

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Alice May interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14517>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH166.May

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: October 20, 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:10:00]

History /

Biographical:

Alice May (nee Heal) was born August 13, 1910 in Strathclair, MB to Charles and Kristina Heal. Alice worked as a secretary and bookkeeper and then as a homemaker. She married Frank May (1901-1985) on November 16, 1932 and together they had two children: Frances and Arthur. The family moved to Strathclair in 1946. Alice May died on August 10, 2006 in Shoal Lake, MB. She is buried at Strathclair Municipal 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:

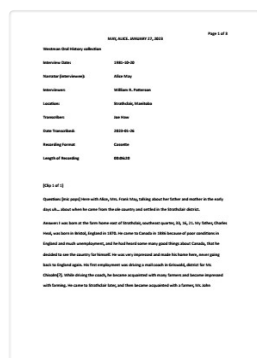
Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Alice May about the family history of the Heals. Interviewer is William R. Patterson.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and May's obituary. Transcript by Joe Haw (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

## Audio Tracks

## Documents



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## Frank May interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14586>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: OH164.May  
Accession Number: 35-1998  
GMD: sound recordings  
Date Range: June 1, 1982 & October 15, 1982  
Physical Description: 2 audio cassettes [01:05:00]

### History /

### Biographical:

Frank Morgan May was born on February 23, 1907 in the Oberon district. Frank married Vera Isabella Connell (1904-1995) in July 1934. Together they had five children: James, Kenneth, Robert, Gordon and Katharine. Frank farmed in the Oberon district until the 1960s. He was among the first farmers in his district to try growing unique crops (seed potatoes, peas, sunflowers etc). In his spare time, Frank restored two steam engines, which were both displayed at the Austin Threserman's Reunion every summer. Frank May died on December 6, 1991 in Carberry, MB. He is buried at Riverside Cemetery.

### Custodial History:

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### Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Frank May about acquiring a steamer. Interviewer is Dorothy Martin.

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

Language Note: English

## Audio Tracks



## Ivan R. Day interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14631>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH104.Day

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 30, 1981

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

History /

Biographical:

Ivan Richard Day was born on May 17, 1911 in Dand, MB. He lived and farmed in the Dand area his entire life. Ivan married Wilma Mildred Sutton (1909-2004) on October 1, 1936 in Winnipeg, MB. Together they had three sons: David, Garfield and John. Ivan was very interested in co-operative movements and was active with the local Manitoba Pool Elevator, the Dand Consolidated School, the Harnley Credit Union and Co-op Implements. Ivan Day died on May 5, 1982 in Deloraine Memorial Hospital. He is buried at Deloraine Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Ivan Day about recollections of life in the Dand Community during the 20th century. Interviewer is Eva Cassils.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, Dand local history "More golden memories: 1967-1991" and Ivan Day's obituary. Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

### Audio Tracks

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## Edythe May Wood interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14470>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH046.Woo

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: March 9, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:26:41]

History /

Biographical:

Edythe May Wood was born on May 24, 1904 in Scarborough, Yorkshire, England and came to Canada with her family in 1911, settling in Medora, MB. Edythe attended Brandon Normal School and then taught for a number of years, primarily in Brandon. During the Second World War she took over as Principal of Fleming School. In 1949, Edythe left teaching for real estate. In the summer she worked for McMorran Agencies in Clear Lake, later buying the agency when McMorran retired. She also managed Rainbow Cabins and the Elkhorn Ranch for R.O. Gregorson. During the winter, starting in 1960, Edythe was the administrator of the Brandon Allied Arts Center. She was forced to retire from the position in 1970 due to vision impairment. Edythe was a member of the Business Professional Group and the Council of Women. She was also instrumental in bringing a CNIB presence to Brandon. Edythe never married. Edythe May Wood died on March 9, 1998 in Erickson, MB. She is buried at Rosewood Memorial Gardens.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

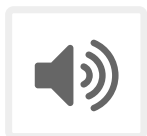
Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Edythe May Wood about her life experiences in the Westman region. Subjects include her schooling, teaching and business careers, her public service activities and coping with visual impairment. The interviewer is Marjorie Fitton.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, Woods' obituary and the Manitoba Historical Society website. Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

Conservation: Preservation copy made 2021 (R. Hess)

### Audio Tracks



## Ken Hanly collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4067>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: MG 3 1.6  
Accession Number: 16-1997  
GMD: sound recordings  
Date Range: 1974  
Physical Description: 6 sound recordings  
Physical Condition: Tapes are fragile

History /

Biographical:

Kenneth Ralph Hanly was born in Clinton, Ontario on July 30, 1932. He obtained his B.A. (Honors in English and Philosophy) from the University of Saskatchewan in 1959, his M.A. in Philosophy from the same institution in 1960, and his Ph.D. in Philosophy with honors from the University of Oregon in 1967. Hanly was initially appointed to the Philosophy Department at Brandon University in 1963. He retired as of June 30, 1996 and in 1998, the Board of Governors of Brandon University conferred the title of Professor Emeritus on him.

At Brandon University, Hanly was the poetry co-editor of "Pierian Spring" for 1982 and 1983, the editor for that publication for 1984 and 1985, and the editor of "Dollar Poems" from 1983-1987. He also served as a representative on the University Tenure Committee and the Senate. His research interests included the Canadian left and political radicalism and labour movements in Brandon. During his tenure at Brandon University he was active in the NDP and particularly interested in municipal politics.

Hanly was also a member of the Manitoba Police Commission (1982-1987), the Manitoba Law Reform Commission (1970s), Amnesty International, the Canadian Authors Association, the Manitoba Writer's Guild, the Manitoba Association of Rights and Liberties, and an associate member of the League of Canadian Poets (1984-1986).

As of January 2006, Ken Hanly divides his time between Oakburn, MB and the Philippines. He can be contacted at northsunm@yahoo.com.

Custodial History:

While doing research in 1974, Ken Hanly sent three tapes and a request to William Pritchard to record an oral history of the Socialist Party of Canada. The tapes were recorded in October of 1974. Wiszniowski and Pirozek were interviewed by Hanly himself in the same year. Magnacca was also interviewed by Hanly. Hanly kept these materials from 1974 until 1997 when he decided to donate them to the McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes cassette tapes of a conversation with W. A. (Bill) Pritchard in which he provides an oral history of the Socialist Party of Canada (SPC) and describes his activities as a militant within the party from 1911 to 1927. Pritchard devotes a good deal of time to describing his many experiences as editor of the Western Clarion, the party newspaper, running in various elections, and his tours of B.C. and Alberta on behalf of the party. Pritchard also discusses the ideology of the Socialist Party of Canada and the ideological splits within it that occurred in the 1920s.

Fonds also includes a recording of a conversation with Brandon Communist Frank Wiszniowski dealing with Wiszniowski's involvement in various organizations following his arrival in Brandon in 1926. Fonds also includes a taped conversation with former Brandon Mayor Stephen Magnacca concerned with various features of political life in Brandon.

Notes: CD copies of the Pritchard tapes have been made.

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| Name Access:       | William Pritchard<br>Frank Wiszniowski<br>S. Magnacca<br>J. Pirozek   |
| Subject Access:    | Socialist Party of Canada<br>Western Clarion<br>Canadian Marxism<br>Radicalism  |
| Accruals:          | Further accruals expected.  |
| Repro Restriction: | Researchers are responsible for observing Canadian copyright restrictions.  |
| Conservation:      | Archives has determined that the Wiszniowski, Pirozek and Magnacca tapes are too fragile to make copies.                          |
| Location Original: | Originals and copies are being stored in the same box.  |
| Storage Location:  | MG 3 Brandon University Administration and Teaching<br>1.6 Ken Hanly  |
| Related Material:  | Copies of "Pierian Spring" and "Dollar Poems" are located in RG 6, series 7, sub sub series 7.1.2 (Faculty of Arts Publications). |