

# S. J. McKee Archives



# Fairfax United Church fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4819

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	42-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1921-1970
Physical Description:	6 cm
History /	

Biographical:

The Fairfax/Elgin United Church was formed in 1921, combining the Methodist (founded in 1889), and Presbyterian (founded in 1887) congregations in these communities. In 1968, the Elgin and Souris congregations joined and, in 1969, the original Elgin United Church was sold to the Fairfax Community Club.

Custodial History:

The fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains minute books (1922-1968), account books (1953-1970), account statements (1966-68), one annual report (1967), and documents of insurance and property transfer (1960-1970) concerning the Fairfax/Elgin United Church.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202638
Subject Access:	Harold W. Ritchie
	C.H. Kirbyson
	Ken L. Dobson
	United Church
	church union
	rural history
	rural development
	religious history
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



# Ward Watson collection

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4821

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	36-1997
GMD:	textual records
GMD: Date Range:	textual records 1935-1938

History /

**Biographical:** 

Ward Watson was born in Brandon, Manitoba and attended Brandon Collegiate Institute in the late 1930's. In 1937, he was chosen out of the student body to attend the Coronation of King George VI in London, England. Watson graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1942. Until his retirement, Watson was an executive with Cargill Grain Company.

#### Custodial History:

This collection was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Collection contains yearbooks from Brandon Collegiate Institute - "The New Era" - for the years 1935 to 1938. The yearbooks include enrollment lists, pictures of classes and sports teams, short essays, editorial gossip, and local advertisments.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202630
Subject Access:	Brandon Collegiate
	The New Era
	Brandon
	Coronation
	high school
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



## United Grain Growers collection

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4822

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	48-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1922-1937
Physical Description:	3 cm

History /

**Biographical:** 

The United Grain Growers, a farmer controlled co-operative elevator association, was established in 1917, with the amalgamation of the Grain Growers Grain Company (1906), and the Alberta Farmer's Co-operative Elevator company (1913). Its original purpose was to provide a co-operative alternative to privately owned grain elevators.

#### Custodial History:

This collection was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Collection includes copies of correspondence between T.A. Crerar, President of United Grain Growers and Colin Burnell, President, Manitoba Co-operative Wheat Producers (1925-26); correspondence directed to the Shareholders of United Grain Growers (1926-38); minutes of a meeting between representatives of the United Grain Growers and the provincial wheat pools (1937); as well as a variety of publications about the history and activities of the United Grain Growers (1917-18, 1927, 1929, 1951, 1956).

Notes:	$CAIN\ No.\ 202642.\ Description\ by\ Christy\ Henry.$
Subject Access:	T.A. Crerar
	Colin H. Burnell
	R.S. Law
	Grain Growers Guide
	Elevators
	Agriculture
	Manitoba
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



# Berbank Church fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4825

RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Collection
28-1997
textual records
1919-1966
6 cm

History /

Biographical:

The name Berbank was created by combining the names of two local districts: Riverbank and Bertha. Both were located south of Brandon in the Rural Municipality of Oakland. The Berbank Church was built in 1919. Its construction grew out of the work of the Berbank Red Cross founded in 1917. The Berbank Church was a "union" church, constructed in anticipation of the formation of the United Church of Canada. In 1966, the Berbank congregation joined with the Nesbitt congregation to operate out of the Nesbitt United Church. The final service at the Berbank United Church was held in 1966.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains a document titled "Berbank Church History." This document is partially in a printed format with a portion handwritten. Fonds also contains minute books and legal documents pertaining to the ownership of the land upon which the Church was constructed.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202614
Subject Access:	Red Cross
	United Church of Canada
	Presbyterian
	Bertha
	Riverbank
	church union
	World War I
Accruals:	Berbank Red Cross fonds (18-1997), Berbank Ladies Aid fonds (27- 1997), and Bertha School District fonds (8-1998).
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



# Canadian Union of Public Employees (Brandon, Manitoba) fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4826

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	22-2003, 30-1999
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1956-1890; predominant 1964-1980
Physical Description:	5.2 m
History /	

Biographical:

The Canadian Union of Public Employees came into existence in September 1963, during a convention in Winnipeg when The National Union of Public Employees and the National Union of Public Service Employees merged. In 1964, the Manitoba Division of CUPE (now CUPE Manitoba) held its founding convention in The Pas. At that time, there were 12 affiliated local unions and a total membership of 1,300. The Canadian Union of Public Employees is Canada's largest union. Public service employees formed CUPE to protect their rights, to negotiate wages and working conditions, and to achieve dignity in the workplace.

Custodial History:

Fonds was in the possesssion of the Brandon CUPE Office until its donation to the S.J. McKee Archives in 1995.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains general administrative files of the CUPE including agreements, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and convention records. In addition, fonds includes records for many CUPE locals in southwestern and north-central Manitoba. These includes files for each local containing agreements, lists of officials, correspondence and financial records. An extensive body of records dating from 1956 exists for CUPE local #69. This local began its existence as the Brandon Civic Employees Federal Union formed in April 1919.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202610	
Subject Access:	Canadian Union of Public Employees	
	Brandon Civic Employees Federal Union Local 69	
	collective bargaining	
	public sector unions	
	industrial relations	
Storage Location:	2003 accessions	
Storage Range:	2003 accessions	



# David Sommerville Charleson fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4827

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	21-1997
0145	
GMD:	textual records
GMD: Date Range:	textual records November 8, 1915
Date Range:	

History /

**Biographical:** 

David Sommerville Charleson was born January 14th, 1884, in Brandon, Manitoba. The Charleson's settled in the GlenSouris area south of Brandon, Manitoba in 1882. David Charleson enlisted on 24 September 1914. He served as a lieutenant in the 6th Infantry Battalion of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. Later, he transferred to the 8th Battalion. In Belgium, Charleson was a victim of an enemy gas attack early in the war, following which he returned to Canada incapacitated. Miss Estella Cullen, a trained nurse, cared for him following his return to Canada. David Sommerville Charleson died on May 12, 1925 a victim of war-time injuries. He is buried in the GlenSouris Cemetery just south of Brandon.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of one letter written by Charleson from Belgium in early 1915 to Miss Estella Cullen in Rounthwaite, Manitoba. In the letter, Charleson describes the circumstances facing the Canadian troops in the trenches during the Great War and provides an account of the German trenches facing him. This is an evocative and reflective letter. Philatelists may find the condition of the stamps on the letter envelope of interest.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202606
Subject Access:	Estella Cullen
	World War I
	trench warfare
	Great War
	soldier's life
	Canadian Expeditionary Force
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



# International Toastmistress Club - Land O'Lakes Region fonds http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4829

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	15-2002
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1963-1992

#### Physical Description: 1.75 m History / Biographical:

The International Toastmistress Club was officially organized in October of 1938, in California by Ernestine White. White thought that communication was the key to success in government, business, and community service. The purpose of the club was to help women gain communication and leadership skills. The North Central Region of the International Toastmistress Club began with the formation of the Winnipeg Toastmistress Club in 1946-47. This club was the first Toastmistress Club in Manitoba and the second club in Canada. The idea of forming a Toastmistress Club in Winnipeg came partly from some members of the Toastmaster Club in the city who had heard of the women's club formed in California. Other North Central Toastmistress Clubs soon followed, including more clubs in Winnipeg, and others throughout southern and central Manitoba, such as the Yellow Quill (Portage), Fort La Bosse (Virden), Colleen (Killarney), Cornucopia (Neepawa), Dauphin, Prairie Horizons (Brandon), Valley Echoes (Swan River), Urban Acres (Brandon), and Kinrossie (Souris) Toastmistress Clubs. The North Central Region was renamed the Land O'Lakes Region in 1966. In 1985, the International Toastmistress Club became the International Training in Communication organization.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was deposited at the McKee Archives on June 2, 1995 by Marlene Brichon of Brandon, Manitoba.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds includes a scrapbook made by the Urban Acres Toastmistress Club of Brandon, which spans the years 1963-1977. The scrapbook includes pictures, newspaper clippings, and programs. The fonds also includes the minutes of the Urban Acres Club from 1973-1986 and the club's reports from 1964-1986. A large number of newsletters such as the C4 News, Land O'Lakes Schooner, Ten-Talk, The Communicator, Pieces of Eight, and The Gavel, running from 1967-1990, as well as the official newsletter of the International Toastmistress Club "Toastmistress" from 1963-1972 are included. Fonds contains a history of the Winnipeg Toastmistress Club, as well as a history of the North Central Region, which later became the Land O'Lakes Region. There are also brief histories of the Yellow Quill, Urban Acres, Greenmantle, and Nellie McClung Toastmistress Clubs. Included in the fonds are bylaws and standing rules of the Land O'Lakes clubs, as well as the charters of the Yellow Quill, Colleen, Cornucopia, Fort La Bosse, Dauphin, and Prairie Horizons Clubs. A large part of the record consists of the minutes from international and regional meetings for the years 1969 to 1988. The fonds includes a public relations survey from the Land O'Lakes Region 1977-78, evaluations of various council meetings, Land O'Lakes' agendas and budgets from 1980-1985, and lists of Land O'Lakes executives. Finally, the fonds contains reports from various Land O'Lakes clubs from 1968-1992, as well as Land O'Lakes rosters from 1979-1985.

Notes: CAIN No. 202594

Subject Access:	Thelma McClelland
	Ernestine White
	International Toastmistress Club
	Land O'Lakes Region of International Toastmistress Club
	Urban Acres Toastmistress Club
	Valley Echoes Toastmistress Club
	Prairie Horizons Toastmistress Club
	Cornucopia Toastmistress Club
	Colleen Toastmistress Club
	Yellow Quill Toastmistress Club
	Fort La Bosse Toastmistress Club
	Dauphin Toastmistress Club
	Kinrossie Toastmistress Club
	Winnipeg Toastmistress Club
	Nellie McClung Toastmistress Club
	Greenmantle Toastmistress Club
	women's organizations
	public relations
	leadership
	communication
Storage Location:	2002 accessions
Storage Range:	2002 accessions



## Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club fonds http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4832

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	12-2002
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1955-1959
Physical Description:	2 cm
History /	
Biographical:	

It appears that the Neepawa Business and Profession of Women's Club was established in 1955. The president of the club in 1955, was Nora Day. The objectives of the club were to enhance the status of professional and business women and to promote contact between women in business and the professions. The club had seven committees, including: the United Nations, Newsletter, Emblem, Social, Programme, Publicity, and Membership Committees. The Neepawa Club attended provincial conferences of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs and observed Business Women's Week. The club also hosted conferences, as well as local luncheons and picnics.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2002. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of one scrapbook made by the club, which covers the years 1955-1959. The scrapbook includes newspaper clippings, programs, invitations, and lists of club officers from around the province. The scrapbook also includes the bylaws of the Neepawa Club. Many of the newspaper clippings relate to the status of women in Canada and around the world.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202586
Subject Access:	Effie Macdonald
	Mary Macdonald
	Louise Card
	Nora Day
	Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club
	Manitoba Business and Professional Women's Clubs
	Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club
	Flin Flon Business and Professional Women's Club
	Portage Business and Professional Women's Club
	Selkirk Business and Professional Women's Club
	St. James Business and Professional Women's Club
	Winnipeg Business and Professional Women's Club
	International Peace Gardens
	women's clubs
	status of women
	scrapbooks
	newspaper clippings
Storage Location:	2002 accessions
Storage Range:	2002 accessions
Related Material:	Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club (10-2002); Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club (11-2002); Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club (12-2002); Trilliam Business and Professional Women's Club (2-2006).



## Brandon Assisted Passage Association fonds

#### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4833

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	11-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1911-1917
Physical Description:	3 cm textual records 1 minute book

History /

**Biographical:** 

The Brandon Assisted Passages Association was created in 1911, for the purpose of providing loans to "english speaking artisans" [sic] who wished to immigrate to Canada and work in Brandon, MB. In 1913, the Association was renamed the Brandon Imperial Home Reunion Association. The Association continued to operate and provided passage assistance in the form of loans to many immigrants until loan defaults mounted during World War I. After 1917, no further loans were given.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned in 1997. Its custodial history prior to this is unknown, but it was at one time in the posession of a H.R. Hoffman, and well as Richardson & Bishop Ltd. in Brandon.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a minute book and a single page letter. The minute book is a record of every meeting of the B.A.P.A./B.I.H.R.A. and includes the names of the board members, the names of the applicants (in some cases their addresses), and the amounts loaned. In some instances, the fonds provides a documentary record of loan repayment.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202578
Subject Access:	Mr. Murhead
	Mr. F. Wells
	Mr. Killery
	Mr. D. Christie
	Brandon Imperial Home Reunion Association
	Immigration
	Imperialism
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



## Mildred (Mollie) Kellet fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4834

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	8-1999
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1918; 1941; 1944

## Physical Description: 2 cm History / Biographical:

Mildred (Mollie) Norton Kellet was born April 5, 1914, in Birmingham, England to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Travers. At the age of 18, she joined the Cadbury Brothers Co. as a contometer. In 1942, she married George Crawford Kellet Jr. Mollie and George Kellet had two children together: Patricia (b. 1944) and Ian (b. 1949). In February of 1944, Mollie and her husband relocated to Manchester where George Kellet worked as an accountant.

Following World War II, the Kellets emigrated to Winnipeg, Canada. Mollie remained a mother and homekeeper until 1954, when she was hired as a secretary for Mitchell, Green, and Menouk Lawyers. She was also employed by The Bay and in the securities department of Montreal Trust Co, where she was the manager until 1966. She retired at age 65, but was recalled by the company to work until 1984, when she was 70 years old. In 1990, Mollie moved to Brandon to be closer to her daughter, Pat Alvested. Due to complications from surgery and a weak heart, Mollie Kellet passed away on January 31, 1999.

George Crawford Kellet Jr. was born to George Crawford Kellet Sr. and Lizzie Auld Halliday Kellet on July 16, 1911, in Glasgow, Scotland. An only child, he attended private school, and in 1933, at the age of 21, he was the youngest Chartered Accountant graduate in Britain. At some point between 1933 and his marriage to Mildred (Mollie) Norton in 1942, George joined the British army; while with the army his job was to receive the orders concerning army accounting and process them for soldiers in the field.

George left the army after the war and sailed with his wife and daughter on the Mauretania for Canada. Upon settling in Winnipeg he worked for Family Fair. In 1956 and 1957, he continued to work while setting up his own accounting firm, Kellet & Co. He was also diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in 1956. In 1971, George's health forced him to retire. Mollie continued to work at this time. Five years later she was unable to care for him adequately and he moved to a nursing home. In 1985, at age 74, George Kellet passed away.

#### Custodial History:

In January 2000, Pat Alvestad, the Kellets' daughter, donated this fonds to the McKee Archives.

#### Scope and Content:

The records contained within the Mollie Kellet fonds are contributions from both Mollie and her husband George. Included are: a collection of handwritten recollections by Mollie Kellet concerning her experiences during the Second World War (Mollie had been living in London and experienced life under German bombing); a document from WWI, presumably from her father, who was a veteran of this war; and records acquired by George Kellet during his service in the Second World War concerning the practical arrangements made to support troops following the 1944 D-day invasion of Nazi Europe. Marked "top secret," these records set out procedures for paying and provisioning the invading army.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202659
Subject Access:	George Kellet
	World War I
	D-day
	memoirs
	memoirs World War II
Storage Location:	
Storage Location: Storage Range:	World War II



# Minnedosa Odd Fellows fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4836

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	4-2000
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1884-1991
Physical Description:	60 cm

History /

Biographical:

The Odd Fellow Lodge in Minnedosa was created in 1884. Membership was open to white males over the age of 21, who were in good health and had good moral character. The organization was established as a mutual friendly association to provide social and financial support to its members. According to its Constitution, OddFellow members have five duties: to visit the sick, to relieve the distressed, to bury the dead, to educate the orphan, and to aid the widow. The organization existed until 1991.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2000. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minutes from Minnedosa Odd Fellow meetings from 1884-1991. There is also one book kept by the Sick Committee from 1924-1949, in which the committee kept track of sickness and injuries among members and what each sick or injured man received in wages lost from the lodge. The fonds also includes a roll call book from 1884-1920. There is also a member and visitor register for the years 1972-1980, and an envelope of approximately 40 completed application forms from the 1940's and 1950's. Finally, the fonds includes a minute book of the Patriarch Militant IOOF of Brandon, Manitoba, which covers the years 1909 to 1922.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202635
Subject Access:	Minnedosa OddFellows
	Minnedosa
	Manitoba
	Patriarch Militant IOOF
	Brandon
	fraternal organizations
	mutual aid societies
Storage Location:	2000 accessions
Storage Range:	2000 accessions
Related Material:	The Basswood Odd Fellows Collection is also located in the McKee Archives.



## Laurie V. Smith collection

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4837

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	37-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1939-1986; predominant 1939-1949
Physical Description:	18 cm

History /

**Biographical:** 

Laurie V. Smith served as the President of the Brandon Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion during the 1940s.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes correspondence, policy documents, and publications relating to the activities of the Royal Canadian Legion, primarily in Brandon under the Presidency of Laurie V. Smith, during and after the Second World War. Prominant themes include the aquiring of gifts for hospitalized veterans, primarily through the Canadian Legion Christmas Tree project, veteran rehabilitation, and promotion of the Canadian Victory Loans project.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202631
Subject Access:	Canadian Legion
	Sanatorium Board of Manitoba
	The Legionary
	Veterans
	Legion Christmas Tree
	Victory Loan
	Canadian Legion War Services
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



# B.J. Hales fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4838

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	31-1998
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1925-1927
Physical Description:	8 cm textual records
	3 books

## History /

Biographical:

Benjamin J. Hales was born in Peterborough, Ontario on November 24, 1868. Hales lived in Peterborough until attending the University of Toronto, where he graduated in 1894. In 1897, Hales travelled west to teach at Broadview, North West Territories. He moved to McGregor, Manitoba in 1899, where he was Principal of the school, and in 1902, he moved to Hartney, Manitoba. Between 1907 and 1911, Hales devoted his time to working for the provincial Normal School that offered courses for prospective teachers in Portage La Prairie, Manitou, and Brandon. In 1911, the normal courses were established in Brandon and Hales moved to Brandon, where he resided for the rest of his life. Hales acted as the Principal of the Brandon Normal School from 1912 until his retirement in 1938. B.J. Hales married Elizabeth Lewis of Peterborough, who died in 1942. The couple had one daughter Marion Hales Doig. B.J. Hales was a well-known naturalist and author of several texts dealing with prairie flora and fauna. Hales also built a museum of Manitoban flora and fauna in the Normal School. Hales was an alderman on Brandon City Council from 1920 to 1923, and served as the chairman of the city's Parks Board from 1937 until his death in 1945. Hales was twice the president of the Western Manitoba Teacher's Association, and once the head of the Manitoba Educational Association. B.J. Hales was also a member of the First United Church and served on its board. He died on December 23, 1945 at his home in Brandon.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes three books written by B.J. Hales, titled, "Selected Western Flora: Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta" (1925); "Prairie Birds" (1927); and "Forests and Trees" (1925), all published in Toronto by The MacMillan Company of Canada. The fonds also includes two books of field notes concerning specimens held in the Brandon Normal School Museum, as well as a list of birds in the Atkinson Collection also located at the Brandon Normal School Museum.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202623
Subject Access:	B.J. Hales
	Brandon Normal School Museum
	Atkinson Collection
	flora
	prairie birds
	museums
	trees
	wild life
	naturalist
Storage Location:	1998 accessions
Storage Range:	1998 accessions



# Clanwilliam Women's Institute fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4839

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	3-2002

GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1947-1977
Physical Description:	13 cm
History /	

**Biographical:** 

The Women's Institute was founded in 1897 in Stoney Creek, Ontario, by Adelaide Hoodless. By 1913, institutes were established in all the provinces. In 1919, provincial representatives met in Winnipeg to form the Federated Women's Institute of Canada. The Women's Institute was designed to promote quality of life in rural Canada and to foster the advancement of rural women. The first Women's Institute in Manitoba was organized in 1910, in Morris, Manitoba. The Clanwilliam Women's Institute was created on March 24, 1947. The first president of the Institute was Mrs. Margaret Erven. The construction of a community hall was the initial project of the Institute, but it also made contributions to the maintenance of the local rink and to local charitable causes. The Institute continues to operate as of 2002.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned in 2002 by the McKee Archives. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes the minutes of the meetings of the Institute from 1947-1977. Included in the minutes are member lists from the various years. The Certificate of Organization for the Clanwilliam Women's Institute, dated September 5,1947 is included as well. There is also a handwritten copy of the history of the Clanwilliam Women's Institute. Finally, the fonds includes the Institute's Annual Reports from 1949-1952 and from 1963-1965.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202619. Description by Robyn Mitchell.
Subject Access:	Mrs. Margaret Erven
	Mrs. Margery Shaw
	Mrs. Ellen Wilkinson
	Mrs. Doris McQuarrie
	Mrs. Anna Hagglund
	Mrs. Joyce Crewsen
	Mrs. Ruby McFarlane
	Mrs. Lillian Pollon
	Mrs. Sadie Hutton
	Mrs. Alice Mead
	Mrs. Connie Moad
	Mrs. Rita McPherson
	Mrs. Janet Josland
	Clanwilliam Women's Institute
	Village of Clanwilliam
	Manitoba Women's Institute
	Women's Institute
	rural women
	women's organization
	citizenship
Storage Location:	2002 accessions
Storage Range:	2002 accessions

Related Material: Related women's institute collections in the McKee Archives include:

Manitoba Women's Institute; Minnedosa Women's Institute; Cordova Women's Institute; Clanwilliam Women's Institute; Rathwell Women's Institute; Strathclair Women's Institute; Crocus Women's Institute; Southwest A Region - Manitoba Women's Institute; Douglas Women's Institute



# A.C. Miller fonds

#### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4842

Archie Cleveland Miller owned and operated a farm near Roland, Manitoba from 1918 to 1938. Miller was engaged principally in a commercial grain operation.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned in 1997 by the McKee Archives. Prior custodial history is unknown. .

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains legal documents from A.C. Miller's farm near Roland, Manitoba from 1916 to 1938. They include mortgage documents, lease agreements, and bank receipts.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202603
Subject Access:	Archie Cleveland Miller
	Archie A. Ross
	Lydia Ross
	Manitoba Farm Loans Association
	Roland Manitoba
	Farm lease
	Farm business
	Myrtle Manitoba
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



# Brandon Golf and Country Club fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4846

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	11-1998
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1914-1948
Physical Description:	6 cm

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Golf and Country Club was created in 1914, to serve the recreational needs of Brandon's social and economic elite. Leading Brandon politicians, professionals, and businessmen belonged to the club and served on its executive. The club was a place for Brandon's elite to play golf and socialize, and was affiliated with the Royal Canadian Golf Association. The club included a separate Verandah Club composed of women. In 1926, the Brandon Golf and Country Club became a member of the Canadian Ladies Golf Union. The club sponsored dances and dinners for its members. Strict policies for non-members were enforced. Brandon residents that were not members of the club could only play golf once a week, had to pay daily green fees, and had to be invited and accompanied by a member.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of one scrapbook that runs from 1914-1948. The scrapbook contains minutes from director and shareholder meetings, as well as notices of upcoming meetings. There are also secretary and treasurer reports included in the scrapbook. Finally, there are a few newspaper clippings dealing with the club included in the scrapbook.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202579
Subject Access:	Brandon Golf and Country Club
	Verandah Club
	men's clubs
	country clubs
Storage Location:	1998 accessions
Storage Range:	1998 accessions



# Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium collection

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4848

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	1-1998
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1966-1968
Physical Description:	6 cm

History /

**Biographical:** 

The construction of the Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium was considered first during a meeting of the Brandon City Council in 1953. In 1962, the City of Brandon was given permission by Manitoba Premier Duff Roblin to proceed with the construction of the auditorium as a centennial project to celebrate Canada's centennial in 1967. Constructed on the Brandon University campus, the auditorium was completed in early 1969.

#### Custodial History:

This collection was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of one scrapbook with newspaper clippings and pamphlets about the Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium and its construction.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202571
Subject Access:	Princess Alexandra
	Mr. D. R. MacKay
	Mayor Magnacca
	Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium
	Brandon
	Manitoba
	centennial projects
	auditoriums
Storage Location:	1998 accessions
Storage Range:	1998 accessions



## Basswood OddFellows fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4850

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	5-2000
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1910-1954
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Physical Description:	12 cm

History /

Biographical:

The OddFellows has a long international history as a mutual assistance society for men. OddFellow Lodges were open to white males over the age of 21, who were in good health and possessed good moral character. Upon joining an OddFellow's Lodge, a member received social and financial benefits. The Constitution of the Subordinate Lodges in Manitoba, 1899, notes that OddFellows Lodges were obliged to teach the importance of fraternity. Under the organization's constitution, lodge members assumed five obligations: to visit the sick, to relieve the distressed, to bury the dead, to educate the orphan, and to aid the widow. The Progress Lodge of the Basswood OddFellows was created in 1910; it continued as a group until early 1955, when it amalgamated with the Minnedosa OddFellows. The Progress Lodge of the Basswood OddFellows included men of many different occupations and social classes including, farmers, merchants, ministers, teachers, agents, carpenters, grain buyers, clerks, and laborers.

#### Custodial History:

The records of the Basswood Oddfellows Lodge were in the possession of Donald McNabb, who for many years was an active member of the Minnedosa Oddfellows. He donated the records to the McKee Archives in June 2000.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of five books. The first book is a membership list from 1910-1948. The list includes the members' names and occupations, the date that they joined the lodge, and their status within the hierarchy of the lodge. The other four books consist of minutes for the years 1910-16, 1916-25, 1935-44, and 1945-54.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202644
Subject Access:	Basswood OddFellows
	Progress Lodge
	Basswood
	Manitoba
	International Order of OddFellows
	Minnedosa
	fraternal associations
	mutual aid societies
Storage Location:	2000 accessions
Storage Range:	2000 accessions
Related Material:	The Minnedosa OddFellows fonds is also located in the McKee Archives.



# Chater Protestant School District fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4851

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	45-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1892-1959
Physical Description:	22 cm
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History /

Biographical:

The Chater Protestant School District was established in 1883, with the arrival of settlers in southwestern Manitoba. In 1890, it became the Chater School District following school reform in Manitoba. The original Protestant District school was a wooden structure constructed in the village of Chater a few miles east of Brandon, Manitoba. In 1906, funds were raised for the building of a cement structure to replace the original wooden one. The Chater School District was dissolved in 1966, but the school house continued to serve as a community center until 1973, when it was demolished.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes minutes of the School Trustees (1891-1931, 1940-1959), teaching contracts (1937-1957), financial records of the school (1939-1958), a booklet titled "The Public School Act, The Education Department Act, The School Attendance Act, The Teachers Retirement Allowances Act"(1954), and a collection of school registers (1912-13, 1915-49, 1954-55, 1957-58) from the Chater School District. Included within the minute books of the Chater School District are financial records for the "Chater Association of Patrons of Industry, charter # 3532" (1891-1895). Also included is an ink stamp reading "Chater Protestant School District, No. 181, Manitoba Canada."

Notes:	CAIN No. 202640
Subject Access:	Chater
	Patrons of Industry
	Public Schooling
	Public Schools
	Agrarian organizations
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



# Marion Doig collection

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4852

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	28-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1941-1951
Physical Description:	10 cm

History /

**Biographical:** 

Marion Margaret Hales Doig was the only child of B.J. Hales. She died in Brandon on June 8, 1961.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contians issues of two periodocals, "Northern Review" (1949-51), which reviews contemporary Canadian literature, and "The Keystone Province" (1941-45), a primarily economic look at Manitoba.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202632
Subject Access:	Northen Review
	The Keystone Province
	Manitoba
	Literary Review
Storage Location:	1007
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Storage Range:	1997 accessions
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