

S. J. McKee Archives



Robert Troy Blair fonds

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Accession Number:	18-2013
GMD:	multiple media
Date Range:	September 1950 - June 1954
Physical Description:	2 scrapbooks (7.5 cm)
Physical Condition:	Excellent

History /

Biographical:

Robert (Bob) Troy Blair was born on March 11, 1930 in Brandon, MB. His first six years were spent in Alexander, MB, where his father and uncle operated a grocery store. In 1936, his family moved to Souris, MB, where his father ran a grocery store. Blair received his primary and high school education, with the exception of Grade 12, in Souris.

Blair remembers his school years in Souris as mainly happy years. He was involved with both piano and organ music lessons. he was never interested in physical sports with the exception of golf. World War II broke out in September of 1939. Souris became the site of #17 SFTS and home base for the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan. Many of the service men came from England, Australia and New Zealand. Blair's mother always entertained at least two for dinner every Sunday. Rationing of sugar, tea and coffee, butter and meat became a way of life. Blair had the job every Saturday of pasting the ration coupons into booklets. It was also when he was in Grade 6, that Blair realized he was more attracted to boys than to girls. Perhaps it was because so many attractive airmen surrounded him!

In November of 1947, the Blair family relocated to Alexander where Bob Blair finished his Grade 11. This was not a good year due to bullying. In September of 1948, Blair moved to Winnipeg to attend United College for his Grade 12. Upon completion of Grade 12, Blair remained in Winnipeg until June 1950. he worked at a number of businesses - Gestetner, Eaton's Mail Order shoe department, Maple Leaf Milling, and the drug store in the Medical Arts Building. In September 1950, he entered Brandon College. Blair was very active in extracurricular affairs while at Brandon College; particularly drama. Following his B.A. he enrolled in the Education Faculty, having decided to become a teacher.

Blair's teaching career spanned 34 years. All but one year was spent in the Brandon School Division. On his first day of teaching in the Division he met the man with whom he would spend the next 46 years. He was primarily a teacher of English and Music. A highlight of his career was exchange teaching in Sacramento, California in 1961. Orientation for exchange took place in August in Washington, D.C., where Blair had the opportunity to meet President J.F. Kennedy. He vividly recals the morning that JFK was assassinated on November 22, 1963. In September 1965, Blair assumed the principalship of Park School and in September of 1969, the same position at George Fitton School where re remained until his retirement in 1989. He was a member of the Brandon Picnipals' Association, the National Association of Elementary School Principals, and servedas President of the Brandon Teachers' Association. Among his major accomplishments during his time as principal were the introduction of a centralized school library in both Park and George Fitton Schools and the integration of special needs students into regular classroom situations wherever possible. He was made a Life Member of the Manitoba Teachers' Society (Brandon) in June 1990. Following his retirement Blair worked as a Library Automation Consultant (1989-1993).

Blair also had numerous community involvements during his time in Brandon. he was active in the Brandon Little Theatre (Best Actor Award, Manitoba Drama Festival for One Act Plays in 1963), the Brandon Festival of the Arts, the Eckhardt-Gramatte National Music Competition, and Arm Industries to name a few.

Following the death of his partner in 2001, Blair moved to Saskatoon to live with a younger gay couple. He has been active in volunteerism: as an Ambassador for the Saskatoon Airport Authority, assistant with the Saskatoon Health Region's Immunization Clinics, information clerk for the Festival of Trees, data entry clerk for the Saskatoon Music Festival, on the Board of the Saskatoon Jazz Society, and Hospitality Coordinator for the Saskatoon Jazz Festival.

As of October 2013, Bob Blair continues to live in Saskatoon, SK.

Custodial History:

Records were in Blair's possession until he donated them to the Mckee Archives on Homecoming weekend October 2013.

Scope and Content:

Notes:

Fonds consists of two scrapbooks containing 145 photographs and ephemera (play and graduation programs, tickets, pins, newspaper clippings) documenting Bob Blair's days at Brandon College. Social events and extra-curricular activities are heavily featured in the two scrapbooks. Also included are graduation portraits for the Classes of 1951, 1952 and 1953. Of the 145 photographs all are black and white except for two photos of the Class of '53 reconvocation (May 1993), and one from the Class of '53 reunion (2003).

History/Bio provided by Bob Blair (October 2013). Name Access: Brandon College Angus Jackson Pat Magnacca Freshie Week Senior Stick Lady Stick Harvest Cabaret Sigma Mu Glee Club Bob Blair Jack Yeomans Walter Dinsdale Don Cronk Bob McPherson Lorne Watson Marg Sanderson Hazel Turnbull Claudia Dickey Gordon Bradley Terry Prysiazniuk **Diane Lissaman** Joan Garnett **Doris Penstock Dianne Macdonald** lvey Graham Joyce Pickard Cathy Crawford Roberta Wilkie Marie Kullberg Isabel Lyon Shirley Pryce J.R.C. Evans Marjorie Kyles Jo Thordarson Ross George

Edward Perry **Ernest Birkinshaw Barney Thordarson** Fall Formal Variety Night Installation Night Paul McKinnon The Saga of Brandon **Bill White** Ron Bell Jerry Jerret Rosa Ziolkowski Murray Smith Class of 1951 Harold Moffat **Bill Sutherland** Murray Coulthard Frank Adamski John McLean Jack Medd Jack Muir Bill Fraser Ken Morrison Clifford Kitson Ray Brown Mike Doig Ernie Shaw Jack Scott Doreen Dennison Lois Kennedy Lorna Prokaska Ferne Henderson Doreen Fedoruk Marg Leckie Freshie Parade Helen Batho Fred Calverly Jim Crawford Verda Peden Olga Evasko Betty Finch Fred Schwarok Jim Struthers Muriel Bedford John Brown

Freshie Royalty **Booster Night** Mary Jane Sexton Marilyn Rust Mildred McMurray Mary-Jane MacLachlan George Leask George Jakubowski Jack Purvis My Sister Eileen Edith Laycock Ivey Robbins Ken Campbell Mac Andrews Marion Simmons Arnold Minish Madeline Irving Ernie Criddle Don Dillistone Gordon Hunter Cathy Nelson Jim Kelleher Anne Kelleher Neil McKellar Ron Doupe Bruce Watson Neil MacKay Peter Prokaska Roger Ramsden Bill Bridgett Graham Hunt John Muirhead David Brodie Murray MacDonald Dr. Kidd Cam Finlay Blair MacRae Donna McPhail Louise Hoey Agnes Nicholson Jean Allan Joan Urie Royce Richardson Don Rousell **Bill Black**

Ken McNeeley Rosalie Prokopchuk Jean Morrison Jacice Forrest Fuzz Fedoruk **Brian Davison** Joan MacLachlan First International Relations Club Conference Minot Teachers' College International Peace Gardens Bruce McIlroy Jean Shingfield Campaign Week Sigma Mu Dance Arnold Wawruch Jack Meyers Jack Hilton **Bev Francis** Bert Gogol Dick McDonald Frank McKinnon Stuart Craig John Blackwood Norman Hedison Bob Hilton John Minions Kay Oliver Mary Jane MacLachlan Ben Ward Ken Gunning **Trevor McNeely** Hilton Stewart Jerry Graham **Bette Mitchell** Joan Curlock Faye Myers Jean Hannah Mary Babuick Mr. College Spirit John Augustus McGee Don Dillstone Flora Johnson Del Gusdal Color Night Don Burrows

Jim Casey Trophy Marj Kyles Prince Edward Hotel Class Day Dahl Harvey Shirley Mitchell Al Burton Irving Bateman Joyce Marie Thordarson Eileen McFadden Patricia Pope Louise Astle Ariel Genik Western Canada Student Teacher Conference Brandon College Glee Club Be Your Age lke Prokaska Joan Hilton Fred Lynch Garth Kidd **Ivy Robbins** Joyce Dunham Shirley Popple Grand March Westley Wong Stewart Perdue H.V. Kidd J.E.M. Young Adelene Bailey Mrs. Evans Dennis Anderson Stanley Knowles Edward Schreyer Lou Visentin

Subject Access: Student government initiations student activities dances basketball talent shows drama productions major productions Hockey graduations programs parades dorm rooms student housing literary "B's" college letters class flags banquets Storage Location: 2013 accessions



Registration Day

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions1709

Part Of:	Brandon University Photograph Collection
Description Level:	ltem
Series Number:	6
Item Number:	6.7.8
GMD:	graphic
Date Range:	post-1963
Physical Description:	5.25" x 7.25" (b/w)
Physical Condition:	Left side of the photograph has been trimmed.
Scope and Content:	

Photograph of three female students registaring as as residents of the Women's Residence at Brandon University. Behind counter: Flora Cowan.

Name Access:	Flora Cowan
Subject Access:	registration
	student activities
	campus life
Storage Location:	Faculty activities photo box

Images





Marionne Scott fonds

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	MG 2 2.29
Accession Number:	23-2008, 3-2009

GMD:	multiple media
Date Range:	1926-1934; 1941
Physical Description:	1 photograph album
	1 graduate's book
Physical Condition:	Very good

History /

Biographical:

Marion (Marionne) Louise Scott was born January 13, 1913 at Ste. S, Parkview Block, Brandon, MB to Annie Louisa Lawson and David Henry (Harry) Scott. She attended St. Michael's Academy and Brandon College (Arts, Class of 1933), graduating with a teching certificate. At some point following her graduation she moved to Toronto, living with her Aunt and Uncle Olive and Keith Murphy, while working for Massey Harris. Eventually Marionne became Private Secretary to the president James Duncan. She also worked with E.P. Taylor and Colonel Phillips during her duration with the company.

Marionne met her husband Robert (Roy) Warden Jamieson through friends at the Parkdale Canoe Club, which is now the Boulevard Club on Lakeshore Avenue in Toronto. They were married on December 26, 1944. Following their retirement, Marionne and Roy spent their winters in Florida.

Marionne Scott Jamieson died on July 20, 1990 in Mississauga Ontario. Both she and her husband are buried in Park Lawn Cemetery at Bloor Street and Prince Edward Drive in west Toronto.

A number of the individuals identified in the photographs are members of Marionne's extended family or friends. Basic biographical information for both side of her family are below. Additional biographical information on the Lawson and Scott families is available at the McKee Archives.

Maternal relatives:

William Lawson was born c. 1849 in Markham Township, Ontario where his parents had settled from England. In September 1875 he married Alice Brunskill (born c. 1854) in Buttonville, Ontario. The couple settled on a farm at Aurora, Ontario before come west in 1892. Lawson and his family settled in the Hayfield district south of Brandon where he farmed until c. 1916. During his farming years, Lawson made a number of trips to Scotland and Ireland for the Manitoba government to secure immigrants. After retiring from farming, Lawson became an agent for the Manufaturers' Life Insurance Company. Lawson's brother, Reverend Thomas Lawson, organized the first Methodist congregation in Brandon.

William Lawson and Alice Brunskill had seven children:

William Ernest (married Maragret Louise Conling 23/11/1904 in Souris, MB)
Clarkson Brunskill (married Florence?)
Annie Louisa (married David Henry (Harry) Scott 29/06/1910 in Brandon, MB)
Alice May (married Arthur Ferrier Valens 27/06/1912 in Winnipeg, MB)
Fred J. (married Lottie C. Gibb 18/04/1906 in Selkirk, MB)
Frank Hill (married Cora Ethel Cunningham 11/03/1914 in Oakland)
Olive Gertrude (married William Keith Murphy 25/12/1923 in Brandon, MB)

Paternal relatives:

David Hunter Scott was born in 1851 in Brampton, Ontario. After completing his education he became a telegraph operator and then deputy postmaster for his hometown. In 1873, he moved to Manitoba, settling at Meadow Lea, where he took up a homestead. After fifteen

years engaged in farming, Scott moved on to become a representitve for an implement manufacturing company. In 1892, he moved to Brandon to become manager of the Brandon Times newspaper. Four years later he founded D.H. Scott and Son, a real estate and insurance business he operated with his son David Henry until his death in September 1943.

David Hunter Scott married Anne Jane Lipsett (born 1854) of Meadow Lea, MB on May 24, 1876. Together they had ten children:

John Frederick Robert Wesley David Henry (Harry) (married Annie Louise Lawson 26/06/1910 in Brandon, MB) William James Caroline (married Christopher Russell Heise) Annie Louise (married Alexander Ferguson (died 1927), married Nettleton Whitby Kerr) Mary Emaline (married David Gordon Bawtinheimer) Lillian Georgina (died August 9, 1931) Josiah Aikens (died during World War I) Reginald Jacob (married Norma May Hughes 16/08/1915 (Reginald died during World War I))

Custodial History:

The photograph album and graduate's book were sent to Alumni Relations by Ruth L. Murphy on March 31, 2004. Both items had been in the possession of Marionne Scott, passing to her husband Robert Jamieson upon her death. When Jamieson died the items came into the possession of Ruth Murphy, whose husband was Marionne's first cousin. Carla Eisler, Alumni Relations, transfered the photograph album to the Archives on January 15, 2008, and the graduate book on January 8, 2009.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a photograph album created by Marionne Scott. The majority of the photographs cover the period 1926-1933, and are of family members, friends, and classmates at both St. Michael's Academy and Brandon College. They were taken in Brandon and at a number of other locations that Marionne visited. There are three loose photographs, taken by R.M. Coleman, that were taken at the wedding of Vivian Eva? and Reginald Stanley Stark, June 7th, 1941 at St. Matthews Cathedral and the Prince Edward Hotel.

The graduate's book consists of notes, signatures, newsclippings, photographs, programs, convocation documents, graduation cards, reunion descriptions and the 1932 general information booklet for Brandon College.

Notes:	History/Bio information taken from the Brandon Daily Sun, the 1901 and 1911 Canadian Census, the Manitoba Vital Statistics website, and the Brandon Cemetery website. Additional biographical information provided by Ruth Murphy. Description by Christy Henry.
Name Access:	Esther Magdalene Moore
	Brandon College
	St. Michael's Academy
	Windsor Golf course
	Eleanor Wrye
	Katherine Harvey
	Marg Harvey
	Betty Harvey
	Helen Jamieson
	Marionne Scott
	Dot McArdle
	Teddy McArdle

Parkview Steps Leta Valens David Henry (Harry) Scott Brandon CNR depot Genevieve Carey Vivian Muldoon Olive Murphy Brandon College tennis courts Winnipeg Beach Lake Clementi G. Finnegan Barbara Yeagar **Boundary Park** Noxage Gimili Beach Gimili boats Gimili lighthouse Fred Lawson Keith Murphy Evelyn Lawson? Marg Paterson Madeleine Donaldson Kentucky Home Sister Raymond **Reverend Mother Sister Madeleine** Sister Louise Doug Hughes Curly Ross Charles Wilcox **Bill Fletcher** Dud Crawford George MacGregor Gordon MacDougal Amy Gainer Charles Campbell Lake Percy Ruth Bingham Marie Evans Jean Hitchings Mary Anne Maltman (Mickey) Thelma Stoodley Lois Gainer Helen Isobel Duncan? Kay Underwood Monte Gilchrist

Ethel Rolston Jack Ellis Gordon Watson Bob Rolston Ruth Tully Alberta Griggs Tom Dunlop Mary Coutts Elleda Levitt Aud Rolston Mitchell fence Marg Buchanan Margaret Draper Brandon College rink Sydney Pechet George Duncan Wilkie John Odin Erik Runehjelm? Robert McNeil Lonesome Little Dolls Alys Hunter Marg Sutton Alixe Ferguson Annie Louise Scott Hugh Kennedy Cecil Ryder Dot Pritchard Alma Cadieux Watrous Helen Hilton Pearl Gainer Manitou beach Anne Bacon Anne Lunam Norma James Edna Graham Peggy Bunting Gil Watson Nan Wilkinson Waldo Wheten Anne Sunam? Marion Champlin Bob Wheten Kermit Jones Bea Nicholson

Lake Minnedosa Ev Ross Jean Bennest (Cordelia) Del Dunkin Lucille Mann Kay Fitzpatrick Ken Hall Jean Sutherland Archie McLachlan Herbert Watson McDowell (Waddie) Guelph memorial building Cayuga Brocks monument Laura Secord monument **Burrell Hecock monument** Clarke Lawson Dundern Castle William Lawson Luva Lewis' cottage Indianola beach McMaster University campus Wasaga beach Fred Murphy York Downs Golf Club Ruth Thornton Mayme Matthews Kay Robertson Amy Edwards Gigolettes Grace Armstrong Grace Hopkins **Dorreene McGuinness** Eleanor McKinnon Viola Olmstead Florence Simpson Ruth Wade Charles Vernon Myers Christina Molberg Paul Bugg Vivian Stark Reginald Stanley Stark Cappy Ricks

Subject Access:	Education
	elephant walk
	nuns
	dance revue costumes
	student activities
	class of 1933
	Class of 1930
	lit chorus
	y steps
Storage Location:	MG 2 Brandon College Students
	2.29 Marionne Scott



Gordon Lindsay collection

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	MG 2 2.36
Accession Number:	7-2010
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1943-1946
Physical Description:	2.5 cm
Physical Condition:	Generally good. Some tears. Issues located first and last in the folders Lindsay stored them in are missing sections where the page stuck to the folder.

History / Biographical:

James Gordon Lindsay was born June 16, 1925 in Minneapolis, Minnesota where his father, James Lindsay, a Brandon pioneer from Northern Ireland, had been working for the Coca Cola Bottling Company. In November 1925, the Lindsay family moved back to Brandon where they lived at 547 16th Street.

Lindsay attended Park School, Earl Oxford Junior High School and Brandon Collegiate. In September 1943, he entered 2nd Year at Brandon College, joining the Class of 1946. Due to past experience in publishing the BCI yearbook, he was drafted into The Board of Publications and named Co-editor of the Quill along with third year student Genevieve Fuloski. Lindsay and Fuloski held their positions for two years. Because of the war, money and supplies were in short supply and the Quill at one point was reduced to mimeographed pages. While Editor Lindsay wrote The eggshell-Slightly Cracked column.

Lindsay was named Senior Stick in 1945 and graduated from Brandon College with a B.Sc. in 1946. He obtained both his MSc (1948) and PhD (1951) in Physical Chemistry from McMaster University.

During his time in Hamilton, Lindsay met Shirley Woolmer and the couple married on September 2, 1950. They moved to Arvida, Quebec in 1951 where Lindsay accepted an offer from Aluminium Laboratories Limited, the research arm of Alcan Aluminium Ltd. The couple remained in Arvida for twenty-two years, during which time they had four children: Sharon, Heather, Geoffrey and David.

In 1973, Lindsay was transferred to Alcan's head office in Montreal where he spent the next three years co-ordinating alumina research in Alcan plants around the world. In 1976, he accepted a transfer to Alcan Jamaica as Chief Technical Officer and Manager of Technical Development. He and Shirley spent nearly eight years in Jamaica before returning to Canada in 1984. After a yaer at Alcan's Research Centre in Kingston, ON Lindsay took early retirement.

During their years in Jamaica Lindsay had been introduced to Rotary and he continued his association with the organization in Kingston where for fifteen years he was Bulletin editor of the Kingston-Frontenac Rotary Club. In addition to Rotary, Lindsay (along with his wife) took up genealogy in his retirement and after fifteen years of extensive travel and research he became his Lindsay family's historian and author of The Lindsays of Dundonald.

For three years in the late 1980s Lindsay served as a representative on the Brandon University Alumni Executive for Eastern Canada. Along with his wife he attended two class reunions at Brandon University including his 50th Re-convocation in 1996.

At present (June 2010) Gordon Lindsay continues to live in Kingston, ON with his wife.

Custodial History:

Materials remained in Gordon Lindsay's possession from time of creation until he donated them to the Archives on September 4, 2009.

Scope and Content:

Notes:

Collection consists of copies of the Quill, including:

1942-1943: No. 11 (January 26, 1943)

1943-1944: Nos. 2, 12, 14 (October 20, 1943, February 2, 1944, February 16, 1944)

1944-1945: Nos. 1-5 and 7-12

1945-1946: Nos. 1-10 (11 issues as there are two labelled No. 4)

History/Bio information provided by Gordon Lindsay. Description by Christy Henry.

Subject Access:	newspapers
	student activities
Storage Location:	Encorporated into RG 6 Brandon University fonds 14.5.3.1 The Quill editions



Kathleen Emily Kenner fonds

Part Of:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	MG 2 2.1
Accession Number:	29-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1921-1936: predominant 1921-25
Physical Description:	7.5 cm

History / **Biographical:**

Kathleen Emily Kenner was born in Pierson, Manitoba on December 6, 1903. Her father, W.S. Kenner, was a General Merchant there. Kathleen had one brother, Ewing. She took her early education in Pierson, then moved to Brandon to take her Grade XI course in 1919. The following year, Kathleen moved to the Clark Hall Annex on Louise and 11th, in order to attend Brandon College (B.C.) as a student in the Music Department. In the fall of 1921, she entered the Arts Department of Brandon College. During her time at the college, Kathleen was very involved with student life. She was elected Lady Stick for the school year 1924-1925, the highest position in student government that a woman could attain. In the spring of 1925, she graduated with her B.A., then begain studies in the Faculty of Education at the University of Toronto.

Kathleen taught school in Melfort, Saskatchewan from approximately 1930-1949, and for several years after that was an instructor at the Saskatchewan Government Correspondence School. Sometime during this period, Kathleen left to serve in the Air Force during the Second World War.

Kathleen Kenner married William A. Kennedy in 1950, and through marriage she gained one son, John Kennedy, and two daughters, Mrs. Claire H. A. Still and Mrs. Janet Sheridan. Around the same time, Kathleen and William moved to Winnipeg, Manitoba where Kathleen was very active in the church and the community. Kathleen Kenner Kennedy died suddenly on November 28, 1967 at the age of 61.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

The Kathleen Kenner Fonds are organized in three series: Series 1 - scrapbook (6.5 cm.) Series 2 - file of correspondence (8 mm.) Series 3 - newspaper clippings (1 mm.)

The scrapbook contains pictures of Kathleen's life and times at Brandon College and the University in Toronto. There are pictures of students and friends, Brandon College, the University of Toronto, Victoria College, Toronto City Hall, Grandpa Ewing's Farm in Ontario, grad pictures, a train station, and much more. The pictures show dress, women's activities, the ladies' Basketball team, and what Brandon itself looked like in the 1920's. She also included personal notes, cards, invitations to dinners, dances, and luncheons, poems, dance cards, hockey tickets, and various other university mementos.

There are numerous newspaper clippings. One file contains poetry, mainly from her friend Mary McLaughin MacDonald, letters from her father and mother, a list of College yells, and a copy of "Hail Our College". Kenner has various excerpts from The Quill, letters from former students, and a grapho-analyst report (1933) that she received. An interesting possession in this collection are two speeches that Kenner delivered and kept originals of. The first is her reply to being nominated for Lady Stick in 1924. The second is a speech that she made when she invested her duties of Lady Stick to the new Lady Stick, Rose Vasey in 1925.

Notes:

A portion of the description was written by Kathleen Scammell (2000).

Name Access:

Kathleen Kenner Rose Vasey Mary McLaughin MacDonald Lady Stick

Subject Access: so

scrapbooks

memorabilia

student activities

Storage Location:

MG 2 Brandon College Students 2.1 Kathleen Emily Kenner