

## S. J. McKee Archives



### Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum opening

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13959

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.31

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1985

Physical Description: 5." x 3.5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the interior of the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum. Visitor look through scrapbooks on display.

Name Access: Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum

Subject Access: museums

ceremonies
World War II
airplanes
warplanes

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

#### **Images**





### Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum opening - aircraft

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13960

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.32
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1985

Physical Description: 5." x 3.5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the hanger of the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum where aircraft are on display. Bolingbroke and Stinson aircrafts are on display.

Name Access: Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum

Bolingbroke aircraft

Stinson aircraft

Subject Access: museums

ceremonies
World War II
airplanes
warplanes

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

### **Images**





# Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum opening - hanger display

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13955

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.27
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1985

Physical Description: 5." x 3.5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the hanger at the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum containing the displays of WWII-era planes.

Name Access: Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum

Subject Access: museums

ceremonies
World War II
airplanes
warplanes

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

#### **Images**





# Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum opening - Harvard aircraft

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13956

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.28
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1985

Physical Description: 5." x 3.5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the hanger at the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum containing the displays of WWII-era planes. A Harvard aircraft is on display.

Name Access: Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum

Harvard aircraft

Subject Access: museums

ceremonies
World War II
airplanes
warplanes

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

### **Images**





## Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum opening - Lysander aircraft

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13958

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.30
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1985

Physical Description: 5." x 3.5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the hanger at the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum containing the displays of WWII-era planes. A Lysander aircraft is on display.

Name Access: Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum

Lysander aircraft

Subject Access: museums

ceremonies
World War II
airplanes
warplanes

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

#### **Images**





## Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum opening - Tiger Moth aircraft

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13957

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.29
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1985

Physical Description: 5." x 3.5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the hanger at the Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum containing the displays of WWII-era planes. A Tiger Moth aircraft is on display.

Name Access: Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum

Tiger Moth aircraft

Subject Access: museums

ceremonies
World War II
airplanes
warplanes

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

#### **Images**



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### McGuinness artifacts and sound recordings

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13682

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

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Series
Series Number: McG 7
Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: c. 1985-1990

Physical Description: 17 artifacts

10 sound recordings

History / Biographical:

Artifacts in this series were collected by Fred McGuinness during the course of his lifetime as a community volunteer and newspaperman. Beginning in the mid-1930s through the Second World War, McGuinness worked with the Canadian Pacific Telegraph service in Brandon and Winnipeg. McGuinness frequently wrote about those early experiences in his newspaper columns, journals, and monographs.

In the early 1950s, while McGuinness worked as a publicist with the Unemployment Insurance Commission in Winnipeg, he volunteered with community organizations such as the Winnipeg Community Chest Drive. From 1953 to 1955, McGuinness worked as an organizer for the Province of Saskatchewan's 1955 Golden Jubilee.

After the Saskatchewan Jubilee, McGuinness worked with The Medicine Hat News as a journalist and publisher from 1955 to 1965. During that time, McGuinness became heavily involved with the Medicine Hat Chamber of Commerce. His community and business connections resulted in his appointment as a fundraiser for the Medicine Hat Junior College Library, a building project intended to see the City established with its own college.

After his work with the Saskatchewan Jubilee, McGuinness was asked to be a Regional Director for the Canadian Centennial Commission from 1965 to 1967. During that time, McGuinness returned to his hometown of Brandon in 1966, to start a 20-year career with the Brandon Sun as a publisher and vice-president. McGuinness' interest in local history, of which he often wrote, made him the recipient of local ephemera from his readers.

#### 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:

This series contains artifacts collected by Fred McGuinness during the course of his lifetime as a community volunteer and newspaperman. The artifacts include one telegraph sounder, four letterpress blocks, five typesetter rulers, two patches, two buttons, one token, one tin box, and ten sound recordings.

The telegraph sounder and relay system was possibly a gift from Bill Flett, a CPR superintendent. In his story "Canadian Pacific" published in Letters from Section 17 (1999), McGuinness mentions receiving a package containing telegraph equipment while he was working at the Brandon Sun. The tin box in McGuinness' collection contained copies of telegraphs announcing the end of the war.

Two letterpress type blocks have the letters "WM" which may represent the initials of Fred McGuinness' father William McGuinness. J.R. Langford donated the "Colquhoun and Beattie" type plate to McGuinness, a known collector of Brandon local history. Mr. Beattie had gifted the plate to Lanford's father who worked as a barber in Brandon in 1906. The Brandon Sun letterpress is likely from the period when McGuinness worked at the Brandon Sun.

The five typesetter rulers come from a variety of typesetter and newspaper companies and include Teletypesetter (Chicago, IL), 6 Cutting Limited (Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg), Mergenthaler Linotype Company (Brooklyn, NY), and The Edmonton Journal.

The two buttons in the collection come from McGuinness' time as a community-volunteer in Winnipeg, Manitoba. One button is from the Community Chest Drive, the other button is a guest badge from the 1953 Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba.

The two patches are from the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee (1955). Photographs of Saskatchewan Jubilee events and participants wearing the patch on their blazers can be found in the McGuinness photograph collection.

McGuinness saved a Medicine Hat College Official Opening Token from October 3, 1971. McGuinness was likely at the opening as he was originally involved in the establishment of the junior college in the 1960s.

The sound recordings in McGuinness' collection largely pertain to centennial events, which McGuinness helped organize. There is one box set containing four records of the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee Choir. Tucked in this volume is an additional record of the Choir recorded at CKCK, Regina, Saskatchewan. Also stored within the box set was a copy "Canada, A Centennial Song."

Accruals: Closed

Finding Aid: A file level inventory is available

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives

#### **Documents**

