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
	Textual record
Date Range:	ca. 1870 - ca. 1998
	1870s-1880s
	ca.1918 - ca. 1960s
	1986-1998
	1986
	1990
	1993
	1995
	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

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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
Name Access.	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, Ike
	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 lcefield 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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Miscellaneous and Collected Materials

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Part Of:	Dorothy Wardle fonds
Description Level:	5 / File
Fonds Number:	M521 / V75
Series:	M521 / II : Wardle Family
Sous-Fonds:	M521
Sub-Series:	M521 / II / C : Miscellaneous and Collected Materials
Accession Number:	7504
Reference Code:	M521 / II / C / 1-6
GMD:	Newspaper clipping
	Organization record
	Published record
	Textual record

Date Range:	1872-1986
	1872
	1911
	1920
	1928
	1934-1935
	1939
	1942-1943
	1950
	1977
	1986

Physical Description: 11.5 cm of textual records (32 x 42 cm or smaller)

Scope & Content:

File consists of 11.5 cm of textual records, 32 x 42 cm or smaller. Records include: Book of Common Prayer (1872); The Pocket Cook Book by Elizabeth Woody (1942); Guide to Marks of Origin on British and Irish Silver Plate from mid-16th Century to the Year 1943 and Old Sheffield Plate Makers' Marks, 1743-1860 (1943); four booklets related to the Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies (1934-1950); a booklet titled "Sir George Simpson Centennial Celebration" (1928); an assortment of recipes; "The Margaret P. Hess Collection" booklet published by the University of Calgary (1977) and a related Calgary Herald newspaper clipping (1986); one Carl Rungius postcard; and six miscellaneous postcards depicting a former school teacher of Leette Wardle (1911), James Wardle at the Cave and Basin (1920), the Wardles in San Francisco (n.d.), two unidentified men (n.d.), and visitors to the Banff Springs Hotel (n.d.).

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Notes:	Book of Common Prayer inscribed with: "Martha Morey, November 4, 1872. New Westminster, BC. From her mother." It belonged to James Wardle's mother.
	The Pocket Cook Book contains annotations and written notes tucked in among the pages of the book.
	Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies booklets kept because the Wardles participated in trail rides and there are photos/mentions of James and Dorothy, and possibly Leette.
	The "Sir George Simpson Centennial Celebration" booklet contains a photograph print between pages 32 and 33.
	Some of the postcards are annotated on the back, specifically the postcard depicting the Banff Springs Hotel which is addressed to Dorothy.
Name Access:	Wardle, Dorothy
	Wardle, James M.
	Simpson, George
	Rungius, Carl

Subject Access:	Hiking
	Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies
	Artist
	Art
	Leisure
	Recreation
	Religions
	Calgary Herald
	Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel
	Cave and Basin
Geographic Access:	Banff
	Banff National Park
	Alberta
	Canada
	Canadian Rocky Mountains
	San Francisco
	United States
Language:	English
Category:	Arts
	Sports, recreation and leisure
	Exploration, discovery and travel
	Religions
	Family and personal life
Title Source:	Title based on contents of file
Processing Status:	Processed
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