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## Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba history: Pride of the land monograph

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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 5.1
Accession Number:	[formerly 6-2008]
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1984 - 1985
Physical Description:	Approximately 1 m of textual records 1 map

### History /

#### Biographical:

These records were produced between 1984 and 1985, the researching and writing period for the book *The Pride of the Land: An Affectionate History of Brandon's Agricultural Exhibition*. Published in 1985 by Peguis Books (Winnipeg), *Pride of the Land* is a 222-page soft cover book, containing hundreds of pictures, and 50,000 words of text.

BU faculty members Dr. Kenneth "Ken" Stephen Coates, Assistant Professor of History, and Mr. Fred McGuinness, Lecturer in Journalism, authored the book. Assisting the writers was a research team of four BU history students, which were referred to as "The Pride Team": Diane Fowler, Rob McGarva, Bruce Stafeld, and Byron Williams.

The Pride Team was tasked with collecting and synthesizing exhibition documents and other materials in city, provincial, and federal records spanning 100 years. Many local newspapers and committee minutes were consulted.

The authors cover 103 years of Brandon Fair history, starting with the first fair in 1882 followed by the development of other agricultural fairs and exhibitions in Brandon, specifically The Royal Manitoba Winter Fair, The Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba, and the Ag-Ex livestock show.

#### Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness, Coates, and The Pride Research Team during the process of the creation of the book, *The Pride of the Land: An Affectionate History of Brandon's Agricultural Exhibition*. The materials were donated to the S.J. McKee Archives by the authors circa 1988. The Archives accessioned the records in 2008.

#### Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of textual records, created and collected during the production of the monograph *Pride of the Land*. It includes research cards created by the research team, copies of newspaper articles from very early editions of Brandon newspapers (such as the *Brandon Sun*, *Brandon Daily Sun*, *Western Sun*, and *The Independent*), copies of fair/organizational minutes, photocopies of photographs used in the publication, and chapter drafts. Of particular interest are the detailed summaries of Provincial Exhibition minutes that were specifically produced for each book chapter.

Notes:	Information in the history/biography was taken from a Brandon University press release dated June 1985, about the Pride of the Land Project (see file 64)
	Description Note: The original accession number is noted on the front of each file folder. The circled number indicates the original file order in the 6-2008 accession
Accruals:	Closed
Language Note:	Fred McGuinness often uses journalistic jargon to label his files. A "brite" refers to a short, amusing story
	Pride of the Land acronyms:
	PEM = Provincial Exhibition Association of Manitoba
	RCMP = Royal Canadian Mounted Police
	WAAA = Western Agricultural & Arts Association
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available
Storage Location:	2015 accessions
Related Material:	Provincial Exhibition Association of Manitoba fonds
Arrangement:	Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Subseries has been arranged according to book chapter. McGuinness often organized his ideas and research materials by potential brite topic

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## Old Pathways, New Horizons: A History of the Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company monograph

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Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Sub-series  
Series Number: McG 5.3  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: c. 1995 - 1996  
Physical Description: Approximately 1.5 cm of textual records

History /  
Biographical:

In the spring of 1994, Fred McGuinness was contracted by Great Plains Publications to assist with the writing of the centennial publication *Old Pathways, New Horizons: A History of the Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company, 1896-1996*. Published in 1996, by Great Plains Publications (Winnipeg), *Old Pathways, New Horizons* is a 111-page illustrated soft cover book.

Custodial History:

These materials were donated to the SJ McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of two draft manuscripts and two letters of correspondence. Records were generated during the writing of the book *Old Pathways, New Horizons: A History of the Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company, 1896-1996*. The book was commissioned by the Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company and published in 1996 by Great Plains Publishing Limited.

Notes: Information in the history/biography was taken from a letter dated April 19, 1994, to Fred McGuinness from Gregg Shilliday (see file 11) and publication information listed in the dust jacket of the book

Accruals: Closed  
Finding Aid: A file level inventory is available  
Storage Location: 2015 accessions  
Arrangement:  
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## Manitoba: The Province & The People monograph

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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 5.4

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: textual records

Date Range: c. 1986 - 1987

Physical Description: Approximately 30 cm of textual records

History /

Biographical:

These records were produced between 1986 and 1987, the researching and writing period for the book *Manitoba: The Province & The People*. Published in 1987 by Hurtig Publishers (Edmonton), *Manitoba* is a 203-page hard cover book, containing 2 maps, and 58 images.

BU faculty members Dr. Kenneth "Ken" Stephen Coates, Assistant Professor of History, and Mr. Fred McGuinness, Lecturer in Journalism, authored the book. Assisting the writers was a research team of three BU history students: Diane Fowler, Rob McGarva, and Bruce Stadfeld. All three students were former research assistants for *The Pride of the Land* monograph.

The authors cover 117 years of Manitoba social history, starting with the Red River Settlement and the Dominion of Canada expansion in the 1870s, followed by the war years, and the emergence of modern, contemporary Manitoba.

Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness, Coates, and the research students during the creation of the book, *Manitoba: The Province & The People*. The materials were donated to the McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of textual records, created and collected during the production of the monograph *Manitoba: The Province & The People*. It includes copies of newspaper articles from newspapers (such as the *Brandon Sun*, *Brandon Daily Sun*, *Winnipeg Free Press*, and *Saturday Night*), copies of journal articles about the Red River Valley, Government of Manitoba industrial publications, photocopies and a few original photographs used in the publication, and drafts for chapter "brites."

Notes: Information in the history/biography was taken from the "Manitoba: The Province & The People's" acknowledgments section

Accruals: Closed

Language Note: Fred McGuinness often uses journalistic jargon to label his files. A "brite" refers to a short, amusing story. McGuinness often organized his ideas and research materials by potential brite topic

Finding Aid: A file level inventory is available

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Related Material: Original copies of the July 10, 1899 and July 12, 1899 editions of the Brandon Daily Sun containing articles about the Hilda Blake trial are available in the oversize drawers in the Reading Room

See McG 1.2 Box 3 File 48 for correspondence pertaining to royalties for this monograph

Arrangement:

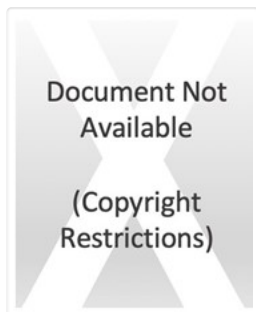
Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Files in this subseries have been arranged according to the order in which brites first appear in the book

Original file titles, where available, have been recorded in square brackets after the file title assigned by the Archives

For this subseries, the original photographs have been relocated to the McGuinness collection photograph series (McG 9)

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## The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise monograph

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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 5.5

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: textual records

Date Range: c. 1986 - 1987

Physical Description: Approximately 6 cm of textual records

## History /

### Biographical:

These records appear to have been produced between 1986 and 1987, the researching and writing period for another monograph, *Manitoba: The Province & The People*. Published in 1988 by Windsor Publications (Burlington, Ontario), *The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise* is a 184-page hard cover book, containing 250 black-and-white illustrations and 40 colour photographs.

The authors cover 378 years of Manitoba entrepreneurial history, starting with the Aboriginal Peoples and the early fur trade, ensuing Red River settlement, followed by the war years, and emerging Manitoba economies. The final chapter of the book contains select profiles of Manitoba businesses, many of which were acknowledged as financial contributors to the project.

BU faculty members Dr. Kenneth "Ken" Stephen Coates, Assistant Professor of History, and Mr. Fred McGuinness, Lecturer in Journalism, authored the book. Dr. Coates accepted a position as an assistant professor of Canadian History at the University of Victoria during the book's production. BU Professor of History, Dr. William R. Morrison, was credited as the picture researcher for the publication. Free-lance writer Roger Newman was responsible for preparing the Manitoba business biographies in the final chapter. The book was produced in co-operation with the Manitoba Chamber of Commerce.

### Custodial History:

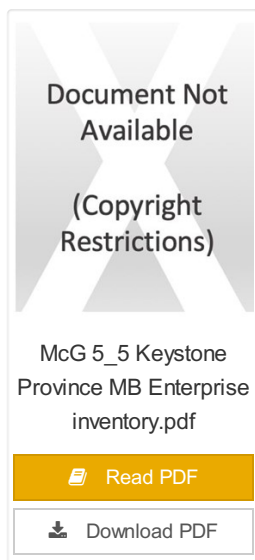
Records were collected and created by McGuinness and Coates during the creation of the monographs *Manitoba: The Province & The People* and *The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise*. The materials were donated to the SJ McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

### Scope and Content:

The subseries consist of textual records, created and collected during the production of the monographs *Manitoba: The Province & The People* and *The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise*. It includes journal articles, book chapters, Government of Manitoba industry publications, a few original photographs used in the publication, and drafts for chapter "brites."

Notes:	Information in the history/biography was taken from the <i>The Keystone Province: An Illustrated History of Manitoba Enterprise</i> dust jacket and patrons section of the book
	In the file level inventory, 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
Language Note:	Fred McGuinness often uses journalistic jargon to label his files. A "brite" refers to a short, amusing story. McGuinness often organized his ideas and research materials by potential brite topic
Finding Aid:	A file level inventory is available
Storage Location:	2015 accessions
Arrangement:	Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Files in this subseries have been arranged according to the order in which brites first appear in the book

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## The Wheat City: A Pictorial History of Brandon monograph

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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 5.6
Accession Number:	1-2015 [formerly 6-2008 and 20-2009 and unprocessed Fred McGuinness collection]
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1987 - 1988
Physical Description:	Approximately 6 cm of textual records

### History /

#### Biographical:

These records were produced between 1987 and 1988, the researching and writing period for *The Wheat City: A Pictorial History of Brandon* monograph. Published in 1988 by Western Producer Books (Saskatoon, Saskatchewan), *The Wheat City* is a 117-page soft cover book, containing black and white images.

Western Producer Books pitched the book's concept to Fred McGuinness in the fall of 1987. This book was part of the publisher's "city series" which focused on smaller cities such as Medicine Hat and Prince Albert. It was estimated that the book would contain a 6,000-word introduction followed by approximately 80 archival photographs of Brandon spanning from early settlement to the late 1950s/early 1960s.

Brandon University history major Pam Svistovski worked as McGuinness' research assistant and McGuinness obtained images for the book from his own personal collection, the Brandon Sun, Lawrence Stuckey, the Archives of Manitoba, and the Western Pictorial Index.

#### Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness during the writing phase of the monograph *The Wheat City*. The materials were donated to the S.J. McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

#### Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of textual records and photographs created and collected during the production of the monograph *The Wheat City*. It includes correspondence, newspapers articles, drafts and black and white photographs from the Archives of Manitoba, Western Canada Pictorial Index, and *Illustrated Souvenir of Brandon*.

#### Notes:

Information in the history/biography was obtained from *The Wheat City*'s acknowledgements and a letter to Mr. Fred McGuinness from Western Producer Books, dated September 24, 1987 (McG 5.6, File 11)

Where known, archival reference numbers for photographs obtained from the Archives of Manitoba and the Western Canada Pictorial Index and considered/used in *The Wheat City* have been provided in the item level description

#### Accruals:

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#### Repro Restriction:

Images published in the monograph and stored in files copyright protected by their respective organizations

#### Finding Aid:

A file level inventory is available

#### Storage Location:

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#### Related Material:

Clarence Hopkin collection

Lawrence Stuckey collection

Jack Stothard collection

Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible research materials pertaining to this monograph may be found in the Fred McGuinness collection subseries: Correspondence (McG 1.2), Brandon Sun (McG 2.2) Miscellaneous freelance (McG 3.2), Local history research (McG 4.1), Manitoba: The Province & The People (McG 5.4), and Manitoba Enterprise (McG 5.5)

#### Arrangement:

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## Chronicle of Canada monograph

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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 5.7

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: textual records

Date Range: c. 1989 - 1990

Physical Description: Approximately 12 cm of textual records

History /

Biographical:

These records were produced between 1989 and 1990, the researching and writing period for The Chronicle of Canada monograph. Published in 1990 by Chronicle Publications (Montreal and Paris), the Chronicle of Canada is an approximately eight-pound, 980-page hard cover book, containing illustrations, photographs, and maps.

The premise of the Chronicle of Canada was to tell the social history of Canada in a journalistic style from the dawn of the dinosaurs to present day (July 1, 1990). Historical events were presented as short journalistic articles following a timeline.

Fred McGuinness was asked to be a contributor to the Chronicle of Canada in the summer of 1989. The writing assignment lasted six-months. Fred received, via courier every Monday, a writing package containing a computer diskette and a list of assigned stories to be completed within the week. The stories were researched, written, and saved onto the diskette, which was couriered back to Montreal on the Friday. The length of each article ranged from 100 to 500 words. The rate of pay for each article was \$1.00 per line.

The editors of the Chronicle of Canada estimated their publication would contain 3,000 articles. McGuinness was assigned the majority of the prairie articles, which the editors estimated to be around 500 to 600 stories. It is possible to determine which articles McGuinness contributed to the project from the weekly period assignments and invoices.

Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness during the writing phase of the monograph Chronicle of Canada. The materials were donated to the SJ McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of textual records, created and collected during the production of the monograph Chronicle of Canada. It includes correspondence, journal articles, book chapters, Government industry publications, newspapers articles, promotional materials, and McGuinness' articles for Chronicle of Canada printed in the Chronicle template.

Notes: Information in the history/biography was taken from Neighborly News column #578 (McG 2.3, File 14); letter to Mr. Fred McGinnis [sic] from Chronicle Publications, dated September 25, 1989 (McG 5.7, File 1)

In the file level inventory, 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: A file level inventory is available

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Arrangement:

Materials within files are in original order

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