

# S. J. McKee Archives



## McGuinness family papers and letters

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Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 1.1
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1916 - 2010
Physical Description:	Approximately 18 cm of textual records

### History /

#### Biographical:

See collection level description for history/biography information on Frederick George McGuinness.

Frederick George McGuinness' maternal grandparents were John POPE (b. 28 January 1852 – d. 24 January 1923) and Mary DARROCH (b. 24 May 1861 – d. 18 September 1942). Canadian Census records for 1906 show John was born in England and immigrated to Canada in 1870. Mary was born in Wellington, Ontario.

John and Mary married in Brandon on 11 July 1888. The POPE family was considered one of Brandon's pioneer families and all nine children were born in Brandon: Fred McGUINNESS' mother Isabella Louisa POPE, John "Jack" Stuart/Stewart POPE, Annie Ruby POPE, Alice Jane POPE, George Campbell POPE, Henry Victor James POPE, Roy Clendon POPE, Hugh Edward POPE (b. 23 February 1901 – d. 9 November 1904), and Albert William POPE (b. 1 April 1903 – d. 17 November 1904).

According to the Brandon City Henderson Directories, maternal patriarch John POPE worked as a bartender in the Brunswick Hotel (in 1906), the King Edward Hotel (from 1907-1911), and the Royal George Hotel (by 1913-14). He later became an employee at the Empire Brewing Company (1921). The 1901 Canadian Census records both his brother George (b. 23 October 1843), working as a contractor, and his sister-in-law Ella DARROCH (b. 16 August 1872) as living with the POPE family. It appears George stayed with the family for a decade.

Isabella Louisa POPE (b. 09 July 1889 – 16 December 1966) worked as clerk and stenographer with the Dominion Express Company between 1907 and 1909. It was there that she likely met her future husband, William Frederick McGUINNESS, whom she married in Brandon on 2 November 1910. The 1911 Canadian Census shows William, Louisa and their one-month old daughter Mary Charlotte living with Louisa's parents on 629 9th Street in Brandon. William was working as cashier with Dominion Express Company at the time. [See William Frederick McGuinness below for more information about Louisa and William.]

By 1916, the POPE family was living at 708 10th Street, while Louisa and William McGUINNESS were living at their home at 337 17th Street. All of the Pope brothers listed the Tenth Street address as their home and their military accomplishments are mentioned in Fred McGuinness' popular short story "The Button Bag" that was read on CBC's Morningside radio

McGuinness popular short story "The Button Day" that was read on CBC's *Morningside* radio program and later published in his book *Letters from Section 17* (1999).

John "Jack" Stuart/Stewart POPE (b. 18 March 1891 – 5 March 1971) managed the Empire Hotel's News Stand in 1909. From 1913 to 1914, he was a clerk with the Grand View Hotel. Jack married Helen Frances FINNEGAN on 1 May 1914. On 7 November 1916, Jack enlisted with the Canadian Field Artillery's 76th Depot Battery in Winnipeg (regimental # 12501611). His attestation papers list his occupation as a packer, likely with the Empire Brewing Company, a company to which he would return after the war. The 1921 Canadian Census lists Jack as single and living at his parent's Tenth Street home. By 1931, Jack was working as a foreman with the Empire Beverage Company. Jack's listings in Henderson's Brandon City Directories are sporadic throughout the 1930s and 1940s but it appears he was an employee with the Empire Beverage Company until 1941. Jack was listed as an engineer working at the Brandon Sanatorium from 1947 to 1949. Jack died on 5 March 1971 and was interred in the Veterans' Section of the Brandon Municipal Cemetery (Section 27, Block C, Plot 124); his grave marker affiliates him with the 181st Battalion.

Anna "Annie" Ruby POPE (3 August 1892 – 26 December 1971) was listed as a dressmaker in Henderson's Brandon City Directory for 1919. Shortly thereafter, she would become a long-term employee with Yaegers Furs (from 1921 onwards) working as an operator and fur finisher. After her father's death in 1923, Annie moved with her mother and brothers to 228 15th Street. She lived at that address until her death on 26 December 1971. She passed away in Yorkton, Saskatchewan (where her surviving sister Mrs. Alice Jane Murray lived), and was interred in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery (Section 6, Block B, Plot 11). The furrier Yaegers Furs Ltd. closed its shop early in her honour.

Alice Jane POPE (MURRAY) (b. 8 May 1894 – d. 11 May 1983) was a binder, folder, and stenographer with Cox Printing Copy from 1914 to 1919. She married Alexander Leo Murray on 8 October 1919 and moved with her husband, a butcher and grocery merchant, to Kenora, Ontario. Alice died in 1983 in Yorkton, Saskatchewan.

George Campbell POPE (b. 13 December 1896 – d. 3 September 1918) was listed as an employee of the Empire Brewing Company from 1913 to 1914 in the Brandon City Henderson Directories. His attestation papers identify him as a chemist's assistant. George had been with 99th Manitoba Rangers for six years prior to enlisting with the 181st Battalion on 12 February 1916 (regimental # 855132). Once overseas, George was transferred to the 44th Battalion. He was killed in action six weeks before the war's end on 3 September 1918. His Commonwealth War Grave is in the Chapel Corner Cemetery (Pas de Calais, France).

Henry "Harry" Victor James POPE (b. 15 February 1897 – d. 18 September 1952) was another Pope brother to work with the Empire Brewing/Beverage Company. Harry became a long-term employee of the brewer, working with the company from 1917 to 1951. During that time, the Brandon City Henderson's Directories list Harry as a bottler (1925-31) and Vice President (1933, 1941-45). He briefly left the company in 1945 to work as a foreman with the Bell Bottling Company, and again in 1952. Harry never married. He lived with his sister in their family home until his death in 1952. He is interred in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery (Section 6, Block B, Plot 63).

Roy Clendon POPE (b. 4 April 1899 – d. 03 March 1966) enlisted with the City of Brandon's 181st Battalion on 3 April 1916 (regimental # 865466). He listed his occupation as bridge builder on his attestation papers. Once overseas, Roy was transferred to the 44th Battalion. He would survive the war and was awarded a Military Medal on 3 July 1919. After the war he became an employee with the Canadian Northern Railway (CNR) (1921-23). Roy became a carpenter by trade (1925-1945). He served as the secretary to the Kinsmen Club from 1931-33 and worked briefly with the RCAF as a laborer in 1943. By 1949 he had a wife, Anne, and moved from his family home to live at 623 23rd Street. He worked as a clerk and caretaker of the Land Titles Office from 1951-54. Roy is buried in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery

(Section 6, Block B, Plot 65).

Fred McGuinness' paternal grandparents were Frederick Anthony McGUINNESS (b. August 1857-1862 – d. 5 March 1933) and Anna Charlotte GALLAGHER (b. 19 September 1861/1863/1864 – d. 10 March 1948). Born to Irish parents, Canadian Census records list England (1891, 1901) and Newfoundland (1911) as birthplaces for F.A. McGuinness. He immigrated to Canada in 1864 or 1865 and married Charlotte GALLAGHER in 1882. His wife, Charlotte, was born in Ontario. The couple had four children: William Frederick McGUINNESS, Ernest Albert McGUINNESS, Annie May McGUINNESS, and Frederick Gallagher McGUINNESS. The family moved to Manitoba in 1900 and while in Brandon, Frederick Anthony worked as a CPR conductor from 1906 to 1924/25. He would die in Brandon two weeks before his eldest son, William, succumbed to illness. He is interred in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery (Section 22, Block D, Plot 46).

William Frederick McGUINNESS (b. 22 August 1884 – d. 18 March 1933) was born in Ottawa and graduated with honors from the Willis School of Accountancy in that city. He moved with his family to Manitoba and worked as a cashier with the CPR Express Office from 1900 to 1905. From 1906 to 1911, he worked as a clerk with the Dominion Express Company. In 1910, William married Isabella Louisa POPE and they would have six children: Mary Charlotte, Dorreene Louise, Kathleen Ruth, Frederick George, Orma Grace, and Carol. From 1914-1919, W.F. McGuinness was the secretary-treasurer of the Hanbury Hardware Company; by 1921, he was the general manager. In 1925, W.F. McGuinness was manager of the Manitoba Hardware Company Limited and by 1927 he was the Company's secretary-treasurer. He was also a member of a number of service clubs and fraternal organizations. From 1919-1923, he served as a director of the Manitoba Winter Fair and Fat Stock Show, representing the Manitoba Poultry Association. He was also a Mason and was involved with Brandon's Council of the Board of Trade, Brandon Curling Club (1927 treasurer), and the Lawn Bowling Club. W.F. McGuinness passed away at the age of 49 after suffering from an infection for eight months, a complication resulting from influenza. He is interred in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery (Section 22, Block D, Plot 48).

While in Brandon, Ernest Albert McGUINNESS (b. 10 July 1886 – d. 30 August 1943) worked as a CPR ticket agent from at least 1906 to 1916. He was also a well-known baritone in the community. Ernest married Evelina G. DOLMAGE in Souris on 7 August 1912. They would have three daughters: Anna Charlotte, Maire, and Mrs. Edward May. Ernest moved to Winnipeg with his family in 1916 and lived there until his death in 1943. He is interred in the McGUINNESS family plot in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery (Section 22, Block D, Plot 48).

Annie May McGUINNESS (b. 23 December 1888 – d. 23 March 1948) was born in Carleton, Ontario. She worked as a laundress at the Brandon Asylum in 1907. She became a stenographer and worked with a number of firms, including George White Sons and Company in 1913, A.G. Buckingham in 1917, Coldwell Coleman and Kerr from 1919-43, and Kerr, McQuarrie & Meighen in 1945. Annie was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and a charter member of the Heather Club. She died in Brandon at the age of 59, and was interred in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery (Section 22, Block D, Plot 22).

Frederick Gallagher McGUINNESS (b. 1891 – d. 23 May 1968) was born in Ottawa, Ontario. While in Brandon, he was a student (1911) and secretary of Boys' Work for the YMCA in 1913. He moved to Winnipeg where he graduated from the Manitoba Medical College in 1917. On 3 December 1917, Lieutenant F.G. McGuinness enlisted with the Canadian Army Medical Corps in Winnipeg. He served in France with the Royal Army Medical Corps and was a Medical Officer attached with the Ninth Royal Irish Fusiliers. Lt. McGuinness survived the war and returned to Winnipeg where he married Myrtle Eva WHITE in Winnipeg on 12 September 1922. They would have a son Jim "Jimmy" and a daughter Elizabeth (SHANNON). Dr. McGuinness practiced in Obstetrics and Gynecology and taught at the University of Manitoba's Medical School from 1923 onwards. He was instrumental in helping his nephew, Frederick George McGUINNESS return to school after he was injured in the Second World War. Dr.

McGuinness died in Winnipeg at the Deer Lodge Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Frederick George McGUINNESS had five sisters, three older and two younger. The eldest sister, Mary Charlotte McGuinness (b. 1 May 1911 – d. 02 December 1973), was born in Portage la Prairie. While in Brandon, she worked as a music teacher from 1937 to 1943 and was an organist with Knox United Church from 1941 to 1943. She married Reverend Henry John Herbert OLDFIELD (b. 4 June 1914, Saanich – d. September 2007, Victoria). They had two sons, John and William Frederick “Fred” (b. 1945 – d. 21 August 1986). Mary passed away in Coquitlam, BC.

Dorreene “Doney” Louise McGUINNESS (b. 31 December 1912 – d. 16 February 1976) was born in Virden, Manitoba. She married Dr. Robert INGLIS (b. 17 April 1913 – d. November 1982) and had four children. Dorreene passed away in Estevan, Saskatchewan and is buried in Souris Valley Memorial Gardens.

Kathleen Ruth McGUINNESS (b. 12 September 1915 – d. 15 September 1963) was born in Brandon, Manitoba. She worked as an operator with Government Phones from 1937 to 1941 and as a clerk with CPR Telegraphs from 1943 to 1951. In 1951, she was President of the Trillium Business and Professional Women’s Club. She died in Brandon at the age of 48, and was interred in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery (Section 22, Block D, Plot 50).

Orma Grace McGuinness (b. 13 January 1925 – d. 3 January 2013) was born in Brandon. She had trained as a nurse by 1947. She married George Edmond LONGPHEE (b. 9 September 1924, Souris, PEI – d. 7 May 2002, Sidney, BC) in Brandon on 1 June 1948. They had five children. Orma passed away in Sidney, BC.

Carol McGUINNESS married Herbert YOUNG on 16 January 1954 and had two children. She is the last surviving McGuinness sister of Frederick George McGuinness.

#### 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:

Subseries consists of records created and collected by members of the McGuinness family, as well as records created and collected by Fred McGuinness during his years in the Canadian navy, college, and as a journalist, editor, and freelance writer. The papers and letters include materials from paternal and maternal sides of the McGuinness family.

Records in the subseries consist of newspaper clippings, correspondence, financial papers, legal documents, and military records .

Notes: Biographical information about the Pope-McGuinness families was obtained from the following: Manitoba Vital Statistics Database for birth, marriages, deaths; 1901, 1906, 1911 Canadian Censuses for immigration dates, addresses, occupations; Henderson’s Brandon City Directory (1906-1955) for addresses and occupations; obituaries published in the Brandon Daily Sun, Brandon Sun, and Winnipeg Free Press.

Accruals: Closed  
Finding Aid: File level inventory is available  
Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Related Material: McGuinness wrote about his family and published snippets in his newspaper columns (see McG 2 Newspaper career series), articles (see McG 3.2 Miscellaneous freelance) and monographs (see McG 5 series). His book, Letters from Section 17: A Collection of Morningside Essays is autobiographical in nature

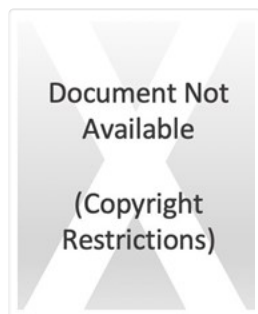
Trillium Business and Professional Women's Club records

Arrangement:

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## Documents

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## Fred McGuinness correspondence

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

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: McG 1.2

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: textual records

Date Range: c. 1910 - 2010

Physical Description: Approximately 36 cm of textual records  
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History /

Biographical:

See collection level description for history/biography information on Frederick George McGuinness.

#### 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:

Subseries consists of records created and collected by Fred McGuinness during his years in the Canadian navy, college, federal government (Unemployment Insurance Commission), Saskatchewan government (Saskatchewan Jubilee), and as a journalist, editor, and freelance writer.

The papers and letters include materials from some members of the McGuinness family who assisted McGuinness with his research, as well as reader correspondence and materials from workshop participants. Readers of McGuinness' columns often reminisced about Brandon's local history and enclosed newspapers clippings, photographs, and pamphlets with their correspondence. Participants from his memoir writing workshops submitted their personal or family memoirs for McGuinness to review, provide feedback, or add to his collection.

Records in the subseries consist of correspondence (letters, e-mail communications, facsimiles, invitations, telegrams), newspaper clippings, programmes, ticket stubs. There is a Medicine Hat News logo patch located within File 10 1955-1965 Medicine Hat News.

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

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Related Material: John Everitt collection

Clarence Hopkin collection

Lawrence Stuckey collection

Jack Stothard collection

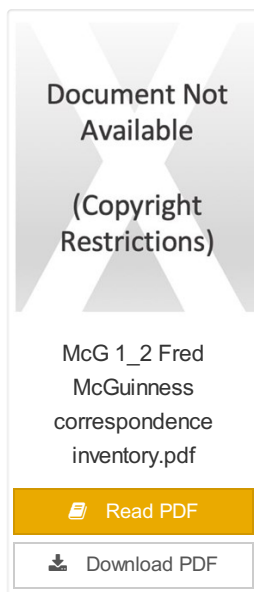
William Wallace papers

It is possible research and additional correspondence pertaining to McGuinness' columns and research materials may be found in Personal papers (McG 1.1), Newspaper career (McG 2), Freelance (McG 3), Broadcasts, talks and workshops (McG 6). Photographs were pulled and added to McGuinness photographic collection (McG 9)

#### Arrangement:

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

## Documents



## Fred McGuinness Ltd. business correspondence

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

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: McG 1.3

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: textual records

Date Range: c. 1988 - 2010

Physical Description: Approximately 6 cm of textual records

History /

Biographical:

See collection level description for history/biography information on Frederick George McGuinness.

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:

Subseries consists of records related to the business workings of Fred McGuinness Ltd. It includes financial statements prepared for Fred McGuinness Ltd. and information on insurance coverage.

Notes: In the file level inventories, square brackets at 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: File level inventory is available  
Storage Location: 2015 accessions  
Related Material: Statements on royalty earnings for McGuinness' monograph Manitoba: The Province & The People are located in the Correspondence subseries (McG 1.2). Invoicing for McGuinness' work on the Chronicle of Canada is located with that monograph subseries (5.7)

Arrangement:


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## Documents

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## Local history research

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Other Title Info: Title based on the contents of the subseries  
Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Sub-series  
Series Number: McG 4.1  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: c. 1881 - 2010  
Physical Description: Approximately 42 cm of textual records



## History /

### Biographical:

During the Great Depression, Fred McGuinness launched his career with the Brandon Sun as a paper carrier beginning in 1933. His route had him delivering papers in Brandon's downtown core, to many of the city's, now, historic or demolished buildings. Four years later he was employed in the city working for CPR telegraphs as a messenger and then as an operator. These early Brandon experiences weaved their way into McGuinness' newspaper columns, his broadcasts, and his books. In turn, McGuinness' readers shared with him their own memories about Brandon and its local history.

McGuinness was passionate about the social history of regional communities and the province as a whole. In the 1970s, McGuinness was instrumental in helping to establish the Rural Resource Centre, the predecessor to Brandon University's SJ McKee Archives. He co-authored several monographs about Manitoba's social history with Brandon University Professor Ken Coates and published a pictorial history about Brandon. He was also a community booster and was consulted to serve on, promote and write about local, provincial and rural development initiatives. In his obituary, the last piece he would publish in the Brandon Sun, McGuinness wrote that he had a "deep and continuing interest in anniversaries."

In its editorial piece on the passing of Fred McGuinness, the Brandon Sun commented that McGuinness had a "genuine interest in the stories and memories that are part of every Canadian's experience...He loved driving through small Westman towns and communities, stopping at the local coffee shop to strike up conversations with the locals." He continued writing his Diary column for the Brandon Sun and mentoring aspiring writers in his memoir writing workshops until his death in 2011.

### 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. As part of his research and writing process, McGuinness kept numerous files on various subjects and continued to add to them throughout his career. He accumulated his local history materials by personally collecting newspapers and clippings, books, and magazine articles; by readers' forwarding materials for his interest; and from workshop participants submitting memoirs and personal narratives for his interest, review and feedback.

Local history materials consist of newspaper clippings, correspondence, biographical documents and memoirs, obituaries, and manuscript drafts on Brandon (Manitoba) topics including:

the City of Brandon's origins, anniversaries (75th, centennial), reunions (Victoria 1969, Toronto 1977)

historic buildings and streets (Brandon's Central Heating System, Brandon's Fire Department, Brandon Gun Club, Brandon water power plant)

businesses (Assiniboine River ice harvest; Brandon woolen mills, skating arenas; Snellie brothers (Russell, MB); Meighen, Haddad, & Co., Prince Edward Hotel)

citizens and early pioneer/families (Armitage family, Beaubier family, Thomas Black, J.A. Brock, Henry Carroll, Q.C., Chalmer-Harden families, Clement family, Flora Cowan, Eliza Durston, William A. Elliott, Dr. Fleming, Hall family, Eleanor Kidd, Jack Lane, William Langdon, Lindenberg family, A.E. McKenzie, Margaret Muir, William Muir, W.S. Orchard, Mrs. Osmond (Griswold), General Thomas Lafayette Rosser, Harry Spafford, Allena Strath, George Treherne, Wallace family)

institutions (ACC, Brandon Research Station)

military units (181st Battalion)

museums (Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum)

local newspapers

politicians (R.O. Lissaman, Sir Clifford Sifton)

railways (1916 Brandon trainwreck)

religious organizations (Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus, Beresford Church)

McGuinness also maintain files on the local history of surrounding communities, including: Birtle, Beresford, Camp Hughes, Hartney, Kemnay, Russell, and Souris.

Notes: Information in the history/biography was taken from "We're Going to Miss You, Fred," Brandon Sun, March 24, 2011, A8

Items dating to the 1880s are photocopies and transcripts of original materials

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Accruals: Closed

Finding Aid: A file level inventory is available

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Related Material:

John Everitt collection

Clarence Hopkin collection

Provincial Exhibition Association of Manitoba fonds

Lawrence Stuckey collection

Jack Stothard collection

William Wallace papers

Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible work and correspondence pertaining to his research materials may be found in the Fred McGuinness collection Monograph series (McG 5) and subseries: Correspondence (McG 1.2), Brandon Sun (McG 2.2), Neighborly News (McG 2.3), Miscellaneous freelance (McG 3.2), Talks and workshops (McG 6.3). McGuinness also "filed" many clippings between the pages of his books in his personal library (see McG 8 Library series)

Arrangement:

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

## Documents

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## McGuinness broadcasts, lectures and workshops

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

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Series

Series Number: McG 6

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: textual records

Date Range: c. 1951? - 2010

Physical Description: Approximately 42 cm of textual records

Fred McGuinness' public speaking and broadcasting career began after he enrolled at St. Paul's College, which was affiliated with the University of Manitoba. From 1943 to 1946, McGuinness served on the student union's Public Relations Committee; in 1945, he became chairman of the Radio Subcommittee working as the Director of the University Radio Series where he was responsible (i.e., writing, casting, directing) for a half-hour Saturday afternoon radio programme. That same year, the President of the University of Manitoba recommended McGuinness as a speaker for the War Finance Committee in the Winnipeg Area.

In 1946, McGuinness moved to Port Arthur to work in public relations with the Wartime Prices and Trade Board. That same year he married his wife Christine. In 1947, the couple returned to Winnipeg, when McGuinness took a job as a Public Relations Officer for the National Employment Service's Unemployment Insurance Commission (UIC). While employed with the UIC, McGuinness travelled the summer fair circuit with displays promoting the UIC and its benefits. During that time, Royal American Shows also hired McGuinness as its Director of Publicity and Exploitation while the show toured with the fairs on the Canadian prairies. McGuinness also sold his first manuscript to the CBC in 1947, recording a 14-minute broadcast titled the "Class A Circuit" about the Royal American tour, after his summer fair schedule concluded.

McGuinness continued his work with Royal American and the UIC until he accepted a position with the Saskatchewan government in 1952 to promote its upcoming 1955 golden jubilee. His experience with the Saskatchewan Jubilee preparations lead to McGuinness being appointed as a provincial representative to the Canadian Centennial Commission in 1963; an appointment that had McGuinness delivering speeches provincially and internationally.

After the jubilee, McGuinness accepted a position with The Medicine Hat News in Medicine Hat, Alberta. During his decade with that newspaper as a journalist and publisher, McGuinness was heavily involved with the Chamber of Commerce and community service organizations. His position within the community had him delivering talks to many local groups.

At the beginning of 1966, McGuinness started his new appointment as manager of the newly formed personnel and information branch for James Richardson and Sons Ltd. whose head offices were in Winnipeg. At that time McGuinness was developing broadcast scripts for the CBC in earnest. McGuinness left Richardson and Sons in the fall of 1966 to become the publisher and vice-president of the Brandon Sun newspaper in Brandon, Manitoba.

In the 1970s, McGuinness was writing copy for CBC's Radio Noon and Information Radio, as well as producing Ashgrove Farm, a CBC radio drama. By 1980, McGuinness was hosting the CBC Radio broadcast Neighborly News from the Prairies. The radio program was cancelled by the CBC in 1983, but was reincarnated with Altona broadcaster CFAM later that year with McGuinness at the helm. The radio show ended its run in the summer of 1987. McGuinness continued working with the CBC, and is popularly known for his work as the prairie essayist for CBC Radio's Morningside with Peter Gzowski, a position McGuinness held for 17 years.

During his twenty years with the Sun, McGuinness took an active roll in the community and cultivated his interest in local history. Consequently he was invited to guest speak and chair sessions on local history, rural development, and the economy while providing his personal insights as a newspaper publisher.

In the 1980s and 1990s, McGuinness co-taught an undergraduate journalism class at Brandon University with English Professor John Blaikie. McGuinness also delivered community workshops on memoir writing, a past time he continued until shortly before his death in 2011.

#### Custodial History:

Accession 1-2015 contains records created and collected over the course of McGuinness' career as a radio broadcaster, 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 series contains records created and collected by Fred McGuinness during his time as a radio broadcaster, journalist, editor, and freelance writer. Records in the series consist of broadcast scripts, lecture notes, speeches, rough drafts and notes, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and other research materials for respective broadcasts, lectures, speeches, and workshops.

The series has been divided into three subseries, including: (1) radio broadcast scripts, (2) BU journalism course, and (3) talks and workshops.

#### Notes:

Information for the history/biography was obtained from documents in McGuinness' personal papers (see his family papers McG 1.1 and the scrapbook in McG 1.4) and his book Letters from Section 17 (published by Great Plains Publications in 1999)

#### Accruals:

Closed

#### Finding Aid:

A file level inventory is available for each subseries, see subseries descriptions

#### Storage Location:

2015 accessions

#### Related Material:

Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible materials pertaining to his broadcast and lecture career may be found in other series of the Fred McGuinness collection. A sound recording of one of McGuinness' UofM broadcasts can be found in McG 7

#### Arrangement:

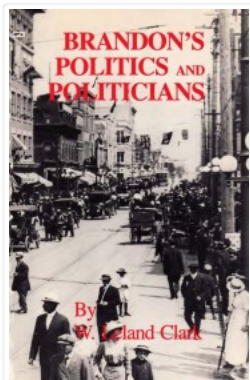
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McG 6 McGuinness broadcasts, lectures, workshops

McG 6.1 Radio broadcast scripts

McG 6.2 BU Journalism course

McG 6.3 Talks and workshops



## W. Leland Clark - research and teaching papers

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#### Part Of:

RG 6 Brandon University fonds

#### Description Level:

Sub sub series

#### Series Number:

MG 3 1.14.2

#### Accession Number:

16-2009

#### GMD:

textual records

#### Date Range:

1970-1982

#### Physical Description:

60 cm textual records; 6 books

History /

Biographical:

See fonds level description (MG 3 1.14 W. Leland Clark) for history/bio information on W. Leland Clark.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description (MG 3 1.14. W. Leland Clark) for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

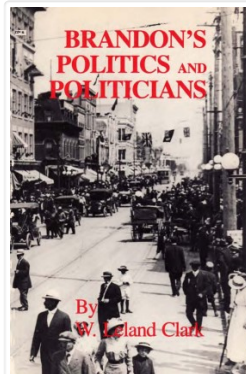
Sub sub series consists of primary sources related to Canadian agriculture in Western Canada from the Great War to the Great Depression drawn from the National Archives of Canada and the Provincial Archives of Manitoba; primary sources including interviews conducted by Dr. Clark for his PhD thesis and subsequent book titled Brandon Politics and Politicians; and various papers - published and unpublished by Dr. Clark, a few of his students, and other academics. Sub sub series also contains seven copies of Brandon Politics and Politicians.

Notes: A PDF version of this book is available. PDF courtesy Gordon Goldsborough, webmaster Manitoba History..

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration  
1.14 W. Leland Clark

## Documents

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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  
Box 2



## Miscellaneous Board materials

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3443>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 2.4

File Number: 98

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1976-1977

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of minutes, agendas, various Committee documents, financial information, responses to BUFA demands and correspondence.

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



## Research Council of Canada

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3462>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 2.4

File Number: 115

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1973-1974

Physical Description: 1 file

### Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence and recommendations of the Social Science Research Council of Canada on the proposed granting council for the social sciences and humanities.

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



## Social and computer science research

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3473>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 2.4

File Number: 126

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1973

Physical Description: 1 file

### Scope and Content:

File consists of a report on the Social Science Research Council of Canada by Dr. M.V. Naidu, as well as memos and a newsclipping on computer science.

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





## National Research Council

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3645>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 4.2

File Number: 67

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1965-1967

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence, as well as National Research Council grant information and related material.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series 4: Office of the Vice-President

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

Box 2



## Defense Research Board - Dept. of National Defense

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3756>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 4.2

File Number: 176

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1969

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series 4: Office of the Vice-President

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

Box 5



## National Research Council

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3795>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 4.2

File Number: 212

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1968-1970

Physical Description: 1 file

### Scope and Content:

File consists of a notice of award, correspondence and the policy change for direct support of university computing centres.

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



## Defense Research Board

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3888>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 4.2

File Number: 301

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1970

Physical Description: 1 file

### Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence, blank application forms and a grant application manual.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series 4: Office of the Vice-President

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

Box 7



## National Research Council - correspondence

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3943>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Description Level: File  
Series Number: 4.2  
File Number: 355  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: 1970-1971  
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 8



## Association of Institutional Research

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3983>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Description Level: File  
Series Number: 4.2  
File Number: 395  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: 1977  
Physical Description: 1 file  
Scope and Content:  
File consists of correspondence.  
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Series 4: Office of the Vice-President  
4.2 Office of the Vice-President (Administration & Finance)  
Box 9



## Brandon - Great Depression research project

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4056>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Description Level: sub sub sub series  
Series Number: 7.1.4.1  
Accession Number: 15-1997  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: 1913-1987 (predominant 1929-1939)  
Physical Description: 1.2 m

Physical Condition: The records are in excellent condition, but the extensive use of photocopying of available records occasionally leads to difficulty in clarity of content.

History /

Biographical:

The project originated in the summer of 1987 at Brandon University. It was undertaken by several Brandon University students under the guidance of Dr. William R. Morrison and Dr. Ken Coates, both professors in the Department of History. From the perspective of all involved, research and future publication were the original aims of the project. The intention was to produce a combination of documentary and oral history of the Brandon region during the Great Depression, including an extensive study of Brandon College. Initially, an outline and project summary was presented to Manitoba Heritage Grants Program for consideration and after being chosen as a recipient for the grant, regular reports on research progress were submitted. The project was discontinued at the end of the summer due to a lack of funding and availability of the researchers.

Custodial History:

The records were held in the custody of Dr. Morrison until his departure from Brandon University in 1989. At this time, the records were given to Tom Mitchell, who donated the entire project to the McKee Archives, where they were accessioned in 1997.

Scope and Content:

The sub sub sub series consists of textual records relating to Brandon and the surrounding area during the years of the Great Depression, predominantly 1929-1939. The material in the sub sub sub series falls generally into the following categories: city, provincial, and federal government documents and correspondence; newspaper articles and other publications, and statistical data. Of particular interest are four papers written by Brandon University students and six years of the Henderson Directory. Also included is a folder containing documents associated with the research project undertaken by Dr. Morrison et al. during the summer of 1987.

The sub sub sub series has been divided into four boxes:

Box 1 - Brandon City Council file index, City Council membership and minutes, relief regulations, proposals for burials and children's shelters, relief work projects reports, Brandon-Cornwallis Health Unit reports, correspondence between the City of Brandon and numerous levels of government, Brandon Public Health Nurse reports, farm reports, Brandon bank clearings, Provincial Election results, Employment Service of Canada documents, various published articles, Brandon University student papers.

Box 2 - Civic, provincial and federal documents related to various features of the Great depression and its impact on Brandon including lists of relief recipients and personal letters to the City, Brandon General Hospital reports. Some of these documents remain unsorted but clearly identified by title and archival institution of origin.

Box 3 - Censuses of Canada, Henderson Directory for Brandon, City of Brandon Property Address Listing, United Farmers of Manitoba documents, rural rehabilitation programs, Brandon by-law voting, Archives of Manitoba documents, Westman Municipal News articles, Economic Survey Board provincial data, project documents.

Box 4 - Brandon Sun articles including a file index to articles of interest.

Notes: The description for this sub sub sub series was taken from the Brandon - Great Depression research project fonds written by Codee Lorrain (2005). Part of RG 6, 7.1.4 (Department of History).

Name Access: William R. Morrison  
Ken Coates  
History Department  
Brandon Sun

Subject Access: Great Depression

Access Restriction: Because of privacy issues, correspondence relating to the recipients of relief is restricted. They are still available in the sub sub sub series, however, and discretion on the part of the examiner is necessary.

Location Original: Provincial document originals are available at the Archives of Manitoba in Winnipeg. Federal document originals can be found at Library and Archives Canada in Ottawa, Ontario. City of Brandon document originals can be obtained through City Hall. The original Brandon Sun papers are located at the Brandon Sun office in Brandon.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Series 7: Faculties and Schools  
7.1 Faculty of Arts  
7.1.4 Department of History

Related Material: Records relating to the Faculty of Arts at Brandon College during the Great Depression can be found in the Brandon College fonds. Other records specifically relating to the Great Depression in Brandon can be found in the Errol Black fonds and the Manitoba Pool Elevators fonds. All fonds are available at the McKee Archives.

Arrangement:

Each subject of information has been compiled into separate folders. The first three boxes are composed of various documents sorted by the archivist. The fourth box is entirely composed of Brandon Sun articles arranged by the researchers. If there is one subject that covers a number of years, each year will typically have a folder; however, in some cases, like the Brandon Sun articles, more than one folder was needed per year.



## Calendars - researchers' copies

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4063>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Sub sub series

Series Number: 6.6.2

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1913-2010 (not inclusive)

Physical Description: 60 cm

Physical Condition: Good

History /  
Biographical:

See RG 6, series 6 (Senate), sub-series 6.6 (Brandon College/University Calendars) for history/bio information.

#### Scope and Content:

Sub sub series consists of copies of the Brandon College/University calendar for use by researchers dating from 1913 to the present. There is also a registration guide for 1998-1999. Box 1 contains calendars dating from 1913 to 1956 (not inclusive). Box 2 contains calendars dating from 1957 to 1975. Box 3 contains calendars dating from 1976 to 1985. Box 4 contains calendars dating from 1986 to 1996. Box 5 contains calendars dating from 1998-2009 and a folder containing changes to various calendars.

Notes: Sub sub series 6.6.1 Calendars - bound archival copies is complete to 1970.

Calendar years missing for 6.6.2 Calendars - researchers' copies, include:

1916-1917  
1917-1918  
1918-1919  
1919-1920

1921-1922  
1922-1923  
1924-1925  
1926-1927

1930-1931  
1931-1932  
1934-1935  
1935-1936  
1936-1937

1944-1945

1950-1951  
1954-1955

2006-2007 (have Graduate Calendar but not General  
Calendar/Registration Guide)  
2007-2008 (have Graduate Calendar but not General  
Calendar/Registration Guide)

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Series 6: Senate  
6.6 Brandon College/University calendar



## Fred McGuinness

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4128>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 6.5.1

File Number: 63

GMD: textual records

Date Range: May 1997

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

File consists of correspondence and McGuinness' nomination form.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series 6: Senate Office

6.5 Convocation Services, Baccalaureates Services, Banquets



## Miscellaneous publications/curriculum materials

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4547>

Part Of: MacPhail collection

Description Level: Sub sub series

Series Number: 26-2006.2.4

Accession Number: 26-2006

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1915-1963

Physical Description: 9 cm

Physical Condition: Good

History /

Biographical:

See fonds level description of the Alexander MacPhail collection.

#### Scope and Content:

Sub sub series consists of miscellaneous publications/curriculum materials collected by the members of the MacPhail family and John Armstrong. It includes copies of "The Manitoba School Trustee" (1956-1963); "The Manitoba Teacher (May-June 1942)"; "Canadian Agriculture and the War (1941-1942)"; Canadian Girls in Training (C.G.I.T.) pamphlets; "Answer Book for Basic Achievement Tests (Manitoba) grades 2-7"; "The Manitoba Arithmetic for Elementary Grade VI"; "Arithmetic Answers, grade VI"; newspaper clippings; "Nature Study Self-Taught: Junior Work-Book, grades III & IV (Manitoba schools)"; Manitoba Provincial Board of Health pamphlets; senior high school boys' physical training, grade X & XI; outline of arithmetic, grade VI & VII; and sheet music and lyrics for "We'll Never Let the Old Flag Fall."

The sub sub series also consists of Manitoba, Department of Education examination papers for the following years and subjects:

1915 Entrance Examinations: Elementary agriculture; Arithmetic; Book-keeping; Composition; Drawing, Grade IX; Drawing; Geometry; Geography; Grammar; Canadian history & civics; History; Writing.

1921 Examinations: Literature.

1925 Entrance Examinations: History.

1926 Examinations: Industrial arts; Metal work.

1928 Entrance Examinations: Agriculture; History; Drawing; Grammar; Geography; Mathematics; Composition.

1929 Examinations Grade XI: Algebra; Chemistry; Composition; French authors; French grammar; French literature & composition; Geometry; German authors; German grammar; History; home economics; Household science option; Latin authors; Latin grammar; Music option: first year, second year, third year, fourth year, fifth year, sixth year, seventh year; Spelling; Practical arts: arithmetic, household art, household science, industrial arts: mechanical drawing, metal work, woodworking & patternmaking, household arts option.

1931 Examinations Grade XI: French authors; French grammar.

Notes:	Part of Alexander MacPhail collection.
Name Access:	patriotic songs
Storage Location:	2006 accessions
Related Material:	26-2006.2.1, 26-2006.2.2, 26-2006.2.3
Arrangement:	

The Department of Education examinations are located in the blue binder.