

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Co-operative insurance

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections172>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Collection:	Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection
Creator:	Barou, Noah, 1889-1955
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	Archives 14-3-23
Item Number Range:	Archives 14-3-23
Responsibility:	by N. Barou
Start Date:	1936
Date Range:	1936
Publication:	London : P. S. King & Son, Ltd
Physical Description:	xiii, 391 p. ; 22 cm
Notes:	Includes indexes
Subject Access:	Insurance Cooperation Cooperative societies Insurance Societies etc
Storage Location:	Box 3 - Cooperation 1
Storage Range:	Box 3 - Cooperation 1



## Producers and consumers : a study in co-operative relations

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections155>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Collection:	Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection
Creator:	Digby, Margaret, 1902 Horace Plunkett Foundation
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	Archives 14-3-10
Item Number Range:	Archives 14-3-10
Responsibility:	by Margaret Digby ; edited by Horace Plunkett foundation
Start Date:	1938
Date Range:	1938
Publication:	London : P. S. King & Son Ltd
Physical Description:	vi, 254 p. ; 22 cm
Notes:	"First edition, 1928 ; second edition, 1938" Includes bibliographical reference
Subject Access:	Cooperation Cooperation Great Britain Cooperative societies
Storage Location:	Box 3 - Cooperation 1
Storage Range:	Box 3 - Cooperation 1



## A history of farmers' movements in Canada

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections24>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Collection:	Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection
Creator:	Wood, Louis Aubrey, 1883-1955
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	HD 1486.C2W6 Archives 14-23-4
Item Number Range:	HD 1486.C2W6 Archives 14-23-4
Standard number:	System Control Number 87007965
Responsibility:	Louis Aubrey Wood
Start Date:	c1924
Date Range:	c1924
Publication:	Toronto : Ryerson Press
Physical Description:	372 p. ; 21 cm
Notes:	Includes index
Name Access:	Patrons of Husbandry
Subject Access:	Agriculture Canada Agriculture Economic aspects Canada Agricultural societies Canada History Agriculture and politics Canada History Agriculture Cooperative Canada History
Storage Location:	Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)
Storage Range:	Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)



## Co-operative outlooks : social studies : teacher idea book

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections229>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Common, Dianne L. (Dianne Lynn)  
Boxer, S  
Manitoba. Dept. of Co-operative Development  
Manitoba. Co-operative Curriculum Project

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 14-7.2-11

Item Number Range: Archives 14-7.2-11

Responsibility: developed by D. L. Common and S. Boxer

Start Date: 1976

Date Range: 1976

Publication: Winnipeg : Co-operative Curriculum Project, Department of Co-operative Development

Physical Description: 330 p. : ill. ; 28 cm

Subject Access: Cooperation Canada Study and teaching (Secondary)  
Co-operative societies Canada Study and teaching (Secondary)  
Social service Study and teaching (Secondary) Activity program  
Canada Social conditions Study and teaching (Secondary)

Storage Location: Box 7.2 - Manitoba I

Storage Range: Box 7.2 - Manitoba I



## Democratic control in large co-operatives

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections363>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Collection:	Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection
Creator:	Leland, David, 1949 Co-operative College of Canada
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	Archives 14-23-37
Item Number Range:	Archives 14-23-37
Responsibility:	Dave Leland
Start Date:	1977
Date Range:	1977
Publication:	Saskatoon, Sask. : Co-operative College of Canada
Physical Description:	42, 4 p. ; 28 cm
Notes:	Cover title
Subject Access:	Cooperation Cooperative societies
Storage Location:	Box 23 - Historical VI
Storage Range:	Box 23 - Historical VI



## The taxation of Canadian co-operatives

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections49>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Ish, Daniel

Description Level: Item

Item Number: HD 3449.I74  
Archives 14-3-9

Item Number Range: HD 3449.I74  
Archives 14-3-9

Standard number: System Control Number 87055171

Responsibility: by Daniel Ish

Start Date: c1975

Date Range: c1975

Publication: Toronto : Canadian Tax Foundation

Physical Description: v, 49 p. ; 23 cm

Notes: Includes bibliographical references

Subject Access: Cooperative societies Taxation Canada

Storage Location: Also available in Main Stack  
Box 3 - Cooperation 1 (Archives Copy)

Storage Range: Also available in Main Stack  
Box 3 - Cooperation 1 (Archives Copy)



## Co-operatives today and tomorrow : a Canadian survey

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections146>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Mooney, George Stuart, 1900  
Montreal survey on cooperation

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 14-3-7

Item Number Range: Archives 14-3-7

Responsibility: by Geo. S. Mooney

Start Date: 1938

Date Range: 1938

Publication: Montreal, : [s.n.]

Physical Description: 189 p. ; 26 cm

Subject Access: Cooperation  
Cooperation Canada  
Cooperative societies

Storage Location: Box 3 - Cooperation 1  
Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Storage Range: Box 3 - Cooperation 1  
Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection



## The tax position of co-operatives in various countries : a survey and analysis

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections136>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Collection:	Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection
Creator:	Davidovic, George, 1901 Cooperative Union of Canada
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	Archives 14-3-5
Item Number Range:	Archives 14-3-5
Responsibility:	by George Davidovic
Start Date:	1963
Date Range:	1963
Publication:	Ottawa : Co-operative Union of Canada
Physical Description:	1 v. (various pagings). ; 28 cm
Notes:	Cover title
Subject Access:	Cooperative societies Taxation
Storage Location:	Box 3 - Cooperation 1
Storage Range:	Box 3 - Cooperation 1





## Faith, hope and co-operation : a Maritime Provinces story

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections170>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds  
Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection  
Creator: McEwen, W. H  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: Archives 14-3-20  
Item Number Range: Archives 14-3-20  
Responsibility: by W. H. McEwen  
Start Date: 1969  
Date Range: 1969  
Publication: Moncton, N.B. : Maritime Co-operative Services  
Physical Description: 152 p. : ill., ports. ; 21 cm  
Subject Access: Agriculture  
Cooperative Maritime Provinces  
Canada  
Cooperation Maritime Provinces  
Cooperative societies  
Storage Location: Box 3 - Cooperation 1  
Storage Range: Box 3 - Cooperation 1



## Co-operatives in America : their past, present and future.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections176>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds  
Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection  
Creator: Cowling, Ellis  
Warbasse, James Peter, 1866-1957  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: Archives 14-3-28  
Item Number Range: Archives 14-3-28  
Responsibility: by Ellis Cowling with an introduction by J. P. Warbasse  
Start Date: 1938  
Date Range: 1938  
Publication: New York, : Coward-McCann  
Physical Description: 206 p. ; 21 cm  
Subject Access: Cooperation United States  
Cooperative societies  
Storage Location: Box 3 - Cooperation 1  
Storage Range: Box 3 - Cooperation 1



## Co-operative outlooks

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections231>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Larson, Ingrid  
Manitoba. Dept. of Co-operative Development  
Manitoba. Co-operative Curriculum Project

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 14-7.2-13

Item Number Range: Archives 14-7.2-13

Responsibility: Co-operative College of Canada ; Ingrid Larson, editor ... [et al.]

Start Date: c1983

Date Range: c1983

Publication: Saskatoon : Co-operative College of Canada

Physical Description: 1 v. : ill. ; 29 cm

Notes: "Original developers first edition, 1976, Government of Manitoba, Martin O'Connor, project director."  
Loose-leaves in binder

Subject Access: Education Curricula Manitoba  
Cooperation Canada

Storage Location: Box 7.2 - Manitoba I

Storage Range: Box 7.2 - Manitoba I



## Spirit of the Post Road : a story of self-help communities

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections7>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Collection:	Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection
Creator:	Meyers, Robert Federation of Southern Manitoba Co-operatives
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	HD 3450.A3M3 Archives 14-23-8
Item Number Range:	HD 3450.A3M3 Archives 14-23-8
Standard number:	System Control Number 76210665
Responsibility:	by Robert Meyers
Start Date:	1955
Date Range:	1955
Publication:	[Altona, Man.] : Federation of Southern Manitoba Co-operatives, (Altona, Man. : D.W. Friesen)
Physical Description:	viii, 151 p., [3] leaves of plates : ill. ; 23 x 15 cm
Subject Access:	Cooperative societies Manitoba Cooperation Manitoba
Storage Location:	Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)
Storage Range:	Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)



## Co-operative banking

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections164>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Barou, Noah, 1889-1955

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 14-3-14

Item Number Range: Archives 14-3-14

Responsibility: by N. Barou ; with an introduction by Sidney Webb

Start Date: 1932

Date Range: 1932

Publication: London : P. S. King & Son Ltd

Physical Description: xx, 350 p. ; 22 cm

Notes: "List of books referred to": p. [338]-344  
Includes indexes

Subject Access: Banks and banking  
Cooperative

Storage Location: Box 3 - Cooperation 1

Storage Range: Box 3 - Cooperation 1



## A report of the Manitoba Commission on Farm Organizations

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections29>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Gilson, J. C., (James Clayton)  
Nesbitt, J. M  
Tyler, Eric John  
Manitoba Commission on Farm Organizations

Description Level: Item

Item Number: S 147.M2  
Archives 14-23-5

Item Number Range: S 147.M2  
Archives 14-23-5

Standard number: System Control Number 87036624

Responsibility: by J. C. Gilson, J. M. Nesbitt, E. J. Tyler

Start Date: 1962

Date Range: 1962

Publication: Winnipeg : [The Commission?]

Physical Description: xii, 162 p. : ill. ; 23 cm

Notes: Includes bibliographical references

Subject Access: Agriculture Societies  
etc. Manitoba  
Agriculture Economic aspects Manitoba

Storage Location: Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)

Storage Range: Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)



## The Grain Growers' record, 1906 to 1943 : an abridged history of Grain Growers' Grain Company, 1906 to 1917, Alberta Farmers Co-operative Elevator Company, 1913 to 1917 [and] United Grain Growers Limited, 1917 to 1943

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections338>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Collection:	Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection
Creator:	Bancroft, Payson
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	Archives 14-23-13
Item Number Range:	Archives 14-23-13
Responsibility:	[ Payson Bancroft]
Start Date:	1944
Date Range:	1944
Publication:	Winnipeg, Man. : United Grain Growers Limited
Physical Description:	93 p. : ill., ports. ; 24 cm
Name Access:	United Grain Growers' Ltd Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Co
Subject Access:	Grain Canada Cooperative marketing
Storage Location:	Box 23 - Historical VI
Storage Range:	Box 23 - Historical VI



## RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4344>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Description Level:	Fonds
Accession Number:	16-1998, 28-1998, 16-2002
GMD:	multiple media
Date Range:	1874-2001, predominant 1930-1970
Physical Description:	64.69 m textual records photographs slides audiovisual materials

### History /

#### Biographical:

The forerunner of Manitoba Pool Elevators (MPE), the Manitoba Wheat Pool was created in 1924 as a mechanism to allow for the co-operative marketing of wheat by Manitoba producers by the United Farmers of Manitoba. The Manitoba Wheat Pool was initially intended to be a provisional organization until the establishment of an interprovincial Pool, but when Alberta and Saskatchewan established their own permanent Pools the United Farmers decided to do the same. The Manitoba Pool was different from the SK and AB Pools in that the municipality was the primary unit of organization; members belonged to their municipal Pool associations first, rather than having direct membership with the central Manitoba Wheat Pool. Manitoba Pool Elevators was established in 1925 as a subsidiary of the Pool in response to local members

complaints about the unfair business practices of privately owned elevators. The private elevators also slowed up the shipment of grain to the Central Selling Agency employed by the Wheat Pool, acting as a barrier between the local Pools and the Manitoba Wheat Pool. Once established MPE quickly began to build new elevators and acquire privately owned elevators.

MPE's approach to marketing grain promised to stabilize the market price of grain and ensure a fair market price to producers. Initially the Manitoba Wheat Pool was very successful. However, in 1930, the Manitoba Wheat Pool found itself burdened with an unsold surplus from the preceding year that had been bought from the farmers at a price that was significantly higher than any possible return during the Depression. As a result, in 1931 the Manitoba Wheat Pool's Central Selling Agency defaulted on its bank loans. Despite attempts to save the organization, it was forced to declare bankruptcy in November 1932. The financial difficulties of the Wheat Pool had little to no effect on the Pool Elevators, and so this former subsidiary organization became the main Manitoba Pool organization. This change meant MPE had to reorganize, which they were able to do with funds from the provincial government. The company was successful enough in subsequent years that it was able to finish repaying the Manitoba government a full year early in 1949.

MPE did not limit itself to grain handling; they wished to enrich the lives of rural families through education and to provide economic stability through diversification.

MPE established a lending reference library for members and a traveling library for rural families in 1926. With the passing of the Public Libraries Act in 1948, the province took over responsibility for providing rural families with books. MPE decided that since their traveling library would no longer be needed when rural libraries were established, the best course of action was to donate their library to the Provincial government. They also established and supported programs that educated young people about agriculture and ag business.

Subsidiary companies that dealt with course grains, livestock, packing and fertilizer were established by MPE to streamline and stabilize business for its members.

1961 marked the high water mark for the number of local associations within Manitoba Pool Elevators with 225 local associations. After this date the associations began to amalgamate and consolidate. Improvements in rural roads and rail systems and increases in the size of farms and mechanization of farm labour meant that fewer elevators were needed to service all members and regions. These changes led to an organizational restructuring of Manitoba Pool Elevators in 1968. Membership became direct, and the main unit of organization became the central office. The central office administrated the Pool through districts, which were further subdivided into sub-districts. The locals which were formally the main organizational unit came under the immediate direction of the sub-district they were located in. Local association could opt out of this system if they wished, but by 1975 all but 29 associations had become part of the new structure.

In 1998 Manitoba Pool Elevators merged with the Alberta Wheat Pool to form Agricore Co-operative, Ltd. In 2001 this organization merged with the United Grain Growers to become Agricore United, and in 2007 AU was taken over by the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool; the new company is currently known as Viterra.

#### Custodial History:

The bulk of this fonds was accessioned in 1975, when the forerunner to the McKee Archives at Brandon University, the Rural Resource Center, was founded. The original mandate of the Rural Resource Center was to house the records of the Manitoba Pool Elevators. Previous to this, most of the fonds was stored at MPE's head office in Winnipeg. Many accruals to this collection have since taken place, with some of the larger ones being received in 1997, 2001, and 2002.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains records dealing with every aspect of the Manitoba Pool Elevators organization, from the events leading to its formation in the 1920's, to its amalgamation as part of Agricore beginning in the late 1990's.

Fonds includes records of the local co-operative elevator associations established in the period 1925 - 1968 under the Co-operative Associations Act including: organizational papers; minutes of executive boards; minutes of shareholders annual meetings; financial statements; correspondence; membership lists; and miscellaneous documents.

Also to be found are: documents related to the Royal Commission re the Manitoba Pool Elevators Limited ca. 1931; miscellaneous reports and submissions documents (1925 -1952); central office papers consisting of annual reports, circulars to local co-operative elevator associations and documents related to various other activities of the Manitoba Pool Elevators organization. Fonds also contains documents pertaining to the Manitoba Co-operative Poultry Marketing Association Limited and its successor, the Manitoba Dairy and Poultry Co-operative Limited, and related agencies.

Other items in the fonds (dating from the 1890's to 2001) include: books acquired for the Manitoba Pool Elevator Library, including a complete run of both the Scoop Shovel (MPE's first newspaper) and the Manitoba Cooperator; photographs; slides; audiotapes; and reel-to-reel videos.

Finally, the fonds contains a small number of miscellaneous items such as banners, and company issued briefcases.

This fonds is organized into four series, (A) Local Association records, (B) Central Office Records, (C) Subsidiary Companies and Co-operatives, (D) Commissions, Committees and Inquiries

#### Notes:

Description by Mike White (2002), revised and enlarged by Jillian Sutherland (2009-2010).

History/Bio taken from F.W. Hamilton, "Service at Cost: A History of the Manitoba Pool Elevators 1925-1975" (Saskatoon: Modern Press) and from records within the fonds.

Preparation of this description made possible in part by a generous grant from the Brandon University Student's Union Work Study Program 2009.

#### Name Access:

F.W. Hamilton

Paul F. Bredt

Colin H. Burnell

John I. McFarland

A.J. McPhail

J.R. Murray

W.J. Parker

Henry W. Wood



Subject Access:	Manitoba Co-operator Canadian Agriculture Cooperative Unions Grain Trade The Scoop Shovel Winnipeg Grain Exchange Agricore United Grain Growers Manitoba Wheat Pool Canadian Cooperative Wheat Producers Ltd Canadian Wheat Board Alberta Wheat Pool Border Fertilizer Ltd Canadian Council of Agriculture Saskatchewan Cooperative Elevator Company Saskatchewan Wheat Pool United Farmers of Manitoba United Farmers of Alberta
Repro Restriction:	Researchers are responsible for observing Canadian copyright restrictions.
Finding Aid:	File level inventory available for some boxes. The Pool Elevator library and publications are available online through the Brandon University Library catalogue.
Storage Location:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds



## MPE A 231 Carnegie

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10244>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	MPE A 231
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1959-63
Physical Description:	6 cm
Scope and Content:	Carnegie Co-operative Elevator Association Minutes Oct 23 1959 - Jan 29 1963
Notes:	Description by Jill Sutherland (2010)
Name Access:	Carnegie
Subject Access:	MPE Co-operative Local Association



## The face of yesterday : the story of Brandon, Manitoba

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections13>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Coleman, MacDonald

Description Level: Item

Item Number: FC 3399.B73C6  
Archives 14-18-2

Item Number Range: FC 3399.B73C6  
Archives 14-18-2

Standard number: System Control Number 76232214

Responsibility: MacDonald Coleman ; illustrated by Peter Parker

Start Date: [1957]

Date Range: [1957]

Publication: Brandon, Man. : Brandon Junior Chamber of Commerce

Physical Description: 106 p. : ill. ; 17 cm

Notes: Sponsored by the Brandon Junior Chamber of Commerce

Subject Access: Brandon  
Man. History  
Manitoba History

Storage Location: Box 18 - Royal Commissions I & Manitoba II

Storage Range: Box 18 - Royal Commissions I & Manitoba II



## The Grange, friend of the farmer : a concise reference history of America's oldest farm organization, and the only rural fraternity in the world, 1867-1947

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections274>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Collection:	Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection
Creator:	Gardner, Charles M. (Charles Milo) b. 1872 National Grange
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	Archives 14-12-7
Item Number Range:	Archives 14-12-7
Responsibility:	by Charles M. Gardner
Start Date:	c1949
Date Range:	c1949
Publication:	Washington, D.C. : National Grange
Physical Description:	xxv, 531 p. : ill. ; 24 cm
Notes:	Includes bibliographical references (p. 493-494) and index
Name Access:	National Grange History
Subject Access:	Agricultural laborers Labor unions United States Agricultural laborers United States Societies etc Agriculture United States Societies
Storage Location:	Box 12 - Agriculture III
Storage Range:	Box 12 - Agriculture III



## Producers and consumers : a study in co-operative relations

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections157>

Part Of:	RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds
Collection:	Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection
Creator:	Digby, Margaret, 1902 Horace Plunkett Foundation
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	Archives 14-3-11
Item Number Range:	Archives 14-3-11
Responsibility:	by Margaret Digby ; edited by the Horace Plunkett Foundation
Start Date:	1928
Date Range:	1928
Publication:	London : G. Routledge & Sons, Ltd
Physical Description:	x, 203 p. ; 22 cm
Notes:	Includes index
Subject Access:	Cooperation Great Britain Marketing Cooperative
Storage Location:	Box 3 - Cooperation 1
Storage Range:	Box 3 - Cooperation 1