

# 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.

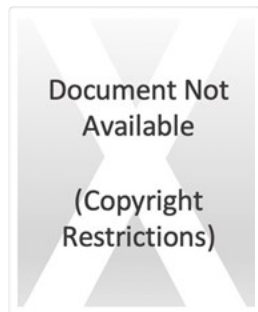
Notes:	Readers' correspondence pertaining to McGuinness' time in Medicine Hat may be found in Fred McGuinness' personal papers, subseries McG 1.2 Correspondence
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Accruals: Closed  
Finding Aid: A file level inventory is available  
Storage Location: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

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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 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:

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### 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

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Land inventory.pdf

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**UNIT SUMMARY** Page 1

Location: Crepee Grid: 100 Unit No.: 7 Location: 7475

Level Excavated: 1.0 Depth of Level: 0.0 Grid: 100 Trench: 100

Excavation Method: Hand (2) Shovel: 1.0 (3) Shovel: 1.0

(1) Name: Crepee (2) No. Screen: 100 Screen Size: 10"

(3) Name: Crepee Screen Size: 10"

Description of matrix: see notes

Description of disturbance: see notes

Features: see notes

Photos: see notes

Excavation samples: see notes

Remarks: see notes

## Crepee site 2004 - site record XU 7

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11740>

Part Of: RG 7 Beverley Nicholson fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 1.2.2.3

File Number: 7

Accession Number: 1-2010

Physical Description: 44 pages

Material Details: PDF

History /

Biographical:

Record of site excavation unit 7 at the Crepee site 2004.

Scope and Content:

Site records of excavation units may include: level summaries, floor plans, feature sheets, wall profiles, unit summaries and any other additional information relating to the unit.

Name Access: Crepee site 2004 - site record XU 7

Subject Access: Archaeology  
Crepee locale  
Crepee site DiMe-29  
Crepee site 2004

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Photos: see notes

Excavation samples: see notes

Remarks: see notes

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## Atkinson site 2004 - site record XU 7

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12255>

Part Of: RG 7 Beverley Nicholson fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 2.1.2.3

File Number: 7

Accession Number: 1-2010

Date Range: 2004

Physical Description: 36 pages

Material Details: PDF

History /

Biographical:

Record of excavation unit 7 at the Atkinson site 2004.

Scope and Content:

Site excavation records of excavation units may include: level summaries, floor plans, feature sheets, wall profiles, unit summaries and any other additional information relating to the unit.

Name Access: Atkinson site 2004 - site record XU 7

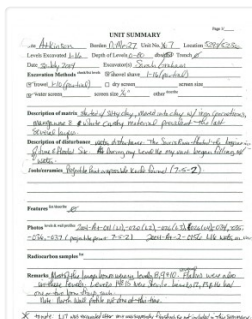
Subject Access: Archaeology

North Lauder locale

Atkinson site DiMe-29

Atkinson site 2004

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## Lovstrom survey 1985 - site record XU 7

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12424>

Part Of: RG 7 Beverley Nicholson fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 3.1.1.3

File Number: 7

Accession Number: 1-2010

Physical Description: 5 pages

Material Details: PDF

History /

Biographical:

Record of site excavation test unit 7 at the Lovstrom survey 1985.

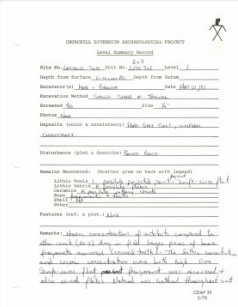
Scope and Content:

Site records of excavation units may include: level summaries, floor plans, feature sheets, wall profiles, unit summaries and any other additional information relating to the unit.


Name Access: Lovstrom survey 1985 - site record XU 7


Subject Access: Archaeology  
Lovstrom locale  
Lovstrom survey 1985  
Lovstrom survey 1985 - site record XU 7

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**LEVEL SUMMARY**

Site: Sarah03 Unit No: 28.2 Location: DiMe-28

Level No: 1 Level Depth: 0.50m no. shovels: 100

Excavation Date: 2003 Excavation Method: hand

Start of Level: 0.50m End of Level: 1.00m

Depth Below Ground Surface: 0.50m Excavation Method: hand

Top of Level: 0.50m Excavation Method: hand

Bottom of Level: 1.00m Excavation Method: hand

Notes: Excavation of level 1.00m. No features identified.

Drawings: None Interpret: None Notes: None

Archaeologist: None

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Notes: Excavation of level 1.00m. No features identified.

Drawings: None Interpret: None Notes: None

Archaeologist: None

## Sarah site 2003 - site record XU 7

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11840>

Part Of: RG 7 Beverley Nicholson fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 1.31.3

File Number: 7

Accession Number: 1-2010

Physical Description: 55 pages

Material Details: PDF

History /

Biographical:

Record of site excavation unit 7 at the Sarah site 2003.

Scope and Content:

Site records of excavation units may include: level summaries, floor plans, feature sheets, wall profiles, unit summaries and any other additional information relating to the unit.

Name Access: Sarah site 2003 - site record XU 7

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Crepee locale  
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Notes: Excavation of level 1.00m. No features identified.

Drawings: None Interpret: None Notes: None

Archaeologist: None

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