

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Fleming School collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14291

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 17-2016

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1928-2013; predominantly 2004-2005

Physical Description: 10 cm textual records

280 photographs1 video recording

1 DVD 4 artefacts

History / Biographical:

Fleming School, located at 2320 Louise Avenue, Brandon, MB, was a part of the Brandon School Division from its creation in 1914 until its closure in 2005. The school was named to commemorate the life of pioneer Dr. Alexander Fleming. Fleming, who was a Scottish born immigrant, came to Brandon in 1881, where he worked as Brandon's first medical doctor and pharmacist. He also held the role of chairman for the Brandon School Board. Fleming died in Brandon on November 26, 1897.

Rapid population growth in the City of Brandon in the early part of the 20th century resulted in a need for additional school buildings; Fleming School was among the schools established during this period. Designed by W.H. Shillinglaw, the structure was constructed out of concrete, wood and brick, and included a basement. When the school first opened, it was composed of six classrooms; after two renovations in 1953 and 1962, the school expanded with more classrooms and a gymnasium. At the time of its closure, Fleming School could accommodate seven classes, covering grades kindergarten to grade six.

Around 2004, the Brandon School Division decided to close Fleming Elementary School. Prior to the closure a celebration was held on January 14, 2005, to honour the school's 90th Anniversary. Following the school's official closing, students were reallocated to Earl Oxford Elementary School (540 18th Street). Some of the former staff found work in other schools within the Division, while Craig Manson, the last principal of Fleming School, became principle of Green Acres Elementary School.

The building formerly used as Fleming Elementary School became a high school for the Sioux Valley Dakota Nation in late 2006. The Band bought the building in late 2010.

Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by Fleming School staff and administration, many for the 90th anniversary and closing of the school. Craig Manson, the last principal of Fleming School, gave the records to David Wilson, who donated them to the S.J. McKee Archives in 2015.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records that document the history of Fleming School. Many of the records were created and gathered specifically by Craig Manson and others for the school's 90th anniversary; on November 19, 2006 an ad written by Grant Hamilton was placed in the Brandon Sun with Jean Pickard asking for potential archives from Fleming School to be donated by contacting Keith Heide at the Brandon School Division. The archives were to be used in a display on education in Brandon to be located in the Town Centre in June 2007. Other records were collected and created by the school's staff and administration to document the activities and student of their school.

Textual records include newspaper clippings, staff and administration lists (1914-2005), programs, calendars, correspondence, anecdotes, as well as records related to the events surrounding the 90th anniversary and the closure of the school. The 90th anniversary celebration materials include Craig Manson's speech and agenda, the lyrics to the school song, and a list of people in attendance. The newspaper clippings, with capture the experiences of Fleming students, are evidence of the staff's interest in the lives of their current and former students.

Also included in the textual records is in depth genealogical research for the Fleming family. The research includes birth and death dates, photographs of grave sites and residences of Fleming family members, as well as some correspondence around the school's 90th anniversary. The photographs in the album include both originals and photocopies.

Photographs in the collection, like the newspaper clippings, document the activities and events of Fleming School, its students and staff. They include candid's from the classroom, various ceremonies (including the 90th anniversary), and the celebration of holidays (especially Halloween). There are also a number of class and staff portraits.

The collection also includes audio visual materials. The VHS recording entitled "Fleming School 90th Birthday Tea," runs approximately 75 minutes and was videoed by lan Carkener. The DVD, which runs 42 minutes, was created by the staff and students for the 90th anniversary celebration. It has three components: "Through the Decades" shows students reenacting school scenes from earlier decades; "Students at Work and Play," shows the 2004-2005 students in their classroom environment during holiday celebrations, school ceremonies and working on assignments; and "Reflections," which includes a slide show of photographs of Fleming School throughout the years set to music.

Finally, the collection includes four artifacts: one 90th anniversary celebration balloon with an image of the school building and the its years of operation printed on it; a school magnet with the school phone number and an image of the brick school building; and two pins. The first pin is circular with a black background and gold details including the school's name, three silhouettes and three maple leaves. The second pin appears to have a hornet or bee emblem with the number 72.

Notes:

History/bio information was taken from the records, as well as the Manitoba Historical Society's website (Alexander Fleming, Fleming School - accessed on September 30, 2016), the Brandon School Division website (Fleming School - accessed on September 30, 2016) and Grant Hamilton's article "Gathering school archives while they can" (Brandon Sun, November 19, 2006). Description by Megan Treloar (September 2016) and Christy Henry.

Name Access: Alexander Fleming

Craig Manson
Betty Gibson
Ethel Paisley
O.N. Riddle
J.E. McDowe
William Wood
Neil McLennan
Allan Mitchell

Emerson Christilaw James Bateman Henry Hyson Edythe Wood Colin Mailer Emilia Hudy

Brandon School Division

Subject Access: Education

school closures

Fleming School

elementary education school celebrations anniversaries

Pioneers

Repro Restriction: Canadian Copyright applies to the content of the video recording and

some of the photographs

Storage Location: 2016 accessions

Related Material: Brandon School Division records at the Brandon General Museum &

Archives

Arrangement:

The school history records in the collection are arranged chronologically. The Fleming family history album is broken down by family tree branch.



# Valleyview Leisure Club fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14292

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Fonds
Accession Number: 4-2015

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1980-2014

Physical Description: 30 cm textual records

Physical Condition: Most of the photos are in peel and stick albums and the albums have a

number of condition issues

History / Riographical:

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Valleyview Leisure Club (VLC) began in April 1978 as a senior's activity group in conjunction with Valleyview Community Centre. The impetus for the creation of the group was a meeting between John Svenson, Regional Director for Westman Seniors, and seniors in the Valleyview area who met to discuss the organization of a seniors club. At the time the club was established, space was limited at the Community Centre because some school classes were held there during the construction of Riverheights School. However, a New Horizons grant enabled the VLC to remodel and furnish the basement area of the Valleyview Community Centre for the Leisure Club. A Grand Opening of the space was held in May of 1980; there was a special luncheon and the offical ribbon was cut by Hon. Ed McGill.

The Valleyview Leisure Club was run by a board and its associated committees and governed by a constitution. Members were charged an annual membership fee, as well as user fees for the various activities. In the early years, the CLub had monthly membership business meetings in conjunction with an evening meal and entertainment. The use of the basement area was varied and included: cards; shuffleboard and other games; craft activities; fundraisers; raffles; dances; and luncheons, dinners and potlucks. The space was also rented out for private functions, particularly special birthdays and anniversary's of community members. The Club made annual contibutions to the parent Community Centre, as well as helping the Community Centre functions (winter carnival etc.)

In the course of time, the activities of the VLC became more focused on cribbage and bridge, with several regular groups scheduled at regular weekly time slots. At the time of the organization's disbanding, the following groups were active: Friday afternoon contract bridge - the "original" bridge group at the Centre; Tuesday afternoon cribbage; Thursday afternoon "Retired Educators" contract bridge - this group had played in vacant space at Neelin School up until around 1989. Its membership was eventually opened up to anyone who wanted to play in that time slot; Wheat City Duplicate Bridge Club - formed in the City as a sanctioned club and had a number of locations around town. When it moved to the Leisure Club, it came as a renter only, but chose in 2012 to join as VLC members; and Monday afternoon duplicate bridge - in an effort to increase the number of duplicate bridge plays, a "beginners" duplicate group was established with lessons, which proved to be a popular decision. The group thrived and most of the Thursday evening playser began to paly at this time also/or instead.

The VLC hosted a Spring and a Fall Bridge Tournament each year, open to anyone, with invitations going to surrounding areas. As well as cash prizes, a cash donation was given to a local charity. In latter years these donations were \$500 per tournament. An annual Christmas Dinner was another popular event. It was a catered event, at least in the later years, and was offered at a subsidized price to members. The club also made a donation to Christmas Cheer at this time.

At some point in the organization's history the VLC came to be seen as a tenant of the Valleyview Community Centre, paying a rent of \$3000 per year for its use of the basement space, as well as some maintenance expenses. When the Valleyview Community Centre voted to raise the rent to \$12,000 per year within two years, the VLC sought other options.

The VLC settled on Prairie Oasis Senior Centre for a nubmer of reasons. First, it offered to provide space for each of the club's existing card groups at the same time slots with no membership fees. Second, the move would also eliminate the increasingly difficult task of fielding a board of directors to run the club. Finally, the Prairie Oasis location offered the advantage of level access; the basement location of the VLC had excluded several of the club's former members with mobility issues.

Effective September 1, 2014, the Valleyview Leisure Club was dissolved. The club disposed of equipment either by donating it to Prairie Oasis or to Valleyview Community Centre. Once all debts were cleared the Board voted to distribute the cash assets to the following local charities: Big Brothers and Sisters; Food For Thought; Humane Society; Prairie Oasis Senior

Centre/Meals on Wheels; Salvation Army; Samaritan House; Seniors For Seniors Co-op Inc.; The Soup Kitchen; Westman Regional Hospital; Westman Hospice; and Y Kids.

## Custodial History:

Records were created and collected by Valleyview Leisure Club and donated to the S.J. McKee Archives by Barry Reilly following the disbandment of the club in 2015.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of records created and maintained by the Valleyview Leisure Club to document their activities and membership. The records detail club events, finances, insurance and meetings.

Records include meeting minutes, agendas, posters, correspondence, budget plans, grants, constitutions, newspaper clippings, membership lists, phone directories, membership rosters, financial statements, secretarial records, photo albums and other miscelleanous records.

Notes: History/Bio information was provided by the Valleyview Leisure Club.

Description by Amanda Gramchuk (October 2016) and Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Arrangement:

Records are arranged in chronological order



# Southwest B Region Manitoba Women's Institute fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14294

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Fonds
Accession Number: 12-2016

GMD: multiple media

Physical Description: 18 cm textual records

4 b/w photographs

Physical Condition: Some of the pages and photographs in the scrapbooks have become

loose

History / Biographical:

Southwest B "Region" Women's Institute is a regional board within Manitoba Women's Institute.

According to their website, Manitoba Women's Institute (MWI) operates under an umbrella structure of a provincial board and regional boards as directed in the Constitution and Bylaws. The provincial board serves to co-ordinate the activities of the organization on a provincial scale and link with other provincial, national, and international organizations. Regional boards are responsible for activities within their regions and for assisting with communication between the provincial board and the membership. Local institutes serve members in local communities or local geographic areas.

The Southwest B "Region" Women's Institute covers the area south of the Trans Canada Highway and from Killarney west to the Saskatchewan border. Historically it has encompassed locals from the follwing areas: Bardal, Boissevain, Broomhill, Dand, Deloraine, Dublin, Ebor, Elgin, Elva, Hartney, Kemnay, Lauder, Lyleton, Medora, Melita, Napinka, Pierson, Regent, Souris, Springvale, Tilston, Wakada and Whitewater.

## Custodial History:

Records were in the possession of the Southwest B Region Women's Institute until thier donation to the McKee Archives in 2014.

## Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of records created by the Southwest B Region Women's Institute during the course of their activities and operations.

Records include: eight minute books (1926-1997); a small scribbler listing Convention and some Board meeting attendance (2001-2013); and two Treasurer's/cash record books (1940-1944 and 1951-1992). The photographs are portraits of the Women's Institute Leadership Class (1961 and 1962), attendees on stage at the F.W.E.C Convention, Wolfville NS (July 1964) and the Manitoba delegation to Wolfville NS (July 1964).

Notes: History/Bio information was taken from the records and from the

Manitoba Women's Instutite webpage (http://www.mbwi.ca/about-mwi/local-institutes/. Accessed January 2017). Description by Christy

Henry.

Finding Aid: A detailed list of meeting dates for the minute books was provided by the

donor. It is located in the donation file.

Storage Location: 2016 accessions

photographs in RG 5 photograph drawer by accession number



## Western Manitoba Home Econocmic Association fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14324

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Fonds
Accession Number: 13-2010

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1971-2010

History / Biographical:

The inaugural meeting of the Western Manitoba Home Economics Association (WMHEA) was held in September 1971, with 48 members. In 1973, the WMHEA members voted to affiliate with the Canadian Home Economics Association (CHEA).

## Custodial History:

Records were in the possession of Margarite Hughes and other officers of the Western Manitoba Home Economic Association prior to their donation to the SJ McKee Archives on July 17, 2010.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds includes: minutes (September 1971 - May 2010); lists of executive members; membership lists; financial records; newsletters; scrapbooks; correspondence; records of special events; miscellaneous publications; and organizational banners.

Notes: Description by Tom Mitchell

Storage Location: 2010 accessions



## Nadia Lewis collection

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14325

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 3-2017

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: late 1880's - 2009

Physical Description: 2.5 cm textual records

206 photographs (loose)

2 scrapbooks 2 artefacts

Physical Condition: The textual records and artefacts are in good condition. Many of the

photographs are bent and the paper based photo albums have some

tearing.

History / Biographical:

Nadia Irene Lewis (nee Chernec) was born in Shoal Lake, MB on December 31, 1926. Shortly after her birth, Nadia was place in the care of a nurse in Brandon, BM while her parents were attempting to set up a home in the United States. Her mother was a teacher and her father was in training to become a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), but because they were unmarried and had a child out of wedlock, they both lost their jobs and felt they needed to start a new life in a different place. As they were driving up the Brandon Hill, they were tragically involved in a three car collision, which killed them both.

The nurse caring for the newborn baby girl and a social worker from the Children's Aid Society assigned to the case decided to palce Nadia in an orphange in Brandon. During her stay at the orphanage, the caretakers named her "Katy" after a popular song of the day and discovered that she really enjoyed music. Nicholas and Maria Chernec adopted "Katy" from the orphanage when she was 3 1/2 years old, and in her brief autobiography, Nadia wrote that she suspected that Nicholas Chernec was her biological uncle (her father's brother). In June 1929, baby "Katy" was christened "Nadia Irene Chernec."

According to Nadia's autobiography, Nicholas Chernec urged his wife Maria to adopt the baby for three years as she remained in the orphanage. Maria had suffered a fall from a ladder during their marriage and as a result, was unalbe to have children. Maria "was often quite ill" and id not want to raise another person's child, but eventually she agreed.

Both Nicholas and Maria were of Ukrainian descent, and therefore Nadia was raised with a knowledge of Ukrainian traditions and within the ukrainian community of Brandon, something that she embraced. Nadia grew up in Brandon's North End and graduated from the Normal School in 1945. She immediately began a teaching career that would last for 32 years, though she also worked in an office for three of those years. She married Alexander Mitchell Lewis on July 23, 1971 in Vancouver, BC. Alexander was a contractor and boat builder.

After Maria Chernec's death in September 1984, nadia began correspondence with Oseredok, the Ukranian Cultural and Educational Centre in Winnipeg, MB. She ultimately donated many traditional Ukrainian items to the Centre, including a painting much beloved by her father (who died in 1955) and garments handmade by her mother, thus preserving some of her family's cultural heritage.

As noted previously, Nadia loved music as a child and eventually learned to play the violin. She performed with several orchestras throughout her life, including the New Westminster Symphony and the Kitsilano Orchestra. in November 1998, she was diagnoed with trigeminal neuralgia, a neurological disorder that affects the nerves in the head. This disorder, which can cause unexpected and debilitating pain in the affected area, led to Nadia giving up driving, and ultimately, her violin playing. Through presecription drug experimentation under the supervision of her physican and neurologist, Nadia was eventually able to control the effects of the disease. Nadia Irene Lewis died on September 14, 2013 in Richemond, BC at the age of 86.

#### Custodial History:

The collection was transferred to Ms. Lewis' lawyer after her death in 2013. The records were then given to Drew Mitchell, a distant cousing who had been named in her will. Mitchell donated the records to the McKee Archives in 2017.

#### Scope and Content:

The collection was created by Nadia Chernec Lewis throughout the course of her adult life and chronicles her activities from her birth in Manitoba, and moves to British Columbia, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, New Zealand and finally back to British Columbia where she died.

Collection consists of an autobiography, her parents' biographies (written by Nadia), vital records related to her family, correspondence with classmates from the Normal School and Oseredok and many photographs of Nadia, her friends and family. Some of the photograph depict Brandon and Brandon's North End. Also included in the collection is a set of wooden rosary beads and a doll dressed in traditional Ukrainian garments, handmade by Maria Chernec.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the records. Description by Megan

Demarest (December 2018).

Language Note: English and Ukrainian

Finding Aid: A file list for the collection is available, as well as a photo inventory.

Storage Location: 2018 accessions

#### Arrangement:

Photographs 3-2017.5 through 3-2017.88 were in a card box labeled "Lewis Pictures (1956-'58, 1960's, 1970's)," which has been discarded.

Photographs 3-2017.89 through 3-2017.104 were in a candy box labeled "Pictures and Background Material in relation to Nicholas and Maria Chernec of Brandon, Manitoba . . . the Ukrainian Community in the 1930's-1940's mostly . . .," which has been discarded. An envelope in the box labeled "Ukrainian Shirt, History of . . ." contained a handwritten description of the shirt and its history along with photographs 3-2017.89 through 3-2017.94. The note is in Folder #6, Oseredok-Ukrainian Cultural and Educational Centre. Photographs 3-2017.95 through 3-2017.104 are Polaroids taken to document items that Ms. Lewis donated to Oseredok in 2000.

Photographs 3-2017.105 through 3-2017.152 were remeoved from a green self-adhesive photo album, which has been discarded.

Photographs 3-2017.153 thorough 3-2017.198 were removed from a self-adhesive photo album with a waterside lanscrape image on the front, which has been discarded.



## Brandon Sno-Goers Snowmobile Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions7972

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 35-2007

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1970-1999

Physical Description: 30 cm textual records; artifacts

Physical Condition: Good.

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Sno-Goers Snowmobile Club was created in approximately 1970 and was disbanded in approximately 2002. During its lifetime, the Sno-Goers were an organization dedicated to the promotion of recreational snowmobiling. They were also a community service group, which raised funds for local charities, held many winter events and worked with E.M.O. services in the southwestern area of Manitoba. They were members of the provincial organization Sno-Man Inc (Snowmobilers of Manitoba Inc.).

#### Custodial History:

Records were donated to the McKee Archives on September 9, 2005 by Lloyd Shortridge, former president and Sno-Goers member from 1986-2002. The records were in Shortridge's residence prior to their donation.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minutes (annual meetings, general meetings, director's meetings, club meetings etc.), newsletters, financial records, member lists, correspondence, records related to various club activities, events, and charity fundraising. It also includes the Manitoba snowmobile operator's training manual, exam and answer key, information on snow trails and trail grooming and records for the 1989 Sno-Man convention and sled show hosted by the Brandon Sno-Goers. Fonds contains a number of artifacts, including: 3 pins, 2 badges and the Sno-Goers' flag.

Fundraising included: Heart & Stroke Foundation (Heart Fund Ride), Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada (Poker Derby), Canadian Liver Foundation, Ability Fund March of Dimes, City of Brandon, Canadian Cancer Society, Dreams for Kids.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry. All records related to Snopasses (except a

few annual reports) were culled, as were recipets and duplicates, Sno-

Man newsletters and Sno-Man meeting minutes.

Storage Location: 2007 accessions
Storage Range: 2007 accessions

Arrangement:

There are some financial records mixed in with the minutes in 1983-1985. There are some minutes for 1980 in the correspondence file.



# The Order of United Commercial Travelers of America (UCT) fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8224

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 5-2008

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1908-2006

Physical Description: 2 m textual records

9 b/w photographs

History / Biographical:

The Order of United Commercial Travelers of America (UCT) is a fraternal benefits society. It was founded in Columbus, Ohio on January 16, 1888 by eight traveling salesmen (commercial travelers) for the purpose of providing accident insurance for traveling salesmen, protecting the rights of its members and aiding those dependent upon them.

UCT came to Canada in 1898 with the creation of Winnipeg Council No. 154. The organization gradually spread westward with Councils established in Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary and Brandon. Brandon Council No. 448 was granted a charter on December 12, 1908.

Brandon Council No. 448 incorporated in 1984. Soon after they purchased and renovated the UCT Hall (now East Port Hall) at 530 Richmond Avenue East. The goals of Brandon Council No. 448 are "to improve our community, meet new friends, improve fellowship, to discover the best in ourselves and others, and to derive satisfaction from helping others." UCT Brandon Council No. 448 supports a number of organiztions and programs in Brandon; to raise money, the Council holds a weekly bingo (first held on May 9, 1963) and a canteen at bingos. As well, they participate in an anual ticket raffle within Manitoba.

The governing body of UCT in the United States and Canada is the Supreme Council, which is located in Columbus, Ohio. States or groups of states and provinces are divided into Grand Jurisdictions; Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta make up a Grand Jurisdiction, of which Brandon Council forms a part. The Grand charter was granted on June 10, 1911. Prior to 1911, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta formed part of the Grand Jurisdiction of Minnesota and North Dakota.

## Custodial History:

The UCT Brandon Council #448 decided to donate their records to the McKee Archives after selling their meeting hall (UCT Hall - now East Port Hall). Records were stored in East Port Hall on Richmond Avenue East until their donation in January 2008.

## Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of: Brandon UCT Council scrapbooks (1974-1999, 1997-2006); Brandon Council minutes (1990-1996); unidentified attendance registers (probably Brandon); Minutes of the Grand Council of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta (1911-17, 1919); Proceedings of the Grand Council of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta (1914-15, 1917-19,1922-35, 1937-62, 1964, 1966-75, 1977, 1981-83, 1988-89); Minutes and Correspondence of the Grand Council of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta (1958-59); Annual Reports to the Grand Council Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta from various councils (1948, 1949, 1950, 1952); Grand Council of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta documents including Cash Book (1911-1948) and Ledger (1911-1948); Proceedings of the Supreme Council (1964-68); Proceedings of the Grand Council of Minnesota and North Dakota (1931, 1949); Swift Current Council, minutes (1939-45, 1959-71), membership and financial records (1937-63); Lethbridge, attendance register (1914-1930, 1933-55); Regina, membership [nd]; Miscellaneous documents: Constitution and Bylaws UCT of America, 1962; The UCT Story 1888-1988, compiled by William C. Shortt; and 9 b/w photographs, various sizes.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the UCT webstie available at:

http://www.uct.org/History.html (February 2008), from "The UCT Story: Do you Know It?" by James B. Chrisp, and published in the May 18, 1986 edition of the Sunday Sunday, and the Brandon Council #448 pamphlet.

Description by Christy Henry and Tom Mitchell.



# Brandon Folk, Music & Art Society, Inc. fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8761

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 17-2008

19-2008

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1981-2001

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Folk, Music, and Art Society, Inc. has been in existence since 1985, when it was founded by a group of Westman people interested in providing an alternative art and music festival for the western Manitoba region. That group sponsored the first annual Brandon Folk, Music, and Art Festival in September of 1985 and established the community-based, non-profit structure of the Society.

The Society's main goal is to provide musicians, artists and artisans with an opportunity to perform or display their talents on a professional level. The Society provides for its members and aspiring artists by sponsoring an annual Festival, coffeehouses, socials and other performances at local establishments, featuring local and touring performers.

The Society is governed by a volunteer board of directors from many sectors of the local community.

**Custodial History:** 

Recrods in accession 19-2008 were in the possession of the Brandon Folk, Music & Art Society prior to their donation to the archives in September 2008.

Scope and Content:

Accession 17-2008 (12 cm, 1985-1988) consists of 10 files containing promotional materials, meeting minutes and planning documents for Society's annual music festival.

Accession 19-2008 (63 cm, 1981-2008) consists of: minutes, festival programs, publications, posters, financial records, correspondence; miscellaneous photographs.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from Society records. Description by

Donna Lowe and Christy Henry.

Accruals: Further accruals expected

Storage Range: 2008 accessions



# Baker family fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8864

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 21-2008

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1884-1889; 1997; 2007

Physical Description: 200 letters

2 booklets

Material Details: A number of the letters are samples of "cross writing"

Physical Condition: Some of the letters are fragile, but generally the fonds is in good

condition.

Custodial History:

Ann Murdoch donated a copy of "My Dear Will" to the McKee Archives in February 2008. The formal donation of the Baker family letters occurred on September 27, 2008 at a reception in the Gathering Space at the John E. Robbins Library.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a collection of about 200 letters primarily written by William Baker (although letters written by other family members are also included), who left Liverpool and settled in Oak Lake, to his son William who remained in England. The letters offer insights on a wide range of subjects including the conditions of immigrants and the Riel "situation".

The fonds also contains a supplement to "My Dear Will: Reflections of Prairie Pioneer Life." This latter publication consists of transcribed copies of the letters in the Baker family fonds. The letters were originally transcribed by Ronald James Parsons and his wife Rita Olive Parsons (nee Blake) and published, along with some letters, photographs and other documents for family c. 1997. The booklet was updated in 2007 by Ronald and Rita's daughter, Ann Murdoch. The Supplement was prepared by Ann Murdock and her sister Dawn Powell.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Finding Aid: My Dear Will booklet

Storage Location: 2008 accessions. Booklets and family tree stored in Rare Books: RC

3399.B73Z495 2007 v.1 and v.2.

Storage Range: 2008 accessions



## Maureen Johnson collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9012

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 10-2009, 14-2009
GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1908-c.1965; predominant 1915-1921

Physical Description: 32 photographs

1 sound recording2 cm textual records

Material Details: 17 photographs are digital records

History / Biographical:

Maureen Johnson (nee Sills) was born in Brandon, MB in 1936 and grew up in western Manitoba. She spent three years in Ethiopia (1958-1961) and two years in Houston, Texas before taking up permanent residence in Winnipeg, MB. She attended Brandon College in 1953-1954, living in the Tower Room of Clark Hall.

From 1960-1979, Johnson raised her family, volunteered in the St. Vital community and was Secretary to the Manitoba Schools Science Symposium (1973-1977). She worked in the Office of the President at the University of Manitoba from 1980 to 1996.

Johnson is a visual artist and photographer, and is a member of the Winnipeg Sketch Club, Manitoba Society of Artists and Winnipeg South Photo Club. Her work is on permanent display at Medea Gallery (www.medeagallery.ca) where she has been a member since 1985. She also has work in the Rental Program at the Winnipeg Art Gallery.

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

#### Custodial History:

The original photographs in accession 10-2009 are in the custody of Maureen Johnson in Winnipeg, MB. Copies were digitally scanned by Johnson and sent to the Archives in March 2009. The 1921 photographs of Brandon College students were given to Johnson by Eileen McKenzie, her aunt, who attended Brandon College at that time. The photos of Sarah Persis Darrach (Johnson's great-aunt and maternal grandmother's sister) are from her family albums.

All of the records in accession 14-2009, except for the 1920 Quill and the Clark Hall Rules 1912, were collected by Johnson during her time at Brandon College. The Quill issue belonged to Johnson's aunt Eileen McKenzie, a student at Brandon College in the early 1920s. The records were in Johnson's possession at her home until their donation to the McKee Archives in May 2009.

## Scope and Content:

Accession 10-2009 consists of seventeen digital photographs. Seven photographs are of Sarah Persis Darrach (nee Johnson), taken primarily during her time as a nursing sister during World War I. Two photographs are of Eileen McKenzie. The remaining photographs depict students and student activities at Brandon College in the early 1920s.

Accession 14-2009 consists of a copy of the sound recording and program for Mr. College Spirit, a musical comedy presented by the Brandon College Literary Board and written by James Struthers and Kenneth Gunning. Accession also includes fifteen photographs from 1953-1954, when Johnson attended Brandon College. Subjects include: Freshie King and Queen; Graduation Banquets (1955, 1956); senior and lady sticks; Jim Casey Trophy; Grand March 1954; Capettes basketball team 1954; Glee Club 1953; Variety Night - Men's Chorus; Caps Football Team; Caps Hockey Team 1954; Cheerleaders 1954; Caps Basketball 1954; and Touques.

Textual records include graduation banquet and commencement programs, news clippings, programs for Variety Night and Be Your Age, a list of football cheers and a copy of the Fall Number of the 1920 Quill. Textual records also include two color photocopies: Clark Hall Rules 1912 and Johnson's Arts and Science Departments, Brandon College Registration card.

Notes: History/Bio information and Custodial History provided by Maureen

Johnson (April 2009). A review of the play, written by Kay Rowe,

appeared in the March 6, 1953 issue of the Quill.

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach

Eileen McKenzie Brandon College

Brandon General Hospital

Subject Access: World War I

First World War student activities

snowshoeing

Location Original: Maureen Johnson (Winnipeg)

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

Related Material: RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence

MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds

MG 2 2.4 James Struthers fonds



# Brandon Daily Sun microfilm

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10190

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Creator: Backstage Library Works

Description Level: Fonds

Accession Number: 2-2010

GMD: microfilm

Date Range: 2009

Physical Description: 52 reels of microfilm

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Sun transferred the original copies of the Brandon Daily Sun, 1900-1917 to the McKee Archives for the purpose of having them preserved and microfilmed.

Money provided by the Manitoba Council on Post-secondary Education for the development of Manitobia, a website created by the Manitoba Libraries Consortium, included funds for the microfilming and digitization of the Brandon Daily Sun held at the S.J. McKee Archives.

In the summer of 2009, the hard copy edition of the Brandon Daily Sun were sent to the offices of OCLC Preservation Service Center, now Backstage Library Works, in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Backstage undertook to cut the bindings of the paper and prepare master and service microfilm copies of the entire run of the publication.

The microfilm copies were shipped from Backstage to the University of Manitoba and subsequently to the McKee Archives, arriving the week of January 18, 2010. The original hard copies of the Brandon Daily Sun will also be returned to the McKee Archives.

A digital version of the microfilm will appear of the Manitobia website.

Custodial History:

Microfilm was created by Backstage Library Works in Pennsylvania from hard copies of the Brandon Daily Sun held by the McKee Archvies during the winter of 2009-2010. The master and service copies of the microfilm were delivered to the McKee Archives in January 2010.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of Archival Master copies and Service copies of the Brandon Daily Sun (February 5, 1900- December 31, 1917).

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Name Access: Brandon Daily Sun

Brandon Sun

Subject Access: newspapers

Storage Location: Archival Master copies - 2010 accessions

Service copies - integrated with the Brandon Sun microfilm in the John E.

Robbins Library



## Jack Stothard collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4231

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 1-2003, 12-2006, 8-2007, 8-2008, 18-2008, 11-2009, 4-2012, 4-2013,

8-2016

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: ca. 1900s, 2001-2003, 2007, 2008, 2016

Physical Description: 30 cm textual records

9 b/w photograph

Physical Condition: Good

History / Biographical:

Jack Stothard was born on February 16, 1932 in Brandon, MB. He attended public schools in the city (Central School, Park School, and Earl Oxford) and graduated from Brandon Collegiate Institute (BCI). Stothard married Velma Pollock in 1957 and together they had two daughters: Debra and Kimberly. Stothard was employed in the plumbing and heating business until 1960, when he joined Manitoba Hydro. In the course of his employment with Manitoba Hydro, he became Station Superintendent of the Brandon Generating Station. Stothard retired in 1995. Stothard was a member of the Canadian Numismatic Association, the Canadian Association of Token Collectors and the Toronto Postcard Club. Jack Stothard died on November 3, 2021 in Brandon, MB.

#### Custodial History:

Accession 1-2003 was in the possession of Stothard until donated to the McKee Archives in 2003. Accession 12-2006 was acquired by Lawrence Stuckey at some point after the photograph was taken. Stuckey later sold a copy of the photograph. This copy was later acquired by Jack Stothard in the course of his collecting of Brandon postcards. Stothard donated the image to the McKee Archives in 2004. Accession 8-2007 was prepared by Jack Stothard in the course of 2007. He provided a copy to the Archives upon its completion. Accession 8-2008 was in the possession of Fred McGuinness until he gave jit to Jack Stothard in February 2008. Stothard donated the records to the McKee Archives on February 12, 2008. Accession 18-2008 was donated to the McKee Archives by Stothard on August 18, 2008. Accession 11-2009 was donated to the McKee Archives by Stothard on February 20, 2009. Accession 4-2012 was donated to the McKee Archives by Stothard on August 24, 2011. Accession 4-2013 was donated to the McKee Archives by Stothard in March 2013. Accession 8-2016 was donated to the McKee Archives by Stothard on January 21, 2015.

## Scope and Content:

Accession 1-2003 contains brief research reports prepared by Stothard on various topics concerning historical Brandon. These include: a listing of hotels, inns and motels that have operated in Brandon since the 1880s; reports dealing with the Café Aagard, Central United Church, the 1913 Dominion Exhibition, Brandon, the Empire Hotel, Brandon's Central Steam Heating System, the Post Office and the Clement Block. It also contains one booklet: Facts About Brandon: An Industrial Survey of the City of Brandon. Winnipeg: Department of Industry and Commerce [n.d.]

Accession 12-2006 consists of one photograph of the Great Northern Engine 208, built by Rogers Locomotive Company 1887. Cylinders 18 x 24, Drivers 63". G.N. line Church's Ferry, N.D. to Brandon, Manitoba. Opened 1906, Closed 1936.

Accession 8-2007 consists of a brief typed report entitled "The Day the Lights Went Out in Brandon - Strike of 1919" by Jack Stothard. Document provides an account of the sources and delivery of hydro electric power to Brandon beginning in the early 1900s and the brief power outage at the beginning of the Brandon General Strike May 25, 1919.

Accession 8-2008 consists of "The Brandon Sun Challenge Cup" ledger, which contains two b/w photographs, newspaper clippings and information on the history and first race (1908) of the cup: 3 additional b/w photographs of different races: and the Brandon Old Timers

Association record book (c. 1900).

Accession 18-2008 consists of a copy of Stothard's Brandon Postcards index. The index is divided into various sub-headings and consists of colored reproductions of postcards in Stothard's collection. The index contains pages that were discarded by Stothard as he updated his inventory, therefore the index is only up to date as of August 18, 2008.

Accession 11-2009 consists of a typed research report entitled "Brandon Police Department Stations and Locations" by Jack Stothard. The report outlines the location of the Brandon Police Department from 1882 - 2008, and also includes a section on "What the Future Holds."

Accession 4-2012 consists of pages for Stothard's Brandon Postcards index (18-2008) and a photocopy of a Brandon Municipal Railway ticket.

Accession 4-2013 consits of eight binders of handwritten notes/facts about Brandon compiled by Jack Stothard. The notes are a collection of names, places, things, events and items related mostly to the first 100 years of Brandon (1882-1982), although the notes continue into the 2000's. Some notes centre on the late 1930's to early 1950's during the period of Stothard's youth. The information in the binders was taken from a variety of publications, while some notes are Stothard's own comments. A list of sources, as well as a cross reference index for all eight binders, can be found in Book No. 1.

The accession includes: Book No. 1 - Notes of Brandon (A to B); Book No. 2 - Notes of Brandon (C to F); Book No. 3 - Notes of Brandon (G to O); Book No. 4 - Notes of Brandon (P to Z); Book No. 5 - Notes of Brandon: Churches, Hostpitals, Hotels; Book No. 6 - Notes of Brandon: Police Department, Fire Department; Book No. 7 - Notes of Brandon: Brandon City Council, City of Brandon etc.; Book No. 8 - Notes of Brandon: Brandon College/University, Brandon Schools, ACC, Brandon School Board. Accession also includes pages from Stothard's Brandon Postcards index (18-2008).

Accession 6-2016 consists of local history books, pamphlets, bakery tokens, local magazines, one binder containing handwritten notes/facts about Brandon compiled from the Brandon Sun's "Looking Back" column, and an accordian file box containing newspaper clippings about Brandon.

The accession includes the following local history books: Betty Watson's "One Day in Brandon Manitoba 9/9/99" (Brandon, Manitoba: Bart Art Books, 1999); P.N. Breton's "Popular Illustrated Guide to Canadian Coins, Medals, &. &.," (Winnipeg: Canadian Numismatic Publishing Institute, 1963 [reprint]); "Facts About Brandon: An Industrial Survey of the City of Brandon," (Province of Manitoba: Department of Industry and Commerce, [1946]); The Polish Gymnastic Association Sokol's "75th Anniversary: From the Past to the Future!" ([Brandon, Manitoba: Polish Gymnastic Association Sokol, 1988]); and Brandon Kinsmen Club's "'Together...Once Again': A History of the Kinsmen Club of Brandon, Manitoba: The Historical Committee of the Kinsmen Club of Brandon, 1975).

Pamplets and magazines include: Brandon Generating Station (1957) and (1969), The Brandon Quota Club presents...A Century in Revue (1982), Canadian Rail No. 168/July-August 1965 [featuring Brandon Municipal Railway], Prairie City Issue No. 3/1994, and Prairion May/June 1997.

The binder is titled Book No. 9 - "Year by year: miscellaneous items from 1969 to 2000"; an asterik (\*) indicates notes have been made on each subject or item in the other Books. Each section is housed in

The files in the accordian file box have been rehoused and include the following topics: banks, Brandon 125 beer, Behlen Industries, breweries, Brandon Shoppers' Mall, calendars,

Canadian Motors Ltd., Canexus/Nexen, Canada Games - Summer and Winter, Canadian Tire, CKX Radio & TV/CKLQ, Corral Centre, flour mills, hospitals, Keystone, Maple Leaf, Fred McGuinness, miscellaneous, A.E. McKenzie, people, railways, Simplot, Westman Recycling (new facility), weather-storms-floods, and extra copies of postcards.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry. Accession 4-2013: Book No. 1 contains a

photocopied photograph of Aagaard's Cafe, photographs of the Dominion Bank and Barney's Drive Inn and a photo reproduction of the Bass Building. Book No. 2 contains a photograph of the Provincial Goal. Book No. 3 contains photographs of T. Eaton Company (4 construction photos) and a photo reproduction of tents on the Exhibition grounds (c. 1940). Book No. 4 contains photoraphs of the Oak Theatre and Western Motors. There are also photopied photographs of The Fun Shop.

Name Access: Jack Stothard

Cafe Aagard

Great Northern Railway

Aagaard's Cafe
Lunch Counter
A-4 Military Camp

Alcoholism Foundation of Manitoba

Amberwood Village

Anglo Canadian Oils Ltd.

Applebee's Neighbourhood Grill & Bar

The Brandon Armoury
Army & Navy Store

Art Gallery of Southwestern Manitoba

Assiniboine River

Atom-Jet Industries Ltd.

Aub's B.A. Service Station

Frederickson's B.A. Service Station

A&W Restaurant

A&W Drive-In

Ayerst Organics Ltd.

Bank of British North America

Bank of Hamilton

Bank of Montreal

Bank of Nova Scotia

Canadian Bank of Commerce

Canadian Imperical Bank of Commerce (CIBC)

**Dominion Bank** 

Imperial Bank of Canada

Merchants' Bank of Canada

The Northern Bank

Royal Bank of Canada

Toronto Dominion Bank (TD Bank)

Union Bank of Canada

Barney's Drive Inn

Barney's Shoe Shine

Bass Building

Bass families

Beacon Lunch

Behlen Industries/Behlen-Wickes Co. Ltd.

Belair Chinese Restaurant

Belvedere Apartments

Beresford Lumber Co.

Bertrands Block

Bertrand & Company

Beverage Services Limited

Coca-Cola Bottling Company

Dr. Wilfred Bigelow

Bing Juckes Drive Inn

**Binkley Motors** 

Donald "Tiny" Bird

Blackwood's Ltd.

Blackwood Beverages Ltd.

Borbridge Block

Boreham Park Apartments

Bower's Esso Service

The Brandon Bowl

Recreation Bowling Alleys and Billiard Room

Thunderbird Bowl

Marsh Varcoe

Woodbine Alleys Ltd.

Box Brothers Ltd.

**Braecrest Estates** 

Brandon Airport

Brandon Aero Club

Brandon Flying Club

Brandon Allied Arts Centre

Brandon Automobiles (1959) Limited

**Brandon Binder Twine Company** 

Brandon Brewing Co.

Brandon Business College

Brandon Chamber of Commerce

Brandon Clinic

First Street Plaza

The Brandon Club

Brandon Consumer Co-operative Ltd. (Co-op)

Brandon Construction Company Ltd.

Brandon Correctional Institute

Brandon Jail

Brandon Creamery & Supply Co. Ltd.

Brandon Creamery & Supply Co.

**Brandon Curling Club** 

Brandon Eagles Gymnatics Centre

Brandon Electric Light Company

Manitoba Power Company

Brandon Felt Works

Brandon Fire Engine Co.

The Brandon Fruit & Procude Co. Ltd.

Brandon Gallery Shopping Centre

Town Centre

Brandon Golf & Country Club

Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd.

Ashdown's hardware

Stylrite Hardware

Brandon Heating and Plumbing

Brandon Houseing Co-operative Ltd.

Aspen Woods

**Brandon Humane Society** 

**Brandon Machine Works** 

Brandon Municipal Street Railway

Brandon Museum Inc.

Daly House Museum

Brandon Musical Supply Company

Brandon Packers Ltd.

Brandon Scrap Iron & Metal Recycling Ltd.

Brandon Ski Club

Mt. Glenorky Ski Club

Brandon Stock Car Club

Brandon Sun

The Sun Printing Co.

Brandon Tennis Club

**Brandon Tourist Camp** 

Brandon Transit Ltd.

Brandon Transit System

Handi Transit

Brandon Woolen Mills

Metev Woolen Mills

Bliss Building

**Brazzell Motors** 

Brentwood Village Moble Home Court

Breslauer & Warren Jewelers

First Street Bridge

1st Street Bridge

Eighteenth Street Bridge

18th Street Bridge

**Daly Overpass** 

Thompson Bridge

Eighteenth Street Overpass

18th Street Overpass

8th Street Bridge

9th Street Bridge

Eighth Street Bridge

Pedestrian Bridge

British Commonwealth Air Training plan

British Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum

Bockie-Donovan

Roy Brown

La Plant Block

Fraser Block

Syndicate Block

Laplont Block

Johnson & Company Hardware

Zink Block

Yukon Block

**Burchill & Howey** 

Burns Foods Ltd.

Burns Meats Ltd.

**Bus Depot** 

Greyhound Bus Lines

Grey Goose Bus Lines

MacArthur & Son Ltd.

CDC Home & Leisure Centre

Campbell & Campbell Building

Campbell & Ferguson Building

Canada Safeway Ltd.

Canada Summer Games

Canada Winter Games

Canadian Brown Steel Tank

Canadian Steel Tank Ltd.

Canadian Mental Health Association

Canadian Motors Ltd.

Canadian National Railway (CNR)

Canadian Order of Foresters

Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR)

Canadian Phoenix Insurance Co.

Canadian Stover Gasoline Engine Co.

Canadian Tire Store

Cancade Co. Ltd.

Cancade Bros.

Cancade Bros. Ltd.

Cancade Company

Cando Contracting Ltd.

Cargill Grain Company

Central Community Centre

Central Park Lodge

Valleyview Care Centre

Central Sheet Metal Works

Child & Family Services of Western Manitoba

The Children's Aid Society

Chrest's Dry Cleaners

Chrest family

Christie's Bookstore

Christie's School Supply

Christie Grant Store

Sir Winston Churchill Park

Circle Eight Drive Inn

City Cafe

City Golf Course

**CKLQ** 

CKX

Clark Leatherdale Funeral Home

Clement Block

Cockshutt Plow Co.

Codville & Co.

Commodore Bakery Ltd.

Trent's Bakery

Coldwell Block

Coronation Park

Jubilee Park

**Corral Centre** 

The Country Kitchen Restaurant

Aunt Sarah's Family Restaurant

Country Style Donuts

Court House

Crane Limited

Crane Steel Structures Ltd.

Crang's Grocery & Confectionery

Dairyworld Foods

Creelman's Shoe Store

Cumming & Dobbie

Curran Park

Curtis Block

Yaeger Block

Daymin Court

Bell Block

De Bruyn & Verhoef Woodworks Ltd.

De Fehr Furniture

Denis Prefab Ltd.

Diamond Waterworks

Dinsdale Cartage & Storage (1968) Ltd.

Dinsdale Park

Doig & Robertson

Rankin & Co.

Doig, Rankin & Robertson

Doig's Store Ltd.

Double Bar S Burger & Dairy Ranch

The Drewry's Ltd.

Alexander Brown

Brown's Drug Store

**Dufresne Furniture & Appliances** 

**Dutch Mill Bakery** 

East End Community Centre

Eastern Access Route (Highway 110)

Eaton's of Canada

T. Eaton Company

Edrans Brandon Pressed Brick Co.

Eleanor Kidd Park

Eleanor Kidd Gardens

W.A. Elliott

T.E. Elviss Company

Empire Brewing Co. Ltd.

Bell Bottling Co.

Esquire Dance Hall

Connaught Hall

Evans, Matheson & Associates

**Experimental Farm** 

Brandon Research Station

Fairview Personal Care Home

Feed Rite Mills Ltd.

Federal Pioneer Ltd. (FPE)

Federated Co-operatives Ltd.

Fedoruk Groceteria

Flash Barber Shop and Beauty Salon

Alexander Fleming

Fleming's Drug Store

Fleming Block

Fleming's Well

Fort Brandon Museum

A.C. Fraser & Co.

Fraser & Ross

Fred's Dry Cleaners

Frost & Wood

**Brockie Funeral Home** 

Campbell & Campbell

Vincent & Macpherson

Galaxy Computer Systems

George's Food Bar

George Jimas

Gidding's Store

Gillis & Warren Ltd.

Golden Gate Cafe

Gooden's Men's Wear

**Grand Stand** 

**Grand Valley Place** 

The Great West Coal Copmany Ltd.

Great Western Outerwear & Sportswear Ltd.

Green Acres Community Centre

Green Acres Lodge

Green Acres subdivision

Habitat for Humanity

B.J. Hales Natural History Museum

Hamilton and Jones Ltd.

Hanbury Manufacturing Co.

Hanbury House

T.M. Harrington

Harry's Ukrainian Kitchen & Steak House

Hedges Trucking

Heise Block

Heritage Co-op 1997 Ltd.

Highland Park Mobile Home Estate Ltd.

Hillcrest Place Personal Care Home

Hillside Town Houses

Manitoba Infrastructure & Transportation

Highways Deparment

Hobbs Manor

Home Development Co. Ltd.

Home Estates Ltd.

Home Hardware

Hopkins Bakery

Horner's Busy Corners

Hornor's Busy Corners

Paterson House

Matheson House

Villa Louise

Row House

**Hudson House** 

Casa Maley

Hughes & Long

Hughes & Co.

Husky Oil & Refining Ltd.

Husky Travelcentre

Husky House

Locomart

North Hill IGA

West End IGA

Sobey's

Immigration Hall

Imperial Square

Indian and Metis Friendship Centre

International Harvester Co. of Canada Ltd.

Inventronics Ltd.

Jacobson and Greiner Ltd.

J&G

The Jo-Ann Accessory Shop

John Deere Plow Company

Johnson's Cafe

Johnson's Hardware Store

Kam Lung Restaurant & Cocktail Lounge

Martin Kavanagh

Keg Steakhouse & Bar

Kelly Block

Kelly & Co.

P.A. Kennedy Co. Ltd.

Keystone Centre

Kinsmen Club

Kinsmen Kiddies Korner

Kinsmen Centennial Swimming Pool

Kinsmen Outdoor Skating Rink

Kinsmen Memorial Stadium

Kinsmen Little League Stadium

Kin Village

Kinsmen Zoo

Kip's Service Station

Brigadier General James Kirkcaldy

Kirkcaldy Heights (North Hill) sub-division

Kiwanis Club

Kiwanis Swimming Pool/Paddling Pool

Kmart

Knowlton's Boot Shop

S.S. Kresge Co. Ltd.

Kullberg's Furniture Store

Lake Brandon

Land Titles Office

Lark Hill sub-division

Larry's Studio

Lawson Lodge

Prairie Oasis

Frank Lawson & Sons

Leech Printing

Lee's Implements Ltd.

Brandon Public Library

Centennial Library - Arts Centre

Western Manitoba Regional Library

Lindenberg Brothers Limited

Linden Lanes

Lions Club

Lion's Manor

Westman Lion's Manor Inc.

Linden Lanes Shopping Centre

Red & White Store

Lyceyn Tea Room

MacArthur Transportation Co.

Soo-Security Motorways Ltd.

M.F. MacDonald

Macey Foods Ltd.

G.C. (Curly) MacKay

MacLeods Store

Magnacca Enterprises

Manitoba Centennial 1970

Manco

Manitoba Cooperative Dairies Ltd.

Manitoba Dairy and Poultry Cooperative Ltd.

The Manitoba Hardware & Lumber Co. Ltd.

Manitoba Emergency Services College

Manitoba Engines Ltd.

Manitoba Felt & Yarn Works - Brandon

Manitoba Government Building

Manitoba Housing & Renewal Corporation

Manitoba Housing Authority

Manitoba Motor Transit Ltd.

Manitoba Pool Elevators

Agricore

Manitoba Public Insurance Coproration

Autopac

MPI

The Manitoba Windmill & Pump Co. Ltd.

Brandon Gas & Power Co. Ltd.

Maple Leaf Flour Mills

Maple Leaf Pork

Maple Leaf Meats

Maple Leaf Foods

The Maples

Mark's Work Wearhouse

D. Marshall

Massey-Harris Co. Ltd.

Massey-Feguson Building

Massin Furs

Frank Massin & Son Hide & Furs

Masonic Temple

Dr. J. Murray Matheson

McCallum Jewellers

McCallum Nursing Home

McCall Frontenac

Texaco

McDiarmid & Clark

McDonald & Foreman

John A. McDonald & Son

McDowell & Doke Tinsmiths'

McGregor's Livery Sale & Boarding Stable

J.D. McGregor

Malcolm McAdam McGregor

Fred McGuinness

A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd.

A.E. McKenzie House

Meadowlark Campground

Memories Chapel and Pre-planning Centre

Metropolitan Cafe

Metropolitan Store

Meyers Norris Penny

Miladi's - The House of Ladies' Quality Apparel

Mitrou Cafe & Candy Company

Modern Dairies

Monterey Estates

Sunridge Homes Ltd.

Morgon Motors

Moxie's

Blue Hills restaurant

Perkin's Restaurant

William Muir General Grocer

Murray Chev Olds-Cadillac Ltd.

Mutter Brothers

Nation & Shewan

National Store

Neale, Stothard & Chapman

The Newmount Medical Clinic

Nexen Chemicals Inc.

Canexus Ltd.

New System Store

North End Community Centre

Northside Mazda

Oddfellows Corner

Ogilvie Co.

Old Men's Home

Charlton Lodge

Olympia Cafe

Orange Hall

Grand Orange Lodge

Orchard Hardware Co.

Oshkosh Filter and Softener Co.

Pacific 66 Service Station

Palladium Dance Hall

Park Community Centre

Parker's Restaurant

Charlie Coyote's

Park View Apartments

George A. Paterson

Patmore's

Paul's Hauling Ltd.

A.E. McKenzie

Jack Hawson

Christopher David Mitrou

A. Reginald McDiarmid

Tony Macialek

Alex Mowat

**David Weiss** 

Joseph Whitehead

Steward Shultz

Harry Cater

Charles Pilling

Robert Coombs

William Henderson

Arthur Johnson

George W. Noble

T.J. Beaubier

Harry Brown

Frank Massin

H.L. Patmore

Jack MacArthur

Flora Cowan

P.A. Kennedy

George Fitton

William Ferguson

Jack Coleman

A.E. Smith

J.C.P. Mitchell

Joseph Boyarski

W.T. "Bud" Higgins

Colonel Charles Whillier

Benjamin Hales

Fred Young

Wilfred Bigelow

Gabriel Charles (Barney) Mollot

E.J. Tyler

Pierre Cancade

George Sykes

G.R. Rowe

George Bass

Ritchie (Bob) Macpherson

Leslie Alexander McKay

Herbert Samuel Sharpe

Tom Ryles

Harold George Dinsdale

Paul Leon Regis Cancade

Eleanor Kidd

Cecil Webb

Edmond Fotheringham

Roy B. Hunter

Jack Donnelly

lan M. Brown

Charles Goucher

Lenton James Rust

Harold B. Smith

Milton Tinline

Keith Hurst

Ernest Jerrett

Pearl Treleaven

Hugh Rice

Cec Leech

William Gooden

William Samuel Gooden

Sam Wong

George Mason Henderson Bain

William Webster Fotheringham

Alex McPhail

Richard Patmore

Sandy Patterson

J.R.C. Evans

John Shurb

Joseph Frederick

Ronald Relf

William Speakman

**David Norris** 

Myheer Crystal

Mrs. Joseph Whitehead

Gus Hendzel

Stuart Craig

Krug Crawford

Walter Hutchings

Lorne Duncan McDonald

Max Szturm

Henry Perdue

Samuel Harris

Charles Lightbody

**Boom Cristal** 

Russell Fedoruk

James Creighton

Jack Kullberg

D.R. MacKay

W. Norman Hargreaves-Mawdsley

Reg Poole

Stephen William Bass

A.B. Downing

**Ernestine Whiteside** 

Albert St. Clair Rumball

Alfred Veale

Clive Porteous

G.T. McNeil

J. Stuart Thompson

William Bertrand

Stephen Magnacca

Charles Unicume

Franklin Williamson

P.J. Harwood

Donn Mitchell

David Brownridge

George Mutter

J.E. Matthews

Mary Waddell

Alfred James Eamer

Herbert Stuart

Curly MacKay

Betty Gibson

Louisa Eagle

**Ewart Murray** 

Marion Doig

Arthur Gordon Buckingham

**Ernest Christie Whitehead** 

**Daniel Cristall** 

Gordon Sefton

Robert Brockway

H.O. McDiarmid

Glen Fowler

Arthur Augustus Harris

James Munro

Thomas Stark

Howard B. Smith

Reginald Edward Unicume

Elwood Gorrie

James "Skip" McFarlane Mitchell

Turk Broda

Henry Neudorf

John Boyd Craig

Walter Dinsdale

A.B. Knowlton

John R. Brodie

Walter Shillinglaw

Zena Hurst

H. Vincent Kidd

People's Market Place

Perkins Family Restaurant

Pizza Hut

Pizza Place

Planet KIA

Ponderosa Steak House

Pool Packers

The Porteous Manufacturing Company

Princess Auto Ltd.

Princess Park Apartments

**Princess Towers Apartments** 

**Provincial Building** 

Federal Building

Pue's Interior Furnishings Ltd.

Quality Groceteria

Queen's Court

Queen Elizabeth Park

Ravenscourt Apartments

R.C.A.F. No. 2 Manning Depot

R.C.A.F. No. 12 Service Flying Training School

Brandon Rec Centre

Red Cross Drug Store

Rehab Industries of Western Manitoba

Reliance Machine and Motor Company

Rendering Plant

Ressor's Jewellery Store

Richmond Gardens Apartments Ltd.

Richmond Shoe Store

Ricki's Ladies' Ready to Wear Store

The Ricksha Restaurant

Rideau Park

Rideau Park Personal Care Home

Ritz Cafe

Riverbank Discovery Centre

Riverheights Terrace

Riverview Curling Club

Robins Donuts

Rosenman's Furniture

Royal Canadian Legion Brandon Branch No. 3

Royal Canadian Legion Wheat City Branch No. 247

**RCMP** 

Safety Service Station

Don Gamble

Sander's Drug Store

Wellman's Drug Store

Scotia Towers

Scott Fruit Company

Security Building

Seniors for Seniors

Tony's Shamrock Lunch

Vic Sharpe

Shaver's Furs Ltd.

Simpson Sears/Sears Canada

Shoppers Mall Brandon

Brandon and Distric Shriner's Club

Shur-Gro Farm Services Ltd.

Simplot Canada Ltd.

Koch Fertilizer Canada

Thomas Sinclair

Sixteenth Street Beach

John E. Smith Block

Smith & Burton

Smith Carter Searle Associates

Smith's Lumber Ltd.

Smith's Tobacco Shop

Smitty's Restaurant

Snye Bridge/Snye River

Sokol Hall

Sokol Manor

Somerville & Co.

Soo's Chop Suey House

South End Community Centre

Spin Well Woolen Mills Co. Ltd.

Sportsplex

Harold Spratling

The Spruce Woods Housing Cooperative Ltd.

Stanley Park

West End Park

Stan's IGA/Stan's Fine Foods

Staples Business Depot

O. Stark & Son

Steel Store

Strand Theatre

Strathcona Apartments

Isaiah Strome

Stuarts News & Cigar Store

Lawrence Stuckey

Suburban Restaurant

Sun Cafe

The Sun Printing Company

Superstore

Super Thrifty Drugs

Sykes Slide

Ted Hill's Meat Market

MTS

Texaco-Lone Star Service Station

Allen Theatre

Bijou Theatre

Capital Theatre

Landmark Cinema

**Empire Theatre** 

Green Acres Drive-In Theatre

Lucky Star Drive-In Theatre

Oak Theatre

**Orpheum Theatre** 

Palace Theatre

Princess Theatre

Sherman Theatre

Starland Theatre

Town Cinema

Willis Theatre

The Avenue Groceteria

The Fun Shop

Thomas Mall

**Thompson Grocery** 

Train Drive-In & Dairy Bar

Trans-Canada Highway

Travellers Day Parade

Trotter & Trotter

Tuberculosis Act

United Commercial Travellers of America

UCT

United Grill

**United Cafe** 

United Pacific Company Ltd.

United Services Recreation Centre

**Upton Apartments** 

Valleyview Subdivision

Velvet Dip

Venice House Restaurant

Victoria Curling Club

Victoria Rink

Victory Cafe

The Vogue

Waddell's Children's Store

Wade & Sons Ltd.

Wally Byam Caravan Club International

Watt's Men's Wear

Welder Supplies Ltd.

Wendy's Restaurant

West End Community Centre

Westbran Stadium

Neil Andrews Field

Western cooperative Fertilizers Ltd.

Western Concrete Products Ltd.

Western Grocers Ltd.

Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium

Western Medical Clinic

Western Motors Ltd.

Westman Communications Group

Westman Media Cooperative

Westman Kiwanis Courts

Westoba Credit Union

Wheat City Arena

Winter Fair Building

Wheat City Business College

Wheat City Curling Club

Wheat City Motors

Whyte's Pantry Grocery

White Rose Service Station

Willingdon Apartments

Willson Stationery Company

Wilton Motors Ltd.

Winnipeg House

F.W. Woolworth Store

Wright & Wightman

Yaeger's Furs

YMCA

**YWCA** 

Zenith Paving Ltd.

Zeller's

Zink's Grocery

First Baptist Church

Bethel Temple

Pentecostal Tabernacle

Bethel Christian Assembly

McDiarmid Drive Alliance Church

Calvary Temple

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

St. Paul's United Church

Central United Church

First Church of Christ Scientist

Church of the Nazarene

First Christian Reformed Church

First Church United

First Methodist Church

Methodist Church

First Presbyterian Church

Full Gospel Church

Four Square Gospel Church

Grace Lutheran Church

Grace Mennonite Church

Grand Valley Community Church

Jewish Synagogue

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah Witnesses

**Knox United Church** 

Knox Presbyterian Church

First Lutheran Church

Lutheran Redeemer Church

Madison Crescent Baptist Church

Mennonite Mission Church

Mevlana Canadian Heritage Islam Society

Richmond Park Mennonite Brethren Church

Saint Andrews Presbyterian Church

St. Augustine's Church

St. George's Anglican Church

St. Hedwig's Catholic Church

St. Joseph's Polish National Catholic Church

St. Mary's Ukrainian Catholic Church

St. Matthew's Cathedral

The Salvation Army

**Brandon Citadel Corps** 

**Eventide Home** 

**Bullock-Booth Home** 

Dinsdale Personal Care Home

St. Mary's Anglican Church

Southminster Presbyterian Church

Trinity United Church

Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Holy Ghost

Victoria Avenue Methodist Church

Brandon General Hospital

Assiniboine Hospital

Brandon Regional Health Centre

Brandon Regional Health Authority

A4 Military Training Camp

Fort Brandon Barracks

Brandon Mental Health Centre (BMHC)

Child & Adolescent Treatment Centre

Albion Hotel

American House

Arlington Hotel

Barney's Motel

Beaubier House

Beaubier Hotel

Mr. Bee's Inn

Best Western Brandon Inn

**Brandon Hotel** 

**Brandon House** 

Brunswick House

Canad Inns

Canadian Inn

Knights Inn

Casa Blanca Motel

Cecil Hotel

Chalet Inn Motel

Central Hotel

Chester House

City Hotel

Coachman Inn Motel

City Centre Hotel

Colonial Inn

Comfort Inn Motel

Journey's End Motel

Crystal Hotel

Crystal's Grand View Hotel

Days Inn

Douglas House

**Empire Hotel** 

Edie House

**Grand Central Hotel** 

**Grand Union Hotel** 

Harris House

Highland Park Motor Lodge

Hillcrest Motel

Imperial Hotel

Kelly House

King Edward Hotel

Keystone Motor Inn

Lakeview Inn & Suites

Lamp Lighter Motor Lodge

Lambton House

Langham Hotel

Little Chalet Inn Motel

Merchant's Hotel

Midway Motel

Motel Rambler

Motel 6

New Pacific Hotel

Nite Rest Cabins

North Hill Motel

Ottawa Hotel

Ontario House

One & Ten Motel

Pacific Hotel

Palace Hotel

Prince Edward Hotel

Queens Hotel

Ramada Inn

Red Oak Inn

Redwood Inn

Redwood Motor Inn

Redwood Travelodge

Reno Hotel

Rodeway Inn Motel

Roseland Hotel

Royal Arms Hotel

Royal George Hotel

Royal Hotel

Royal Oak Inn

The Scotsman Motel

Shore House

Star & Garter Hotel

Sunset Motel

Starlight Motel

Super 6 Motel

Super 8 Motel

Trails West Motor Inn

Transit House

Travelodge

Twin Pines Motel

Victorial Hotel

Victoria Inn

Western Motel

Wheat City Hotel

Windsor Hotel

G.W. Alexander

E.G. Wiswell

John Richards

Thomas Hudson

John Melhuish

Alexander Mowat

George Bain

Jack Carey

Edward Polnick

Gary Winters

Rick Gregoire

Brent Dane

Archibald McMillan

Peter Duncan

Jack Foster

Watson Boyd

E.G. Berry

Joseph Robert Hardy

Charlie Goucher

Harry Bernard Everett

John Little

Harry Collister

Roger Hines

David McNamee

Ken Elliott

Keith Buizer

**Brian Scott** 

Dick Scott

Richard Bruce

Harley Bryson

Keith Atkinson

Ian Grant

City Hall

Brandon City Council

City of Brandon

**Brandon Cemetery** 

Brandon School Board

Brandon School Division

Alexandra School

Assiniboine Community College

Assiniboine School

Betty Gibson School

Brandon Collegiate Institute (BCI)

Central School

Crocus Plains Regional Secondary School

David Livingstone School

Earl Haig School

Earl Oxford School

East Ward School

Fleming School

George Fitton School

Green Acres School

Harrison High School

Harrison Middle School

Christian Heritage School

Indian Industrial School

Indian Residential School

King George School

Kirkcaldy Heights School

Linden Lanes School

Lions School

McLaren School

Meadows Elementary School

Neelin High School

New Era School

**Brandon Normal School** 

Brandon Agricultural & Homemaking School

Agricultural Extension Centre

North Ward School

Park School

J.R. Reid School

Riverheights School

Riverview Elementary School

Sacred Heart School

St. Augustine's School

St. Joseph's Academy

St. Michael's Convent

St. Michael's Academy

Technical School

Valleyview Centennial School

Vincent Massey High School

Subject Access:

Waverly School Dominion Exhibition Brandon (1913)

West Ward School armouries

Brandon College bakeries

Brandon University bowling alleys

Brandon Generating Station breweries

Brandon Quota Club bricks

Polish Gymnastic Association Sokol brickyards

Sokol bridges

Buildings

bus transportation

Canada's centennial

circuses

creameries

dairies

druggists

drug stores

Grain elevators

fairs

exhibitions

Flour mills

funeral homes

funeral chapels

gasoline

garbage dumps

landfills

recycling

Transportation

houses

ice houses

ice wagons

IGA stores

grocery stores

infantile paralysis

polio

laundries

manufactured gas

street names

natural gas

newspapers

public utilities

Brandon General Strike

hydro

police department

parking

parking meters

population

post offices

prohibition

alcohol regulations

rationing

roller rinks

skate board parks

floods

telephone services

theatres

highways

Housing

waterworks

sewers

weather

snowstorms

churches

hospitals

military hospitals

hotels

fire chiefs

fire department

police chiefs

judicial system

city boundaries

salaries

mayors

city engineers city managers

Brandon's 75th Anniversary

Brandon's centennial

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Storage Location: 2003 accessions

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Storage Range: 2003 accessions, 2013 accessions; loose photographs from the 8-2008

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## **Brandon College fonds**

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Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

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Date Range: 1899-1967

Physical Description: 25.5 m textual records and photographs

History / Biographical:

JOHN CRAWFORD AND PRAIRIE COLLEGE:

Although Brandon College was officially created in 1899, its roots go back much further to the late 1870's and early 1880's. It was during this time that Reverend John Crawford built Prairie College which was located in Rapid City, Manitoba.

Rev. John Crawford was born in Castledawson, Ireland. While he was at boarding school in Belfast he was converted to the Baptist faith. His later education took place at Edinburgh University, Stephany College, and Regent Park Baptist College, all of which are located in Great Britain. He became a pastor in London, England, which is where he met his wife, a prominent and cultured lady.

Crawford felt that his calling was in the backwoods of Canada, so he soon moved his wife and family to a farm near Toronto where he continued to preach. He was asked to join the faculty of the Canadian Literary Institute, a Baptist institution located in Toronto. He accepted the position and taught there for several years. The CLI, as it was commonly known, was a Baptist theological college. It was renamed Woodstock College in 1883.

In 1879, Crawford saw the need for Baptist preachers in the newly opening territories of Western Canada. He felt that a self-sustaining college was the answer. Young men could work the land and gain religious education to prepare them for the ministry at the same time. He chose Rapid City, Manitoba as the site for his new college, because it was then recognized as an integral hub of the Northwest. It was also on the proposed transcontinental railway route. The students would build the college and cultivate the land. The Ontario Baptist Convention,

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write snying away from giving nim official approval for the proposed college, did allow Crawford the liberty to canvass the Baptist churches in order to raise up to \$2000 for the venture.

Crawford secured the help of Reverend G.B. Davis, a student at Woodstock and a graduate of Morgan Park College, Chicago, to teach and help train the students. In the summer of 1879, Davis and nine students reached Rapid City. During that summer they cultivated the land and built a two-story college building out of local stone. The following spring, Rev. John Crawford sold his house in Toronto for an estimated \$4000 and moved with his family to Rapid City to take up residence at the new college.

The newly formed Prairie College opened in the fall of 1880 with 15 missionary students. Rev. Crawford was the Principal, Rev. Davis was the Vice-Principal, while Misses Emily and Fanny Crawford were teachers. Although the school was a success missionarywise, it did not do well financially. In 1883, Prairie College closed, partly due to financial troubles and partly due to the Ontario Baptists deciding that one Baptist Theological College in Canada was enough, and it was located in Toronto. The students at Prairie College were urged to finish their education in Toronto . This college would soon be known as McMaster University.

#### S.J. MCKEE AND RAPID CITY ACADEMY:

After the closing of Prairie College, Rev. Crawford left for the United States. However, Rev. Davis still saw a need for education in Rapid City and began to build another school. The Rapid City Academy opened in 1884. Because Davis accepted a pulpit in Moose Jaw soon after, he prevailed upon his brother-in-law, S.J. McKee, to come and take charge of the academy. McKee accepted the position, and the school flourished under his guidance.

In 1890, McKee decided that the school would do better and reach more people if it was located in Brandon, Manitoba, where the railway had eventually gone through. He moved the Academy, and it was housed in various buildings in the city, until he found a permanent resting spot on the third floor of the Stewart Block on Rosser Avenue and Ninth Street.

### BRANDON COLLEGE:

During the 1890's the Baptists began to reconsider their decision of having just one theological college. With the settlement of the West, the Baptists were looking to increase their congregation. It was thought that higher education for potential ministry students would greatly help the Baptist cause. Rev. A. J. Vining, who was the Baptist Superintendent of Missions for Manitoba and the Northwest at the time, strongly advocated a Baptist College in Manitoba.

In 1898, Vining interviewed Mr. William Davies, a prominent Baptist, in Toronto. Davies agreed to pledge \$3500 a year for five years towards the establishment of a college in the West. His sister, Mrs. Emily Davies agreed to add \$1500 to this amount. These pledges encouraged the 1898 meeting of the Manitoba Convention in Winnipeg to begin organization of a Baptist College to be located in Manitoba. A five member committee was chosen to consider the benefits of a Baptist college in Manitoba. Their report was to be read the following summer at the Portage La Prairie Convention.

At the 1899 meeting of the Convention, the five member committee recommended:

- 1. "That we proceed to inaugurate a movement for the establishment of a denominational school at once.
- 2. "That we extend a call to Dr. A.P. McDiarmid to act as Principal.
- 3. "That we appoint a committee of twenty-one directors.

4. "That at present the question of the site be left with the President and Board of Directors but that no site be considered permanent till endorsed by this Convention at a regular or special meeting.

On July 21st, 1899 it was resolved:

- 1. That we proceed to establish and develop an educational school at Brandon.
- 2. That the school be known as "Brandon College".
- 3. That the guorum of the Board of Directors be fixed at eleven.

Because S.J. McKee already had a thriving academy in Brandon, and he was a staunch Baptist, it was decided to merge Professor McKee's Academy with the newly formed Brandon College. The classes would take place in the Stewart Block, the site of the Academy. S.J. McKee was hired as professor in Classics, Mental Science and French, while also acting as the unofficial vice-principal. He also had a position on the Board of Directors. Arthur W. Vining, Howard P. Whidden, J.B. Beveridge, and Miss Annie Beveridge rounded out the first faculty of Brandon College.

The 1900 Brandon College Calendar states:

The College aims at not only the mental culture of its students, but at the development of right character. It recognizes the supreme importance of surrounding the student during the period of college life with positive Christian influences, and to keep before him distinctively Christian ideals. The transcendent worth of character is kept in view in molding the life of the College, while the best possible intellectual training is sought. Though Christian, the College is in no sense sectarian. Students of all denominations will enjoy equal privileges. In every department the professors and teachers must be members of some evangelical church; in the Theological Department alone it will be required that they shall be members of the Baptist denomination. The College in all its departments is open to students of both sexes. The faculty will have watchful regard to the best interests of the students in every respect. Those whose conduct and influence are found to be injurious to the welfare of the College will be dismissed if milder disciplinary methods fail to effect reform .

While the school would be run by the Baptists, it was always non-sectarian and co-educational. Students of all denominations were invited to attend Brandon College. The development of a person with the right character was as important as the mental culture of the students. Classes commenced on October 2, 1899. There were 110 students, 81 men and 29 women. Thirteen of these students had plans to enter the ministry. It soon became apparent that the building Brandon College occupied was far too small for its increasing numbers. Plans were drawn up in early 1900 to build a spacious college on the west edge of Brandon. Hugh McCowan was hired as architect and T.M. Harrington of Winnipeg was asked to build the school.

A charter creating Brandon College was written. This Act briefly defined the purposes, jurisdiction, and administrative framework of the College. The "Act to Incorporate Brandon College" was approved by the Province of Manitoba and assented to on June 1, 1900. It granted the Baptist Convention authority over all College affairs. This authority included the appointment of the College Directors and professors, the creation of rules and bylaws, as well as control over the school's curriculum. While the Board of Directors had control over financial matters, all Board decisions had to be approved by the Convention .

The cornerstone for the new building was laid on July 13, 1900 by Mrs. William Davies. The College commenced classes in the new building, located at 270-18th street, on October 2, 1901. It cost approximately \$44 000 to build. There was residence for 70-80 men as well as a dining room, kitchen, science laboratory, reception room, office, library and nine classrooms. The College consisted of an Academic Department, and Arts Department, a Theological

Department, and a Business and Stenographic Department.

The Commercial courses were discontinued in 1916 due to financial difficulties during the war. In 1922, the Business Department of Brandon College was discontinued because the College could no longer afford to keep it operating.

The Academic Department consisted of Grades 9 through 12. Although it was a large and popular aspect of Brandon College, it began to decrease in size with the advent of secondary schools. Up until the early part of the twentieth century, most public schools stopped at around grade eight. After that, there were Normal schools that students could go to become a teacher. Many students wishing to attend secondary school came to Brandon College, where a full secondary course was offered. By the 1920's and 1930's however, collegiates were becoming more commonplace. Students often didn't have to travel as far to receive a higher education. By the early 1930's most of the Academic Department had been discontinued because of lack of need and finances. By 1932, only the Grade Twelve course was still in operation.

Although one of the main intents behind building Brandon College had been to prepare students for the Baptist ministry, the Theological Department was always one of the smaller departments. By 1915, the Board of Directors had assumed authority over all College operations. However, the Baptist Union still maintained control over theological education, through the Committee on Ministerial Education created in 1908. In 1916, the department was curtailed considerably because of the war. An Educational Secretary, hired in 1919, managed the teaching of theology at Brandon College. The Educational Secretary also controlled the College Maintenance Fund, which was specifically set aside to ensure the financial health of theological education. The Baptist Union's residual power over theological education led to the creation of the Brandon College Commission in 1923. This joint commission of the Baptist Union and College Senate examined several instructors, including Harris MacNeill, for alleged improper Biblical interpretations. These claims stemmed from Fundamentalist Baptists, who believed that the theological students at Brandon College were being taught by Modernists. The Commission found little evidence to support these allegations, and the instructors were later exonerated of all charges. Even with this decision, the College had to discontinue the Theological Department in 1927 due to lack of funds.

The College's financial situation was very poor when Dr. Evans assumed control in 1928. The support from the Baptists was shaky, especially since the Fundamentalist-Modernist argument during the early 1920s. The Baptist Union Educational Committee recommended the Arts department be maintained as a significant training course for Christian leadership. The Committee wanted the re-establishment of the Department of Theology. In 1933, in an attempt to regain Baptist support, Rev. Ross C. Eaton was hired as Lecturer in Bible to help bring religious study back to the College. In 1934, John B. McLaurin was hired as Acting Professor in Theology. Dr. F.W. Pattison gave a Practical Theology course, while Dr. Evans made plans to increase the religious department even more. In 1935 Dr. C.B. Lumsden was appointed Professor of Theology, and in 1936, Rev. E.M. Whidden was appointed Head of the Department of Theology.

In 1905, plans commenced for the building of a Women's Residence to adjoin Brandon College. On May 24th, 1906 Mrs. A.P. McDiarmid laid the cornerstone for what was to become known as Clark Hall. The building was named for C.W. Clark, a Winnipeg doctor who gave \$30 000 of the \$40 000 dollars needed to build the residence. Dr. Clark gave the money to Brandon College because he believed that women should have every chance to receive higher education. On October 18th of the same year, Clark Hall was officially opened, with room for 50 women.

With the expansion of the women's department came programs that were geared towards young women of the era. A Music and Art Department was added to the College as was an Expression and Physical Culture Department. The heads of these departments were Abbie

Helmer Vining, H. Hancock, and Gertrude Trotter. Miss Ernestine R. Whiteside was hired as Lady Principal and teacher of German and English.

With the rise in immigration during this time came the chance of expansion at Brandon College. There were large numbers of Scandinavian settlements in Manitoba, and it was thought that introducing a Scandinavian Department at the College would entice prospective Swedish missionary students. The students would return to their settlements after being educated by the Baptists, and it was hoped that they would spread the Baptist word among the Scandinavian settlers. Mr. Emil Lundquist was hired in 1907 to head the newly formed Scandinavian Department.

Physical fitness was stressed at Brandon College. Students were encouraged and expected to exercise. It was thought that a healthy body helped to create a healthy mind. There was more behind this ideal than simply healthy minds though, at least for the women students. During this period in history, it was often believed that women were not physically capable of learning to a great extent. It was thought that studying created too much of a stress on the female body, often leading to illness or permanent invalids. Before a girl was accepted to Brandon College, she had to furnish a letter from her doctor stating that she was physically able to go to school and study. As well, women were subjected to the "Clark Hall Line", a daily two mile walk which was mandatory to all women. No matter what the weather was like they would pair up and, in a long line, walk down the streets of Brandon to the edge of the city. This line was often the cause of much amusement for the men of Brandon College. There were plenty of other sports offered at Brandon College for both men and women in an effort to keep the students physically active. This belief in physical fitness led to the development in 1908 of what was to become an annual College Field Day.

In 1908, the Baptist Convention of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories became the Baptist Union of Western Canada. This change reflected a restructuring of the Baptist organization. The Union had a meeting every three years that consisted of delegates sent from Baptist churches throughout western Canada. The Baptist Union Board carried on the affairs of the Union and met semi-annually. Each year the Board created a budget based on the needs of the Union, then allocated funds to Provincial and Conference Boards. These other Boards had the responsibility of financing their local institutions and projects. The Baptist Union was not in direct control over these expenditures. If the budget was not raised, the Union had to incur the provincial deficits. This situation of mounting debts continued for several years.

Principal McDiarmid's title was changed to President McDiarmid in 1910. There is no document explaining this change, but it follows a trend in other colleges and universities during that period when the head of the school was known as the president.

Up until 1910, the College had been loosely affiliated with the University of Manitoba. The Baptists refused to accept the University of Manitoba model of a higher institution, and they continuously sought to get a separate University charter that would give Brandon College degree-granting privileges. It was because of the Baptists firm belief in the separation of church and state that they could not accept the University of Manitoba model, as it would place the College under state control. The college could not secure a charter of its own, so it was decided in 1910 that Brandon College would affiliate with McMaster University.

Brandon College was in debt following the construction of their first two buildings, and it became increasingly clear to the College Board that they could no longer rely solely on funding from the Baptist Union. In order to carry out their financial campaign and increase their administrative efficiency the Board felt it should control the College. In 1911 the Baptist Union was confronted with a proposal from Brandon College stating:

...in our confirmed judgment the work of the College should be under the immediate and unfettered direction of its own Board of Directors and Senate—that its Board of Directors, subject to the expressed general policy of the Baptist Union, control its business.

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administration, and that its Senate should have direction of its education policies and work, viz., the determination of its courses of study, its curricula, its instruction, its examinations, etc.

It appears after this date that Brandon College was much more in control of its curricula and courses of study. However, the school still relied almost completely on the Union for financial support.

World War One began in 1914 and affected Brandon College greatly. Students were very patriotic to England, reflecting the ideals and propaganda of the time in their thoughts and actions. Classes shrunk as men enlisted, and military drilling in front of the College buildings became a commonplace scene. This was due to the fact that in 1915, a Canadian Officers Training Corps unit was established at Brandon College. A Brandon College platoon was organized as part of the Western Universities Battalion, the 196th.

Over thirty Brandon College men were killed during World War One. After the cessation of hostilities in Europe, the students at Brandon College began fundraising to build a memorial gymnasium to honor their classmates who died during the war.

Brandon College began to consider expansion in 1920, when an extension fund campaign was started in an effort to raise money to build a science building. Meanwhile, Dr. Whidden was involved in a continuous effort to maintain the College financially. That year, Mr. William Davies died, and in his will he left \$100 000 dollars to Brandon College, on the condition that people in the west could match the amount dollar for dollar.

Contributions to the College increased substantially with the 1923 arrival of Dr. Sweet, the new College President. He quickly gained the confidence of the Board of Directors, the faculty, the students, the community, and the Baptists. The motto of Brandon College up to this point in time seemed to have been "Speaking the Truth in Love". But with the arrival of Dr. Sweet the motto appears to have been changed to "Education Crowned by Reverence".

After the Stock Market crash in 1929, the financial situation of the College grew even worse. The Great Depression severely limited charitable contributions for both Brandon College and the Baptist Union during the 1930's.

In 1931, the Baptist Union indicated by resolution that Brandon College would be closed at the end of the 1930-1931 school year unless the College could find a way to pay its own maintenance bills. The final announcement from the Baptist Union Board stated:

'RESOLVED that the Board of Brandon College be requested to endeavor to continue the College in operation until the close of the current College year, and that in view of the inability of the Baptist Union to make provision for adequate financial support, that the College cease to operate at the end of the current College year.'

It was at this time the businessmen of Brandon, through the Brandon Board of Trade, began to get involved in the College situation. An organization called the Brandon College Citizens Campaign submitted a by-law that would raise \$20 000 for the College for at least five years. The by-law had to be accepted by 60% of the ratepayers before it would be instituted. Despite a huge campaign effort, the by-law was rejected, mainly by the large working-class society in the city who did not see the need for higher education and who resented not being hired to do contract work there. After the by-law failed Brandon citizens raised \$20 000 on their own to keep the school open for at least another year.

By 1937, the College was still financially unstable, and although the Western Baptists supported the institution, they could no longer afford to help with the costs. In 1938 the Baptist Union passed a resolution withdrawing completely from any financial responsibility for Brandon College.

#### BRANDON COLLEGE AS A NON-DENOMINATIONAL SCHOOL:

The citizens of Brandon began to look for ways to keep the College open. A delegation of 60 representatives from towns in southwestern Manitoba asked Premier John Bracken and the Minister of Education for assistance to help keep Brandon College open as a Western Manitoba Arts College under the direction of an independent Board and on a non-denominational basis. The Brandon Board of Trade created a Brandon College Committee. Its members looked into ways the College could be saved. A.E. McKenzie was one of the central figures in this fight to save Brandon College.

In July, McKenzie put up an offer of a \$100 000 endowment for Brandon College. Shortly after that he upped the endowment to \$300 000. The provincial government agreed to give the College \$15 000 annually on the condition that the city of Brandon raise that amount as well and the \$300 000 endowment was accepted. In September, McKenzie increased the endowment to \$500 000 dollars, \$100 000 of which would be revenue-bearing at 3%, which would raise \$3000 a year for twenty years. Brandon was disappointed that the provincial government only offered \$15 000, as they had originally asked for quite a bit more. However, they set about on a campaign to raise their share of the funds so that Brandon College could open for the fall term .

In September of 1938, Brandon College reopened under the affiliation of the University of Manitoba. A provisional Board of Directors, consisting of Dr. J.R.C. Evans, Mayor F.H. Young, A.E. McKenzie, N.W. Kerr, K.C., E.M. Warren, H.O. McDiarmid, M.D., A.G. Buckingham, K.C., F.R. Longworth, and R.B. Alexander, was responsible for the administering of the affairs of the college. These men were all prominent Brandon citizens who had been involved in the fight to save Brandon College. They tried to complete the campaign to cover financial obligations and assure permanency of the college. The provincial government said that they would raise their support from \$15 000 to \$22 500 per year if Brandon could pass a by-law guaranteeing support of the college.

On April 17, 1939, Bill 104 received assent as an Act of the Provincial Legislature incorporating Brandon College Incorporated. On June 6, a Brandon Bylaw was passed that approved the levying of one mill on the dollar from taxpayers for the next twenty years to help support Brandon College. This Bylaw assured that Brandon taxpayers would raise \$5000 during the first year that it was levied, and this amount would increase during subsequent years as Brandon grew and prospered. On June 13, the Board of Directors approved recording of the Bill as the Charter of Corporation. The A.E. McKenzie endowment was authorized by Bylaw #5 of the corporation on December 19.

With the outbreak of World War II in 1939 came the resurrection of the C.O.T.C. at Brandon College in 1940. Enrollment went down as young men and women joined the Armed Forces to go overseas. In order to keep the college out of debt, Dr. Evans created the War Emergency Fund in 1941. This fund raised \$15 000 from 1941 to 1946. Scholarships were restarted at the college to help boost enrollment. Many of the scholarships were contingent on the recipient being a resident student in order to help raise residence numbers.

In 1945, the A.E. McKenzie Trust of 1939 was canceled, and 90% of A.E. McKenzie's stockholdings were transferred to the control of the Province of Manitoba. The A.E. McKenzie Foundation was established using the annual declared dividends from the 90% of the stock. This foundation was administered by the Minister of Education of Manitoba, the President of Brandon College, and a third person to be decided on by both parties. The annual grant of \$10 000 from the foundation would be increased by \$4000 if a Social Science Chair was established at the college.

In 1946 that Brandon College hired its first Director of Public Relations. This man was Walter G. Dinsdale, a 1937 Brandon College graduate. A Guidance Committee was created in 1948.

It was also during this year that Brandon College became an associate member of the National Conference of Canadian Universities. A Social Science Department was added in 1948, and the Biology Department was reorganized. In 1949 a Department of Political Science was created.

The Board of Directors passed a resolution in 1949 to create a committee to hire a director for a financial campaign. The campaign went poorly. Brandon College, although not in the same position as it had been a decade earlier, was still not secure financially. The citizens of Brandon, having been through the Depression and the war years, did not have much left to give to the College.

In 1951, the Federal Government provided the first of an annual fund of \$8 000 000 to be divided between Canada's universities and colleges based on enrollment figures. During this first year, Brandon College received \$18 000 from the government.

Education was first offered at Brandon College in 1952 with the co-operation of the Department of Education and the University of Manitoba. In 1953, Brandon College became an associate member of the Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth.

The mortgage that had been assumed from the Baptists in 1939 was paid off in 1954. It was also during this year that Brandon College received its first new building since the 1922 Science Building. An "H-Hut" was moved onto the property and placed behind the Science Building. It was redecorated and used for student functions, a library, and a recreation area.

The Board of Directors increased from twenty one to thirty six in 1955. The provincial grant of \$22 500 was raised to \$50 000.

In 1957 the Brandon College Faculty Association was formed. This marked the beginning of the end of the 'family' structure of the college. A salary schedule was created in 1957 for the Arts and Science Departments. In November of 1958, the Expansion Committee of the Board of Directors was authorized to proceed with all aspects of expansion. By 1959, a new Arts and Library building was being planned.

On Thursday, July 23, 1959, Dr. Evans died suddenly while on holiday in Robson, British Columbia. Before he died he had managed to secure funding and plans for the new Arts and Library building and Lecture Theatre. The Manitoba Government granted \$500 000 and the Canada Council \$102 000 towards the building of a new Arts and Library Building and Lecture Theatre.

The new Arts and Library Building and the J.R.C. Evans Lecture Theatre were officially opened on January 6, 1961 by Mrs. John G. Diefenbaker (Olive Freeman, Class of 1923). It was also during 1961, that Brandon College welcomed its first overseas student. As well, J.E. Brodie, the former president of Great West Coal made a \$200 000 gift to Brandon College, and gave \$50 000 to the Expansion Fund.

The next several years were full of expansion for Brandon College. The Men's Residence, Dining Hall and Heating Plant were opened in 1962. In 1963, a Women's Residence and the Music Building were opened. A Gymnasium was opened in 1965.

The Board of Directors changed dramatically in the early 1960's, becoming more influenced by the distribution of funds from government sources. Legislation in 1966 revised the Brandon College Act to reduce the number of members on the Board of Directors from thirty-six down to twelve. Seven of these twelve would be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor-in-Council, and three would be appointed by the Brandon College Corporation. One member would be elected by the Alumni Association, and the College President would be a member ex-officio.

BRANDON COLLEGE BECOMES BRANDON UNIVERSITY:

1967 was an important year for Brandon College. Not only was a new Education Building opened, but the College ceased to exist. This was because a university charter had been granted to Brandon College. On July 1, 1967, Brandon College became Brandon University. Dr. John E. Robbins was appointed to be its first president. The university would enjoy a certain amount of freedom from the financial hardships it had endured over the past 68 years. As well, the university would no longer have its curriculum dictated to it from other institutions as it had during affiliation with McMaster University and the University of Manitoba.

#### Custodial History:

The records have been located in a number of areas around the University including Clark Hall, the old Science building, the A.E. McKenzie building, and "the trailer", which was a very old addition to Clark Hall and has now been removed from campus. The records are now in the S.J. McKee Archives located on the Brandon University campus.

#### Scope and Content:

The fond consists of minutes, reports, correspondence, invoices, printed material, clippings and photographs. The collection spans from S.J. McKee's personal papers from Rapid City Academy in the 1880's through to the decision to grant university charter to Brandon College in 1967. It is a very interesting source for the history of Western Canada.

Several different themes emerge in the fond. A very central theme concerns Baptist higher education in Western Canada, higher education in general, the development of curriculum in Canada, and the Baptist Western Movement. The development of religious higher education, especially Baptist training, is well-documented.

Areas such as student associations, student life on campus, and women's education are detailed in the collection. There is a very detailed look at the social aspects of college life, especially the difference between the genders in the realm of higher education. These themes can be found in the various Clark Hall scrapbooks and "Saturday Books" written by the lady principal.

An economic theme is prevalent for much of the early history of Brandon College due to various financial restraints that the College and Western Canada faced. These themes are especially noticed in the Bursar and Registrar records.

The administration of the corporation can be followed closely through the minutes and certain correspondence from the Board of Directors. A more in-depth look at the people involved in the running of an institution of higher learning can be found in the various personal papers of the presidents of the College.

There are also several military files, dealing with the creation and operation of a C.O.T.C. regiment on campus during both the First and Second World Wars. The fond also provides a glimpse of how the wars affected daily life on campus and their after-effects on the College.

The fonds also examines the effects that affiliation with other universities can have on curriculum, regulations and other aspects of College life.

Notes: The RG 1 Brandon College fonds description and finding aid were prepared by Karyn Taylor (nee Riedel) in August 1998.

Name Access: Duff Roblin

Tommy Douglas Stanley Knowles

Brandon Manitoba

McMaster University
University of Manitoba

Baptist Union of Western Canada

Subject Access: post-secondary education

Baptist Church universities

co-educational institutions

Access Restriction: See series level for access restrictions.

Repro Restriction: Copyright provisions apply.

Finding Aid: Available

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Related Material: McKee Archives: RG 6 Brandon University fonds. The Canadian Baptist

Archives at McMaster University contain the following records related to Brandon College: Correspondence (1911-1936); McMaster Chancellor's Correspondence (1895-1926); McMaster Chancellor's Reports; History (1962); Stone & Garnet History (1969); Calendars (1899-1938); Report of Commission 1923 (pamphlet); Fact Concerning 1922 (pamphlet); Jesuit Methods (pamphlet); an incomplete set of the Quill; and exams. They also have The Western Baptist and the Yearbooks of the Baptist Union of Western Canada (1907-1996). (Source: Correspondence between Judith Colwell, Archivist, Canadian Baptist Archives and

Thomas H. McLeod. Date: October 8, 1996).

#### Arrangement:

The fonds is divided into fifteen series and two associated fonds.



# Westman Oral History collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4350

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1981-1984
Physical Description: 3 meters

Material Details: 335 cassette tapes

310 files

History / Biographical:

The Westman Oral History collection was a project of the Westman Oral History Association and ran from 1980-84. The Westman Oral History Association was created on August 12, 1980, by a steering committee of the Assiniboine Historical Society. The Oral History Association undertook a project called "Voices of Yesteryear." The project was created in order to record and preserve the lives and experiences of early settlers to the Westman area. Work began in 1981, and included interviews conducted with approximately seventy senior citizens from over twenty communities in western Manitoba. The Association held a training session for committee members on April 11, 1981, where 125 participants learned how to conduct an effective interview and how to operate the recorders used in the interviews. The chairman of the Westman Oral History Association was Effie McPhail, the coordinator was Sally Cunningham, and the secretary was Bob Coates. Some of the interviews recorded were used in the early months of 1982 on a local radio station, CKLQ, as part of a program called "Centennial Memories." The project resulted in the creation of the Westman Oral History Collection.

#### Custodial History:

This collection was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. The original tapes from the Westman Oral History project were deposited in the Brandon Public Library. Copies of these originals were made by Margaret Pollex of the Brandon University Language Lab at the request of Eileen McFadden, University Archivist in the early 1990s. These copies compose the collection held in the McKee Archives.

#### Scope and Content:

The collection includes the audiotapes used to record the interviews, as well as corresponding files for each interview subject. The files contain facts about the interviewees, including date and place of birth, occupations, and marital status. The files also include a summary of the interview heard on each tape.

The interviews were done with men and women pioneers from the Westman area of Manitoba, and describe the daily lives of common people during the late-nineteenth and early-twentieth centuries. The topics covered in the interviews include the following: Agriculture, Associations and Clubs, Churches and Church Life, Cultural Events, Early Politics, Education, Health Services, Immigration, Local Businesses, Native-White Relations, Pioneer Settlements, Pioneer Way of Life, Social Life, Sports, Transportation, and War Brides. This collection includes interviews with residents from the following communities: Brandon, Boissevain, Brookdale, Carberry, Deloraine, Douglas, Elkhorn, Erickson, Forrest, Glenboro, Hamiota, Hartney, Justice, Kenton, Killarney, Melita, Minnedosa, Neepawa, Ninette, Oak Lake, Rapid City, Reston, Rivers, Shoal Lake, Sioux Valley Reserve, Souris, Strathclair, Virden, and Wawanesa. The interviews also disclose the unique experiences of pioneer women in rural areas. Many of the interviewees provide brief family histories during their interviews.

Notes: Some of the files include photocopied pictures of the interviewees.

Description written by Robyn Mitchell (2001).

Name Access: Mr. & Mrs. Alex Adams

Elizabeth Adams

Evelina Adams

Ethel Allen

Floyd Amos

Frank Anderson

Hans Anderson

Valere Andries

Herman Arason

Dorothy Armstrong

Elmer Armstrong

Hugh Armstrong

**Edward Arnold** 

Verlie Arnott

Hilton Ashton

T. Roy Bailey

Ann Barter

John G. Beddome

**Howard Bedford** 

Myrtle Irene Bell

Rev. Linda Bergan

J. Melvin Berg

E.H. Birkinshaw

Alex Black

Jack Blatchford

Marfesia Bobinsky

Walter Borotsik

Roselle Boudreau

Edward P. Boyle

**Emmeline Bradley** 

Allan W. Brigden

Harry Brindle

**Hugh Broadfoot** 

Dorothy Broomhall

David Brown

Clara M. Bulloch

Betty Burton

Irene Calvert

Glen Campbell

Robert J. Campbell

Wilfrid D. Campbell

Elsie Carnahan

Beatrice Carr

Lorne Carruthers

Rex Carter

Margaret Catley

**Gordon Chalmers** 

Violette Chapman

Cliff Clark

Harold Cleaver

Robert Coates

Robert John Coates

Roy Gordon Coates

J. Walters Collinson

**Eveline Conley** 

Phyllis Field Cooper

Mary Jane Cosgrove

Mark Cousins

Fred C. Coutrice

Flora C. Cowan

Jim Cowan

Selia Cram

George Crighton

Charles Curle

Earle M. Currie

Eva Roddick Davis

Ivan R. Day

Catherine Dennis

Mrs. W. C. Stubbs Dixon

Edward I. Dow

Myrna Hicks Dring

Leween Drysdale

Georgina Morgan Duce

Eva Duncan

Kate Stronach Duncan

Lorne Dunn

Bernice C. East

Laurie O. East

Mary E. Edwards

Frank Ernest Ellis

Donald Jacob Engel

W. Joseph English

Clayton Farley

Marion Ferguson

Faith Flay

W. George Flay

Nellie Forbes

Arthur Galbraith

William Geiler

Tom Gibbs

Betty Gibson

Stanley Gilbart

James Gilmour

Mabel R. Godfrey

Helen Goethe

Eric B. Gowler

Andy Graham

Stella Freeborn Grant

George A. Grieve

Lesly Grundy

James Guild

Ethel Hall

Marion Hannah

R. H. Hannah

William Hardwick

Fred Heeney

Isabelle Heeney

A. Earle Henderson

J. Stan Henry

John Hepworth

Florence M. Hinch

Frank C. Hitchcock

Don E. Hockley

Victor Hockley

G. Albert Hodson

Arlie Hogg

Lloyd A. Horn

Aubrey Hume

Stanley Hunt

John Hunter

Thomas W. Jeffrey

Reg L. Johnson

Myrtle Johnston

F. Lloyd Jones

Richard Jones

William Jordan

Martin Kavanagh

Duncan E. Kennedy

Mrs. A. W. Kent

Midred Kilburn

Harvey Kindree

C. Jack Kingsmill

Ronald Kitchen

Arthur Koping

Jacob Krueger

Jean Landreth

Norah E. K. Lane

Marjorie Lange

Lillian Lawson

Herb Lazenby

Violet Leeson

Matilda Legg

Clarence Lennon

Albert Leronowich

Gertrude Leslie

Jake Loewen

Rev. Lloyd Lovering

Harold Lund

Jean Lyall

Edward Lykens

Marie MacDonald

Pearl MacDonald

Chester James MacFadden

Harvey MacFarlane

Mary MacIntosh

Frank S. MacKay

Mrs. W.K. MacKenzie

Grace Magnacca

Jean Cameron Mains

Molly Malinowsky

Peter Martens

Thomas H. Martin

Lewis Mathie

Alice May

Frank May

Harriet R. McCall

John D. McDonald

Eileen McFadden

**Edward McGill** 

Estelle McGregor

John T. McGregor

Norman McGregor

James D. McKeand

Tulley McKenzie

Doug McKinney

Raymond McLaughlin

Annie McLean

Clarence W. McLean

Gerald Norman McLeod

Alex McPhail

Effie McPhail

Agnes McQuarrie

Harold Medd

Harry Miller

Mary Milroy

A. B. Mitchell

Tom Mitchell

Mabel Montgomery

William J. Montgomery

Gordon Mooney

Lillian Mummery

Vera Couling Munn

Earl Murray

Mildred G. Musgrove

Lillie H. Musselwhite

Andrew Fred Mutter

Jack Naismith

Robert Neilson

Eva Nelson

Maria Nelson

Ella Kerr Nicholson

Winnie North

John Oldcorn

Stan Oleson

Mildred Oriss

Patrick J. O'Sullivan

Muriel I. Outhaite

**Donald Parrott** 

Phyllis Paskewitz

**Daisy Patmore** 

Muriel Patmore

Gordon Patterson

**Howard Patterson** 

Elmer Peeler

Jacob Penner

A. B. Pernal

John Peters

Emma Pratt

Frank Presunka

Jean Purdie

Mary Rauliuk

Jack H. Renton

Louis Richard

Lorne Rogers

Tranna Rogers

Dr. Crawford Rose

Simon Rosenman

Ralph Rowan

Kaye Rowe

Charles Sage

Clara Scott

Dorothy Scott

**Thomas Seens** 

Janet Seward

Gladys Mary Sharpe

Hallard Shelvey

William Sheridan

Beverly Sherman

Ermina Shier

Lynn Shier

Nelson Shoemaker

Esther Short

C. Lem Shuttleworth

Joseph Shwaluk

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Eleanor Sipley

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G.M. Bay Smith

Hazel Smith

Margaret Scarrow Smith

Robert Smith

Vella Smith

Alvie R. Spafford

Clarence B. Spurr

Robert Strath

Einar Sundmark

Willard H. Switzer

Elsie Taylor

Ruth E. Tester

George Thomas

Joanne Titus

J. Harvey Tolton

E.A. Travis

**Stewart Trites** 

Charles Robert Turner

**Edward Turner** 

Sybil S. Tuthill

Edith Vallender

William G. Vallender

Molly Vance

Jack Vickers

Gladys Ward

Eleanor Warren

Irene Wasylyshyn

Harold E. Watson

Lena G. Wayte

Ada Whitmore Wells

Frank Wereham

Margaret Whetherhill

Allen John Whetter

Ruth Whitlaw

Jessie Whyte

Dave Willey

Kenneth Williams

W.D. Wilson

Kathleen Winters

Marjorie Wolfe

Edythe May Wood

Norah Wright

James M. Young

Stanely Young

G.H. Younge

Brandon

Boissevain

Brookdale

Carberry

Deloraine

Douglas

Elkhorn

Erickson

Forrest

Glenboro

Hamiota

Hartney

Justice

Kenton

Killarney

Melita

Minnedosa

Neepawa

Ninette

Oak Lake

Rapid City

Reston

Rivers

Shoal Lake

Sioux Valley Reserve

Souris

Strathclair

Virden

Wawanesa

Agriculture

Associations and Clubs

Churches and Church Life

**Cultural Events** 

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Pioneer Way of Life

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Hazel Patmore

Velma Patterson

William Patterson

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Terry Penton

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**Edith Poole** 

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Hazel Rose

Gordon Sefton

Jack Senchuk

Gordon Shanks

Glady Sharpe

Mervin Smire

Delbert Spurr

Dr. David Stewart

Rosalyn Sutley

Margaret Switzer

Mary Thomas

Charles Turner

Location Original: Nora Turner The originals for the collection are held at the Brandon Public Library.

Storage Location: Mayme Warren 1998 accessions
Tom Wilkins 1998 accessions

Related Material: Assiniboine Historical Society
The Minutes for the meetings of the Westman Oral History Association

from 1980-85 are located at the Daly House Museum in Brandon,

Manitoba.



## Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4523

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 21-2006

Other Numbers: Formerly the Margaret McPherson family fonds

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1862-1978

Physical Description: 4 m

Physical Condition: Some of the older materials are fragile.

History / Biographical:

Alfred Angus Murray McPherson was born February 15, 1923 in Brandon, MB. The middle son of Angus and Annie Ethel (Pentland) McPherson, Murray grew up on the family farm in the Brandon Hills District. Following high school he obtained a B.Sc. degree from Brandon College, before enrolling in the Faculty of Eduction at the University of Manitoba in 1947 where he received his B.Ed. and M.Ed. Murray completed his Ph.D. in Educational Curriculum in 1975 at Michigan State University.

Murray's teaching career began at Brandon College as a chemistry instructor. After the year of teacher training he taught in Daupin Collegiate, then Luxton Junior High School and St. Johns High School in Winnipeg. In 1962, Murray joined the University of Manitoba Faculty of Education where he taught methods in mathematics and served as Head of the Department of Curriculum: Mathematics and Natural Sciences for sixteen years, before assuming the position of Co-ordinator of Student Teaching. During his career Murray co-edited a series of textbooks for elementary grades and was a strong supporter of the Manitoba Association of Mathematics Teachers. Following his retirement in 1988, Murray volunteered with Creative Retirement, Mentors Club and Habitat for Humanity. He also remained active in the United Church.

Murray McPherson married Margaret Elinore Raven on July 14, 1951 in Winnipeg. Margaret Elinore (Raven) McPherson was born in Winnipeg, MB on March 11, 1927. Educated at the University of Manitoba, where she earned a B.Sc. (1947), a Dip. Education (1948) and a B.Ed. (1966), Margaret taught school in Dauphin (1948-1953) and the Winnipeg School Division (Spring 1954). Together they had two children: John Angus Murray McPherson (b. March 19, 1955), an orthopedic surgeon in Winnipeg, and Kathryn May McPherson (b. November 20, 1957), a professor of history at York University, Toronto. Alfred Angus Murray McPherson died on November 25, 2001 at the Charleswood Care Centre in Winnipeg, MB. Margaret continues to live in Winnipeg, MB.

The MacPherson family originally came from the County of Sutherlandshire in the north of Scotland. The need for wool during the Napoleonic Wars resulted in the "Highland Clearances" of the early 1800's, which forced the small farmers or "crofters" to leave their farms and to move to the villages, such as Kildonan, Helmsdale and Golspie along the east coast.

In 1814, Hugh MacPherson (1779-1843) with his wife Anne Sutherland (1783-1857) and their family, immigrated to Nova Scotia and acquired a farm at Watervale, a community on the West River at Pictou. Following the issue of the land title, the "Mac" spelling of MacPherson became "Mc"

Alexander McPherson, the son of Hugh and Anne, married Elizabeth Murray at West River on April 10, 1840. They lived on the family farm at Watervale where they had a family of eleven children, a number of whom died in infancy. Their oldest son Hugh (1845-1916) and their

youngest, Johnston (1607-1944), later came to brandon mills, IVID.

Angus Sellars McPherson, a son of Hugh and Margaret (Sellars) McPherson, was born in Brandon Hills, MB on March 1, 1884. A farmer in the area his whole life, Angus married Annie Ethel Pentland in 1913. Together they had three sons: Howard, Murray and Kenneth. Angus died at Brandon General Hospital on September 5, 1953.

Alfred Angus Murray McPherson's mother, Annie Ethel (Pentland) McPherson, was born into a family that originally came from the ancient Scottish Midlothian or the more modern County of Edinburgh, from the Pentland Hills County, and in and around the towns of Pentland and Carrington. Around the year 1700, at the time of the large movement of immigrants from Scotland and England into Northern Ireland, several families of the clan settled in counties Down and Arnaugh in Ireland.

Between 1790 and 1820, a number from both Scotland and Ireland immigrated to Canada settling mainly in Eastern Ontario in the Counties of Hastings, Lennox and Addington and on Amherst Island. Around 1860, some moved to Huron County in Western Ontario to carve homes out of the bush. In 1881, Thomas James Pentland came from Goderich to Manitoba and settled near Douglas. He had learned the trade of a blacksmith and found one was needed so badly he gave up the intention to homestead and built a shop northwest of Douglas, on the South East quarter of Section 17-11-17. He later added a store and house there.

On July 22, 1885, Thomas James Pentland and Annie Isobel McVety were married at the home of the bride's parents at High Bluff and lived northwest of Douglas until 1890, when he made a deal with Isaac and Fred Lewis. Thomas took their homesteads on Section 14-12-18 and they took over the store, which they moved to Oakenside. T.J. Pentland continued to farm there until his death in June of 1919. T.J. Pentland was elected to the Council of the RM of Elton for Ward 1 in the fall of 1884 and served three years as councilor and fourteen years as Reeve.

The McVety and Owens families both came from County Fernanagh, Northern Ireland to Ontario during the first half of the nineteenth century. Henry McVety and Elizabeth Owens were married March 11, 1856, at Belgrave and lived at Morris until the spring of 1882, when they moved to High Bluff, Manitoba and fifteen years later to Bagot. In 1882, their daughter Annie Isobel came to Douglas to teach at the first Elton School situated 2.5 miles north and 1 mile east of present Douglas.

The family of Thomas and Annie Pentland consisted of three sons and three daughters. Fred, who served overseas in the 78th Battalion in the First World War and was killed in September 1917; Harry, who farmed in Justice until 1922, then lived in Brandon until his death in 1948; Ethel (Mrs. Angus McPherson), now living in Brandon; Evelyn (Mrs. N.C. Thompson) now living in Brandon; Wesley, living at Justice on the home farm; and Grace who died in 1908.

Harry Pentland's son, H. Clare Pentland, was born October 17, 1914, on a farm near Justice, MB, where Harry had taken up farming. Clare graduated from Brandon College in 1940, with an Economics degree and attended the University of Oregon, where he completed a Master's degree in 1942. He obtained his Ph.D. from the University of Toronto in 1961. His dissertation was later published as "Labour and Capital in Canada 1650-1860." A noted economist and a founder of the history of labour in Canada, H. Clare Pentland died on October 13, 1978.

#### Custodial History:

Prior to the death of Murray McPherson, Margaret McPherson's husband, he and his daughter Katherine McPherson, professor of history at York University, searched through various farm houses previously occupied by members of the McPherson family and gathered together family archival materials to safeguard them from destruction. These materials were transferred to the McPherson residence in Winnipeg and upon the death of Murry McPherson, Margaret became the sole custodian of the records. The decision to place the records at the McKee Archives was arrived at for two reasons. First, the records relate to the Brandon Hills and the history of this region. Second, Murray McPherson attended Brandon College in the 1940s, and felt kinship with the institution. The records came to the McKee Archives courtesy of the good offices of Diane Hageland of the Association for Manitoba Archives. Margaret McPherson donated the records to the McKee Archives on May 4, 2006.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of personal and business records for various members of the McPherson and Pentland families. These were generated in the course of settlement in the Brandon Hills, travel, participation in the First World War and various forms of associational life, in particular the Orange Lodge. The fonds includes correspondence, financial records/ledgers, legal documents, postcards, photographs, scrapbooks, greeting cards, livestock records, Brandon College Sickles, school records, electoral records, diaries, membership records, certificates, income tax records, ration cards, notebooks, newsclippings, autograph albums, poetry, receipts and speeches.

Notes: Biographical information for the fonds was provided by Margaret

McPherson. Processing done by Deidra Wallace and Christy Henry summer/fall 2006. Description by Christy Henry. Numerous spellings of the surname "McVety" appear in the fonds, including McVetie and McVitie. The oldest documented spelling in documents of a legal nature is McVety. This spelling therefore will appear throughout the finding aid.

Accruals: Further accruals expected.

Storage Location: 2006 accessions
Storage Range: 2006 accessions

#### Arrangement:

Original file order has been maintained, while some boxes have been combined to provide a more suitable environment for the preservation of print materials. The boxes have been renumbered accordingly. Due to the original file order, however, the file numbers in the database have been prefaced by their original box numbers. For example, File 3.5 refers to the fifth file of the original third box.



## Alexander MacPhail collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4541

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 26-2006

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1901-1963

History / Biographical:

ALEXANDER MACPHAIL (14 July 1900 - 29 July 1986)

Alex was born in Vista, MB on July 14, 1900, son of John and Catherine MacPhail. He married Florence Turner (d. 1977) at Winnipeg on December 22, 1948 and together they farmed the family farm at Vista. In 1965 they purchased a house in Shoal Lake but continued to farm in Vista until Alex's retirement in 1973, when he sold the farm.

Alex was involved in the 4-H Club at Vista and was a member of the Grain Growers Association. He was also very interested in Wildlife Conservation, an interest which led him to donate a 1/4 section of land to them. Alex also started a museum in Shoal Lake, which in time he turned over to the Village. He was a school trustee for Islay School Board at Vista from 1937-1939 and took the position of Chairman from 1939, until the school closed on 1968. During his years of farming he was a registed Seed Grower and in 1957 was awarded the Robertson Certificate. As a hobby he was a beekeeper. Alexander MacMillan MacPhail passed away at the Shoal Lake-Strathclair Health Centre on Tuesday, July 29, 1986 at the age of 86 years.

MARION (MACPHAIL) MCCORMACK (1903 - 10 February 1988)

Marion attended Islay School and Rosburn Collegiate. Upon graduation, she attended Manitoba Normal School, and became a teacher. She worked at Perth, Islay (1927-1934), Plumas, Strathclair and Minnedosa.

She met and married Coll McCormack (d. 1973) in 1952, and they lived in Minnedosa. She retired from teaching in 1967. Marion McCormack passed away on February 10, 1988.

IAIN MACPHAIL (1912-1937)

lain MacPhail was born in Vista, MB in 1912. During the years that he was attending high school, he took a keen interest in farming. After he completed his Grande XII, some of the farm projects were expanded, including bee keeping. It was while attending a Bee-Keepers Course at the University of Manitoba that lain took ill and passed away in 1937.

JOHN ARMSTRONG (6 May 1930 - 21 June 2005)

John Armstrong was born May 6, 1930, the second son of Kate (McKinnon) and William Armstrong. He attended Perth school for his elementary grades, then Vista and Rossburn where he finished high school. John farmed with his dad and brother Hugh, except for one year of permit teaching on the Daupin River Reserve, which was accessible by canoe.

John lived at home with his parents and cared for them until his dad's passing in 1972 and his mother's in 1982. At one time John was a leader of the 4-H Seed Club and was able to help members with his weed and plant identification skills. He did some secretarial work for 4-H and the Argyle Presbyterian Church. John William Armstrong of Rossburn passed away June 21, 2005 at the Shoal Lake-Strathclair Health Centre.

Custodial History:

The records in this collection were accumulated in the residence of Alexander MacPhail from various family members. The materials were discovered in the attic of MacPhail's house on the MacPhail land in Vista, MB in 2005. Subsequently they were given to Gerald R. Brown by the family living in the MacPhail house. They resided in Brown's home until their donation to the McKee Archives in September 2006.

Scope and Content:

The collection consists of teaching materials and textbooks used by members of the MacPhail family - Alex, Marion and Iain. It has been divided into two sub-series, including: (1) Textbooks; and (2) Teaching materials.

Notes: Biographical notes were written by Gerald R. Brown and were taken from

his "Vista Tales . . . from Islay School District No. 733 in Vista, Manitoba."

Description by Christy Henry.

Name Access: Alexander MacPhail

Marion MacPhail
Marion McCormack

lain MacPhail
John Armstrong

Manitoba Normal School

Storage Location: 2006 accessions
Storage Range: 2006 accessions

Related Material: Gerald R. Brown fonds (MG 2 Brandon College Students, 2.2 Gerald R.

Brown).



# Greenway fair fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4711

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 35-2006

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1923, 1945-1990

Physical Description: 12.5 cm

History / Biographical:

Greenway was located seven miles east of Baldur in southwestern Manitoba. The hamlet started out as a branch point in a railway spur and took its name from Thomas Greenway, one of the early premiers of Manitoba. The Greenway Fair was held annually in Greenway until 1973, when it was moved to Baldur where better facilities were available.

### Custodial History:

The records were donated to the Archives by Glen Olmstead prior to 1997 (approximately 1990). The fonds was originally in the possession of Doris Stone.

### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of newsclippings, a membership to the Greenway Agricultural Society, a paper napkin from the 60th Anniversary (1914-1974) of the Greenway United Church, "The History of Greenway 1889-1975", the program for the Manitoba Centennial Service 1970 held at Glenora Anglican Church, Greenway Agricultural Society prize lists from 1923, 1945-1951, 1953-1954, 1957-1990, two publications on the standards for judging foods, clothing and handicrafts at fairs and exhibitions and a copy of the program for the Greenway cairn dedication.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2006 accessions Storage Range: 2006 accessions



## Brandon Hills Busy Bees fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4712

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 36-2006

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1916-1988

Physical Description: 31 cm textual records

2 photographs

Physical Condition: Very good

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Hills Busy Bees was formed in 1916 by eighteen women. The aim of the group was to assist with the war effort during World War One. At the end of the war it was decided to carry on the club and do community and welfare work. The Busy Bees met twice a month and, during World War Two, one meeting a month was devoted to Red Cross work.

In 1969, the younger members of the Brandon Hills Busy Bees decided to form their own organization called the Brandon Hills Community Fireflies.

The remaining members of the Busy Bees continued in their work until they disbanded as a society on September 14, 1988. At their last meeting it was decided to donate their records to the McKee Archives (minutes September 14, 1988).

#### Custodial History:

In the minutes for the September 14, 1988 meeting of the Brandon Hills Busy Bees, Mrs. Mollie Baker made a motion to donate the record books of the organization to the Archive at Brandon University, and for Mrs. Nell Baker and Mrs. Lillian Coate to take them there. The motion was seconced by Mrs. Jean Kreller. Prior to their donation to the McKee Archives in 1988 the records were in the possession of members of the Brandon Hills Busy Bees.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minute books with membership lists, accounts, newsclippings, correspondence, and reports, recipies (Treasurer's BK 1917-1919), treasurer's books, donation records, 2 photographs (1916 and ca. 1970s), a history of the Busy Bees 1916-1976 and calendars for the Womens' Auxiliary to the Grain Growers (Oakville, MB) for 1916-1918.

The mintue book for 1976-1981 also contains the minute book of The Red Cross Emergency Unit, Brandon Hills for December 1943-1947.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2006 accessions
Storage Range: 2006 accessions

Related Material: Albert Angus Murray McPherson collection (21-2006)



## Prairie Horizons Toastmistress Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4716

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 37-2006

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1976-1984

Physical Description: 6 cm

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minutes, the pages of the charter dinner guest book, "Go for the Gold" membership marathon instructions and poster, and a scrapbook containing photographs, momentos and a history (summary) of the Priarie Horizons Toastmistress Club 1976-1982.

Notes: Name tags and pins culled. Description by Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2006 accessions
Storage Range: 2006 accessions



## Grand Valley School District #206 fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4717

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 38-2006

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1935, 1945, 1968

Physical Description: 6 cm

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of correspondence, newsclippings, reminiscences, historical information about Grand Valley, name and address lists for students and teachers, invitations to Grand Valley School District reunions (1935 and 1968), the program for the dedication ceremonies and reunion picnic (1968), and the guest book for the 1968 reunion and cairn dedication. The latter includes 3 photographs.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2006 accessions
Storage Range: 2006 accessions