

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Lorne Carruthers interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14674>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH248.Car

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 29, 1982

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

### History /

### Biographical:

Herbert Lorne Carruthers was born on May 5, 1883 in Cannamore, ON. He came west on harvest excursions in 1902, 1903, 1904 and 1906, working for his uncle William Carruthers, who lived one mile west of Hargrave, MB. In 1907, his father bought him a farm south of Hargrave and Lorne made the move west permanently. Lorne married Mary Elizabeth "Bessie" Odell (1891-1977) on December 28, 1910. They lived on the farm south of Hargrave until moving to Hargrave in 1940 and then Virden in 1972. Together they had two children: Cecil and Inez. Lorne volunteered at the Hargrave skating rink when it opened in 1950. He also enjoyed playing the violin and the harmonica at concerts and dances. Lorne Carruthers died on July 1, 1985 in Virden, MB. He is buried at Virden Cemetery.

### Custodial History:

As part of the Westman Oral History Collection, this collection was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. The original tapes from the Westman Oral History project were deposited in the Brandon Public Library. Copies of these originals were made by Margaret Pollex of the Brandon University Language Lab at the request of Eileen McFadden, University Archivist in the early 1990s. These copies compose the collection held in the McKee Archives.

### Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Lorne Carruthers about his trip to Hargrave, MB from Crysler, ON, as well as homesteading north of Swift Current in the early 1900s. Interviewer is Gladys Bray.

### Notes:

History/bio information from the Clan Carruthers family history and genealogy website, the local histories "Hometown Virden: Pioneers and Progress" and "Binding Our Districts." Description by Christy Henry.

## Audio Tracks

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## Lorne Carruthers interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14675>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH309.Car

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: August 22, 1983

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:30:00]

History /

Biographical:

Herbert Lorne Carruthers was born on May 5, 1883 in Cannamore, ON. He came west on harvest excursions in 1902, 1903, 1904 and 1906, working for his uncle William Carruthers, who lived one mile west of Hargrave, MB. In 1907, his father bought him a farm south of Hargrave and Lorne made the move west permanently. Lorne married Mary Elizabeth "Bessie" Odell (1891-1977) on December 28, 1910. They lived on the farm south of Hargrave until moving to Hargrave in 1940 and then Virden in 1972. Together they had two children: Cecil and Inez. Lorne volunteered at the Hargrave skating rink when it opened in 1950. He also enjoyed playing the violin and the harmonica at concerts and dances. Lorne Carruthers died on July 1, 1985 in Virden, MB. He is buried at Virden Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Lorne Carruthers about Hargrave, MB in the early 1900s. Interviewer is Gladys Bray.

Notes: History/bio information from the Clan Carruthers family history and genealogy website, the local histories "Hometown Virden: Pioneers and Progress" and "Binding Our Districts." Description by Christy Henry.

### Audio Tracks

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## Lorne Dunn interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14676>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH107.Dun

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 11, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:30:00]

History /

Biographical:

Lorne Vincent Dunn was born on March 13, 1906 in Smith Falls, ON. He came to Boissevain, MB with his family in 1917. Lorne married Edith Leila Coultis (1902-1998) in Russell, MB on September 10, 1927. In February 1928, the couple came to Boissevain and Lorne opened a grocery and dry goods store with his brother Glen. The couple raised their four children - Joan, Oral, Berith and Beverley - in town. Lorne sold the store in 1949. He then did accounting work until 1953, when he became a member of Investors Syndicate of Canada, retiring in 1970. Lorne enjoyed golfing and curling and was a member of the Agricultural Society. In retirement he took an interest in the Drop-In Centre. Lorne Dunn died on December 17, 1983 in Boissevain, MB. He is buried at Boissevain and Morton Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Lorne Dunn about the general store, L&G Dunn, he operated with his brother in Boissevain, MB from 1928-1949. Interviewer is Phyllis Hallet.

Notes:

History/bio information from the records, the Boissevain Morton local history "Beckoning Hills Revisited," and Dunn's obituary. Description by Christy Henry.

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## Lorne and Grace Rogers interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14673>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH257.Rog

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: March 27, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:50:00]

History /

Biographical:

Lorne Melville Rogers was born on May 24, 1910 in Brandon, MB. He attended Mount Vernon School, before taking over the family farm. Lorne was on the Mount Vernon School Board for a number of years and also Forrest Elementary. He was a member of the Manitoba Pool Elevator and served on the local board. In his earlier years, he played the violin in a band for many Red Cross programs and dances in the war years. Grace Ellen Howard was born on January 10, 1910 in Stony Mountain, MB. The family moved to the "Rugby Farm" near Forrest in 1924. Grace completed her schooling at Rugby School.

Grace and Lorne married on November 20, 1934 and together had two children, Doris and Norman. The couple farmed the Rogers family farm together. Grace was active in the St. George's Red Cross during the war years and St. George's ACW. She was also a member of the Forrest Legion Auxiliary, and enjoyed flower gardening, sports, music and cards. Grace and Lorne retired to Brandon in 1983, where they enjoyed senior activities together, as well as travelling. Grace Rogers died on March 10, 2001 in Brandon, MB. Lorne Rogers died on December 19, 2001 in Brandon, MB. They are both buried at Rosewood Memorial Gardens.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Lorne and Grace Rogers about early agriculture. Interviewer is Frank Anderson.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the Forrest and District local history "Family Trees & rural Roots," and Grace Rogers' obituary.  
Description by Christy Henry.

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## Ward Watson collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4821>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 36-1997

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1935-1938

Physical Description: 2 cm

History /

Biographical:

Ward Watson was born in Brandon, Manitoba and attended Brandon Collegiate Institute in the late 1930's. In 1937, he was chosen out of the student body to attend the Coronation of King George VI in London, England. Watson graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1942. Until his retirement, Watson was an executive with Cargill Grain Company.

Custodial History:

This collection was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Collection contains yearbooks from Brandon Collegiate Institute - "The New Era" - for the years 1935 to 1938. The yearbooks include enrollment lists, pictures of classes and sports teams, short essays, editorial gossip, and local advertisements.

Notes: CAIN No. 202630

Subject Access: Brandon Collegiate

The New Era

Brandon

Coronation

high school

Storage Location: 1997 accessions

Storage Range: 1997 accessions



## Harold E. Watson interview - part I

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14479>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH102a.Wat

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: August 7, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [01:00:05]

History /

Biographical:

Harold Ernest Watson was born on April 14, 1905 on section 4-11-24 in the RM of Woodworth. The family moved to Brandon, MB in 1911. As a young man, Harold worked for many years as a carpenter with his father. He was then employed for a few years with the Canadian National Railway (CNR) before becoming a carpenter and carman with the Canadian Pacific Railway (CPR) for thirty-five years. Harold married Winifred Elizabeth Schiedel (1916-1982) in 1939 and together they had six children: Eldine, Marjorie, David, Dale, Mildred and Ralph. A keen conservationist, Harold was a member of the Manitoba Naturalist Society. He also enjoyed gardening, bird watching, fishing, hunting, woodworking, reading, typing and cribbage, and possessed an excellent knowledge of the history of Brandon and surrounding area. Harold Watson died on November 30, 1994 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 Harold Watson about the history of the East End of Brandon, including its early residents, buildings and activities. The interviewer is Lillian Mummery.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and Watson's obituary.  
Description by Christy Henry. Fred McGuinness wrote about Harold Watson in his November 4, 2004 "The Notebook" column in The Brandon Sun.

Language Note: English

Conservation: Preservation copy made 2021 (R. Hess)

### Audio Tracks

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## Harold E. Watson interview - part II

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14649>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH102b.Wat

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: August 7, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [01:02:12]

History /

Biographical:

Harold Ernest Watson was born on April 14, 1905 on section 4-11-24 in the RM of Woodworth. The family moved to Brandon, MB in 1911. As a young man, Harold worked for many years as a carpenter with his father. He was then employed for a few years with the Canadian National Railway (CNR) before becoming a carpenter and carman with the Canadian Pacific Railway for thirty-five years. Harold married Winifred Elizabeth Schiedel (1916-1982) in 1939 and together they had six children: Eldine, Marjorie, David, Dale, Mildred and Ralph. A keen conservationist, Harold was a member of the Manitoba Naturalist Society. He also enjoyed gardening, bird watching, fishing, hunting, woodworking, reading, typing and cribbage, and possessed an excellent knowledge of the history of Brandon and surrounding area. Harold Watson died on November 30, 1994 in Brandon, MB. He is buried at Brandon Municipal Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

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Notes:

History/bio information from the records and Watson's obituary.  
Description by Christy Henry. Fred McGuinness wrote about Harold Watson in his November 4, 2004 "The Notebook" column in The Brandon Sun.

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## Harold E. Watson interview - part III

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14650>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH102c.Wat

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: August 7, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [01:01:47]

History /

Biographical:

Harold Ernest Watson was born on April 14, 1905 on section 4-11-24 in the RM of Woodworth. The family moved to Brandon, MB in 1911. As a young man, Harold worked for many years as a carpenter with his father. He was then employed for a few years with the Canadian National Railway (CNR) before becoming a carpenter and carman with the Canadian Pacific Railway for thirty-five years. Harold married Winifred Elizabeth Schiedel (1916-1982) in 1939 and together they had six children: Eldine, Marjorie, David, Dale, Mildred and Ralph. A keen conservationist, Harold was a member of the Manitoba Naturalist Society. He also enjoyed gardening, bird watching, fishing, hunting, woodworking, reading, typing and cribbage, and possessed an excellent knowledge of the history of Brandon and surrounding area. Harold Watson died on November 30, 1994 in Brandon, MB.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

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Notes:

History/bio information from the records and Watson's obituary.  
Description by Christy Henry. Fred McGuinness wrote about Harold Watson in his November 4, 2004 "The Notebook" column in The Brandon Sun.

### Audio Tracks

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