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The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise monograph

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Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 5.5
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1986 - 1987
Physical Description:	Approximately 6 cm of textual records
History /	
Biographical:	

These records appear to have been produced between 1986 and 1987, the researching and writing period for another monograph, Manitoba: The Province & The People. Published in 1988 by Windsor Publications (Burlington, Ontario), The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise is a 184-page hard cover book, containing 250 black-and-white illustrations and 40 colour photographs.

The authors cover 378 years of Manitoba entrepreneurial history, starting with the Aboriginal Peoples and the early fur trade, ensuing Red River settlement, followed by the war years, and emerging Manitoba economies. The final chapter of the book contains select profiles of Manitoba businesses, many of which were acknowledged as financial contributors to the project.

BU faculty members Dr. Kenneth "Ken" Stephen Coates, Assistant Professor of History, and Mr. Fred McGuinness, Lecturer in Journalism, authored the book. Dr. Coates accepted a position as an assistant professor of Canadian History at the University of Victoria during the book's production. BU Professor of History, Dr. William R. Morrison, was credited as the picture researcher for the publication. Free-lance writer Roger Newman was responsible for preparing the Manitoba business biographies in the final chapter. The book was produced in co-operation with the Manitoba Chamber of Commerce.

Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness and Coates during the creation of the monographs Manitoba: The Province & The People and The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise. The materials were donated to the SJ McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

The subseries consist of textual records, created and collected during the production of the monographs Manitoba: The Province & The People and The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise. It includes journal articles, book chapters, Government of Manitoba industry publications, a few original photographs used in the publication, and drafts for chapter "brites."

Notes:	Information in the history/biography was taken from the The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise dust jacket and patrons section of the book
	In the file level inventory, square brackets at end of file names reference the original location of the file in the unprocessed Fred McGuinness collection. The original location is also noted on the front of each file folder
Accruals:	Closed
Language Note:	Fred McGuinness often uses journalistic jargon to label his files. A "brite" refers to a short, amusing story. McGuinness often organized his ideas and research materials by potential brite topic
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available
Storage Location:	2015 accessions
Arrangement:	

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Files in this subseries have been

arranged according to the order in which brites first appear in the book

Documents



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The Wheat City: A Pictorial History of Brandon monograph

Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 5.6
Accession Number:	1-2015 [formerly 6-2008 and 20-2009 and unprocessed Fred McGuinness collection]
GMD:	textual records

Date Range:

c. 1987 - 1988

Physical Description: Approximately 6 cm of textual records

Biographical:

History /

These records were produced between 1987 and 1988, the researching and writing period for The Wheat City: A Pictorial History of Brandon monograph. Published in 1988 by Western Producer Books (Saskatoon, Saskatchewan), The Wheat City is a 117-page soft cover book, containing black and white images.

Western Producer Books pitched the book's concept to Fred McGuinness in the fall of 1987. This book was part of the publisher's "city series" which focused on smaller cities such as Medicine Hat and Prince Albert. It was estimated that the book would contain a 6,000-word introduction followed by approximately 80 archival photographs of Brandon spanning from early settlement to the late 1950s/early 1960s.

Brandon University history major Pam Svistovski worked as McGuinness' research assistant and McGuinness obtained images for the book from his own personal collection, the Brandon Sun, Lawrence Stuckey, the Archives of Manitoba, and the Western Pictorial Index.

Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness during the writing phase of the monograph The Wheat City. The materials were donated to the SJ McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

Notes:

The subseries consists of textual records and photographs created and collected during the production of the monograph The Wheat City. It includes correspondence, newspapers articles, drafts and black and white photographs from the Archives of Manitoba, Western Canada Pictorial Index, and Illustrated Souvenir of Brandon.

> Information in the history/biography was obtained from The Wheat City's acknowledgements and a letter to Mr. Fred McGuinness from Western Producer Books, dated September 24, 1987 (McG 5.6, File 11)

Where known, archival reference numbers for photographs obtained from the Archives of Manitoba and the Western Canada Pictorial Index and considered/used in The Wheat City have been provided in the item level description

Accruals:	Closed
Repro Restriction:	Images published in the monograph and stored in files copyright protected by their respective organizations
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available
Storage Location:	2015 accessions
Related Material:	Clarence Hopkin collection
	Lawrence Stuckey collection
	Jack Stothard collection
	Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible research materials pertaining to this monograph may be found in the Fred McGuinness collection subseries: Correspondence (McG 1.2), Brandon Sun (McG 2.2) Miscellaneous freelance (McG 3.2), Local history research (McG 4.1), Manitoba: The Province & The People (McG 5.4), and Manitoba Enterprise (McG 5.5)

Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Subseries has been re-arranged according to picture sources

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Chronicle of Canada monograph

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Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 5.7
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1989 - 1990
Physical Description:	Approximately 12 cm of textual records



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History /

Biographical:

These records were produced between 1989 and 1990, the researching and writing period for The Chronicle of Canada monograph. Published in 1990 by Chronicle Publications (Montreal and Paris), the Chronicle of Canada is an approximately eight-pound, 980-page hard cover book, containing illustrations, photographs, and maps.

The premise of the Chronicle of Canada was to tell the social history of Canada in a journalistic style from the dawn of the dinosaurs to present day (July 1, 1990). Historical events were presented as short journalistic articles following a timeline.

Fred McGuinness was asked to be a contributor to the Chronicle of Canada in the summer of 1989. The writing assignment lasted six-months. Fred received, via courier every Monday, a writing package containing a computer diskette and a list of assigned stories to be completed within the week. The stories were researched, written, and saved onto the diskette, which was couriered back to Montreal on the Friday. The length of each article ranged from 100 to 500 words. The rate of pay for each article was \$1.00 per line.

The editors of the Chronicle of Canada estimated their publication would contain 3,000 articles. McGuinness was assigned the majority of the prairie articles, which the editors estimated to be around 500 to 600 stories. It is possible to determine which articles McGuinness contributed to the project from the weekly period assignments and invoices.

Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness during the writing phase of the monograph Chronicle of Canada. The materials were donated to the SJ McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of textual records, created and collected during the production of the monograph Chronicle of Canada. It includes correspondence, journal articles, book chapters, Government industry publications, newspapers articles, promotional materials, and McGuinness' articles for Chronicle of Canada printed in the Chronicle template.

Notes:	Information in the history/biography was taken from Neighborly News column #578 (McG 2.3, File 14); letter to Mr. Fred McGinnis [sic] from Chronicle Publications, dated September 25, 1989 (McG 5.7, File 1)
	In the file level inventory, square brackets at end of file names reference the original location of the file in the unprocessed Fred McGuinness collection. The original location is also noted on the front of each file folder
Accruals:	Closed
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available

Storage Location:	2015 accessions

Arrangement:

Materials within files are in original order

Documents





McGuinness broadcasts, lectures and workshops

Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the series
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Series
Series Number:	McG 6
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1951? - 2010
Physical Description:	Approximately 42 cm of textual records

History / Biographical:

Fred McGuinness' public speaking and broadcasting career began after he enrolled at St. Paul's College, which was affiliated with the University of Manitoba. From 1943 to 1946, McGuinness served on the student union's Public Relations Committee; in 1945, he became chairman of the Radio Subcommittee working as the Director of the University Radio Series where he was responsible (i.e., writing, casting, directing) for a half-hour Saturday afternoon radio programme. That same year, the President of the University of Manitoba recommended McGuinness as a speaker for the War Finance Committee in the Winnipeg Area.

In 1946, McGuinness moved to Port Arthur to work in public relations with the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. That same year he married his wife Christine. In 1947, the couple returned to Winnipeg, when McGuinness took a job as a Public Relations Officer for the National Employment Service's Unemployment Insurance Commission (UIC). While employed with the UIC, McGuinness travelled the summer fair circuit with displays promoting the UIC and its benefits. During that time, Royal American Shows also hired McGuinness as its Director of Publicity and Exploitation while the show toured with the fairs on the Canadian prairies. McGuinness also sold his first manuscript to the CBC in 1947, recording a 14-minute broadcast titled the "Class A Circuit" about the Royal American tour, after his summer fair schedule concluded.

McGuinness continued his work with Royal American and the UIC until he accepted a position with the Saskatchewan government in 1952 to promote its upcoming 1955 golden jubilee. His experience with the Saskatchewan Jubilee preparations lead to McGuinness being appointed as a provincial representative to the Canadian Centennial Commission in 1963; an appointment that had McGuinness delivering speeches provincially and internationally.

After the jubilee, McGuinness accepted a position with The Medicine Hat News in Medicine Hat, Alberta. During his decade with that newspaper as a journalist and publisher, McGuinness was heavily involved with the Chamber of Commerce and community service organizations. His position within the community had him delivering talks to many local groups.

At the beginning of 1966, McGuinness started his new appointment as manager of the newly formed personnel and information branch for James Richardson and Sons Ltd. whose head offices were in Winnipeg. At that time McGuinness was developing broadcast scripts for the CBC in earnest. McGuinness left Richardson and Sons in the fall of 1966 to become the publisher and vice-president of the Brandon Sun newspaper in Brandon, Manitoba.

In the 1970s, McGuinness was writing copy for CBC's Radio Noon and Information Radio, as well as producing Ashgrove Farm, a CBC radio drama. By 1980, McGuinness was hosting the CBC Radio broadcast Neighborly News from the Prairies. The radio program was cancelled by the CBC in 1983, but was reincarnated with Altona broadcaster CFAM later that year with McGuinness at the helm. The radio show ended its run in the summer of 1987. McGuinness continued working with the CBC, and is popularly known for his work as the prairie essayist for CBC Radio's Morningside with Peter Gzowski, a position McGuinness held for 17 years.

During his twenty years with the Sun, McGuinness took an active roll in the community and cultivated his interest in local history. Consequently he was invited to guest speak and chair sessions on local history, rural development, and the economy while providing his personal insights as a newspaper publisher.

In the 1980s and 1990s, McGuinness co-taught an undergraduate journalism class at Brandon University with English Professor John Blaikie. McGuinness also delivered community workshops on memoir writing, a past time he continued until shortly before his death in 2011.

Custodial History:

Accession 1-2015 contains records created and collected over the course of McGuinness' career as a radio broadcaster, newspaper journalist and freelance writer. The Estate of Fred McGuinness donated the materials to the SJ McKee Archives circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

The series contains records created and collected by Fred McGuinness during his time as a radio broadcaster, journalist, editor, and freelance writer. Records in the series consist of broadcast scripts, lecture notes, speeches, rough drafts and notes, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and other research materials for respective broadcasts, lectures, speeches, and workshops.

The series has been divided into three subseries, including: (1) radio broadcast scripts, (2) BU journalism course, and (3) talks and workshops.

Notes:	Information for the history/biography was obtained from documents in McGuinness' personal papers (see his family papers McG 1.1 and the scrapbook in McG 1.4) and his book Letters from Section 17 (published by Great Plains Publications in 1999)
Accruals:	Closed
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available for each subseries, see subseries descriptions
Storage Location:	2015 accessions
Related Material:	Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible materials pertaining to his broadcast and lecture career may be found in other series of the Fred McGuinness collection. A sound recording of one of McGuinness' UofM broadcasts can be found in McG 7

Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Series has been re-arranged according to publication period

McG 6 McGuinness broadcasts, lectures, workshops

McG 6.1 Radio broadcast scripts McG 6.2 BU Journalism course McG 6.3 Talks and workshops



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Radio broadcast scripts

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Other Title Info:Title based on the contents of the subseriesPart Of:Fred McGuinness collectionDescription Level:Sub-seriesSeries Number:McG 6.1Accession Number:1-2015GMD:textual recordsDate Range:c. 1951? - 1987

Physical Description: Approximately 24 cm of textual records History / Biographical:

Fred McGuinness' broadcasting career began when he enrolled at St. Paul's College, an affiliate of the University of Manitoba. In 1945, he became chairman of the Radio Subcommittee working as the Director of the University Radio Series where he was responsible (i.e., writing, casting, directing) for a half-hour Saturday afternoon radio programme.

McGuinness sold his first manuscript to the CBC in 1947, recording a 14-minute broadcast titled the "Class A Circuit" about the Royal American tour. The script was based on work McGuinness had done as a Director of Publicity and Exploitation (1947 to 1952) for the Royal American Shows while the show toured with the fairs on the Canadian prairies.

McGuinness began developing broadcast scripts in earnest for the CBC when he returned to Manitoba in 1966. By the 1970s, McGuinness was writing copy for CBC's Radio Noon and Information Radio, as well as producing Ashgrove Farm, a CBC radio drama.

By 1980, McGuinness was hosting the CBC Radio broadcast Neighborly News from the Prairies. The radio program was cancelled by the CBC in 1983 after much outcry, but was resurrected with Altona broadcaster CFAM later that year with McGuinness at the helm. The radio show concluded its run in the summer of 1987.

In 1985, McGuinness returned to broadcast with the CBC and is popularly known for his "Manitoba Reports" that he delivered on CBC Radio's Morningside with Peter Gzowski. He held his position as the prairie correspondent for 12 years. In the final three to four years of the Morningside show, McGuinness was asked to write non-political essays for broadcast. These "Letters Assignments" would be later published in 1999 by Great Plains Publishing as Letters from Section 17: A Collection of Morningside Essays.

Custodial History:

Accession 1-2015 contains records created and collected over the course of McGuinness' career as a radio broadcaster, newspaper journalist and freelance writer. The Estate of Fred McGuinness donated the materials to the SJ McKee Archives circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

Notes:

Fred McGuinness was involved in a number of radio broadcasts in his life. The records in this subseries are the result of that work. The subseries contains drafts of possible broadcast scripts dating to the 1950s and early 1960s, drafts of CBC broadcast scripts for CBC's Radio Noon, Information Radio, Ashgrove Farms radio drama, and Neighborly News from the Prairies. McGuinness appears to have annotated his scripts to reflect breathing, pauses, and other factors that could impact the delivery of his script on air.

The S.J. McKee Archives does not appear to have broadcast scripts pertaining to McGuinness' CBC Morningside years.

Information for the history/biography was obtained from documents in the Radio broadcast script subseries (McG 6.1), McGuinness' book Letters from Section 17 (published by Great Plains Publications in 1999), and his column "A Mourning Sigh for National Institution, " Brandon Sun, May 29, 1997

Accruals:	Closed
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available
Storage Location:	2015 accessions

Related Material: Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible materials pertaining to his broadcast career may be found in other series of the Fred McGuinness collection. McGuinness' UofM student radio club certificates can be found in his scrapbook (McG 1.4). A sound recording of one of McGuinness' UofM broadcasts can be found in McG 7 CBC Radio Archives - Morningside Trent University, Peter Gzowski fonds (99-015)

Arrangement:

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BU journalism course

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Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 6.2
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1980s - 1990s
Physical Description:	Approximately 6 cm of textual records



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History /

Biographical:

Fred McGuinness was a sessional lecturer in the English Department at Brandon University in Brandon, Manitoba where he co-taught an introductory undergraduate course in journalism with English Professor John Blaikie. Although McGuinness had 30 years experience as a journalist, editor, publisher, and freelance writer, as well as an extensive public speaking career, the partnering was necessary because he did not have a graduate degree, a qualification necessary for teaching in a university setting. In addition to his professional experience, McGuinness was also an avid reader on topics about the process of writing and the publishing of popular writing.

McGuinness likely began teaching his journalism course at Brandon University in 1983 and continued until 1990, possibly 1996. McGuinness often referenced his class when writing his Neighborly News column. A portion of McGuinness' course involved analyzing and debating current events from newspaper headlines. McGuinness emphasized the importance of clean copy, spelling, and grammar with his editing assignments.

Custodial History:

Accession 1-2015 contains records created and collected over the course of McGuinness' career as a newspaper journalist, freelance writer, and sessional instructor. The Estate of Fred McGuinness donated the materials to the SJ McKee Archives circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

The subseries contains records created and collected by Fred McGuinness during his time as a sessional instructor and writer. Consisting of teaching materials McGuinness used in the undergraduate course he taught with Professor John Blaikie the subseries includes: lecture notes, quizzes, exercises, exams, and newspaper and magazine articles.

Notes:	Information for the history/biography was obtained from documents in the
	BU journalism course subseries (McG 6.2), and his Neighborly News
	columns (McG 2.3)

Accruals:	Closed
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available
Storage Location:	2015 accessions
Related Material:	Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible materials pertaining to his teaching career may be found in other subseries of the Fred McGuinness collection. Several articles McGuinness wrote for Neighborly News referenced his BU journalism students (see McG 2.3)

Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Subseries has been re-arranged according to publication period

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Talks and workshops

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Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 6.3
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1957 - 2010
Physical Description:	Approximately 12 cm of textual records
History /	

Biographical:

During his 30 years with The Medicine Hat News and the Brandon Sun, Fred McGuinness took an active roll in his respective communities and cultivated his interest in local histories; he was actively involved with the Chamber of Commerce and rural development initiatives. Consequently he was invited to guest speak and chair sessions on local history, rural development, and the economy while providing his personal insights as a newspaper publisher. McGuinness' work as a Canadian Centennial Commission representative (1963 – 1967) was an appointment that required he deliver speeches provincially and internationally. McGuinness also appeared to draft press releases and speeches for local politicians.

McGuinness also delivered community workshops on memoir writing, a past time he continued until shortly before his death in 2011, and wrote about memoir writing in his Brandon Sun column "The Diary." He included that "Diary" article, along with copies of his published Reader's Digest articles in his workshop materials. Individuals writing memoirs or interested in McGuinness' memoir writing style may also be interested in McGuiness' "Foundation of a Writer's Library" and "The A-B-C and X-Y-Z of Researching and Writing a Local History Story."

Custodial History:

Accession 1-2015 contains records created and collected over the course of McGuinness' career as a newspaper journalist, freelance writer, and sessional instructor. The Estate of Fred McGuinness donated the materials to the SJ McKee Archives circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

The Talks and workshop subseries contains records created and collected by McGuinness over his lifetime and include: published copies of speeches delivered by individuals other than McGuinness; drafts of speeches McGuinness gave while working in Medicine Hat (Alberta) and the Brandon Sun; and copies of workshop materials pertaining to rural development and memoir writing, including copies of memoirs and articles, correspondence, useful references, and activities/exercises.

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(Copyright Restrictions) Notes: Information for the history/biography was obtained from documents in the Talks and workshops subseries (McG 6.3), and Freelance materials (McG 3)

Accruals:	Closed
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available
Storage Location:	2015 accessions
Related Material:	Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of
	forums. Therefore, it is possible materials pertaining to his teaching
	career may be found in other subseries of the Fred McGuinness
	collection. Workshop participants and readers of McGuinness' columns
	often submitted memoirs to McGuinness (see McG 1.2 McGuinness
	Correspondence and McG 4.1 Local history)

Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Subseries has been re-arranged according to publication period

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workshops inventory.pdf
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McGuinness artifacts and sound recordings

Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the series
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Series
Series Number:	McG 7
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	multiple media
Date Range:	c. 1985-1990
Physical Description:	17 artifacts
	10 sound recordings

History / Biographical:

Artifacts in this series were collected by Fred McGuinness during the course of his lifetime as a community volunteer and newspaperman. Beginning in the mid-1930s through the Second World War, McGuinness worked with the Canadian Pacific Telegraph service in Brandon and Winnipeg. McGuinness frequently wrote about those early experiences in his newspaper columns, journals, and monographs.

In the early 1950s, while McGuinness worked as a publicist with the Unemployment Insurance Commission in Winnipeg, he volunteered with community organizations such as the Winnipeg Community Chest Drive. From 1953 to 1955, McGuinness worked as an organizer for the Province of Saskatchewan's 1955 Golden Jubilee.

After the Saskatchewan Jubilee, McGuinness worked with The Medicine Hat News as a journalist and publisher from 1955 to 1965. During that time, McGuinness became heavily involved with the Medicine Hat Chamber of Commerce. His community and business connections resulted in his appointment as a fundraiser for the Medicine Hat Junior College Library, a building project intended to see the City established with its own college.

After his work with the Saskatchewan Jubilee, McGuinness was asked to be a Regional Director for the Canadian Centennial Commission from 1965 to 1967. During that time, McGuinness returned to his hometown of Brandon in 1966, to start a 20-year career with the Brandon Sun as a publisher and vice-president. McGuinness' interest in local history, of which he often wrote, made him the recipient of local ephemera from his readers.

Custodial History:

Accession 1-2015 contains records created and collected over the course of McGuinness' career as a newspaper journalist and freelance writer. The Estate of Fred McGuinness donated the materials to the SJ McKee Archives circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

This series contains artifacts collected by Fred McGuinness during the course of his lifetime as a community volunteer and newspaperman. The artifacts include one telegraph sounder, four letterpress blocks, five typesetter rulers, two patches, two buttons, one token, one tin box, and ten sound recordings.

The telegraph sounder and relay system was possibly a gift from Bill Flett, a CPR superintendent. In his story "Canadian Pacific" published in Letters from Section 17 (1999), McGuinness mentions receiving a package containing telegraph equipment while he was working at the Brandon Sun. The tin box in McGuinness' collection contained copies of telegraphs announcing the end of the war.

Two letterpress type blocks have the letters "WM" which may represent the initials of Fred McGuinness' father William McGuinness. J.R. Langford donated the "Colquhoun and Beattie" type plate to McGuinness, a known collector of Brandon local history. Mr. Beattie had gifted the plate to Lanford's father who worked as a barber in Brandon in 1906. The Brandon Sun letterpress is likely from the period when McGuinness worked at the Brandon Sun.

The five typesetter rulers come from a variety of typesetter and newspaper companies and include Teletypesetter (Chicago, IL), 6 Cutting Limited (Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg), Mergenthaler Linotype Company (Brooklyn, NY), and The Edmonton Journal.

The two buttons in the collection come from McGuinness' time as a community-volunteer in Winnipeg, Manitoba. One button is from the Community Chest Drive, the other button is a guest badge from the 1953 Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba.

The two patches are from the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee (1955). Photographs of Saskatchewan Jubilee events and participants wearing the patch on their blazers can be found in the McGuinness photograph collection.

McGuinness saved a Medicine Hat College Official Opening Token from October 3, 1971. McGuinness was likely at the opening as he was originally involved in the establishment of the junior college in the 1960s.

The sound recordings in McGuinness' collection largely pertain to centennial events, which McGuinness helped organize. There is one box set containing four records of the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee Choir. Tucked in this volume is an additional record of the Choir recorded at CKCK, Regina, Saskatchewan. Also stored within the box set was a copy "Canada, A Centennial Song."

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ł	Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available
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McGuinness library

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Title based on the contents of the series
Fred McGuinness collection
Series
McG 8
1-2015
multiple media
c. 1882-2010
Approximately 2 m
83 books and other materials (see Material Details Note)
49 booklets
3 maps
3 newsletters
18 periodicals
16 pamphlets

35 newspapers [oversize drawer]

History /

Biographical:

The publications in this series were collected by Fred McGuinness during the course of his career as a newspaperman. McGuinness' personal library contained over 500 volumes pertaining to local history. He regularly consulted these materials when writing his radio broadcasts, newspaper columns, and monographs. McGuinness was known to file related materials (e.g., correspondence, newspaper clippings, invitations) between book covers of various titles.

McGuinness donated a substantial portion of his personal library to Brandon University's John E. Robbins Library when he moved to River Heights Terrace (Brandon, Manitoba). That collection can be found in BU's library catalogue under the McGuinness local history collection. The titles McGuinness retained upon his move were donated to the McKee Archives by his estate in 2011.

Custodial History:

Accession 1-2015 contains records created and collected over the course of McGuinness' career as a newspaper journalist and freelance writer. The Estate of Fred McGuinness donated the materials to the SJ McKee Archives circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Accession 20-2009 contain records created and collected by Fred McGuinness over the course of his career as a newspaper journalist and during the research and writing period of the Brandon history book, The Wheat City. Records remained in his possession at his home until their transfer to the McKee Archives on July 28, 2009.

Accession 6-2008 contains records created and collected during the writing of the Provincial Exhibition book, Pride of the Land. Fred McGuinness, who co-authored the book with Ken Coates, donated these records to the McKee Archives circa 1988. The materials relating to Souris, Manitoba, were given to McGuinness by Kay Sullivan in August 2007, and were subsequently deposited in the Archives.

Scope and Content:

This series contains publications collected by Fred McGuinness during the course of his lifetime as a newspaperman. McGuinness was a well-known local history enthusiast and frequently wrote about Brandon's local history. Many of his readers forwarded booklets and pamphlets for his consideration and review.

Materials in this series include books, booklets pamphlets, periodicals, newspapers and maps. Subjects include, but are not exclusive to: the city of Brandon, the town of Souris, memoirs, family histories, Canadian Pacific Railway, and local businesses.

Accruals:	Closed
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available
Storage Location:	All library titles, except the newspapers in the McGuinness oversize drawer, are located in Special Collections
Arrangement:	

Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives.

McG 8 McGuinness library

McG 8.1 Books McG 8.2 Booklets McG 8.3 Maps, newsletters, and periodicals McG 8.4 Pamphlets McG 8.5 Magazines and newspapers (oversize)

Documents





Johnston and Ella McPherson and miscellaneous

Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	1.1 - 1.18
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	Box A
GMD:	multiple media
Date Range:	1884-1968

Scope and Content:

Contains the following files:

1.1 Johnston McPherson's drivers licenses and membership cards 1923-1963 (includes 2 photos)

1.2 Miss Ella McKay/Mrs. Johnston McPherson correspondence 1903-1919

1.3 Mrs. Johnston McPherson miscellaneous [1903-1968]

1.4 Mr. and Mrs. Johnston McPherson correspondence 1960 (includes "Story of the Brandon Hills" and "Fun and Happiness on Treasure Trail"

1.5 Mr. and Mrs. Johnston McPherson correspondence 1961

1.6 Mr. and Mrs. Johnston McPherson correspondence 1962-1963

1.7 (Possibly Johnston McPherson) hay account book 1902; same volume contains a travel diary

1.8 Johston McPherson - Land Title (1910) and correspondence re: land purchase (1909)

1.9 Transcript of History of Justice, Manitoba 1956

1.10 Brandon Hills Busy Bees account book 1927-1934

1.11 Basil McDonald's land patent 1884

1.12 List of electors 1938

1.13 Brandon Hills School teacher's notebook 1927

1.14 List of electors in Glenwood [1915-1941] and Blanchard 1933

1.15 Unidentified correspondence [1902-1929]

1.16 Ella McPherson unsorted correspondence 1915-1952

1.17 Address book with newsclippings ca. 1940 (the bigger of the two address books)

1.18 Ella McPherson address book 1913-1939 (includes 2 photographs; was given to Ella McPherson by Ethel McPherson in 1913; the smaller of the two address books).

Storage Location: Margaret McPherson family fonds Box 1



Wes Pentland

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Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	2.1 - 2.12
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	Box B
GMD:	multiple media
Date Range:	1886-1951
History /	

Biographical:

Thomas Elton Wesley (Wesley) Pentland, son of T.J. and Annie Isabel (McVety) Pentland, was born on October 21, 1889 in Justice, MB. He died on September 25, 1981 in Brandon, MB. Wesley married Harriet Mary Brownell on April 14, 1942 in Winnipeg, MB. They had no children.

Scope and Content:

Contains the following files:

2.1 Income tax forms 1939

2.1a Wes Pentland correspondence 1911-1917

2.2 Moore/Thomas deed of land 1886-1906

2.3 Postcards ca.1900 - ca.1910

2.4 Correspondence 1911-1946

2.5 Oil leases (Rio Bravo, Canadian Superior, Imperior) 1949-1950

2.6 Livestock records 1947-1951

2.7 Orange Lodge speech and visitations [1939]; dividend certificates 1939

2.8 Automobile club membership 1937-1944

2.9 Life insurance documents 1919-1945

2.10 Mortgage documents 1914-1922

2.11 School records [1911-1913]

2.12 Mrs. Wes Pentland (Harriet) fur insurance policy 1948

Notes: Part of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.

Storage Location: Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection Box 1



Wes Pentland; Elton municipality; reeve; school board

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Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	3.1 - 3.24
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	Box C
GMD:	multiple media
Date Range:	[19] - 1980
History /	

Biographical:

For biographical information on Wes Pentland, see the description for Box 2 of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.

Scope and Content:

Contains the following files:

- 3.1 Permit books 1951-1978 (missing 1971-1973)
- 3.2 Tax bills 1971-1980 (missing 1973)
- 3.3 House material costs
- 3.4 Carberry town planning 1961
- 3.5 Boundary hearing 1967
- 3.6 Manitoba Pool Elevators 1955-1962
- 3.7 Brandon General Hospital 1978-1979
- 3.8 Elton School financial records 1960-1967
- 3.9 Elton schools 1961-1963
- 3.10 Pictures of Justice (located at the back of the box)
- 3.11 Hutterites 1957
- 3.12 Talks and debates ca.1923 ca.1933
- 3.13 Elton-Cornwallis Joint Planning Commission 1968
- 3.14 Elton planning schemes 1970-1971
- 3.15 Manitoba Hospital Commission 1969
- 3.16 Farm expenses 1952, 1978-1979
- 3.17 School plans for Fraserwood and a Winnipeg school (blueprints)
- 3.18 Elton larger school area information 1959-1969
- 3.19 Elton (municipal records?) 1938-1964
- 3.20 Elton agricultural records 1924-1955
- 3.21 Wes Pentland photographs [n.d. (ca. 1970s?)]
- 3.22 Wes Pentland miscellaneous (lease, land analysis, Elton history) 1966, 1979
- 3.23 Letter from Clare Pentland re: hutterites 1957
- 3.24 Income tax 1940-1950 (2 files)

Notes:	Part of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.
Storage Location:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
	Box 2



Georgie McPherson

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Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	4.1 - 4.13
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	Box D
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1906-1939
History /	

Biographical:

Georgina Jane McPherson, daughter of Hugh and Margaret (Sellers) McPherson, was born in 1875 in Nova Scotia. Georgie never married and lived at home most of her life. She was a loyal member and supporter of the Women's Missionary Society, the Busy Bees and Brandon Hills Church. Due to ill health she lived for a time in the 1940s at Ninette Sanatorium. During her last years she resided with her sister Hattie Morrison, at Rounthwaite. Georgie died in Brandon, MB in 1953.

Scope and Content:

Contains the following files:

4.1 Chattel mortgage documents 1906-1939 (includes 1906 Land Title and 1919 Agreement for land sale)

- 4.2 Greeting postcards
- 4.3 Non-greeting postcards
- 4.4 Undated correspondence
- 4.5 Correspondence 1939-1946
- 4.6 Correspondence 1937
- 4.7 Correspondence 1936
- 4.8 Correspondence 1935
- 4.9 Correspondence 1934
- 4.10 Correspondence 1933
- 4.11 Correspondence 1932
- 4.12 Correspondence 1931
- 4.13 Correspondence 1918-1930

Notes:	Part of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.
Storage Location:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection Box 3 (4.1 - 4.12) Box 4 (4.13)



Hugh and Margaret McPherson; Libby Sellars; Kitty and Winnie Prowse

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Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	5.1-5.15
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	BoxE
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1871-1936

History /

Biographical:

Hugh McPherson was born January 25, 1845 at West River, Nova Scotia. He married Margaret Esther Sellers (b. March 18, 1849 at Six Mile Brook, Nova Scotia) on February 5, 1875 at Six Mile Brook, Nova Scotia. The couple moved to Brandon Hills, MB c. 1880. Together they had four children: Georgina (Georgie) Jane; Harriet (Hattie); Johnston (Jack); and Angus.

The couple lived at Watervale, NS until they moved to Manitoba with the Brandon Hills settlers. Hugh travelled to Brandon Hills with the Roddick group in 1879, leaving his wife and three children in Nova Scotia. He selected the N.E. 1/4 of section 10, township 9, range 18 as his homestead. Margaret and the children joined Hugh in 1880.

Situated as it was just north of the river and slightly to the east of the end of the hills, the McPherson home became a sopttin house for travellers from the south making their way to and from Grand Valley and later Brandon. The family records show that literally scores of people stayed with the family during the early years. The fee charged for a meal for the driver plus feed for a team was thirty-five cents. Nellie McClung later described the farm and the stopping-house in one of her early books.

Hugh McPherson died at Brandon Hills, MB on March 7, 1916. Margaret Esther Sellers McPherson died at Brandon Hills, MB on July 13, 1935.

In the fall of 1892, Margaret's brother, Angus Sellers and his family arrived at the McPherson home. Included in this part was Margaret's two sisters Jessie Murray and Libby Sellers. The Sellers family remained with the McPherson's until mid-summer of 1893, when they moved to their new farm at Bunclody.

In 1902, after the death of his wife Blanche, Arthur Prowse accepted Margaret McPherson's offer to foster his daughters Winnie and Kitty. The girls stayed with the McPherson's until their marriages; Winnie to Alex Brown and Kitty to Frank Allbright.

Scope and Content:

Contains the following files:

- 5.1 Margaret McPherson correspondence 1903-1926
- 5.2 Margaret McPherson correspondence 1927-1931
- 5.3 Margaret McPherson correspondence 1932-1935
- 5.4 Margaret McPherson correspondence (undated)
- 5.5 Margaret McPherson burial/marriage notices 1895-1924
- 5.6 Margaret McPherson greeting postcards
- 5.7 Mr. and Mrs. H. McPherson non-greeting postcards
- 5.8 Margaret McPherson non-greeting postcards
- 5.9 Hugh Mcpherson notebook 1871
- 5.10 Hugh McPherson financial records 1913-1918
- 5.11 Hugh McPherson postcards
- 5.12 Libby Sellers non-greeting postcards
- 5.13 Libby Sellers greeting postcards
- 5.14 Libby Sellers correspondence 1882-1936 (some undated)

 5.15 Kitty and Winnie Prowse correspondence and postcards 1916-1923

 Notes:
 Part of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection

 Storage Location:
 Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection

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Angus and Ethel McPherson; Johnston and Ella McPherson; Hattie McPherson

Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	6.1 - 6.20
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	Box F
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1895-1972

History / Biographical:

Angus Sellers McPherson, son of Hugh and Margaret (Sellers) McPherson, was born March 1, 1884 in Brandon Hills, MB. He died on September 5, 1953 in Brandon, MB. Angus married Ethel Pentland on July 16, 1913. Together they had three sons: Howard Johnston McPherson (m. Jessie Walsh); Alfred Angus Murray McPherson (m. Margaret Raven); and Kenneth George McPherson (m. Mary Spratt).

Ethel (Pentland) McPherson was born May 7, 1890 to Thomas (T.J.) and Annie Isabel (McVety) Pentland. Raised at Justice, MB, Ethel was agraduate of the Winnipeg Normal School; she taught for a number of years at Orange Hall and Brandon Hills. After her husband's death, Ethel remained on the family farm with her sons until she moved to Brandon in 1957. She died on September 20, 1976, in Brandon, MB.

Johnston McPherson, son of Hugh and Margaret (Sellers) McPherson, was born February 7, 1879 in Nova Scotia. He died on September 17, 1966 in Brandon, MB (Johnston McPherson was the last of the original party that settled the Brandon Hills). From 1896 until 1914, he farmed at Brandon Hills. Johnston married Ella Harvey McKay on July 26, 1918. They had no children.

Ella Harvey McKay, daughter of Simon and Sarah McKay, was born September 5, 1885 at Brandon Hills. Her family moved to Alberta and then British Columbia sometime after her birth. Ella worked in Trail, B.C. for Consolidated Mining and Smelting, before her marriage to Johnston "Jack" McPherson. She died on November 25, 1971 in Brandon, MB.

Harriet (Hattie) McPherson Morrison, daughter of Hugh and Margaret (Sellers) McPherson, was born at Watervale, NS in 1877. She attended Brandon Hills and Central School in Brandon before receiving her teacher training; she taught school at Chatfield and Dunrea. Hattie married Robert Morrison at Brandon Hills in 1920 and together they had two children: Robert Morrison Jr. (m. Lila Berdux) and Margaret Morrison (m. George Walton). The family owned a farm at Rounthwaite until 1964, at which point Hattie and Robert moved to Brandon. Hattie died in Brandon, MB in 1965.

Scope and Content:

Contains the following files:

- 6.1 Angus McPherson financial records 1909-1955
- 6.2 Angus McPherson greeting postcards
- 6.3 Angus McPherson non-greeting postcards
- 6.4 Ethel McPherson ration cards [1939-1945]
- 6.5 Ethel McPherson non-greeting postcards
- 6.6 Ethel McPherson insurance documents 1959-1968
- 6.7 Angus McPherson financial documents 1912-1962
- 6.8 Ethel McPherson correspondence 1914-1972 (some undated)
- 6.9 Angus McPherson correspondence 1899-1957 (some undated)
- 6.10 Johnston McPherson correspondence 1895-1970
- 6.11 Johnston McPherson financial records 1907-1928
- 6.12 Johnston McPherson non-greeting postcards
- 6.13 Johnston and Ella McPherson correspondence 1918-1956
- 6.14 Johnston and Ella McPherson correspondence 1957-1959 (some undated)
- 6.15 Ella McPherson correspondence 1920-1971
- 6.16 Hattie McPherson correspondence 1908-1919
- 6.17 Hattie McPherson/Mrs. Robert Morrison correspondence 1920-1935
- 6.18 Hattie McPherson greeting postcards
- 6.19 Ethel McPherson Normal School notebook
- 6.20 Ethel McPherson diaries
- Notes:
 Part of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.

 Storage Location:
 Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection Box 4 (6.1 - 6.12)

Box 5 (6.13 - 6.20)



Unsorted Christmas greeting cards

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7.1 - 7.10	
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textual records	
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7.8 Unsorted Christmas cards after 1930	
nas cards after 1930	
7.10 Unsorted Christmas cards after 1930	
8.1 Unsorted greeting cards up to 1930	
8.2 Unsorted greeting cards up to 1930	
8.3 Unsorted greeting cards up to 1930	
8.4 Unsorted greeting cards up to 1930	
8.5 Unsorted greeting cards up to 1930	
8.6 Unsorted greeting cards up to 1930	
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Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection Box 5 (7.1 - 7.6) Box 6 (7.7 - 8.8)	



Unsorted greeting cards

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Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	8.1 - 8.12
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	Box H
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	[n.d.]
Scope and Content:	
Contains the following files:	
8.9 Unsorted greeting cards after 1930	
8.10 Unsorted gree	ting cards up to 1930
8.11 Unsorted greeting cards up to 1930	
8.12 Unsorted gree	ting cards up to 1930
Notes:	Part of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.
Storage Location:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection Box 6 (8.1 - 8.8) Box 7 (8.9 - 8.12)



Brandon College

Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	9.1 - 9.18
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	BoxI
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1938-1952

Scope and Content:

Contains the following files:

9.1 Class list and lost alumni 1941-1948

9.2 "Spectrum" April 1944

9.3 "The Sickle" 1941-1945 (missing 1944)

9.4 Graduation programmes 1927, 1940-1952 (includes photo of Arts Banquet, Brandon College 1942)

9.5 "The New Era" 1947

9.6 Murray McPherson diary 1942

9.7 The Quill and The Sickle account book [1939-1941]

9.8 Brandon College documentation 1942-1943

9.9 Calendar 1940-1941

9.10 Murray McPherson's notes 1938-1939 (Brandon Collegiate)

9.11 Brandon College notes [1941-1944] (2 files)

9.12 Commencement programme 1944

9.13 Brandon College commencement programmes 1944, 1945, 1952 (also contains 1937-1938 Brandon College calendar and a copy of "S.J. McKee of Brandon College" by Tommy McLeod)

9.14 Physics notes [1942]

9.15 Murray McPherson - math and physics notes 1943

9.16 Murray McPherson - math notes 1944

9.17 Murray McPherson account book 1938-1940 (Brandon Collegiate)

9.18 Miscellaneous pamphlets re: Brandon College and hockey 1909 - ca.1945 (including Student Handbooks 1940-1944 and the 1913 convocation programme, the 1909 Manitoba Amateur Hockey Association constitution, pamphlets from The Boys' Brigade and a pamphlet with etiquette and manner advice for teenagers)

Notes: Part of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.

Storage Location: Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection Box 7



Unused postcards and unidentified greeting cards

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Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	11.1 - 11.4
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	Box K
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	[n.d.]
Physical Description:	12 cm
Scope and Content:	
Contains the following files:	
11.1 Unused postcards and unidentified greeting cards	
11.2 Unused postcards and unidentified greeting cards	
11.3 Unused postcards and unidentified greeting cards	
11.4 Unused postca	ards and unidentified greeting cards
Notes:	Part of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.
Storage Location:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection Box 9



McPherson scrapbooks

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Part Of:	Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection
Description Level:	Box
File Number:	12.1 - 12.7
Accession Number:	21-2006
Other Numbers:	Box L
GMD:	multiple media
Date Range:	1879 - ca.1947
Physical Description:	File 12.6 is very fragile and has some water damage that has warped the pages, but hasn't damaged the clippings.
Physical Condition:	12.5 cm
History / Biographical:	

For biographical information on Angus and Ethel McPherson see the description for Box 6 of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection. For biographical information on Annie I. McVety (Pentland) see the description for Box 10 of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.

Scope and Content:

Contains the following files:

12.1 Angus McPherson album (clippings, poems, etc.) - MISSING

12.2 Ethel McPherson scrapbook 1920-1942

12.3 Ethel McPherson scrapbook 1942-1947

12.4 Ethel McPherson scrapbook 1941-1954 (loose entries)

12.5 Ethel McPherson scrapbook (loose entries)

12.6 Annie I. McVitie scrapbook (poems etc. on an old school register)

12.7 Annie I. McVitie poetry 1879

Notes:Part of the Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection.Storage Location:Alfred Angus Murray McPherson collection

Box 10