

S. J. McKee Archives



George F. MacDowell collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4049>

Part Of:	RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	MG 3 1.12
Accession Number:	9-2002
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1941-1987, predominant 1960-1982
Physical Description:	8.1 m
Physical Condition:	Good

History /

Biographical:

George F. MacDowell was born in 1913, in Prince Edward Island. He studied at Dalhousie University from 1930 to 1933, but did not complete a degree. During WWII, MacDowell served in Canada and Europe as a member of the Royal Canadian Signals Corps. After the war, he returned to Dalhousie University, graduating with a B.A. in 1947. Subsequently, he graduated with a Masters Degree in Economics from Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts. George MacDowell taught at both Mount Allison University and the University of Alberta before coming to Brandon in 1957 to teach at Brandon College. He remained as a professor in the Economic Department until his retirement in 1979.

MacDowell's work was published in the Canadian Journal of Economics and Political Science. In 1971, McClelland & Stewart published his account of the Brandon Packers strike of 1960 titled "The Brandon Packer's Strike: A Tragedy of Errors." In Brandon, MacDowell maintained a relationship with the local Association of Fire Fighters, aiding them with collective bargaining procedures. He also served as Chairman for the MacKenzie Seeds Board, and was a member of the Manitoba Development Corporation Board.

MacDowell never married and had no known children. He passed away on February 26th, 1986.

Custodial History:

This collection was in the possession of George MacDowell until his death. It was then held by the Brandon University Department of Economics until 1997, at which time it was transferred to the McKee Archives at Brandon University.

Scope and Content:

The bulk of this fonds falls into five main categories:

1. Records dealing with the Brandon Packers Strike of 1960 and the subsequent legal actions against the owners, including all 2215 pages of the Brandon Packers Strike Commission;
2. Records dealing with the Commission of Inquiry into The Pas Forestry and Industrial Complex, including the complete transcript of the inquiry measuring approximately 5m. This Commission dealt with the conduct of Churchill Forest Industries, a company owned by a Swiss financial firm, which, in the 1960's, was given approximately 93 million dollars by the Roblin Provincial Government to develop The Pas Forestry and Industrial Complex. Churchill Forest Industries and its parent company subsequently came under suspicion of fraud and accused of fraudulently transferring The Pas Forestry funds into other foreign business interests;
3. Records dealing with business loans awarded by the Manitoba Development Corporation during the 1970's and 1980's to businesses primarily within Manitoba;
4. Records dealing with McKenzie Seeds, and McKenzie Steele-Briggs Seeds during the early 1980's when George MacDowell was a board member of McKenzie Seeds;
5. Records dealing with Professor MacDowell's career as a Professor at Brandon University, including records relating to his courses and to administrative activities.

To a lesser extent, this collection includes records dealing with the University of Saskatchewan College of Commerce, the publication the "Manitoba New Democrat," issues associated with politics, labor and union in the prairie provinces from the 1960's to the 1980's, articles from various economic periodicals including "Economica" and "Public Finance," a variety of government reports from 1941 to 1981, and records dealing with George MacDowell's relationship with the Brandon Firefighters Association.

Notes: File level inventory available. Description written by Mike White (2002).

Name Access: Errol Black
Brandon University
University of Saskatchewan College of Commerce
Manitoba New Democrat
Manitoba Development Corporation
Brandon Packers Strike Commission
Bank Act
A.E. McKenzie Steele Briggs Seeds
Brandon Firefighters Association.

Subject Access: economics
trade unions
economics curriculum
public service unions
prairie politics
Edward Schreyer government
labour
Manitoba business loans
government economic reports

Access Restriction: Collection includes financial data on many Manitoba businesses. Consult the archivist for access.

Repro Restriction: Researchers are responsible for observing Canadian copyright restrictions.

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.12 George F. MacDowell

Related Material: Related material regarding George MacDowell's involvement with the A.E. McKenzie Company can be found in RG 3 McS A.E. McKenzie Company fonds.



Dr. Ezeala-Harrison - Economics

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4777>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Creator: Brandon University Dean of Arts Office

Description Level: File

Series Number: 7.1.1

File Number: 24

Accession Number: 24-2000

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1989-1990

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of course evaluations, application and appointment documents, and a copy of the Brandon University job posting.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Series VIII: Faculties and Schools
7.1.1 Dean of Arts
Box 2



Reader's Digest

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13665>

Other Title Info: Title based on the contents of the subseries

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: McG 3.1

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: textual records

Date Range: c. 1972 - 1992

Physical Description: Approximately 42 cm of textual records

History /

Biographical:

Fred McGuinness published 17 articles in Reader's Digest magazine. His most intensive period of writing for the digest was between 1972 and 1982. McGuinness published his first story, "RAPESEED: Golden Bounty for the Prairie Farmer," in August of 1972. The story "Mrs. K's Eggs" (1992) appears to be his final publication with the magazine. McGuinness noted in one of his Neighborly News columns (#701, May 24, 1993) that his account about John Lane and his bluebird boxes, titled "The Man Who Brought the Bluebirds Back" (1973), generated the most readers' correspondence.

Most of McGuinness' topics focused on agriculture in the Canadian prairies and included: rapeseed, beef/cattle farming, credit unions, ranching, wheat, soil erosion, trout farming, honey, and birds (killdeer, bluebirds, and turkeys). Several articles – "Northwest of 17," "Boy with Wheel," "He's Got a Good Fist," and "Mrs. K's Eggs" – were autobiographical in nature.

McGuinness contributed six articles to the Reader's Digest book division for their publication, Reader's Digest Scenic Wonders of Canada: An Illustrated Guide to Our Natural Splendors (1976). His assignment for the book focused on the prairie region and McGuinness contributed segments on Clear Lake/Riding Mountain National Park, Cypress Hills, The Big Muddy, Lake of the Woods, Qu'Appelle Valley, and Valley of the Dinosaurs/badlands of Red Deer Valley.

McGuinness conducted research on a number of topics for Reader's Digest that did not get published with the magazine and he, therefore, published these stories elsewhere. Subjects included: wild rice, Father Larre, Frederick Phillip Grove, coal on the prairies ("Chores/Chore Boy"), community symbols, researching/writing local history, and a story titled "Hole in the Ground." McGuinness ultimately published his "Frederick Phillip Grove" (1984) and "Coal Days on the Prairies" (1986) articles with Western People magazine. He would write about wild rice, Father Larre, and community symbols in his syndicated Neighborly News column. McGuinness used his local history research materials for his Brandon Sun Diary columns and possibly for the Friesen publication Local History Style Guide (1984) as well as in his memoir writing workshops. He continued to rework "Hole in the Ground," a story about the swimming pool at Christmas Tree Farm, until 2009.

Fred McGuinness often used his Reader's Digest articles as writing samples in his memoir writing workshops. He also continually added materials to his research files after an article was published, and in the case of his Reader's Digest materials, he built upon his "writing local history" and "community symbols" files.

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 consists of records created and collected by Fred McGuinness during his time as a journalist, editor, and freelance writer in Manitoba. It includes research materials (e.g., newspaper clippings, copies of articles and book chapters, brochures, pamphlets), notes, drafts, copies of published Reader's Digest articles, and correspondence.

Notes: Information in the history/biography was taken from Neighborly News columns (McG 2.3 file 12, file 17, file 18); letter dated April 29, 1874 to Glen Sutherland from Fred McGuinness (McG 3.1, file 6); and personal e-mail communication from Rick Ediger, Editor, Reader's Digest, March 25, 2015

In the file level inventories, square brackets at the 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: A file level inventory is available

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Related Material: Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible research materials pertaining to this subseries may be found in the Fred McGuinness collection subseries: Correspondence (McG 1.2), Brandon Sun (McG 2.2), Neighborly News (McG 2.3), Miscellaneous freelance (McG 3.2), Local history research (McG 4.1), and Talks and workshops (McG 6.3)

Arrangement:

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

Documents

Document Not Available
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McG 3_1 Readers Digest inventory.pdf

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Canadian studies

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3380>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 2.4

File Number: 35

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1977-1978

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence, as well as a conference programme and schedule.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Series 2: Board of Governors
2.4 Correspondence and subject files
Box 2



Universities - Canadian

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3814>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 4.2

File Number: 231

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1969-1970

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence, newsclippings, and programs/conference notices/seminar notices/newsletters/publications from various Canadian universities.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Series 4: Office of the Vice-President
4.2 Office of the Vice-President (Administration & Finance)
Box 6



Canadian Airlines Transp.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6394>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: MG 3 1.14.1
File Number: 1447
GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1988
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.14.1 W. Leland Clark - political career
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Canadian Universities correspondence

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3691>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: 4.2
File Number: 110
GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1968
Physical Description: 1 file
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Series 4: Office of the Vice-President
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Canadian Wheat Board

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5150>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: MG 3 1.14.1
File Number: 212
GMD: textual records
Date Range: Feb. 1992-July 1992
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.14.1 W. Leland Clark - political career
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Canadian Wheat Board

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5385>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: MG 3 1.14.1
File Number: 446
GMD: textual records
Date Range: Dec. 1983-Jan. 1984
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.14.1 W. Leland Clark - political career
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Canadian Wheat Board

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5619>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: MG 3 1.14.1
File Number: 683
GMD: textual records
Date Range: Nov. 1984- May 1985
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.14.1 W. Leland Clark - political career
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Canadian Direct Marketing Association

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6413>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: MG 3 1.14.1
File Number: 1466
GMD: textual records
Date Range: Jan. 1993
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of information
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
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Canadian Plains Research Centre

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3379>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 2.4

File Number: 34

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1973-1974

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence and a report on a trip to Chile made by Lionel Vallee.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Series 2: Board of Governors
2.4 Correspondence and subject files
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Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3866>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 4.2

File Number: 281

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1969-1970

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence and a newsletter on computers and banking.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Series 4: Office of the Vice-President
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Environment- Canadian Wildlife Service

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5062>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: MG 3 1.14.1
File Number: 150
GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1985
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.14.1 W. Leland Clark - political career
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Western Economic Diversification Miscellaneous

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6092>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: MG 3 1.14.1
File Number: 1146
GMD: textual records
Date Range: Jan. 1991
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.14.1 W. Leland Clark - political career
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Western Economic Diversification Correspondence

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6093>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: MG 3 1.14.1
File Number: 1147
GMD: textual records
Date Range: June-Sep. 1992
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.14.1 W. Leland Clark - political career
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CAUDO - Canadian Association of Development Officers

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3535>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: 2.4
File Number: 138
GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1978-1980
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence, and minutes.
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Series 2: Board of Governors
2.4 Correspondence and subject files
Box 7



Canadian Universities Council on Higher Learning

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3615>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 4.2

File Number: 38

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1965-1967

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of a submission to the government of Canada and the governments of the Provinces by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, documents regarding a conference attended by D.R. MacKay, and minutes/correspondence/newletters from AUCC.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series 4: Office of the Vice-President

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C.O.T.C. - Canadian Officers Training Corps

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3663>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 4.2

File Number: 84

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1967-1969

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence, an agreement with the purchasing and contracting section of USAFADFS, and information on promotions and postings.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series 4: Office of the Vice-President

4.2 Office of the Vice-President (Administration & Finance)

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Accounts payable: Canadian general account

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3707>

Part Of:	RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level:	File
Series Number:	4.2
File Number:	127
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1969-1970
Physical Description:	1 file
Storage Location:	RG 6 Brandon University fonds Series 4: Office of the Vice-President 4.2 Office of the Vice-President (Administration & Finance) Box 4