

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Canadian Officers Training Corps (C.O.T.C.)

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Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Creator: Photographer: Jerrett's

Description Level: Item

Series Number: MG 1 1.11

Item Number: 8-2009.1

Accession Number: 8-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1942

Physical Description: 5" x 8" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

See RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 11: Brandon College military training programs for history/bio information for the Canadian Officers Training Corps at Brandon College.

Custodial History:

See MG 1 Brandon College Teaching and Administration, 1.11 Martin Johns fonds for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the members of the Brandon College Canadian Officers Training Corps (C.O.T.C.) during World War II. J.R.C. Evans is seated in the middle of the second row. Henry Stewart Perdue is seated to his right.

Notes: "With best wishes, J.R. Evans" is written on the back of the photograph.

Subject Access: Second World War

C.O.T.C.

Storage Location: Photographs: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

## Images



Martin Johns fonds



<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5087>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds  
Description Level: Sub-series  
Series Number: MG 1 1.11  
Accession Number: 17-2007, 8-2009  
GMD: multiple media  
Date Range: 1939-1944  
Physical Description: 0.5 cm textual records  
21 b/w photographs

#### History /

##### Biographical:

Martin Wesley Johns was born to missionary parents Alfred and Myrtle Johns in Chengtu, West China on March 23, 1913. The family returned to Canada in 1925. Johns attended high schools in Tacoma, Washington; Vancouver, BC; Brandon, Manitoba; and Exeter, Ontario. He studied at Brandon College from 1928-1931 before obtaining his B.A. (1932) and M.A. (1934) from McMaster University and his Ph.D. from the University of Toronto (1938). From 1937-1946, he taught physics at Brandon College. In 1972, Brandon University awarded him an honorary Doctor of Science degree.

Johns served in the Canadian Officers Training Corps (C.O.T.C.) in 1940-1941 doing research concerned with neutron physics at Chalk River. In 1947, he joined the Physics Department at McMaster University, where he remained for the remainder of his career.

Johns married Margaret Mary Hilborn on July 15, 1939. Together they have four children: Robert, Elizabeth, Kenneth and Kathryn. Following Margaret's death c. 1979, Johns was married to Elsie North for twenty years. At the age of 90, Johns fell in love with his sweetheart Marian Thompson.

Martin Wesley Johns died on September 18, 2008 at McMaster Hospital.

##### Custodial History:

The notebooks in accession 17-2007 were in the possession of Wesley Wong, former member of the Physics Department at Brandon College, who mailed them to Martin Johns in 2002. Wong suggested Johns donate them to the McKee Archives, which he did on January 28, 2004. The photographs in accession 8-2009 were sent to Carla Eisler, Alumni Relations Officer, Brandon University by Ken Johns (Martin Johns' son) following Martin's death. Eisler transferred them to the Archives in February 2009.

##### Scope and Content:

Accession 17-2007 contains two lab record notebooks used by Martin Johns while he was a member of Brandon College's Department of Physics. The notebooks record class lists, grades, absences, and seating charts for courses Johns taught, as well as regulations for lab reports and major assignments.

Accession 8-2009 contains twenty-one black and white photographs dealing with Brandon College students, faculty and buildings. There are a few photographs of Brandon, as well as one of the Queen Mother from her visit to Brandon in 1939.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the Martin W. Johns bio file in the Archives reading room.

Subject Access:	Brandon College faculty freshman initiation freshies Assiniboine bridge student elections Second World War C.O.T.C. classroom activities
Storage Location:	MG 1 Brandon College Teaching and Administration 1.11 Martin Johns  Photographs: MG photograph storage drawer