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Descriptive Summary

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Title: A Rich Legacy: The Papers of Dr. Blair C. Rich

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Extent: 19 Boxes

Biographical History Abstract: Dentist, Fluoride researcher, community servant, husband and father.

Scope Abstract: **Series One** is an extensive collection of Fluoride research materials at a national level and local to Idaho. Reports, surveys, presentations, speeches, and memorabilia pertaining to Dr. Rich's professional career. **Series Two** consists of items supporting his involvement in historical, local and civic organizations. **Series Three** contains materials dealing with Dr. Rich's personal life, his interests, family and friends. **Series Four** comprises some of the medical and personal records of Blair's father, Dr. Lorin Farr Rich, an early physician in Rexburg. **Series Five** contains collected works pertaining to Lorin's father's family. Lorin was the second son of Benjamin Erastus Rich, the first publisher of the Rexburg Silver Hammer, an LDS Church official, and son of Apostle Charles Coulson Rich.

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Biographical History

In 1894 Benjamin Erastus Rich moved his family from Ogden, Utah to Rexburg, Idaho where he owned and published a newspaper called *The Silver Hammer*, which subsequently became known as the *Rexburg Standard*, still published (2005). The Rich family has remained part of the community for five generations.

In 1901 Ben's second son, Lorin, having completed his medical degree, returned to Rexburg and began his forty year career in general practice. Lorin delivered over 5,300 babies, which would equal the entire population of Rexburg at the time of his death in 1941. Many original hand-written records are included herein.

Lorin married Ruth Eliza Blair of Ogden, Utah, where he spent part of his youth. They had two children, Audrey Carmen (1905-1998) and Blair Clyde Rich (1908-2002). For many years Lorin maintained a hospital above the Graham Boyle Hardware Store on Rexburg's Main Street. After his son, Blair, graduated from USC Dental College in 1932, they set up offices above the McCracken Building, one block west of his original office, sharing a common waiting area with separate offices. This arrangement worked well for both doctors until Lorin's death. (Family histories are provided in Series Five).

Blair was delivered by his father on a blustery day, on 10 March 1908, in the Steve Skelton home on West Main Street in Rexburg, where his parents rented part of the home. The Skelton and Rich families remained fast friends their entire lives. Blair was named and given a blessing by his grandfather, Ben E. Rich, who traveled by train from Ogden to perform the event. Lorin was much in demand for his medical services and was dearly loved by his patients as he was a generous and caring man.

Lorin's father, Benjamin E. Rich, died in 1913 while serving as mission president of the Eastern States Mission in New York. After his father's death, Lorin moved his family to Centerville, Utah to live with Lorin's mother, Diana Farr Rich, for a time. When the First World War broke out, Lorin, and three of his brothers, were among the first to enlist.

Blair and Carmen had several years of primary education in Ogden and Centerville schools while living with their paternal grandmother. Blair was baptized and confirmed a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on 2 July 1916 while living at his grandmother's home.

Toward the end of the war, Lorin, who was a Captain, summoned his family to New Orleans, where they lived near the base hospital where Lorin was assigned. Blair would recall to his posterity highlights of an occasional afternoon outing with his father as they visited Civil War monuments and notable sites about that city. Later, Lorin was transferred to Houston, Texas and for a brief time the family joined him until the war ended and the family moved back to Idaho.

In 1920 Lorin opened a fourteen room hospital above the Graham Boyle Furniture building on Rexburg's Main Street. The family used four rooms as a residence until Lorin and Ruth were able to build a home at 70 East 100 South in 1934.

Blair recalled his childhood as happy and privileged in many ways. After school he often accompanied his father on medical calls to the homes of his patients, as "house calls" were a common thing at that time. When the patient had been attended to there might be time on the way home to cast a fly line in the Henry's Fork of the Snake River, or shoot a duck if the season was right. Father and son shared mutual admiration, love and quality time together.

Lorin often brought home wild mushrooms carefully picked from the nearby moist banks of the river overflow areas. A standing joke in the Rich family was a cartoon pasted on Lorin's desk. It depicted a tired looking physician returning home to his inquiring wife about his earnings for the day. The

captioned read, "I earned a dozen eggs, 1 chicken, 5 pounds of potatoes, a gallon of milk, ten board feet of lumber and one dollar."

A highlight in Blair's young life was a two week vacation taken by the Rich and Skelton families. Photographs record their travels and camping experiences as they made "the loop" through Island Park to Yellowstone and back down Jackson Pass through Teton Basin and home. Then as now, that vacation loop was very popular, the difference being now, the quality of the roads. The photos depict a primitive trail, but no doubt the quality of scenery has not suffered with improvements.

On Friday, 25 May 1923 commencement exercises for the Independent School District was held at the Rexburg Tabernacle. Blair was one of the sixty-seven Eighth Grade graduates. He went on to attend Madison High School where he played basketball under Coach Joe Sellars, graduating in 1927. Blair enrolled at Rick's College where he won the tennis championship in the spring of 1928. Having been accepted to Dental College at the University of Southern California, but lacking some chemistry classes, Blair attended the University of Utah for one semester for that preparation.

He married his high school sweetheart, Isabel Hamilton, on 25 July 1928 in the Logan Temple. The couple then departed for Los Angeles where Blair would spend the next four years in Dental School. Two children were born to that union, Robert Blair Rich and Ruth Diane Rich. The marriage ended in 1941. "Bobby Blair," as he was known to everyone, was a happy little boy with a brilliant mind. Stricken at age two with Muscular Dystrophy, he became the subject of much research by his Grandfather Rich. Little was known about the disease in the 1930's, and Dr. Rich expended much time and expense in finding answers to his grandson's deterioration. Unfortunately, no cure was found, and Bobby Blair died in his sixteenth year, 31 July 1944.

After his divorce from Isabel in 1941, Blair married Reva Ann Nelson. Four children were born to them, and Reva took care of Bobby Blair until his death and helped to raise Diane, as Isabel had remarried, then died in childbirth in January, 1944.

Blair worked very hard at his dental profession and was renowned among his patients for the quality of his dentistry, especially his talent for producing false teeth. He was also a power in the community, being a charter member of the Lion's Club, Archery Club, Upper Snake River Valley Wranglers, Rexburg Boat Club, Upper Snake River Historical Society, and member of the Sons of the Revolution and Sons of the Utah Pioneer

Societies. He served in many enviable positions in each of the above organizations and loved to be involved in service to others. Of all his accomplishments, he seemed most proud to be named the “Historian of the Year,” in 1988.

Dr. Rich had many interests and a very keen mind. Once he had visited a place it was like a photograph within his mind as he could recall with uncanny detail description and distances. His great love was early Idaho history, Indians and arrowheads. He liked the mountains, but he loved the Idaho desert and spent many hours scouring it for any historical object that would help him to further understand native and local history. He formed many lifelong friendships with young and old alike, outliving the majority of his peers.

He was a very good provider for his family and gave all five of his living children every advantage he could afford. The younger children were given music and dance lessons, taught about horses and allowed to raise and show dogs. Each was given the opportunity to attend college. Blair gave advice to his children when it was asked for, but allowed them all to learn through their own recourse. He counted his second marriage, which ended in divorce in 1967, a personal defeat. Shortly after his retirement, Blair slipped into depression, a condition that he had to constantly fight the rest of his life. However, his keen sense of humor and ability to recall and tell a joke was a redeeming factor which endeared him to all who knew him.

Blair enjoyed reasonably good health most of his life. He had the usual childhood diseases of Measles, Mumps and Chicken Pox, a couple of bouts with pneumonia in his forty’s, a heart attack at fifty, and endured three hip replacements. He had gall bladder surgery when it was considered a major operation, but recovered in record time. He suffered a fall at Beaver Dick Park in his eighties, which resulted in a subdural hematoma and consequent operation. He had a tenacious ability to “hang on,” and that he did until suffering a stroke at the age of 94. Even then, realizing his peril, he called 911 by himself before slipping into an unconscious state. After brief hospitalization, he died at his home overlooking the Henry’s Fork of the Snake River, with his five children in attendance, on 16 May 2002.

Blair’s contribution to Dentistry stands without peer. He began studying the effects of Fluoride on his patients’ teeth at the beginning of his practice in 1932. By the 1960’s he had personally tested hundreds of wells, completed surveys, and written up his findings. He was a representative of the Idaho Dental Association to many national conventions as the pros and cons of fluoridation were discussed. His expertise in Fluoridation led to a

public educational film made by the Upjohn Pharmaceutical Company, in which he took an active part as a panelist.

Because of Dr. Rich's research, Rexburg has a water system that provides its citizens with *natural* perfectly fluoridated water. Children raised in Rexburg since the 1970's have little or no dental caries, a fact that gave Dr. Rich much personal satisfaction.

His collection of Fluoride research materials is probably the most extant available anywhere.

Scope and Content Note

The Collection is contained in **19 boxes**. Included are brochures, pamphlets, plaques, correspondence to and from individuals and organizations. Most news articles have been photocopied on acid-free paper for preservation.

Series 1 contains 10 boxes of Fluoride literature collected from nearly every state in the Union. There is correspondence, surveys, and literature from professional researchers, organizations, and friends of Dr. Rich in the dental field. This series also reflects Dr. Rich's involvement and activity in his profession. A register to the contents of each box is housed within the box in addition to the general register in order to provide easy access and for inventory purposes.

Series 2 contains 2 boxes of brochures, pamphlets, plaques, presentations, correspondence, etc. pertaining to professional and civic organizations and personal interests of Dr. Rich.

Series 3 contains 4 boxes of materials dealing with Dr. Rich's personal life, family, and friends.

Series 4 contains 2 boxes of medical records, an inventory of births and other personal records of Dr. Lorin Farr Rich (1880-1941).

Series 5 contains 1 box of collected family memorabilia, histories, and other works of the Benjamin Erastus Rich Family and the Charles Coulson Rich Family.

Subject Tracings

Institutions

Ricks College (Rexburg, Idaho)

Oneida Stake Academy (Preston, Idaho)

People

Subject

Ricks College (Rexburg, Idaho)--History

Preston (Idaho)--History

Container List

Inventory

Series 1: Fluoride Research Materials

FLOURIDE LITERATURE

Alphabetical by state, Alaska through Wyoming followed by professional organizational literature

Beginning in the 1940s' and continuing into the turn of the twenty-first century there have been various and divergent stands taken by American society on the fluoridation of public water supplies. The following information was collected by Dr. Rich and reflects the pros and cons pertaining to Fluoride issues during his professional career.

Box Folder Contents

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- 4 5 1963 Booklet, Dental records of patients recording pictures, roll number, person's name, age, place of residence, and fluoride content of water at residence.
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- 10 Apr 1963 Rexburg Dental Survey Report from Idaho Dept of Health addressed to Dr. Rich.
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- 20 Nov 1968, Letter to Dr. Rich from Fremont County Technical Action Panel asking for information on water quality in St. Anthony, Idaho.
- 14 Aug 1985, Letter from Western States Chiropractic College, Portland, OR asking permission to copy a color picture from *Clinical Nutrition*.
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- 1 May 1991, Prospectus: City of Newdale water system improvements as reported by Forsgren Associates, Rexburg, ID.

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22 Sept 1955, Letter from W. O. Young congratulating Dr. Rich on his new office building in Rexburg.
3 Mar 1957, Letter from B.W. Sutton, President, Idaho State Dental Assn., to Robert E. Smylie, Governor, naming Dr. Rich as member of five man board to be appointed by Gov. Smylie.
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1959-1962, Certificate of Appreciation for services as member of Board of Trustees, Idaho State Dental Assn.
4 January 1962, Letter from Department of Health, W. O. Young pertaining to Rexburg Dental Survey.
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- 5 2 **Idaho Dental Assistants:** Dr. Rich was on the original Board of Directors and taught many of the classes to the first graduating class.
29 June 1959, letter of appreciation for clinical presentation.
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7 March 1962, Letter of appreciation for Dr. Rich's assistance with P.T.A.'s examinations.
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College for Dental Hygiene, Pocatello thanking Dr. Rich for his services with an invitation to an open house.

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25 March 1958, Letter from W.O. Young pertaining to public education brochures.

23 April 1958, Letter from W.O. Young pertaining to reimbursement to Dr. Rich for his services on behalf of the State of Idaho.

31 May 1961, Letter from W.O. Young discussing a pre-fluoridation survey for Rexburg.

July 1961, Letter from W.O. Young for receipt of radio broadcast transcript of interview done by Dr. Rich.

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1949, Chapter 102 Idaho Session Laws pertinent to Dentistry. Dental Board Regulations

4 February 1954, Letter from Governor Len Jordan and Wayne Summers, Commissioner of Law Enforcement selecting Dr. Rich to 3 year appointment as member of the Idaho Board of Dental Examiners.

1956, booklet, Idaho Dental Formulary, published by Idaho State Pharmaceutical Association, Boise, ID.

5 April 1954, Minutes of Meeting of State Board of Dental Examiners

12 September 1997, Note attached to above from Sylvia Boyle indicating who served on the Board of Dentistry with Dr. Rich.

1956-1957, State of Idaho Board of Health certificate to Dr. Rich to perform the duties of Dental Consultant for the Division of Dental Health.

3 January 1957, Copy of letter to Henry Felton, Lawyer, in reference to Dr. Thomas Mincheff

11 Jan 1957: Letter to Dr. Rich notifying him of time Examining Board will meet in Boise.

11 January 1957, Copy of letter to Members of the Board

Copy of letter from Henry Felton, Lawyer (2 January 1957). Copy of letter mailed to Mr. Felton instead of letter dated Jun 3.

Special Bulletin, Idaho State Dental Assoc.

Letter to Dr. Rich recommending dental laboratories.

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Note to Dr. Rich from Dr. J.H. Casper from Idaho State Penitentiary.

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State Board Dental Examination 1958, and Dental grading sheets.
21 November 1958, Letter from Idaho Board of Dental Examiners
advising Dr. Rich that his term will expire on 1 February 1959.

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International College of Dentists:

25 April 1957, notification of annual meeting in Rome, Italy.
2 March 1959, letter to all Fellows of Stockholm meeting in July.
16 November 1961, letter of appointment to Editor of the Idaho
section of the International College of Dentists.
September 1971, copy of ICD History and By-Laws,
Dr. Rich's membership cards in the International College of
Dentists dating from 1956 to 1977.
13 April 1989, Letter from R.G. Shaffer granting Dr. Rich LIFE
membership in the International College of Dentists, with
objective attachment.
Undated birthday greeting cards from ICD.
Presentation of International Key plaque is found in Quarto, Box.

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Upjohn Company :

October 1961, A report produced by the Upjohn Company on the
subject of Fluorine.
April 1962A report produced by the Upjohn Company pertaining
to Tetracycline.
13 September 1962, Letter from B.A. Thomas inquiring of Dr.
Rich about his fluoridation materials and expertise.
19 October 1962, Letter from Dr. Rich to Upjohn Company
explaining his involvement with Fluoride.
16 November 1962, Letter from B.A. Thomas confirming
information from a telephone conversation.
11 December 1962, Letter From B. A. Thomas discussing Dr.
Rich's Fluoride slides.
31 Dec 1962, Letter from B.A. Thomas conveying an application
to a scientific section of the American Medical Association in
Atlantic City, June 16-20 1963.
24 May 1963, Letter from F.J. Margolis, MD, Wayne State
University, Detroit, MI., discussing particulars of the film strip
with attachment of names of participants.
1 March 1963, Letter from B.A. Thomas concerning his visit to
Dr. Rich.
3 May 1963, Letter from B.A. Thomas praising Dr. Rich's slides.
10 May 1963, Letter from B.A. Thomas concerning the exhibit
layout and June reservation at the convention.
22 May 1963, Letter from B. A. Thomas advising of the script for
the fluoride film.
28 May 1963, Letter from B.A. Thomas asking for any changes to
the brochure.

26-28 June 1963, Fluoride filming group room reservation at Brooks Lodge, Augusta, MI. Two post cards and collection of business cards.

1 July 1963, Letter from Finn Brudevold, Forsyth Dental Infirmary, Boston, MA with enclosures of reprints of their fluoride work.

1 July 1963, Letter from F. J. Stare of Harvard University conveying good wishes and a brochure.

17 July 1963, Letter from Finn Brudevold, Forsyth Dental Infirmary, Boston, MA, asking for small groups of teeth with varying degrees of mottling.

8 July 1963, Letter from B. A. Thomas asking for final expenses incurred by Dr. Rich.

26 July 1963, Letter from B. A. Thomas concerning travel expenses, congratulating Dr. Rich on the marriage of his daughter, Rita, and future exhibit plans.

30 July 1963, Letter from B.A. Thomas forwarding A.M.A. Application.

20 August 1963, Letter from B.A. Thomas about Dr. Rich's exhibit in the Rocky Mountain Medical Conference in Las Vegas, October 30-1 November 1963.

12 September 1963, Letter from B.A. Thomas to Dr. M.P. Rogers addressing Dr. Rich's exhibit.

17 September 1964, Letter from Finn Brudevold, Forsyth Dental Infirmary, Boston, MA, thanking Dr. Rich for two packages of teeth.

30 September 1963, Letter from Finn Brudevold, of Forsyth Dental Infirmary, Boston MA, thanking Dr. Rich for tooth samples.

23 October 1963, Letter from B.A. Tomas inviting Dr. Rich to dinner and notifying him of his exhibit space.

25 October 1963, Letters of application from Dr. Rich to the American Academy of Pediatrics, American Academy of General Practice, Oregon Academy of General practice, Illinois State medical Society, Ohio State Medical Association, Intermountain Pediatric Society, .

28 October 1963, script alterations for Dr. Rich's presentation.

7 November 1963, letter from B.A. Thomas pertaining to shipment of Dr. Rich's exhibit.

18 November 1963, letter from R.P. Trubey pertaining to the film strip TWELVE AUTHORITIES EVALUATE FLUORIDE.

19 November 1963, Letter from R.P. Trubey conveying a revised script.

3 December 1963 Letter from B.A. Thomas pertaining to future exhibits.

3 December 1963 from Dr. Rich to Oregon Academy pertaining to

his exhibit, with application for space.
13 December 1963, Letter from B.A. Thomas responding to Dr. Rich's letter and questions.
13 December 1963, copy of letter from B.A. Thomas to Ed Karuzas, of the Upjohn Company.
18 December 1963, Letter to Dr. Rich from R. Fleming Productions concerning the film strip with copy of the script.
Undated bulletin from R.P. Tudbey to Officers of medical schools about the filmstrip produced by Upjohn.
Undated announcement from Upjohn about Adeflor Drops.
30 December 1963, Letter from B.A. Thomas pertaining to fluoride passage through the placenta.
3 January 1964, Letter from E.C. Karuzas, Upjohn Company per Dr. Rich' request for medical films.
7 January 1964, Letter from B.A. Thomas to be forwarded to the Oregon Society.
10 January 1964, Letter of acceptance from Dr. Rich to Oregon Academy
For March 9& 10th meeting to show his exhibit.
14 January 1964, Letter from B.A. Thomas with congratulations for being accepted to the Atlantic City and Philadelphia, Greensboro and Oregon meetings.
17 February 1964, Letter from B.A. Thomas notifying Dr. Rich of brochure shipping.
27 February 1964, Letter from R.P. Trubey notifying Dr. Rich that film strip TWELVE AUTHORITIES is finished.
28 February 1964, Letter of condolence from B. A. Thomas pertaining to the exhibit being turned down by the American Academy of Pediatrics.
3 March 1964, Letter, hand written note, and exhibit personnel registration form from B.A. Thomas.
23 March 1964, Letter from B.A. Thomas pertaining to Portland trip in Oregon.
6 March 1964, Letter of application to the American Academy of General practice in Kansas City, MO, from Dr. Rich.
3 April 1964, Letter and memo from B.A. Thomas pertaining to Greensboro, N. C., meeting in May.
14 May 1964, Letter with reimbursement check to Dr. Rich for his expenses at the Greensboro Medical meeting.
10 July 1964, Letter from P. Korzilius advising Dr. Rich of use of his photographs. Photos attached.
20 July 1964, Letter of appreciation from B.A. Thomas for use of Dr. Rich's Island Park cabin.
12 August 1964, Letter from B.A. Thomas advising Dr. Rich of upcoming possible exhibits.
19 August 1964 letter from B.A. Thomas to M.L. Gulick, MD.,

referring to Dr. Rich's research.

24 September 1964, Letter from B. A. Thomas to Michigan State Dental Association to be held May 3-5 1965 suggesting that Dr. Rich's exhibit be accepted for that meeting.

15 October 1964, Letter from B.A. Thomas pertaining to upcoming meeting in San Francisco.

22 October 1964, Letter from B.A. Thomas conveying reimbursement to Dr. Rich for the American Osteopathic Association meeting October 4-8 in San Francisco.

18 November 1964, letter from B.A. Thomas with reimbursement of expenses at the American Dental Association meeting.

8 December 1964, Letter from B.A. Thomas advising Dr. Rich to prepare to be at the Chicago Dental Society meeting February 21-24, 1965.

13 January 1965, Letter from B. A. Thomas advising Dr. Rich of hotel reservations at the Conrad-Hilton in Chicago 21-25 February for the Dental meeting.

25 March 1965, Letter from B. A. Thomas conveying expense check for Chicago Dental Society meeting February 20-26 and reminding him of Michigan State Dental Meeting in Detroit 3-5 May.

25 March 1965, Letter from Josefina L. Gunderson of Upjohn asking for permission to use photographs for a PRENICAP and ADEFLOR brochure.

18 May 1965, Letter to Dr. Gulick of Eugene, Oregon from B.A. Thomas with notation to Dr. Rich concerning use of slides.

10 March 1967, Letter from D.L. Gordon of Fleming Productions in Santa Barbara, CA, accompanying return of slides.

22 May 1968, Letter from R.P. Trubey pertaining to the film, TWELVE AUTHORITIES EVALUATE FLUORIDE, plus two attachments. TWELVE AUTHORITIES EVALUATE FLUORIDE. Chart showing hypersensitivity and the tooth

Upjohn company brochure and brochure of Brooks Lodge where Upjohn provided accommodations for Dr. Rich during his visit.

Two postcards depicting the Upjohn Company in Kalamazoo. MI. Brochure, *This child already has 20 teeth*, using Dr. Rich's slides.

21 December 1970, Letter from F. J. Stare of Harvard University asking permission for reprints of Nutrition manual published by Upjohn Co.

- 5 5 Index to Dr. Rich's Fluoridation display
Pre-printed copy of OPTIMAL FLUORIDE INTAKE – 18 YEAR STUDY.
Text for Slide show introducing the conditions and expectations of Fluoridation.
195 slides in twelve slide holders of slide show.

- 5 6 **KRXX Radio Station, Rexburg, Idaho**
Letter from Dr. Rich to W.O. Young, State Dental health Director, Boise,
ID referring to Rexburg's water supply and his taped interview with
KRXX's Gene Shumate. (Two copies, 1 handwritten, 1 typed).
16 May 1965, Editorial by radio personality, Gene Shumate
addressing Fluoride issues and Dr. Rich's research.
11 June 1961, KRXX Editorial by Gene Shumate, on Rexburg's
natural fluoridation of city water.
14 June 1961, letter from Gene Shumate with copy of Sunday's
KRXX Editorial.
- 5 6 **Miscellaneous Correspondence and Fluoride information:**
20 September 1939, Paper, presented by Gerald J. Cox, Senior
Fellow, Nutrition Fellowship of the Buhl Foundation, Mellon
Institute, Pittsburgh, *New Knowledge of Fluorine in Relation to
Dental Caries*.
23 February 1955, from R.K. means, Hellige, Inc., Garden City,
NY, concerning information on a Hellige Aqua Tester and
Fluoride Color Disc, with two brochures.
27 August 1956, Letter from E.R. Berliner, V.P. of Hellige, Inc.
conveying new brochure.
27 July 1959, Letter from Haws Drinking Faucet Company, with
price information and attached brochure.
Booklet, *Instructions for use of Taylor Slide Comparators for
water analysis*.
28 September 1961, Letter from I.B. Blumenthal of Hellige, Inc.
supplying information on the use of the Aqua Tester (four
attachments).
Brochure: Important Directions for Hellige Apparatus.
November 1956 Calendar and brochure for EXTAR A.J. Parker
Co.
Brochure, Eve Testa Crowns, Medidenta Dental Supply, New
York.
Flyer, Mini-Vac air evacuator, from Vacudent Company in Salt
lake City, Utah and Manual of Operation for Vacudent Hydro-flor.
26 June 1961, Letter from C. Gordon Watson (formerly of
Rexburg) Secretary of the American Dental Association
acknowledging Dr. Rich's fluoridation efforts.
27 June 1962, Letter from S.P. Bielawa, Northwestern University
Dental School asking for Fluoride statistics, and acknowledgement
of two copies of *Optimal fluoride intake – 18 year study*.
24 May 1963, Letter to Dr. Rich from F. J. Margolis, of Wayne
State University, Detroit, MI,
December 1994, Article of the American Dietetic Association, *The*

Impact of Fluoride on Dental Health.

Newspaper article, *Fluoride Helps Arteries.*

March 1989, Newspaper Article, Idaho Falls Post-Register, *Firm hopes high fluoride level with sparks sales of Idaho water.*

- 6 1 **Dental Lectures, Presentations, Attendance at conventions:**
10-11 March 1950, Upper Snake River Dental Society Mid-Winter meeting.
26, 28 June 1950, Idaho State Dental Association 30th Annual Meeting, Shore Lodge, McCall, ID. Wednesday 28 June, 9:00 am. Lecture, Endemic Fluorosis, Dr. Blair C. Rich. Booklet (page 13) and Presenter's badge.
10 February 1951, Paper on Oral Cancer Presented to the Idaho State Cancer Society by Dr. Blair C. Rich. (8 pages)
Silver Anniversary Program, 25th Annual Community Institute, Victor, ID.
20-21 March 1953, 16th Annual Mid-Winter Meeting, Upper Snake River Dental Society with President's Message from Dr. Rich.
14 February 1955, Letter from Oregon State Dental Association inviting Dr. Rich to attend the State meeting on 7 March-9th.
7-9 March 1955, Program of Oregon State Dental Association 62nd Annual Session. Clinic presented by Dr. Rich on Wednesday, 9 March at 1:30, *The Effects of Natural Occurring Fluoridated Water in the Formation of Human Enamel.*
Guest and general practice badges and Certificate of Appreciation. Newspaper clippings pertaining to the dental conference and Dr. Rich's remarks at the conference.
19-21 May 1955, 35th Annual Idaho State Dental Association Meeting, Coeur d'Alene, ID. Badge.
5-12 February 1956, notebook containing article, Essayists badge, chemical analysis, fluoridation report.
1956 Banff, Canada leather replica of Canadian Mounty hat with Dr. Rich's name and Rexburg, ID on it.
16-18 May 1957, 37th Idaho State Dental Meeting: Dr. Rich's badge with copy of May, 1957 Journal, a note from Dr. G.I. LaBowe, and Dr. Rich's picture on page 27.
- 6 1 **19-22 August 1957, Pacific Coast Dental Conference, San Diego, CA.**
22 January 1957, Letter from C. L. Foss, Essay Chairman, inviting Dr. Rich to present at the August, 1957 conference.
12 March 1957, Letter from C.L. Foss thanking Dr. Rich for responding to the request for presenting an essay at the conference, and advising him that his presentation would occur Monday, August 19th at 10:00 am.

2 April 1957, Letter from C.W. Gilman of Tenth Pacific Coast Dental Conference conveying pre-registration to conference.
 Flyer containing itinerary of conference.
 Flyer explaining activities at conference.
 11 April 1957, Letter from Gordon Watson assisting with reservations for the conference.
 15 April 1957, Letter of confirmation for accommodations to the Bahia on the Beach at Mission Bay, San Diego.
 17 June 1957, Letter of welcome to the conference.
 18 July 1957, Letter from C.W. Gilman, confirming reservations and explaining cocktail party arrangements for 18 August.
 12 August 1957, Letter confirming appointment as a Delegate from Idaho to the conference.
 18 August 1957, Itinerary for the conference, featuring speakers.
 Dr. Rich presented at 10:00 am Monday, 19 August 1957.
 Program of 10th Pacific Coast Dental Conference with insert of Ladies' Entertainment.
 Identification Badge for Dr. Blair Rich, Rexburg.
 9 September 1957, Letter of appreciation to Dr. Rich from conference dignitaries.
 Certificate of Appreciation presented to Blair C. Rich for his valuable contribution to the Scientific Session of the 10th Triennial meeting, 1957, San Diego, California.
 2 June 1958, Idaho State Board of Dental Examiners, Name tag, list of officers, examiners, Thunderbird Motel reservation and program clipping.
 22-24 June 1959, 39th Annual Meeting of Idaho State Dental Association
 Shore Lodge McCall, ID. Dr. Rich served on Judicial Committee.

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16-20 June 1963, American Medical Association Annual Meeting, Atlantic City.

9 January 1963, Letter from R. S. Myers, AMA, Chicago, IL, acknowledging Dr. Rich's application for space at the annual AMA meeting in Atlantic City.
 2 April 1963, Letter from J. H. Brant, Colgate – Palmolive Co., discussing Dr. Rich's views on Fluoride.
 25 April 1963, Letter from J. H. Brant, Colgate – Palmolive Co., inviting Dr. Rich to tour their laboratories in New Brunswick when he visits Atlantic City.
 28 May 1963, Letter from R.P. Creer, AMA, Chicago, IL conveying dinner ticket Number 63.
 28 May 1963, Letter from J.H. Brant of Colgate-Palmolive Co, New Brunswick, NJ, pertaining to the meeting in Atlantic City.
 Application for Scientific Exhibit, Advanced registration for exhibitor and room reservation.

17 June 1963, AMA invitation to Exhibitors.
 Page 270 from AMA program highlighting Dr. Rich's exhibit.
 Invitation to the AMA reception and dinner for the Scientific Award Winners.
 18 June 1963, invitation to inauguration of AMA president.
 25 June 1963, List of expenses and bill from the Deauville Hotel, Atlantic City. New Jersey.
 Name badge and Scientific Exhibit ribbon for Dr. Rich.
 Souvenir album of colored postcards of Atlantic City.
 A group of cards, ticket stubs, addresses of people and events Dr. Rich attended in Washington D.C. after completing his presentation.
 2 July 1963, Letter from R.S. Myers, Director of Scientific Exhibits, AMA, thanking Dr. Rich for bringing his exhibit to Atlantic City.

6 2 **30-31 October – 1-2 November 1963, Rocky Mountain Medical Conference Nevada** State Medical Association, Dunes hotel, Las Vegas, NV., Scientific Exhibit in conjunction with Upjohn Co. and exhibitor badge.

Optimal Fluoride Intake – 18 year study, program page, exhibitor badge and ticket to Cordiality hour.

24-25 January 1964, Upper Snake River District Dental Society Meeting, Idaho Falls, ID. Presentation, *Effect of Naturally Occurring Fluorides on Permanent Teeth*.

17 April 1964, Southeastern District Health Department, Pocatello, ID, 11:00 -12:00 Effects of Fluoridation presentation by Dr. Rich.

6 2 **2-6 May 1964, North Carolina 110th Annual Session, Greensboro, No. Carolina.**

9 April 1964, Application for Hotel accommodations at Sedgefield Inn.

Program, page 24, item 34, Dr. Rich's exhibit on fluoride.

Map of Greensboro.

Exhibitor badge for Dr. Rich.

6 May 1964, Letter from W.O. Young pertaining to Dr. Rich's trip.

Newspaper articles from the Greensboro Daily News.

6 May 1964, Open letter from M.F. Cahal of the American Academy of General Practice extolling exhibitors at the Atlantic City meeting with a Resolution of Appreciation as an attachment.

19 October 1964, Letter from R.S. Myers, Scientific Exhibit director inviting Dr. Rich to attend and enclosed application.

6 2 **American Dental Association:**

16 March 1954, Letter from W. P. Bhair, Council on Dental Health, ADA, Chicago, referring to a report of the status of fluoridation in the U.S.

Undated press release about Dr. Rich's exhibit at ADA meeting in San Francisco.

October 1964, Letter from Wayne E. White, Ozark-Mahoning Co., Tulsa, OK, commenting on the ADA meeting in San Francisco and requesting a copy of *Optimal Fluoride Intake: an 18 year Study*. Enclosed with the letter are two papers, *The Effect of Fluorine on Dairy Cattle, and Clinical and Pathologic Effects*. Program of American Dental Association with Dr. Rich's exhibit on page 163.

Convention Reference Book with insert of picture of Dr. Rich
Badges and ribbons of Dr. Rich.

9-12 November 1964, Certificate of Recognition for contribution made by Dr. Rich to the American Dental Association 52nd Annual Session at San Francisco, CA.

25 January 1965, Letter from Dr. I.C. Navarro, Santiago, asking about streptomycin.

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Chicago Dental Society

21-24 February 1965, Chicago Dental Society convention, Conrad Hilton Hotel, Program of events and exhibitors. Dr. Rich worked with Upjohn.

Guide to the Technical Exhibits.

This week in Chicago magazine.

Dr. Rich's exhibitor badge.

Chicago Dental Society newspaper, *Day by Day*, Nos. 1, 3, 4.

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Miscellaneous Speaking engagements, Presentations, etc.

15-16 February 1952, Victor Community Institute. Folder containing lecture material and correspondence.

16 March 1956, Staff Education presentation at (?) afternoon session, *Effect of Natural-Occurring Fluoride Water in the Forming of Human Enamel of Teeth*, Dr. Blair Rich, Dentist, Rexburg.

30 April 1957, Letter from W. L. Chase, Idaho Section of American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Idaho Falls, ID. Confirming Dr. Rich as speaker on 14 May 1957.

15 February 1958, Letter from Carol Nielson, Cooperative Extension of University of Idaho College of Agriculture, Rigby, ID, thanking Dr. Rich for his talk on the influence of fluoridation.

24 July 1958, letter from William Call of Farr Candy Co, Idaho Falls, confirming Dr. Rich as a speaker at the Rotary program for August 13th.

Undated Memorandum to all Exhibitors, Rocky Mountain Medical Conference.

21 July 1964, Letter, G.J. Cox, University of Pittsburgh, School of Dentistry asking about his exhibit.

14 September 1964, Letter from D. E. Cooksey, of USN inviting Dr. Rich to Japan for the spring meeting in April of 1965.

22 September 1964, invitation from the Michigan State Dental Association for Dr. Rich to present at their 1965 annual meeting.

26-27 April 1968, Idaho Academy of Science, Ricks College, Rexburg, ID, Dr. Rich presented *Natural Fluorides in Ground Water in Idaho*.

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Miscellaneous Letters and certificates of admiration, commendation, invitation, appointment, and thank you, etc.

21 August 1941, Certificate from Selective Service, under signature of Lewis b. Hershey, Director, and appointing Dr. Rich as Examining Dentist for the Madison County Local Selective Service Board.

c.a. 1950, 29 July. Letter from Rosalee Geeiren in appreciation to Dr. Rich for her natural looking false teeth.

Undated note from Janet Cox in appreciation of her teeth.

15 July 1954, O.E. Hoffman, Head, State of Washington Department of Health, Seattle, WA., asking if Dr. Rich might be interested in a future guest presentation with the Washington State Dental Association.

7 April 1957, Invitation to attend 25th reunion of Dr. Rich's graduate class in Los Angeles.

1957, Post card from Russia from unidentified writer.

4 February 1959, Note from Marian J. Nims thanking Dr. Rich on behalf of Bel Aire Parent Teacher's Association for his presentation on Fluoride.

18 December 1960, Letter from former neighbor, William E. Craven discussing spectroscopic techniques on teeth.

3 August 1961, poem, *My Choppers* with apologies to Dr. Rich, D. H. Manwaring

9 September 1963, Letter from John L. Clarke, President of Ricks College, Rexburg, ID commending Dr. Rich for his fluoride study.

19 November 1963, Letter from T. C. McPherson, MD, Medical Director of Mead Johnson Laboratories, San Mateo, CA, commending Dr. Rich for his presentation at the Rocky Mountain Medical Conference in Las Vegas.

21 Mar 1964, Letter from W.O. Young, University of KY asking Dr. Rich for reproductions of some of his fluoride teeth slides.

28 September 1965, Acknowledgement from Northwestern University Dental Library, Chicago, IL. For receipt of *OPTIMAL FLUORIDE INTAKE-18 year Study* (copy of report included).

11 August 1966, Acknowledgement from the Indiana University School of Dentistry librarian for receipt of Dr. Rich's paper,

Optimal Fluoride Intake – 18 Year Study.

3 July 1973, Letter from Arthur D. Tranmer, Idaho State

University Dental Hygiene Dept. letter of recommendation.

10 Nov 1987 note from Dr. Ron Fife congratulating Dr. Rich on a T.V. article and his work with Fluoride.

c.a. 1990... "Plano Hall of Fame" award with thanks for coming from Stephanie Luke. (The Luke girls cleaned Dr. Rich's home for many years).

6 5 **Dental Practice, License and Memorabilia**

Dental Service price card (c.a. 1930's)

10 Nov 1932, Promissory note and conditional sale contract listing equipment and supplies to Western Dental Supply Co., for Dr. Rich's first office. 36 notes at \$36.00 per month were carried on \$1,292.70 contract.

Fee card signed by Dr. Rich (c.a. 1950's)

June 1951, Letter from W.A. Taylor Co. thanking Dr. Rich for ordering a

Fluoride Comparator, with attached literature.

23 September 1954, Application and building permit for new office.

3 August 1955, Announcement of New Dental Offices of Dr. Rich. Hand drawn sketch of equipment layout for office.

17 July 1975, Letter from Dr. Rich's attorney advising him of sale of office building.

1 September 1975, Newspaper announcement of Dr. Rich's new office.

Two photos of Dr. Rich's office built in 1955 on West Center St. Rexburg.

Exterior and Interior of X-ray room.

Paper, *Removal of Tooth Stain in Prisoner Rehabilitation*, Dental Survey, Journal of Dental Practice, January 1966.

Seven color enlargements of teeth.

Four Photographs of Dr. Rich's presentation, Optimal Fluoride Intake 18 year Study.

Fluoride Motion Picture Script, 3rd Revision with attached notes in Dr. Rich's handwriting.

Brochure from Joy Drug Store, operated by Dr. Rich's lifelong friend, Irving Woodmansee, February 1963.

21 December 1970, Letter from F.J. Stare, of Harvard University acknowledging permission to use material in a publication.

Clinical Research newsletter from Dr. Doug Smith, May 1990.

Dr. Rich's Dental certification cards, 1945-1980 (display card case 1).

Certification cards, 1980-2002 (display card case 2, side A).

Membership cards in the Upper

Snake River Dental Society, 1957,
1963, 1969 (display card case 2 B).
American Dental Association Card, 1955 (2 B).
Gordon Watson, ADA card, (grew up in Rexburg, and was
mentored by Dr. Rich when a young dentist. Rich and Watson
were good friends).2-B
Personal business cards of Dr. Rich. (2 B).
Appointment reminder cards. (2-B).
California Board of Dental Examiner Certification 1948-1976. Dr.
Rich kept his license in both the state of Idaho and California.

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Utah State University:

4 Mar 1964, Letter from D.A. Greenwood, Professor of
Biochemistry and Pharmacology, thanking Dr. Rich for his
cooperation and asking for a Kodachrome slide.
22 May 1964, Letter from D.A. Greenwood pertaining to slides on
fluorosis and indicating the National Institute of Dental Research
would like to obtain a series of like photos.
13 Aug 1964, Letter from D.A. Greenwood in regard to color
photographs and a monograph.
6 Oct 1964, Letter from D.A. Greenwood asking for Fluoride
samples for a book and inviting Dr. Rich to Logan for a game and
dinner.
5 Nov 1964, Letter from D.A. Greenwood, thanking Dr. Rich for
colored slides and inviting Dr. Rich to Logan.
28 Aug 1965, Letter from D.A. Greenwood regarding fluorosis
slides and a visit in October.
24 Dec 1965, Letter from D.A. Greenwood in appreciation of
providing exhibit on display at Logan Jr. High.
14 Apr 1967, Letter from D.A. Greenwood inviting Dr. Rich to
lecture at Utah State.
13 May 1976, Letter from James L. Shupe, DVM, Dept of
Veterinary Science, conveying return of slides and reporting that
Dr. Rich's loaned Fluoride display is lost.

(Note:) Dr. Rich loaned the display he used for so many of his
presentations to Utah State University. During the 1960's two of
Dr.

Rich's children attended that school and he made visits to the
University asking about the disposition of his display. He was
subsequently put off by various school employees for ten years,
until the final letter from Shupe, who informed him of the lost
display. Dr. Rich was very disappointed in the negligence of the
University.

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Various newspaper articles referring to fluoridation or mentioning
Dr.

Rich and his dental practice, research, or presentations and fluoride.

Most of the articles are undated. The thirty-one page collected by Dr. Rich begins 10 April 1952 and end 14 July 1988.

It is because of Dr. Rich's extensive research and surveying of local water supplies, that Rexburg supplies its citizens with perfect naturally fluoridated water since the 1970's. Since that time children growing up in Rexburg have sustained little or no incidence of dental caries. Thank you, Dr. Rich, for assuring the well was dug in the right place!

Series 2: Local, Civic, Historical, Clubs, Associations, Societies, Activity and Interests

Dr. Blair C. Rich was an instigator, supporter, and a finisher when it came to civic duty. He was instrumental in forming the foundation of many clubs, societies, and associations that became mainframe activities in Rexburg between 1932 and 1970.

7 1 Community and Civic Activities:

Rexburg Lions Club.

July 1940, Program: Rexburg Lions Club Charter Night & menu.
Copy of

1940 Charter.

1950, Ten Year Charter Monarch certificate and photograph of Rexburg

Lions. Dr. Rich is second from right holding charter.

26 May 1950, Letter from Lions International in Chicago for recognition of loyal and unselfish service to Lions Club Association.

1-2 June 1951, Ribbon from 10th Annual State Convention of Lions

Clubs, Idaho and Oregon at Sun Valley, Idaho.

1952, Newspaper article about Rexburg carousel acquired by Lions Club.

1955, Fifteen year Charter Monarch certificate.

1950-1960 newsletters.

1960, Twenty year Charter Monarch certificate.

1940-1960, History of the Rexburg Lions Club, 3 pages.

17 June 1961, Certificate of Appreciation to 2nd Club President, Charter Member, from Rexburg Lions Club.

Twenty-Five year Charter Monarch certificate.

7th January 1971, Quarter Century Club certificate.

Charter Monarch 25 Year Certificate with professional card of Edward S. Eick, Director of Lions International.

26 July 1973, Certificate of Appreciation from Rexburg Lions Club.

9 May 1974, Certificate of Appreciation from Rexburg Lions Club.
 1980, 40 Year Charter Monarch certificate.
 28 May 1981, Rexburg Journal photo and article: "One step after another...73 year old Lion makes first leg of walk-a-thon."
 15 March 1984, Letter granting Dr. Rich Life membership to Lions Clubs International.
 September 1987, News item reprinted from *Bullsheet*, "Charter member Dr. Blair Rich received his 45 year Monarch award."
 29 July 1987, Receipt of enclosure for Charter and Monarch Chevron awards from Lions Clubs International, 45 year Charter award.
 7th March 1989, Newspaper article pertaining to Rexburg Carousel being restored and maintained by Lions Club.
 19 May 1990, Certificate of Appreciation from Lions Club District Governor.
 1990, Fifty Year Charter Monarch certificate.
 19 May 1990, 50th Anniversary Banquet Dinner ticket and commemorative program. Reprint from newspaper article.
 1995, Fifty Five year Charter Monarch certificate.
 4th June 1996, Receipt for Monarch and Chevrons for 55 years. Plaques awarded to Dr. Rich are located in Quarto Box 16.

7 2 2nd January, 1942, Appointment as **Chairman on Service Clubs**, Madison County, Idaho, U.S.A. Department of Treasury.
 22 June 1942, Letter of appointment as Chairman of Madison County Service Clubs from Idaho State Treasury Department.
 28 August 1950 Note from **Boy Scouts/America** advising Dr. Rich to act as merit badge counselor for Public and Personal Health.
 January 1962, Appointment as Committeeman of Pack 506, Rexburg, ID.
 January 1963, Boy Scouts of America card acting as Chairman of Pack 506, Rexburg, ID.
 15 January 1957, **American Cancer Society**, Five year certificate of service award.
 1960, Membership in **Eastern Idaho Knife and Fork Club**.
 1951-1967, **BPOE Elks Club** membership cards in Idaho Falls Lodge No. 1087.

7 2 **Fish and Game Associations:**
 1934, Annual membership card for Madison County, Idaho.
 1946, Permit, State of Idaho Special Archery Deer Hunt, \$5.00.
 August 1953, Alaska Non-resident General Hunting, Trapping, and Fishing License, \$50.00.
 c.a. 1946, Newspaper article (Salt Lake Tribune) "Here's Hunters

Dream,
 20 Idahoans Bag 33 Geese.” Dr. Rich was among those listed.
 1 July 1953, membership card in National Field Archery
 Association.
 1973, Pheasant permit, Madison County Fish and Game.
 Large picture of “goose hunters.”
 January 1948, **Archery** Magazine, Entire copy of Vol. 20 No 1.
 Blair became an avid archer and hunted with his friends for several
 years. One year after a successful antelope hunt, he invited his
 friends to his home for an antelope dinner. The tables were set
 with individual hunting arrows shortened to be used as the dinner
 knife and sent home with guests as favors.
 Photograph of Reva and Blair Rich and Mark Lutz, after a
 successful hunt.
 7th September 1957, Newspaper article by Clyde Ormond
 reflecting on previous archery hunts.
 1962, Newspaper, Idaho Falls Post Register: “two articles and
 photos:

7 2 “Sportsman’s Riot, **Rexburg Muzzle Loaders**: Record crowd
 attends annual Sportsman Riot Saturday.” “Madison Sportsman’s
 Riot 1962 membership Drive Underway for Organization. Record
 Crowd.”
 Undated, newspaper article: “Grizzly Kills: Anchorage, Alaska.”

7 2 **Rexburg Boat Club**:
 27 August 197, Idaho Falls Post-Register photo and article: “It’s a
 pleasant, wet summer for Madison boat enthusiasts: Rexburg Boat
 Club Proves Dream Come True for Madison Residents.” Dr. Rich
 was a charter member of the club.

7 2 **KRXK Radio, Rexburg Idaho**: 28 October 1965, Script of
 political announcement of Dr. Rich, **candidate** for City Council.
 1947-1997, **Upper Valley Wranglers** certificate.

7 2 **The Upper Snake River Historical Society and Teton Flood
 Museum**:
 Dr. Rich was one of the charter members of the society when it
 began at Rick’s College. Much of his family early memorabilia
 was lost in the 1976 Teton Flood. A renewed effort was made by
 the Historical Society to provide interesting and meaningful
 exhibits, not only pertaining to the flood, but also to the heritage
 off people in the Rexburg area. In 1988 Dr.
 Rich donated the contents of his first dental office where it is
 currently still on display. (2005). In 1988 Dr. Rich was named the
Historian of the Year, and received a plaque for that honor. He
 counted that as one of his greatest life accomplishments.
 Newspaper article about the museum, “Rexburg’s Best Kept

Secret.”

1980, membership card as an officer representing the society.

27 July 1985, Rexburg Standard photo: “Memories,” Blair with newly established dental display at the museum.

Teton Flood Museum brochure. Features a picture of Dr. Rich’s display.

March 1988, Article: “Retired area dentist, researcher, historian will be honored at open house in museum.”

March 1988, Idaho Falls Post Register article: “Rich 80th,” announcing open house at the Teton Flood Museum in Rexburg.

July 1988, Rexburg Journal photo, “A float full of history,” sponsored by

the Historical Society for Whoopee Days Parade, depicts a 1932 wagon loaded with Rexburg relics(and Dr. Rich) being pulled by a team of Clydesdales.

7th September 1989, Certificate of Life member in the society.

Commemorative Centennial stamp and envelope and membership card.

26 March 1992, Newspaper article, “Record Found,”

31 August 1995, Newspaper, “Historical Society Makes History of Its Own,” with picture of original board.

7 September 1995, Invitation to 30th anniversary of Historical Society.

1996, Historical society to honor Idaho Falls TV historian.

19 June 1997, newspaper, “Farewells made to School.” (tearing down of Madison High. Dr. Rich helped to lay the foundation for the gym floor 75 years before.

5th March 1998, Rexburg Journal, “Rich in History...He’s a walking, talking history book, nearly 90.” Picture and article pertaining to Blair’s first dental office housed in the museum.

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Rexburg Chamber of Commerce:

30 June 1999, Rexburg Journal photo and article, “Blair Rich is the Grand Marshal of Parade Honoring the Century.”

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Sons of the Utah Pioneers:

Undated: Trapper Trails BSA/SUP brochure promoting new patch. Scout Historical Tour score sheet and certificate.

Roster of members, Thomas E. Ricks Chapter.

5-6 March 1993, Welsh Festival brochure, Marriott Center, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah.

7 3

Idaho Society of the Sons of the American Revolution:

5 December 1997, Original application consisting of \$17.00 check, statement of bloodline, letter from Ricks College with dates of attendance, copy of Register of birth and delayed birth certificate, copy of Lorin Farr Rich Membership, and a letter of membership

approval.

19 December 1997, membership approval and registration numbers.

Certificate of membership, Blair Clyde Rich, by descent from Thomas Knighton, signed by James L. Lyons, State President.

23 January 1931, Copy of membership of Lorin Farr Rich, signed by Benjamin L. Rich, (Lorin's brother) Sate President of the Utah section.

26 January 1998, Letter of congratulations from Idaho society president.

Wallet size membership card.

1999, Membership card, member in good standing.

1 November 1999, Solicitation letter for annual dues with attachment of 1999-2000 officers and membership.

2000, membership card, member in good standing.

1997-1998, Disabled American Veterans Commanders Club,
Bronze Leader Awards, member card and sticker.

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Various small cards and licenses:

1971, Idaho State Board of Pharmacy, Narcotic License.

1974, National Society of the Sons of the Utah Pioneers.

1980, National Audubon Society, Snake River Society.

Undated, Golden Age Passport, Lifetime admission permit.

1996, American Heart Association.

Undated, Minit-lube, Senior Citizen discount card.

2002, Sons of the American Revolution society membership card.

Other Interests

As a youth, Blair C. Rich participated in placing a commemorative marker near Blue Dome, Idaho, in the Birch Creek area, where an Indian massacre had occurred in 1877. His interest in the Birch Creek history and early pioneer John Day, never faltered throughout his life. He visited there often and collected anything newsworthy about the area.

John Day/Birch Creek Interest and Research

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June, 1910, Map of Gilmore Townsite.

4 July 1937, Salt Lake Tribune, "Navajo Translates Hieroglyphics Found in Idaho,"

27 June 1956, Post card invitation to opening of John Day grave at Blue Dome on Birch Creek.

Enclosed personal note from J.A. Harrington to Blair.

27 June 1956, Post card from J. A. Harrington to Blair advising of postponement of Day grave exploration.

30 June 1956, Post card from J.A. Harrington to Blair stating John Day meeting on Birch Creek is July 8th, '56.

Undated, Article, "Idaho Historians To Open Grave."

8 July 1956, Article, SL Tribune “Will Grave Give Up Its Secret?”
 9 Jul 1956, Newspaper article, Idaho Falls Post Register.
 “Historians Open Grave Seeking Mystery Clue.”
 13 July 1956, Newspaper article, Idaho Falls Post Register.
 “Where’s John Day? Dubois Man Contends Digging Proves Nil.”
 Newspaper article: (probably Idaho Falls Post Register)
 “Despoilers of Grave Prove Nothing, Historian Says,” by
 Elvin W. Henninger, Clark County Historian.
 Newspaper article: “Historians Open Mystery Grave.”
 (undated) Newspaper article: “What his father told him. Pocatello
 Realtor Narrates Early History of Birch Creek Region.”
 Undated. Article, Salt Lake Tribune, “Dig Unfolds 10,000 Years.”
 11 July 1956, Letter draft from Blair to Mr. Harrington
 interpreting findings of a grave at Birch Creek.
 17 July 1956, Letter to Blair from J.A. Harrington regarding
 unidentified remains at Birch Creek.
 Undated, Newspaper article (unidentified newspaper) “Birch
 Diggings Uncover Archaeology Relics.”
 31 December 1971, Post Register articles: *Explorer John Day’s
 Grave Still Elusive, Dig unfolds history of Birch Creek, Birch
 Diggings Uncover Archeology Relics; Archeology Site’s a bundle
 of work.*
 Elvin W. Henninger, Historian, “A Day on Birch Creek
 15 August 1877.”
 Post Register article: “Birch Creek Prehistory on Display.”
 23 Sep 2000, Pictures of Petro glyphs taken by Blair with friend
 Mel Wilde on one of Blair’s last of numerous trips to Birch Creek.
 10 March 2004, Information about John Day from the internet
 downloaded on what would have been Blair’s 96th birthday.
 The discovery of **King Tut’s Tomb** in Egypt sparked a romance
 with Archeology that Dr. Rich fostered throughout his life. Items
 relating to Native Americans, Pioneer West, or ancient artifact was
 of interest to him and he became an authority in many fields.
 16 July 1997, Deseret News: “The fascinating Story of King Tut.”

7 5

National Geographic Society:

Blair C. Rich was fascinated with the publications of the Society and was a lifelong subscriber, for himself and his children. He struck up a friendship with photographer and writer, David S. Boyer, formerly of Salt Lake City, Utah, that was sustained for nearly half a century. Boyer was born April 1920 and died April 1992. He was renowned for his contributions as a writer, photographer and later editor on the National Geographic staff. Included here are articles and letters written to and about Blair, along with correspondence from Mr. Boyer.
 19 June 1939, Membership certificate: “The National Geographic

Society, through the Board of Trustees at a meeting held in Washington District of Columbia in the United States of America has elected Dr. Blair C. Rich of Rexburg, Idaho a member of that Society In witness whereof this certificate has been signed and presented, George W. Hutchinson, Secretary.”

1947-1983, Index of articles written by David S. Boyer.

Sep 1961, Two undated local newspaper accounts of visit made by D.S. Boyer to the Rexburg Ice Caves.

14 Sep 1961, Photocopy of letter from D.S. Boyer to Oregon Brown pertaining to Ice Cave visit.

3 Oct 1961, Letter & envelope from D.S. Boyer to B. C. Rich commenting on “an enjoyable day it was when we amateur speleologists went out picture-taking.”

30 Oct 1961, Letter from D.S. Boyer to B.C. Rich reflecting status of Idaho Lost River article. Also indicates a National Geographic Flag is on the way to Blair.

29 Nov 1961, Thank you card from Sharon Boyer for invitation to use Island Park cabin.

5 Dec 1961, Letter from D.S. Boyer returning photographs and speaking of Idaho vacation. 6 Mar 1962, Letter from D.S. Boyer pertaining to finishing article about Idaho Groundwater.

13 Mar 1962, Article: “Idaho’s ‘Lost Rivers’ Make a Magic Lake,” rewritten by David S. Boyer. 26 pages describe lava tubes and the underground aquifer of Southeastern Idaho’s Snake River plain and its impact upon farm production.

30 Mar 1962, Letter from D.S. Boyer explaining future assignments and hoping to use Blair’s invitation for a vacation at his Island Park cabin.

17 Jul 1962, Letter from D.S. Boyer seeking advice concerning Fluoride and describing a Canadian assignment.

30 Jul 1962, Letter from D.S. Boyer commenting on photographing strange and unique animals that live in the Galapagos Islands.

9 Feb 1963, Letter from D.S. Boyer commenting on Blair’s recognition in the research of Fluoride and his discouragement over the Idaho Lost River story, not being published by National Geographic.

23 May 1963, Letter from D.S. Boyer acknowledging impending visit of B.C.Rich to Washington D.C.

7 Jun 1963, Note from Sharon Boyer (wife of D.S.) inviting Blair to stay at their home on his visit to Washington.

15 Jul 1963, Letter from D.S. Boyer, Norfolk, VA, acknowledging Blair’s visit in Washington, and Boyer’s impending trip to Turkey.

17 Sep 1963, Letter from D. S. Boyer, speaking about an article he is working on about the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel and

vacation plans.

1 Oct 1963, Letter from D.S. Boyer outlining his family's trip to Idaho on Oct. 12th.

14 Oct 1963, Letter from D.S. Boyer reminiscing about his family's trip to Dr. Rich's cabin and the kindness of many people.

30 October 1963, Letter from Sharon Boyer thanking Blair for use of his summer cabin in Island Park, Idaho.

1963, Christmas card from the Boyers

17 Apr 1964, Letter from D.S. Boyer advising Blair, he sending a color enlargement of Crystal Cave. (This picture hung in Blair's home the remainder of his life).

15 Nov 1964, Letter from D.S. Boyer reviewing the events of the past year, raising of children, family affairs, and recovering from a broken leg in Turkey.

1964, Christmas card from the Boyers

8 May 1965, Letter from D.S. Boyer to Blair from the Amazon River in Peru describing medical and dental procedures among the natives and the services provided by the HOPE organization, about which he was writing an article.

1965, Christmas card from the Boyers

20 April 1966, Letter from D.S. Boyer to Blair explaining conditions on Yap Islands where he was writing and photographing for an article. Blair was particularly amused by Boyer's referral to the scantily clad women waitresses. "They rearrange your cutlery and your harmones."

1966, Christmas card from the Boyers.

2 Sep 1967, Letter from D.S. Boyer to Blair from Yukon Territory, Canada, acknowledging Blair's recent divorce, building an apartment above his dental office, and a recent hip operation.

1967, Christmas card from Boyers.

1968, Christmas card from the Boyers.

1968, Christmas card from the Boyers

1979, Kah-Nee-Ta Vacation Resort brochure. (Blair drove out to Oregon and stayed with Boyer a couple of days as Boyer worked on a story about the Indians and Warm Springs).

8th Sep 1979, Letter from D.S. Boyer to Blair pertaining to Blair's recent bout with depression. Rules of what not to do for the rest of his life.

25 Nov 1979, Letter from D.S. Boyer in Elko, Nevada regarding the "Sagebrush Rebellion and his views regarding God and Christianity.

4 Dec 1979, Letter from Allen Elston, Warm Spring, Oregon to D.S.

Boyer exploring his relationship with God and the meaning of his (Elston's) mission on earth.

Dec 1979, Christmas card from Boyers.

6 Feb 1980, Letter from D.S. Boyer to Blair, musing about religion and philosophy, drawing some conclusions about Boyer's own mortality and earth mission.

11 Mar 1980, Letter from D.S. Boyer to Blair in response to a phone call made by Blair to Boyer in which Boyer suggests ways to solve depression.

About 1980, Christmas card from the Boyers (Undated).

1983, Christmas card from the Boyers

About 1984, Christmas card from the Boyers (undated)

21 Oct 1990, Five page letter from David Boyer to Blair and many other of Boyer's friends expressing thought of his recent travels and philosophy.

29 Oct 1990, One page letter from Boyer to Blair pertaining to family and a picture of an ice cave climber which hung in Blair's living room.

27 Feb 1991, Letter to Blair from Boyer which accompanied a replacement print of the ice cave picture.

During the fall of 1991, David Boyer visited at Dr. Rich's home where the two friends visited overnight, after which Dr. Rich gave Boyer a ride to Idaho Falls to catch a bus. It was the last time the two friends would see each other. Boyer died the following April.

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Idaho, Indian, and Old West memorabilia:

2 photographs of early Idaho scenery.

27 January 1944, Newspaper article: Idaho Falls Post-Register, "Trapper of 100 years age describes Big East Idaho Indian Buffalo Hunt."

1950, Thesis, "Mormon Settlement of Snake River Fork Country, 1883-1893," Norman Earl Ricks.

Undated: Montana, Historical newspaper, Bannack Free Press, Vol. 1 No. 1.

7th February 1967, Letter from E.W. Henninger concerning a matched pair of colt revolvers owned by Dr. Rich and reported as once owned by Lot Smith, bodyguard to Joseph Smith and Brigham Young.

Information regarding Lot Smith as collected by Dr. Rich.

January 1969, Article from *Friends*, "The tombstone of Camillus S. Fly."

15 March 1970, Newspaper article, Salt Lake Tribune, p B9, "Teton Lakes

Took Names From Frontier Couple (Jenny and Leigh Lakes).

1975-1976, Reference Series Information sheets about Lemhi Pass,

Salmon River Mission, Gilmore Mine and Railroad. Places frequented by Dr. Rich.

Map of Salmon National Forest.

9th August 1977, Newspaper, Montana Standard, “100th anniversary of the Big Hole Battle of the Nez Perce War of 1877.” Entire section.

Undated, Typescript of the events leading to the demise of a horse-thief killed at Brigham Rick’s barn in Rexburg in the 1880’s.

28 October 1997, Newspaper article, Ashton, Idaho, “City Slickers Learn About West, Cowboy Life,” featuring the Blair Calaway family.

(Namesake of Blair Rich).

Undated, Article from Post-Register, “Dead bugler hits chord of interest for historian.”

16 March 2000, note from Richard D. Hill, Archaeologist, Bureau of Land Management, Idaho Falls, to Dr. Rich concerning four enclosed brochures about the Nez Perce.

BLM publication, Oregon Trail in Idaho.

Brochure, Mountain Lakes of Idaho, Fish and Game Commission.

7 7

Teton Dam Flood, 5 June 1976:

Everyone had their own special story to tell about the flood. Dr. Rich’s experience was unique as his home was positioned overlooking the flooded river. He remained at his home, snapping incredible pictures of the rising waters and making bets with himself that his home would be spared. The water rose within 20 feet of his living room window.

1976, Cartoon from local paper.

June 1976, Complete Rexburg Standard, first days of the flood.

21 June 1976, Time Magazine article with photos.

July 1976, Circuit Magazine, Utah Power & Light.

21 December 1976, Article, Post Register, “Teton Dam Flood Idaho’s Big Story in Bicentennial Year.”

27 December 1976, Eyewitness report of dam break reported by Post-Register.

July 1989, Copy of Teton Flood News, Vol. 2.

Aerial photos of flood and those taken by Dr. Rich.

Photograph of high water taken from living room window.

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Rexburg:

Article, unknown source, “Progressive Rexburg, 1900-1909,; page 121.

1908, Newsprint pictures of Rexburg public schools.

c.a.1910, Early pictures of Beaver Dick, his tepee, and family.

Reprint, Historical Map of Rexburg.

Two post cards of early Rexburg, winter scene, Rick’s College, c.a. 1940.

4th July 1938, 24 pictures of Whoopee Days Parade.

24 June (?), Three early pictures of Tithing Barn, Office, and First Ward

Building, with DUP invitation to dedication of pioneer marker.
 c.a. 1930, 5 pictures of Ricks Academy, Rexburg Tabernacle.
 c.a. 1940, Map of Rexburg Cemetery.
 Newspaper articles concerning Governor Arnold “Dick” Williams,
 a former business partner in a car dealership and a very good
 friend of Dr. Rich’s.
 19 August 1959, Rexburg Standard, issue highlighting earthquake
 devastation with map of Hebgen slide area.
 20 August 1959, Rexburg Journal, complete copy addresses
 earthquake.
 13 February 1962, Rexburg Standard, “Record Floods Cover
 Farms, Homes.”
 1964, Brochure, Rexburg, Idaho, “Where Education Comes First.”
 24 April 1969, Rexburg Journal featuring early personalities and
 buildings in Rexburg.
 1994, Article about Wayne Wright, a good friend of Dr. Rich’s
 who grew up in Rexburg and became a famous jockey.
 28 July 2000, Article, “Henry’s Fork Foundation Director
 resigns,”
 Post Register.

Series 3: Personal Life, Family and Friends

- 8 1 **Personal Life:**
 March 1998, *Commemorative Issue of Snake River Echoes*. The
 entire issue is a focus on Dr. Rich and his family.
 Photo copy of Blair’s birth register. He was delivered by his
 father.
 Pictures of Blair from infant to mature.
- 8 1 **Education:**
 16 May 1914, Blair attended Second grade in Ogden, Utah. He
 vividly remembered the earthquake recorded in the Ogden
 Standard. The children took their chairs out of doors and sat in the
 play yard of the school until all danger was past.
 1914-1915: Davis County, Utah Public Schools, Blair Rich, First
 Grade.
 1915-1916: No report 2nd grade, Blair attended Ogden, Second
 Grade.
 1916-1917: No report 3rd grade, (family was in New Orleans)
 1917-1918: Davis County School District, Blair Rich, Fourth
 Grade.
 1918-1919: Davis County Utah Public Schools, Blair Rich, Fifth
 Grade.
 1919-1920: No report Sixth Grade, (family moved to Rexburg,
 Idaho)
 1920-1921: Rexburg, Idaho Public Schools, Report, Seventh

Grade.
 25 May 1923, Eighth Grade Diploma and commencement program
 25 Sept 1927, Second place District picture.
 High School certificate record
 Letter of admission to USC Dental College.
 Admission memorandum – Dentistry, with transcript of credits.
 1930-31, Two letters from the Dean, College of Dentistry,
 congratulating
 Blair on successful attainment.
 1 July 1931, Certificate of Promotion from Junior to Senior.
 23 May 1932, Letter from College of Dentistry informing
 requirements for graduation has been met. Dinner for graduating
 class menu.
 29 May 1932, Baccalaureate Service of U SC.
 Commencement invitation, dinner invitation.
 4 June 1932, USC certificate.
 1932. Four articles that appeared in various newspapers
 concerning the graduation, a picture of the graduation, two
 announcements of the family returning to Rexburg and the
 opening of new dental office.
 17 July 1932, Western Union to “Mrs. Dr. Rich” advising status of
 state board exams.
 17 July 1932, Notification to Dr. Rich of passing his dental exams.
 30 September 1932, Copy of grades from Dental Examiners
 Six pictures at time of Blair’s graduation from USC.
 1938, Photo of Blair (insert) Isabel, Bobby Blair and Diane.
 September, 1932, Newspaper announcements of Dr. Blair Rich
 and Family Return, and announcement of opening of dental
 practice in Rexburg.
 24 November 1958, Letter from Registrar at USC advising Dr.
 Rich of requirements should he decide to complete a B.S. degree.
 1959, Transcript from BYU for 8 grade points received for
 attendance at Book of Mormon Class held at Rick’s College.
 Envelope and stationary of Dr. Rich.

8 2 1924 -1925, Madison High School Year Books, Special Edition.
 1926, Rick’s College year book, “Rixida”.
 1927, Rick’s College year book, “Rixida”.
 1928, Rick’s College year book, “Rixida”.
Note: Dr. Rich’s year books from the University of California are
 located in Box 10.

8 3 **Business Affairs:**
 Dr. Rich was an original member of the **Financial Credit
 Corporation** in Idaho Falls, served on the Board of Directors for
 many years, beginning about 1948. A 1954 receipt details
 dividends. (Envelope attached).

28 June 1958, Letter from Financial Credit acknowledging receipt of final payment on a contract.

5 June 1958, Agreement between Dr. Rich and Loy Howard, who bought out Dr. Rich's interest in the Fremont Motor Company. Conditional Sale contract on a 1958 Dodge 2 door Lancer.

1967 Annual Report.

1955-58, Three Special Tax Stamps, required by the U.S. Internal Revenue for Dr. Rich's dental practice.

Dr. Rich was a long time patron of Idaho Bank of Commerce and First Security Banks in Rexburg, as evidenced by cancelled notes and deposits. He was very private about his banking affairs. A sample is included.

30 January 1922, copy of Dr. Rich's first life insurance policy.

26 August 1938, Warranty Deed to property at 9 East 2nd South, Rexburg, where Dr. Rich built his first home.

24 February 1944, New York Life Insurance Co., letter of repayment of loan against policy.

14 August 1953, Term life insurance policy taken out when Dr. Rich traveled to Alaska.

11 September 1954, Warranty Deed to property on center street where Dr. Rich built his office building.

1 December 1956, Warranty Deed to property on Bill's Island, at the Rexburg Boat Club

7 April 1959, Stock certificate in Gem Aircraft, Inc. Rexburg, Idaho.

22 May 1962, Contract of Sale bought by Dr. Rich of small farm and farm house west of Rexburg in Hibbard.

12 July 1966, Letter from metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

14 April 1999, Warranty Deed transferring ownership of office building.

19 September 1972, Letter from Social Security Administration advising Dr. Rich of his benefits.

15 January 1993, Letter from Delta Air Lines concerning lost baggage when Dr. Rich visited one of his children.

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Correspondence to Blair C. Rich:

5 May 1918, Letter to Blair from a friend, Bruce Walton.

14 August 1949, Letter from Wm. Blunck referring to newspaper article of Dr. Rich trespassing to fish and ending up in extracting an aching tooth of the property owner. The incident made the Associated Press. Some clips.

15 Sep 1953, Letter from office of Dr. J.C. Campbell, signed by Dr. M. Roby, in San Francisco, soliciting Blair to move his dental practice there.

12 September 1962, Letter from E. h. Swanson, Director of Museum at Idaho State College pertaining to a possible grant from

National Geographic for Indian excavations.

28 Feb 1972, Letter to Dr. Rich from Marilyn Laird of Dubois, Idaho thanking him for a PTA presentation pertaining to local history. c.a. 1990's, Christmas card to Dr. Rich from Mike Ferguson and family.

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Letters to Blair from the Renfrews: Jane Renfrew and her parents were friends of Reva's, made when Reva's father was attending school in Moscow, Idaho. Their longtime friendship culminated in exchanged hunting trips of the Renfrews to Idaho and a trip to Alaska when Blair was invited to accompany "Dad", William C. Renfrew, and his son, Bill, who was a lawyer and pilot, and owned property in Alaska. William C. Renfrew was born 11 Jul 1884 and died in Spokane, WA 20 Feb 1978, age 93. His daughter, Margaret Jane Renfrew was born 11 Jun 1919, died 15.

Jul 1997, and his son, William, born 2 May 1909, died August 1973.

21 Aug 1952, Letter from "The Renfrews" (Dad) in Spokane to Blair pertaining to an antelope hunt in Idaho. (This hunt occurred as a result of Blair, Reva and Diane's names were "drawn" for antelope licenses.

Diane accompanied Bill and Dad Renfrew with Blair out to the West desert near Birch Creek. All had their kill within minutes of opening.

19 Sep 1952, Letter from the Renfrews to Blair and family reiterating their recent visit and hunt.

28 Oct 1952, Letter from "Bill" Renfrew to his father discussing a possible Alaska hunt the following August.

31 Oct 1952, Letter from "WCR" (Renfrew) to Blair addressing his recent deer and elk hunting trips and probable fees of an Alaska hunt.

30 Sep 1953, Letter from "R" to Blair from Spokane, Washington, reviewing some events and pictures taken during their Alaska hunt.

23 Jan 1954, Letter from the "Renfrews" (Dad) in Spokane, WA remarking on a gun Blair located for "R"'s 13 year old grandson. Also mentions hunting and fishing, and a trip to Banff planned for the spring that Blair and Reva will be taking.

4 Feb 1954, Letter from "Dad" Renfrew in Spokane, Washington to Blair acknowledging receipt of slides of the Alaska trip.

9 Feb 1954, Letter from "Dad" Renfrew in Spokane, Washington to Blair commenting on Blair's recent back trouble and possible operation, along with family comments.

15 Mar 1954, Letter from "Dad" Renfrew in Spokane, Washington to Blair and family chatting about current family

events.

Correspondence from Blair:

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To Reva: Letters written by Blair while in Alaska, August and September, 1953.

19 Aug 1953, Chitina, Alaska: Met by Bill, bought supplies, plan to fly into remote area and climb to a higher camp to hunt for sheep tomorrow. Alaska mountains make “ours” look like hills. Have seen glaciers and volcanoes. “This hotel is worse than the Yellow Jacket Mine (Salmon, ID). Homesick and tired. Much love.

Notes: Aug 17-21st: Bill had motor trouble so Jan Koloski took Blair to Moose Lake where they made 14 drops (supplies) by plane. Have seen lots of sheep, One man killed two bucks with nice horns, brought meat to camp, wonderful to eat. Rugged country, sick last night, better today. Saw first bear, more sheep, picked berries. Broke both pair of glasses, still have dark ones. “So far it’s all been bad luck.”

24 – 29 Aug. Notes: Sheep have left area because too many hunters.

Feet sore. Saw bear and cubs. Saw sheep partly eaten by grizzly. (27th: BCR gets his grizzly.) Prize bear 800 lbs. Rained every day. Felled tree broke stalk on gun. Snow on mountain tops, Camp bound, playing cards.

30 Aug 1953, Chitina, Alaska: Broke camp this am and carried big packs to Moose Lake, 35 miles from Chitina. Hotel has no hot water. Hunting bag got dropped into the lake, so everything is wet. Weather still wet. To be in and out of camps, daily flying is very confusing. Feeling fine, have an inch of black whiskers. No letters from home yet, and “damned lonesome.” Expresses love to Reva and family.

6 Sep 1953, At Bill’s house in Anchorage. Caribou hunt over, got one with good head of horns. Made 18 flights since leaving home. Received Reva’s letter of the 2nd. Misses home and kids.

Growing whiskers and down to 185 lbs. Out in deep country since 1st. Only road is AICan Hwy.

Take 3 weeks to hike out. Rains every day. Called family by phone, eased homesickness.

8 Sep 1953, In Anchorage. Glad to have letters from home. Headed for McClausen River camp to hunt caribou and moose. Next week going to Lost Lake cabin across Cook Inlet. People in Alaska live rugged lives.

Back is bothering, got glasses fixed. Reassures Reva of his love and support. Prices high in Alaska. Guides cost \$50 per day and \$40 per hour flying time. Pictures sent in for processing. Lots of stories to tell.

10 Sep 1953, Lost Lake: Three days here, beautiful place, 8 minutes from Spinard Lake where Bill keeps his plane... 10 minutes by car from

Anchorage. 5 cabins, Bills is by far the best. Moose abound. Caught 20 Rainbows. Eaten pine hen, trout, salmon, moose, caribou and dall sheep.

One hamburger in town. Retained by Game Commission on small technicality. Good thing Bill is a lawyer and knows people. Just across the Inlets from Anchorage and jet planes are in the sky day and night practicing. Volcano smoked all day... may fly over it. Plans to be home in about a week.

12 Sep 1953, At Bills cabin. Thinking of home, plans to go to Anchorage. Got nice moose, 1,200 lbs. Rainy weather. No Black bear yet, but got nice grizzly. Plan to have caribou and moose hides tanned, grizzly made into a rug. Lots of fishing and wild meat.

17 Sep 1953, Back in Anchorage, booked reservations, done some family shopping, dirty clothes, animal horns and skins being shipped home.

30 Aug 1953, Letter to Mrs. Ruth Rich: "Just a note, please understand why I can't write. Reva will give you details if you call her. Hope Carmen feels better. Lots of love, Blair."

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Mementos of 1953 Alaska hunting trip:

Post cards: **12 August, 1953 to Mrs. Blair C. Rich:** "Dearest Reva, We are out of Anchorage about two hours. We should land at 2:55 am (your time). Or 12-55 a.m. their time. If we arrive on time & Bill meets us, I'll drop this in the mail. So far the trip has been perfect. Her is our plane, Its two decks – Hold 83, it goes on to Japan and ends at Manilla. Love Blair

Northwest owns 10 of these planes. Landing at 2:40 am."

16 August 1953, to Mrs. Blair C. Rich, "Dear Reva & Kids: Arrived here on time and will leave at 9 pm again. Wonderful trip over the mountains from Spokane. Renfrews have been wonderful to me. I'll try and drop you a line from Anchorage as soon as we arrive at 1 am or 3 am our time. Our plane holds more passengers than two busses. Love Dad."

30 August 1953, to Miss Diane Rich: "Dear Diane. Here is the town we are staying in tonight. It sure looks good after being in the mountains for two weeks without hot & cold running water. Dad."

Post card, Chitina, Alaska, no message. Map of Anchorage, Alaska Highway packet.

5-7 September 1953, Program, 13th Annual Matanuska Valley Fair.

22 September 1953, Alaska Railroad Bill of Lading showing 1 crate (steel Banded) carrying Dr. Rich's trophies. Sheep, Caribou ,

Moose Horns.

Newspaper article, "Dr. B.C. Rich Returns from Alaskan Hunt.

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Medical History:

Blair had the usual childhood diseases, Measles, Mumps, Chicken Pox, but maintained fairly good health most of his life. He did not suffer from any broken bones or chronic illnesses with the exception of hip and back pain brought on from constantly standing in one leaning position due to his dental practice. Some other major illnesses were:

December, 1947, Bronchial pneumonia.

1954, Back and hip problems began. He invested in a recliner which helped to ease his constant pain.

March 1959, Heart attack. Blair spent several weeks recuperating.

1965, First hip replacement. This was done in San Francisco.

1967, Second hip replacement, at St. Mark's Hospital in Salt Lake.

1971, Replacement of first hip, redone in Idaho Falls.

14 August 1973, Record of re-vaccination and passport.

1978, renewal of passport.

1979, Treatment began for depression which plagued Blair for some time.

1989, Sub dermal Hematoma operation in Idaho Falls caused from a fall at an outing at Beaver Dick Park. He clipped a newspaper article about President Reagan's brain surgery, as it was similar to his own.

1991, Gall bladder removal in Rexburg.

2001, Removal of basal cell carcinoma on right forehead and right nasal passage. Tissue report included.

May, 2002, Blair suffered a stroke on Thursday, 9 May after driving to Rexburg for breakfast and returning home. He called 911 and was still conscious when the ambulance arrives to take him to the hospital in Rexburg. Although his speech was impaired, he communicated with family members by hand pressure and eye movement and made it clear he wished to be taken to his home to die. His family supported and took care of his needs at home from Sunday until the following Thursday, 16 May 2002, when he departed this life.

16 May 2002, Funeral service mementos.

Funeral program, Perpetual membership certificate from cousins, John and James Culley, in the Passionist Benefactors Society, (Catholic daily prayers). List of Floral Offerings, Relatives and Friends who called at service.

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Mementos kept by Dr. Rich of particular interests, travels, friends:

Some keepsakes, kept separate from other of his life events, are the

following articles, which add to the scope of Blair's interests.

2 September 1945, Copy of the official surrender document signed in Tokyo Bay, Japan.

8-10 May 1946, Program of "The President's Highway Safety Conference." Washington, D.C. Dr. Rich was Idaho representative.

Points of interest map of Washington D.C.

Snapshots taken of points of interest in Washington D.C. Dr. Rich with Senator Watkins, (his uncle) by Washington Monument, and Lincoln Memorial.

Newspaper (3) articles written by Clyde Ormond which mention various sporting events participated in by Dr. Rich.

Six newspaper articles pertaining to different activities of Dr. Rich.

Guest register of those who attended his 80th birthday celebration.

17 September 1946, Letter from then Governor Arnold Williams, Addressing pleasant times shared together.

May, 1948. Picture post cards acquired when Rich family vacationed in Vancouver, B.C. following Diane's 8th Grade graduation.

c.a. 1956, Color brochure of the movie, "The Ten Commandments."

11 June 1963, Travel Itinerary for Dr. Rich's Chicago/Zalamazoo trip.

Guide to the Smithsonian Institution at Washington D.C.

c.a. 1964, Program from Broadway musical, "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying." Dr. Rich remained a fan of Michelle Lee, who was the star in the production.

24 February 1965, Program from 100th Midwinter Chicago Dental Society Meeting, President's Dinner Dance.

Negatives to Dr. Rich's dental exhibit, "Optimal Fluoride 18 Year Study."

c.a. 1965, Las Vegas, Hacienda program.

Las Vegas Thunderbird Ziegfeld Follies program.

c.a. 1975. Brochure of Old Fort Hall, Pocatello, Idaho.

1987, "The Birthday Times", newsletter received on his 79th birthday.

Guest register of open house held at the Historical Society on his 80th birthday.

1988: A father's day greeting from Diane.

June 1989, Newspaper clipping, "Thousands gather at Carthage to dedicate historic LDS site." Dr. Rich and son, Blair, visited shortly after (August) and collected brochures about Nauvoo and post cards. Many of Dr. Rich's ancestors helped to build that city

in the 1840s.

c.a. 1990, Newspaper clipping of home of Brigham Ricks.

A typewritten accounting of a horse thief episode at the Ricks home.

1992, Blair traveled to New Orleans where he met his son, Blair and wife. They toured that city for a couple of days, revisiting many of the places Blair remembered from living there during WWI.

2001, Pictures of Blair and Mel Wilde at Historical Society "Dig". Copy of "The Other Fellow," by William Hawley Smith. Dr. Rich was particularly interested in this writing, which exemplified his own integrity.

2000: Christmas card from Mike Ferguson Family, Dr. Rich's neighbors in Plano. They were very kind and caring, especially in his older age.

- 9 3 Dr. Rich kept his Pathology notebook from Dental School, intact. He remained very sharp about anything relating to physiology, disease, or human anatomy, often explaining scientific details of cause or effect.
- 9 4 **Trips:**
1-5 June 1954, A scrapbook put together by Dr. Rich covering the Dental Convention at Banff Springs Hotel. He was accompanied by daughter Rita and her friend. Includes program, mementos, menus, pictures, a letter, and newspaper articles.
- 9 5 In January, 1992, Blair's children, Blair, Chris, Diane and spouses surprised Blair at a truck-stop diner in Tremonton, Utah. Monty and Chris took Blair "for a ride to look at some equipment Monty was thinking about buying in Tremonton." The family convened for dinner and the presentation of airline tickets for Blair's birthday in March to fly to New Orleans where he would be met by Blair and Margie, to Washington where he spent a few days with Stephanie and family, and San Francisco where Rita would meet him. It turned out to be a highlight trip for Blair. Included are the keepsakes of places he visited on that trip.
- 10 Dr. Rich's Year Books from the University of Southern California "El Rodeo, 1929, Vol. XXIV, 1931, Vol. XXV1, 1932, Vol. XXV11.
- 11 1 **Photograph and postcard collection:**
1920: Blair and his father, Lorin, participated in placing a marker where an **Indian massacre** had occurred in the 1860's at **Birch Creek**. It was an event that he often spoke of in later year. Being the smallest man in the group, he told of being lowered into a crevice that had been a burial place for natives. There he found

Indian artifacts, beads, etc., Many pictures were taken of the petro glyphs, the group who were there, the sign, and surroundings.

13 Oct 1945, Goose Hunt at the Slash E Ranch at Henry's Lake, Idaho.

Blair is front row second from right.

1945-46, Mark Lutz and Blair were very close friends and often went hunting and fishing together. On one occasion Reva and Mark's wife, Lucille, accompanied their husbands on an antelope hunt.

1946-7, Blair became interested in archery and participated with several of his friends in forming an archery club in Rexburg. They hunted antelope and deer with bow and arrow.

1947, Ship Island Lake. For many years Blair sought the "perfect" picture to place in the window between his bedroom and living room in the house on the river. This selection was made from his own taking, from his back packing trip into the Big Horn Crags. Selections of photographs are included from that trip with a brochure of "Scenic Idaho."

- 11 2 **Photographs in and around Los Angeles, 1928-1932:**
Lorin told Blair it was important to study, but that once a week he and Isabel needed to take some time to "go someplace". The photos represented here are the outings they experienced.
1910-20 Rexburg photographs.
Early Yellowstone and Island Park photos.
- 11 3 **1930-1940:**
Series of Zion's National Park and other southwest travel prints..
Photographs of Boulder Dam, renamed, Hoover Dam.
Photographs of Yellowstone Park in the 1930's.
San Francisco Bay pictures.
Golden Gate International Exposition.
Blair with unidentified friends on trip to Vancouver, B.C.
- 11 4 **Hunting pictures:**
Undated, late 1930's deer hunt.
3 November 1938, Deer Hunting
October 1940, Goat hunt.
September 1947, Antelope hunt.
1946, Blair's trip to Washington D.C. and sights he visited.
- 11 5 1992, trip to New Orleans with Blair and Margie. Blair inset some pictures that were taken during WW1 when his father was stationed there, showing the comparison over seventy-five years. Also included is an explanation of the landmarks.
- 12 **Quarto Brochures about Fluoridation and related subjects:**

I.B. Douglass, *Some Chemical Features of Yellowstone National Park*, reprint from *Journal of Chemical Education*, Vol. 16, No. 9 Sep 1939.

W.A. Taylor and Co., *Modern ph and Chlorine Control*, 10th ed. Baltimore, MD., 1951.

Protect Our Children's Teeth, Idaho State Board of Dental Health, Boise, ID., 1957.

- 12 *Fluorides Fact/Fiction*, no publisher noted.
Progress Report on the effect of atmospheric Fluorides on Man, Utah State University, Logan, UT. Undated.
Addendum to above: *Histological and chemical studies in man of effects of Fluoride*. Research grants from National Institute of Health, Public Health Service. Vol. 80, No. 6 June 1965.
- 13 **Dentistry:**
4 June 1932, Southern California certificate, Blair Clyde Rich, Doctor of Dental Surgery.
15 November 1932, State of California Board of Dental Examiners, certificate, Blair Clyde Rich, is qualified to practice dentistry in said state.
15 July 1932, State of Idaho certificate to Blair C. Rich, license to practice dentistry.
16 October 1955, International College of Dentists, electing Blair C. Rich, Rexburg, Idaho as a Fellow to that prestigious group of dentists.
- 14 **Dentistry:**
Madison County, Rexburg township map with ppm Fluoride noted.
1931, Junior Class picture, University of Southern California. Rich, 8th from right, back row.
1932, Senior Class picture, College of Dentistry, University of California.
Dr. Rich, 11th from left, front row.
1932, Those who passed Idaho State Board of Dentistry in Boise, ID. Dr. Rich is first person on left seated on the floor.
25th Anniversary reunion of the Class of 1932, School of Dentistry. Dr. Rich, 2nd from left, standing.
1956, Dentistry award presented to Dr. Blair C. Rich, Pioneer Researcher the use of fluorides by the Upper Snake River District Dental Society, President ISDA (Idaho State Dental Association).
15 June 1965, Idaho State Dental Association, Distinguished Service Award to Dr. Blair C. Rich, Presented at Idaho Falls, Idaho.
1962, Department of Dental Hygiene, Idaho State College Gratefully acknowledges the contribution of Dr. Blair Rich as Guest Instructor.

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Multimedia:

1964, Fluoride film strip produced by the Upjohn Co., Kalamazoo,
MI. Three videos.

8 reels of 8mm movie film of places, people. A video of same
retained by family members.

12 reels of 8mm movie film, trips, people. A video of same
retained by family members.

10 slide holders containing 20 slides each of children's teeth
depicting varied amounts of fluoride in and around Rexburg.

16

Historical Society and Lions Club plaques:

Three newspaper copies of Rexburg's Centennial 1883-1983.

Vol. 1. No. 1, January 1983, Thomas E. Ricks on cover.

Vol. 1. No. 3, March 1983, Idaho Legislature on cover.

**December 191, Rexburg Standard, Thirty Years of Progress
issue.**

Volume 1, No. 5, May 1983, Ben E. Rich featured on cover.

1984-1986, Presented to Blair C. Rich, President, Upper Snake
River Valley Historical Society.

10 March 1988, Presented to Dr. Blair C. Rich for outstanding
service to the Upper Snake River Valley Historical Society as
Historian of the year, Charter member and Past President.

May, 1991, Lions International Distinguished Service Award, Dr.
Blair C. Rich for his many years of dedication to his community
and Lions, Presented by Rexburg Lions Club, 51 years.

1996, 55 Year Charter Monarch: Congratulations to Dr. Blair C.
Rich upon completion of fifty-five successful years of service as
an active member of the lions Club.

Series 4: Dr. Lorin Farr Rich

Dr. Lorin F. Rich was noted for his medical contribution of
delivering over 5,300 babies during his career. He was greatly
loved by his patients, friends and family. His sense of humor was
as legendary as his love for poetry and verse. He clipped and
saved articles and other literature that personified his personal
philosophy, many of which are included in the surviving
memorabilia.

17 1

Education and Early Medical practice in Rexburg:

1894, Eighth Grade graduation picture. Lorin 8th from left on 4th
row.

1st June 1900, Admission ticket to the Senate Chamber in
Washington, D.C. Lorin was visiting his brother, Benjamin, who

was taking a law degree there.

1900, Record book of Lorin F. Rich with dates and places inscribed inside cover. Possibly missionary meetings as he served as a missionary under his father during the summer of 1900 in the Southern States.

1901, Chattanooga, Tennessee: Newspaper article: "Medical Graduates, Baccalaureate sermon by Dr. R. J. Cooke Yesterday. Fifty-four members of the Class of 1901 that goes out from the Chattanooga Medical College (sermon content and list of graduates). Graduation photo. Newspaper article: "Is the son of president Ben E. Rich of the Southern States Mormon Mission, Lorin Farr Rich, a Promising Young Man Who Took His Degree From the Chattanooga Medical College."

Graduation certificate with "translation" handwritten by Dr. Rich. 1902, Lorin on telephone in his first office in Rexburg.

Lorin in his "sitting room, office" in Rexburg.

1905-1906: Lorin, Ruth, and baby Carmen traveled by train to Philadelphia, PA., where Lorin took another degree in Pharmacy. Copy of article and photograph of Ruth and Carmen at their apartment in Philadelphia.

17 1

Marriage and Family:

December, 1903: Four newspaper articles announcing the marriage and wedding celebration for Dr. Lorin F. Rich and bride, Ruth Eliza Blair, both of Ogden, UT. "Blair-Rich Wedding" (probably from Ogden Standard Examiner). "Happily Wedded," "Double Celebration," "Receipt of Announcement."

February-March, 1908, Copy of Birth register showing deliveries of Dr. Rich. That particular sheet records the birth of his son on March 10th.

Also included is the Physician's Record of the birth of his grandson, Robert Blair Rich, 17 April 1929.

Pictures of Ruth, Blair, and Carmen, taken in Rexburg, Idaho, 1905-1910.

17 1

Military Service World War I.

1918, Newspaper article with photographs: "Dr. L.F. Rich Given Captaincy in Army.

9th January 1918, Insurance Application for \$10,000 payable to his wife and mother.

Photograph and personal business card of Captain Lorin F. Rich. 28 November 1917, Postcard to Blair from Lorin stationed at Camp Pike, Arkansas.

5 March 1918, Letter from Lorin to Blair while stationed at Camp Nichols.

In New Orleans. He expresses his love for family and his patriotism.

1918, Photograph of Dr. Rich's regiment in New Orleans.

17 2

Medical Practice 1920 to 1941.

12 January 1920, Woodmen World Life Insurance Certificate, \$1,000.

3rd January 1921-21 December 1921, Booklet containing names of patients, date of service, an occasional notation of payment, and sometimes birth of a child.

1928, List of medical services performed, name of patient, and service.

Blotter advertising Zilatone for medicinal treatments.

17 3

Personal Life:

12 March 1908, Original copy of newspaper, "The Current-Journal, Pioneer Paper of Fremont County, Rexburg, Idaho. (**Very fragile**) Probably kept as a commemorative for son, Blair's birth, which is noted on the back page under Local and "Personals."

Article, "Ben E. Rich is in Rexburg this week on a visit." Article, "Dr. and Mrs. Rich are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy at their home Tuesday. All concerned are doing nicely."

23 January 1931, Certificate of membership in the Sons of the American Revolution.

24 May 1932, Western Union message from Blair about passing his dental exams.

2nd April 1941, Copy of Bill of Sale of medical property from Dr. L.F. Rich to his son, Dr. Blair C. Rich.

15 May 1941, Three Western Union telegrams extending sympathy to Mrs. L.F. Rich at the death of Dr. Rich.

16 May 1941, Three Western Union telegrams extending sympathy to Mrs. L. F. Rich and family at this sad time.

Obituaries of Dr. Rich from local newspapers.

"Memories" booklet of Dr. Rich's funeral.

May, 1941, A copper plate provided by printing company to acknowledge thank you sympathy notes and copy of picture of young Dr. Rich.

Copy of the Rich family crest on letterhead.

28 June 1941, Letter sent by Dr. Blair C. Rich to certain medical doctors who might be interested in assuming Dr. L.F. Rich's medical practice.

Dr. O.D. Hoffman, a young doctor in Driggs, Idaho responded, and had a very successful career until the late 1970's when he died of lung cancer.

1967, A certificate awarded to Lorin F. Rich for his armed service duty.

This was awarded when Mrs. Rich was granted a Social Security pension.

On behalf of Dr. Rich, sixteen years after his death.

- 17 3 **Poetry and Humor:**
 As previously mentioned, Dr. Lorin F. Rich was known for his ability to tell a story, his quick wit, and great sense of humor. His “bedside manner” became legendary. During his practice he often visited his patients in their homes. The first item in this folder is a poem, “The Silver Stripes,” by Edgar A. Guest, hand copied and sent to Dr. Rich by one of his patients and an admirer. On a prescription form is written in Dr. Rich’s hand, “The rest of your days depend on the rest of your nights.” Fifteen plastic envelopes contain poems, mostly clipped from newspapers, which appealed to Dr. Rich’s funny bone and his dedication to duty. A “Record” book contains clippings, writings and Dr. Rich’s comments. Two handwritten plastic envelopes of “sayings” often used by Dr. Rich.
- 17 4 1906, Jefferson Medical College Year Book.
- 17 5 A number of large certificates rolled together which are:
1. 23 January 1931, Certificate, Sons of American Revolution.
 2. 27 June 1917, Appointment, First Lieutenant, Medical Section.
 3. 9 July 1906, certificate of graduation from Jefferson Medical School.
 4. 22 April 1901, Medical License from State of Tennessee.
 5. 1906. Life membership certificate, Jefferson Medical School.
 6. 1 December 1917, Promotion to Captain in U.S. Army.
 7. 11 November 1920, Certificate of Discharge from Army.
 8. 1901, Medical degree from State of Tennessee
- 18 This box contains original receipts of births 1921-1941.
Print Index to those birth records as transcribed by Diane Rich Parkinson.
CD of Index: Permission is granted to BYU Idaho to make index available for genealogical purposes.

Series 5: Benjamin Erastus Rich and Charles Coulson Rich

- 19 1 **Ben E. Rich Personal Life:**
 Mayflower Lineage of Diana Farr Rich
 4 January 1885, Deseret News, paragraph concerning Ben E. and the First District Court.
 11 January 1885, Salt Lake Tribune, Ben E. paragraph concerning polygamy.
 Three post cards of Ogden area.
 Signed photograph of Ben E. Rich.
 28 August 1908, Letter to: The Elders Of The Southern States Mission, Chattanooga, TN, from Ben E. Rich.

September 1913, Deseret Evening News, "Israel Mourns for Ben E. Rich."

1917, Newspaper articles, Four Sons Sent to France, Centerville Widow is Proud, Mrs. Diane F. Rich Honored in Family Representation in Service."

25 August 1933, Obituary, Ogden Standard, "Funeral Service Set Sunday for Mrs. Ben E. Rich."

Newspaper obituaries: "Funeral Arranged for LDS Worker, Elder Smith to Speak at Rites of Mrs. B. E. Rich."

29 August 1950, Booklet by Benjamin LeRoy Rich, "Ben E. Rich."

2 March 1963, LDS Church News article, "Mission President Interests Teddy Roosevelt in Mormons."

12 April 1975, Benjamin Erastus Rich and Diana Farr Rich Family history Tour Book prepared by Family Reunion committee.

17 August 1978, Idaho Post-Register, Idaho Falls, ID., article, "Early day newsmen recall Post-Register Pioneer Efforts." Photo of Ben E. Rich.

May 1979, Newspaper article, "8 Buildings Dedicated at Missionary Center" (one was to Ben E. Rich).

1983, Rexburg Centennial Newspaper article featured Ben E. Rich.

August 2004, History by Nina W. Palmer, a granddaughter, "Ben E. Rich and His Plural Wives."

19 2

Charles C. Rich Personal Life:

Photograph of Charles C. Rich.

25 February 1846, Copy, "This is to certify to the Trustees of the Church of Christ of Latter-Day Saints that I received one yoke of oxen of Jacob Nokes worth about forty Dollars for the use of three first companies to the west. (signed) Charles C. Rich.

1st May 1840, Copy of Cavalry list, Thomas Rich, 3rd Lieutenant.

25 August 1853, typescript of letter from Sarah DeArmon Pea Rich to her husband, Charles C. Rich, who was colonizing in San Bernardino, CA.

22 August 1937, Dedicatory Program for Unveiling Monument to Honor Charles Coulson Rich, Bear Lake Stake Tabernacle, Paris, Idaho.

Remarks were made by, Daniel C. Rich, Mayor of Paris, ID., B.W. Clark, Governor of ID, Henry H. Blood, Governor of UT., President David O. McKay, Apostle George Albert Smith, and various Rich relatives.

Four photos of Paris, ID cemetery.

3rd October 1947, Health Report of the Charles Coulson Rich Family by a son, Dr. Edward I. Rich.

1947, LIFE Magazine article, "A Mormon Family Has A Reunion."

7th November 1955, Rich Family Reunion, Hotel Utah.
 Photograph.
 20th August 1959, Sesquicentennial Rich Family Reunion invitation.
 2nd June 1959, paper written by Frank C. Rich and distributed to descendants of C.C. Rich.
 12 April 1975, Rich Family reunion in Salt Lake City, photograph.
 8th August 1975, , Family reunion History Tour Guide of Paris, ID, Harriet Sargent Rich's home in Paris, ID with sketches of history.
 30 July 1975, Idaho Falls Post Register, "Freighters played leading role in settlement of East Idaho." Pictured is C.C. Rich.
 Receipt for family dues to Rich Association.
 Photograph of attending descendants at reunion.
 29 August 1998, Church News article, "Evidence indicates ruins may be those of apostle's cabin."
 Undated article: "Utah pioneer's home honored."
 Brochure from Pioneer Trail State Park.
 November 2004, Rich Family Association Newsletter which notes a DVD available on family history of C. C. Rich.

19 3

Rich Family History:

Charles C. Rich's mother, Nancy O'Neal Rich, has the dubious distinction of being the first Mormon pioneer woman to die in the Salt Lake valley in 1847. She was buried in the first cemetery in Salt Lake, located near what is now Pioneer Park. Over the years, the original cemetery was obscured by floods, buildings, and progress. In 1986 a housing project was put on hold while archeologists examined human remains. The following is a group of newspaper articles, mostly from Salt Lake Deseret News and Tribune, which eventually led to the identification and relocation of Mrs. Rich's remains and several other early Salt Lake fatalities.

"Relic Hunters Find Possible Pioneer Graves."
 "Archeologists May Have Dug Up Grave, Relics Dating Back to Fremont Indians."
 "Ancient Indian Trash Heap Confuses Discovery at Pioneer Burial Site."
 "Bodies found in "trash Heap."
 "Unearthed Foot Bone May Hint To More Pioneer Burial Sites."
 "Three More Graves Discovered, Dig Continues."
 "Cemetery study reveals harsh life of early Mormons."
 "Human Foot Bone Unearthed; S L Site May hold more Pioneer Burial Plots."
 "Archeologists Unearth Graves of 2 More Pioneer Children."
 "Archeologists continue work at gravesites."
 Dig Yields 3rd Adult, 5th Infant."
 "Pioneers' Bones Are Back for Reburial."

“Pioneers laid to rest.”

“Perspective, Section 1. Block 49 comes to an end.”

- 19 4 1985, *Benjamin Erastus Rich and Diana Farr Rich, A Brief History*, Nedra Watkins Reese, Orem, UT.
- 19 5 1985, *Lorin Farr and His Family, A Brief History*, Nedra Watkins Reese, Orem, UT.
- Print Copies of the Silver Hammer:**
5th January 1894, 12 January 1894, 20 January 1894,
7th February 1894, 14 February 1894, 21 February 1894,
28 February 1894.
- 19 6 7th March 1894, 14 March 1894, 21 March 1894, 28 March 1894,
4 April 1894, 11 April 1894, 18 April 1894, 25 April 1894.
- 19 7 2 May 1894, 9 May 1894, 16 May 1894, 23 May 1894, 30 May
1894, 20th June 1894, 27 June 1894.
- 19 8 18 July 1894, 25 July 1894, 1 August 1894, 8 August 1894, 15
August 1894, 22 August 1894, 29 August 1894.
- 19 9 13 September 1894, 27 September, 4 October 1894.