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Spotlight: Grancel Fitz's Hunting Lists

Materials from Boone and Crockett Club's GRANCEL FITZ FILES — Although officially never a member of the Boone and Crockett Club, Grancel Fitz (born August 17, 1894, died in 1963) was one of the instrumental figures behind the creation of the modern big-game scoring system used today by the Club. Moreover, his wife, Betty Sample Fitz, ran the daily activities of the Club from the their New York City-based apartment for many years—continuing her work with the Club years after her husband's death.

Grancel Fitz was a renaissance man. His talents in art, photography, and creative writing, as well as his never-ending thirst for adventure and fair chase hunting rendered him to be one of the most memorable personalities of this country's hunting community during the 1940s through the early 1960s. Among the myriad of documents left behind by the legendary coiner of the hunting term "grand slam," are Fitz's well-preserved and very detailed check lists that shed light on the equipment used by hunters during his time.



ALASKA ARTIC 1949

WEAR (Plane)

- Alpaca coat
- Mackinow pants
- 1 Union suit
- 1 Flannel shirt
- 1 pr. Wool socks
- Belt, gloves
- Loafers
- Fur cap
- 3 box SO-06
- Glasses case
- Shooting glasses
- Camera filters (Ma. & Co.)
- 2 Exposure meters
- Knife, Compass
- watch, comb
- Tape measure
- vest, mustache wax
- note books, trophy pictures
- 3x12 camera, loaded
- Binoculars, string
- Rifle, pliers

IN S.B.B.

- Sleeping bag
- Air mattress
- Pillow & case
- 4 Tripods
- Tire patch kit.

BUY IN KOTZEBUE

- Flashlight, Muhlke
- Toilet paper
- Whetstone, liguer
- Gun oil, matches

BUY IN SEATTLE

- 1 lb. Tobacco
- (Write Duck)
- *****
- John Hanson
- 59 Lake Street
- Jersey City, N. J.
- *****
- Movie Camera
- Filters, Fader (a, b)
- 550 ft. Kodachrome
- 700 ft. Super X
- 100 ft. " XX
- *****

IN DUFFEL

- 5 Union suits
- 5 pr. wool socks
- Zelan, shooting mitts
- 2 Wool shirts
- Gloves, "Blue Feet"
- Moccasins
- Air pants
- Silk scarf
- Handkerchiefs
- Packsack
- 5 Film packs in tins
- Ground Glass in box
- Extra " " "
- Screwdrivers,
- Cleaning rod, patches
- Rubber bands
- Knife
- Drinking cup
- Safety pins
- Needles, thread
- Thermometer
- Match safe
- Waterproof matches
- Tobacco pouch
- Extra pipe, cleaners
- Scissors
- Targets, tumb tacks
- Scotch tape
- 10 yards string
- Soap in pouch
- Pencils, paper
- Checks, releases
- Maps, "True" letter
- Tooth brush, powder
- Razor, brush, soap,
- blades, mirror
- Shooting mitts
- Sulfa powder
- Benzedrine, bicarb.
- Ex-lax, vicks
- Camphor ice, Adonim ipf
- Cotton, bandage
- for etc. for, Klona
- *****
- Book
- *****

Wyoming 1959

- Duffel bag.
- Packsack.
- Thermoboots, pacs.
- Muhlke, moccasins
- Chaps, insoles
- 3 pr gloves, ammo box
- hand bag, levis

Argentina 1960

- Hand luggage.

New Zealand 1960

- S.B.B.
- Hand note

Africa 1961

- Hand luggage.
- 5x12

Handwritten notes on other lists:

- 0 2 pr. duffel
- + 612 Leather
- + 12 pr. string
- + Extra 1/2 lb. pack
- Yakutat Alaska Year
- gloves
- Wool - pants
- ce

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