

# S. J. McKee Archives

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## Christmas in France

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9026>

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 10-2009

Item Number: 10-2009.14

Accession Number: 10-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1915

Physical Description: 1200 x 748 (220 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

History /

Biographical:

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows staff and possibly patients gathered around a dining table at Christmas.

The table is located in the hospital building. Other patients are visible in their beds. Sarah

Persis Johnson is standing second from the front on the right side of the table.

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach

Subject Access: First World War

World War I

military

nursing

medical

hospital

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

Related Material: RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence

MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds

## Images

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## England

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9027>

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 10-2009

Item Number: 10-2009.15

Accession Number: 10-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1915

Physical Description: 757 x 1046 (180 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

History /

Biographical:

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Group photograph of four nurses and one male military officer standing in front of a brick building in England where Sarah Persis Johnson was stationed. Johnson is standing on the far right.

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach

Subject Access: First World War

World War I

military

nursing

medical

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

Related Material: RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence  
MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds

## Images



## Sarah Persis Johnson

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9029>

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 10-2009

Item Number: 10-2009.17

Accession Number: 10-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1915

Physical Description: 865 x 1200 (175 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

### History /

#### Biographical:

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

#### Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial history.

#### Scope and Content:

Portrait of Sarah Persis Johnson in military dress.

Notes: The photograph is signed "S. Persis Johnson."

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach

Subject Access: First World War

World War I

military

nursing

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

## Images

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### Pope Brothers, 181st Battalion

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14057>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Photographer: Bryant Studio, Winnipeg & Camp Hughes  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.127  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1916  
Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: postcard  
Scope and Content:

Postcard shows two men in WWI Canadian military uniform. One soldier is seated on a piano stool, the other stands behind him. The men have Canadian General Service cap and collar badges on their uniforms.

Notes: Photograph possibly of the Pope brothers, George Campbell and Roy Clendon Pope, uncles of Fred McGuinness.  
Name Access: Camp Hughes  
Subject Access: World War I  
military personnel  
military service  
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

McG 1.1 file 21

## Images

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### Frederick Gallagher McGuinness WWI portrait

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13929>

Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Creator:	Photographer: Campbell's Winnipeg
Description Level:	Item
Series Number:	McG 9
Item Number:	1-2015.1
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	graphic
Date Range:	1917-1919
Physical Description:	5" x 7.75" (b/w)
Material Details:	under matting

## History /

### Biographical:

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.

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a WWI portrait of Frederick Gallagher McGuinness (Fred McGuinness' uncle) in a Canadian Army Medical Corps (CAMC) officer's uniform.

Name Access:	Frederick Gallagher McGuinness Canadian Army Medical Corps CAMC
Subject Access:	portraits World War I military officers
Storage Location:	RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)
Arrangement:	From loose photos, funny trunk

## Images

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## 181st Battalion band

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14205>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.274

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1916]

Physical Description: 10.75" x 6.75" (b/w)

Material Details: reproduction, laser printer

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the 181st Battalion band

Name Access: 181st Battalion

Subject Access: World War I

bands

military personnel

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

RR #3 see McG 1.1 file 18

### Images

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## Military parade in Brandon

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13951>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.23

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1915-1919

Physical Description: 2.5" x 4.25" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a crowded and muddy Brandon street. A military parade consisting of a band and mounted cavalry fill the street. A banner extends across the street reading: Brandon Heartily Welcomes Her Returning Heros.

Subject Access: parades

street scenes

military

World War I

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

### Images

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## Brandon Battalion on Parade Square

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9125>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: C.J. Smith

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1AG3

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [191-]

Physical Description: 3 1/2" x 5"

Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

For custodial history see the collection level description of the Lawrence Stuckey collection.

### Scope and Content:

A Brandon battalion on parade square by Gordon McKay (Massey-Harris) building, 7th St. and Pacific Ave., during World War One.

Notes: 5x7 neg. also in file.

[Mr. Stuckey notes a 5x7 negative on file, but it is not included with these negatives.]

Name Access: Brandon Battalion on Parade Square

Subject Access: armed forces

army

military personnel

World War I

Brandon military people & associations

Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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## Camp Hughes - Main Street

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9897>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1O6

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [between 1914 and 1918]

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 3 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

For custodial history see the collection level description of the Lawrence Stuckey collection.

Scope and Content:

Main Street of Camp Hughes (Army)

Notes: [looking northwest]

Name Access: Camp Hughes

Empire Theatre

Twin Theatre

Subject Access: military services

armed forces

military personnel

army

World War I

Brandon Environs

theatres

Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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## Regimental Band, 181st Battalion

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9124>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1AG2

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1916

Physical Description: 3 1/2" x 5"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

For custodial history see the collection level description of the Lawrence Stuckey collection.

Scope and Content:

Regimental Band, 181st (Overseas) Battalion, at Camp Hughes

Name Access: Regimental Band, 181st Battalion

Subject Access: armed forces

army

military personnel

World War I

music

musicians

Brandon military people & associations

Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

### Images

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## Maureen Johnson collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9012>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 10-2009, 14-2009

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1908-c.1965; predominant 1915-1921

Physical Description: 32 photographs

1 sound recording

2 cm textual records

Material Details: 17 photographs are digital records

History /

Biographical:

Maureen Johnson (nee Sills) was born in Brandon, MB in 1936 and grew up in western Manitoba. She spent three years in Ethiopia (1958-1961) and two years in Houston, Texas before taking up permanent residence in Winnipeg, MB. She attended Brandon College in 1953-1954, living in the Tower Room of Clark Hall.

From 1960-1979, Johnson raised her family, volunteered in the St. Vital community and was Secretary to the Manitoba Schools Science Symposium (1973-1977). She worked in the Office of the President at the University of Manitoba from 1980 to 1996.

Johnson is a visual artist and photographer, and is a member of the Winnipeg Sketch Club, Manitoba Society of Artists and Winnipeg South Photo Club. Her work is on permanent display at Medea Gallery ([www.medeagallery.ca](http://www.medeagallery.ca)) where she has been a member since 1985. She also has work in the Rental Program at the Winnipeg Art Gallery.

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

Custodial History:

The original photographs in accession 10-2009 are in the custody of Maureen Johnson in Winnipeg, MB. Copies were digitally scanned by Johnson and sent to the Archives in March 2009. The 1921 photographs of Brandon College students were given to Johnson by Eileen McKenzie, her aunt, who attended Brandon College at that time. The photos of Sarah Persis Darrach (Johnson's great-aunt and maternal grandmother's sister) are from her family albums.

All of the records in accession 14-2009, except for the 1920 Quill and the Clark Hall Rules 1912, were collected by Johnson during her time at Brandon College. The Quill issue belonged to Johnson's aunt Eileen McKenzie, a student at Brandon College in the early 1920s. The records were in Johnson's possession at her home until their donation to the McKee Archives in May 2009.

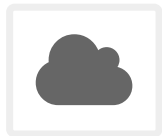
Scope and Content:

Accession 10-2009 consists of seventeen digital photographs. Seven photographs are of Sarah Persis Darrach (nee Johnson), taken primarily during her time as a nursing sister during World War I. Two photographs are of Eileen McKenzie. The remaining photographs depict students and student activities at Brandon College in the early 1920s.

Accession 14-2009 consists of a copy of the sound recording and program for Mr. College Spirit, a musical comedy presented by the Brandon College Literary Board and written by James Struthers and Kenneth Gunning. Accession also includes fifteen photographs from 1953-1954, when Johnson attended Brandon College. Subjects include: Freshie King and Queen; Graduation Banquets (1955, 1956); senior and lady sticks; Jim Casey Trophy; Grand March 1954; Capettes basketball team 1954; Glee Club 1953; Variety Night - Men's Chorus; Caps Football Team; Caps Hockey Team 1954; Cheerleaders 1954; Caps Basketball 1954; and Touques.

Textual records include graduation banquet and commencement programs, news clippings, programs for Variety Night and Be Your Age, a list of football cheers and a copy of the Fall Number of the 1920 Quill. Textual records also include two color photocopies: Clark Hall Rules 1912 and Johnson's Arts and Science Departments, Brandon College Registration card.

Notes:	History/Bio information and Custodial History provided by Maureen Johnson (April 2009). A review of the play, written by Kay Rowe, appeared in the March 6, 1953 issue of the Quill.
Name Access:	Sarah Persis Darrach Eileen McKenzie Brandon College Brandon General Hospital
Subject Access:	World War I First World War student activities snowshoeing
Location Original:	Maureen Johnson (Winnipeg)
Storage Location:	T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions
Related Material:	RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds MG 2 2.4 James Struthers fonds



## 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. Slemin  
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
Subject Access:	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
Storage Location:	T: drive/shared 02/web photos



## Seaman Fred McGuinness aboard the HMCS Alachasse

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13941>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.13

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1940s

Physical Description: 3.5" x 2.5" (b/w)

Material Details: negative

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Fred McGuinness (right) posing with three other sailors aboard the HMCS Alachasse.

Name Access: HMCS Alachasse

Royal Canadian Navy

Subject Access: military

World War II

ships

military personnel

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

### Arrangement:

Loose photos in funny trunk

## Images

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## Sailors aboard the HMCS Alachasse

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13942>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.14

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1940s

Physical Description: 2.5" x 3.5" (b/w)

Material Details: negative

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows two sailors in an awkward embrace on a coil of rope aboard the HMCS Alachasse.

Name Access: HMCS Alachasse

Royal Canadian Navy

Subject Access: military

World War II

ships

military personnel

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

### Arrangement:

Loose photos in funny trunk

## Images

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## Seaman Fred McGuinness aboard the HMCS Alachasse

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13943>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.15

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1940s

Physical Description: 3.5" x 2.5" (b/w)

Material Details: negative

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Seaman Fred McGuinness seated on a rail next to a colleague aboard the HMCS Alachasse.

Name Access: HMCS Alachasse

Royal Canadian Navy

Subject Access: military

World War II

ships

military personnel

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

### Arrangement:

Loose photos in funny trunk

## Images

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## McGuinness family

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14042>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Printed: Crawford Drug Store, Brandon  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.112  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1943  
Physical Description: 3.25" x 2" (b/w)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the McGuinness family women posing with Fred McGuinness who is wearing his Royal Canadian Navy uniform

Notes: Back of the photograph is stamped: Crawford Drug Store, Nov 30, 1943, Brandon, Man.

Name Access: Fred McGuinness  
Frederick George McGuinness  
Royal Canadian Navy

Subject Access: World War II  
uniforms  
military  
military people & associations  
military personnel

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

### Arrangement:

BR #3 Family pictures

## Images

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## Graham Robertson in Cirencester, England

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14045>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.115

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1943

Physical Description: 1.75" x 2.5" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a man in military uniform walking down a commercial street. A military convoy is making its way down the road.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Cirencester - Spartan - 8 Mar '43

Name Access: Graham Robertson

Subject Access: World War II

uniforms

military

military people & associations

military personnel

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

McG RR #8 [corr.] see McG 1.2 file 18

### Images

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## Hubert Weidenhamer collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12347>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 6-2011

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: April 11, 1943 - July 4, 1945

Physical Description: 4 cm textual records (48 letters)  
2 photographs  
press clippings and several facimiles

Physical Condition: Good

History /

Biographical:

Hubert Clayton Weidenhamer was born near Dand, Manitoba in 1926. He was raised in Dand and attended school in the Dand Consolidated School District. Weidenhamer enlisted in the Canadian Army in 1943. He became a member of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry. Following training in Canada and England Weidenhamer was sent to Italy. He was badly wounded in battle in mid-September and died of his injuries in November 1944 at age 21. He was buried in the Ancona Military Cemetery, Ancona Italy.

Custodial History:

These records were in the possession of Bea Chapin (née Weidenhamer) following their creation in the 1940s until they were donated to the S. J. McKee Archives in January 2011.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of correspondence from Hubert Clayton Weidenhamer to his sister Bea. The letters begin in the spring of 1943. Weidenhamer had enlisted in the Canadian Army in January 1943. His letters detail his induction into military life in Fort Garry, Winnipeg and his training experience in Canada, principally at Camp Ipperwash, Lambton County, Ontario. He relates his experience of travels on leave to Detroit. Weidenhamer left Canada from Halifax in late 1943 and arrived in Great Britain in December for additional military training. In England, maintaining his morale, waiting for deployment, and coming to terms with British currency were challenges. Transferred to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Weidenhamer was deployed to Italy in March 1944. The letters dating from March 1944 to September relate in oblique fashion his experience of military life on the Italian frontier as the Canadian Army fought its way north - "hard fighting" - and the impact of the war on Italian cities and the countryside. He was "proud" of his conduct in action. Weidenhamer's last letter is dated September 11, 1944.

Collection also includes correspondence on Weidenhamer's behalf from his military Chaplain; two press clippings dealing with his military career, and several facimiles of telegrams and correspondence from the Canadian government officials related to Weidenhamer's death and burial in Italy.

Notes: Description by Tom Mitchell.

Name Access: Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry  
Camp Ipperwash  
Princess Pat's

Subject Access: World War II  
Second World War  
military service  
military personnel  
Italian theatre

Storage Location: 2011 accessions



## Fred McGuinness in uniform

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14043>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.113

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1940s]

Physical Description: 2.75" x 4.25" (b/w)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the McGuinness in his navy uniform on the deck of a ship, possibly the HMCS Alachasse.

Name Access: Fred McGuinness  
Frederick George McGuinness  
Royal Canadian Navy

Subject Access: World War II  
uniforms  
military  
military people & associations  
military personnel  
ships

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

### Arrangement:

BR #3 Family pictures

## Images

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## Navy ship at dock

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13939>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.11  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1940s  
Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: postcard  
Physical Condition: Bottom right corner of photograph is bent

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a docked ship, possibly the HMCS Alachasse. Naval flags fly from the mast and a sailor is at the bow of the ship. A naval officer is standing on the dock near a parked vehicle.

Name Access: HMCS Alachasse  
Royal Canadian Navy  
Subject Access: military  
World War II  
ships  
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)  
Arrangement:  
Loose photos in funny trunk

## Images

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