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Native American Archives: An Introduction. JOHN A. FLECKNER. Chicago: The Society of American Archivists, 1984. viii, 70 p. \$5.00 (members), \$7.00 (non-members).

As native communities in Canada assume increasing responsibility for their affairs the need for consideration of band or tribal administered archival programmes becomes apparent. The achievements of the Native American Archives Project, of which this booklet is an example, should be viewed with interest. The book identifies the role of archives in helping fulfil the administrative, educational, and cultural needs of native communities. It illustrates how an active records management programme results in a more efficient administration of native governments and highlights the place of multi-media archives in the understanding and presentation of native heritage. The booklet suggests guidelines for establishing an archive, addresses such questions as acquisition strategy, conservation, and access, and identifies sources for assistance in creating an archival programme. A short bibliography of basic archival literature is provided.

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The Story of the Royal Ottawa Hospital. RONALD J.F. POWER. Ottawa: Mutual Press Ltd., 1985. 64 p.

Since 1910, the Royal Ottawa Hospital has evolved from a tuberculosis sanatorium into a mental health and physical rehabilitation hospital. Using a variety of documents from the Royal Ottawa's own files as well as from other sources such as the City of Ottawa Archives, the Lung Association of Ottawa-Carleton, and the Public Archives of Canada, Ronald Power tells not only the story of the institution, but also the story of the struggle to overcome tuberculosis in Eastern Ontario. He puts the "miracle of the empty beds" of the 1960s into firm historical perspective, treating that phenomenon not so much as an end in itself, but as an achievement which has enabled the Royal Ottawa to advance into new

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areas of health care. Designer Maggie Wesley's attractive layout and imaginative use of graphics help to make this publication an admirable commemoration of the Royal Ottawa's seventy-fifth anniversary.

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Atlantic Libraries and Archives: A Directory of Special Collections. IAIN BATES and ANN NEVILL, compilers. Halifax: Atlantic Provinces Library Association, 1984. 56 p. ISBN 0-920844-01-4 \$5.00.

This reference work provides an eclectic listing of special collections housed by various libraries, archives, and government departments in the four Atlantic provinces and in Maine. The organization of the directory is geographical rather than thematic. It is subdivided by province or state. Various institutions provide a brief description of the sort of special collections they possess and indicate the extent to which the collections are catalogued and whether access restrictions apply to the material. The listing is not intended to be comprehensive.

The Macmillan Archive: Part One. BRUCE WHITEMAN, compiler. McMaster University Library Research News. Vol. 8 No. 1, 1984. xii, 97 p. \$3.00.

The records of the publishing firm Macmillan of Canada are of value to those interested in business as well as literary archives. As this published finding aid indicates, the organization of the company's records reflects that dichotomy. The first part of the collection includes business letters as well as correspondence with the company's authors, publicity files, and general office records. The second major series of the archive houses a collection of many of the volumes published by Macmillan.

The Marian Engel Archive. DR. K.E. GARAY and NORMA SMITH, compilers. McMaster University Library Research News. Vol. 8, No. 2, 1984. xi, 95 p. \$3.00.

McMaster University purchased the papers of author Marian Engel in 1982; this publication is a finding aid to the collection. The papers date from the late 1940s to 1982 and include manuscripts of her work as well as personal and business correspondence. The correspondence is arranged alphabetically. Unpublished works dating from before 1968 have been grouped together, followed by material relating to published works segregated by form: novels, children's literature, short stories, radio scripts, and so on.

Directory of Mennonite Archives and Historical Libraries. Winnipeg: Mennonite Heritage Centre, 1984. iv, 28 p.

This directory provides a concise listing of major repositories of Mennonite archival material. The listing is international in orientation and arranged alphabetically by country. The emphasis of this guide, however, is placed on describing the holdings of North American archives. All entries are prepared in English, German, and French.