

S. J. McKee Archives



4th Troop - "B squadron" 1st Canadian Mounted Rifles overseas force

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10127>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Creator: Photographer: Creelman & Roberts

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.14

Accession Number: 1-1999

GMD: graphic

Date Range: February 8, 1915

Physical Description: 7.5" x 9.5" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting

Scope and Content:

Photograph is a portrait of the 4th Troop - "B squadron" 1st Canadian Mounted Rifles overseas force taken in the Brandon Arena.

Name Access: Brandon Arena

World War I

First World War

Great War

Canadian Expeditionary Forces

Canadian Mounted Rifles

Wheat City Arena

Subject Access: armed forces

Storage Location: BAPC oversize storage drawer

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45th Battalion Canadian Expeditionary Force, City of Brandon Band

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10198>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 5

Item Number: BAPC 5.4

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1916-1918

Physical Description: 27" x 7" (b/w)

Physical Condition: Very poor - extensive water damage.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the 45th Battalion Canadian Expeditionary Force, City of Brandon Band.

Name Access: Canadian Expeditionary Force

Subject Access: armed forces
bands

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Brandon's first airport

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10149>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection
Description Level: Item
Series Number: 3
Item Number: BAPC 3.3
GMD: graphic
Date Range: [19--]
Physical Description: 2.75" x 4.25" (b/w)

Custodial History:

Photograph was donated to the McKee Archives by Cy Kenny in 2005.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a building, two planes and a number of people at Brandon's first airport.

The location of the airport is unknown.

Subject Access: air transportation

aircraft

airplanes

airport terminals

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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Camp Hughes

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10112>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection



Description Level: Item
 Series Number: 1
 Item Number: BAPC 1.6
 GMD: multiple media
 Date Range: 1916
 Publication: Published by Western News Agency Ltd., Winnipeg, (46 pp.)
 Physical Description: 9.25" x 6.75" (b/w)
 Material Details: Small pamphlet containing photo essay

History /

Biographical:

Established as Sewell Camp in 1909, it was renamed after Major-General Sir Sam Hughes, Canada's Minister of Militia and Defence, in 1915. During World War I (1914–1918), more than 38,000 troops of the Canadian Expeditionary Force trained there. Many of the soldiers later distinguished themselves at the battle of Vimy Ridge, in April 1917.

Extensive trench systems, grenade and rifle ranges, and military structures were built in 1915 and 1916. A variety of retail stores on a double-avenued area close to the main camp formed a lively commercial midway. Camp Hughes was dismantled in the 1930s as part of an unemployment relief project.

The Camp Hughes Military Training Site, located at NE 34-10-16 W, 10 kms west of Carberry, R.M. of North Cypress, was designated Manitoba Provincial Heritage Site No. 82 on April 18, 1994.

Custodial History:

Donated by Earl Johnson, publisher of the Baldur Gazette, through the "good offices" of Fred McGuinness.

Scope and Content:

Item is a small pamphlet containing 50 black & white photographs in a photo essay entitled: Ready for Active Service, Camp Hughes Manitoba.

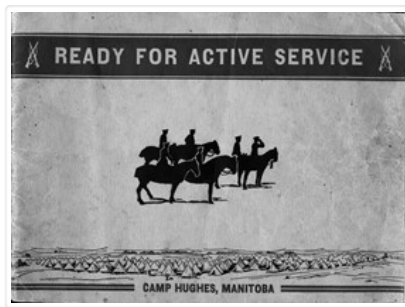
Notes: McGuinness wrote about Camp Hughes and how he acquired the pamphlet in a Viewpoint column in the November 1, 2001 edition of the Brandon Sun. A copy of the article is with the pamphlet. History/Bio information taken from the Manitoba Government Explore Our Heritage Website at: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/chc/hrb/prov/p082.html> (December 14, 2009).

Name Access: World War I
 First World War
 Great War
 Canadian Expeditionary Force
 Major D.A. Ross
 Major-General John Hughes
 Major J.W. Sifton

Subject Access: military personnel
 armed forces
 military training
 trench warfare

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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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
GMD: textual records
Date Range: November 8, 1915
Physical Description: 2 mm (1 two-page letter -- 1 letter with envelope)

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.

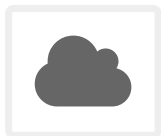
Custodial History:

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



Gerry Beaubier collection

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

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 11-2013
GMD: electronic records
Date Range: 1916-1917

Physical Description: 35 digital photographs

Material Details: JPEGS

History /

Biographical:

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

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

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

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

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

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

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

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

Notes: Information for the biographical and custodial histories was provided by Gerry Beaubier on September 25, 2013. Description by Dustin Lane (October 2013).

Name Access: Gerald Beaubier

Gerry Beaubier
Beaubier family
Camp Hughes
Brandon, MB
Lieut. D. Slein
Capt. C. Smith
Capt. J. Strong
Capt. Ridgeway
Lieut. W. Smith
Lieut. T. Williams
Lieut. H. Craig
Capt. S.R. Wallace
Lieut. D.H. Beaubier
David Wilson Beaubier
Capt. E.L. Abbott
Major E.R.C. Wilcox
Major N.F. McCahey
Lt.-Col. Sutherland
Lt.-Col. Foster
Major Lawless
Major Collier
Capt. J.D. Young
Capt. A.E. Vanderpump
Capt. J.E. West
Capt. Munro
Lieut. Watson
Lieut. Johnstone
Lieut. McIntosh
Lieut. Cherry
Lieut. Bryan
Lieut. J.L. Evans
Lieut. J. Kavanaugh
Lieut. I. Vipond
Capt. Rutherford
Lieut. Cluff
Capt. Maples
Lieut. Lane
Lieut. E.C. Whitehead
Lieut. R. Carleton
Lieut. B.F. Beaubier
Fincher
Lieut. Beaver
Lieut. McCool
Lieut. A.P. Milk
Lieut. Joseph Hardy

Lieut. K. Spencer
 Lieut. J. Faulkner
 Lieut. F. Keall
 181st Battalion
 181st Brandon Overseas Battalion Band
 A. Gov. Lines 108th
 No. 13 Platoon 108th Battalion
 184th Battalion
 34th Fort Garry
 100th Battalion
 214th Battalion
 108th Signallers
 Stretcher Bearer Section 108th
 Machine Gun Section 108th Battalion
 181st Brandon Overseas Battalion
 armed forces
 military personnel
 barracks
 public ceremonies
 downtown
 historic sites
 railroads
 military services
 parades
 regional parks
 passenger trains
 Veterans
 railway stations
 train stations
 restaurants
 food services
 war
 World War I
 World War One
 First World War
 The Great War

Subject Access:

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



World War I soldiers march down Rosser Avenue <http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10125>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection
 Description Level: Item
 Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.12
Accession Number: 24-1999
GMD: graphic
Date Range: c. 1914
Physical Description: 7.5" x 9.5" (b/w)
Physical Condition: There are two burn holes and many areas where the emulsion layer is gone.

History /

Biographical:

John A. McDonald's was a men's and boyswear store in operation for several decades at 841 Rosser Avenue, Brandon, MB.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of soldiers marching west on Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: John A. McDonald's

Diamond Hall

W.E. Crawford

The Patricia

World War I

First World War

Great War

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: public ceremonies

armed forces

military personnel

parades

downtown

cityscapes

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

Images

