

An "Ethnic Archives Workshop" was held in May. It was attended by eighteen persons representing thirteen organizations or ethnic societies.

Planning of the new Provincial Library and Archives Building continues, but a move from offices in the Legislative Building to the new location in the former Civic Auditorium Building is not expected to take place until late summer, 1974.

SASKATCHEWAN ARCHIVES BOARD. Recent accessions have included records of the Regina Labour Council, Regina General Hospital School of Nursing, Saskatchewan Wheat Pool, Saskatchewan N.D.P. and Saskatoon Metro N.D.P.; papers of Hon. J.W. Burton (former provincial cabinet minister and Member of Parliament), R.J. Staples, (music supervisor), and Ernest Lindner (artist). The Archives of the three prairie provinces, in co-operation with P.A.C., filmed 72 reels of Immigration Branch records held by P.A.C.

Combined usage at our two offices has averaged 30 researchers per day since January 1, 1973. These were mainly students working on theses, honours and term papers, but include also writers, genealogists, and the public generally.

One new position was created in the Regina Office, effective April 1st, 1973 and Mr. Trevor Powell was appointed to it. Mr. A.R. Turner, Provincial Archivist, was appointed chairman of the Saskatchewan R.C.M.P. Centennial Co-ordinating Committee.

The Fifteenth Report of the Saskatchewan Archives Record, for the period 1970-1972 was published during the year.

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CITY OF TORONTO ARCHIVES. Since the establishment of the City Archives in 1960 the City Archivist has taken every opportunity to persuade municipal politicians of the wisdom of preserving their papers for posterity. Patience has recently been rewarded by several ex-members of Council, most notably ex-Mayor William Dennison whose political career spans 1938-73. There are indications that the deposit of such papers will become customary.

The Photograph Collection grows steadily, aided last year by prints from the Buildings Dept. concerning housing conditions in Toronto 1935-47, and approximately 1200 prints and negatives from City Planning Board of areas being rezoned (1959-63). Planning Board also transferred 25 feet of original material produced by the international architectural competition for the new City Hall (1956-59).

More donations are being received from outside the civic service - Canadian Underwriters Association presented Goad's Insurance Plan of Toronto (1880) Vol. 1, together with Goad's Atlas of Toronto 1910 (revised to 1923/4) 3 Vols. The Toronto Historical Board forwarded 14 manuscripts from the collection of John G. Howard concerning the Harbour, City Hall and St. Lawrence Market (1846-51). Mr. Robert Lockie presented a sealed Land Grant dated 1809, and Miss Elizabeth Milligan a City Directory for 1836-37.

Total requests were up from 888 in 1971 to 1,359 in 1972 (348 by telephone, 38 by mail and 973 personal visits), with research hours in the same period increasing from 1,303 to 2,424. A high proportion of the personal visits was in connection with urban studies programmes at the universities.

LONDON PUBLIC LIBRARY, LONDON ROOM. Recent accessions included material relating to Orlo Miller, a local historian, and numerous family genealogies from Western Ontario. Card files are being prepared on Landmarks of London and on Buildings and Places in London, Ontario.

TRENT UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES. The Trent Archives is now a full-fledged Special Collections unit: It consists of regional/historical and University Archives, a 'Trent Collection' of locally authored books, or books of local topic or publication, and the Thomas J. Bata Library's rare book collection (which includes theses). The Archivist is the 'passive' curator of the printed material.

The papers of Professor T.H.B. Symons, first President, were accessioned, as were tape recordings of public lectures, plays, speak-outs, convocations and related ceremonies, (including Symons' last Senate).

Municipal records from the County of Victoria were accessioned over Christmas.

The Fowlds Papers and the Marryat Papers (pioneer lumber and flour millers in Hastings Ont., and the latter a local historian descended from the Fowlds') were reorganized and indexed in order to more properly convey the activities of the people and businesses concerned.

The Records of the Ontario Camping Association are being reorganized. The Gainey Collection of Peterborough labour union records was organized for use.

When the Registrar moves to the main campus in summer 1973, complete sets of original minutes, and appendices of U. committees will be turned over to Archives.

We have started to compile a 'Union List' of local archival materials in cooperation with the Peterborough Centennial Museum.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY ARCHIVES. Preparations for Kingston's 1973 Tercentenary celebrations imposed a special burden on the Archives. A total of 3,363 research visits to the Archives were recorded, an increase of 24% over 1971/72.

The Archives staff acted as historical advisors to the civic Tercentenary Committee and to a host of sub-committees and associations planning special projects. To assist teachers in making effective use of the teaching potential of the Archives' holdings concerning local history the archivists took the initiative in establishing a Resource Centre for Local Studies in Frontenac County. This was funded by the Frontenac County Board of Education and the Frontenac, Lennox and Addington Roman Catholic Separate School Board. Teaching kits, bringing together copies of manuscripts, maps, photographs, drawings and inaccessible printed materials are being assembled for in-class use. Ian Wilson prepared two half-hour slide-tape presentations on the history of Kingston which have been reproduced for circulation through the school systems.

The Archives staff in cooperation with the Agnes Etherington Art Centre undertook a major exhibition of archival and museum materials relating to Kingston. Professor J.D. Stewart and Ian Wilson are the researchers for the exhibition and the co-authors of an illustrated history, Heritage Kingston being published to accompany the exhibition. The Public Archives of Canada and the Archives Nationales du Québec have extended full cooperation in the two years of preparing for this exhibition and in lending original documents. The Archives Nationales de France is lending Frontenac's original report on his voyage to Cataraqi in 1673 and a new English translation of this, prepared by Professor James Pritchard together with the original French text is being published locally. Other documents and maps are being lent by the Newberry Library, the Royal Ontario Museum, the Archives of Ontario, Her Majesty the Queen, the National Gallery and the National Museums and a score of private collectors.

The archivists have also assisted in initiating, and editing two books of essays; Kingston 300: A Social Snapshot, and a book of scholarly essays on Kingston in the nineteenth century to be published by the Kingston Historical Society.

The regular activities of the Archives proceeded normally. Notable accessions included the extensive diaries kept over a 45 year period (1903-1948) by Senator James Murdock, prominent labour leader and Liberal cabinet minister; the papers of Brigadier James Sutherland Brown (1919-1936); the diary of Colonel William Campbell dealing with events on the Upper Canadian borders (1794-1796); and the surviving records of Redpath Sugar Company (1854-1960). Additions were received to the papers of John J. Deutsch, Senator

C.G. Power, and Hugh Garner. Of local interest was the discovery of the letterbook of the Cataract Bridge Company, 1827-1830, and the letterbooks of James Macfarlane and Co., publishers of the Kingston Chronicle, 1832-1834. The papers of the Jones Family a Loyalist family in Brockville, 1790-1860 were obtained as were the records of the Co-operative Supply Depot of Kingston, 1969-1971.

A downtown attic yielded the full glass plate negatives of John W. Powell, a Kingston photographer, 1885 to 1900. Over 5,000 negatives were recovered, virtually all identified portraits, and are being cleaned and listed with the aid of a special grant.

In response to an appeal by the City of Kingston, the University Archivist examined the city archives in the basement cells of Kingston's City Hall. With a full restoration and renovation project about to begin on the 1840's building, and with the records, dating from 1838 in considerable disorder, urgent action was necessary. On the advice of the University Archivist, City Council established the City of Kingston Archives, and created the position of City Archivist responsible to an Archives and Records Committee. While remaining the property and under the control of the City, the Archives were placed with the Queen's University Archives and Ian Wilson was named first city archivist. The City Archives total 540 linear shelf feet and span the years 1838 to 1940. These records, like the other collections in the Queen's Archives are open to the general public. A full general inventory is in the course of preparation.

On campus, the Archives worked closely with Dr. Hilda Neatby who is nearing the completion of her history of the University. Significant accessions were received to the records of the University Council, the Principal's Office, 1952-1972, the Office of the Vice-Principal (Finance) 1926-1970, the Queen's Quarterly, the Department of English, 1937-1944, and the Aesculapian Society, 1901-1964. Several noted members of faculty deposited their papers including Professor F.A. Knox (Economics), Professor Alistair Walker (English), and Dr. Beatrice Worsley (Computer science).

Inventories were completed for twenty-seven collections of private papers or records series including the G.F. Chipman papers, Ontario CCF-NDP records, G.M. Grube papers and the Redpath Sugar Co. records.

The acting University Archivist, Ian Wilson addressed 14 groups on topics concerning Kingston's history or Canadian archives and was elected second vice-president of the Ontario Historical Society.