

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Leonard Muirhead collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12725

| Part Of:              | RG 1 Brandon College fonds |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Description Level:    | Collection                 |
| Accession Number:     | 12-2012                    |
| GMD:                  | textual records            |
| Date Range:           | 1937-1938                  |
| Physical Description: | 1 file                     |
| History /             |                            |

Biographical:

Leonard Andrew Muirhead (1918–2008) was the only child of Andrew and Isabella Muirhead. He grew up on the farm homestead in the Summerville District near Carberry, Manitoba. He graduated from Carberry Collegiate when he was sixteen. He helped out on the farm for two yeas after graduation then attended United College, Winnipeg, and then Brandon College. Muirhead then worked in the Financial Department at Canada Packers in Saint Boniface until 1942. In 1942 he returned home and helped his father with the farm operation. Leonard married Verle Sinclair, a local schoolteacher, on October 12, 1951. They had three daughters: Iris, Gwen, and Arla. In 1965, health reasons made him give up active farming and he began an income tax preparation business as well as selling investments for Trust Companies.

Leonard Muirhead attended Brandon College for the 1937-1938 school year. This was the last year that Brandon College was associated with McMaster University as it then became affiliated with the University of Manitoba.

Custodial History:

The papers remained with Leonard Muirhead's papers until his daughter, Iris Muirhead, donated the papers to the S.J. McKee Archives in 2011.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists primarily of 1938 examination papers from Brandon College, when it was affiliated with McMaster University. It also contains an exam schedule and a course outline. It contains examination papers from spring 1938 for the courses of 2nd and 3rd Years Physics 2y, 3w, Bible 2k, Psychology 2a, Mathematics 2x, Mathematics 1e, a syllabus for second term English 1g2a, and an examination timetable for spring 1938 for Brandon College.

Notes:

History/Bio information taken from conversation with Leonard Muirhead's daughter, Iris Muirhead in October 2012 and from obituary http://passages.winnipegfreepress.com/passage-details/id-136216/(accessed October 24, 2012). Description by Jennifer Sylvester (October 2012).

| Name Access:      | Leonard Muirhead  |
|-------------------|---|
|                   | Brandon College   |
|                   | McMaster University   |
| Subject Access:   | post-secondary education  |
|                   | Arts  |
|                   | Mathematics   |
|                   | theology  |
|                   | examinations  |
| Storage Location: | 2012 accessions   |
| Related Material: | Brandon College fonds   |
|                   | The Sickle 1937-1938  |
|                   | The Leonard Muirhead collection is available at the Carberry Plains<br>Archives. Leonard Muirhead also donated records related to Montrose<br>School and Carberry 4-H Combines to the Carberry Plains Archives. |



# Fairfax United Church fonds

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

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| 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   |



## 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                                |



# United Commercial Travelers Ladies Auxiliary #112 collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13614

| Part Of:           | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Description Level: | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:  | 1-2013                                      |
| GMD:               | multiple media                              |
| Date Range:        | October 30, 1937 – October 2006             |

Physical Description: 51cm of textual records

141 photographs

6 artifacts

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Ladies Auxiliary #112 of the United Commercial Travelers of America received its charter on October 30, 1937 at their first meeting, which took place in the Rose Room of the Prince Edward Hotel in Brandon, Manitoba. At this time the membership of the Ladies Auxiliary #112 consisted of 27 Sisters. Brother Ernie Tatton, Grand Counselor at the time, presented the Ladies Auxiliary with their Bible in May 1938. Winnipeg Auxiliary #48 gave the Brandon Auxiliary their Bible Book Mark and Saskatoon Auxiliary #23 gave them their gavel.

Initial meetings were held in the Rose Room of the Prince Edward Hotel on Saturday evenings, when the Brothers would meet after their weekly travels. Meetings were then moved to the Kelly Block on 8th Street. Here the Sisters would meet downstairs and the Brothers upstairs. Meetings were usually followed by dancing, singing, and lunch downstairs. Meetings were held in the Masonic Temple, the Knights of Columbus Hall, the Orange Hall, the Oddfellows Hall, and eventually in the UCT Hall. Throughout all the location changes, a social hour was still held with the Brothers.

The Brandon Auxiliary always performed the ritualistic and floor drill work. Originally, patrols only joined the Officers when Brandon Auxiliary was hosting a Grand Session. Patrols, with matching outfits, soon became a part of the floor work at every meeting. Officers were required to wear the proper attire. Capes were introduced in 1940 and white shoes, stockings, and dresses in 1941. Membership swelled over the years and 50 years after being inaugurated the Brandon Auxiliary could claim 136 Sisters.

The Brandon Ladies Auxiliary #112 was always very active within the larger community, especially with fundraising and charitable donation. Initially the Brandon Auxiliary supported the Red Cross by sewing and knitting. The Brandon Auxiliary also supported the Canadian Cancer Society at this time by making dressings. Rummage sales and teas were used to fundraise at the time. Teas were used in conjunction with the wives of the Steam Plant to purchase equipment for the first school in Brandon that taught developmentally delayed children. The Brandon Auxiliary also did fundraising teas, Walk-a-thons, bazaars, and raffles for the Camroc workshop, which was built for older handicapped students.

Bingo games were used to raise funds as well. Other projects of the Brandon Ladies Auxiliary include:

1. Builders of Women – provides help to needy girls and women and gives a scholarship out at the Festival of the Arts. In 1969 the Ladies Auxiliary refurnished the third floor of the YWCA.

2. Cancer – assistance with the annual canvas, ride and run events, putting on an event with a speaker and film, and a survey of sisters who had their annual pap test.

3. Handicapped Children – purchase of equipment for the handicapped classes at George Fitton School and the COR Enterprises (formerly Camroc) workshop. One sister was a volunteer for their swimming and bowling classes, among other things.

4. The Three Benevolent Funds

5. May E. Tisdale Educational Fund – donated to this fund every year, usually in memory of deceased sisters.

6. Brandon General Hospital Special Equipment Fund – every year a sum was included in the Ladies Auxiliary budget to purchase special equipment for the Brandon Hospital.

Civic Service donations included the Mental Health Centre Christmas gifts, three Christmas hampers for needy families, Canadian Diabetes Association, Manitoba Heart Fund, and Brandon Figure Skating Club.

In 1962, the Auxiliary's 25th birthday, their first Dessert Party and Bake Sale was held. This had the stated objectives of growing and working together as a group and raising money for the organization. This became an annual event. Sisters who had attended for 25 years were honoured at the Auxiliary's 36th birthday celebration. Every birthday after that, sisters who had attended for 25 years were guests at the dinner and presented with a corsage and a gift. Sick and bereaved were also remembered at these functions. In the 1980s the Ladies Auxiliary continued to support the UCT Brandon Council #448 in the Annual Travellers Day Parade, Grand Sessions, and other functions.

In the early 1990s the United Commercial Travelers voted to allow women to join the Councils. This marked the beginning of the end for the Auxiliaries. However, ladies who had no connection to a Council could join an Auxiliary now whereas before only a wife, sister, or granddaughter of a Council member could join.

The final Grand Auxiliary Sessions were held in Brandon in May 2003. By this point only three auxiliaries were still active across Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta and all had difficulty recruiting new members. Most of the membership at this time was elderly and unable to take office or work at teas and other such events. Calgary and Regina's Auxiliaries were down to less than twelve members. Brandon still had more than 90 on the membership roll but only about 20 attended meetings regularly and it was becoming difficult to fill Officer positions.

The final Dessert and Bake Sale was held in October 2002 and was the 40th such event. With the demise of the Grand Auxiliary in 2003, it was decided that Brandon would continue to operate; however, after a year it was decided that Brandon would no longer operate as a formal auxiliary. Monthly luncheons would now be held with December being a Christmas Party supper. The last formal meeting was held in the Parkview Seniors complex on March 22, 2004.

The money in the Grand Auxiliary's account was distributed to the three remaining auxiliaries based on how much had been contributed over the preceding ten years. Brandon received \$2,500 and had about \$5,000 in their account. When formal meetings were discontinued it was decided to donate \$5,000 to the "A Bed for You, A Bed for Me" campaign of the Brandon General Hospital. Approximately \$1,100 was given to their Chairs from Mentally Challenged and Builders of Women to use as they pleased.

All members on the membership roll were contacted and asked if they wished to remain members. Several decided not to but 50 members remained. Each member under 80 paid a \$5 membership fee in April or October. Beginning in 2004, \$1 was collected from every member that attended a luncheon to pay for stamps and cards sent to those who were ill, lost a loved one, turned 80, etc. Fundraising is limited to selling Riverview Curling Club Lottery Calendars for which the Ladies Auxiliary #112 received \$4. In 2005 \$128 was collected and \$25 donated to five different charities.

In 2006, sisters of the Auxiliary still worked at the Fairview Daffodil Tea for Cancer, put on the January birthday party at Hillcrest Place, worked the Big Craft Sale at the Keystone Centre in October, worked with the Salvation Army Kettles at Christmas, and sold carnatons for multiple sclerosis and daffodils for the Cancer Society. Luncheons held averaged about 20 members and 25 at Christmas.

#### Custodial History:

Records were created and collected by the members of the Brandon United Commercial Travelers Ladies Auxiliary #112. The collection was donated to the S.J. McKee Archives in March 2007.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records that document the origin, activities, and ultimately the disbandment of the Brandon Ladies Auxiliary #112 of the Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America. These records were created and accumulated during the nearly 70 year existence of the UCT Ladies Auxiliary #112.

The collection consists of the minutes of their meetings from November 1939 to November 1991, photographs of the members, and sign-in books from October 1937 to March 1991. It also contains the account ledger from April 1972 to March 1997. Several scrapbooks containing photographs and newspaper clippings related to the activities and members of the Ladies Auxiliary and the United Commercial Travelers, spanning the nearly 70 lifespan of the organization, are also included in the collection.

Both the United Commercial Travelers Council #448 and the United Commercial Travelers Ladies Auxiliary #112 were very active in raising funds for various charitable organizations. Money was raised for the Brandon General Hospital, as well as for George Fitton School to assist with their special education program. Organizations such as the Red Cross, the Canadian Cancer Society, special needs organizations, United Way, the Multiple Sclerosis Society, and several other organizations all received the benefits of UCT fundraising. Scholarships were also given out. Teas, dessert and bake sales, sewing and knitting, rummage sales, Walk-a-thons, bazaars, and raffles were all used to raise money for charitable donations.

Collection also contains various artifacts including a gavel, the original charter of the Ladies Auxiliary #112, nomination balls, officer's badges, a Bible, and the cloth used for the draping of a deceased member's charter. Also included is a handbook detailing the rituals carried out by the United Commercial Travelers of America.

| Notes:       | History/biographical information provided by Sister Bernice Nerbas of the UCT Ladies Auxiliary #112. Copies of their history are found in the collection. Description by Joseph Dauphinais (October 2013). |
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| Name Access: | The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America (UCT)  |
| Name Access. | The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America (UCT) Ladies Auxiliary   |
|              | The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America #448   |
|              | The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America Ladies Auxiliary #112  |
|              | UCT  |
|              | UCT Ladies Auxiliary #112  |
|              | Jessie Tatton  |
|              | Florence Offer   |
|              | Bertha Baker   |
|              | Wilma Martin   |
|              | Hattie Moffat  |
|              | Isabelle Driver  |
|              | Belle Driver   |
|              | Rose Woodlock  |
|              | Kay Quinn  |

**Blanche Macleay Diane Finch** Jean Williamson Anne Larkins Doris Gromb Helen Cook Mae MacEdwards Heidi Cleuett Flora Francis Gladys Quinn Janet MacLeod Myrtle Cook Lillian Hare Margaret Geiler Alice Cosgrove Phyllis Clark Charlotte Kellie Dot MacKay Audrey Campbell Jean Chrisp Patricia Brooking Pat Brooking Patricia Scott Jaye Little lva Brynelson Marilyn Johnston Doris Stanzeleit Mildred Darvill Bernice Keown Myrtle Kardash Linda Koshowski Vonnie Coates Carole Mann Anne Dunwald Brenda Loll Aileen Smalley Phyllis Elliott Donna Thompson Elfriede Verstock Freddie Verstock Heather Bernhardt Linda Garson Kathleen Heppner Lois Osudar **Ricki Woods** 

|                   | Bernice Nerbas  |
|-------------------|---|
|                   | Cancer Society  |
| Subject Access:   | women's organizations   |
|                   | charitable organizations  |
| Storage Location: | 2013 accessions   |
| Related Material: | The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America (UCT) fonds |
|                   | (5-2008), 4 photographs in the CKX fonds (11-2010.U5, 11-2010.U6a,  |
|                   | 11-2010.U6b, 11-2010.U6c), Jack Stothard collection (4-2013)        |



# 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 |
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| Des  | cription Level:    | Collection                                  |
| Acc  | ession Number:     | 5-2008                                      |
| GMI  | D:                 | multiple media                              |
| Date | e Range:           | 1908-2006                                   |
| Phys | sical 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 anuual 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 (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 Illinois (1956-57); 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.



# Elm Creek/Wingham Branch United Farmers of Manitoba fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4803

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
|-----------------------|---|
| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:     | 39-1997                                     |
| GMD:                  | textual records                             |
| Date Range:           | 1921-1940                                   |
| Physical Description: | 12 cm                                       |
| History /             |   |

Biographical:

The United Farmers of Manitoba was founded in 1920. It was an inclusive farmers' organization established to replace the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association. The UFM supported farmer candidates in the 1920 provincial election. In 1922, it helped elect the UFM government of John Bracken (1922-42). The UFM also participated in federal politics, supporting twelve successful candidates in the 1921 federal election. The UFM was financed by its members. Its membership varied from 15,700 in 1923, to 3700 in 1931. In 1939, the UFM became the Manitoba Federation of Agriculture.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes documents relating to the membership, both male and female, of the Wingham branch of the United Farmers of Manitoba and the United Farm Women of Manitoba. Documents dealing with the position of the branch on prohibition c. 1922, discussion within the branch of the "wheat pool" movement, annual reports for the organization, newsletters, correspondence on matters political and agrarian, and records relating to the activities of the branch as a cooperative buying agency are also included. Fonds also contains minutes of the provincial convention of the UFM and correspondence from the central office of the UFM.

Notes: CAIN No. 202633

| Subject Access:   | S.P. Graham            |
|-------------------|------------------------|
|                   | rural women's movement |
|                   | agrarian politics      |
|                   | social reform          |
| Storage Location: | 1997 accessions        |
| Storage Range:    | 1997 accessions        |



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

| Part Of:           | DC 5 Western Menitebe Menuscript Collection |
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| Part OI:           | 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);<br>Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club (11-2002);<br>Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club (12-2002); Trilliam<br>Business and Professional Women's Club (2-2006). |

## Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club fonds



### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4811

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
|-----------------------|---|
| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:     | 11-2002                                     |
| GMD:                  | textual records                             |
| Date Range:           | 1953-1965                                   |
| Physical Description: | 10 cm                                       |
| History /             |   |

Biographical:

The Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club was organized on May 14, 1959. The group received its charter on September 15, 1959 at a ceremony that included guests from Minnedosa, Neepawa, Dauphin, Brandon, and Portage La Prairie. The first president of the club was Mrs. Julie Johnson. In September 1959 the club had 15 members. The Minnedosa Club became the thirteenth Business and Professional Women's Club chartered in Manitoba. The purpose of the club was to train and educate women in business and the professions and to promote women's participation in local, provincial, and national affairs. The club included many committees such as the Public Relations, Membership, Survey and Archives, Programme and Projects, Social and Courtesy, International Affairs, Budget and Finance, Federation Promotion, Personal Development, Public Affairs, and Resolutions, Legislation and Employment Committees. The Minnedosa Club held exhibitions, hosted guest speakers, observed Business Women's Week, and held workshops for all of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs in Manitoba on a few occasions. Over the years the club made many donations to the Minnedosa Museum, the Minnedosa Centennial Committee, and charities such as UNICEF, Ramallah Fund, Children's Aid, and United Way. The Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club was very concerned with the status of women in Canada and around the world. The Minnedosa Club disbanded in May 1980. After the disbanding of the club, the women who were involved in the club formed the Just For Fun Club.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds is comprised mainly of four scrapbooks, which run from 1959-1979, 1959-1963, 1959-1964, and 1977-1979. The scrapbooks contain photos, newspaper clippings, Christmas cards, correspondence and programs. The clippings relate to Business and Professional Women's Clubs from around Manitoba, while focusing on the Minnedosa Club. Many of the clippings also focus on the status of women in Canada and the rest of the world.

Fonds also contains financial records and minutes from the years 1959-1980. There is also a copy of the club's bylaws, as well as monthly membership reports from 1976-1980. The fonds also includes a brief typed history of the Minnedosa Club, as well as other loose newspaper clippings, programs, songbooks, and correspondence. Finally, there are three guestbooks included in the collection. The first runs from 1959-1978. The second guestbook is from the Art and Ceramic Display and Tea, held on May 27, 1972. The third guestbook is from the Art and Ceramic Dispay and Tea, held on May 29, 1976.

Notes:

CAIN No. 202581

| Subject Access:   | Julie Johnson  |
|-------------------|--|
|                   | Louise Card  |
|                   | Effie Macdonald  |
|                   | Mary Macdonald   |
|                   | Marion McCormick   |
|                   | Gladys Thompson  |
|                   | Town of Minnedosa  |
|                   | Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club   |
|                   | Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs   |
|                   | Manitoba Provincial Organization of Business and Professional Women's<br>Clubs   |
|                   | Flin Flon Business and Professional Women's Club   |
|                   | Dauphin Business and Professional Women's Club   |
|                   | Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club   |
|                   | International Peace Gardens  |
|                   | women's clubs  |
|                   | women's issues   |
|                   | 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);<br>Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club (11-2002);<br>Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club (12-2002); Trilliam<br>Business and Professional Women's Club (2-2006). |



## A.C. Miller fonds

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

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
|-----------------------|---|
| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:     | 19-1997                                     |
| GMD:                  | textual records                             |
| Date Range:           | 1916-1938                                   |
| Physical Description: | 5 cm  |

- History /
- **Biographical:**

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                 |
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# Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club fonds http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4859

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:     | 10-2002                                     |
| GMD:                  | textual records                             |
| Date Range:           | 1932-1972                                   |
| Physical Description: | 20 cm                                       |

#### History / Biographical:

The Business and Professional Women's Club of Brandon was created in November 1932. The club grew out of a meeting of business and professional women who were interested in forming an association. Guest speakers at the meeting were Miss Hilda Hesson, the Vice President of the Federation of Canadian Business and Professional Women's Clubs, and Miss F. Ingram, the President of the Winnipeg Business and Professional Women's Club. The objective of the Brandon club, according to its constitution, was the "promotion of educational, service, and social facilities for the business and professional women." The club consisted of active and associate members and belonged to the greater Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club. The first President of the club was Miss Margaret Gemmell, with approximately 80 women attended the club's first meeting. The club established subcommittees on a variety of subjects including current events, sports, bridge instruction, public speaking, dress making, photography, stitch craft, manual training, and physical culture. The club also put on exhibitions, participated in drama festivals, held rummage sales and an annual Christmas party. During the Second World War, it established a War Effort Department. This department organized activities such as sewing and knitting in support of the war effort. The War Effort Department also raised money for charities such as the Red Cross. During its meetings, the club often heard local and national speakers or watched films. Women of many different vocations joined the club including florists, teachers, salesclerks, nurses, and housewives. Over the years, additional departments were added to the club including those named poetry, pottery, woodcraft, and drama.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains three small scrapbooks, which cover the years 1932-1939, 1939-1949, and 1950-1959, respectively. The scrapbooks contain newpaper clippings from the Brandon Sun, the Winnipeg Free Press, and the Flin Flon Daily Miner. The scrapbooks also contain exhibition and meeting programs from the Brandon Club. Fonds also contains meeting minutes for the years 1932-1972.

| Notes:            | CAIN No. 202576  |
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| Subject Access:   | Miss Margaret Gemmel   |
|                   | Miss Marjorie McKenzie   |
|                   | Dr. Jane Turnbull  |
|                   | Miss Muriel Bowen  |
|                   | Miss Jessie Crawford   |
|                   | Mrs. Robert Darrach  |
|                   | Miss Margaret Clay   |
|                   | Hilda Hesson   |
|                   | Miss Jenny Gemmell   |
|                   | City of Brandon  |
|                   | Business and Professional Women's Club of Brandon              |
|                   | Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs |
|                   | women's organizations  |
|                   | women's clubs  |
|                   | Manitoba women   |
|                   | scrapbooks   |
| 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).



# Joseph H. Hughes collection

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| Other Title Info:     | J.H. Hughes, J.H. Hughes & Company, Hughes and Atkinson Lumber & Grain, Hughes & Atkinson Co., Hughes and Long, Hughes and Patrick, Hughes and Kennedy Lumber Merchants. |
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| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection  |
| Description Level:    | Collection   |
| Accession Number:     | 3-1997, 1-2008, 6-2009   |
| GMD:                  | multiple media   |
| Date Range:           | 1886-1960  |
| Physical Description: | 4 m textual records  |
|                       | 84 photographs   |

## History /

Biographical:

Joseph Henry Hughes was born in London, Ontario on April 14, 1857, son of Joseph C. Hughes and Jane McAndless. His family farmed in Middlesex County until they retired to Brandon, MB. Huges received his education in Middlesex County then went on to attend the Toronto Normal School in 1874. He tuaght for only a short time in 1875 before going into business as a general merchant in Iderton, Ontario.

Hughes moved to Brandon, MB in 1882 and from 1882 to 1906 was engaged in the lumber business with yards in Rat Portage and Brandon and later with mils on Rainy River. His buisness partner was T.H. Patrick from 1882-1896. T.T. Atkinson was a partner in the business from 1882 until early 1888, running the company's lumber camp in the Rainy River Valley. Atkinson was replaced by a Mr. Kennedy in 1888. After disposing of the mills in 1901, Hughes & Company operated as a lumber dealer until 1908 when the lumber business was sold to Rat Portage Lumber Co., whose operations in Brandon were located on 10th Street between Rosser and Princess Avenues.

Thereafter, Hughes & Company focused on real estate, owning most of the property between 10th and 11th Streets, Rosser and Princess Avenues. The company built rental property and residences in Brandon, including the Strathcona Block on 10th Street and Hughes (Lorne) Terrace on Lorne Avenue. During this period Hughes & Company was also involved in insurance and farming, buying farmland in south eastern Saskatchewan and Manitoba for lease and sale.

Hughes was a city alderman for four years, dedicating himself mostly towards improvements to the city pertaining to electrical generation, water supply and the development of the streetcar franchise. In 1911, he resigned from City Council to stand as a successful candidate for mayor. He held this position for only one year, 1913-1914. During this period Hughes, along with other prominent citizens, set up the Patriotic Fund to help look after the dependents of those going off to fight in World War I. Hughes served as chairman of the project until his death in late 1917.

In addition to his role as a prominent city businessman, Hughes was also deeply involved in the First Methodist Church, and a member of the Independent Order of OddFellows (I.O.O.F.) and the Masonic Lodge.

Joseph Henry Hughes was survived by his wife Anna Maria Hughes, whom he married in 1993, and their daughters: Alma and May (Mrs. Wilfred C. Hughes and Mrs. Charles Leemnnis) and Ruth, and their sons Percy and Harley.

Upon J.H. Hughes' death in 1917, management of the company was taken over by Willard C. Hughes, who died in 1964. Following his death the company was administered on behalf of Alma Hughes by Barry Hughes, a Winnipeg lawyer and distant relative. The company remained active in real estate and property managment, as well as farming and oil, until the early 1990s when following the death of Alma Hughes and her daughter Anna, the company was liquidated.

#### Custodial History:

The records in the Joseph H. Hughes fonds were held in two locations prior to their donation to the McKee Archives. Family related records, including paintings by Anna Hughes, music scores, photographs and various parchments, were stored at the family residence, Lorne Terrace (133-137 Lorne Avenue Brandon, MB). The balance of the records, being the records of Hughes & Co. as the firm came to be known, were stored on the fourth floor of the Alexander Block, also known as the Hughes Block, on the west side of 10th Street just south of Princess Avenue. In the early 1990s a decision was taken by Barry Hughes, who had succeeded Willard Hughes as the President of the company, to sell Hughes & Co. Hughes family and Hughes & Co. to Brandon University. Perry supervised the transfer of the records from Lorne Terrace and the Alexander Block to Brandon University. Initially the records were located in the Physical Plant H-Hut, they were then transfered to the Brandon University Steam Plant. The family records were transfered to the Archives in 1997, while the company records remained in the Steam Plant until January 2007 when some of the records were transfered to the Archives. The remaineder of the records were moved to a storage facility on 20th Street.

#### Scope and Content:

The Joseph H. Hughes collection is divided into three series, including: (1) Photographs; (2) Edwardian music sheets; and (3) Hughes & Co. business records.

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| Notes:            | CAIN No. 202617. The Brandon Sun, August 6th, 1917 contains a report on the death of J.H. Hughes. |
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| Subject Access:   | Hughes and Company  |
|                   | Neepawa Salt Works  |
|                   | Patriotic Fund  |
|                   | Brandon   |
|                   | Churchill   |
|                   | S.S. Warkworth  |
|                   | Wheat City Business College Hockey Team   |
|                   | Brandon Board of Trade and Civics   |
|                   | Power Committee   |
|                   | electrical transmission line  |
|                   | Royal North West Mounted Police   |
|                   | Soldiers Re-Settlement Board  |
|                   | Gordon McKay building   |
|                   | interned prisoners  |
|                   | World War I   |
|                   | Winnipeg General Strike   |
|                   | Teamsters Strike  |
|                   | Souirs  |
|                   | Rat Portage   |
|                   | Rainy River   |
|                   | Daly and Coldwell   |
|                   | W.A. Robinson   |
| Finding Aid:      | Inventory for Accession 1-2008.   |
| Storage Location: | 2008 accessions   |
|                   | Oversize storage drawers  |
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| Storage Range:    | 2008 accessions  |
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|                   | Oversize storage drawers   |
| Related Material: | A large body of unprocessed records of Hughes and Co. are held in the McKee Archives |
|                   | McKee Archives.  |