

S. J. McKee Archives



George F. MacDowell collection

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Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Sub-series
Series Number: MG 3 1.12
Accession Number: 9-2002

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1941-1987, predominant 1960-1982

Physical Description: 8.1 m
Physical Condition: Good

History /
Biographical:

George F. MacDowell was born in 1913, in Prince Edward Island. He studied at Dalhousie University from 1930 to 1933, but did not complete a degree. During WWII, MacDowell served in Canada and Europe as a member of the Royal Canadian Signals Corps. After the war, he returned to Dalhousie University, graduating with a B.A. in 1947. Subsequently, he graduated with a Masters Degree in Economics from Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts. George McDowell taught at both Mount Allison University and the University of Alberta before coming to Brandon in 1957 to teach at Brandon College. He remained as a professor in the Economic Department until his retirement in 1979.

MacDowell's work was published in the Canadian Journal of Economics and Political Science. In 1971, McClelland & Stewart published his account of the Brandon Packers strike of 1960 titled "The Brandon Packer's Strike: A Tragedy of Errors." In Brandon, MacDowell maintained a relationship with the local Association of Fire Fighters, aiding them with collective bargaining procedures. He also served as Chairman for the MacKenzie Seeds Board, and was a member of the Manitoba Development Corporation Board.

MacDowell never married and had no known children. He passed away on February 26th, 1986.

Custodial History:

This collection was in the possesion of George MacDowell until his death. It was then held by the Brandon University Department of Economics until 1997, at which time it was transferred to the McKee Archives at Brandon University.

The bulk of this fonds falls into five main categories:

- 1. Records dealing with the Brandon Packers Strike of 1960 and the subsequent legal actions against the owners, including all 2215 pages of the Brandon Packers Strike Commission;
- 2. Records dealing with the Commission of Inquiry into The Pas Forestry and Industrial Complex, including the complete transcript of the inquiry measuring approximately 5m. This Commission dealt with the conduct of Churchill Forest Industries, a company owned by a Swiss financial firm, which, in the 1960's, was given approximately 93 million dollars by the Roblin Provincial Government to develop The Pas Forestry and Industrial Complex. Churchill Forest Industries and its parent company subsequently came under suspicion of fraud and accused of fradulently transfering The Pas Forestry funds into other foreign business interests;
- 3. Records dealing with business loans awarded by the Manitoba Development Corporation during the 1970's and 1980's to businesses primarily within Manitoba;
- 4. Records dealing with McKenzie Seeds, and McKenzie Steele-Briggs Seeds during the early 1980's when George MacDowell was a board member of McKenzie Seeds;
- 5. Records dealing with Professor MacDowell's career as a Professor at Brandon University, including records relating to his courses and to administrative activities.

To a lesser extent, this collection includes records dealing with the University of Saskatchewan College of Commerce, the publication the "Manitoba New Democrat," issues associated with politics, labor and union in the prairie provinces from the 1960's to the 1980's, articles from various economic periodicals including "Economica" and "Public Finance," a variety of government reports from 1941 to 1981, and records dealing with George MacDowells' relationship with the Brandon Firefighters Association.

Notes: File level inventory available. Description written by Mike White (2002).

Name Access: Errol Black

Brandon University

University of Saskatchewan College of Commerce

Manitoba New Democrat

Manitoba Development Corporation

Brandon Backers Strike Commission

Bank Act

A.E. McKenzie Steele Briggs Seeds Brandon Firefighters Association.

Subject Access: economics

trade unions

economics curriculum public service unions

prairie politics

Edward Schreyer government

labour

Manitoba business loans

government economic reports

Access Restriction: Collection includes financial data on many Manitoba businesses. Consult

the archivist for access.

Repro Restriction: Researchers are responsible for observing Canadian copyright

restrictions.

Storage Location: MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration

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Related Material: Related material regarding George MacDowell's involvment with the A.E.

McKenzie Company can be found in RG 3 McS A.E. McKenzie Company

fonds.



David Bovington

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Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 2.4

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1925-1926

Physical Description: 26.5 cm

History / Biographical:

Dr. Bovington was born in Gonbridge Wells, Kent County, England on December 2, 1869 to Richard and Emma Bovington (nee Deuch). He came to Canada in 1890. After training for the ministry at Woodstock College and McMaster University, where he graduated in 1899, he attended Rochester Theological Seminary before being ordained in Victoria BC. In addition to Victoria, Bovington held pastorages in Windsor and St. Thomas, ON.

Bovington married his wife Martha Lockhart (1870-1957) in Oxford, ON on January 3, 1900. The couple had at least four children: Richard Dadson (1901-1972), Marguerite Agnes (1902-1975), David L (1904-1953) and Archibald T (1906-1983).

In 1906, Bovington went to Rochester to take his Doctor of Divinity; while there he was an instructor in Systematic Theology and Homiletics. In 1915, he took his Master's in Systematic Theology at the University of Chicago. From 1916 - 1925, Bovington served as the pastor of First Baptist Church, Cleveland, OH.

In 1925, Bovington was asked to become the fourth president of Brandon College. Although he accepted the position his wife and family did not accompany him to Brandon when he arrived in the summer of 1925. Bovington resigned from the Presidency on May 24, 1926, claiming that the pressure of trying to secure funds for the financial support of the school was beyond his strength.

David Bovington died in Cleveland, OH on August 21, 1955.

Scope and Content:

Dr. Bovington was President for only nine months. His collection includes correspondence regarding the Baptist Union of Western Canada, Modernists, and Dr. MacNeill. As well, religious field work is documented. There is quite a bit of correspondence from the Registrar and Bursar regarding student accounts. Fundraising for Brandon College is documented, especially the Davies' Fund campaign and the Endowment Fund campaign. There is quite a bit of correspondence to and from Dr. MacNeill, who was Acting President, from before Dr. Bovington arrived in Brandon and after he resigned.

Name Access: David Bovington

Harris MacNeill

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Series 2: Office of the Principal/President

Brandon College honor roll (untitled)

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Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 16.3
Item Number: 17
Item Number Range: 17

GMD: textual records

Date Range: ca. 1918
Physical Description: 1 item
Physical Condition: Good

Scope and Content:

This item is a continuation of the Brandon College Honor Roll (RG 6, sub-series 16.3, item 16). It lists Brandon College students who served and/or were killed, wounded, gassed or imprisoned during World War I.

Notes: Part of BU 16.3 Artifacts - other.

Name Access: S.F. Atteridge

Thos. Blight
Johnson B. Ball
C.C.L. Blackwood
Lennard Boultbee
J.C.K. Brydon

Capt. Chas. W. Burns Eldon Carrothers

R. Chanin

Robert Chapman

Fred Clarke

Capt. Dr. J.S. Clark

Charles CLyde

Fred G. Earl

Russell Ferrier

John Fisher

Geo. Anton Gregga

Nelson Gilchrist

Wilfred T. Hamilton

C. Hainer

Capt. H. Harrington

Lieut. Robert Jas. Hosie

Walter Hosie

Lieut. Albert Reg. Hurst

Frank Irving

Orrin Jones

C. Mathewson

Hamilton McFadden

Hon. Capt. Douglas McIntosh

Thos. McMillan

Capt. Jas. C. McMillan

Wm. Lovell McNair

Nursing Sister Jean McPherson

Arthur Millions

Wm. Jas. Munn

Roy McDonald

Wm. McLaurin

Duncan Munroe

A.W. Mayse

Lieut. Wm. L. Oliver

Arthur Orriss

Chas. Orriss

John Pickard

Harry Pickard

Arthur H. Pullen

Stanley Riggs

Robert Rabe

W. Harry Robertson

H.L. Rutherford

Wm. Rutherford

Russell W. Speers

Rob. Roy. Thompson

Herbert K. Valens

Evan McD. Whidden

Chas. Cromwell Williams

John A. Young

Lieut. Charles K. Guild

Lieut. Geo. Coldwell

Clifford Bresswell

Ira Dunbar

Ozra Bertrand

Robert Lang

John Thompson

Frank Higgins

Charles Koester

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series16: Brandon University/College artifacts

16.3 Artifacts - other

Storage Range: New oversize drawer 4

Related Material: The Evan McDonald Whidden fonds (RG 1 Brandon College fonds, MG 1

1.8) has a considerable amount of correspondence written by Whidden to

his family from the front during his service in World War I.