

S. J. McKee Archives



The first fifty years : a history of United Grain Growers Limited

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections1

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Colquette, R. D

Description Level: Item

Item Number: HD 9044.C33U54

Archives 14-23-6

Item Number Range: HD 9044.C33U54

Archives 14-23-6

Standard number: System Control Number 76203299

Responsibility: R. D. Colquette

Start Date: c1957 Date Range: c1957

Publication: Winnipeg : Public Press Limited

Physical Description: vii, 309 p.: ill.; 22 cm

Notes: Includes index

Name Access: United Grain Growers Limited

Subject Access: Grain trade Canada

Agriculture

Cooperative Canada

Storage Location: Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)
Storage Range: Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)



Faith, hope and co-operation: a Maritime Provinces story

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections170

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: McEwen, W. H

Description Level: Item

Item Number:Archives 14-3-20Item Number Range:Archives 14-3-20Responsibility:by W. H. McEwen

Start Date: 1969 Date Range: 1969

Publication: Moncton, N.B.: Maritime Co-operative Services

Physical Description: 152 p.: ill., ports.; 21 cm

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative Maritime Provinces

Canada

Cooperation Maritime Provinces

Cooperative societies

Storage Location: Box 3 - Cooperation 1
Storage Range: Box 3 - Cooperation 1



A history of farmers' movements in Canada

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections24

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Wood, Louis Aubrey, 1883-1955

Description Level: Item

Item Number: HD 1486.C2W6

Archives 14-23-4

Item Number Range: HD 1486.C2W6

Archives 14-23-4

Standard number: System Control Number 87007965

Responsibility: Louis Aubrey Wood

Start Date: c1924 Date Range: c1924

Publication: Toronto: Ryerson Press

Physical Description: 372 p.; 21 cm
Notes: Includes index

Name Access: Patrons of Husbandry
Subject Access: Agriculture Canada

Agriculture Economic aspects Canada Agricultural societies Canada History Agriculture and politics Canada History

Agriculture

Cooperative Canada History

Storage Location: Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)
Storage Range: Box 23 - Historical VI (Archives copy)



RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4344

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Description Level: Fonds

Accession Number: 16-1998, 28-1998, 16-2002

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1874-2001, predominant 1930-1970

Physical Description: 64.69 m textual records

photographs

slides

audiovisual materials

History / Biographical:

The forerunner of Manitoba Pool Elevators (MPE), the Manitoba Wheat Pool was created in 1924 as a mechanism to allow for the co-operative marketing of wheat by Manitoba producers

by the United Farmers of Manitoba. The Manitoba Wheat Pool was initially intended to be a provisional organization until the establishment of an interprovincial Pool, but when Alberta and Saskatchewan established their own permanent Pools the United Farmers decided to do the same. The Manitoba Pool was different from the SK and AB Pools in that the municipality was the primary unit of organization; members belonged to their municipal Pool associations first, rather than having direct membership with the central Manitoba Wheat Pool. Manitoba Pool Elevators was established in 1925 as a subsidiary of the Pool in response to local members complaints about the unfair business practices of privately owned elevators. The private elevators also slowed up the shipment of grain to the Central Selling Agency employed by the Wheat Pool, acting as a barrier between the local Pools and the Manitoba Wheat Pool. Once established MPE quickly began to build new elevators and aquire privately owned elevators.

MPE's approach to marketing grain promised to stabilize the market price of grain and ensure a fair market price to producers. Initially the Manitoba Wheat Pool was very successful. However, in 1930, the Manitoba Wheat Pool found itself burdened with an unsold surplus from the preceding year that had been bought from the farmers at a price that was significantly higher than any possible return during the Depression. As a result, in 1931 the Manitoba Wheat Pool's Central Selling Agency defaulted on its bank loans. Despite attempts to save the organization, it was forced to declare bankruptcy in November 1932. The financial difficulties of the Wheat Pool had little to no effect on the Pool Elevators, and so this former subsidiary organization became the main Manitoba Pool organization. This change meant MPE had to reorganize, which they were able to do with funds from the provincial government. The company was successful enough in subsequent years that it was able to finish repaying the Manitoba government a full year early in 1949.

MPE did not limit itself to grain handling; they wished to enrich the lives of rural families through education and to provide economic stability through diversification.

MPE established a lending reference library for members and a traveling library for rural families in 1926. With the passing of the Public Libraries Act in 1948, the province took over responsibility for providing rural families with books. MPE decided that since their traveling library would no longer be needed when rural libraries were established, the best course of action was to donate their library to the Provincial government. They also established and supported programs that educated young people about agriculture and ag business.

Subsidiary companies that dealt with course grains, livestock, packing and fertilizer were established by MPE to streamline and stabilize business for its members.

1961 marked the high water mark for the number of local associations within Manitoba Pool Elevators with 225 local associations. After this date the associations began to amalgamate and consolidate. Improvements in rural roads and rail systems and increases in the size of farms and mechanization of farm labour meant that fewer elevators were needed to service all members and regions. These changes led to an organizational restructuring of Manitoba Pool Elevators in 1968. Membership became direct, and the main unit of organization became the central office. The central office administrated the Pool through districts, which were further subdivided into sub-districts. The locals which were formally the main organizational unit came under the immediate direction of the sub-district they were located in. Local association could opt out of this system if they wished, but by 1975 all but 29 associations had become part of the new structure.

In 1998 Manitoba Pool Elevators merged with the Alberta Wheat Pool to form Agricore Cooperative, Ltd. In 2001 this organization merged with the United Grain Growers to become Agricore United, and in 2007 AU was taken over by the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool; the new company is currently known as Viterra.

Custodial History:

The bulk of this fonds was accessioned in 1975, when the forerunner to the McKee Archives at Brandon University, the Rural Resource Center, was founded. The original mandate of the Rural Resource Center was to house the records of the Manitoba Pool Elevators. Previous to this, most of the fonds was stored at MPE's head office in Winnipeg. Many accruals to this collection have since taken place, with some of the larger ones being received in 1997, 2001, and 2002.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains records dealing with every aspect of the Manitoba Pool Elevators organization, from the events leading to its formation in the 1920's, to its amalgamation as part of Agricore beginning in the late 1990's.

Fonds includes records of the local co-operative elevator associations established in the period 1925 - 1968 under the Co-operative Associations Act including: organizational papers; minutes of executive boards; minutes of shareholders annual meetings; financial statements; correspondence; membership lists; and miscellaneous documents.

Also to be found are: documents related to the Royal Commission re the Manitoba Pool Elevators Limited ca. 1931; miscellaneous reports and submissions documents (1925 -1952); central office papers consisting of annual reports, circulars to local co-operative elevator associations and documents related to various other activities of the Manitoba Pool Elevators organization. Fonds also contains documents pertaining to the Manitoba Co-operative Poultry Marketing Association Limited and its successor, the Manitoba Dairy and Poultry Co-operative Limited, and related agencies.

Other items in the fonds (dating from the 1890's to 2001) include: books acquired for the Manitoba Pool Elevator Library, including a complete run of both the Scoop Shovel (MPE's first newspaper)and the Manitoba Cooperator; photographs; slides; audiotapes; and reel-to-reel videos.

Finally, the fonds contains a small number of miscellaneous items such as banners, and company issued briefcases.

This fonds is organized into four series, (A) Local Association records, (B) Central Office Records, (C) Subsidiary Companies and Co-operatives, (D) Commissions, Committees and Inquiries

Notes: Description by Mike White (2002), revised and enlarged by Jillian

Sutherland (2009-2010).

History/Bio taken from F.W. Hamilton, "Service at Cost: A History of the Manitoba Pool Elevators 1925-1975" (Saskatoon: Modern Press) and

from records within the fonds.

Preparation of this description made possible in part by a generous grant from the Brandon University Student's Union Work Study Program 2009.

Name Access: F.W. Hamilton

Paul F. Bredt
Colin H. Burnell
John I. McFarland
A.J. McPhail

J.R. Murray W.J. Parker Henry W. Wood

Subject Access: Manitoba Co-operator

Canadian Agriculture
Cooperative Unions

Grain Trade

The Scoop Shovel

Winnipeg Grain Exchange

Agricore

United Grain Growers

Manitoba Wheat Pool

Canadian Cooperative Wheat Producers Ltd

Canadian Wheat Board Alberta Wheat Pool Border Fertilizer Ltd

Canadian Council of Agriculture

Saskatchewan Cooperative Elevator Company

Saskatchewan Wheat Pool United Farmers of Manitoba United Farmers of Alberta

Repro Restriction: Researchers are responsible for observing Canadian copyright

restrictions

Finding Aid: File level inventory available for some boxes. The Pool Elevator library

and publications are available online through the Brandon University

Library catalogue.

Storage Location: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds



Shoal Lake merchants

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13035

Part Of: CKX fonds

Creator: CKX

Description Level: Item

Series Number: S

Item Number: 11-2010.S145c

Accession Number: 11-2010
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 196?

Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Image of the interior of a store.

Name Access: CKX
Subject Access: persons

store interiors employees retail trade Agriculture

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

Images





Shoal Lake merchants

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13036

Part Of: CKX fonds

Creator: CKX

Description Level: Item

Series Number: S

Item Number: 11-2010.S145b

Accession Number: 11-2010
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 196?

Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Image of an employee in an agricultural supply warehouse.

Name Access: CKX

Subject Access: persons

commerical buildings

employees retail trade Agriculture

building interiors

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

Images





Shoal Lake merchants

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13037

Part Of: CKX fonds

Creator: CKX

Description Level: Item

Series Number: S

Item Number: 11-2010.S145a

Accession Number: 11-2010
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 196?

Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Image of an employee outside of an agricultural supply warehouse.

Name Access: CKX

Subject Access: persons

commerical buildings

employees retail trade Agriculture

building exteriors

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

Images





Cooperative marketing of agricultural products

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections681

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Comish, Newel Howland, b. 1888

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 14-8-15
Item Number Range: Archives 14-8-15

Responsibility: by Newel Howland Comish

Start Date: 1929 Date Range: 1929

Publication: New York : D. Appleton and Company

Physical Description: xxii, 479 p.; 21 cm

Notes: Includes bibliographical reference and index

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative

Cooperative United States
Farm produce Marketing

Storage Location: Box 8 - Historical IV & Cooperation II
Storage Range: Box 8 - Historical IV & Cooperation II



Cooperative marketing of agricultural products

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections242

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Comish, Newel Howland, b. 1888

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 14-8-15
Item Number Range: Archives 14-8-15

Responsibility: by Newel Howland Comish

Start Date: 1929 Date Range: 1929

Publication: New York : D. Appleton and Company

Physical Description: xxii, 479 p.; 21 cm

Notes: Includes bibliographical reference and index

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative

Cooperative United States
Farm produce Marketing

Storage Location: Box 8 - Historical IV & Cooperation II
Storage Range: Box 8 - Historical IV & Cooperation II



They did it in Indiana : the story of the Indiana Farm Bureau Co-operatives

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections175

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Turner, Paul Orlando, 1910

Description Level: Item

Item Number:Archives 14-3-27Item Number Range:Archives 14-3-27Responsibility:by Paul Turner

Start Date: 1947 Date Range: 1947

Publication: New York : Dryden Press

Physical Description: xxix, 159 p., [8] leaves of plates : ill., ports ; 22 cm

Name Access: Indiana Farm Bureau Co-operative Association

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative Indiana

Storage Location: Box 3 - Cooperation
Storage Range: Box 3 - Cooperation



American cooperation: a collection of papers and discussions summarizing the ... session of the American institute of Cooperation

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections46

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: American Institute of Cooperation

Description Level: Item

Item Number: HD 3443.A7

Archives 14-17-1

Item Number Range: HD 3443.A7

Archives 14-17-1

Standard number: System Control Number 87055119

Start Date: [c1925 Date Range: [c1925

Publication: Washington, D.C.: American institute of Cooperation

Physical Description: v; 24 cm

Notes: Some volumes have distinctive titles

1953. Cooperatives, self helf in our competitive economy – 1958. Cooperatives, progress in the space age –- 1960. Agricultual cooperatives, foundation and forecast –- 1963. Power in partnership –- 1971. Highlights of current thinking by cooperative, agribusiness, and educational leaders on Cooperative Business Leadership, primarily as presented at the 1971 Summer Institute of American Institute of

presented at the 1971 Summer Institute of American Institute of Cooperation, Colorado State University, Fort Collins -- 1976-77. Coopertives, committed to America's future -- 1979-80. Expanding

cooperative horizons

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative United States

Cooperation Societies

Storage Location: Box17-Cooperation III
Storage Range: Box17-Cooperation III



Financial structure of farmer cooperatives

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections132

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Griffin, Nelda, 1925

Wissman, Roger A

United States. Farmer Cooperative Service

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 14-3-4
Item Number Range: Archives 14-3-4

Responsibility: [by Nelda Griffin and Roger A. Wissman]

Start Date: 1970 Date Range: 1970

Publication: Washington: Farmer Cooperative Service, U.S. Department of

Agriculture

Publisher Series: Research report - Farmer Cooperative Service ; 10

Physical Description: xii, 98 p.: ill.; 26 cm

Notes: Cover title

Includes bibliographical references

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative United States Finance

Storage Location: Box 3 - Cooperation 1
Storage Range: Box 3 - Cooperation 1



Practical cooperative marketing

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections307

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: McKay, Andrew William, 1883

Lane, Charles Homer, 1877

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 14-14-17
Item Number Range: Archives 14-14-17

Responsibility: by A. W. McKay and C. H. Lane

Start Date: 1928 Date Range: 1928

Publication: New York : J. Wiley & Sons, Inc. ; London : Chapman & Hall, Limited

Publisher Series: Wiley farm series

Physical Description: xvii, 512 p.: ill., maps; 21 cm

Notes: "References" at end of most of the chapters

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative

Farm produce Marketing

Storage Location: Box 14-Discards II
Storage Range: Box 14-Discards II



The economics of cooperative marketing

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections241

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Bakken, Henry Harrison, 1896

Schaars, Marvin Arnold

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 14-8-14
Item Number Range: Archives 14-8-14

Responsibility: by Henry H. Bakken and Marvin A. Schaars

Start Date: 1937 Date Range: 1937

Publication: New York ; London : McGraw Hill Book Company, inc

Physical Description: viii, 583 p.: ill.; 24 cm

Notes: Includes bibliographical reference and index

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative United States
Agriculture Economic aspects

Agriculture Economic aspects United States

Agriculture cooperative credit associations United States

Farm produce Marketing

Storage Location: Box 8 - Historical IV & Cooperation II
Storage Range: Box 8 - Historical IV & Cooperation II



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections409

Other Title Info: Formerly The Scoop Shovel

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Creator: Manitoba Co-operative Conference

Description Level: Sub-series
Series Number: MPE E 3

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1931-1936; 1943-2001

Publication: Winnipeg : Manitoba Co-operative Conference, ltd

Physical Description: 74 v.; ill.; 5.46 m

Scope and Content:

During the independent existence of Manitoba Pool Elevators, the Manitoba Co-operator, published by the Manitoba Co-operative Conference Ltd., was the official organ of the cooperative movement in the province. The sub-series consists of issues of The Manitoba Co-operator from 1931-1936 and 1943-2001.

Notes: Description by Jill Sutherland and Christy Henry.

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative Periodicals

Farm produce Marketing Periodicals

Conservation: microfilm, PDF

Location Original: Archives 14-24-2, Box 24 - Manitoba Pool

Location Copy: Z drive

Arrangement:

The Scoop Shovel, Vol. VII No.1-7 is bound with the Manitoba Co-operator, Vol. VII, No. 9-12



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections1497

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: TMC-1931-09
GMD: textual records

Responsibility: Manitoba Co-operative Conference Ltd.

Date Range: September 1931
Publisher Series: Vol. VII, No. 9

Physical Description: 22pp.

Scope and Content:

Item consists of the first issue of The Manitoba Co-operator, a magazine of agricultural co-operation, published in September 1931.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative Periodicals

Farm produce Marketing Periodicals

Location Original: Archives 14-24-1, Box 42

Arrangement:

Tthe Manitoba Co-operator, Vol. VII, No. 9-12 is bound with The Scoop Shovel, Vol. VII No.1-7.

Documents





http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections1498

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: TMC-1931-10
GMD: textual records

Responsibility: Manitoba Co-operative Conference Ltd.

Date Range: October 1931
Publisher Series: Vol. VII, No. 10

Physical Description: 16pp.

Scope and Content:

Item consists of the October 1931 issue of The Manitoba Co-operator.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative Periodicals

Farm produce Marketing Periodicals

Location Original: Archives 14-24-1, Box 42

Arrangement:

Tthe Manitoba Co-operator, Vol. VII, No. 9-12 is bound with The Scoop Shovel, Vol. VII No.1-7.

Documents





http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections1499

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: TMC-1931-11
GMD: textual records

Responsibility: Manitoba Co-operative Conference Ltd.

Date Range: November 1931
Publisher Series: Vol. VII, No. 11

Physical Description: 16pp.

Scope and Content:

Item consists of the November 1931 issue of The Manitoba Co-operator.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative Periodicals

Farm produce Marketing Periodicals

Location Original: Archives 14-24-1, Box 42

Arrangement:

Tthe Manitoba Co-operator, Vol. VII, No. 9-12 is bound with The Scoop Shovel, Vol. VII No.1-7.

Documents





http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections1500

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: TMC-1931-12
GMD: textual records

Responsibility: Manitoba Co-operative Conference Ltd.

Date Range: December 1931
Publisher Series: Vol. VII, No. 12

Physical Description: 20pp.

Scope and Content:

Item consists of the December 1931 issue of The Manitoba Co-operator.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative Periodicals

Farm produce Marketing Periodicals

Location Original: Archives 14-24-1, Box 42

Arrangement:

Tthe Manitoba Co-operator, Vol. VII, No. 9-12 is bound with The Scoop Shovel, Vol. VII No.1-7.

Documents





http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections1501

Part Of: RG 4 Manitoba Pool Elevator fonds

Collection: Manitoba Pool Elevator Library Collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: TMC-1932-01
GMD: textual records

Responsibility: Manitoba Co-operative Conference Ltd.

Date Range: January 1932
Publisher Series: Vol. VIII, No. 1

Physical Description: 16pp.

Scope and Content:

Item consists of the January 1932 issue of The Manitoba Co-operator.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Subject Access: Agriculture

Cooperative Periodicals

Farm produce Marketing Periodicals

Location Original: Archives 14-24-1, Box 42

Documents

