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Clarence Lennon interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH182.Len

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 21, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:20:00]

History /

Biographical:

Clarence "Bus" Lennon was born at home on the farm on August 30, 1903. He spent his entire life farming in the Reston, MB area. He never married. Clarence Lennon died on December 6, 1991 in Reston, MB. He is buried at Reston Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Clarence Lennon about his family history and hard times in the early days on a farm. The interviewer is Irene Lazenby.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and Lennon's obituary.
Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

Audio Tracks



Clarence McLean interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14542>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection
Description Level: Item
Item Number: OH156.MacL
Accession Number: 35-1998
GMD: sound recordings
Date Range: May 6, 1981
Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:25:00]
History /
Biographical:

Clarence Westover McLean was born in 1907 at Shoal Lake, MB. After attending school in Shoal Lake, Clarence entered his father's implement and dealership business. He continued in the business after his father's death until his own retirement in 1979. Clarence married Moira Best (1916?-2006) in 1942. They had no children. Clarence was a sports enthusiast, particularly hockey, curling and golf. He was a long time member of Wasagaming Golf Club and Lakeside Golf Club, serving over ten years as president of the latter. Clarence also served on the Village Council, belonged to the Chamber of Commerce, was active in the planning of and fundraising for the local arena, and worked on the committee that organized Shoal Lake water works. A member of the Masonic Lodge for over 40 years, Clarence was also a charter member of Royal York Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. Clarence McLean died on December 28, 1981 in Shoal Lake, MB. He is buried at Shoal Lake Cemetery.

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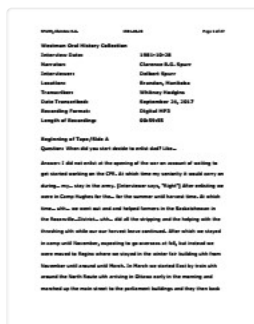
Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Clarence McLean about his father's life and his life as an auto, implement and livestock dealer. The interviewer is Cliff Findlay.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and McLean's obituary.
Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

Audio Tracks



Clarence B. Spurr interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14453>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection
Description Level: Item
Item Number: OH053.Spu
Accession Number: 35-1998
GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: October 28, 1981
Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:59:55]
History /
Biographical:

Clarence Benjamin Graham? Spurr, was born in on February 13, 1891 in Bancroft, Ontario. Spurr began working for the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1914 as a station agent at Rocanville, SK and spent many years as an agent in various communities in Saskatchewan and Manitoba before retiring in 1955. In 1923, he married Elizabeth Wallace Lindsay (1893-1979) and they raised three children, sons Ewart and Delbert and adopted niece Verna Spurr. Clarence and Elizabeth moved to Brandon, MB following his retirement. Spurr joined the Canadian military in 1915, and was initially sent to Camp Hughes. A signaler and runner, he spent 1916-1918 overseas. Clarence Spurr died on December 21, 1982 in Brandon, MB. He is buried at Brandon Municipal Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Clarence B.G. Spurr about his experiences during World War I. Spurr discusses and reminisces about details of the Great War and some of the major turning points within it from Vimy Ridge, Lamont, Mons, Neuville-Saint-Vaast and the Armistice that ended the war on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in November from the perspective of a Canadian soldier. Interviewer is Delbert Spurr.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and Spurr's obituary. Transcript by Whitney Hodgins (2017). Description by Christy Henry.

Access Restriction: Content Warning: Some of the material discussed in the interview is sensitive in nature, dealing with the war and some of the gruesome acts that go with it. Listener discretion is advised.

Language Note: English

Audio Tracks

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