

S. J. McKee Archives



BC 5: Brandon College Senate

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Series
Series Number:	5
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1900-1967
Physical Description:	60 cm

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon College Senate was created in 1900 under "An Act to Incorporate Brandon College." At the time, however, the Senate was not given a clear policy mandate. The Act stated: The Professors in said College, together with three members of the Board of Directors nominated by the said Board for that purpose, shall constitute the Senate, to whom shall be entrusted the reception, academical superintendence and discipline of the students and of all other persons within the said College.

Despite general authority over the discipline of students, measures to enforce discipline and the power to appoint or remove professors rested with the Baptist Convention. As a result, the Senate remained largely ineffective until 1910 when the Board re-defined their function as follows: The Senate be composed of the Council of the College together with three members appointed by the Board of Directors. That this body shall be responsible for all matters that concern the determination of the curriculum, the recommendations to the Board regarding appointments of instructors in subjects otherwise specifically assigned to individual members of the several faculties.

These new powers provided the Senate with a rational boundary of authority including some control over the curriculum, but its main function was still recommendations to the Board on matters concerning faculty. There are no known documents regarding the Brandon College Council, which existed from 1910 to 1915. Affiliation with McMaster was a contentious issue with faculty. Courses had to correspond with those in McMaster, effectively eliminating the Brandon College Senate from its authority over academic matters.

In 1915 the Senate was re-organized following the "Act to Amend An Act to Incorporate Brandon College." With this reorganization the Senate assumed a more direct role in the selection of faculty and tutors. As well, the Senate became a stronger advisory body of the faculty.

The Brandon College Senate remained relatively unchanged until 1939 when, under by-law 1, the Board defined the Senate functions as:

Power to regulate instructions and to determine the methods and limits of instructors.

To prepare a calendar of the College for publication.

To recommend to the Board the establishment or abolition of, or any changes in departments, chairs, lecture-ships, bursaries, scholarships and prizes, and generally have charge of all matters of an academic character, but shall not have any power to incur any expenditures or liabilities on behalf of the Corporation until specifically authorized by resolution of the Directors, nor shall their powers be construed as authority to engage teachers for the Corporation.

Along with these functions the Senate was also the body that possessed the binding authority to deal with all academic grievances.

The Senate under the new Charter and by-law 1, consisted of the President, Chairman of the Board, seven members from the faculty (including President and Registrar), and six members from the Alumni. The Registrar was to act as Secretary.

The Senate was changed once more in 1959. This change led to a more significant role in the administration of Brandon College.

Scope and Content:

These records consist mainly of minutes from various faculty council and executive meetings from 1900 to 1942 including Arts, Science and Theology faculties. Included as well are Minutes of the Ministerial Committee of the Baptist Union of Western Canada As well, there are University of Manitoba Senate Minutes dating from 1950 to 1958.

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BC 6: Office of the college dean

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4248

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Series
Series Number:	6
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1925-1967
Physical Description:	32 cm
History /	
Biographical:	

The Brandon College Dean was the head of the College in the absence of the President. It was created in 1925 after the sudden passing of Dr. Sweet. Dr. Harris MacNeill, who had been Dean in Arts up until that time assumed the position of College Dean. The duties of the College Dean were as follows:

1. In the absence of the President of the College he shall exercise the functions of the President in relation to all "inside" College matters; it being understood that frequently it may be necessary for him to exercise his personal judgment apart from anything that may be specified in this memorandum.

2. With respect to matters of special importance arising unexpectedly he shall consult with the Chairman of the Board, or by telegram with the President, or both.

3. All questions arising that have a direct connection with the "business" aspects of College affairs shall naturally be referred to the Chairman of the Board, or the President, or both.

4. In the absence of the President he shall preside at all Faculty meetings, Committee meetings of which the President is Chairman, and shall attend meetings of Committees of which the President is an ex-officio member.

5. In the President's absence he shall preside at the regular Chapel Exercises and at special College gatherings in the Chapel at which the President would naturally be expected to preside.

6. He shall also keep in touch with the work of the several departments of the College and shall consult frequently with the Heads of such departments.

7. While the Lady Principal and the Resident Master are responsible for the detailed administration and discipline of the College life and activities of Clark Hall and Brandon College respectively, the College Dean shall have the absent President's responsibility for the general discipline of the College in respect of the students' relation to Courses of Study, Corridor, Campus, etc.

8. That the President when absent may be kept in touch with the work of the Institution it is desirable that the College Dean keep him informed of the more important happenings and problems with College life.

9. Throughout the Session the College Dean shall be Registering Head of the Arts Department.

The position of College Dean continued until 1952. In 1952 the position became known as the Dean of Arts and Science. In 1963, another change occurred, with the two departments going separate ways. From that time on there was both a Dean of Arts and a Dean of Science.

BRANDON COLLEGE DEANS:

HARRIS LACHLAN MACNEILL (1925, 1926-1928)

Dr. MacNeill was born in Paisley, ON on November 29 or 30, 1871, the son of Rev. Donald and Amanda (Hemenway) MacNeill. He received his B.A. from McMaster University in 1894. He was also educated at the Ontario College of Pedagogy and the University of Toronto. From 1895 until 1898 he was a teacher at Woodstock College. In 1899 he married Anne Hatch. From 1899 until 1903 he was a professor of Latin at Washburn College in Topeka, Kansas. In 1903 he accepted an offer to teach Latin and German at Brandon College. In 1909 he was a Professor of the New Testament, Language and Literature, as well as Resident Master. Dr. MacNeill was the Academy Principal for two years. He then received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1911. MacNeill acted as the Dean of Arts from 1912 until 1930. Dr. MacNeill was the central figure in the scandal involving Brandon College in the early 1920's. The Fundamentalist Baptists accused Brandon College, and Dr. MacNeill especially, of teaching Modernist views. He was absolved of any charges at the 1924 Baptist Convention in Chicago.

Dr. MacNeill was Acting President of Brandon College after Dr. Sweet died for the period from January 1925 until Dr. Bovington was hired in August 1925. After Dr. Bovington resigned in May of 1926, Dr. MacNeill again accepted the position of Acting President from May 1926 until April 3, 1928, when he retired as College Dean. Dr. MacNeill taught Latin and Greek for two more years then retired from Brandon College in 1930. He accepted a position at Fairview Church in Vancouver, B.C. where he remained until 1932. In 1932 he was offered a teaching position at McMaster University. He married his second wife, Vera Leech, in 1939. He remained at McMaster teaching New Testament Interpretation until 1943 when he retired. Dr. MacNeill was the first person to receive an honorary degree from Brandon University in 1967. He continued to do religious research until his eyesight failed at age 97. On January 15, 1974, Dr. MacNeill died at the Chedoke Hospital at the age of 102.

JOHN ROBERT CHARLES EVANS (1928)

Information on J.R.C. Evans can be found under the heading Office of the President.

W. BURTON HURD (1929-1935)

No biographical information yet.

C.F. RICHARDS (1935-1937)

Information on C.F. Richards can be found under the heading Office of the Registrar.

REV. EVAN M. WHIDDEN (1937-1938)

See MG 1 Brandon College Teaching and Administration, 1.8 Evan McDonald Whidden fonds

for biographical information and additional records related to Rev. Evan M. Whidden.

A. HAYWARD FOSTER (1938-1939)

No biographical information yet.

F.J. WESTCOTT (1939-1945)

Frederick James Westcott was born in Douglas, Manitoba. He began taking classes in the Academy at Brandon College in 1918. He entered the Arts course in 1921 and specialized in Political Economy. He received the Special Political Economy Medal in his final year. He was very active on committees and associations, as well as sports. Westcott served as the Senior Stick during the school term 1924-1925. He graduated with his B.A. from Brandon College in 1925.

Westcott received the position of Student Assistant in the Academy the following year. He left soon after to pursue post-graduate work. He received his M.A. in economics from Harvard and spent two years at the University of Toronto on a teaching scholarship in economics, completing the course work leading to the Ph.D. degree. In 1929, he returned to Brandon College and took up the position of Associate Professor of Political Economy. It was also in 1929, that Westcott married Rose Vasey, a 1926 Brandon College graduate. The following year, Westcott was the Resident Master of Brandon College, as well as being an Instructor in Political Economy and Sociology. The Resident Master position only lasted the one school year. He accepted the post of Acting Dean of Arts and Science in 1939. From 1942 until 1945 he was away on military leave with the National War Finance Committee. He resigned from the position of College Dean in 1945. From 1945 on Westcott and his family resided in Toronto. He died suddenly in 1961.

HENRY STEWART PERDUE (1947-1952)

Dr. Perdue was born in 1904 near Souris. He graduated from the Souris Collegiate in 1920. After working several odd jobs, Dr. Perdue entered Brandon College in 1924. He graduated with his B.A. in 1928. After graduation, Dr. Perdue was hired as a teacher in the Academic Department. He received his M.A. in 1930, and went on to receive his Ph.D. in Geology from the University of Chicago. In 1930, Dr. Perdue became the Director of the Matriculation Department as well as an Instructor in Geology. In 1931, he took over the position of Resident Master. In 1937, he married Ella May Higgens, who was the Resident Nurse. From 1938 until 1948, Dr. Perdue acted as Registrar of Brandon College.

In 1947, Dr. Perdue accepted the position of College Dean. This position ran until 1952, when it was changed to the position of Dean of Arts and Science. Dr. Perdue also held this position until 1962, when the office separated into the Dean of Arts and the Dean of Science. Dr. Perdue continued in the position of Dean of Science until 1967. After Dr. Evans death in July of 1959, Dr. Perdue became Acting President. He held this position from August 1959 until August 1960, when Dr. Robbins was appointed President. Dr. Perdue retired from teaching Geology in 1973. He died on December 22, 1979 at the age of 75.

DEAN OF ARTS AND SCIENCE:

H.S. PERDUE (1952-1963)

Information on H.S. Perdue can be found under the heading College Dean.

DEAN OF ARTS

R.F.B. KING (1963 - Brandon University)

Information on R.F.B. King can be found under RG 6 Brandon University fonds, sub-sub series 7.1.1 Dean of Arts.

DEAN OF SCIENCE:

H.S. PERDUE (1963-1967)

Information of H.S. Perdue can be found under the heading College Dean.

Scope and Content:

The series consists of records from MacNeill's term as College Dean (1921-1928). It also includes correspondence during the time that MacNeill was Acting President. It contains letters to and from MacNeill regarding examinations, students, business, and finances. Some earlier letters also include correspondence regarding the controversy MacNeill was in during the Baptist Fundamentalist/Modernist Debate in the early 1920's.

Records from Evans' term as Acting Dean have been included in his Presidents' files. There are no records from the terms of the other College Deans, except R.F.B. King; his records have been encorporated into RG 6 (Brandon University fonds), 7.1.1 (Dean of Arts).

Storage Location:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds	
	Series 6: Office of the College Dean	
Related Material:	RG 6, sub sub series 7.1.1 (Dean of Arts) for additional Dean's records	
	and RG 6, series 9 (Department of Extension) for additional records	
	related to H.S. Perdue.	



BC 7: Brandon College Alumni Association

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Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Series
Series Number:	7
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1912-1967
Physical Description:	13 cm
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Biographical:

The Brandon College Alumni Association was created in the spring of 1912. The Arts Class of 1912, the Theological graduates and also the Ad Eundem graduates met together with old graduates who were in the city. It was decided to form an Alumni Association of Brandon College open to all Arts and Theological graduates, past, present and future, as well as those admitted Ad Eundem. An executive was elected, Reverend J.C. Bowen of Winnipeg being appointed President, and J. Dempsey, Class of 1912, Secretary. The matter of drawing up a constitution was left to the executive.

A meeting was held by the executive on November 21, 1912 in order to discuss membership into the Association. A resolution was eventually passed that approved the basis set down the previous spring: All Arts, Theological and Ad Eundem graduates were to be admitted into the Association.

The Alumni Association was created by students in order for graduates and former students of Brandon College to maintain contact with the College and each other and to promote the College's interests.

The Alumni Association's activities included: publication of the quarterly Alumni News, mailed to all members and associate members; administration of the Alumni-contributed \$17 000 J.R.C. Evans (Memorial) Student Loan Fund, providing interest free loans to worthy students; representation on Brandon College Board of Directors; contributions to College expansion; organization of Association branches in major cities and of social events for Alumni members.

Scope and Content:

The records of the Alumni include newsletters, "Alumni News," and various other documents dealing with the association.

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds Series 7: Brandon College Alumni Association



BC 8: Brandon College Students Association

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Series
Series Number:	8
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1905-1967
Physical Description:	approx. 65.5 cm
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Biographical:

The first organization involving the students of Brandon College was created in 1899 or 1900. It was entitled the Literary Society. This society was run by students and faculty to cultivate literary and musical gifts and to provide training in public speaking and in the transaction of business. In 1901, a College branch of the Y.W.C.A. was formed as well as a Students' Missionary organization. A College branch of the Y.M.C.A. followed in 1902. The Brandon College Athletic Association was created in 1904 to direct the affairs of the various athletic games.

The first idea of a Student Council-type organization began in 1906 with the creation of the Students' Committee. This committee was created in order to develop a worthy College spirit and to promote a worthy College life.

"A committee of five students shall be appointed annually early in the college session whose office it shall be to confer with the Resident Master on matters pertaining to residential life, and with the Faculty on matters pertaining to the general life of the College. This committee shall consist of five members, three resident and two non-resident. In matters relating to the residence the three resident students alone shall act. This committee shall represent the Student Body in any matters in which that body may wish to confer with the Faculty, or may of its own motion confer with the faculty on any subject thought to be of interest in promoting proper College life."

In 1909 the Debating Society was created for training in public speaking. A Publications Committee was created in 1910 to publish the new student magazine, The Quill. The Students' Committee became known as the Student Council in 1915. Also in 1915, a Committee on College Activities was formed. This consisted of the President, two faculty members and two students. It was appointed by arrangement of the College Council each year to regulate the various activities of College life. It became known as the Functions Committee in 1921.

The 1920-1921 College Calendar is the first calendar that mentions the Brandon College Students Association. It states under the heading of Student Organizations that:

"The Literary and Debating Societies, the Athletic Association, the Y.M.C.A. and the Y.W.C.A. are integral parts of the Brandon College Students' Association, and are managed by committees appointed by the Association."

1921 saw the formation of the Students' Christian Movement which replaced the Y.M.C.A. and the Y.W.C.A. Under the Students' Christian Movement group, students held weekly devotional and educational services, and conducted Bible and mission study classes.

The 1936-1937 College Calendar shows that a change took place that year in the student council. Instead of just five students of the College being elected to the Council, there are now two separate councils. The calendar states that:

"The students of the men's and of the womens' residences appoint annually a representative committee of five, whose function it is to consider the interests of College life from the point of view of the residence body, conferring with the Faculty when necessary."

Although these groups of five were known as the student council, there was a Student Executive of the Brandon College Students Association that was a separate entity. It consisted of the Senior Stick, the Lady Stick (since 1923), the heads of various boards, and the class presidents. This governing student body continued until 1966 when it underwent an extensive reorganization. During that year, the positions of Senior and Lady Sticks were abolished so that the elected student president could be a man or a woman. This president would be assisted by elected 'sticks' from each faculty of Arts, Science, Education and Music. This form of government continued until 1967, when Brandon College became Brandon University.

Scope and Content:

The Student Association files cover a wide variety of topics and consist mainly of minutes from various student groups and clubs on the Brandon College campus. The records are a first hand look at how student governments were run during the Brandon College era.

Series has been divided into twenty four sub-series, including: (1) Lady Stick's Notes; (2) Memorial Gymnasium Book; (3) Minutes (Literary Board); (4) Expansion Fund Committee; (5) Athletic Board Finance; (6) Finance Board; (7) Main Executive Committee; (8) Functions Committee; (9) Athletic Association/Athletic Board; (10) Contemporary Club; (11) Social Science Club; (12) BCSA Records; (13) Co-Ed Association; (14) English Club; (15) Sports Awards; (16) Record of Social Events; (17) Brandon College Ministerial Association; (18) Ledgers; (19) Freshie Week Committee; (20) Arts Banquet Committee; (21) French Club; (22) Intervarsity Night Report; (23) Publications Committee; and (24) Student Missionary Band.

 Storage Location:
 RG 1 Brandon College fonds

 Series 8: Brandon College Students Association

 Related Material:
 RG 6 (Brandon University fonds), series 14 (BUSU - Brandon University Students Union).



Lady Stick's notes

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4251

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.1
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1938-1965
Physical Description:	7 cm

Scope and Content:

These records consist of notes that Lady Sticks have written regarding functions during their term in office. The records contain suggestions for future Lady Sticks on how to deal with certain aspects of the job.

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Memorial gymnasium book

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4252

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.2
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1923-1932
Physical Description:	7 cm

Scope and Content:

This book contains the minutes of Memorial Gymnasium Committee meetings during the years 1923 to 1932. There is also a subscription card within the book.

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds Series 8: Brandon College Students Association



Minutes

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds	
Description Level:	Sub-series	
Series Number:	8.3	
GMD:	textual records	
Date Range:	1919-1967, 1948-1965	
Physical Description:	9 cm	
Scope and Content:		
These are the minutes of meetings of the Literary Board.		
Subject Access:	literary board	
Storage Location:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds Series 8: Brandon College Students Association	



Expansion Fund Committee

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4254

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds	
Description Level:	Sub-series	
Series Number:	8.4	
GMD:	textual records	
Date Range:	1959-1962	
Physical Description:	1 cm	
Scope and Content:		
Includes minutes of the Expansion Fund committee.		
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Athletic board finance

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4255

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.5
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1935-1951
Physical Description:	2 cm
Scope and Content:	

These records are a financial statement for the Athletic Board. It includes all expenditures and credits for the years included.

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Finance board

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4256

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds	
Description Level:	Sub-series	
Series Number:	8.6	
GMD:	textual records	
Date Range:	1943-1967	
Physical Description:	2.5 cm	
Scope and Content:		
These include the minutes of Finance Board meetings.		
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Main Executive Committee

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4257

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds	
Description Level:	Sub-series	
Series Number:	8.7	
GMD:	textual records	
Date Range:	1931-1945, 1957-1967	
Physical Description:	8.5 cm	
Scope and Content:		
These are the minutes from the meetings of the Main Executive of the Student Association.		
Subject Access:	Student Association	
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Functions Committee

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4258

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.8
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1923-1935, 1945-1950
Physical Description:	3 cm

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Biographical:

This committee was in charge of deciding which students would be allowed to join extra-mural clubs and committees based on satisfactory schoolwork. The committee consisted of the President, faculty and students.

Scope and Content:

This file contains minutes from the meetings of the Functions Committee.

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Athletic Assocaition/Athletic board

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4259

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.9
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1919-1933, 1947-1958
Physical Description:	7 cm

Scope and Content:

These are the minutes from the meetings of the Athletic Association and the Athletic Board.

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Contemporary club

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4260

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.10
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1942-1945
Physical Description:	0.5 cm
Scope and Content:	
Minutes from the meetings of the Contemporary Club.	
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Social science club

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.11
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1945-1946
Physical Description:	0.3 cm
Scope and Content:	
Minutes from Social Science Club meetings.	
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Brandon College Student Association records

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4262

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.12
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1948-1957
Physical Description:	1.5 cm

Scope and Content:

Consists of the BCSA constitution, electoral procedure documents, nomination forms, the Brandon College Crests and Awards Board constitution, the Brandon College Finance Board constitution, the Brandon College Athletic Board/Athletic Council constitution, the Brandon College Board of Publications constitution, the Brandon College Literary Board constitution, the Sigma Mu constitution, and BCSA statistical summary of Committee meetings.

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Co-Ed Association

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4263

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds	
Description Level:	Sub-series	
Series Number:	8.13	
GMD:	textual records	
Date Range:	1936-1945	
Scope and Content:		
Minutes from the meetings of the Co-Ed Association, a club formed by members of Clark Hall.		

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English club

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4264

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.14
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1933-1940
Physical Description:	1 cm
Scope and Content:	
Minutes from meetings of the English Club.	
Storage Location:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
	Series 8: Brandon College Students Association



Sports awards

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4265

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.15
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1919-1923
Physical Description:	1.5 cm
Scope and Content:	
A book containing the	ne names of those who won events during the College Field Day.

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Record of social events

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4266

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	8.16
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1916-1930
Physical Description:	2 cm

Scope and Content:

Consists of a record of social affairs to be kept for reference listing various social events along with the preparations for and activities at each event.

Storage Location:

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