

S. J. McKee Archives



George F. MacDowell collection

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Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Sub-series
Series Number: MG 3 1.12
Accession Number: 9-2002

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1941-1987, predominant 1960-1982

Physical Description: 8.1 m
Physical Condition: Good

History / Biographical:

George F. MacDowell was born in 1913, in Prince Edward Island. He studied at Dalhousie University from 1930 to 1933, but did not complete a degree. During WWII, MacDowell served in Canada and Europe as a member of the Royal Canadian Signals Corps. After the war, he returned to Dalhousie University, graduating with a B.A. in 1947. Subsequently, he graduated with a Masters Degree in Economics from Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts. George McDowell taught at both Mount Allison University and the University of Alberta before coming to Brandon in 1957 to teach at Brandon College. He remained as a professor in the Economic Department until his retirement in 1979.

MacDowell's work was published in the Canadian Journal of Economics and Political Science. In 1971, McClelland & Stewart published his account of the Brandon Packers strike of 1960 titled "The Brandon Packer's Strike: A Tragedy of Errors." In Brandon, MacDowell maintained a relationship with the local Association of Fire Fighters, aiding them with collective bargaining procedures. He also served as Chairman for the MacKenzie Seeds Board, and was a member of the Manitoba Development Corporation Board.

MacDowell never married and had no known children. He passed away on February 26th, 1986.

Custodial History:

This collection was in the possesion of George MacDowell until his death. It was then held by the Brandon University Department of Economics until 1997, at which time it was transferred to the McKee Archives at Brandon University.

The bulk of this fonds falls into five main categories:

- 1. Records dealing with the Brandon Packers Strike of 1960 and the subsequent legal actions against the owners, including all 2215 pages of the Brandon Packers Strike Commission;
- 2. Records dealing with the Commission of Inquiry into The Pas Forestry and Industrial Complex, including the complete transcript of the inquiry measuring approximately 5m. This Commission dealt with the conduct of Churchill Forest Industries, a company owned by a Swiss financial firm, which, in the 1960's, was given approximately 93 million dollars by the Roblin Provincial Government to develop The Pas Forestry and Industrial Complex. Churchill Forest Industries and its parent company subsequently came under suspicion of fraud and accused of fradulently transfering The Pas Forestry funds into other foreign business interests;
- 3. Records dealing with business loans awarded by the Manitoba Development Corporation during the 1970's and 1980's to businesses primarily within Manitoba;
- 4. Records dealing with McKenzie Seeds, and McKenzie Steele-Briggs Seeds during the early 1980's when George MacDowell was a board member of McKenzie Seeds;
- 5. Records dealing with Professor MacDowell's career as a Professor at Brandon University, including records relating to his courses and to administrative activities.

To a lesser extent, this collection includes records dealing with the University of Saskatchewan College of Commerce, the publication the "Manitoba New Democrat," issues associated with politics, labor and union in the prairie provinces from the 1960's to the 1980's, articles from various economic periodicals including "Economica" and "Public Finance," a variety of government reports from 1941 to 1981, and records dealing with George MacDowells' relationship with the Brandon Firefighters Association.

Notes: File level inventory available. Description written by Mike White (2002).

Name Access: Errol Black

Brandon University

University of Saskatchewan College of Commerce

Manitoba New Democrat

Manitoba Development Corporation

Brandon Backers Strike Commission

Bank Act

A.E. McKenzie Steele Briggs Seeds Brandon Firefighters Association.

Subject Access: economics

trade unions

economics curriculum public service unions

prairie politics

Edward Schreyer government

labour

Manitoba business loans

government economic reports

Access Restriction: Collection includes financial data on many Manitoba businesses. Consult

the archivist for access.

Repro Restriction: Researchers are responsible for observing Canadian copyright

restrictions.

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration

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Related Material: Related material regarding George MacDowell's involvment with the A.E.

McKenzie Company can be found in RG 3 McS A.E. McKenzie Company

fonds.



Brandon College/University calendars

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Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 6.6

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1900-2005

Physical Description: 1.40 m

Physical Condition: Generally good

History / Biographical:

The University Calendar is the authoritative statement of the institutional structure, faculty and staff, and academic program of Brandon University. Since the creation of the College in 1900, calendars have been produced annually, with only a few exceptions, by the Registrar's Office.

Up until 1991-1992, the calendar was called the general calendar. In 1991-1992, it was called the undergraduate general calendar. Beginning in 1992, the calendar was produced every two years instead of annually, except for 1998-1999, until 2003. The 1992-1994 calendar contains both the undergraduate and graduate general calendars, and starting in 1994 a separate undergraduate and graduate calendar was produced.

Custodial History:

The Brandon College/University calendar was produced by the Registrar's Office. Individual copies of the calendar were held by the Registrar's Office until their transfer to the University Archives.

Scope and Content:

The sub-series consists of general calendars, general undergraduate and graduate calendars, as well as calendars for the School of Music, the Faculty of Education, and for spring and summer sessions. It has been divided into three sub sub series, including: (1) Calendars - bound archival copies; (2) Calendars - researcher's copies; and (3) Calendars - miscellaneous.

Notes: The Registrar, acting in his/her capacity as Secretary of Senate, is

responsible for the production of the University calendar.

Subject Access: Academic programs

departments

administrative staff board members

history faculty

Accruals: Further accruals are expected.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series 6: Senate

Arrangement:

Chronological