

The Richard Allaman Collection

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Introduction

The papers of Richard Allaman were accessioned into the Department of Archives and Special Collections on December 9, 1994.

Papers in the collection fall into 9 series as follows:

- Series 1: Ormsby Village 1951-1954
- Series 2: Shawen Acres 1946-1970
- Series 3: Montgomery County Child Welfare Board 1929-1983
- Series 4: Ohio Welfare Conference 1891-1969
- Series 5: National Probation and Parole Association 1947-1954
- Series 6: Child Welfare League of America 1945-1968
- Series 7: Published Works 1945-1960
- Series 8: Professional Associations 1943-1965
- Series 9: Miscellaneous 1943-1966

There are no restrictions on the use of this collection.

Brief Biographical Sketch

Richard Allaman was an active and prominent figure in the field of children's social services during a career that spanned almost fifty years. After he received his B.A. in the majors Social Science, English, and Greek from Otterbein University in 1933, he came to Dayton to work at the Montgomery County Relief Administration until his promotion to youth probation officer, a post he held until 1940. From 1941 until 1943, he worked as a caseworker for the Children's Bureau of Dayton. In 1944 he went to Columbus, Ohio to serve as a Research Sociologist and administrative assistant at the State Bureau of Juvenile Research. While in Columbus, he received his masters in Social Administration from the Ohio State University. After graduation, he returned to Dayton to serve as Superintendent for the Montgomery County Juvenile Court, until he left that post in 1951 to take over as director of the Louisville and Jefferson county Children's Home in Louisville, KY. Although the Allamans were happy at Ormsby Village, they missed Dayton, and they returned in 1954, when Mr. Allaman assumed the post of Superintendent of Shawen Acres, a post he held until poor health forced him to retire in 1968. Nationally, Mr. Allaman had several of his articles published by professional associations, and on numerous occasions Mr. Allaman was asked to speak at national conferences in his field occupation.

Scope and Content

The Richard Allaman collection consists of various personal items and papers which belonged to and were donated by Richard Allaman himself. The collection is made up of correspondence, newspaper clippings, financial records, photographs, and numerous publications. The collection provides insight not only into the personal life of Richard Allaman, but also serves as a good study of the change in the role of the social worker over a fifty year time period.

Series 1, Ormsby Village 1951-1954, contains financial records, daily records, personnel practices, publications, and photos relating to the Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home.

Series 2, Shawen Acres 1946-1970, contains case notes, personnel practices, daily routines, and photos pertaining to the Montgomery County Children's Home.

Series 3, Montgomery County Child Welfare Board 1929-1983, contains budget reports, personnel records, staff notes, case material, and notes from various board projects.

Series 4, Ohio Welfare conference 1891-1969, contains a history of the organization spanning the dates 1891-1965, and conference programs from 1947-1969.

Series 5, National Probation and Parole Association 1947-1954, contains correspondence, programs, and conference material.

Series 6, Child Welfare League of America 1945-1968, contains articles published by Richard Allaman for the CWLA, correspondence, and CWLA reports.

Series 7, Published Works 1945-1960, contains various articles and speeches written by Richard Allaman.

Series 8, Professional Associations 1943-1965, contains correspondence, programs, and publications from the numerous professional groups that Allaman was associated with.

Series 9, Miscellaneous 1943-1966, contains correspondence, class projects, awards, and other items of a more personal nature.

Container Listing

Series 1: Ormsby Village 1951-1954

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	1	Ormsby Village Foundation	1951
	2	Ormsby Village Budget	1953
	3	Ormsby Village Financial	1952-1954
	4	Ormsby Village Case Conference Minutes	1954
	5	Ormsby Village Psychiatry Dept.	1954
	6	Ormsby Village Miscellaneous	1952-1953
	7	Ormsby Village Cottage Schedules	1952
	8	Ormsby Village Population Lists	1953
	9	Ormsby Village AWOL study	1954
	10	Ormsby Village Citizenship	1953
	11	Ormsby Village Romance Committee	1954
	12	Ormsby Village Publications: "Echo", "The Village News", "The Center Chatterbox"	1953-1954
	13	Ormsby Village Functions	1955
	14	Ormsby Village – Personal	1952
	15	Ormsby Village – Story of Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home	1950
	16	"The Villager"	1950, 1951
	17	"The Villager"	1952, 1953, 1954
	18	Employment and Personnel Practices – Ormsby Village	1954
2	1	Superintendents' Report to the Board for the Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home	Sept.-Dec. 1952
	2	Superintendents' Report to the Board for the Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home	Jan.-Apr. 1953
	3	Superintendents' Report to the Board for the Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home	May-Aug. 1953
	4	Superintendents' Report to the Board for the Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home	Sept.-Dec. 1953
	5	Superintendents' Report to the Board for the Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home	Jan.-Apr. 1954
	6	Superintendents' Report to the Board for the Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home	May-Aug. 1954
	7	Superintendents' Report to the Board for the Louisville and Jefferson County Children's Home	Sept.-Nov. 1954
	8	Ormsby Village Council Minutes	1952-1955
	9	Photos – Ormsby Village	1954
3	1	Board Minutes and Notices – Ormsby Village	1952-1955

Series 2: Shawen Acres 1946-1947

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
3	2	Montgomery County Children's Home	1970
	3	Shawen Acres Activities	1960-1961
	4	Activities Schedules-School Year	1960-1961
	5	Employment and Personnel Practices – Shawen Acres	1957-1958
	6	Case Notes – Shawen Acres	1956-1961
	7	Montgomery County Detention Home Manual (Sections)	1947
	8	“Juvenile Joyaster”	1946-1954
	9	Christmas Photos – Shawen Acres	1958
	4	1	Cottage Photos
2		Aerial Photos of Shawen Acres	
3		Kiwanis Day – Shawen Acres	
4		Shawen Acres Folder I	1966-1968
5		Shawen Acres Folder II	1966-1968
6		Miscellaneous Montgomery County Detention Home	
7		Salaries, Staff Organization	1952
8		Assembly	1951
9		Case Material	1949-1950
10		Donations	1951
11		Jail-Juvenile detention	1951
12		Activities – Exercise	1950
13		Detention Home Statistics	1950
14		Campus Supervision Notebook	1968

Series 3: Montgomery County Child Welfare Board 1929-1983

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
5	1	Children's Services Board	1929-1973
	2	Montgomery County Child Welfare Board Annual Report	1950-1954
	3	Montgomery County Child Welfare Board Annual Report	1956-1960
	4	Montgomery Co. Child Welfare Board Operating Forecast	1965-1974
	5	Child Welfare Board – Budget	1959-1960
	6	Child Welfare Board – Budget	1967
	7	Child Welfare Board – Budget	1968
6	1	Operating Forecast and Financial Information for Children's Service Tax Levy Committee	1967-1968
	2	Child Welfare Board – Salary and Personnel Information	1959, 1963-1968
	3	Personnel Notes – Child Welfare Board	1959-1967
	4	Child Welfare Board Staff Notes	1954
	5	Child Welfare Board Teaching Material	
	6	Statistics – Montgomery County	1964
	7	“The Referral Process in Practice” (Binder)	1965

Box	File	Description	Date
6	8	Protective Service I	1958-1968
	9	Protective Service II	1958-1968
7	1	Protective Service	1968
	2	Adoption Cases and Material	1968-1969
	3	Case Conference Notes – Child Welfare Board	1966-1968
	4	Child Welfare Board – Guardianship of Children and Estates	1970-1983
	5	Proposed PR Program – Child Welfare Board	1967
	6	Montgomery County Child Welfare Board	1954-1966

Series 4: Ohio Welfare Conference 1891-1969

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
7	7	Ohio Welfare Conference	1891-1965
	8	Ohio Welfare Conference Programs	
	9	Ohio Welfare Conference	1947-1952
	10	Ohio Welfare Conference	1962-1964
	11	Ohio Welfare Conference	1963
	12	Ohio Welfare Conference	1963-1964
	13	Ohio Welfare Conference	1964-1965
	14	Ohio Welfare Conference	1966
	15	Ohio Welfare Conference	1966-1967
	16	Ohio Welfare Conference	1965-1969

Series 5: National Probation and Parole Association 1947-1954

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
8	1	National Probation and Parole Association – Correspondence – Sherwood Norman	1947-1954
	2	National Probation and Parole Association – Committee on Detention	1957-1958
	3	National Probation and Parole Association	1949-1953
	4	National Probation and Parole Association	1949-1954
	5	Standards Detention and Shelter – National Probation and Parole Association – Norman	1952
	6	Evansville – Vanderburgh County	1954

Series 6: Child Welfare League of America 1945-1968

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
8	7	Child Welfare League	1947, 1949
	8	Southern Regional Child Welfare League of America Conference	1960
	9	Child Welfare League of America – Report	1962

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
8	10	Child Welfare League of America – Correspondence	1962-1963
	11	Child Welfare League of America Conference – Vail, Co.	1968
	12	Child Welfare League of America – Published Articles by Richard Allaman	1959

Series 7: Published Works 1945-1960

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
9	1	Miscellaneous Richard Allaman Articles on The Montgomery County Detention Home	1953
	2	“Visiting at the Detention Home by Former Members”	1950
	3	“Activities Program” Paper	1949
	4	“Managing Misbehavior at the Detention Home”	1952
	5	“Stories, Letters, and Speech Material”	1947-1951
	6	“Richard Allaman Speeches and Publications”	1947-1952
	7	“Papers by Richard Allaman”	1956, 1959, 1960

Series 8: Professional Associations 1943-1965

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
9	8	National Association of Social Workers	1956
	9	National Conference of Superintendents	1954
	10	Great Lakes Area Conference	1965
	11	Southeastern Conference of Children’s Home Workers	1960
	12	Ohio Committee on Delinquency and Crime	1957
	13	Ohio Citizens Council	1962-1963
	14	Aid to Dependent Children Project Committee	1961-1964
	15	Parole Board-City Welfare Department	1956-1965
	16	Dayton Mental Hygiene Association	1950
10	1	Ohio Parole and Probation Association - Correspondence	1951-1952
	2	Ohio Parole and Probation Association – Executive Committee	1951-1952
	3	“Ohio Probation”	1946-1950
	4	Ohio Juvenile Court Reporting Program	1946
	5	Ohio Juvenile Court Reporting Program	1946

Series 9: Miscellaneous 1943-1963

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
10	6	Chaplain	1958-1963
	7	Detention Home Runaways	1950
	8	Comprehensive Mental Health Planning	1965
	9	Juvenile Detention and the Domestic Relations Court – Montgomery County, Ohio (Report of a study)	1945

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
10	10	Miscellaneous Notebook	1943
	11	Chest Council Society Newsletter	1947-1953
	12	Ray Study – California Youth Authority	1949
11	1	Personal Correspondence	1944-1954
	2	Allaman Miscellaneous	1955-1963
	3	Class Projects	1941-1943
	4	Social Administration #845-Project in lieu of final exam	1945
	5	Awards	1956-1967
	6	Boy's Letters	1944
	7	Civil Service-Sharp	1957-1958
	8	Children's Bureau Staff Notes	1938-1942
	9	In-service Training Material	1945-1966
	10	Children's Center	1954
12	1	Film on Shawen Acres and assorted audio tapes	