). Series 2 contains material (draft and final mss) of manuscript regarding plant collectors of San Diego. Series 3 contains bundles of plant lists.

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## Administrative Information

### Publication Information

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### Processing Information

This is an unprocessed collection in the archives of the San Diego Natural History Museum Research Library; not all of the contents of this collection have been fully inventoried.

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## Related Materials

Ethel Bailey Higgins Papers (Collection 913). Department of Special Collections, Charles E. Young Research Library, University of California, Los Angeles.  
<http://www.oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/tf6x0nb494>.

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## Biographical/Historical note

Ethel Bailey Higgins (1866–1963) was an American botanist. Curator of botany at the San Diego Natural History Museum from 1943 to 1957, she served as associate curator from 1957 to 1963. Higgins is the author of *Our Native Cacti* (1931), *Annotated Distributional List of the Ferns and Flowering Plants of San Diego County, California* (1949), and other popular works on plants of the southwestern United States and northern Mexico.

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## Controlled Access Headings

### Subject(s)

- Manuscripts
- Natural history--California--San Diego County
- Women botanists--San Diego County (Calif.)--Archival resources

### Personal Name(s)

- Fischer, Arthur F., (Arthur Frederick), 1888-1962
  - Klauber, Laurence M., (Laurence Monroe), 1883-1968
  - Lowe, H. N., (Herbert Nelson), 1880-1936
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## Collection Inventory

Content inventory prepared 1994-04-14 (Anne Bullard)

**Box 303 Series 1. Correspondence ca. 1940-1960** 1.0 Linear feet Contains manuscripts, correspondence, and or notes pertaining to the following people: Arthur Fischer (correspondence re: Orcutt post office and books found by Orcutt at Dominican monasteries in Baja California); H. N. Lowe; Laurence M. Klauber.

**Box 81 Series 2. Manuscript material 1950-1960** 1.0 Linear feet Plant Collectors of Baja, Manuscript, Original Manuscript (Draft and final).

**Box 207 Series 3. Plant lists** 1.0 Linear feet Bundles (15+) of plant lists, assembled by Higgins. Related content held by the Botany Department, San Diego Natural History Museum.