

S. J. McKee Archives



Fred McGuinness hunting trip with sons

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14204>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection
Creator: Photographer: Morris Studios
Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.273
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: [1960s]
Physical Description: 4.25" x 3.25" (colour)
Physical Condition: Photograph is peeling away from mat and starting to warp
Scope and Content:
 Photograph shows Fred Sr. (left), Gallagher (centre), and Fred Jr. (right) in a trailer. The family is likely on a duck hunting trip
Name Access: Fred McGuinness
Subject Access: families
 hunting
Conservation: adhesive on matting
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)
Arrangement:
 BR #3 personal file

Images





McGuinness family hunting

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14125>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.194

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1960-1965]

Physical Description: 3" x 3" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Fred McGuinness with his three sons and the family dog preparing to go hunting.

Notes: A negative exists for this photo and is stored with the picture.

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

Frederick George McGuinness

Subject Access: families

children

hunting

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

BR #3 Family photos

Images





Fred McGuinness on antelope hunt

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13804>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.114

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1955-1965

Physical Description: 3.5" x 3" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Fred McGuinness standing next to a rack of seven antelope that are hanging from a ladder stretched between two vehicles. Rifles are nestled amongst the antelope carcasses. The hunt occurred in the winter.

Notes: Photograph is part of series of photographs (20-2009.13 to 20-2009.124) of an antelope hunting trip that likely occurred in Alberta.

Subject Access: hunting
antelopes
winter

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

Originally stored in McG 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #3

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McGuinness family partridge hunting

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14126>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.195

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1960-1965]

Physical Description: 3" x 3" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Fred McGuinness and his three sons on a hunting trip. Pheasants are draped along the side of a station wagon that has an advertisement on its roof that reads: Barney's Hideaway Restaurant Dining Lounge, Strathcona Hotel, Victoria, BC, Canada, Featuring Smorgasbord 'Pot Luck Buffet.'

Notes: A negative exists for this photo and is stored with the picture.

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

Frederick George McGuinness

Subject Access: families

children

hunting

advertising

automobiles

vehicles

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

BR #3 Family photos

Images



Spafford brothers hunting

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13763>



Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.74

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1960

Physical Description: 3.5" x 3.5" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

Harry Spafford (b. 22 Oct 1888, d. 10 May 1978) was born in Holmfield, Manitoba. He married Isabella Hawking of Ninga in 1914 and the couple moved to Brandon in 1915 where they continued to reside until 1973. Harry worked as a locomotive fireman and then as an engineer with the Canadian Northern Railway (CN). While with CN, he was an active member of the Brotherhood of Local Engineers and Firemen No. 788 of Brandon. He served as an alderman in Brandon from 1928 to 1945. In 1932, Harry ran in the Manitoba by-election for Brandon as an Independent Labour candidate and lost to the Conservative member George Dinsdale. In 1952, Harry ran as a Co-Operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF) member in the provincial election and lost to Conservative party representative Reg Lissaman. Harry Spafford passed away in Burnaby, BC, and is interred in the Ocean View Cemetery. (Source: see obituary in McG 4.1 File 66)

Alva/Alvery/"Alvie" Reddell/Riddell/Ridall Spafford (b. 15 Mar 1891, d. 23 Aug 1985) was born in Enterprise, Manitoba, in the R.M. of Turtle Mountain. In 1911, he married Francis Ethel Harrison (d. 1979) in Killarney and had three children. Alvie farmed in Bannerman from 1902 to 1936, after which he moved to Boissevain to work as a Rawleigh salesman. In 1942, the family moved to Brandon where Alvie worked as a conductor with the CNR until his retirement. Alva Spafford passed away at the age of 94 at the Brandon General Hospital. His funeral was held in Killarney, Manitoba. (Source: Obituary, Brandon Sun, 23 Aug 1985)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Harry Spafford and Ernie Bailey posing with their geese after a successful hunt. The men are standing in a backyard; the geese are hanging from a clothes line.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: A Kindersley goose shoot. Harry Spafford on left, Alvie Spafford not shown, Ernie Bailey on left [sic.], 1960. Ernie was a CNR Engineer.

Name Access: Harry Spafford

Alvie Spafford

Alva Spafford

Subject Access: hunting

duck hunting

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Images



Spafford brothers hunting trip

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13761>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.72

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1968

Physical Description: 3.5" x 3.5" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

Harry Spafford (b. 22 Oct 1888, d. 10 May 1978) was born in Holmfild, Manitoba. He married Isabella Hawking of Ninga in 1914 and the couple moved to Brandon in 1915 where they continued to reside until 1973. Harry worked as a locomotive fireman and then as an engineer with the Canadian Northern Railway (CN). While with CN, he was an active member of the Brotherhood of Local Engineers and Firemen No. 788 of Brandon. He served as an alderman in Brandon from 1928 to 1945. In 1932, Harry ran in the Manitoba by-election for Brandon as an Independent Labour candidate and lost to the Conservative member George Dinsdale. In 1952, Harry ran as a Co-Operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF) member in the provincial election and lost to Conservative party representative Reg Lissaman. Harry Spafford passed away in Burnaby, BC, and is interred in the Ocean View Cemetery. (Source: see obituary in McG 4.1 File 66)

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Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Spafford brothers posing with their mallard ducks after a successful hunt. The brothers are standing next to a residential garage with the ducks strung between them. Their guns are leaning against the garage.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Alvie & Harry 19 Mallard ducks near Whitewater Lake, October 1968, 1 short of our limit of 20, Harry on right.

Name Access: Harry Spafford
Alvie Spafford
Alva Spafford

Subject Access: hunting
duck hunting

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

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Hunting cabin

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13807>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.117

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1955-1965

Physical Description: 3.5" x 3" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a hunter inside a hunting cabin. The hunter is holding his rifle and wearing a cap and heavy-knit sweater.

Notes: Photograph is part of series of photographs (20-2009.13 to 20-2009.124) of an antelope hunting trip that likely occurred in Alberta.

Subject Access: hunting

winter

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

Originally stored in McG 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #3

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Antelope hunting trip

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13803>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.113

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1955-1965

Physical Description: 3.5" x 3" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a group of 11 hunters standing behind a rack of seven antelope that are hanging from a ladder stretched between two vehicles. Rifles are nestled amongst the antelope carcasses. The hunt occurred in the winter.

Notes: Fred McGuinness is the possible camera man. Photograph is part of series of photographs (20-2009.13 to 20-2009.124) of an antelope hunting trip that likely occurred in Alberta.

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

Subject Access: hunting
antelopes
winter

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

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Hunting party prepares dinner

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13812>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.122

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1955-1965

Physical Description: 3.5" x 3" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a man preparing dinner in the kitchen of a hunting cabin.

Notes: Photograph is part of series of photographs (20-2009.13 to 20-2009.124) of an antelope hunting trip that likely occurred in Alberta.

Subject Access: hunting

winter

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

Originally stored in McG 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #3

Images





Hunting party in cabin

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13813>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.123

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1955-1965

Physical Description: 3.5" x 3" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows three men of the antelope hunting party seated on a couch. A cougar skin is stretched out behind them on the cabin wall.

Notes: Photograph is part of series of photographs (20-2009.13 to 20-2009.124) of an antelope hunting trip that likely occurred in Alberta.

Subject Access: hunting

winter

animal skins

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

Originally stored in McG 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #3

Images





Hunting party in cabin

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13814>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.124

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1955-1965

Physical Description: 3.5" x 3" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a group of four men seated on couch and chairs. A cougar skin is stretched out behind them on the cabin wall. The men are eating dinners off of TV trays/tables.

Notes: Photograph is part of series of photographs (20-2009.13 to 20-2009.124) of an antelope hunting trip that likely occurred in Alberta.

Subject Access: hunting

winter

animal skins

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

Originally stored in McG 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #3

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Hunting Club

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9129>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1AH3

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19-?]

Physical Description: 3 1/2" x 5"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

For custodial history see the collection level description of the Lawrence Stuckey collection.

Scope and Content:

A Brandon hunting club?

Name Access: Hunting Club

Subject Access: organizations

social clubs

sports

hunting

Brandon sports people & activities

Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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Fred McGuinness receiving Order of the Buffalo Hunt

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13887>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Creator: Photographer: Sandy Black

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.197

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1992

Physical Description: 5" x 3.5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Fred McGuinness after receiving the Order of the Buffalo Hunt. His son, Gallagher, and grandson are standing to his right.

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

Order of the Buffalo Hunt

Subject Access: awards ceremonies

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #1

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Antelope trophies after hunt

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13805>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.115

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1955-1965

Physical Description: 3.5" x 3" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a rack of seven antelope that are hanging from a ladder stretched between two vehicles. Rifles are nestled amongst the antelope carcasses. The hunt occurred in the winter.

Notes: Photograph is part of series of photographs (20-2009.13 to 20-2009.124) of an antelope hunting trip that likely occurred in Alberta.

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

Subject Access: hunting
antelopes
winter

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

Originally stored in McG 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #3

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Fred McGuinness

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4128>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: 6.5.1
File Number: 63
GMD: textual records
Date Range: May 1997
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence and McGuinness' nomination form.
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Series 6: Senate Office
6.5 Convocation Services, Baccalaureates Services, Banquets



Fred McGuinness collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13654>

Other Title Info: Title based on the name of donor
Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: multiple media
Date Range: c. 1880 - 2010
Physical Description: Approximately 7.4 m of textual records
Approximately 300 photographs (unprocessed)
Other media (see Material Details)
Material Details: 10 sound recordings
17 artifacts
49 booklets
3 maps
3 newsletters
18 periodicals
16 pamphlets
35 newspapers [oversize drawer]

History /

Biographical:

Popularly known as the "voice of the prairies," Fred McGuinness was known by many titles and honorifics: wordsmith, apiarist, author, beekeeper, brother, columnist, editor, father, historian, husband, journalist, memoirist, Morse operator, member of the Order of Canada, member of the Order of Manitoba, public speaker, publisher, radio broadcaster, son, telegrapher (CP), telegraphist (Navy), vice-president, and writer.

Frederick George McGuinness (b. 21 January 1921 – d. 22 March 2011) was born in Brandon, Manitoba. He attended Park and Earl Oxford public schools. Upon his father's death

in 1933, McGuinness worked as a paper carrier for the Brandon Sun, whose route covered the City's downtown core. In 1937, he quit school and began working for the CP Telegraph Service initially as a telegram messenger and later as a Morse code operator.

In 1939, McGuinness enlisted in the Royal Canadian Navy in Winnipeg and served as a wireless operator on the HMCS Alachassee. On 23 September 1940, McGuinness was seriously injured in a naval accident when his ship ran aground; McGuinness' leg was broken when the ship's tow cable snapped and he spent the next 11 months convalescing at Camp Hill Hospital in Halifax, Nova Scotia. While in hospital McGuinness contracted scarlet fever and diphtheria and developed osteomyelitis as a complication of his femur fracture. McGuinness returned to Winnipeg to continue his convalescence at Deer Lodge Hospital and was ultimately discharged from the navy in 1941.

Fred McGuinness' newspaper, public speaking, and broadcasting career began after he enrolled at St. Paul's College in 1941. At St. Paul's, which was affiliated with the University of Manitoba, McGuinness was able to complete his high school equivalency and university preparation courses. Additionally, in 1942, he served as a Sports Editor for St. Paul's College Crusader student newspaper.

In 1943, McGuinness began his undergraduate university career at United College, which was also affiliated with the University of Manitoba. From 1943 to 1946, McGuinness served on the student union's Public Relations Committee; in 1945, he became chairman of the Radio Subcommittee working as the Director of the University Radio Series where he was responsible (i.e., writing, casting, directing) for a half-hour Saturday afternoon radio programme. During this period McGuinness also utilized his previous military experience to work as an Assistant Veterans Counsellor in the university, and, following a recommendation from the President of the University of Manitoba, as a speaker for the War Finance Committee in the Winnipeg Area.

In 1946, McGuinness moved to Port Arthur to work in public relations with the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. He married Christine Thompson (d. 14 August 2009) in Port Arthur, Ontario on 29 June 1946. Married for 61 years, the couple had four children together: Colleen, Fred Jr., Gallagher, and Timothy.

In 1947, the couple returned to Winnipeg when McGuinness took a job as a Public Relations Officer for the National Employment Service's Unemployment Insurance Commission (UIC). During the 1950 Winnipeg Flood the UIC offices served as a communication base between the federal, provincial, and municipal governments and McGuinness received commendation from the military for his assistance during the disaster. While employed with the UIC, McGuinness also travelled the summer fair circuit with displays promoting the UIC and its benefits. During that time, Royal American Shows also hired McGuinness as its Director of Publicity and Exploitation while the show toured with the fairs on the Canadian prairies. As part of his responsibilities McGuinness had to submit weekly reports to Billboard Magazine on the Royal American fairs. McGuinness also sold his first manuscript to the CBC in 1947, recording a 14-minute broadcast titled the "Class A Circuit" about the Royal American tour, after his summer fair schedule concluded.

McGuinness continued his work with Royal American and the UIC until he accepted a position with the Saskatchewan government in 1952 to promote its upcoming 1955 golden jubilee. McGuinness worked closely with Tommy Douglas during the jubilee preparations, driving the premier to sites throughout the province. His experience with the Saskatchewan Jubilee preparations lead to McGuinness being appointed as a provincial representative to the Canadian Centennial Commission in 1963.

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

the newspaper. At the same time McGuinness was also appointed vice-president of Sudbourn Company Limited. In addition to his administrative and editorial work, McGuinness also authored a column titled, "The Lighthouse" while employed by The Medicine Hat News. During his time in Medicine Hat, McGuinness was heavily involved with the Chamber of Commerce and community service organizations. His position within the community had him delivering talks to many local groups and working in tandem with the Chamber to actively solicit businesses to the City.

In November of 1965, McGuinness resigned as publisher of The Medicine Hat News and moved with his family to Winnipeg where he was appointed manager of the New Personnel and Information Division with James Richardson and Sons. At that time McGuinness began developing broadcast scripts for the CBC in earnest.

In November 1966, McGuinness was hired as associate editor and vice-president to the Brandon Sun. He moved to Brandon with his family and had a career with the paper until his death in 2011. During that time McGuinness also had an extensive career as a freelance writer and journalist for the CBC, Reader's Digest, and prairie weekly newspapers, as well as authoring several books. By the 1970s, McGuinness was writing copy for CBC's Radio Noon and Information Radio, as well as producing Ashgrove Farm, a CBC radio drama.

During his years with the Sun, McGuinness wrote a tri-weekly "Sunbeams" (sometimes spelled "Sun Beams") column using the nom-de-plume F.A. Rosser. The F.A. stood for "Fifth and," and referenced the fact that the Brandon Sun offices and publication plant occupies the city block between 6th Street and 5th Street along Rosser Avenue, and McGuinness' office overlooked the intersection at 5th Street and Rosser Avenue. The Sunbeams column was similar in style and content to McGuinness' "Lighthouse" column for The Medicine Hat News; commenting on a variety of current events, Sunbeams also included book reviews, local events, and reminiscences.

In 1979, McGuinness started writing the syndicated weekly news column "Neighorly News." He would write the column for 22 years until his age-related macular degeneration (AMD), diagnosed in 2001, became an impediment to his research, writing, and editing abilities. The column initially began with a dozen subscriptions from prairie weeklies and grew to publication in 55 weeklies.

The "Neighorly News" column evolved from the interest in and the impending cancellation of McGuinness' CBC Radio broadcast "Neighorly News from the Prairies," that he hosted from 1980 to 1983. The show was cancelled in 1983 but was picked up by Altona broadcaster CFAM later that year with McGuinness at the microphone. The radio show ended its run in the summer of 1987. McGuinness continued working with the CBC, however, and is popularly known for his work as the prairie essayist for CBC Radio's Morningside with Peter Gzowski, a position he held for 17 years.

Many of McGuinness' Morningside essays were autobiographical in nature. He often reported about life on Christmas Tree Farm, a section of land where the McGuinnesses built their dream home in the late 1970s. The couple planted a Christmas tree farm on the property and Christine maintained an extensive kitchen garden, while Fred tended honey bees. Life on the farm made its way into radiobroadcasts, Neighorly News columns, and the book Letters from Section 17: A Collection of Morningside Essays.

Upon his retirement in January 1987, McGuinness was made publisher emeritus of the Brandon Sun. A week after his retirement, he began writing a new column for the Sun called the "Diary." McGuinness continued writing the "Diary" until his hospitalization in 2010. The Diary column was primarily a historical retrospective of Brandon, although it also touched on broader topics of interest to McGuinness during the time period.

During the 1980s and 1990s, McGuinness co-taught an undergraduate journalism class at

Brandon University with English Professor John Blaikie. Around that time, he also partnered with Brandon University History Professor Ken Coates and published a number of popular books on Manitoba social history. McGuinness also delivered community workshops on memoir writing, a past time he continued until shortly before his death.

McGuinness took an active roll in the community and cultivated his interest in local history. Consequently he was invited to guest speak and chair sessions on local history, rural development, and the economy while providing his personal insights as a newspaper publisher. His previous experience with the Saskatchewan Jubilee and Canadian Centennial Commission made him a desirable committee and board member for many local organizations and planning committees. McGuinness' lifelong commitment to prairie social history, earned him numerous awards and recognitions including an honorary doctorate from Brandon University, the Order of Manitoba, and the Order of Canada.

Fred McGuinness died on 22 March 2011 in Brandon, Manitoba.

Custodial History:

Records in this collection were acquired by the S.J. McKee Archives in four accruals. Prior to their donation to the Archives the materials were in the possession of Fred McGuinness.

Accession 18-2002 contains records created and collected by Fred McGuinness until the publication of *Only in Canada*, a history of the Kinsmen Club Association in Canada co-authored with BU history professor Ken Coates. During the research and writing process for the book, originals and copies of Kinsmen Club of Canada records were amassed at the McKee Archives. Coates and McGuinness added their research materials to these records circa 1987. The Kinsmen records have since been deaccessioned by the McKee Archives and transferred to Kin Headquarters in Ontario.

Accession 6-2008 contains records created and collected during the writing of the Provincial Exhibition book, *Pride of the Land*. Fred McGuinness, who co-authored the book with Ken Coates, donated these records to the McKee Archives circa 1988. The materials in the accession relating to Souris, Manitoba, were given to McGuinness by Kay Sullivan in August 2007, and were subsequently deposited in the Archives. The material in the accession related to Kemnay, Manitoba, was given to Colleen McGuinness (Fred's daughter) by Mona McKinnon (nee Corkish) in the fall of 2007. Colleen then passed the materials on to her father, who in turn donated them to the S.J. McKee Archives.

Accession 20-2009 contains records created and collected by Fred McGuinness over the course of his career as a newspaper journalist and during the research and writing period of the Brandon history book, *The Wheat City*. Records remained in his possession at his home until their transfer to the McKee Archives on July 28, 2009.

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

Scope and Content:

The records in this collection touch on every aspect of Fred McGuinness' life. From his childhood, his education, his war experience, his newspaper and freelance career, his work in radio and public speaking, and his family the collection covers both his personal and professional life. In addition to the records created by McGuinness, there are also records created and collected by a variety of his relatives (on both sides of the family), as well as correspondence from his readers. The collection includes newspaper clippings, research materials, letters, certificates, scrapbooks, photographs, books, periodicals, pamphlets, sound recordings, artifacts, maps, newsletters, magazines, teaching materials, workshop materials, and financial records.

Because of McGuinness' wide-ranging interests, the records include a significant number of subjects, both within his own writing and correspondence, but also within his library. They would be of particular interest to researchers who share McGuinness' passions for local history and rural topics.

The scope and importance of McGuinness' work in the prairies also resulted in a number of noteworthy honors, in particular the Order of Manitoba and the Order of Canada. The collection contains materials related to both.

The Fred McGuinness collection consists of nine (9) series further divided into subseries, including: (McG 1) Personal papers; (McG 2) Newspaper career; (McG 3) Freelance; (McG 4) McGuinness research materials; (McG 5) Monographs; (McG 6) Broadcasts, lectures, workshops; (McG 7) McGuinness artifacts and sound recordings; (McG 8) McGuinness library; and (McG 9) McGuinness photographs.

See the Arrangement Note for a more detailed breakdown of the collection's arrangement.

Notes:

The description of the Fred McGuinness collection was made possible by financial assistance from: The Manitoba Government Department of Tourism, Culture, Heritage Sport and Consumer Protection through the Manitoba Heritage Grants Program & The Fred McGuinness Endowment for Rural Archives, Brandon University

Information for the history/biography was compiled by the Archives and can be found in the Fred McGuinness timeline containing footnotes (see the S.J. McKee Archivist). Additional information was taken from his book, Letters from Section 17: A Collection of Morningside Essays, which is autobiographical in nature

Description by Suyoko Tsukamoto and Christy Henry (2015)

Finding Aid:

A file level inventory is available for each subseries, see subseries descriptions

Storage Location:

2015 accessions
Oversize drawer ?
RG 5 photograph drawer

Related Material: William Frederick McGuinness sous-fonds
Ray Bailey fonds
John Everitt collection
Clarence Hopkin collection
Provincial Exhibition Association of Manitoba fonds
Lawrence Stuckey collection
Jack Stothard collection
Trillium Business and Professional Women's Club records
Oriole Vane-Veldhuis collection
William Wallace papers
Fred McGuinness local history collection (John E. Robbins Library)
CBC Radio Archives – Morningside
Trent University, Peter Gzowski fonds (99-015)
Kin Headquarters, Mississauga

Arrangement:

The arrangement was artificially created by the Archives with the intention of grouping like materials. Records within files were placed in chronological order wherever possible. An inventory of the prearranged materials is available (consult the Archivist)

McG 1 Personal papers

McG 1.1 McGuinness family papers and letters
McG 1.2 Fred McGuinness correspondence
McG 1.3 Fred McGuinness Ltd. business documents
McG 1.4 Fred McGuinness certificates and scrapbook

McG 2 Newspaper career

McG 2.1 The Medicine Hat News
McG 2.2 The Brandon Sun
McG 2.3 Neighborly News

McG 3 Freelance

McG 3.1 Reader's Digest
McG 3.2 Miscellaneous freelance

McG 4 McGuinness research

McG 4.1 Local history research materials
McG 4.2 Newspaper clippings

McG 5 Monographs

McG 5.1 Pride of the Land (1985)
McG 5.2 Only in Canada (1987)
McG 5.3 Old Pathways, New Horizons (1995)
McG 5.4 Manitoba: The Province & The People (1987)
McG 5.5 The Keystone Province: Manitoba Enterprise (1988)

McG 5.6 The Wheat City (1988)
McG 5.7 Chronicle of Canada (1990)

McG 6 McGuinness broadcasts, lectures, workshops

McG 6.1 Radio broadcast scripts
McG 6.2 BU Journalism course
McG 6.3 Talks and workshops

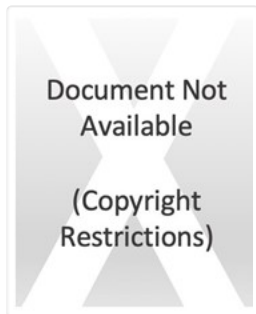
McG 7 McGuinness artifacts and sound recordings

McG 8 McGuinness library

McG 8.1 Books
McG 8.2 Booklets
McG 8.3 Maps, newsletters, and periodicals
McG 8.4 Pamphlets
McG 8.5 Magazines and newspapers (oversize)

McG 9 McGuinness photographs

6-2008 photographs
20-2009 photographs
1-2015 photographs



Fred McGuinness correspondence

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13657>

Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 1.2
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1910 - 2010
Physical Description:	Approximately 36 cm of textual records 1 artifact

History /

Biographical:

See collection level description for history/biography information on Frederick George McGuinness.

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:

Subseries consists of records created and collected by Fred McGuinness during his years in the Canadian navy, college, federal government (Unemployment Insurance Commission), Saskatchewan government (Saskatchewan Jubilee), and as a journalist, editor, and freelance writer.

The papers and letters include materials from some members of the McGuinness family who assisted McGuinness with his research, as well as reader correspondence and materials from workshop participants. Readers of McGuinness' columns often reminisced about Brandon's local history and enclosed newspapers clippings, photographs, and pamphlets with their correspondence. Participants from his memoir writing workshops submitted their personal or family memoirs for McGuinness to review, provide feedback, or add to his collection.

Records in the subseries consist of correspondence (letters, e-mail communications, facsimiles, invitations, telegrams), newspaper clippings, programmes, ticket stubs. There is a Medicine Hat News logo patch located within File 10 1955-1965 Medicine Hat News.

Notes: In the file level inventories, square brackets at end of file names reference the original location of the file in the unprocessed Fred McGuinness collection. The original location is also noted on the front of each file folder.

Accruals: Closed

Finding Aid: File level inventory is available

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Related Material: John Everitt collection

Clarence Hopkin collection

Lawrence Stuckey collection

Jack Stothard collection

William Wallace papers

It is possible research and additional correspondence pertaining to McGuinness' columns and research materials may be found in Personal papers (McG 1.1), Newspaper career (McG 2), Freelance (McG 3), Broadcasts, talks and workshops (McG 6). Photographs were pulled and added to McGuinness photographic collection (McG 9)

Arrangement:

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

Documents

Document Not
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McG 1_2 Fred
McGuinness
correspondence
inventory.pdf

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Fred McGuinness headshot

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13893>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Creator: Photographer: Sandy Black

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.204

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1980s

Physical Description: 5" x 3.5" (b/w)

Physical Condition: Photograph is stamped stamped on back

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Fred McGuinness standing in the stacks at Brandon University's John E. Robbins Library

Notes: Writing on back of photograph reads: Photography by Sandy Black

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

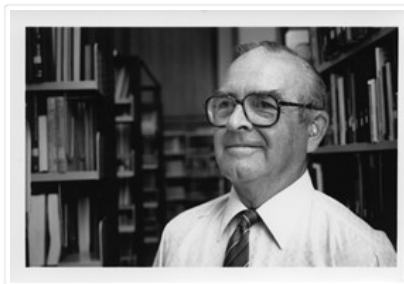
Subject Access: portraits

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #1

Images





Fred McGuinness headshot

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13894>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.204

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1952

Physical Description: 2.25" x 3.25" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph is a headshot of Fred McGuinness. Image was taken for the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee Committee.

Notes: Writing on back of photograph reads: Reporting for Duty, Executive Director, Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee Committee, 1952

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee

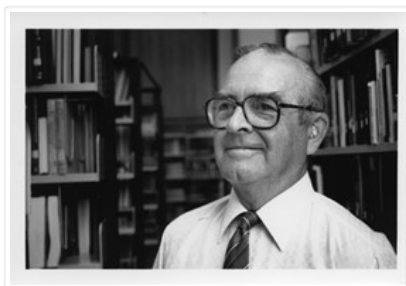
Subject Access: portraits

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #1

Images





Young Fred McGuinness

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13974>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Creator: Leila McDiarmid Leck

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.45

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1936

Physical Description: 2.75" x 4.5" (b/w)

Custodial History:

Photograph sent to Fred McGuinness from Leila McDiarmid Leck of Mission, BC, on 08 Feb 1983 in response to his Park School column (see F.A. Rosser, "Sunbeams – Park School reminiscences from a far away friends, Brandon Sun 25 Jan 1983)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a young boy in a gadsby cap bending over a box camera. Behind him are the steps and porch to a residential home.

Notes: Back of the photograph is stamped: Jerrett's June 2 1936 Photo-Service
Brandon

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

McG RR #1 "diary" (see McG 1.2 File 29)

Images

