



## Harold Q. Fuller Papers (R0611)

**Collection Number:** R0611

**Collection Title:** Harold Q. Fuller Papers

**Dates:** 1950-1987

**Creator:** Fuller, Harold Q., 1907-1996

**Abstract:** The Harold Q. Fuller Papers contain the personal papers of a physics professor and community leader in Rolla, Phelps County, Missouri. The papers concern Fuller's work with the Rolla School Board, the Phelps County Nutrition Program, the Central Missouri Area Agency on Aging, and the family farm.

**Collection Size:** 0.75 cubic foot  
(14 folders, 4 photographs)

**Language:** Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri

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**Historical Note:**

Harold Q. Fuller was born in Indiana in 1907. He graduated from Waynetown High School in Waynetown, Indiana, where he met his future wife, Charlotte Gohl, they married in 1932. Fuller earned a degree in physics at Wabash College in 1928, and completed his doctorate in physics at the University of Illinois at Urbana in 1932. Fuller taught at the University of Illinois, Albion College, and Illinois College before joining the Manhattan Project at Oak Ridge, Tennessee, during World War II. This project resulted in the first atomic bomb. Following the war, Fuller returned to Albion College until 1947, when he accepted a teaching position at the Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy (now the Missouri University of Science and Technology) at Rolla. In 1970, Fuller was named Dean of the new College of Arts and Science at the college, a position he held until 1973. He retired from the university in 1977. During his tenure, his work encompassed a wide range of academic and administrative positions.

After the death of his first wife, Fuller married Nellie B. Throm in 1986. Fuller was an active civic leader and served on the Rolla School Board during the 1950s. He was also involved in the Central Missouri Regional Fair, serving as a board member and exhibitor of prize-winning Corriedale sheep. Fuller served as chair of the Rolla Housing Authority and took the lead in establishing a nutrition center in Rolla. In the 1980s, he was appointed to the board of the Central Missouri Area Agency on Aging and to the Missouri Commission on Aging. Fuller died on November 30, 1996, he is buried beside his first wife, in Ozark Hills Memorial Gardens in Rolla, Missouri.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged into the following three series:

Personal Papers  
Central Missouri Area Agency on Aging  
Phelps County Nutrition Program, Inc.

**Scope and Content Note:****Personal Papers**

This series contains photographs, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and soil testing relating to the family farm in rural Phelps County. This series also includes papers relating to his tenure on the Rolla School Board and District from 1950 to 1962. This series is arranged in its original order.

**Central Missouri Area Agency on Aging**

This series includes papers relating to the Board of Directors, number of meals served, and miscellaneous papers of the Central Missouri Area Agency on Aging from 1980 to 1985. This series is arranged by subject.

**Phelps County Nutrition Program, Inc.**

This series contains miscellaneous papers concerning the Phelps County Nutrition Program. These papers include Phelps County population statistics, grant applications, Advisory Council

records, kitchen improvements, and Rolla nutrition site from 1980 to 1987. This series also includes handbooks on services to the elderly. This series is arranged chronologically.

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