

# S. J. McKee Archives



## School of psychiatric nursing (BMHC)

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4066

| Part Of:              | School of Health Studies   |
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| Description Level:    | Sub sub series   |
| Series Number:        | 7.5.4  |
| Accession Number:     | 9-2000   |
| GMD:                  | multiple media   |
| Date Range:           | 1900-1989; predominant 1920-1980                                   |
| Physical Description: | 3.85 m textual records; 880 photographs (220 negatives); 26 slides |
| Physical Condition:   | Good   |
| History /             |  |
| Biographical:         |  |

The Brandon School of Nursing was established in 1921, at the Brandon Hospital for Mental Diseases (hereafter B.H.M.D.). It was first alluded to in 1913, when the Superintendent of the B.H.M.D., J.J. McFadden, recommended it as a means of enhancing the reputation of the hospital. In 1919, the Canadian National Committee for Mental Hygiene released a highly critical report on the state of custodial institutions for the mentally ill in Canada that paved the way for reforms such as the establishment of psychiatric nursing schools. In 1920, the new superintendent, Dr. Charles A. Baragar, in his first annual report, again mentioned the need for trained nurses and instructional facilities in which to train them. Lectures began at B.H.M.D. in October of 1920 for attendants and nurses, but they were not compulsory and were not part of a formal program of studies. This was followed in 1921 with the establishment of the School of Nursing through which courses were offered beginning in 1922. The program consisted of a two year Mental Nurses Diploma Course, and a shorter "demonstrative" course that was required for all employees of the B.H.M.D. who elected not to enroll in the diploma course. The Class of 1923 was the first class of graduates from the Brandon School of Nursing. They were, by all accounts, the first graduates in all of Western Canada with a diploma in Mental Nursing. In 1924, wages at the B.H.M.D. were adjusted to take into account the completion of formal training in psychiatric nursing. In 1925, a short lived affiliation with the St. Boniface General Hospital in Winnipeg, that ended in 1927, was begun. That year also saw the beginning of a graduate studies course. In 1930, the diploma course grew to a three year program. In 1986, as many aspects of the B.H.M.D. - now referred to as the B.M.H.C. (Brandon Mental Health Center) - were phased out in favor of community based care, the B.M.H.C. School of Nursing was incorporated into Brandon University's School of Nursing, which began to offer a 2 year Post-Diploma Degree in Nursing and Mental Health.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2000. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Sub sub series consists of a collection of records dealing with the history of the School of Nursing at the Brandon Mental Health Centre. The records consist primarily of administrative documentation created by the school dealing with various internal issues, such as student recruitment, graduation services - including an almost complete collection of graduation programs - and records dealing with the behavior of the students. Administrative records also refer to external issues faced by the B.H.M.D. as a whole, such as its burgeoning patient population and the constant problem of adaquate accommodations for patients, staff, and student nurses. The collection also includes staff recollections, and correspondence from within and from outside of the B.H.M.D. Also included are documents relating directly to the history of the School of Nursing and of the B.H.M.D. as a whole. A smaller amount of curriculum materials, including instruction manuals, notebooks, and hand-written lecture notes are also included. Publications from within the B.H.M.D.., including "The Opinion" from 1970-1990, and the "The Ego" 1956 - 76 (seven editions) are also included, as well as a collection of outside publications dealing with psychiatric nursing, mental diseases, medical ethics, and heredity. Fonds also includes medical dictionaries and handbooks of different nursing institutions such as the Victorian Order of Canadian Nurses. Lastly, the collection includes approximatley 880 photographs, 220 negatives, and 26 slides, that provide a graphic portrayal of the history of the Brandon Mental Health Centre.

| Notes:              | A detailed inventory for the textual records exists. An inventory for the photo collection is also avaiable. The description for this sub sub series was written by Mike White (2002).  |
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| Name Access:        | Brandon Mental Health Center  |
|                     | Brandon Asylum  |
|                     | Brandon Hospital for Mental Diseases  |
|                     | B.M.H.C   |
|                     | B.H.M.D   |
| Subject Access:     | Mental health   |
|                     | Mental illness  |
|                     | Psychiatric Nursing   |
|                     | School of Nursing   |
|                     | Asylum  |
| Access Restriction: | Access to these materials is restricted. Those interested in the collection should consult the Archivist.   |
| Storage Location:   | RG 6 Brandon University fonds   |
|                     | Series 7: Faculties and Schools   |
|                     | 7.5 School of Health Studies  |
| Related Material:   | Other material relating to the BHMD./BMHC. are housed at the Manitoba Provincial Archives.  |
| Arrangement:        |   |
| The sub sub series  | is organized into eight sub sub sub series, including: (1) History; (2)   |
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The sub sub series is organized into eight sub sub sub series, including: (1) History; (2) Correspondance; (3) Administrative Records; (4) Curriculum Materials; (5) Publications of B.M.H.C.; (6) Outside Publications; (7) Photographs, Slides, and Negatives; and (8) Miscellaneous Items.



# Grand Valley School District #206 fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4717

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
|-----------------------|---|
| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:     | 38-2006                                     |
| GMD:                  | multiple media                              |
| Date Range:           | 1935, 1945, 1968                            |
| Physical Description: | 6 cm  |

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of correspondence, newsclippings, reminiscences, historical information about Grand Valley, name and address lists for students and teachers, invitations to Grand Valley School District reunions (1935 and 1968), the program for the dedication ceremonies and reunion picnic (1968), and the guest book for the 1968 reunion and cairn dedication. The latter includes 3 photographs.

| Notes:            | Description by Christy Henry. |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Storage Location: | 2006 accessions               |

Storage Range: 2006 accessions



# Bertha School District #861 fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4815

| Part Of:           | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
|--------------------|---|
| Description Level: | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:  | 8-1998                                      |
| GMD:               | textual records                             |
|                    |   |
| Date Range:        | 1896-1961                                   |

History /

**Biographical:** 

The Bertha School District, located south of Brandon in the Rural Municipality of Oakland, was established in 1896. It was integrated into the School Distict of Nesbitt in 1961. Subsequently, it became part of the Souris Valley School Division.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of annual registers (1910-1961), minute books (1896-1962), account books (1896-1911, 1924-1956), an award of a Board of Arbitration (1961), a petition for consolidation with the School District of Nesbitt (1961), a financial report (1961), a map of the Souris Valley School Division showing rural school districts, and one debenture certificate (1896).

| Notes:            | CAIN No. 202658  |
|-------------------|--|
| Subject Access:   | Rural Municipality of Oakland  |
|                   | Nesbitt School District  |
|                   | Souris Valley School Division  |
|                   | Rural Manitoba   |
|                   | schooling  |
|                   | history of Education   |
| Storage Location: | 1998 accessions  |
| Storage Range:    | 1998 accessions  |
| Related Material: | Berbank Church fonds (28-1997), Berbank Ladies Aid fonds (27-1997)<br>and Riverbank/Berbank Red Cross fonds (18-1997). |



# Crown Protestant School District #184 fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4824

| RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Collection                                  |
| 31-1997                                     |
| multiple media                              |
| 1883-1931                                   |
| 12 cm                                       |
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History /

**Biographical:** 

The Crown Protestant School District was founded in 1883, in the municipality of Whitewater, Manitoba. It became the Crown School District following school reform in Manitoba in 1890. The School District provided schooling for children in the Elgin, Fairfax, Heaslip and Minto communities. In 1930, the district was replaced with the creation of separate school districts for Elgin, Fairfax, and Lily.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains minute books (1883-1930), financial records (1884-1917), attendance registers (1892 -1906), tax records for the District (1918-1930), and documents concerning the disestablishment of the Crown School Division.

| Notes:            | CAIN No. 202622          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Subject Access:   | Fairfax                  |
|                   | Elgin                    |
|                   | Minto                    |
|                   | Whitewater               |
|                   | Rural schooling          |
|                   | Education administration |
| Storage Location: | 1997 accessions          |
| Storage Range:    | 1997 accessions          |



# Chater Protestant School District fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4851

| Part Of:            | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
|---------------------|---|
| Description Level:  | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:   | 45-1997                                     |
| 0115                |   |
| GMD:                | textual records                             |
| GMD:<br>Date Range: | textual records<br>1892-1959                |
|                     | 1892-1959                                   |

History /

Biographical:

The Chater Protestant School District was established in 1883, with the arrival of settlers in southwestern Manitoba. In 1890, it became the Chater School District following school reform in Manitoba. The original Protestant District school was a wooden structure constructed in the village of Chater a few miles east of Brandon, Manitoba. In 1906, funds were raised for the building of a cement structure to replace the original wooden one. The Chater School District was dissolved in 1966, but the school house continued to serve as a community center until 1973, when it was demolished.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes minutes of the School Trustees (1891-1931, 1940-1959), teaching contracts (1937-1957), financial records of the school (1939-1958), a booklet titled "The Public School Act, The Education Department Act, The School Attendance Act, The Teachers Retirement Allowances Act"(1954), and a collection of school registers (1912-13, 1915-49, 1954-55, 1957-58) from the Chater School District. Included within the minute books of the Chater School District are financial records for the "Chater Association of Patrons of Industry, charter # 3532" (1891-1895). Also included is an ink stamp reading "Chater Protestant School District, No. 181, Manitoba Canada."

| Notes:            | CAIN No. 202640        |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Subject Access:   | Chater                 |
|                   | Patrons of Industry    |
|                   | Public Schooling       |
|                   | Public Schools         |
|                   | Agrarian organizations |
| Storage Location: | 1997 accessions        |
| Storage Range:    | 1997 accessions        |
|                   |                        |



# Blyth Protestant School District #471 fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4853

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
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| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:     | 30-1997                                     |
| GMD:                  | textual records                             |
| Date Range:           | 1886-1963                                   |
| Physical Description: | 8 cm  |

History /

**Biographical:** 

The Blyth Protestant School District #471 was founded in 1886. It became the Blyth School District following the elimination of the denominational school system in Manitoba in 1890. The District was located south of Brandon in the Rural Municipality of Cornwallis. The District existed until the mid-1960s, when it was incorporated into the Rolling River School Division.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds includes the minute books, financial records (1886-1955), attendance registers (1887-1906), and related documents of the Blyth School District, Rural Municipality of Cornwallis. Aside from attendance records, the fonds contains documents relating to issues of teachers salaries, attendance policies, and holidays.

| Notes:            | CAIN No. 202620                 |
|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| Subject Access:   | Rural Municipaity of Cornwallis |
|                   | Rolling River School Division   |
|                   | Schooling                       |
|                   | Rural Manitoba                  |
|                   | School attendance               |
| Storage Location: | 1997 accessions                 |
| Storage Range:    | 1997 accessions                 |
|                   |                                 |



# Griswold School District fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4856

| Part Of:                             | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |  |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| Description Level:                   | Collection                                  |  |
| Accession Number:                    | 13-1997                                     |  |
| GMD:                                 | textual records                             |  |
|                                      |   |  |
| Date Range:                          | 1907-1943                                   |  |
| Date Range:<br>Physical Description: |   |  |

History /

**Biographical:** 

The Griswold Protestant School District was established on September 9, 1885, to provide schooling for children residents in the village of Griswold and the surrounding countryside. It became the Griswold School District following school reform in Manitoba in 1890. The District existed until the early 1960s, when it was incorporated first into Brandon School Division #40 and subsequently into Division #41 (La Bosse). The Griswold School was still in operation in 1967. The building is now used as a community center.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned in 1997 by the McKee Archives. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

The single minute book in this fonds contains minutes on meetings held by the Griswold School District, in Griswold, Manitoba from 1907 to 1943. The minutes deal with questions related to teacher hiring and general administration in the school district.

| Notes:            | CAIN No. 202588          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Subject Access:   | La Bosse School Division |
|                   | Brandon School Division  |
|                   | Rural schooling          |
| Storage Location: | 1997 accessions          |
| Storage Range:    | 1997 accessions          |



# Birtle Indian Residential School fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4889

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |  |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |  |
| Accession Number:     | 10-1997                                     |  |
| GMD:                  | textual records                             |  |
| Date Range:           | 1888-1898                                   |  |
| Physical Description: | 2 cm (one volume)                           |  |

### History /

Biographical:

The Birtle Indian Residential School was opened by the Presbyterian Mission on December 3, 1888. Prior to that date, there had been a school allocated within the Birtle district for the Bird-Tail Sioux within Treaty 4. The new boarding school was located within the town limits of Birtle along the Bird-Tail River. The school was made of stone, was three stories high (not counting the basement), and was designed to accommodate fifty students. Connected to the school was thirty acres of land. The main building consisted of the school room, refectory, kitchen, and boys and girls dormitory. Besides the main school building, there was a barn that could accommodate fifteen head of cattle, a root-house and a small shed in which the parents would keep their ponies in the winter when they would come to visit the children. In the front of the residence there was a square piece of ground fenced off which consisted of a lawn and flower garden. The back of the residence was graveled for twenty yards. A garden of four acres was also connected with the school where vegetables were grown for use at the school.

Upon the opening of the school, there was considerable opposition on behalf of the parents as to the children being lodged and boarded such a substantial distance away from the greater Native population. This dissipated as the school gained acceptance within the Native community and attendance gradually increased as a result.

The headmaster at the original Bird-Tail school at the time of its assimilation into the Birtle Indian Residential School was J.D. Burgess. The first principle of the Birtle Indian Residential School was Rev. G.G. McLaren. He held the position from 1888 until November 1894, when he was replaced by Neil Gilmour. William J. Small became principle in 1896, and remained in that position until 1901.

The principal studies at the school were reading, writing, arithmetic, spelling and drawing. Although there were no trades associated with the school, the students were instructed in basic industries. The students also received moral training at the boarding schools. Girls were instructed in the branches of housework (washing, ironing, scrubbing, baking, cooking, sewing, knitting, tailoring, dressmaking, milking and butter-making). Boys were instructed in gardening, caring for stock, sawing, chopping and splitting wood, and were expected to help with the carpentry needs around the building. Special attention was also given to ethics and speaking English in class. There was also extensive religious training. Students were expected to attend church at least once each Sabbath in addition to their morning and evening worship and the study of the Bible and catechism in class.

During the summer the students participated in an abundance of outdoor exercise and recreation. The boys played a variety of sports, including baseball and soccer. The girls were allowed to go on long walks in the country or were given free time outdoors to take part in whatever they desired. Certain students exhibited a musical flare by playing instruments such as the madolin or the harmonica. One student, Hugh McKay, even worked part time at the local printing press during his tenure at the school. In the winter, students participated in ice-skating twice a week and the boys were allowed to play football for an hour a day. The girls could go on their walks and two or three times a week were taken for a drive a few miles into the country. There were two large playrooms within the main building for use during bad weather or when it was too cold outside for recreation during the winter.

Custodial History:

Fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of one attendance register from the Birtle Indian Residential School for the years 1888-1898. The total number of students within the register is 133. The attendance record covers the student's name, the date of their admission, their age, "full or half blood" Native status, tribe (ie. Sioux), band (ie. Bird-Tail Sioux), parents' names and father's rank, whether the parents were living or dead, parents' religion, places and periods of previous education and educational level of the student at the time of their registration. The average annual attendance at the school was forty-five students.

Students include (listed in the order in which they appear in the register): Elizabeth Benjamin; Arthur Johnston; Hagar Bunntec; Susan Hunter; Julia Eastman; Dayar David; Charlie Hanchia; Louis Eastman; Andrew Ben; Irad Bunn; Cilas Bohha; Ellen Benjamin; Carolyn Simpson; Joseph Charles; Esau Thunder; Odes Thunder; Maggie Ben; Angus Bone; Duncan Burgess; Nobaire Bone; Susan Gambler; Hugh McKay; George Bird; Mary Boyer; Alice Matheson; William Bone; Jeremiah Bone; Thomas Blackbird; Ellen Bone; Dwight Gambler; Joseph Ben; Smauel Benjamin; Charlie Cote; James Cote; Elizabeth Bone; Peter Ondie Burgess; Gilbert Walker; Frances Enoch; Isabel McKay; Norman Brandon; Jessie Brandon; Rosie Morrisau; Alex Tanner; Francis Tanner; Charlie Tanner; Jane Bone; Willis Boyer; Joseph Tanner; Gilbert Boyer; Mary Jane Tanner; Archy McDonald; Katie Brown; Bessie Brown; Tina Siaton; John Hunter; Nora Best; Lexy Smith; Nannie Jandrew; Eva Hunter; Anne Ben; Marisha Thunder; Ralph Kerr; Maggie Cook; Frank Sealton; Louis Chisholm; Lydia Nakaloo; Agnes Minnie; John Assinnewasis; Lizzie Sunguish; Hattie Sunguish; Jim Takakowewewe; Horace Takakowewewe; Nillie Yellowbird; Elizabeth Nakatoo; Alexander Brandon; Fred Brandon; Susan Blackbird; Jacob Blackbird; Harry Menlick Manshuse; Ellen McKay; George Hunter; Herbert Menlick Oliver; Flora Bird; Lucy Takakowewewe; Amos Hui Naste; Younge Singus; Susette Blackbird; Nellie Bunn; Daisy Bunn; Victoria Brandon; Janet Ashlakeesie; Mary Nubris; Bertha Hanshnu; Laura Bone; John Desparles; Okerta Desparles; Emma Assissipenace; Maggie Bearbull; Lucy Eosisamuswa; Robert Bluebird; Willie Seaton; Cahrlie Singoosh; Seclonia Mekis; Fanny Singoosh; Birtha McWeg?; Jen Eescanigah; Ethel Messegnot; Patrick Bone; Joseph Mekas; Magie Kalropunace; Augris Mekas; Sarah Wawapenace; Walter Longelaw; Eva ShaManilo Wigwam; Elsie Blackbird; Jen Ercock; Alesi Flett; Fred Longclaws; Marie Macheantie; Annie Clare; Flossie Longclaws; Andrew Pewapucolenu; David Bunn; Elizabeth Penapeccolimee; and Peter Rattlesnake.

| Notes:            | Description by Cory Anderson (1999). A copy of his finding aid and the    |
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|                   | essay he wrote on the Birtle Indian Residential School are located in the |
|                   | Birtle Industrial School fonds file (Finding aid drawer in the McKee      |
|                   | Reading Room). The Sioux people who attended the Birtle Indian            |
|                   | Industrial School originated in Minnesota and came to Canada following    |
|                   | the Minnesota Sioux War of 1862. The history of the Dakota people in the  |
|                   | Canadian Northwest is described in "The Dakota of the Canadian            |
|                   | Northwest: Lessons for Survival" by Peter Douglas Elias (1988).           |
| Storage Location: | 1997 accessions   |
| Storage Range:    | 1997 accessions   |
| Related Material: | Archival records RG10 from the Dept. of Indian Affairs / [microform]      |
|                   | Issued by the Public Archives of Canada, Reference E78. C2P81             |
|                   | provides a link to records held in Library and Archives Canada for which  |
|                   | microfilm copies exist in the John E. Robbins Library. The administrative |
|                   | records of the Birtle Indian Residential School may be found in this      |
|                   | collection.   |



# Basswood School District fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4924

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |  |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |  |
| Accession Number:     | 15-2007                                     |  |
| GMD:                  | textual records                             |  |
| Date Range:           | 1916-1938                                   |  |
| Physical Description: | 24 cm                                       |  |
| Physical Condition:   | Excellent                                   |  |
| History /             |   |  |

Biographical:

Administrative history for the Basswood School District is currently unavailable.

#### Custodial History:

Accessioned in 2007 by the McKee Archives. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of van driver contracts (1916-33), income tax forms (1919-38), school inspector's reports (1922-29), high school examination results (1926-34), correspondence with Western Seating Co. (1922), school censuses (1919-38), bus route plans (1916-34), caretaker agreemtns (1918-33), transportation expenditure forms (1917-38), equalizaton of taxes forms (1916-34), annual meeting reports (1924, 1927), Department of Education reports (1921-38), secondary school taxes notice to council forms (1926-33), Manitoba income tax employers' returns (1923-32), library reports (1929-34), requisitions for library books (1916-30), assessments (1919-34), teacher's annual reports (1937-38) and a miscellaneous file including records related to pupil promotions, teacher's retirement fund, religious teaching, a hectograph recipe, by-laws and insurance (1922-38).

Notes:Receipts from 1938-1939 were culled. Description by Christy Henry.Storage Location:2007 accessionsStorage Range:2007 accessions



# Bankburn School District fonds

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5135

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
|-----------------------|---|
| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:     | 24-2007                                     |
| GMD:                  | textual records                             |
| Date Range:           | 1906-1907                                   |
| Physical Description: | 5 mm  |
| Physical Condition:   | Fair  |
| History /             |   |

**Biographical:** 

Bankburn School was located 1/2 mile west and about three miles north of Oak River, Manitoba. The Bankburn School Literary Society was formed in 1906.

Custodial History:

Records were donated to the McKee Archives by Anne Pettapieces in March 1978.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of the minutes of the Literary Society of the Bankburn School (1906-1907) and a copy of Vol.1, No.1 of The Bankburn Star, which includes some information on and two photos of the school.

Notes:Description by Christy Henry.Storage Location:2007 accessionsStorage Range:2007 accessions



# Fleming School collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14291

| Part Of:              | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
|-----------------------|---|
| Description Level:    | Collection                                  |
| Accession Number:     | 17-2016                                     |
| GMD:                  | multiple media                              |
| Date Range:           | 1928-2013; predominantly 2004-2005          |
| Physical Description: | 10 cm textual records                       |
|                       | 280 photographs                             |
|                       | 1 video recording                           |
|                       | 1 DVD                                       |
|                       | 4 artefacts                                 |

### History /

Biographical:

Fleming School, located at 2320 Louise Avenue, Brandon, MB, was a part of the Brandon School Division from its creation in 1914 until its closure in 2005. The school was named to commemorate the life of pioneer Dr. Alexander Fleming. Fleming, who was a Scottish born immigrant, came to Brandon in 1881, where he worked as Brandon's first medical doctor and pharmacist. He also held the role of chairman for the Brandon School Board. Fleming died in Brandon on November 26, 1897.

Rapid population growth in the City of Brandon in the early part of the 20th century resulted in a need for additional school buildings; Fleming School was among the schools established during this period. Designed by W.H. Shillinglaw, the structure was constructed out of concrete, wood and brick, and included a basement. When the school first opened, it was composed of six classrooms; after two renovations in 1953 and 1962, the school expanded with more classrooms and a gymnasium. At the time of its closure, Fleming School could accommodate seven classes, covering grades kindergarten to grade six.

Around 2004, the Brandon School Division decided to close Fleming Elementary School. Prior to the closure a celebration was held on January 14, 2005, to honour the school's 90th Anniversary. Following the school's official closing, students were reallocated to Earl Oxford Elementary School (540 18th Street). Some of the former staff found work in other schools within the Division, while Craig Manson, the last principal of Fleming School, became principle of Green Acres Elementary School.

The building formerly used as Fleming Elementary School became a high school for the Sioux Valley Dakota Nation in late 2006. The Band bought the building in late 2010.

Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by Fleming School staff and administration, many for the 90th anniversary and closing of the school. Craig Manson, the last principal of Fleming School, gave the records to David Wilson, who donated them to the S.J. McKee Archives in 2015.

#### Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records that document the history of Fleming School. Many of the records were created and gathered specifically by Craig Manson and others for the school's 90th anniversary; on November 19, 2006 an ad written by Grant Hamilton was placed in the Brandon Sun with Jean Pickard asking for potential archives from Fleming School to be donated by contacting Keith Heide at the Brandon School Division. The archives were to be used in a display on education in Brandon to be located in the Town Centre in June 2007. Other records were collected and created by the school's staff and administration to document the activities and student of their school.

Textual records include newspaper clippings, staff and administration lists (1914-2005), programs, calendars, correspondence, anecdotes, as well as records related to the events surrounding the 90th anniversary and the closure of the school. The 90th anniversary celebration materials include Craig Manson's speech and agenda, the lyrics to the school song, and a list of people in attendance. The newspaper clippings, with capture the experiences of Fleming students, are evidence of the staff's interest in the lives of their current and former students.

Also included in the textual records is in depth genealogical research for the Fleming family. The research includes birth and death dates, photographs of grave sites and residences of Fleming family members, as well as some correspondence around the school's 90th anniversary. The photographs in the album include both originals and photocopies.

Photographs in the collection, like the newspaper clippings, document the activities and events of Fleming School, its students and staff. They include candid's from the classroom, various ceremonies (including the 90th anniversary), and the celebration of holidays (especially Halloween). There are also a number of class and staff portraits.

The collection also includes audio visual materials. The VHS recording entitled "Fleming School 90th Birthday Tea," runs approximately 75 minutes and was videoed by lan Carkener. The DVD, which runs 42 minutes, was created by the staff and students for the 90th anniversary celebration. It has three components: "Through the Decades" shows students reenacting school scenes from earlier decades; "Students at Work and Play," shows the 2004-2005 students in their classroom environment during holiday celebrations, school ceremonies and working on assignments; and "Reflections," which includes a slide show of photographs of Fleming School throughout the years set to music.

Finally, the collection includes four artifacts: one 90th anniversary celebration balloon with an image of the school building and the its years of operation printed on it; a school magnet with the school phone number and an image of the brick school building; and two pins. The first pin is circular with a black background and gold details including the school's name, three silhouettes and three maple leaves. The second pin appears to have a hornet or bee emblem with the number 72.

Notes:

History/bio information was taken from the records, as well as the Manitoba Historical Society's website (Alexander Fleming, Fleming School - accessed on September 30, 2016), the Brandon School Division website (Fleming School - accessed on September 30, 2016) and Grant Hamilton's article "Gathering school archives while they can" (Brandon Sun, November 19, 2006). Description by Megan Treloar (September 2016) and Christy Henry.

| Name Access:       | Alexander Fleming  |
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|                    | Craig Manson   |
|                    | Betty Gibson   |
|                    | Ethel Paisley  |
|                    | O.N. Riddle  |
|                    | J.E. McDowe  |
|                    | William Wood   |
|                    | Neil McLennan  |
|                    | Allan Mitchell   |
|                    | Emerson Christilaw   |
|                    | James Bateman  |
|                    | Henry Hyson  |
|                    | Edythe Wood  |
|                    | Colin Mailer   |
|                    | Emilia Hudy  |
|                    | Fleming School   |
|                    | Brandon School Division  |
| Subject Access:    | Education  |
|                    | school closures  |
|                    | elementary education   |
|                    | school celebrations  |
|                    | anniversaries  |
|                    | Pioneers   |
| Repro Restriction: | Canadian Copyright applies to the content of the video recording and some of the photographs |
| Storage Location:  | 2016 accessions  |
| Related Material:  | Brandon School Division records at the Brandon General Museum & Archives                     |
| Arrangement:       |  |

Arrangement:

The school history records in the collection are arranged chronologically. The Fleming family history album is broken down by family tree branch.



# Faculty of Education publications

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| Description Level:    | Sub sub series                |
| Series Number:        | 7.3.3                         |
| GMD:                  | textual records               |
| Date Range:           | 1959-1979, c. 2010            |
| Physical Description: | 6 cm                          |

Scope and Content:

Sub sub series consists of items published by the Faculty of Education or written by members of the Faculty of Education, including: Faculty of Education Student's Directory: October 15, 1976, November 27, 1979; Wednesday Newsletter: September 20, 1967 – November 29, 1967, December 6, 1967 – March 27, 1968, April 3, 1968 – November 20, 1968, November 27, 1969 – April 2, 1969; Teacher-Training Programme General Information Academic Season 1959-1960; Teacher-Training Programme General Information Academic Season 1960-1961; BUNTEP Newsletter – volume 1, no. 2 and volume 1, no. 3; and a pamphlet on the Bachelor of Physical Education Studies (three year degree).

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### School of Music publications

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| Description Level:    | Sub sub series  |
| Series Number:        | 7.4.3           |
| GMD:                  | textual records |
| Date Range:           | 1956-1967       |
| Physical Description: | 6 cm            |

Scope and Content:

Sub sub series consists of the following publications:

Department of Music General Information Academic Season 1956-1957; Department of Music General Information Academic Season 1957-1958; Department of Music General Information Academic Season 1959-1960; Department of Music General Information Academic Season 1960-1961; Department of Music General Information Academic Season 1960-1961; Department of Music General Information Academic Season 1961-1962; School of Music Academic Season 1962-1963; School of Music Academic Season 1963-1964; School of Music Academic Season 1964-1965; School of Music Academic Season 1965-1966; School of Music 1967

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