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Beatrice Carr interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH264.Car

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: January 29, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:15:00]

History /

Biographical:

Ida Beatrice "Bea" Carr (nee Johnson) was born on December 23, 1912 in Brandon, MB. Bea attended school in Brandon, including Brandon Collegiate Institute (BCI). She worked at Doig's in downtown Brandon for many years, retiring in 1976. Bea married Thomas George Carr (1905-1992) in 1943. They had no children. Bea was a member of Central United Church and the UCW. She was also a member of the Teck Chapter of the IODEI and loved playing golf and bridge. Beatrice Carr died on November 11, 1995 in Brandon, MB. She is buried at Brandon Municipal Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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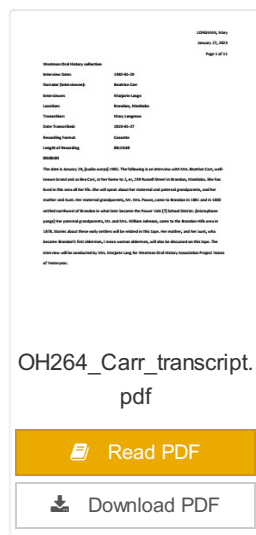
Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Bea Carr about pioneers, the Power and William Johnson families, and Rhoda Tennant. Interviewer is Marjorie Lange.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and Carr's obituary. Transcript by Mary Longman (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

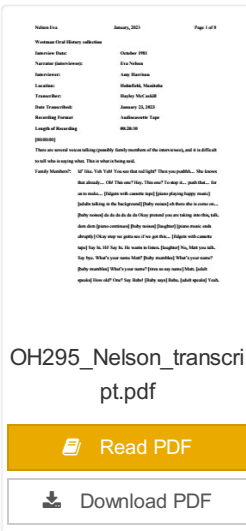
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Ethel Allen interview

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Item Number: OH181.All

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: November 22, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:10:00]

History /

Biographical:

Ethel Elizabeth Mary Allen (nee Baker) was born on June 30, 1915 on Springhill Farm in the RM of Rosedale. She attended Springhill School and Neepawa Collegiate. An accomplished pianist, she formed a band with her brothers and together they played many dances. Ethel married William Allen (1902-1964) in June 1938 and together they had one son, Larry. Following the marriage, the couple lived in the residence at Howden elevator where Bill was the elevator agent for the Ogilvie company. Ethel helped Bill with bookkeeping. When Bill died, Ethel moved to Neepawa, where she worked for the Osborone Senior Citizens Home for a number of years. A long time member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Naomi Chapter No. 11, Ethel enjoyed curling, sewing and travel. Ethel Allen died on May 14, 2001 in Neepawa, MB. She is buried at Riverside Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Ethel Allen about the history of the Potter-Baker Centennial Farm. Interviewer is Isabelle Heeney.

Language Note: English

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Biographical:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing a narration by Jim Cowan of his life story.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the Find A Grave website and Ancestry.ca. Transcript by Tanner Garnham. Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

Audio Tracks

Documents

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Joanne Titus interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH273.Tit

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 19, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:15:00]

Biographical:

Ada Joanne Titus (nee Graham) was born on January 24, 1940 in Wellwood, MB. Joanne married John (Jack) Sidney Titus (1918-1995) on October 7, 1961 in Wellwood. They had two children together - Michelle and Vonn - and also raised Jack's three children from his first marriage, Gerry, Karen and Kim. Jack served the Wellwood community as grocer and postmaster for 30 years, retiring in 1982. His father was postmaster before him. Joanne was a teacher, who began her career at Dempsey school, continued to Wellwood and Brookdale, and then spent 23 years at RJ Waugh School in Carberry. She retired in 1999. Joanne enjoyed travel, music and dance, and was a member of the Spud City Cloggers. She was an active community member within the Presbyterian Church, Guild and Choir, Wellwood Community Club, Trans Canada Trail, and the Carberry Public Library. Joanne Titus died on September 28, 2016 in Medicine Hat, AB.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Joanne Titus about the history and closing of Wellwood Post Office. Interviewer is Jessie Whyte.

Notes:

History/bio information from the records and the obituaries for Jack and Joanne Titus. The records list Joanne's birthdate as January 24, 1940. The obituary lists only the year as 1941. Transcript by Riise Dunseath (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note:

English

Audio Tracks

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Leween Drysdale interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH157.Dry

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: December 6, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:15:00]

History /

Biographical:

Violet Leween Bernice Drysdale (nee Singleton) was born on March 27, 1925 on the farm at SW 32-16-14 in the RM of Landsdowne. She attended Glenholm School for grade school and Arden for high school. During her school years she enjoyed participating in festivals, concerts and sports, especially baseball. Leween taught as a permit teacher at Tobermore and Molesworth schools, and then after a year at Normal School, she taught as a licensed teacher at Salisbury and Inkerman schools. Leween married Charles M Drysdale (1919-2004) on March 27, 1948. Together they had two children, Arleen and Morris. The couple farmed four miles east of Neepawa, MB for over fifty years. They had a mixed farm with grain, cattle, chickens and a large garden. Leween particularly enjoyed flowers and fruit trees. She was active in the community, belonging to the Union and Salisbury Women's Institute. She sang in the Inkerman United Church Choir, was a 4-H leader for many years, and entered her handiwork and garden produce in local fairs. Following a stroke in 1999, Leween lived at East View Lodge. Leween Drysdale died on February 6, 2005 in Neepawa, MB. She is buried at Riverside Cemetery.

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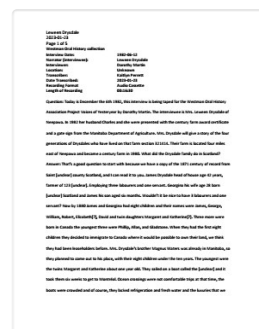
Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Leween Drysdale about the history of the Drysdale Centennial Farm. Interviewer is Dorothy Martin.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the Find A Grave website and Drysdale's obituary. Transcript by Kaitlyn Perrett (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

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Violette Chapman interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH254.Cha

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: November 11, 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:15:00]

History /

Biographical:

Violette Chapman (nee Turner) was born on May 16, 1898 in Ednas Cross, England. Her first job was making needle envelopes in a factory. When she was 16, she met Isaiah Chapman (1889-1966), a soldier in the 2nd Battalion of the Coldstream Guards in the First World War. Isaiah was given leave from France to marry Violette on October 16, 1918. The couple lived in England for several years after the war, but in 1921 they sailed to New York, then travelled by train to Montreal and through to Winnipeg.

Isaiah worked as a farm hand for a couple of years before joining the Canadian Pacific Railway at Treesbank. Eventually he was transferred to Glenboro. Violette took work in the kitchen of the Leland Hotel. She stopped working once their children - Verna and Sydney - were born. In 1932, the family bought a farm north of town in the Patricia District. Violette and Isaiah moved back to Glenboro in 1949, where they owned a grocery store and then a cafe. In 1966, the couple purchased the old Connaught School and moved it to their farm where they planned to use it as their summer home. For the last nine years of her life, Violette lived at the Personal Care Home in Glenboro. Violette Chapman died in May 1993 in Glenboro, MB. She is buried at Glenboro Cemetery.

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Violette Chapman about her life story. Interviewer is Irene Brown.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the Glenboro local history "Beneath the Long Grass," and obituaries for Sydney and Isaiah Chapman. Transcript by Sydney Wright (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

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Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Violet Leeson about her life story and her poetry. Interviewer is Velma Patterson.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the Strathclair RM local history "Our story to 1970," and Leeson's entry as a Memorable Manitoban on the Manitoba Historical Society website. Description by Christy Henry.

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Eva Roddick Davis interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level:	Item
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Item Number: OH190.Dav

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: November 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:12:55]

Eva Blanche Roddick Davis was born September 20, 1900 at Linkwood Lodge farm in the Brandon Hills area of the RM of Cornwallis. She was the daughter of John Hardy Roddick and Ida Johnson, and spent her childhood on the home farm in the Brandon Hills, which had been settled by her grandfather, the Rev. George Roddick, a pioneer who came to the area in 1879 from Nova Scotia. Eva attended Brandon Hills school and Brandon Collegiate Institute (BCI), before graduating from the Brandon Normal School in 1920. From 1920-1921, she taught at Little Souris. Although her parents moved to Brandon that year, she returned to the Brandon Hills to the Davis family farm, Glenwood Farm, after marrying Meredith William Davis (1897-1968) on February 28, 1931. The Davis family came to the Brandon Hills in 1879 from Palmer, Massachusetts. The couple sold the farm in 1940, and moved into Brandon, where Med worked as a motor mechanic. The Davis' had three children: Georgina, Shirley, and Bill. Eva was involved with the family farm and on a committee for planning the Brandon Hills district centennial in 1979. Additionally, she was a member of the Brandon Hills Busy Bees, the Women's Missionary Society, the UCW at Knox United Church, the Canadian Lady Foresters and the Court Princess Mary L2. Eva Roddick Davis died in Brandon on December 20, 1986. She is buried at Brandon Hills Cemetery.

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Eva Roddick Davis about the pioneer years in the Brandon Hills and her family history. Interviewer is Effie McPhail.

Notes: History/bio information taken from the Brandon Hills local history "The Brandon Hills Story" and Davis' obituary. Transcript by Jaclyn Matchullis (2014). Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

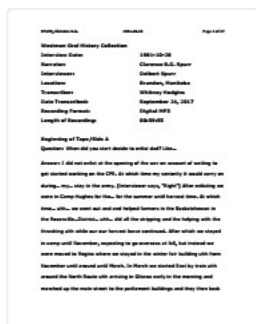
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Clarence B. Spurr interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH053.Spu

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: October 28, 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:59:55]

History /

Biographical:

Clarence Benjamin Graham? Spurr, was born in on February 13, 1891 in Bancroft, Ontario. Spurr began working for the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1914 as a station agent at Rocanville, SK and spent many years as an agent in various communities in Saskatchewan and Manitoba before retiring in 1955. In 1923, he married Elizabeth Wallace Lindsay (1893-1979) and they raised three children, sons Ewart and Delbert and adopted niece Verna Spurr. Clarence and Elizabeth moved to Brandon, MB following his retirement. Spurr joined the Canadian military in 1915, and was initially sent to Camp Hughes. A signaller and runner, he spent 1916-1918 overseas. Clarence Spurr died on December 21, 1982 in Brandon, MB. He is buried at Brandon Municipal Cemetery.

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Clarence B.G. Spurr about his experiences during World War I. Spurr discusses and reminisces about details of the Great War and some of the major turning points within it from Vimy Ridge, Lamont, Mons, Neuville-Saint-Vaast and the Armistice that ended the war on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in November from the perspective of a Canadian soldier. Interviewer is Delbert Spurr.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and Spurr's obituary. Transcript by Whitney Hodgins (2017). Description by Christy Henry.

Access Restriction: Content Warning: Some of the material discussed in the interview is sensitive in nature, dealing with the war and some of the gruesome acts that go with it. Listener discretion is advised.

Language Note: English

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Interview Date:

1980-10-28

Interviewer:

Charmine B.L. Spurr

Interviewee:

Robert Spurr

Location:

Brandon, Manitoba

Transcript:

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Date Transcribed:

September 24, 2017

Recording Format:

Digital MP3

Length of Recording:

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Question: When did you start decide to enter Guelph Univ.?

Answer: I did not enter at the opening of the war on account of wanting to get started working on the farm. At which time my mother, I would carry on during... my... after in the army. I remember now, "Guelph" after finishing we were in Camp Hughes for this, for the summer until harvest time. At which time... with... we went out and and helped farmers in the Saskatchewan in the Redoubt... (certain)... with... did all the working and the helping with the harvesting while our war harvest leave continued. After which we stayed in camp until November, expecting to go overseas at last, but instead we were moved to Regina where we stayed in the center for building until from September until around until March. In March we started back to train with around the North House with arriving in Ottawa early in the morning and marched up the main street to the parliament buildings and they then back

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Interview Date:

1980-10-28

Interviewer:

Charmine B.L. Spurr

Interviewee:

Robert Spurr

Location:

Brandon, Manitoba

Transcript:

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Date Transcribed:

September 24, 2017

Recording Format:

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Length of Recording:

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Jack and Jessie Blatchford interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH266.Bla

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: April 5, 1983

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:13:25]

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Biographical:

Edward John "Jack" Blatchford was born on the family farm near Bradwardine, MB on July 1, 1904. He remained at home to help with farm duties after attending Bradwardine School. In 1930, he rented a farm, but also worked odd jobs plowing the town gardens, hauling freight and coal, taking care of the rink and butchering for the mink ranch in Hamiota and the beef ring. Jack married Jessie Bowyer Mawer on August 6, 1931 in Winnipeg.

Jessie was born on July 14, 1910 in the Tarbolton district of the RM of Daly and attended schools in Spring Valley, Tarbolton and Bradwardine. Her nursing training at the Brandon Mental Hospital was not completed when she married in 1931. After the marriage, the couple farmed north of Bradwardine before moving into the village in 1944, when Jack changed his occupation; he started a trucking business hauling grain for farmers and also working for Good Roads. Jack was also employed with Canadian Comstock at Rivers, Brandon and Carberry-Portage before being hired in the C.E. Section of the Department of National Defence at Rivers CFB. He held this position from 1959 until his retirement.

Jack was an avid sportsman, playing hockey, football, broomball, curling, baseball, softball, as well as speed skating. He also enjoyed hunting. In Bradwardine, Jessie provided care for the sick, as well as maternity care, but also worked in the local grocery and hardware store, and was Postmistress from 1969-1972. Jessie was active in her community as a member of the United Church, Forester's Lodge, Hospital Guild, and 50 Plus Club. The couple moved to Hamiota in 1984, and then Rivers the following year. Jack and Jessie Blatchford had no children. Jack Blatchford died on November 7, 1992. Jessie Blatchford died on May 16, 2008. They are both buried in Saint Matthew Anglican Cemetery in Bradwardine, MB.

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Jack and Jessie Blatchford about early schooling and home nursing in the 1930s. The interviewer is Mrs. K. Cochrane.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the Bradwardine local history and Jessie Blatchford's obituary. Transcript by Michyla Turnbull (2020). Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

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Edward P. Boyle interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH243.Boy

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 15, 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:15:00]

History /

Biographical:

Edward Peter "EP" Boyle was born on January 7, 1887 in Watertown, Minnesota. After training as a creamery operator with Hutchinson Produce Company for five years, EP bought the Shellmouth Creamery near Russell, MB in 1913. He married Rose Mary McHale (1887?-1973) in 1915. The couple had six children: Jack, Irene, Winnifred, Robert, Kenneth and Forrest. In 1916, EP his second creamery, the Laurentian Milk Company in Neepawa, MB, which became known as the Neepawa Creamery & Produce Company. In 1933, EP bought another non-functioning plant, Central Creameries of Brandon, which was renovated and successfully managed by his brother Neil Boyle. EP retired in the late 1960s after incorporating his business in 1958. EP was active in the Roman Catholic church in Neepawa, served as president of the local Board of Trade and the Manitoba Dairy Association. He was a charter member of both the Neepawa BPOE and the Neepawa Golf Club. Edward Boyle died on February 4, 1990 in Neepawa, MB. He is buried at Riverside Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

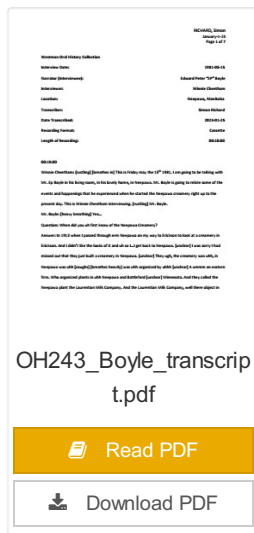
Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Edward Boyle about buttermaking in Neepawa, MB. Interviewer is Winnie Cheetham.

Notes: History/bio information taken from the records and Boyle's obituary.
Transcript by Simon Richard (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

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J. Stan Henry interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14633>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH139.Hen

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: February 3, 1983

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:15:00]

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Biographical:

John Stanley Henry was born April 19, 1909 on the home farm at Oak River, MB. He attended Oak River school through Grade 11, then took agriculture at the University of Manitoba for one year before having to withdraw due to financial hardship. Stan then returned to the farm, where he remained for the rest of his life. Stan married Jean Elizabeth McCrindle (1916-1992) in 1942. Together they had three children: Cameron, Lynn and Leslie.

As a farmer, Stan was a Select Seed Grower, and with his son Cam, developed the J.S. Henry and Son Seed business. In 1981, he was elected a Roberson Associate of the Canadian Seed Growers Association. In his early years, Stan also raised purebred Shorthorn cattle. Stan enjoyed restoring and refinishing furniture, gardening and loved sports, especially baseball and curling, including coaching. In the community, Stan was an active member of the United Church and was a trustee on the local board and then the Rolling River school board for 23 years. Stan Henry died on October 15, 1986 in Brandon, MB. He is buried at Oak River Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing a narration by Stan Henry about the Henry pioneers in the Oak River area.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and Henry's obituary. Transcript by Marshall Northam (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

Audio Tracks

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John D. McDonald interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level:	Item
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Item Number: OH138.MacD

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: October 25, 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:15:00]

History /

Biographical:

John Duncan McDonald was born on April 30, 1893 in Brandon, MB. He attended Winterton and Basswood schools. John married Margaret Emily Greer (1894-1980) in the Greer home in the Moline district in 1917. Together they had four children: Sadie Julia Elva, Robert James, John Elmer and Roy Peter. From 1919-1965, he farmed at Basswood, MB on SW 36-14-20. John McDonald died on January 11, 1989. He is buried at Basswood Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with John MacDonald about pioneer farming. Interviewer is Gordon Shanks.

Notes: History/bio information from the records. Transcript by Desiree Glover (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

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Interview Date: 08/11/2015
Interviewer: John MacDonald
Interviewee: Gordon Shanks
Transcribed By: Margaret Pollex
Date Transcribed: 08/11/2015
Interviewing Method: Interview
Length of Recording: 18:08

Summary: This is an audio recording of an interview with John MacDonald, a pioneer farmer, conducted by Gordon Shanks. The interview takes place in Brandon, Manitoba, on August 11, 2015. MacDonald discusses his early life, his family, and his experiences as a pioneer farmer. He mentions his grandfather, John MacDonald, and his father, John MacDonald. He also discusses his experiences with the Canadian government and his involvement in the Brandon community.

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Bill Turner interview tape log

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Part Of: Music and the Brandon community collection

Creator: Richard Bee

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 8-2015.5b

Accession Number: 8-2015

GMD: electronic records

Date Range: Summer 2015

Physical Description: 5 pages

Material Details: PDF

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Biographical:

A tape log was created by Richard Bee for each of the interviews he conducted as part of the Music and the Brandon community project.

Custodial History:

Item was in Richard Bee's possession until he donated it to the McKee Archives in 2015.

Scope and Content:

Item is the tape log Richard Bee created for his interview with Bill Turner. The log provides a time breakdown for the interview, along with more details about the subjects discussed.

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Audio Recording Log

Interview ID: 8-2015.5b

Name of Interviewee: Bill Turner

Name of Interviewer: Richard Bee

Date of Interview: 2015-07-07

Interview Location: Office of Bill Turner at 880 GLENNVIEW CT SW (for indication)

Recording Format: 1/2" tape

Length of Recording: 1:00:40

General Description: on and history interview with Bill Turner, discussing his life, his work, music, and community in Brandon

Tape Log Completed by: Richard Bee

Tape Log Approved by: Dr. Richard McKee

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