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Henri Francq fonds

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Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Sub-series
Series Number: MG 3 1.8
Accession Number: 12-1999

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1965-1990

Physical Description: 81.5 cm

Physical Condition: Excellent

History / Biographical:

Henri Georges Francq was born September 11, 1904 in Charleroi, Belgium. He was educated at Licencie L.S.C. in Antwerp (1924) before joining he father's import/export firm. He lived in France, Algeria and Spain before emigrating to Canada in the early 1960s. Francq obtained Canadian citizenship in 1975.

In 1963-1964, Francq taught French at Swan River Collegiate, before joining the faculty of Brandon University in 1964. For the next ten years Francq taught French, Linguistics and French Literature, and from 1970-1972 he was Acting Head of the Department of French. Francq also organized serveral French festivals in Brandon and lectures of visiting professors from France and the University of Alberta, and introduced the program of Voix et Images de France at Brandon University. After his retirement in 1974, he was accorded the status of Professor Emeritus (French).

During his career Francq was also the head of the Department of French at the Banff Summer School of Fine Arts (1968), and invited to give lectures and poetry recitals (in French) at: St. Boniface College; the University of Calgary; the University of Regina; the University of Saskatchewan (Saskatoon); Simon Fraser University; the University of Victoria; and the University of Western Ontario. In addition to these activities, Francq was also a prolific writer; he is the author of approximately fourteen fiction and non-fiction books in both English and French, as well as numerous articles. His wide interests included satire and history, as well as ficition.

Henri Francq, who was survived by his wife Yvonne, died in Brandon on May 5, 1991.

Custodial History:

The records in accession 12-1999 were donated to the McKee Archives in May 1990.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of correspondence, original manuscripts and published versions of fiction, non-fiction works and research materials.

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Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration

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