

# S. J. McKee Archives



## John D. McDonald interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH138.MacD

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: October 25, 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:15:00]

History /

Biographical:

John Duncan McDonald was born on April 30, 1893 in Brandon, MB. He attended Winterton and Basswood schools. John married Margaret Emily Greer (1894-1980) in the Greer home in the Moline district in 1917. Together they had four children: Sadie Julia Elva, Robert James, John Elmer and Roy Peter. From 1919-1965, he farmed at Basswood, MB on SW 36-14-20. John McDonald died on January 11, 1989. He is buried at Basswood Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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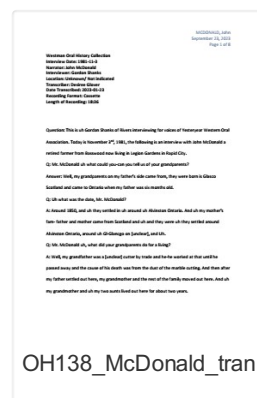
Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with John MacDonald about pioneer farming. Interviewer is Gordon Shanks.

Notes: History/bio information from the records. Transcript by Desiree Glover (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

## Audio Tracks

## Documents



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## Wilfred D. Campbell interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14746>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH083.Cam

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 24, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [1:00:00]

### History /

#### Biographical:

Wilfred Dixon Campbell was born on November 30, 1889 in the Brierwood District of Woodworth Municipality. Bill was a farmer for most of his life, and also enjoyed carpentry. Bill married Laura Elizabeth (Bess) English (1896-1972) in 1915, and together they had nine children: Mary, Wilfrid, Robert (Mike), Jack, Barbara, Laura, Frances, Velma and Dorothy. Bill and Bess left their farm in the Verity District in 1949, moving into Kenton, MB, where Bill worked for the municipality. While living in Kenton, Bill enjoyed activities with the Leisure Club and music of all kinds. In 1982, he moved to Birch Lodge in Hamiota. Wilfred Campbell died on September 5, 1984. He is buried at Shiloh Cemetery in Kenton, MB.

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#### Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Wilfred Campbell about farming in the early 1900's in Manitoba. Interviewer is Phyllis Cairns.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the Kenton local histories "Cradle to combine, vol 2" and "Cradle to combine, vol. 3," and Campbell's obituary. Description by Christy Henry.

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## Phyllis Field Cooper interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14710>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH250.Coo

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: November 23, 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:23:00]

History /

Biographical:

Phyllis Field Cooper was born on July 22, 1894 in Chicago, Illinois. She attended the Chicago Art Institute. Phyllis emigrated to Canada in March 1918, where she worked briefly for Mr. and Mrs. Archie Cooper near Treesbank, MB, before she moved to Winnipeg to teach a juvenile art class connected with the Winnipeg School of Art. In fall 1920, Phyllis went to work in the office of a Winnipeg insurance company. That same year her parents and brother moved to the Treesbank area. Phyllis moved home to work at the Treesbank store, before the entire family moved back to Chicago in 1923.

Phyllis married Archibald Cooper (1868-1953) on August 26, 1933, and the couple moved to Winnipeg. They did not have children. During their time in Winnipeg, Phyllis worked as an interior designer, a vocalist and a writer, writing articles for the Winnipeg Free Press and the Winnipeg Tribune. She was a member of the Philharmonic choir in Winnipeg and an Honorary Life Member of the Winnipeg Sketch Club. She moved to Glenboro in 1955, following the death of her husband. In Glenboro she gave piano and art lessons for several years. Phyllis Field Cooper died in August 1987. She is buried at Millford Cemetery in Treesbank, MB.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Phyllis Field Cooper about her life. Interviewer is Irene Brown.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and the Glenboro local history "Beneath the long grass." Description by Christy Henry.

### Audio Tracks

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