

# S. J. McKee Archives

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## The Medicine Hat News

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Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 2.1
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1955 - 1965, 1988
Physical Description:	Approximately 50 cm of textual records

### History /

#### Biographical:

Fred McGuinness worked with The Medicine Hat News for 10 years, starting in 1955, when he was hired as an assistant to the paper's publisher. In 1958, he was promoted to publisher of the newspaper. At the same time McGuinness was also appointed vice-president of Southam Company Limited. Based in Toronto, Southam Company Limited was the parent organization that oversaw the Southam Printing Company (Toronto and Montreal) and the publication of a number of weekly newspapers, including The Ottawa Citizen, The Hamilton Spectator, The Winnipeg Tribune, The Calgary Herald, The Edmonton Journal, The Vancouver Province and The Medicine Hat News. In addition to his administrative duties, while with The Medicine Hat News, McGuinness authored a column titled, "The Lighthouse." In November of 1965, he resigned as publisher and moved with his family to Winnipeg where he was appointed manager of the New Personnel and Information Division with James Richardson and Sons.

In 1988, McGuinness was hired by The Medicine Hat News to write a 20 article feature about his reminiscences of Medicine Hat. McGuinness referred to this collection of stories as "Hat Memoirs."

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

The subseries contains records created and collected by Fred McGuinness during his time as a journalist, editor, and freelance writer for The Medicine Hat News. Records include Medicine Hat News clippings from the 1960s, a scrapbook containing clippings of McGuinness' Lighthouse column (1961-1964) and drafts of McGuinness' 1988 Medicine Hat memoirs.

Records in the subseries consist of rough drafts, article proofs, newspaper clippings, a scrapbook, and correspondence.

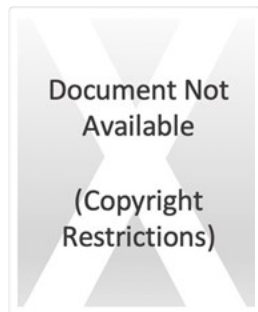
Notes:	Readers' correspondence pertaining to McGuinness' time in Medicine Hat may be found in Fred McGuinness' personal papers, subseries McG 1.2 Correspondence
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Accruals: Closed  
Finding Aid: A file level inventory is available  
Storage Location: 2015 accessions  
Arrangement:

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

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## Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba history: Pride of the land monograph

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13671>

Other Title Info: Title based on the contents of the subseries  
Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Sub-series  
Series Number: McG 5.1  
Accession Number: [formerly 6-2008]  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: c. 1984 - 1985  
Physical Description: Approximately 1 m of textual records  
1 map

## History /

### Biographical:

These records were produced between 1984 and 1985, the researching and writing period for the book *The Pride of the Land: An Affectionate History of Brandon's Agricultural Exhibition*. Published in 1985 by Peguis Books (Winnipeg), *Pride of the Land* is a 222-page soft cover book, containing hundreds of pictures, and 50,000 words of text.

BU faculty members Dr. Kenneth "Ken" Stephen Coates, Assistant Professor of History, and Mr. Fred McGuinness, Lecturer in Journalism, authored the book. Assisting the writers was a research team of four BU history students, which were referred to as "The Pride Team": Diane Fowler, Rob McGarva, Bruce Stafeld, and Byron Williams.

The Pride Team was tasked with collecting and synthesizing exhibition documents and other materials in city, provincial, and federal records spanning 100 years. Many local newspapers and committee minutes were consulted.

The authors cover 103 years of Brandon Fair history, starting with the first fair in 1882 followed by the development of other agricultural fairs and exhibitions in Brandon, specifically The Royal Manitoba Winter Fair, The Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba, and the Ag-Ex livestock show.

### Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness, Coates, and The Pride Research Team during the process of the creation of the book, *The Pride of the Land: An Affectionate History of Brandon's Agricultural Exhibition*. The materials were donated to the S.J. McKee Archives by the authors circa 1988. The Archives accessioned the records in 2008.

### Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of textual records, created and collected during the production of the monograph *Pride of the Land*. It includes research cards created by the research team, copies of newspaper articles from very early editions of Brandon newspapers (such as the *Brandon Sun*, *Brandon Daily Sun*, *Western Sun*, and *The Independent*), copies of fair/organizational minutes, photocopies of photographs used in the publication, and chapter drafts. Of particular interest are the detailed summaries of Provincial Exhibition minutes that were specifically produced for each book chapter.

### Notes:

Information in the history/biography was taken from a Brandon University press release dated June 1985, about the *Pride of the Land* Project (see file 64)

Description Note: The original accession number is noted on the front of each file folder. The circled number indicates the original file order in the 6-2008 accession

### Accruals:

Closed

### Language Note:

Fred McGuinness often uses journalistic jargon to label his files. A "brite" refers to a short, amusing story

Pride of the Land acronyms:

PEM = Provincial Exhibition Association of Manitoba

RCMP = Royal Canadian Mounted Police

WAAA = Western Agricultural & Arts Association

### Finding Aid:

A file level inventory is available

### Storage Location:

2015 accessions

### Related Material:

Provincial Exhibition Association of Manitoba fonds

#### Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Subseries has been arranged according to book chapter. McGuinness often organized his ideas and research materials by potential brite topic

#### Documents

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### McKenzie centennial exhibit

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4334>

Part Of: RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Company fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: McS 6 6.1

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1896-1996

Physical Description: 34 cm

History /

Biographical:

The program for the McKenzie Centennial Exhibit describes the materials in this sub-series as a "visual collection of artifacts, printed materials and photographs, 1883-1996, celebrating the centennial of A.E. McKenzie Co. Inc."

Created by current employees and based on research by Nancy McLennan, Sandra Head and J. Lasby Lowes, the McKenzie Centennial Exhibit opened on April 25, 1996. It remained open to the public on every Thursday between 2 to 4 p.m. to the end of June, 1996. Some of the furnishings used in the display were contributed by the Daly House Museum. Located in the McKenzie Building, the exhibit was assembled along the corridors of the building. It contained a variety of materials, such as invoices, pay envelopes, blueprints, documents, furniture and photographs from the one hundred years of McKenzie Seeds' history.

Following the close of the exhibit, a smaller permanent installation was to be constructed at the McKenzie Building.

Custodial History:

In the course of preparing the exhibit, Nancy McLennan took documents from the collection, but failed to make a record of where the documents came from. As a result, these materials have been left in the Centennial sub-series. It proved impossible to return them to their original place in the fonds.

See fonds level description of custodial history of A. E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd.

Scope and Content:

This sub-series includes the individual descriptions of each exhibit printed on small white envelopes, a guide to the exhibit, a photograph listing for photos used in the various displays and the 1973 Directory of Canadian Chartered Accountants. The sub-series also includes intact files for exhibits 1, 5, 7, 8, 10, 39 and 40, Wholesale Sales Literature, Steele Briggs Seed Co., Scrimping and Spending Big Time, Seed Wagon, Mostly Catalogue Inserts, Letterhead, and For Your Reading Pleasure, respectively.

In addition, a number of booklets made by the creators of the exhibit are also contained within the sub-series. These booklets are primarily a combination of original and reproduced sales literature and catalogues, but also may or may not contain some correspondence, seed packets, clippings and history for McKenzie Seeds, Pike Seeds/Robertson Seeds, Acquisitions (Steele Briggs, Canada Seeds, Brett-Young Seeds), and McFayden/McConnell.

In addition to the above booklets, there are also materials dealing with the catalogues and sales literature of McKenzie Seed Co. suppliers, such as Bodger Seeds, H. Keft from Holland, the Denholm Seed Company, and the Vis Brothers. A number of documents, programs and booklets relating to the seed industry in general, such as the "Black Leaf" Bulletin and a number of documents relating to agriculture in Manitoba are also included.

Storage Location:      RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Company fonds  
                                      McS 6 Miscellaneous

Related Material:        Photographs from the Centennial Exhibition of McKenzie Seeds can be found in Series 5 (Photographs), sub-series 5.9 (Centennial Photos).



## MPE A 3 Neelin

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8222>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: MPE A 3

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1940-1978

Physical Description: 26 cm

### Scope and Content:

Neelin Co-operative Elevator Association Limited Organizational papers: 1940 - 1969  
Organizational meeting, 1 July 1940 Companies Act - membership in companies agreement, 6 August 1940 Memorandum of Agreement, 6 August 1940 Letter re Memorandum of Agreement, 26 September 1940 Agreement for sale, 18 November 1940 Minutes of the provisional Directors' meeting, 18 November 1940 Minutes of first general meeting of members, 18 November 1940 By-law to approve and confirm purchase of elevator, 18 November 1940 By-law authorizing granting of signatory powers, 18 November 1940 By-law amending general By-laws, 18 November 1940 Letter re 3 above By-laws, 24 March 1941 By-law no. 5, 3 November 1941 Operating agreement, 13 March 1944 By-law no. 6, 15 July 1947 By-law no. 7, 13 June 1949 General By-laws and letter, 8 January 1953 By-law no. 8, 16 October 1956 Agreement between Neelin CEA and MPE schedule A, 1 August 1957 Agreement between MPE and Neelin CEA, 1 May 1958 Letter re Operating and Sale agreements, 23 April 1959 By-law no. 1961-148, 1961-149, 1961-150, 1961-151, 12 October 1961 Directors' resolution, 18 October 1961 Transfer agreement, 17 June 1969 By-law no. 74, no date Letter re closure, 26 September 1978 Minutes of Executive Board meetings, volume 1, 8 October 1940 - volume 5, 28 June 1978 Minutes of Shareholders Annual meetings, 1943 - 1965 (11 reports) Financial records and statistics Statement of surplus, 1940 - 1955 (15 reports) Final statements, 1941 - 1952 (11 reports) Auditors' reports, 1941 - 1968 (25 reports) Analysis of Operating results, 1951 - 1963 (11 reports) Detail of grain earnings, 1964 - 1968 (4 reports) Monthly reports to Board of Directors, 1965 - 1978 (49 reports) Analysis of Operating results summary, 1951 - 1952 Correspondence, 1940 - 1977 (originals and copies) Membership list, 1946 - 1976 Miscellaneous Directors' attendance lists, 1946 - 1978 (21 reports) Annual meetings, 1972 - 1977 (4 reports) Retention of Snowflake line, no date  
Corporate Name: Rural Municipality of Argyle



## MPE C 3 CSP Foods Ltd.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10516>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: MPE C.3

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1949-1989

Physical Description: 13cm

History /

Biographical:

CSP Foods Ltd resulted from an amalgamation of Co-op Vegetable Oils Ltd with MPE in 1975. The company operated crushing plants in Altona, Manitoba and in Saskatchewan, and was overseen by members of MPE and the Sask Wheat Pool.

See also fonds level description of RG 4 for history/bio of MPE

Scope and Content:

This sub-series consists of minutes, correspondence, reports, and promotional materials.

Notes: Description by Jillian Sutherland (2010)  
History taken from F.W. Hamilton's "Service at Cost"

Name Access: Altona  
CSP Foods Ltd

Subject Access: canola oil  
sunflower seed oil  
Co-operatives

Storage Location: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds  
Series C: Subsidiary Companies and Co-operatives



## MPE D 3 Transportation Commissions and Inquiries

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11319>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: MPE D.3

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1931-1985

Physical Description: 46cm

History /

Biographical:

Commissions dealing with transportation by rail and by sea were important to Manitoba Pool Elevators, as the cost and efficiency of transport affected the cost of service to its members.

See also fonds level description of RG 4 for history/bio of MPE

Scope and Content:

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Box 1:

1. St. Lawrence Seaway 1961-1971
2. Royal Commission on Transportation - excerpt from the evidence of Sir Henry Thornton 1931-1932
3. Royal Commission on Transportation 1949-1950
4. Report of the Royal Commission on Transportation February 9, 1951
5. The Royal Commission on Transportation 1960
6. The Royal Commission on Transportation 1960-1967
7. The Canadian Transport Commission 1985

Box 2:

8. The Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1975-1976
- 9a. Submissions to the Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1975-1977
- 9b. Submissions to the Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1975-1977
10. Submissions to the Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1976
11. Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1976
12. Submissions to the Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1976
13. Submissions to the Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1976
14. Appendix to Final Submission of CN Railways to GH&TC 1976
15. Submission by the Province of Manitoba to the GH&TC 1976
16. Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1975-1976
17. Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1974-1976
- 18a. Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1976-1977
- 18b. Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1976
19. Grain Handling and Transportation Commission Public Hearings 1976
20. Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1976
21. Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1976
22. MPE Submission to the Grain Handling and Transportation Commission 1975

Notes: Description by Jillian Sutherland (2010)

Name Access: Grain Handling and Transportation Commission

Subject Access: railways

Grain

Storage Location: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Series D: Commissions, Committees and Inquiries





## MPE B 3 Central Office Local Association Minutes

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9107>

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: MPE B.3

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1925-1993

Physical Description: 3.13 m

History /

Biographical:

A copy of a Local Associations (later the Local Pool Committees) would be sent to the Central Office, where it was stored until a microfilm copy could be made. Records were only transferred to microfilm until 1957.

Custodial History:

Local Association records recieved by the Central Office dating from 1925 to 1957 are on microfilm. Records subsequent to 1957 are hardcopies.

Scope and Content:

Sub-series MPE B.3 consists of Local Association records from the formation of the association until 1993 or said association's closure. See Box level entries for B.3 for detailed contents of records.

Notes: Description by Jillian Sutherland (2009). Records contained in Series B.3 on microfilm or in hardcopy may also be contained in Series A.

Name Access: Manitoba Pool Elevators  
Central Office

Subject Access: Local Association  
elevator

Storage Location: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds  
Series B: Central Office records