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John E. Robbins

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4244>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 2.6

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1960-1967

History /

Biographical:

Dr. John Everett Robbins was born 9 October 1903 in Hampton, Ontario the son of John and Gertrude (Brown) Robbins. He married Catherine St. Denis on 11 June 1934 in Ogdens, New York. John Robbins was raised in Darlingford, Manitoba. He attended the University of Manitoba graduating with a B.A. Hon 1928 and M.A. in 1929. Dr. Robbins completed a Ph.D at the University of Ottawa in 1935. From 1936-1951 he was Director of the Education Division, Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Dr. Robbins helped to found the Canadian Association for Adult Education, the Social Science Research Council of Canada, the Humanities Research Council of Canada, the United Nations Association in Canada, and the Canadian Citizenship Council. In 1942 he became a member of the Board of Directors of Carlton University. Dr. Robbins was active in UNESCO work: he was a member of Canadian Government delegations to foreign conferences, and, in 1951-52, he spent a year as Director of an educational project for Palestinian Refugees in the Middle East.

In 1960, while editor-in-chief of the newly compiled "Encyclopedia Canadiana," Dr. Robbins was asked to become President of Brandon College. From 1960 to 1967, he oversaw construction of the Arts and Library Building and Lecture Theatre, a Men's Residence, a Dining Hall, a Heating Plant, a Ladies' Residence, a Music Building, a Physical Education Building and an Education Building. After the university charter was granted in 1967, Dr. Robbins was installed as the first President of Brandon University.

After his retirement from Brandon University Dr. Robbins was appointed Canadian Ambassador to the Vatican 1970-73. In the years after his departure from Brandon, he held many positions including President of World Federalists of Canada 1977-79 and President of the Canadian Writers Foundation 1976-78. Dr. Robbins served as Executive Chairman and Treasurer of Amnesty International in Canada 1973-75.

He was the recipient of an honorary LLD from the University of Manitoba (1967), Carleton University (1969) and Brandon University (1974). In 1994, the title President Emeritus of Brandon University was conferred on John Robbins by the Board of Governors of the University. Dr. Robbins died in 1995, at the age of 91.

Scope and Content:

Dr. Robbins' administrative records are located in the Brandon University fonds.

Notes: Dr. John E. Robbins archival papers are held at the Library and Archives Canada.

Name Access: John E. Robbins

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Series 2: Office of the Principal/President

Related Material: See RG 6, series 3 (Office of the President) for additional records regarding John E. Robbins.



John Robert Charles Evans

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Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 2.5

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1928-1959

Physical Description: 6.42 m

History /

Biographical:

Dr. Evans was born in Nanaimo, B.C. on March 15, 1891. In the fall of 1907, at the age of sixteen, Dr. Evans entered the Academic Department of Brandon College. He played an integral part at the College, participating in academics, sports, and various other college functions and organizations. In his final year he was Senior Stick, the highest position in the Student Government. In 1913, Dr. Evans graduated from Brandon College. Immediately after graduation he was hired to teach Science and Academic Mathematics. In 1917, he became Principal of the Academic Department, while continuing to teach Mathematics and Science. Dr. Evans took leave in 1920 to study post graduate work at the University of Chicago. During the summers, he was the Acting Dean of the Department of Geology in Chicago. He received his Ph.D. in Geology in 1923, and returned to Brandon College. His new positions at the college were of Professor of Geology and Resident Master. He also taught some Chemistry.

On August 1, 1927, Dr. Evans married Adelene M. Bailey (Class of 1921, Music 1924) at the Joseph Bond Chapel in Chicago. He took over as College Dean in 1928 after the position became vacant. In September of 1928, Dr. Evans accepted the position of President of Brandon College, thus becoming its fifth president since the college's inception. Dr. Evans was head of the college at a very difficult time. He guided the College through the Depression and repeated threats of closure from the Baptists. Dr. Evans resurrected the Department of Theology in the mid-1930's. He helped with the reorganization of Brandon College as a non-denominational college in 1938, and its new affiliation with the University of Manitoba. During World War II, Dr. Evans started a War Emergency Fund, aimed at keeping the College from sinking into debt during the war years as enrollment shrank. With increased financial support from the government, Dr. Evans began expansion plans for the College. In 1958, he created the Dr. J.R.C. Evans Student Loan Fund in conjunction with the Alumni Association in order to provide worthy students with interest-free loans. It was also in 1958 that Dr. Evans was awarded the Queen Elizabeth Coronation Medal for his outstanding contribution to education in the British Commonwealth.

On July 29, 1959, Dr. Evans died suddenly at his summer home in Robson, B.C.. On his desk was the programme for the sod-turning ceremony for the new Arts and Library Building and Lecture Theatre. When it was completed, the Lecture Theatre was christened the Dr. J.R.C. Evans Lecture Theatre on behalf of the man who had made sure that it would be built. The Theatre had been his dream, a place to hold Chapel and Assemblies, as the student body grew in number.

Scope and Content:

Dr. Evans collection is quite substantial, owing to the fact that he was President of Brandon College for thirty one years. His collection is primarily made up of correspondence between Dr. Evans and various people. The letters deal with students, teachers, finances, fundraising, the Bursar, the Registrar, and legal matters. The collection also includes the minutes from various meetings, including Board of Director meetings and National Conference on Canadian Universities. There are accounts dealing with World War II, its affect on campus, the C.O.T.C, and the lending of part of Brandon College to the R.C.A.F. during the war. The complete withdrawal of Baptist support for Brandon College is well documented in this collection, as is the ensuing affiliation of the College with the University of Manitoba. The Brandon College Campaign and other fundraising endeavors are documented in Evans' papers as well. Evans was bent on the expansion of Brandon College, and there is a lot of correspondence dealing with this topic. There are various financial accounts and financial histories of Brandon College in Evans' collection.

Name Access: J.R.C. Evans

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds
Series 2: Office of the Principal/President



John Welsted fonds

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4050>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: Sub-series
Series Number: MG 3 1.7
Accession Number: 21-2003, 04-2007
GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1965-2001
Physical Description: 21 pages of textual records; approximately 4500 slides
Physical Condition: Excellent

History /

Biographical:

John Welsted was born in Norwich, England on December 6, 1935. In 1958, he received his B.Sc. from the University of Bristol. He obtained his M.Sc. from McGill University in 1960, and his post-graduate certificate in Education from the University of Bristol in 1961. He completed his Ph.D. at the University of Bristol in 1971.

In the early 1960s, Welsted taught at high schools in Midenhead, England and in Oromocto, New Brunswick. In 1964-1965, he was an Instructor in the Geography Department at the University of Bristol, and in the summers of 1965-1967, he completed fieldwork in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Welsted joined the faculty of Brandon College/University in 1965, as a member of the Geography Department. There he taught courses and served as Acting Head in 1968. John Welsted retired from Brandon University in 1997.

With his wife June, Welsted had two children: Alison and Ian. He later married Kathleen Georgison and became stepfather to Kjirsten, Paul, Peter and Hayley. John Welsted died in Victoria, BC on September 21, 2009.

Custodial History:

The document was donated to the Archives on November 5, 2001 by Dr. John Welsted of the Geography Department. The slides were donated by Welsted in August 2006.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a paper, 21 pages in length, titled "Geography at Brandon University: 1962-2001."

It also contains human and physical geography slides of Manitoba and areas other than Manitoba. The slides were created by John Welsted as visual aids for use in his teaching and for use in publications by himself and the Geography Department. They constitute a unique record of the geography of southwestern Manitoba in the later half of the twentieth century.

Notes: All commercially produced slides were culled. An inventory by subject and by box is available.

Subject Access: geography, slides

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.7 John Welsted

Arrangement:

Welsted organized the slides topically and we have adhered to his original order in the arrangement of the slides in our arrangement.



John Welsted slides

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4749>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Box

Series Number: MG 3 1.7

File Number: 1

GMD: textual records

Physical Description: approximately 500 slides

Physical Condition: Excellent

History /

Biographical:

See MG 3 1.7 John Welsted fonds for History/Bio information.

Custodial History:

See MG 3 1.7 for Custodial History.

Scope and Content:

Box contains mainly physical and human geography (of Manitoba) slides. Slide subjects in this box include:

Manitoba flooding; other buildings - Manitoba; stubble burning; floods and flood protection - Manitoba; Manitoba human - general; agriculture - Manitoba; air views of settlements; houses and farms; hydro Manitoba; Brandon flooding; Brandon miscellaneous; Brandon Hills; Manitoba physical - miscellaneous; Riding Mountain creeks; elevators - Manitoba; Little Saskatchewan creek and river; Little Saskatchewan River; Manitoba lakes - including shorelines; Brandon: Edinburgh lecture; Garrison; Manitoba general 1998; Assiniboine: Brandon river and floodplain; churches; field patterns; schools; campground - Scandinavia; Hood Farm - Fairview; and abandonment - Manitoba.

Notes: From original box 1.

Subject Access: geography

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.7 John Welsted



John Welsted slides

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4750>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Box

Series Number: MG 3 1.7

File Number: 2

GMD: textual records

Physical Description: approximately 500 slides

Physical Condition: Excellent

History /

Biographical:

See MG 3 1.7 John Welsted fonds for History/Bio information.

Custodial History:

See MG 3 1.7 for Custodial History.

Scope and Content:

Box contains mainly physical and human geography (of Manitoba) slides. Slide subjects in this box include:

Assiniboine flooding in date order - Brandon; Brandon - the Assiniboine; dams; Brandon Hills; land forms - SW - Manitoba; Bald Head Hills - Spruce woods; Flin Flon; Manitoba flooding; floods/flood protection - Manitoba; Manitoba, areas of; signs and monuments; landforms of SW Manitoba; Souris River; Assiniboine at Brandon; towns and villages - Manitoba; barns; Brandon - Ukrainian area; Manitoba satellite views; and Hutterites.

Notes: From original box 1.

Subject Access: geography

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.7 John Welsted



John Welsted slides

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4756>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Box

Series Number: MG 3 1.7

File Number: 3

GMD: textual records

Physical Description: approximately 500 slides

Physical Condition: Excellent

History /

Biographical:

See MG 3 1.7 John Welsted fonds for History/Bio information.

Custodial History:

See MG 3 1.7 for Custodial History.

Scope and Content:

Box contains mainly physical and human geography (of Manitoba) slides. Slide subjects in this box include:

Fieldwork; floods and flood protection - Canada; Manitoba physical airphotos; Manitoba small water projects; weather and climate - for archives; Lake Agassiz; Canada Games 1997; Winnipeg; Souris River; pelican lake paper; clouds - Manitoba; Lake of the Prairies; Pelican Lake; Manitoba flooding; Brandon and the Assiniboine; vegetation - Manitoba; Portage diversion; Souris-Pembina trench; Red River; Riding Mountain; and Devils Lake.

Notes: From original box 1.

Subject Access: geography

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.7 John Welsted



John Welsted slides

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4757>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Box

Series Number: MG 3 1.7

File Number: 4

GMD: textual records

Physical Description: approximately 500 slides

Physical Condition: Excellent

History /

Biographical:

See MG 3 1.7 John Welsted fonds for History/Bio information.

Custodial History:

See MG 3 1.7 for Custodial History.

Scope and Content:

Box contains physical and human geography (of Manitoba), as well as physical and human geography (other than Manitoba) slides.

Physical and human geography (of Manitoba) subjects in this box include:

Brandon housing; Brandon - the Assiniboine; atmospheric pollution - Brandon; Brandon; Brandon commerce and industries; Brandon - Prince Eddy; Brandon - Rosser Ave.; Brandon - 9th and 10th Streets; Brandon elevators; views from BU (Brandon University); Brandon maps and diagrams; Manitoba maps; Assiniboine - other than Brandon; "animals" - Manitoba; and Riding Mountain - West Lake, Interlake.

Physical and human geography (other than Manitoba) subjects in this box include:

Coastal erosion and protection; coasts - general; beaches; tidal deposits; Ottawa-Hull; Saskatoon; Regina; Montreal; Newfoundland; New Brunswick; Nova Scotia; St. Johns; Halifax; Toronto; Ontario; Alberta and British Columbia; Canadian cities; Canadian landforms; St. Lawrence Seaway; Table Mountain - Newfoundland; hydro Canada; remote sensing; sewage; periglacial; coasts - air views; log transport; dunes; deltas; floods and flood protection - others; highland coasts; and water erosion and transport.

Notes: Physical and human geography (of Manitoba) slides from original box 1.
Physical and human geography (other than Manitoba) slides from original box 2.

Subject Access: geography

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.7 John Welsted



John Welsted slides

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4758>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Box

Series Number: MG 3 1.7

File Number: 5

GMD: textual records

Physical Description: approximately 500 slides

Physical Condition: Excellent

History /

Biographical:

See MG 3 1.7 John Welsted fonds for History/Bio information.

Custodial History:

See MG 3 1.7 for Custodial History.

Scope and Content:

Box contains physical and human geography (other than Manitoba) slides. Slide subjects in this box include:

Saskatchewan; Quebec; Luxembourg; Belgium; Introduction to Denmark; Netherlands; Italy; England - Norfolk and Suffolk; England - Cambridge; England; English landforms; Eire, Scotland, Wales, Sweden; Eastern Europe and USSR; Australia; striations, grooves, gouges etc.; shore platforms; rainsplash; stacks; rain gully erosion; caves and arches; archaeology; cliffs; mass wasting; Brisbane dams; volcanic cones and craters; springs; gorges and canyons; and terraces.

Notes: From original box 2.

Subject Access: geography

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.7 John Welsted



John Welsted slides

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4762>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Box

Series Number: MG 3 1.7

File Number: 6

GMD: textual records

Physical Description: approximately 500 slides

Physical Condition: Excellent

History /

Biographical:

See MG 3 1.7 John Welsted fonds for History/Bio information.

Custodial History:

See MG 3 1.7 for Custodial History.

Scope and Content:

Box contains physical and human geography (other than Manitoba) slides. Slide subjects in this box include:

292 water uses; 292 irrigation; 292 Rafferty Alameda; aretes pyramid peaks; esker, kames, kettles; potholes; drumlins; tidal power; waves; u-shaped valleys; dams; geysers etc.; cirques; rivers and valleys (general); limestone scenery; waterfalls/rapids; eruptions - lava, cinder; water deposition; underground; rocks; earthquakes; transport, rocks - lithology, bedding, jointing; rocks - folds, faults u/c; dissection; weathering; tectonics; wind deposits; meanders and cutoffs; badlands; mesas, buttes, inselbergs, escarpments, plateaus; ground moraine - end moraine; bars, spits, tomolos; water - miscellaneous; glaciated mountains - general; glacial deposition (sections); alpine glaciation - coastal; glacial scouring; glacial deposition - air - photos; glaciers; glaciers - details; ice sheets and nunataks; fjords (Saguenay); coral; structural control, till; air-photo instruments; agriculture; navigation and transport; rapids and falls; ski hills; soils; economic; atmospheric pollution; and 292 S. Sask scheme.

Notes: Slides up to and including "ski hills" are from original box 2. The remainder are from original box 3.

Subject Access: geography

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.7 John Welsted



John Welsted slides

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4763>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Box

Series Number: MG 3 1.7

File Number: 7

GMD: textual records

Physical Description: approximately 500 slides

Physical Condition: Excellent

History /

Biographical:

See MG 3 1.7 John Welsted fonds for History/Bio information.

Custodial History:

See MG 3 1.7 for Custodial History.

Scope and Content:

Box contains physical and human geography (other than Manitoba) slides. Slide subjects in this box include:

Garrison; flying calendar; Brisbane flooding 1974; Brisbane flooding 1983; shuttle photos; satellite images - canal; Brisbane flood maps; air photo equipment; weather and climate; Brisbane flooding - CAG paper; air photos, aeolian?; influence of rocsk on relief (lecture); and sea-level changes.

Notes: From original box 3.

Subject Access: geography

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.7 John Welsted



John Welsted slides

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4764>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Box

Series Number: MG 3 1.7

File Number: 8

GMD: textual records

Physical Description: approximately 500 slides

Physical Condition: Excellent

History /

Biographical:

See MG 3 1.7 John Welsted fonds for History/Bio information.

Custodial History:

See MG 3 1.7 for Custodial History.

Scope and Content:

Box contains physical and human geography (other than Manitoba) slides. Slide subjects in this box include:

Australia; New Zealand; U.S.A.; St. Pierre and Miquelon; France; Germany; Vancouver; London; Britain - mainly coasts; clouds; vegetation; water erosion and deposition; coasts; waterfalls and rapids; coasts - erosion; glaciation; Bay of Fundy; rivers - meandering and braiding; and irrigation.

Notes: Slides up to and including "vegetation" are from original box 3.
Remaining slides are from original box 4.

Subject Access: geography

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.7 John Welsted