

S. J. McKee Archives



Toal Commission

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14289

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
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).
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

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
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	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)



Western Manitoba Home Econocmic Association fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14324

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Fonds
Accession Number:	13-2010
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1971-2010

History / Biographical:

The inaugural meeting of the Western Manitoba Home Economics Association (WMHEA) was held in September 1971, with 48 members. In 1973, the WMHEA members voted to affiliate with the Canadian Home Economics Association (CHEA).

Custodial History:

Records were in the possession of Margarite Hughes and other officers of the Western Manitoba Home Economic Association prior to their donation to the SJ McKee Archives on July 17, 2010.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes: minutes (September 1971 - May 2010); lists of executive members; membership lists; financial records; newsletters; scrapbooks; correspondence; records of special events; miscellaneous publications; and organizational banners.

Notes: Description by Tom Mitchell

Storage Location: 2010 accessions



Brandon Cinema Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4798

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	9-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1952-1956
Physical Description:	1 cm

History /

Biographical:

The Cinema Club of Brandon was formally created in May 1954, and operated for two and one-half years before dissolving due to lack of interest. The club was formed for the purpose of providing private screenings, on a non-profit basis, of films that normally would not have been exhibited in commercial theatres in Brandon. Films had to be assessed by the club membership as outstanding in quality. During its existence, the club sponsored the screening of two to three movies every second Sunday.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes a minute book that contains a record of each meeting held by the Brandon Cinema Club and a list of the elected executives. It also includes a file of newspaper clippings from the Brandon Sun about the Cinema Club.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202661
Subject Access:	R.A. Clement
	Steffan Kossak
	Beryl Burtnick
	Walter Richardson
	Brandon
	Manitoba
	associations
	film
	recreation
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



Elm Creek/Wingham Branch United Farmers of Manitoba fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4803

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	39-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1921-1940
Physical Description:	12 cm
History /	

Biographical:

The United Farmers of Manitoba was founded in 1920. It was an inclusive farmers' organization established to replace the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association. The UFM supported farmer candidates in the 1920 provincial election. In 1922, it helped elect the UFM government of John Bracken (1922-42). The UFM also participated in federal politics, supporting twelve successful candidates in the 1921 federal election. The UFM was financed by its members. Its membership varied from 15,700 in 1923, to 3700 in 1931. In 1939, the UFM became the Manitoba Federation of Agriculture.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes documents relating to the membership, both male and female, of the Wingham branch of the United Farmers of Manitoba and the United Farm Women of Manitoba. Documents dealing with the position of the branch on prohibition c. 1922, discussion within the branch of the "wheat pool" movement, annual reports for the organization, newsletters, correspondence on matters political and agrarian, and records relating to the activities of the branch as a cooperative buying agency are also included. Fonds also contains minutes of the provincial convention of the UFM and correspondence from the central office of the UFM.

Notes: CAIN No. 202633

Subject Access:	S.P. Graham
	rural women's movement
	agrarian politics
	social reform
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



Canadian Federation of University Women (Brandon University) fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4804

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	4-1997, 1-2004, 5-2004
GMD:	textual records

The Canadian Federation of University Women was founded in 1919 under the leadership of Margaret McWilliams of Winnipeg to promote the interests of women with higher education at local, national and international levels. It is a voluntary, non-profit, self-funded organization with a membership of over 10,000 university-educated women and 122 local clubs. The CFUW promotes high standards of public education; encourages advanced study and research by women university graduates; encourages active participation in public affairs by qualified women; works to safeguard and improve human rights and the economic, legal and professional status of women in Canada; and participates in the work of the International Federation of University Women. The Brandon University chapter of the Canadian Federation of University Women was established in 1948. It continues to be active.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains correspondence with other branches of the CFUW, minutes and programs from meetings and seminars held throughout Canada, as well as administrative records and minutes of the Brandon branch. Most administrative records concern the problems of maintaining membership levels and recruiting younger members. Fonds also contains various issues of the "Chronicle," a CFUW publication. Fonds also includes CFUW Brandon minutes, miscellaneous projects, annual reports and member lists, as well as a number of documents relating to the provincial, national and international activities of the CFUW.

Notes:

CAIN No. 202621

Subject Access:	Ellen Clark
	Margaret Strongiham
	Theodora Carroll Foster
	Patrick Boyer
	CFUW
	IFUW
	UNESCO
	Canadian Advisory Council
	Disarmament
	Status of Women
	Equality rights
	Enrollment
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



Brandon Women's Musical Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4810

Part Of: Description Level: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection Collection

Accession Number:	13-2002
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1953-1965
Physical Description:	10 cm
History /	

Biographical:

The Brandon Women's Musical Club was formed in 1945 by Miss Peggy Sharpe and Miss Hilda Smith. Together with a group of women from around Brandon, they managed to form a large club for, according to the club's constitution, "the study of vocal and instrumental music, literature and related arts and the encouragement of promising Junior Artists under eighteen years of age." With these goals in mind, the club undertook to provide tuition for young music students and contributed to the formation of the Brandon Women's Musical Choral Club. The club held meetings during which club members listened to guest speakers and observed performances by local musical and dance groups, as well as some national musical stars. The group also sponsored performances of musicals, plays, and recitals, and held an annual Christmas party.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2002. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds is composed predominantly of two scrapbooks, one of which covers the years 1953-1960, the other the years 1960-1965. The scrapbooks contain newspaper clippings about the Musical Club's meetings and performances. There is also a file containing miscellaneous correspondence, the constitution and bylaws of the group, the club's membership lists from 1959-1964, and questionnaires about the Women's Musical Club.

Notes:

CAIN No. 202589

Subject Access:	Peggy Sharpe
	Hilda Smith
	Lorne Watson
	Eric Davies
	Nona Mari
	lsabelle Coghlin
	Janine Theriault
	Peggie Sampson
	Howard Leyton-Brown
	Norman Chapman
	Peter Koslowsky
	Nora Needham
	Lucien Needham
	Brandon Women's Musical Club
	Brandon Women's Musical Choral Club
	Baroque Trio of Montreal
	Brandon College School of Music
	Wilson Trio
	City of Brandon
	women's clubs
	choral groups
	musical clubs
	scrapbooks
Storage Location:	2002 accessions
Storage Range:	2002 accessions



Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club fonds http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4811

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	11-2002
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1953-1965
Physical Description:	10 cm

History /

Biographical:

The Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club was organized on May 14, 1959. The group received its charter on September 15, 1959 at a ceremony that included guests from Minnedosa, Neepawa, Dauphin, Brandon, and Portage La Prairie. The first president of the club was Mrs. Julie Johnson. In September 1959 the club had 15 members. The Minnedosa Club became the thirteenth Business and Professional Women's Club chartered in Manitoba. The purpose of the club was to train and educate women in business and the professions and to promote women's participation in local, provincial, and national affairs. The club included many committees such as the Public Relations, Membership, Survey and Archives, Programme and Projects, Social and Courtesy, International Affairs, Budget and Finance, Federation Promotion, Personal Development, Public Affairs, and Resolutions, Legislation and Employment Committees. The Minnedosa Club held exhibitions, hosted guest speakers, observed Business Women's Week, and held workshops for all of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs in Manitoba on a few occasions. Over the years the club made many donations to the Minnedosa Museum, the Minnedosa Centennial Committee, and charities such as UNICEF, Ramallah Fund, Children's Aid, and United Way. The Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club was very concerned with the status of women in Canada and around the world. The Minnedosa Club disbanded in May 1980. After the disbanding of the club, the women who were involved in the club formed the Just For Fun Club.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2002. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds is comprised mainly of four scrapbooks, which run from 1959-1979, 1959-1963, 1959-1964, and 1977-1979. The scrapbooks contain photos, newspaper clippings, Christmas cards, correspondence and programs. The clippings relate to Business and Professional Women's Clubs from around Manitoba, while focusing on the Minnedosa Club. Many of the clippings also focus on the status of women in Canada and the rest of the world.

Fonds also contains financial records and minutes from the years 1959-1980. There is also a copy of the club's bylaws, as well as monthly membership reports from 1976-1980. The fonds also includes a brief typed history of the Minnedosa Club, as well as other loose newspaper clippings, programs, songbooks, and correspondence. Finally, there are three guestbooks included in the collection. The first runs from 1959-1978. The second guestbook is from the Art and Ceramic Display and Tea, held on May 27, 1972. The third guestbook is from the Art and Ceramic Dispay and Tea, held on May 29, 1976.

Notes: CAIN No. 202581

Subject Access:	Julie Johnson
	Louise Card
	Effie Macdonald
	Mary Macdonald
	Marion McCormick
	Gladys Thompson
	Town of Minnedosa
	Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club
	Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs
	Manitoba Provincial Organization of Business and Professional Women's Clubs
	Flin Flon Business and Professional Women's Club
	Dauphin Business and Professional Women's Club
	Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club
	International Peace Gardens
	women's clubs
	women's issues
	status of women
	scrapbooks
	newspaper clippings
Storage Location:	2002 accessions
Storage Range:	2002 accessions
Related Material:	Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club (10-2002); Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club (11-2002); Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club (12-2002); Trilliam Business and Professional Women's Club (2-2006).



Martin Kavanagh fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4812

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	10-2004
GMD:	textual records
GNID.	lexiual records
Date Range:	1971-1987
	1971-1987

History /

Biographical:

Martin Kavanagh was born in Wicklow, Ireland in 1895. He was educated in Wexford, Dublin and London. Following his arrival in Canada in 1923, Kavanagh was employed as the Principal of Treherene High School. In 1929, he joined the staff of Brandon Collegiate Institute. He taugh Latin and Geography at the Collegiate until 1963. In 1946, Kavanagh published The Assiniboine Basin: A Study of Discovery, Exploration and settlenment. In 1963, he published La verendrye - His Life and Times. Martin Kavanagh died in 1987.

Custodial History:

Fonds remained in the possession of Kevin Kavanagh and James Wall following Martin Kavanagh's death. Wall donated his portion of the fonds to the McKee Archives in November 2004. Kevin Kavanagh donated his portion of the fonds in December 2004.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains an unpublished autobiography written by Martin Kavanagh and several draft narratives for a slide presenation based on Kavanagh's biography of La Verendrye. Fonds also contains one file of business correspondence c. 1971.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202577
Subject Access:	Martin Kavanagh
	La Verendrye
	Manitoba
	Brandon
	New France
	settlement
	exploration
	biography
Storage Location:	2004 accessions
Storage Range:	2004 accessions
Related Material:	Martin Kavanagh is listed in the Westman Oral History collection (35- 1998).



Manitoba Genealogical Society fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4814

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	9-1998
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c.1880 to c.1980
Physical Description:	30 cm

History /

Biographical:

The Southwest Branch of the Manitoba Genealogical Society was established in 1978. The Branch was formed following a meeting with members of the Manitoba Genealogical Association formed in 1977. The organization was created to assist individuals interested in doing genealogical research through the provision of genealogical data and archival resources. Since its creation the Southwest Branch has also issued a newletter and published a series of cenusus summaries based on the 1901 Canadian census.

Custodial History:

These records were donated to the McKee archives in 1990 by J.D. Wall on behalf of the Southwest Branch of the Manitoba Genealogical Society.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes transcripts of the records transcribed from cemetery headstones located in cemeteries throughout southwestern Manitoba. Each transcript includes details about the cemetery records and all details including names, dates, and inscriptions from each headstone. The collection includes a "Cemetery Transcript List" detailing those cemeteries for which transcripts exist. Transcripts include those for the following cemeteries: Alexander, Birdtail Sioux Indian Reserve, Blenheim Church, Glencoe, Boissevain, Brandon, Brandon Hills Church Cemetery, Brookdale, Carberry District, Coultervale, Elgin, Elkhorn, Humesville, Lauder, Kerfoot (Gregg Cemetery), Icelandic Gravesite (Tilston), History of Kingsley Cemetery near Somerset, Madford Cemetery, Roseville Anglican Church Cemetery, St. Savior's Anglican Church, St. George's Anglican Church, Rounthwaite, Souris (Glenwood Cemetery), Skalholt, Wellwood, Woodville (Lund, Kola, Bennett, Two Creeks), Patterson (near Nesbitt), Sparling (near Justice), Tilston (near Sinclair), Royal Canadian Air Force Memorial (20 miles north of Rivers).

Notes:	CAIN No. 202662
Subject Access:	cemetary records
	Genealogy
	Brandon
	Manitoba
Storage Location:	1998 accessions
Storage Range:	1998 accessions



Fairfax United Church fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4819

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	42-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1921-1970
Physical Description:	6 cm

History /

Biographical:

The Fairfax/Elgin United Church was formed in 1921, combining the Methodist (founded in 1889), and Presbyterian (founded in 1887) congregations in these communities. In 1968, the Elgin and Souris congregations joined and, in 1969, the original Elgin United Church was sold to the Fairfax Community Club.

Custodial History:

The fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains minute books (1922-1968), account books (1953-1970), account statements (1966-68), one annual report (1967), and documents of insurance and property transfer (1960-1970) concerning the Fairfax/Elgin United Church.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202638
Subject Access:	Harold W. Ritchie
	C.H. Kirbyson
	Ken L. Dobson
	United Church
	church union
	rural history
	rural development
	religious history
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



Ward Watson collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4821

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	36-1997
GMD:	textual records
GMD: Date Range:	textual records 1935-1938

History /

Biographical:

Ward Watson was born in Brandon, Manitoba and attended Brandon Collegiate Institute in the late 1930's. In 1937, he was chosen out of the student body to attend the Coronation of King George VI in London, England. Watson graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1942. Until his retirement, Watson was an executive with Cargill Grain Company.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Collection contains yearbooks from Brandon Collegiate Institute - "The New Era" - for the years 1935 to 1938. The yearbooks include enrollment lists, pictures of classes and sports teams, short essays, editorial gossip, and local advertisments.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202630
Subject Access:	Brandon Collegiate
	The New Era
	Brandon
	Coronation
	high school
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



Berbank Church fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4825

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	28-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1919-1966
Date Range: Physical Description:	1919-1966 6 cm

History /

Biographical:

The name Berbank was created by combining the names of two local districts: Riverbank and Bertha. Both were located south of Brandon in the Rural Municipality of Oakland. The Berbank Church was built in 1919. Its construction grew out of the work of the Berbank Red Cross founded in 1917. The Berbank Church was a "union" church, constructed in anticipation of the formation of the United Church of Canada. In 1966, the Berbank congregation joined with the Nesbitt congregation to operate out of the Nesbitt United Church. The final service at the Berbank United Church was held in 1966.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains a document titled "Berbank Church History." This document is partially in a printed format with a portion handwritten. Fonds also contains minute books and legal documents pertaining to the ownership of the land upon which the Church was constructed.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202614
Subject Access:	Red Cross
	United Church of Canada
	Presbyterian
	Bertha
	Riverbank
	church union
	World War I
Accruals:	Berbank Red Cross fonds (18-1997), Berbank Ladies Aid fonds (27- 1997), and Bertha School District fonds (8-1998).
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



David Sommerville Charleson fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4827

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection	
Description Level:	Collection	
Accession Number:	21-1997	
0145		
GMD:	textual records	
GMD: Date Range:	textual records November 8, 1915	
Date Range:		

History /

Biographical:

David Sommerville Charleson was born January 14th, 1884, in Brandon, Manitoba. The Charleson's settled in the GlenSouris area south of Brandon, Manitoba in 1882. David Charleson enlisted on 24 September 1914. He served as a lieutenant in the 6th Infantry Battalion of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. Later, he transferred to the 8th Battalion. In Belgium, Charleson was a victim of an enemy gas attack early in the war, following which he returned to Canada incapacitated. Miss Estella Cullen, a trained nurse, cared for him following his return to Canada. David Sommerville Charleson died on May 12, 1925 a victim of war-time injuries. He is buried in the GlenSouris Cemetery just south of Brandon.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of one letter written by Charleson from Belgium in early 1915 to Miss Estella Cullen in Rounthwaite, Manitoba. In the letter, Charleson describes the circumstances facing the Canadian troops in the trenches during the Great War and provides an account of the German trenches facing him. This is an evocative and reflective letter. Philatelists may find the condition of the stamps on the letter envelope of interest.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202606
Subject Access:	Estella Cullen
	World War I
	trench warfare
	Great War
	soldier's life
	Canadian Expeditionary Force
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



International Toastmistress Club - Land O'Lakes Region fonds http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4829

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection	
Description Level:	Collection	
Accession Number:	15-2002	
GMD:	textual records	
Date Range:	1963-1992	

Physical Description: 1.75 m History / Biographical:

The International Toastmistress Club was officially organized in October of 1938, in California by Ernestine White. White thought that communication was the key to success in government, business, and community service. The purpose of the club was to help women gain communication and leadership skills. The North Central Region of the International Toastmistress Club began with the formation of the Winnipeg Toastmistress Club in 1946-47. This club was the first Toastmistress Club in Manitoba and the second club in Canada. The idea of forming a Toastmistress Club in Winnipeg came partly from some members of the Toastmaster Club in the city who had heard of the women's club formed in California. Other North Central Toastmistress Clubs soon followed, including more clubs in Winnipeg, and others throughout southern and central Manitoba, such as the Yellow Quill (Portage), Fort La Bosse (Virden), Colleen (Killarney), Cornucopia (Neepawa), Dauphin, Prairie Horizons (Brandon), Valley Echoes (Swan River), Urban Acres (Brandon), and Kinrossie (Souris) Toastmistress Clubs. The North Central Region was renamed the Land O'Lakes Region in 1966. In 1985, the International Toastmistress Club became the International Training in Communication organization.

Custodial History:

This fonds was deposited at the McKee Archives on June 2, 1995 by Marlene Brichon of Brandon, Manitoba.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes a scrapbook made by the Urban Acres Toastmistress Club of Brandon, which spans the years 1963-1977. The scrapbook includes pictures, newspaper clippings, and programs. The fonds also includes the minutes of the Urban Acres Club from 1973-1986 and the club's reports from 1964-1986. A large number of newsletters such as the C4 News, Land O'Lakes Schooner, Ten-Talk, The Communicator, Pieces of Eight, and The Gavel, running from 1967-1990, as well as the official newsletter of the International Toastmistress Club "Toastmistress" from 1963-1972 are included. Fonds contains a history of the Winnipeg Toastmistress Club, as well as a history of the North Central Region, which later became the Land O'Lakes Region. There are also brief histories of the Yellow Quill, Urban Acres, Greenmantle, and Nellie McClung Toastmistress Clubs. Included in the fonds are bylaws and standing rules of the Land O'Lakes clubs, as well as the charters of the Yellow Quill, Colleen, Cornucopia, Fort La Bosse, Dauphin, and Prairie Horizons Clubs. A large part of the record consists of the minutes from international and regional meetings for the years 1969 to 1988. The fonds includes a public relations survey from the Land O'Lakes Region 1977-78, evaluations of various council meetings, Land O'Lakes' agendas and budgets from 1980-1985, and lists of Land O'Lakes executives. Finally, the fonds contains reports from various Land O'Lakes clubs from 1968-1992, as well as Land O'Lakes rosters from 1979-1985.

Notes: CAIN No. 202594

Subject Access:	Thelma McClelland
	Ernestine White
	International Toastmistress Club
	Land O'Lakes Region of International Toastmistress Club
	Urban Acres Toastmistress Club
	Valley Echoes Toastmistress Club
	Prairie Horizons Toastmistress Club
	Cornucopia Toastmistress Club
	Colleen Toastmistress Club
	Yellow Quill Toastmistress Club
	Fort La Bosse Toastmistress Club
	Dauphin Toastmistress Club
	Kinrossie Toastmistress Club
	Winnipeg Toastmistress Club
	Nellie McClung Toastmistress Club
	Greenmantle Toastmistress Club
	women's organizations
	public relations
	leadership
	communication
Storage Location:	2002 accessions
Storage Range:	2002 accessions



Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club fonds http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4832

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	12-2002
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1955-1959
Physical Description:	2 cm
History /	
Biographical:	

It appears that the Neepawa Business and Profession of Women's Club was established in 1955. The president of the club in 1955, was Nora Day. The objectives of the club were to enhance the status of professional and business women and to promote contact between women in business and the professions. The club had seven committees, including: the United Nations, Newsletter, Emblem, Social, Programme, Publicity, and Membership Committees. The Neepawa Club attended provincial conferences of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs and observed Business Women's Week. The club also hosted conferences,as well as local luncheons and picnics.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2002. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of one scrapbook made by the club, which covers the years 1955-1959. The scrapbook includes newspaper clippings, programs, invitations, and lists of club officers from around the province. The scrapbook also includes the bylaws of the Neepawa Club. Many of the newspaper clippings relate to the status of women in Canada and around the world.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202586
Subject Access:	Effie Macdonald
	Mary Macdonald
	Louise Card
	Nora Day
	Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club
	Manitoba Business and Professional Women's Clubs
	Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club
	Flin Flon Business and Professional Women's Club
	Portage Business and Professional Women's Club
	Selkirk Business and Professional Women's Club
	St. James Business and Professional Women's Club
	Winnipeg Business and Professional Women's Club
	International Peace Gardens
	women's clubs
	status of women
	scrapbooks
	newspaper clippings
Storage Location:	2002 accessions
Storage Range:	2002 accessions
Related Material:	Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club (10-2002); Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club (11-2002); Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club (12-2002); Trilliam Business and Professional Women's Club (2-2006).



Brandon Assisted Passage Association fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4833

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection	
Description Level:	Collection	
Accession Number:	11-1997	
GMD:	textual records	
Date Range:	1911-1917	
Physical Description:	3 cm textual records 1 minute book	

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Assisted Passages Association was created in 1911, for the purpose of providing loans to "english speaking artisans" [sic] who wished to immigrate to Canada and work in Brandon, MB. In 1913, the Association was renamed the Brandon Imperial Home Reunion Association. The Association continued to operate and provided passage assistance in the form of loans to many immigrants until loan defaults mounted during World War I. After 1917, no further loans were given.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned in 1997. Its custodial history prior to this is unknown, but it was at one time in the posession of a H.R. Hoffman, and well as Richardson & Bishop Ltd. in Brandon.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a minute book and a single page letter. The minute book is a record of every meeting of the B.A.P.A./B.I.H.R.A. and includes the names of the board members, the names of the applicants (in some cases their addresses), and the amounts loaned. In some instances, the fonds provides a documentary record of loan repayment.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202578
Subject Access:	Mr. Murhead
	Mr. F. Wells
	Mr. Killery
	Mr. D. Christie
	Brandon Imperial Home Reunion Association
	Immigration
	Imperialism
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



Minnedosa Odd Fellows fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4836

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection	
Description Level:	Collection	
Accession Number:	4-2000	
GMD:	textual records	
Date Range:	1884-1991	
Physical Description:	60 cm	

History /

Biographical:

The Odd Fellow Lodge in Minnedosa was created in 1884. Membership was open to white males over the age of 21, who were in good health and had good moral character. The organization was established as a mutual friendly association to provide social and financial support to its members. According to its Constitution, OddFellow members have five duties: to visit the sick, to relieve the distressed, to bury the dead, to educate the orphan, and to aid the widow. The organization existed until 1991.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2000. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minutes from Minnedosa Odd Fellow meetings from 1884-1991. There is also one book kept by the Sick Committee from 1924-1949, in which the committee kept track of sickness and injuries among members and what each sick or injured man received in wages lost from the lodge. The fonds also includes a roll call book from 1884-1920. There is also a member and visitor register for the years 1972-1980, and an envelope of approximately 40 completed application forms from the 1940's and 1950's. Finally, the fonds includes a minute book of the Patriarch Militant IOOF of Brandon, Manitoba, which covers the years 1909 to 1922.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202635
Subject Access:	Minnedosa OddFellows
	Minnedosa
	Manitoba
	Patriarch Militant IOOF
	Brandon
	fraternal organizations
	mutual aid societies
Storage Location:	2000 accessions
Storage Range:	2000 accessions
Related Material:	The Basswood Odd Fellows Collection is also located in the McKee Archives.



Laurie V. Smith collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4837

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	37-1997
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1939-1986; predominant 1939-1949
Physical Description:	18 cm

History /

Biographical:

Laurie V. Smith served as the President of the Brandon Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion during the 1940s.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes correspondence, policy documents, and publications relating to the activities of the Royal Canadian Legion, primarily in Brandon under the Presidency of Laurie V. Smith, during and after the Second World War. Prominant themes include the aquiring of gifts for hospitalized veterans, primarily through the Canadian Legion Christmas Tree project, veteran rehabilitation, and promotion of the Canadian Victory Loans project.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202631
Subject Access:	Canadian Legion
	Sanatorium Board of Manitoba
	The Legionary
	Veterans
	Legion Christmas Tree
	Victory Loan
	Canadian Legion War Services
Storage Location:	1997 accessions
Storage Range:	1997 accessions



B.J. Hales fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4838

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	31-1998
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1925-1927
Physical Description:	8 cm textual records
	3 books

History /

Biographical:

Benjamin J. Hales was born in Peterborough, Ontario on November 24, 1868. Hales lived in Peterborough until attending the University of Toronto, where he graduated in 1894. In 1897, Hales travelled west to teach at Broadview, North West Territories. He moved to McGregor, Manitoba in 1899, where he was Principal of the school, and in 1902, he moved to Hartney, Manitoba. Between 1907 and 1911, Hales devoted his time to working for the provincial Normal School that offered courses for prospective teachers in Portage La Prairie, Manitou, and Brandon. In 1911, the normal courses were established in Brandon and Hales moved to Brandon, where he resided for the rest of his life. Hales acted as the Principal of the Brandon Normal School from 1912 until his retirement in 1938. B.J. Hales married Elizabeth Lewis of Peterborough, who died in 1942. The couple had one daughter Marion Hales Doig. B.J. Hales was a well-known naturalist and author of several texts dealing with prairie flora and fauna. Hales also built a museum of Manitoban flora and fauna in the Normal School. Hales was an alderman on Brandon City Council from 1920 to 1923, and served as the chairman of the city's Parks Board from 1937 until his death in 1945. Hales was twice the president of the Western Manitoba Teacher's Association, and once the head of the Manitoba Educational Association. B.J. Hales was also a member of the First United Church and served on its board. He died on December 23, 1945 at his home in Brandon.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes three books written by B.J. Hales, titled, "Selected Western Flora: Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta" (1925); "Prairie Birds" (1927); and "Forests and Trees" (1925), all published in Toronto by The MacMillan Company of Canada. The fonds also includes two books of field notes concerning specimens held in the Brandon Normal School Museum, as well as a list of birds in the Atkinson Collection also located at the Brandon Normal School Museum.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202623
Subject Access:	B.J. Hales
	Brandon Normal School Museum
	Atkinson Collection
	flora
	prairie birds
	museums
	trees
	wild life
	naturalist
Storage Location:	1998 accessions
Storage Range:	1998 accessions



Brandon Golf and Country Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4846

Part Of:	RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level:	Collection
Accession Number:	11-1998
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	1914-1948
Physical Description:	6 cm

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Golf and Country Club was created in 1914, to serve the recreational needs of Brandon's social and economic elite. Leading Brandon politicians, professionals, and businessmen belonged to the club and served on its executive. The club was a place for Brandon's elite to play golf and socialize, and was affiliated with the Royal Canadian Golf Association. The club included a separate Verandah Club composed of women. In 1926, the Brandon Golf and Country Club became a member of the Canadian Ladies Golf Union. The club sponsored dances and dinners for its members. Strict policies for non-members were enforced. Brandon residents that were not members of the club could only play golf once a week, had to pay daily green fees, and had to be invited and accompanied by a member.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of one scrapbook that runs from 1914-1948. The scrapbook contains minutes from director and shareholder meetings, as well as notices of upcoming meetings. There are also secretary and treasurer reports included in the scrapbook. Finally, there are a few newspaper clippings dealing with the club included in the scrapbook.

Notes:	CAIN No. 202579
Subject Access:	Brandon Golf and Country Club
	Verandah Club
	men's clubs
	country clubs
Storage Location:	1998 accessions
Storage Range:	1998 accessions