

Research Collections



Book Notes

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Part Of: Dorothy Wardle fonds

Description Level: 5 / File Fonds Number: M521 / V75

Series: M521 / I: Dorothy Wardle Personal Papers

Sous-Fonds: M521

Sub-Series: M521 / I / A : Research and Writing

Accession Number: 7504

Reference Code: M521 / I / A / 3-4
GMD: Newspaper clipping

Private record

Date Range: ca. 1870 - ca. 1998

1870s-1880s

Textual record

ca.1918 - ca. 1960s

1986-1998

1997-1998

Physical Description: 2 cm of textual records (139 pages; 30 x 35 cm or smaller)

Scope & Content:

File consists of 139 pages of handwritten research notes, correspondence, and newspaper clippings, H35 x W30 cm or smaller. File pertains to Dorothy's research on Banff and surrounding area, Parks Canada, Department of the Interior, and the history of the Canadian Rocky Mountains in general. Records were filed in an envelope that was titled "Book Notes."

Notable people include James Wardle, J.B. Harkin, Pat Brewster, Arthur Unwin, Dr. Brett, Norman Sanson, and Bill Peyto, among others. Notable places and topics include the organization of the Department of the Interior, the Banff-Windemere Highway, Rocky Mountain Park and Park Wardens, Kootenay National Park fires, coal and precious metal mines (e.g. Bankhead, Silver City), trail riding and hiking, research about James Wardle and his accomplishments, Ya-Ha-Tinda, and various parks (e.g. Glacier, Revelstoke, Elk Island, Kootenay, and Yoho).

Other records include a handwritten letter to the Auld family in Scotland (cousins of Sheila Ritchie) with a story about Glenbow and a highland cow from Oban, Scotland; personal reflections on the Banff area and mountains in general; notes that Dorothy took while doing research at the Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies and the Banff Public Library; and a variety of newspaper clippings.

Notes: Includes request slips and stationary from the archives at the Whyte

Museum.

Potentially includes a handwritten list of Dorothy's written works. Newspaper clippings primarily from the Times Colonist, which is

published in Victoria, British Columbia.

Name Access: Wardle, Dorothy

Wardle, James M.

Harkin, J. B. (James Bernard)

Brewster, Pat Peyto, Bill

Brett, Robert George

Sanson, Norman

Subject Access: Banff

Banff National Park
Banff Public Library

National parks and reserves

Newspaper Parks Canada Park policy Research

Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies

Wardens

Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies

Ya-Ha-Tinda Ranch

Hiking

Community life

History

Mines and mineral resources

Geographic Access: Alberta

Banff

Banff National Park

Bankhead

British Columbia

Canada

Canadian Rocky Mountains

Castle Mountain

Glacier National Park Kootenay National Park

Silver City Victoria

Yoho National Park

Scotland Revelstoke

Language: English

Conservation: Some of the slips of paper are taped together. Was unable to remove

them without damaging the materials. May present conservation issues in

the future.

Creator: Wardle, Dorothy

Category: Sports, recreation and leisure

Transportation

Politics

Natural resources

Family and personal life

Exploration, discovery and travel

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

Title was written on an envelope containing these materials.

Processing Status: Processed

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Dorothy Wardle fonds

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions398

Part Of: Dorothy Wardle fonds

Description Level: 1 / Fonds Fonds Number: M521

V75

Sous-Fonds: M521

V75

Accession Number: 5296, 5391, 7504

Reference Code: M521 / V75 GMD: Photograph

> Album Negative

Photograph print

Postcard

Transparency
Textual record
Private record
Published record

Date Range: ca.1870-2002

Physical Description: 154 cm of textual records. -- 1304 photographs (1190 prints, 95

negatives, 19 transparencies). -- 6 photograph albums.

History / Biographical:

The Wardle family was comprised of husband and wife, James Morey Wardle (June 26,1888 - May 18,1971) and Maud Leette (Roney) Wardle (May 24,1889 - December 1,1969), and their one child, Dorothy Hope Wardle (May 23,1919 - July 20,2003).

James Wardle, born in Chiliwack, British Columbia, was a civil engineer and public servant. He was the Superintendent of Banff National Park from 1918-1921, Chief Engineer for Parks Canada from 1921-1935, and Deputy Minister of the Interior from 1935-1936. He is primarily known as a highway design engineer, particularly for building the Banff-Windermere, Banff-Lake Louise, and Banff-Jasper highways. He was a councillor for the Municipality of Rockcliffe Park in Ontario and he was the President of the Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies in Banff from 1925-1929. Mount Wardle in Vermillion was named after him in 1921. James married Leette on November 4, 1913, with whom he had one child, Dorothy.

Born in Calgary, Alberta, Dorothy (also known as Dot and Dorie) grew up in Banff, Alberta and Ottawa, Ontario, due to her father's position with the federal government. She was educated at the Mountain School in Banff and at the Elmwood School in Ottawa. All three family members were graduates of Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario. James graduated in 1912 with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Leette graduated with a Bachelor's degree, and in 1942, Dorothy also earned a Bachelor's degree. Dorothy was prominent in student life and active in athletics. In 1941, Dorothy became the first woman elected as President of the Alma Mater Society and during her academic career, Dorothy was a member of the Levana Intercollegiate Debative, University Centenary Committee, and Queen's War Aid Commission.

Dorothy spent her career as a freelance writer however, upon graduation she served as the first Secretary-In-Charge of Records at Carleton College (now Carleton University) from 1942-1944 in Ottawa and in the mid-1950s worked as a secretary for the Glenbow Foundation in Calgary. Dorothy pursued a lifelong interest in traveling, art, and antiques. Although she was fiercely proud and protective of Banff and the Park, and remained a volunteer and patron of the Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies, Dorothy eventually settled in Sidney, British Columbia and shared an apartment with Sheila Iris Ritchie, with whom Dorothy travelled extensively. After her death in 2003, Dorothy, "Dorie," was laid to rest alongside her parents in the Old Banff Cemetery.

Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of two sous-fonds: M521 and V75.

M521 consists of four series, 154 cm, ca.1870-2002. Series I: Dorothy Wardle Personal Papers, 69.5 cm, ca.1870-2002 (includes Dorothy's written work and research and notes related to Banff). Series II: Wardle Family, 32.5 cm, 1872-1998 (including correspondence with Carl Rungius and Mrs. Helen Brett, and Christmas and other greeting cards from Peter and Catharine Whyte). Series III: Queen's University, 7.5 cm, 1911-1980 (including graduation certificates for each family member and records pertaining to Dorothy's participation on the Alma Mater Society). Series IV: Travel, 44.5 cm, ca.1950-1988 (includes hand-written notebooks meticulously detailing their travels).

V75 consists of two series, 79.5 cm, ca. 1912-2001. Series I: Wardle Family, ca. 1912-1971, 6 albums, 31 cm of photograph prints and negatives (including family trips, trail rides in the Canadian Rocky Mountains, and family gatherings). Series II: Dorothy Wardle, 1972-2001, 34 cm of photograph prints, negatives, and transparencies (including Dorothy's travels in Alberta and British Columbia, overseas, and various outings with friends).

Name Access: Wardle, Dorothy

Wardle, James Rungius, Carl Brett, Helen Keyte, Freeman Hart, E. J. (Ted)

Harkin, J. B. (James Bernard)

Brewster, Pat Peyto, Bill

Brett, Robert George

Sanson, Norman White, Clifford

Drummond-Davies, Nora

Mills, lke

McLean, George

Walking Buffalo (George McLean)

Kaquitts, Frank

Oxborough, Dorothy

Whyte, Jon

Robinson, Dean

Warren, Mary Schaffer

Simpson, George

Gibbon, John Murray

Whyte, Catharine

Whyte, Peter

Greenham, Margaret

Subject Access: Arts

Environment

Personal and Family Life

Banff

Old Banff Cemetery

Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies

Cabins

Travel

Picnics and picnicking

Holidays

Scenery

Christmas

Dogs

Horses

Mountain

Canoes and canoeing

Hiking

Wildlife

War Memorial

Highland Games

Bow River Bridge

Golfing

Anniversary

Horseback riding

Indigenous Peoples

Stoney Nakoda

Education

Snowshoes and snowshoeing

Banff Winter Carnival

Banff Winter Festival

Women

Trails

Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies

Sports and leisure

Skiing

European travel

Beach

Calgary Herald

Geography

Government

Newspaper

Politics

Research

Banff Public Library

National parks and reserves

Park policy

Parks Canada

Wardens

Ya-Ha-Tinda Ranch

Community life

Mines and mineral resources

History

Immigration and homesteading

Settlement

Organizations

World War II

Biographical

Professional and Personal Life

Grizzly Bears

Fire fighters

Sunshine Village

Teahouses

Banff Indian Days

Regalia

Calgary Stampede

Mountain guides

Mountain School

The Albertan

Crag and Canyon newspaper

Homestead Hotel

Banff Centre

Hot Springs

Superintendents

Automobiles

Natural history

Records

Calendar

Finances

Leases

Legal and Financial

Property

Recreation

Geographic Access: Banff

Banff National Park

Canmore

Alberta

Canada

Canadian Rocky Mountains

Castle Mountain

Bankhead

British Columbia

Glacier National Park

Kootenay National Park

Silver City

Victoria

Scotland

Revelstoke

Yoho National Park

Ottawa

Ontario

Prince Edward Island

Plain of Six Glaciers

Lake Agnes

Lake Louise

Lake Minnewanka

Lake O'Hara

Bow River

Calgary

Sidney

San Francisco

United States

Europe

Germany

Switzerland

France

Spain

Monaco

Italy

Denmark

Austria

Quebec

Windermere

New York

Assiniboine

Ghost River

High River

Quebec City

New Brunswick

Maine

Great Divide

Moraine Lake

Maligne Lake

Columbia Icefield

Washington

Philadelphia

Atlantic City

Larch Valley

Cascade Mountain

Panama

Sulphur Mountain

Field

Emerald Lake

Head Smashed In Buffalo Jump

Takkakaw Falls

Jasper National Park

Athabasca Falls

Okanagan

Kananaskis

Hoodoos

Powell River

Montreal

Access Restrictions: Some restriction/s on access

Copyright, privacy, commercial use and other restrictions may apply

Language: Language is English

Related Material: Dorothy also donated artwork (by Carl Rungius) to Art and Heritage.

James Morey Wardle fonds (Library and Archives Canada)

Creator: Wardle, Dorothy

Wardle, James M.

Wardle, Leette

Category: Arts

Environment Education

Exploration, discovery and travel

Family and personal life

First nations

Sports, recreation and leisure

Title Source: Title based on accession records and contents of fonds

Processing Status: Processed

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James B. Harkin fonds

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions608

Part Of: James B. Harkin fonds

Description Level: 1 / Fonds Fonds Number: M 143

V 84

Sous-Fonds: M 143

V 84

Accession Number: 7743 (unproc)
Reference Code: M143 / V84
GMD: Photograph

Photograph print Textual record Private record

Date Range: 1952-1960

Physical Description: 4 cm textual records. -- 1 photograph: print; b&w; 8x10 in.

History / Biographical:

James Bernard Harkin, 1875-1955 was born in Vankleek Hill, Ontario, Canada. In 1892 Harkin worked for a newspaper in Montreal and in 1893 moved to The Ottawa Journal. Promoted to city editor, Harkin gained access to the Parliamentary Press Gallery. In 1901 Harkin went to work for the federal civil service as a clerk in the Department of the Interior and in 1904 became Parlimentary Secretary to the Minister of the Interior. In 1911 the Dominion Parks Branch was established within the Department of the Interior as a result of the increasing importance of parks to the federal government's conservation and tourism policies. From 1911 to 1936 Harkin, as Commissioner of Dominion Parks, developed Canada's National Park system and created a centralized agency to administer the National Parks. Harkin promoted and was instrumental in the successful passage of the National Parks Act - federal legislation providing for the conservation of National Parks in Canada. During his term as Commissioner of Dominion Parks, Harkin generated greater awareness of the importance of conservation and was influential in promoting ecological approaches to public recreation and tourism initiatives within the national parks.

Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of notes and letters by J. B. Harkin; transcripts of Harkin's notes and quotations by Mabel B. Williams and Dorothy Barber (former colleagues of Harkin); biographical notes; articles re Harkin; a Parks Canada newsletter; correspondence between M. B. Williams and Dr. Robin Winks; a letter to Harkin from N. K. Luxton. Fonds also includes a photograph of Harkin by Yousef Karsh.

Name Access: Harkin, J. B. (James Bernard)
Subject Access: Exploration, discovery and travel

Environment

Natural resources

Sports, recreation and leisure

Access Restrictions: No restrictions on access
Language: Language is English

Finding Aid: No finding aid
Creator: Harkin, J.B.
Category: Environment

Exploration, discovery and travel Sports, recreation and leisure

Natural resources

Biographical Source

Notes:

Enterprises, 1999); Eleanor G. Luxton, Banff: Canada's First National Park (Banff: Summerthought, 1974); Gabrielle Blais, RG 84 Records of Parks Canada General Inventory Series, 1985; C. J. Taylor "Defining National Parks: J. B. Harkin and the National Parks Branch," 1997.

Accession record; E. J. Hart, The Place of Bows (Banff: EJH Literary

Title Source: Title based on contents of fonds

Processing Status: Unprocessed

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National and Provincial Parks Association of Canada fonds

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions297

Part Of: National and Provincial Parks Association of Canada fonds

Description Level: 1 / Fonds
Fonds Number: M 239
Sous-Fonds: M 239

Accession Number: 1479, 2253 Reference Code: M239

GMD: Textual record

Poster

Private record

Published record

Date Range: [ca.1971], 1973

Physical Description: .5 cm of textual records

Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of a biography, editorial and speech re J. B. Harkin, the J. B. Harkin medal and the awarding of the medal to Jean Chretien, Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs, 1973. Also includes poster opposing Village Lake Louise development, [ca.1971]

Name Access: Chretien, Jean

Harkin, J. B. (James Bernard)

National and Provincial Parks Association of Canada

Subject Access: Government

Access Restrictions: No restrictions on access

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Language: Language is English

Creator: National and Provincial Parks Association of Canada

Category: Government

Title Source: Title based on accession records

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