

S. J. McKee Archives



Brandon College Platoon

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14257>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection
Creator: Photographer: Davidson Studio
Description Level: Item
Series Number: 3-1997.1
Item Number: 3-1997.1.66
Accession Number: 3-1997
Other Numbers: Hughes #81
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1916
Physical Description: 13.5" x 10.5" (b/w)
Material Details: on matting
Physical Condition: Photograph beginning to separate from matting
History /
Biographical:

Brandon College established a Canadian Officer Training Corps (COTC) program in 1916 and had enough students for a platoon that would join the 196th Western Universities Battalion's B Company. COTC logs for in the SJ McKee Archives show that at least 40 men regularly attended classes on campus during the 1916 winter term.

The Brandon Daily Sun published the names of 60 potential platoon recruits before they headed to Camp Hughes to train in the summer of 1916. Although Lt. J.R.C. Evans spearheaded the training of the COTC enlistees at Brandon College, he was found medically unfit for overseas service. In his stead, the son of the college's founder, Lt. William Carey McKee, lead the platoon to Camp Hughes where they joined the 196th Battalion. Of the 60 recruits identified in the local paper, 20 would not survive the war, including Lt. McKee. [ST/2016]

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a group of 40 men wearing WWI uniforms. The men have the Canada general service cap badge on their headdress. The officer in the centre of the group (i.e., the man with the cane) is J.R.C. Evans. The group of men are likely members of the first Brandon College Platoon, which joined the 196th Western Universities Battalion.

Name Access: J.R.C. Evans
Subject Access: portraits
First World War
Great War
Storage Location: Hughes oversize drawer
Related Material: Daly House Museum
The Clark Hall Scrapbook

Images



Sarah Persis Johnson

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9029>

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 10-2009

Item Number: 10-2009.17

Accession Number: 10-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1915

Physical Description: 865 x 1200 (175 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

History /

Biographical:

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Portrait of Sarah Persis Johnson in military dress.

Notes: The photograph is signed "S. Persis Johnson."

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach

Subject Access: First World War

World War I

military

nursing

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

Related Material: RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence

MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds

Images



Ruby Miles collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4844>

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	14-2003
GMD:	multiple media
Date Range:	1910-2003; predominant 1920-1945
Physical Description:	60 photographs (b/w) and 18 negatives; 3 cm textual records
History / Biographical:	

Rubina Isabella Miles (née McGregor) was born October 9th, 1909, in Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, the only child of Kate (née Rowe) and William McGregor. Her father, William Thom McGregor was a native of Scotland who, before coming to Canada, travelled to Australia and New Zealand, and served in the Boer War. Ruby Miles and her parents migrated to Australia in 1921. In 1925, the family moved to Papua New Guinea where Mr. McGregor was employed as Head Stockman on the Giligili Estate, part of the Commonwealth Copra Company. The family returned to Canada in 1929. In 1940, Ruby married Leonard "Len" Miles, a native of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan. Following the Second World War, they settled in Brandon, Manitoba. Ruby spent her adult life as a homemaker. She died in April 2003.

Custodial History:

The records came into Ruby Miles' possession through her husband (correspondence while he was overseas) and through the death of various family members. Following the death of Ruby Miles, the collection was donated to the S.J. McKee Archives by Errol Black, the executor of her estate.

Scope and Content:

Collection includes c. 15 letters from Kate McGregor, to her parents Mr. and Mrs. A.A. Rowe of Brandon, Manitoba. The letters were written in the years 1925-1929, when Mrs. McGregor and her family were living in Papua New Guinea. Collection also includes photographs and photographic negatives containing images of the Giligili Estate in New Guinea. Collection contains correspondence with Len Miles during his service overseas in the Second World War, as well as Len Miles' service record, death certificate and various memorabilia from his time in military service. Finally, the collection includes various news clippings, documents and correspondence received or retained by Ruby Miles.

Notes: CAIN No. 202595. Description by Mike White.

Name Access: Kate McGregor
Ruby Miles
Len Miles
A.A.Rowe
Papua New Guinea
Brandon
Manitoba
Giligili Estate
Commonwealth Copra Company Ltd

Subject Access: emigration
Second World War
plantation agriculture
Boer war

Storage Location: 2003 accessions

Storage Range: 2003 accessions



Maureen Johnson collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9012>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 10-2009, 14-2009

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1908-c.1965; predominant 1915-1921

Physical Description: 32 photographs

1 sound recording

2 cm textual records

Material Details: 17 photographs are digital records

History /

Biographical:

Maureen Johnson (nee Sills) was born in Brandon, MB in 1936 and grew up in western Manitoba. She spent three years in Ethiopia (1958-1961) and two years in Houston, Texas before taking up permanent residence in Winnipeg, MB. She attended Brandon College in 1953-1954, living in the Tower Room of Clark Hall.

From 1960-1979, Johnson raised her family, volunteered in the St. Vital community and was Secretary to the Manitoba Schools Science Symposium (1973-1977). She worked in the Office of the President at the University of Manitoba from 1980 to 1996.

Johnson is a visual artist and photographer, and is a member of the Winnipeg Sketch Club, Manitoba Society of Artists and Winnipeg South Photo Club. Her work is on permanent display at Medea Gallery (www.medeagallery.ca) where she has been a member since 1985. She also has work in the Rental Program at the Winnipeg Art Gallery.

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

Custodial History:

The original photographs in accession 10-2009 are in the custody of Maureen Johnson in Winnipeg, MB. Copies were digitally scanned by Johnson and sent to the Archives in March 2009. The 1921 photographs of Brandon College students were given to Johnson by Eileen McKenzie, her aunt, who attended Brandon College at that time. The photos of Sarah Persis Darrach (Johnson's great-aunt and maternal grandmother's sister) are from her family albums.

All of the records in accession 14-2009, except for the 1920 Quill and the Clark Hall Rules 1912, were collected by Johnson during her time at Brandon College. The Quill issue belonged to Johnson's aunt Eileen McKenzie, a student at Brandon College in the early 1920s. The records were in Johnson's possession at her home until their donation to the McKee Archives in May 2009.

Scope and Content:

Accession 10-2009 consists of seventeen digital photographs. Seven photographs are of Sarah Persis Darrach (nee Johnson), taken primarily during her time as a nursing sister during World War I. Two photographs are of Eileen McKenzie. The remaining photographs depict students and student activities at Brandon College in the early 1920s.

Accession 14-2009 consists of a copy of the sound recording and program for Mr. College Spirit, a musical comedy presented by the Brandon College Literary Board and written by James Struthers and Kenneth Gunning. Accession also includes fifteen photographs from 1953-1954, when Johnson attended Brandon College. Subjects include: Freshie King and Queen; Graduation Banquets (1955, 1956); senior and lady sticks; Jim Casey Trophy; Grand March 1954; Capettes basketball team 1954; Glee Club 1953; Variety Night - Men's Chorus; Caps Football Team; Caps Hockey Team 1954; Cheerleaders 1954; Caps Basketball 1954; and Touques.

Textual records include graduation banquet and commencement programs, news clippings, programs for Variety Night and Be Your Age, a list of football cheers and a copy of the Fall Number of the 1920 Quill. Textual records also include two color photocopies: Clark Hall Rules 1912 and Johnson's Arts and Science Departments, Brandon College Registration card.

Notes:

History/Bio information and Custodial History provided by Maureen Johnson (April 2009). A review of the play, written by Kay Rowe, appeared in the March 6, 1953 issue of the Quill.

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach
 Eileen McKenzie
 Brandon College
 Brandon General Hospital

Subject Access: World War I
 First World War
 student activities
 snowshoeing

Location Original: Maureen Johnson (Winnipeg)

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

Related Material: RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence
 MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds
 MG 2 2.4 James Struthers fonds



England

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9027>

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 10-2009

Item Number: 10-2009.15

Accession Number: 10-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1915

Physical Description: 757 x 1046 (180 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

History /

Biographical:

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Group photograph of four nurses and one male military officer standing in front of a brick building in England where Sarah Persis Johnson was stationed. Johnson is standing on the far right.

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach

Subject Access: First World War
 World War I
 military
 nursing
 medical

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

Related Material:

RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence

MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds

Images





France

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9028>

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 10-2009

Item Number: 10-2009.16

Accession Number: 10-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1915

Physical Description: 1200 x 975 (316 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

History /

Biographical:

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Group photograph of twelve men, most dressed as civilians, and Sarah Persis Johnson in front of the Ward 18 building.

Notes: The building in this photograph may be the same building the Christmas in France (10-2009.14) photograph was taken.

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach

Subject Access: First World War

World War I

military

nursing

medical

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

Related Material: RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence
MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds

Images





Brandon Cross of Sacrifice, Brandon Municipal Cemetery

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13858>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.169

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1926-1928

Physical Description: 5" x 7" (b/w)

Material Details: reproduction

History /

Biographical:

According to Veterans' Affairs Canada, there are 25 Crosses of Sacrifice in North America. The crosses were designed by the Canadian War Graves Commission's (CWGC) architect Sir Reginald Bloomfield, who designed a stone cross affixed with a bronze symbolic sword. The CWGC granted the Brandon Municipal Cemetery permission to privately erect the Cross of Sacrifice in its cemetery in exchange for maintaining the war graves in its cemetery.

The Brandon Great War Veterans Association erected the Cross of Sacrifice in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery in 1924 after a 10-day public fundraising campaign. At the time the Brandon Daily Sun reported that the Veterans Association required \$5,000 to pay for the cross and the campaign ultimately raised \$7,500. The memorial was initially dedicated to the local citizens who died as a result of the First World War.

Custodial History:

Donated to Fred McGuinness by G. Baldock in 1971

Scope and Content:

Photograph is of a memorial service at the Cross of Sacrifice in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery. Members of the public are standing to the north of the cross, while soldiers and veterans stand to the south. A number of wreaths have been placed at the base of the monument.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: 5 prints. Dedication of the war memorial. around 1926-1927-28. I was scout master under Comissioner Harry Booth. P.E.H.

Name Access: Cross of Sacrifice
Brandon Municipal Cemetery

Subject Access: ceremonies
World War One
memorials
monuments
World War I
cemeteries

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

From 2009 loose photos, from File 13

Images



Brandon Cross of Sacrifice, Brandon Municipal Cemetery

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13859>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.170

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1926-1928

Physical Description: 5" x 7" (b/w)

Material Details: reproduction

History /

Biographical:

According to Veterans' Affairs Canada, there are 25 Crosses of Sacrifice in North America. The crosses were designed by the Canadian War Graves Commission's (CWGC) architect Sir Reginald Bloomfield, who designed a stone cross affixed with a bronze symbolic sword. The CWGC granted the Brandon Municipal Cemetery permission to privately erect the Cross of Sacrifice in its cemetery in exchange for maintaining the war graves in its cemetery.

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Private Frank Barker (#33281) died on 27 June 1918. A member of the Canadian Army Medical Corps, Pte. Barker was on the Llandoverly Castle Hospital Ship when it was torpedoed.

Custodial History:

Donated to Fred McGuinness by G. Baldock in 1971

Scope and Content:

Photograph is of a close-up of a number of wreaths laid at the base of the Cross of Sacrifice in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery during a memorial service.

Notes:

Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Winnifred Barker places wreath in memory of Frank Barker (my uncle) 1st Field Ambulance, many decorations including the "Mons Star," lost on the Hospital Ship Llandoverly Castle, 1918. - G. Baldock 1971 -

Name Access: Cross of Sacrifice
Brandon Municipal Cemetery

Subject Access: ceremonies
World War One
memorials
monuments
World War I
cemeteries

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:
From 2009 loose photos, from File 13

Images



Brandon Cross of Sacrifice, Brandon Municipal Cemetery

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13860>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.171

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1926-1928

Physical Description: 5" x 7" (b/w)

Material Details: reproduction

History /

Biographical:

According to Veterans' Affairs Canada, there are 25 Crosses of Sacrifice in North America. The crosses were designed by the Canadian War Graves Commission's (CWGC) architect Sir Reginald Bloomfield, who designed a stone cross affixed with a bronze symbolic sword. The CWGC granted the Brandon Municipal Cemetery permission to privately erect the Cross of Sacrifice in its cemetery in exchange for maintaining the war graves in its cemetery.

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Custodial History:

Donated to Fred McGuinness by G. Baldock in 1971

Scope and Content:

Photograph is of a group of people examining wreaths that have been laid at the base of the Cross of Sacrifice in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery during a memorial service.

Name Access: Cross of Sacrifice
Brandon Municipal Cemetery

Subject Access: ceremonies
World War One
memorials
monuments
World War I
cemeteries

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

From 2009 loose photos, from File 13

Images





Christmas in France

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9026>

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 10-2009

Item Number: 10-2009.14

Accession Number: 10-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1915

Physical Description: 1200 x 748 (220 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

History /

Biographical:

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows staff and possibly patients gathered around a dining table at Christmas.

The table is located in the hospital building. Other patients are visible in their beds. Sarah

Persis Johnson is standing second from the front on the right side of the table.

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach

Subject Access: First World War

World War I

military

nursing

medical

hospital

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

Related Material: RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence

MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds

Images





Mildred (Mollie) Kellet fonds

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

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 8-1999
GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1918; 1941; 1944
Physical Description: 2 cm
History /
Biographical:

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

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

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

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

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

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

Notes: CAIN No. 202659

Subject Access:	George Kellet
	World War I
	D-day
	memoirs
	World War II
Storage Location:	1999 accessions
Storage Range:	1999 accessions



Canadian Officers Training Corps (C.O.T.C.)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8953>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Creator: Photographer: Jerrett's

Description Level: Item

Series Number: MG 1 1.11

Item Number: 8-2009.1

Accession Number: 8-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1942

Physical Description: 5" x 8" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

See RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 11: Brandon College military training programs for history/bio information for the Canadian Officers Training Corps at Brandon College.

Custodial History:

See MG 1 Brandon College Teaching and Administration, 1.11 Martin Johns fonds for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the members of the Brandon College Canadian Officers Training Corps (C.O.T.C.) during World War II. J.R.C. Evans is seated in the middle of the second row. Henry Stewart Perdue is seated to his right.

Notes: "With best wishes, J.R. Evans" is written on the back of the photograph.

Subject Access: Second World War

C.O.T.C.

Storage Location: Photographs: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images



Hubert Weidenhamer collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12347>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 6-2011

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: April 11, 1943 - July 4, 1945
Physical Description: 4 cm textual records (48 letters)
2 photographs
press clippings and several facimiles
Physical Condition: Good

History /

Biographical:

Hubert Clayton Weidenhamer was born near Dand, Manitoba in 1926. He was raised in Dand and attended school in the Dand Consolidated School District. Weidenhamer enlisted in the Canadian Army in 1943. He became a member of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Following training in Canada and England Weidenhamer was sent to Italy. He was badly wounded in battle in mid-September and died of his injuries in November 1944 at age 21. He was buried in the Ancona Military Cemetery, Ancona Italy.

Custodial History:

These records were in the possession of Bea Chapin (née Weidenhamer) following their creation in the 1940s until they were donated to the S. J. McKee Archives in January 2011.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of correspondence from Hubert Clayton Weidenhamer to his sister Bea. The letters begin in the spring of 1943. Weidenhamer had enlisted in the Canadian Army in January 1943. His letters detail his induction into military life in Fort Garry, Winnipeg and his training experience in Canada, principally at Camp Ipperwash, Lambton County, Ontario. He relates his experience of travels on leave to Detroit. Weidenhamer left Canada from Halifax in late 1943 and arrived in Great Britain in December for additional military training. In England, maintaining his morale, waiting for deployment, and coming to terms with British currency were challenges. Transferred to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Weidenhamer was deployed to Italy in March 1944. The letters dating from March 1944 to September relate in oblique fashion his's experience of military life on the Italian frontier as the Canadian Army fought its way north - "hard fighting" - and the impact of the war on Italian cities and the countryside. He was "proud" of his conduct in action. Weidenhamer's last letter is dated September 11, 1944.

Collection also includes correspondence on Weidenhamer's behalf from his military Chaplin; two press clippings dealing with his military career, and several facimiles of telegrams and correspondence from the Canadian government officials related to Weidenhamer's death and burial in Italy.

Notes: Description by Tom Mitchell.
Name Access: Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry
Camp Ipperwash
Princess Pat's
Subject Access: World War II
Second World War
military service
military personnel
Italian theatre
Storage Location: 2011 accessions

Gerry Beaubier collection



<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13541>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 11-2013
GMD: electronic records
Date Range: 1916-1917
Physical Description: 35 digital photographs
Material Details: JPEGs

History /

Biographical:

Gerry Beaubier was born in Wainwright, Alberta to Beatty and Babe Beaubier. He completed his high school in Saskatoon, before receiving a BSc in Geography from Brandon University.

Before attending university Gerry served in the army as a special reserve, while working as a night clerk at the Bessborough Hotel in Saskatoon. His post-graduate career consisted primarily of work for Canada Agriculture, under the PFRA Branch (Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration). Later he would work as an Executive Manager, helping develop forage and range management programs for several post secondary schools, including, Assiniboine Community College, as well as schools in Red Deer, Lethbridge, and Saskatoon.

Gerry Beaubier married Joyce Abercrombie, of Saskatoon. Together they had two sons: Neil and Dean. Neil, an Account Advisor for the Royal Bank, was born in Regina, and currently works in Swift Current. Dean was born in Swift Current, received his PhD in Education and currently lives in Forrest working at Elton Collegiate.

The Beaubiers, who were originally from Ireland, emigrated to the Canadian West, making Gerry part of the fourth generation of his family to call the region home. His great-grandfather, along with his grandfather and great uncle were amongst the first one hundred settlers in Brandon. Together they first built the Beaubier House, a boarding house for early settlers and travellers. After it burnt down they began construction on the Beaubier Hotel, which stood at the corner of 8th Street and Princess Avenue in Brandon until August 17th, 2008. His grandfather, David Wilson Beaubier, continued to build and operate hotels throughout the prairies, including the Empire Hotels (of Brandon and Saskatoon) and The Park (Moose Jaw).

David Wilson Beaubier served as a secretary of the Orange Lodge of Manitoba. As an Orange Lodge Colonel, he worked with other Orange Lodge members, to recruit throughout the prairies for the purpose of World War One. For his efforts, David was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel, and later Captain of the 99th Manitoba Rangers. David's sons (Gerry's father, at University of Manitoba, and uncle at McGill), were both working towards undergraduate degrees when war broke out in 1914, and each would leave school to join their father at Camp Hughes.

Custodial History:

Gerry Beaubier collected these photos primarily in the years 2000-2011, largely from family and friends who knew of his interest in the topic. They were donated to the S.J. McKee Archives in 2011.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of digital photographs of those who trained for battle in World War I at Camp Hughes and in Brandon, Manitoba. It also includes a digital copy of the cover of the Nominal Roll of Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men, who departed from Brandon in 1917.

The photos, taken primarily at Camp Hughes, are of a number of battalions, including the 34th, 100th, 108th, 181st and 214th. The photo, PT in England, is a postcard sent home from Beaty Beaubier. The Massey Harris building seen on the right side of, WW1 B parade0001, was used to house troops throughout the war. The man standing alone at the front of the parade in, 181 Parade, is David Wilson Beaubier.

Notes: Information for the biographical and custodial histories was provided by Gerry Beaubier on September 25, 2013. Description by Dustin Lane (October 2013).

Name Access: Gerald Beaubier
Gerry Beaubier
Beaubier family
Camp Hughes
Brandon, MB
Lieut. D. Slemin
Capt. C. Smith
Capt. J. Strong
Capt. Ridgeway
Lieut. W. Smith
Lieut. T. Williams
Lieut. H. Craig
Capt. S.R. Wallace
Lieut. D.H. Beaubier
David Wilson Beaubier
Capt. E.L. Abbott
Major E.R.C. Wilcox
Major N.F. McCahey
Lt.-Col. Sutherland
Lt.-Col. Foster
Major Lawless
Major Collier
Capt. J.D. Young
Capt. A.E. Vanderpump
Capt. J.E. West
Capt. Munro
Lieut. Watson
Lieut. Johnstone
Lieut. McIntosh
Lieut. Cherry
Lieut. Bryan
Lieut. J.L. Evans
Lieut. J. Kavanaugh

Lieut. I. Vipond
Capt. Rutherford
Lieut. Cluff
Capt. Maples
Lieut. Lane
Lieut. E.C. Whitehead
Lieut. R. Carleton
Lieut. B.F. Beaubier
Fincher
Lieut. Beaver
Lieut. McCool
Lieut. A.P. Milk
Lieut. Joseph Hardy
Lieut. K. Spencer
Lieut. J. Faulkner
Lieut. F. Keall
181st Battalion
181st Brandon Overseas Battalion Band
A. Gov. Lines 108th
No. 13 Platoon 108th Battalion
184th Battalion
34th Fort Garry
100th Battalion
214th Battalion
108th Signallers
Stretcher Bearer Section 108th
Machine Gun Section 108th Battalion
181st Brandon Overseas Battalion

Subject Access:	armed forces military personnel barracks public ceremonies downtown historic sites railroads military services parades regional parks passenger trains Veterans railway stations train stations restaurants food services war World War I World War One First World War The Great War
Storage Location:	T: drive/shared 02/web photos



Fred McGuinness in navy uniform with mother

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13903>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.213

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1940s

Physical Description: 2.5" x 3.5" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph is a portrait of Fred McGuinness in his Canadian navy uniform posing in front of his family home with his mother, Isabella.

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

Isabella Louisa Pope

Isabella Louisa McGuinness

Royal Canadian Navy

Subject Access: portraits

uniforms

World War II

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #2

Images





Navy ship at dock

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13939>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.11
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1940s
Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (b/w)
Material Details: postcard
Physical Condition: Bottom right corner of photograph is bent

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a docked ship, possibly the HMCS Alachasse. Naval flags fly from the mast and a sailor is at the bow of the ship. A naval officer is standing on the dock near a parked vehicle.

Name Access: HMCS Alachasse
Royal Canadian Navy
Subject Access: military
World War II
ships
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)
Arrangement:
Loose photos in funny trunk

Images





Sailors on board ship

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13940>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.12
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1940s
Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (b/w)
Physical Condition: Photograph is torn and ripped
Scope and Content:

Photograph shows two sailors on the port-side of a ship, possibly the HMCS Alachasse.

Name Access: HMCS Alachasse
Royal Canadian Navy

Subject Access: military
World War II
ships

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

Loose photos in funny trunk

Images





David Sommerville Charleson fonds

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4827>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 21-1997
GMD: textual records
Date Range: November 8, 1915
Physical Description: 2 mm (1 two-page letter -- 1 letter with envelope)

History /

Biographical:

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

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

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

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



David Wilson aboard the HMS Alachasse

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13904>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.214

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1940

Physical Description: 3.5" x 4.75" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows David Wilson holding a fish on deck of the HMS Alachasse

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: HMS Alachasse 1940,
Leading Staker, David Wilson

Name Access: HMS Alachasse

Subject Access: fishing
military personnel
World War II

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #2

Images



Frederick Gallagher McGuinness WWI portrait

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13929>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection



Creator: Photographer: Campbell's Winnipeg
Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.1
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1917-1919
Physical Description: 5" x 7.75" (b/w)
Material Details: under matting

History /

Biographical:

Frederick Gallagher McGUINNESS (b. 1891 – d. 23 May 1968) was born in Ottawa, Ontario. While in Brandon, he was a student (1911) and secretary of Boys' Work for the YMCA in 1913. He moved to Winnipeg where he graduated from the Manitoba Medical College in 1917. On 3 December 1917, Lieutenant F.G. McGuinness enlisted with the Canadian Army Medical Corps in Winnipeg. He served in France with the Royal Army Medical Corps and was a Medical Officer attached with the Ninth Royal Irish Fusiliers. Lt. McGuinness survived the war and returned to Winnipeg where he married Myrtle Eva White in Winnipeg on 12 September 1922. They would have a son Jim "Jimmy" and a daughter Elizabeth (Shannon). Dr. McGuinness practiced in Obstetrics and Gynecology and taught at the University of Manitoba's Medical School from 1923 onwards. He was instrumental in helping his nephew, Frederick George McGuinness return to school after he was injured in the Second World War. Dr. McGuinness died in Winnipeg at the Deer Lodge Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a WWI portrait of Frederick Gallagher McGuinness (Fred McGuinness' uncle) in a Canadian Army Medical Corps (CAMC) officer's uniform.

Name Access: Frederick Gallagher McGuinness
Canadian Army Medical Corps
CAMC
Subject Access: portraits
World War I
military officers
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)
Arrangement:
From loose photos, funny trunk

Images

