

S. J. McKee Archives



Toal Commission

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| Part Of: | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Description Level: | Fonds |
| Accession Number: | 3-2013 |
| GMD: | textual records |
| Date Range: | 1971-1972 |
| Physical Description: | 24 cm textual records |
| Material Details: | Photocopies of originals |
| History / | |

Biographical:

The Toal Commission was a Commission of Inquiry conducted by James Toal at the Prince Edward Hotel in Brandon,MB from 1971-1972. The purpose of this inquiry was to investigage a report published by the Brandon Police Department entitled, "Problem Metis Families, City of Brandon," as well as allegations of police harassment in the City of Brandon from January 1, 1970, onward. The report was prepared by the Brandon Police Department following a petition submitted to Mayor Wilton. The petition, signed by approximately thirty residents of Brandon's East End, requested that the city prohibit the sale of homes in their neighborhood to Native families. A copy of the report was obtained by the Brandon Sun, which generated a considerable public response that resulted in the investigation in question.

Custodial History:

Records were ordered from the Archives of Manitoba by Brandon University Archivist Tom Mitchell and Brandon University history professor Jim Naylor in 2013.

Scope and Content:

N N Fonds consists of records created over the course of the Toal Commission. It includes copies of verbatim transcripts of the Toal Commission hearings, as well as a commission of inquiry, a report on the commission, and indexes, which list the witnesses and evidence presented for each day of the hearings.

| lotes: | Description by Jason Dooley (October 2016). |
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| lame Access: | James Toal |
| | City of Brandon |
| | Brandon Police Department |
| | Brandon Sun |
| | City of Winnipeg |
| | Prince Edward Hotel |
| | J.S. Walker |
| | K.P. Regier |
| | Chief Constable D.A. McNamee |
| | Inspector L. White |
| | Constable Keith Yorke |
| | John Richard Bell |
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Alan Ross John Langston Tyman Mayor W.H.K. Wilton R.G. Lagimodiere Edith May Bryan C.W. Gordon Mr. Houle Archie Joseph Nabess The Canadian Native Justice League Manitoba Indian Brotherhood Andy Moir Brandon Friendship Center Indian Affairs Department Keystone Center Mr. Meighen Ronald Stoney Thomas Stoney Henry Hunter Marie Hunter Sharon Pompana Edgar Lee Pompana Howard Clyde Sandy Sanderson family Lorna Esther Wright Dorothy Sarah Watt Wayne James Clifford Desjarlais Elizabeth Edith Oudie Mary Wilma Wasicuna **Beulah Faye Langford** P. Schacter **Donald James McKay** Leo John Wayne Porter Isobel Grasby **Gladys** Pasche Harold Weitman George Munroe Dorothy Betz Roger Obansawin Peter Whitecloud Dr. Adam Cuthand Kenneth Neil McCaskill Rene Joseph Houle Carole Diane Lavalle Brian Norman Otis **IMPACTE**

Indian Metis Project for Careers Through Teacher Education

| | Walter David Dennehardt |
|-------------------|--|
| | George Melvin Fleury |
| | Frank Elding Price |
| | Dr. Samuel W. Corrigan |
| | Ruth McRae |
| | Eddie Gosnold |
| | William Wolski |
| | Beth Cale |
| | Clarence C. Mitchell |
| | Ragnar B. Nygaard |
| | Mrs. R. Nygaard |
| | Marlene Brichon |
| | Joseph A. Farion |
| | Calvin Gerry |
| | Helen Bell |
| | Kenneth Bell |
| | Angus Spence |
| | J.W. Potter |
| | Donald Pratt |
| | Henry Carroll |
| Subject Access: | Aboriginals |
| | First Nations |
| | Metis |
| | race relations |
| | government commissions |
| | indiginous peoples |
| Storage Location: | 2013 accessions |
| Related Material: | Toal Commission Review - F.C. Muldoon Commissioner - Review the Toal Commission's conclusions - review report (handwritten and typed copy), notes on testimonies and correspondence, Library and Archives Canada Inventory no. 6822 Finding aid no. MSS2374 |
| | Toal Commission - Archives of Manitoba |
| | John Langston Tyman fonds (70-1997 & 9-2001) |
| | Audrey Silvius collection (21-2000) |
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C. J. Barnes fonds

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| Part Of: | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Description Level: | Collection |
| Accession Number: | 20-1997 |
| GMD: | textual records |
| Date Range: | ca. 1962 |
| Physical Description: | 2 cm |
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History /

Biographical:

C. J. Barnes was born in Brandon, Manitoba in February 1884. His parents were native Nova Scotians who arrived in Brandon in the early 1880s. In 1884, the family settled on a homestead near the present town of Lauder. This homestead was sold in 1899, and the family moved to farm in the district of Medora. C. J. Barnes took over the operation of this farm in the early 1900s. He farmed until 1924. Barnes was educated in schools in the Truro School District and the village of Lauder. He was active in the original Territorial Grain Growers' Association.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains a pamphlet written and published by C.J. Barnes titled Seventy Years in Southwestern Manitoba. The pamphlet contains an account of life in rural southwestern Manitoba from the 1880s through to the 1940s. The pamphlet is based on a variety of sources including diaries written by Mr. Barnes' father. Fonds also includes some hand-drawn maps not included in the published version of the pamphlet, as well as four letters c.1962, between C.J. Barnes and Rev. Robert Harvey in his capacity as a columnist for the Brandon Sun.

| Notes: | CAIN No. 202605 |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Subject Access: | Rev. Robert Harvey |
| | Lauder |
| | Medora |
| | Deloraine |
| | Southwestern Manitoba |
| | Agriculture |
| | Boundary Commission Trails |
| Storage Location: | 1997 accessions |
| Storage Range: | 1997 accessions |



United Grain Growers collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4822

| Part Of: | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Description Level: | Collection |
| Accession Number: | 48-1997 |
| GMD: | textual records |
| Date Range: | 1922-1937 |
| Physical Description: | 3 cm |

History /

Biographical:

The United Grain Growers, a farmer controlled co-operative elevator association, was established in 1917, with the amalgamation of the Grain Growers Grain Company (1906), and the Alberta Farmer's Co-operative Elevator company (1913). Its original purpose was to provide a co-operative alternative to privately owned grain elevators.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Collection includes copies of correspondence between T.A. Crerar, President of United Grain Growers and Colin Burnell, President, Manitoba Co-operative Wheat Producers (1925-26); correspondence directed to the Shareholders of United Grain Growers (1926-38); minutes of a meeting between representatives of the United Grain Growers and the provincial wheat pools (1937); as well as a variety of publications about the history and activities of the United Grain Growers (1917-18, 1927, 1929, 1951, 1956).

| Notes: | CAIN No. 202642. Description by Christy Henry. |
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| Subject Access: | T.A. Crerar |
| | Colin H. Burnell |
| | R.S. Law |
| | Grain Growers Guide |
| | Elevators |
| | Agriculture |
| | Manitoba |
| Storage Location: | 1997 accessions |
| Storage Range: | 1997 accessions |



Audrey Silvius collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4841

| Part Of: | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Description Level: | Collection |
| Accession Number: | 21-2000 |
| OMP | |
| GMD: | multiple media |
| GMD: Date Range: | multiple media 1959-1988; predominant 1963-1974 |

History /

Biographical:

Born on February 10, 1924, in Elgin, Manitoba, Audrey Ellen Silvius (nee Honeyman) was raised in Fairfax, Manitoba on the Honeyman homestead. In 1964, she received her Indian name, Blue Star. Silvius completed her high school education in Fairfax before moving to Winnipeg in 1943, to earn her Nursing degree from Grace Hospital. She later completed her post-graduate degree in Psychiatric Nursing at the Brandon Mental Health Centre. Married to Merritt W. Silvius, Audrey Silvius raised four children, David, Kay, Lorna (Downie) and Gail (Campos) while working in her chosen field. In addition to her family and her career, she was also involved with the Brandon Council of Women and the United Church in Brandon. Silvius was the first executive director of the Brandon Indian-Metis Friendship Centre, a founding member of the local branches of the Marquis Project and Amnesty International and initiated a project called Tools for Peace. She was also involved in various other peace and human rights organizations. In 1987, she received the Order of the Buffalo Hunt from the Province of Manitoba in recognition of her work relating to women's issues. In 1992, she was awarded a Confederation medal for community service.

Custodial History:

The records found within the collection were collected by Audrey Silvius from a number of people, including Jean Halliday, Grace Godmaire and Norma Walmsley, involved in various projects with her throughout the years. Prior to their donation to the McKee Archives at Brandon University in October and November 2000, the records were stored at Mrs. Silvius' home.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of meeting minutes, agendas, speeches, correspondence, newsletters, brochures, written publications and newspaper clippings. Four photographs and one pencil drawing are also included within the collection.

The records deal with the creation, activities, and history of the Brandon Indian-Metis Friendship Centre, as well as the activities of its Board of Directors. In addition, materials located within the collection can be divided into two areas: (1) those that relate to various organizations associated with the Friendship Centre itself, such as the Council of Christians and Jews and the Brandon Council of Women; (2) materials related to projects of important individuals involved with the Friendship Centre, such as the South Western Manitoba Recreation Council and the 4F Club of Minnedosa. Other records deal with general aboriginal issues in Canada during the time frame of the Audrey Silvius collection.

| Notes: | CAIN No. 202607. Description by Christy Henry (2000). |
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| Subject Access: | Council of Christians and Jews |
| | Brandon Council of Women |
| | 4F Club |
| | Brandon Indian-Metis Friendship Centre |
| | cross cultural relations |
| | Aboriginal issues |
| | community development |
| Storage Location: | 2000 accessions |
| Storage Range: | 2000 accessions |

Arrangement:

The collection is divided into ten (10) series:

- 1. The Brandon Indian-Metis Friendship Centre
- 2. The Scout Friendship Centre newsletter
- 3. The Brandon Council of Women
- 4. Council of Christians and Jews
- 5. Aboriginal Glee Club/Dancers
- 6. The South Western Manitoba Recreation Council
- 7.4F Club of Minnedosa
- 8. Miscellaneous Publications related to Aboriginal Issues
- 9. Miscellaneous Newspaper Clippings related to Aboriginal Issues
- 10. Photographs and pencil drawing



Reg Forbes collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4843

| Part Of: | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Description Level: | Collection |
| Accession Number: | 17-2002 |
| GMD: | multiple media |
| Date Range: | 1970-1977; predominant 1975-1976 |
| Physical Description: | 5 m textual records; approx. 30 photographs |

History /

Biographical:

Reg Forbes was born September 16, 1924. He and his wife Clara have two children, Bob and Faye. Forbes served in the Royal Canadian Air Force as a Navigator during World War II. From 1945-1949, he attended the University of Manitoba where he received his B.Sc.A. While working as Village Councillor and as Secretary-Treasurer for the Pilot Mound Hospital, Forbes initiated the "Save the Soil Campaign," a soil conservation programme that became province-wide, between 1952-1962.

From 1956-1975, Forbes was the Principal of the Agricultrual Extension Centre in Brandon, where he reorganized the Adult Education Centre into the Agricultural Extension Centre. During this period, Forbes was a founding member of the West-Man Regional Development Corporation and a founder of the Manitoba Committee on Rural Leadership. He was also instrumental in the amalgamation of the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair and the Provincial Exhibition and in the resulting construction of the Keystone Centre.

From 1975-1977 Forbes was a Commissioner for the Grain Handling and Transportation Commission (Hall Commission/GHTC). Following his work with the Commission, Forbes was employed as the General Manager of the Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba (1977-1979), the Director of the Grain Handling & Transportation Section of the Manitoba Department of Agriculture (1979-1983), the Industrial Commissioner for the Brandon Industrial Commission (1983-1986), and as the Westarc Group Inc. Project Director for delivery under contract of Canadian Rural Transition Programme in Manitoba.

Forbes also held a number of voluntary and elected positions, such as Long-term Director and President of the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair and of the Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba. In 1970-1971, he was the President of the Agricultural Institute of Canada, and from 1978-1981, Forbes was the first chairman of the Agricultural Advisory Committee of the Canadian Broadcasting Corportation. He was also a member of the Canada West Foundation Board, the Brandon University Board of Governers (1974-1976), and the Federal-Provincial Transportation and Industrial Development Advisory Committee (TIDAC). Forbes is also a Fellow of the Agricultural Institute of Canada. In 1977, he received the Jubilee Medal and in 1987, he was given the Distinguished Agrologist Award by the Manitoba Institute of Agrologists.

Custodial History:

Reg Forbes donated his working collection of briefs, correspondence and other documents relating to his work as a commissioner of the Grain Handling and Transportation Committee (GHTC) to the McKee Archives c. 1985.

Scope and Content:

The majority of the collection consists of records created and received by the Royal Commission on Grain Handling and Transportation (GHTC). Included are documents detailing numerious hearings from all four Western provinces. In addition to the GHTC hearings, there are also a number of documents given to the GHTC as reference material. These include information on the Snavely Commision, documents for the province of Alberta, various reports, the Prairie Regional Studies in Economic Geography (No. 1-27) and General Information. The collection also includes two maps given to the GHTC.

Notes:

CAIN No. 202599. Description by Christy Henry.

| Subject Access: | Justice Hall |
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| | Canadian Pacific Railway |
| | Canadian National Railway |
| | Grains Group |
| | Royal Commissions |
| | Agriculture |
| | Grain Trade |
| | Railroad Transportation |
| Storage Location: | 2002 accessions |
| Storage Range: | 2002 accessions |
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Janet Louisa May More collection

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| Part Of: | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Description Level: | Collection |
| Accession Number: | 2-2003 |
| GMD: | textual records |
| Date Range: | 1921-1947 |
| Physical Description: | 10 cm |
| History / | |

Biographical:

Janet Louisa May More was born on the family homestead south of Hartney, Manitoba in 1896. She attended Chain Lakes School and Hartney High School prior to completing Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education degrees at the University of Manitoba. Following her graduation, More taught in various Manitoba schools for fifty years. In addition, she was a member of the Manitoba Education Association, the Manitoba Library Association, the Turtle Mountain Teachers' Association (of which she was the first President), and the Manitoba Teachers' Society, which nominated her for a Life Mmembership. Janet Louisa May More retired in 1967, and resided in Winnipeg, Manitoba until her death.

Additional biographical information for Janet Louisa May More can be found in her profile as a "Memorable Manitoban" on the Manitoba Historical Society website (http://www.mhs.mb.ca/docs/people/more jlm.shtml).

Custodial History:

Materials passed into the hands of Gerald Brown who donated them to the McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

Collection contains curriculum materials related to the study and teaching of Chemistry, Algebra, Geometry, Mathematics, English and French language studies in Manitoba dating mostly from the 1940s. Collection also contains Christmas concert and dramatic materials; notes from the Manitoba Fine Arts Committee (April 1939); and notes concerning the Manitoba Camera Club, the Manitoba Drama League, Manitoba Society of Artists, Manitoba Adult Education Association, Winnipeg Sketch Club and the Manitoba Handicraft Guild.

Notes: CAIN No. 202568

| Subject Access: | Janet Louisa May More |
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| | Manitoba Fine Arts Committee |
| | Adult Education Association |
| | Winnipeg Sketch Club |
| | Manitoba Drama League |
| | Manitoba Society of Artists |
| | Manitoba camera Club |
| | public education |
| | curriculum |
| | fine arts |
| | adult education |
| Storage Location: | 2003 accessions |
| Storage Range: | 2003 accessions |
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