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Christopher C. Wright fonds

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Access: Open.

Textual, Graphic

1920-1937
0.04 meters

Title: Christopher C. Wright fonds

Dates of Creation: 1920-1937

Physical Description: 4 cm of textual records and 1 colour photograph

Biographical Sketch:

Christopher C. Wright was born in 1911 in Kamloops, B.C., the son of Frank Thomas Wright and Agnes M. Cleave. Wright was educated at various elementary schools and at home, before enrolling in Kamloops High School. He graduated in 1929, and briefly worked at the Bank of Montreal before gaining employment at the Tranquille Sanatorium. In 1932 Wright took courses in teaching at the Victoria Normal School, and began working at the Darlington School (between Barriere and Little Fort). He would remain there for three years before becoming the principal of Chase Superior School until 1942. During this time Wright also completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Latin at the University of British Columbia, graduating in 1944. After his tenure in Chase, Wright began teaching at Kamloops Junior Senior High School, until 1954. In 1954 he would marry Eve Bradley (with whom he had four children), and become the principal of Armstrong Junior Senior High. 1959 saw Wright elevated to the position of District Superintendent of Schools, stationed in Smithers and serving the Smithers, Burns Lake, and Vanderhoof School Districts. In 1962 Wright transferred to Creston, retaining his position as Superintendent of the Kootenay Lake and Creston School Districts, and would transfer again in 1967 to Salmon Arm where he would work until his retirement in 1974. During his time in Salmon Arm Wright was very involved with the community, especially St. John's Church, the New Democratic Party, and the Shuswap Foundation, and kept up interests in gardening and travel. After the death of his wife in 1999, Wright moved to Kelowna in 2000. Christopher C. Wright died in 2007.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of materials collected by Christopher C. Wright including a bridge scorecard, the diary of Harry Denney, a field notebook from his father Frank Thomas Wright, and a coronation calendar.

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Custodial History:

Accession 1989.002 was donated to the Kamloops Museum and Archives in April 1989 by Christopher C. Wright.

Notes:

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of fonds.

Arrangement: Order that fonds arrived in was maintained by the archivist.

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Related material: See Artifact Collection for additional materials donated with this accession.

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Accession	Description	Dates	Box/Folder
1989.002.003	Contract Bridge Scorecard – File contains a scorecard for bridge issued by Frontier and Brennan insurance, Kamloops. – 0.25 cm of textual records	1920s	1
1989.002.004	Diary of Harry G. Denney – File contains the diary of Harry George Hugh Denney, an employee at the Felbrigg (?) Ranch in Pritchard, B.C. – 1.5 cm of textual records	1920	2
1989.002.005	Cross Section Book – File contains a field notebook showing maps from the Seymour Arm area, notes, and expenses for expeditions, likely belonging to Frank Thomas Wright. Notebook also contains a colour photograph of a train bridge and loose pages of notes. – 1.5 cm of textual records and 1 colour photograph	ca. 1920s	3
1989.002.007	Coronation Calendar 1937 – File contains a calendar produced for the coronation of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth in 1937. – 1 textual record with photographs	1937	4