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Violet Leeson interview

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Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH218.Lee

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: June 29, 1983

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:10:00]

History /

Biographical:

Violet Ellen Leeson (nee Morrison) was born on April 12, 1902 in Strathclair, MB. She took her early education at Elgin School and Strathclair Consolidated School. Violet married Earl Leeson (1903-1982) on June 14, 1922 and together they had two daughters: Viola Rose and Della June. The couple farmed the original Leeson homestead from 1922-1962, except for five years when Earl was manager of the Strathclair Consumers Co-op. They moved to Carlton Lodge in 1981. Violet began writing poetry in the 1920s. Violet Leeson died on January 22, 2001 in Shoal Lake, MB. She is buried at Strathclair Cemetery.

Custodial History:

As part of the Westman Oral History Collection, this collection was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. The original tapes from the Westman Oral History project were deposited in the Brandon Public Library. Copies of these originals were made by Margaret Pollex of the Brandon University Language Lab at the request of Eileen McFadden, University Archivist in the early 1990s. These copies compose the collection held in the McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Violet Leeson about her life story and her poetry. Interviewer is Velma Patterson.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the Strathclair RM local history "Our story to 1970," and Leeson's entry as a Memorable Manitoban on the Manitoba Historical Society website. Description by Christy Henry.

Audio Tracks

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