

S. J. McKee Archives



Margaret Menzies collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12723

Part Of: MG 4 Brandon University Students

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 13-2012

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1959-2007; predominant 1983-2001

Physical Description: 18 cm textual records

1 photograph

History / Biographical:

Margaret Menzies was born on July 30th, 1920, at a family farm located in Oakburn, Manitoba. She grew up on the family farm and attended school in both Oakburn and Shoal Lake. She married Donald Menzies on June 4th, 1941. Together they had four children. In 1959, the family moved to Brandon, Manitoba, where they lived for the rest of their lives.

Margaret Menzies was a longtime and active member of the International Toastmistress Club (ITC), and was also involved in the Consumers Association of Canada, Seniors for Seniors, as well as being a member of the Liberal Party of Canada and the Central United Church. Menzies did not graduate from high school in her early years, but managed to continue her education and receive a bachelor of arts degree from Brandon University at the age of 70.

Margaret Menzies passed away on June 9th, 2012.

Custodial History:

Records in the collection were brought to the S.J McKee Archives on July 13, 2012, by Gerald Brown, on behalf of the family of Margaret Menzies.

Scope and Content:

Collection contains of two scrapbooks created by Margaret Menzies. The scrapbooks contain various cards, itinerary's, and other documents associated with Menzies' membership in the International Toastmistress Club. The items in the scrapbooks date from the mid 1980's to the late 1990's.

Also included in the collection are four local history books. The first is a 100 year history of the town of Oakburn, Manitoba, from 1870 to 1970, published during celebrations of Manitoba's centenniary in 1970. Next is a book about the history of the town of Shoal Lake, Manitoba, which was published in 1959 on the 50th anniversary of the founding of the town of Shoal Lake in 1909. The last two books are the first and second volumes of Ripples on the Lake, which cover the history of the Shoal Lake municipality from 1884. The first volume covers the first 100 years of the history of the Shoal Lake region, being published in 1984. The second volume was published in 2007, covering the history of Shoal Lake since 1984, as well as including new information that was not published in the 1984 version of the book.

Finally, the collection contains one photograph of Margaret Menzies receiving her bachelor of arts degree from Peter Hordern, dean of arts of Brandon University.

Notes: Biographical information provided by obituary entry in the Brandon Sun,

June 16, 2012. Description by Tyler Warren (October 2012).

Name Access: Shoal Lake

Oakburn

International Toastmistress Club
Urban Acres Toastmistress Club

Subject Access: women's organizations

public relations
Leadership
communication
local histories

Storage Range: 2012 accessions

Related Material: International Toastmistress Club-Land O' Lakes Region fonds (15-2002)



Dorothy Cox collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12724

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 11-2012

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1878-1970

Physical Description: 17 cm textual records

4 color photographs

Physical Condition: Cover of Young School minute book is moderately damaged, but pages

are in good condition with only minor water damage and a few ripped

pages.

History / Biographical:

Dorothy Cox (nee Frost) moved from Elm Creek to Justice in 1946 to work as a schoolteacher. In 1948, she married Laval Cox and together they had four children: Larry, Herd, Rosalie and Heather.

In 1949, Dorothy and Laval purchased Gibb Gillespie's PSV business and began hauling grain, cattle and agricultural equipment. Dorothy went back to teaching in 1959, first at Justice and then Elton Collegiate. After retiring from teaching in 1978, Dorothy started a greenhouse, which operated for 21 years.

All six members of the Cox family were active in community events and organizations. Dorothy was involved in establishing the baby band in 1951; her sons Larry and Herb were members. Along with Laval, Dorothy was a leader of the Cubs in 1955-1956 and again in 1958-1959. Laval was the leader of the local hockey club in 1958, and of a bible study group in 1960. Larry, Herb and Rosalie were avid skaters in 1960-64. Heather and Rosalie were enrolled in senior grades of Sunday school in 1970.

Custodial History:

Records were collected by Dorothy Cox, a resident of Justice, over a number of years. She donated them to the McKee Archives on April 4, 2012.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records related to the history of the Justice district. It includes a history of the Justice Church (1910-1970); minute and expense books for the Justice Hockey Club (1949-1966); a minute and expense book for Young Protestant School (1884-1898); a copy of the Justice 100th Anniversary community history (2009); and four color photographs of Justice Church.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the content of the collection.

Description by James Heaman (2012).

Name Access: Justice, MB
Subject Access: churches
local histories

Hockey

Repro Restriction: Church photos taken in 1970 are subject to Canadian copyright

restrictions, which researchers are required to comply with.

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey fonds 1-2002 (photographs of Justice school, church,

elevator and houses)



Gerry Beaubier collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13541

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 11-2013

GMD: electronic records

Date Range: 1916-1917

Physical Description: 35 digital photographs

Material Details: JPEGs

History / Biographical:

Gerry Beaubier was born in Wainwright, Alberta to Beatty and Babe Beaubier. He completed his high school in Saskatoon, before receiving a BSc in Geography from Brandon University.

Before attending university Gerry served in the army as a special reserve, while working as a night clerk at the Bessbourough Hotel in Saskatoon. His post-graduate career consisted primarily of work for Canada Agriculture, under the PFRA Branch (Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration). Later he would work as an Executive Manager, helping develop forage and range management programs for several post secondary schools, including, Assiniboine Community College, as well as schools in Red Deer, Lethbridge, and Saskatoon.

Gerry Beaubier married Joyce Abercrombie, of Saskatoon. Together they had two sons: Neil and Dean. Neil, an Account Advisor for the Royal Bank, was born in Regina, and currently works in Swift Current. Dean was born in Swift Current, received his PhD in Education and currently lives in Forrest working at Elton Collegiate.

The Beaubiers, who were originally from Ireland, emigrated to the Canadian West, making Gerry part of the fourth generation of his family to call the region home. His great-grandfather, along with his grandfather and great uncle were amongst the first one hundred settlers in Brandon. Together they first built the Beaubier House, a boarding house for early settlers and travellers. After it burnt down they began construction on the Beaubier Hotel, which stood at the corner of 8th Street and Princess Avenue in Brandon until August 17th, 2008. His grandfather, David Wilson Beaubier, continued to build and operate hotels throughout the prairies, including the Empire Hotels (of Brandon and Saskatoon) and The Park (Moose Jaw).

David Wilson Beaubier served as a secretary of the Orange Lodge of Manitoba. As an Orange Lodge Colonel, he worked with other Orange Lodge members, to recruit throughout the prairies for the purpose of World War One. For his efforts, David was promoted to Leftenant Colonel, and later Captain of the 99th Manitoba Rangers. David's sons (Gerry's father, at University of Manitoba, and uncle at McGill), were both working towards undergraduate degrees when war broke out in 1914, and each would leave school to join their father at Camp Hughes.

Custodial History:

Gerry Beaubier collected these photos primarily in the years 2000-2011, largely from family and friends who knew of his interest in the topic. They were donated to the S.J. Mckee Archives in 2011.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of digital photographs of those who trained for battle in World War I at Camp Hughes and in Brandon, Manitoba. It also includes a digital copy of the cover of the Nominal Roll of Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men, who departed from Brandon in 1917.

The photos, taken primarily at Camp Hughes, are of a number of battalions, including the 34th, 100th, 108th, 181st and 214th. The photo, PT in England, is a postcard sent home from Beaty Beaubier. The Massey Harris building seen on the right side of, WW1 B parade0001, was used to house troops throughout the war. The man standing alone at the front of the parade in, 181 Parade, is David Wilson Beaubier.

Notes: Information for the biographical and custodial histories was provided by

Gerry Beaubier on September 25, 2013. Description by Dustin Lane

(October 2013).

Name Access: Gerald Beaubier

Gerry Beaubier Beaubier family

Camp Hughes

Brandon, MB

Lieut. D. Slemin

Capt. C. Smith

Capt. J. Strong

Capt. Ridgeway

Lieut. W. Smith

Lieut. T. Williams

Lieut. H. Craig

Capt. S.R. Wallace

Lieut. D.H. Beaubier

David Wilson Beaubier

Capt. E.L. Abbott

Major E.R.C. Wilcox

Major N.F. McCahey

Lt.-Col. Sutherland

Lt.-Col. Foster

Major Lawless

Major Collier

Capt. J.D. Young

Capt. A.E. Vanderpump

Capt. J.E. West

Capt. Munro

Lieut. Watson

Lieut. Johnstone

Lieut. McIntosh

Lieut. Cherry

Lieut. Bryan

Lieut. J.L. Evans

Lieut. J. Kavanaugh

Lieut. I. Vipond

Capt. Rutherford

Lieut. Cluff

Capt. Maples

Lieut. Lane

Lieut. E.C. Whitehead

Lieut, R. Carleton

Lieut. B.F. Beaubier

Fincher

Lieut. Beaver

Lieut. McCool

Lieut. A.P. Milk

Lieut. Joseph Hardy

Lieut. K. Spencer

Lieut. J. Faulkner

Lieut. F. Keall

181st Battalion

181st Brandon Overseas Battalion Band

A. Gov. Lines 108th

No. 13 Platoon 108th Battalion

184th Battalion

34th Fort Garry

100th Battalion

214th Battalion

108th Signallers

Stretcher Bearer Section 108th

Machine Gun Section 108th Battalion

181st Brandon Overseas Battalion

Subject Access: armed forces

military personnel

barracks

public ceremonies

downtown

historic sites

railroads

military services

parades

regional parks

passenger trains

Veterans

railway stations

train stations

restaurants

food services

war

World War I

World War One

First World War

The Great War

Storage Location: T: drive/shared 02/web photos



10 Mile Dam

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13716

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.26
GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1900-1924

Physical Description: 4.25" x 2.5" (b/w)

History / Biographical:

Situated in the R.M. of Whitehead on the Little Saskatchewan River, the 10 Mile Dam was a 14 kilometer transmission line that supplied the city of Brandon with power. The Brandon Electric Light Company built the dam in 1900 and it is considered Manitoba's first hydroelectic power generating station. The dam spanned approximately 80 meters and was constructed from timber and reinforced with clay and stone. The station was decommissioned in 1924.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows 10 Mile Dam, also known as the Brandon Dam or Minnedosa River Hydro Plant.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: "10 mile dam". Biographical

information obtained from Manitoba Historical Society.

Name Access: 10 Mile Dam

Ten Mile Dam Brandon Dam

Minnedosa River Hydro Plant Brandon Electric Light Company

Little Saskatchewan River

Subject Access: dams

Rivers

hydroelectric dams

hydroelectric generation

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Images



Fishing at 10 Mile Dam



http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13731

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.41
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1906?

Physical Description: 6.5" x 4.75" (b/w)

Material Details: reproduction

History / Biographical:

Situated in the R.M. of Whitehead on the Little Saskatchewan River, the 10 Mile Dam was a 14 kilometer transmission line that supplied the city of Brandon with power. The Brandon Electric Light Company built the dam in 1900 and it is considered Manitoba's first hydroelectic power generating station. The dam spanned approximately 80 meters and was constructed from timber and reinforced with clay and stone. The station was decommissioned in 1924.

Alonzo Archibald Rowe (b. 1862, London, ON; d. 22 Oct 1951, Brandon). The Rowes were considered Brandon area pioneers. Alonzo's father, Alonzo L. Rowe, came to Brandon with his family in 1881, where the family had a furniture and undertaker business on the west side of 10th Street between Rosser and Princess Avenues. In 1885, the family began farming west of Brandon and Alonzo Archibald served as a councilor and then a reeve in the R.M. of Whitehead. He returned to Brandon in 1907 and served with the Brandon Police Department until 1910, when he returned to farming, this time in Arrow River. A.A. Rowe returned to Brandon in 1915 to work as a Provincial Licenses Inspector, a position he held until 1938. (Source: Obituary, Brandon Daily Sun 22 Oct 1951)

Custodial History:

Photograph was in possession of Mrs. Ruby Miles, who passed the image on to Fred McGuinness. McGuinness makes reference to Mrs. Miles and this photograph in his Sunbeams column (Source: F.A. Rosser, "Another interesting chat with a daughter of the plains," Brandon Sun 18 Aug 1981).

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows four fishermen at 10 Mile Dam, also known as the Brandon Dam or Minnedosa River Hydro Plant. The fishermen in the photo are identified as George H. Rowe and his father A.A. Rowe, Dr. Wilfred Bigelow, and Al Collins.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: at Brandon Dam, [right to

left] son and father - George H. ROWE, Mr. A.A. ROWE, Dr. BIGELOW, AI COLLINS (dam?, 1906?, George born March 1897); Jerrett's Photo-

Services, May 7 1938.

Name Access: 10 Mile Dam

> Ten Mile Dam **Brandon Dam**

Minnedosa River Hydro Plant Brandon Electric Light Company

Little Saskatchewan River

George H. Rowe

A.A. Rowe Dr. Bigelow Al Collins

Subject Access: dams

> Rivers fishing

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Related Material: Ruby Miles collection 14-2003

Images





10 Mile Dam

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13784

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: ltem Series Number: McG 9 Item Number: 20-2009.95

Accession Number: 20-2009 GMD: graphic Date Range: 1900-1924 Physical Description: 4.25" x 2.5" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

Situated in the R.M. of Whitehead on the Little Saskatchewan River, the 10 Mile Dam was a 14 kilometer transmission line that supplied the city of Brandon with power. The Brandon Electric Light Company built the dam in 1900 and it is considered Manitoba's first hydroelectic power generating station. The dam spanned approximately 80 meters and was constructed from timber and reinforced with clay and stone. The station was decommissioned in 1924.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows 10 Mile Dam, also known as the Brandon Dam or Minnedosa River Hydro Plant. The dam's timber construction is quite evident in the picture.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: McGuinness (Manitoba

Hydro), on Little Saskatchewan.

Name Access: 10 Mile Dam

Ten Mile Dam Brandon Dam

Minnedosa River Hydro Plant Brandon Electric Light Company

Little Saskatchewan River

Subject Access: dams

Rivers

hydroelectric dams

hydroelectric generation

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1J1

Images

