

GLENBOW ARCHIVES

MAJOR HOLDINGS

(current as of November 2018)

AGRICULTURE

Glenbow holds records from most of the major agricultural organizations based in the Calgary area, and from many of the significant agricultural families and individuals, including over 20 members of the Alberta Agriculture Hall of Fame. [total 750 collections]:

Alberta Irrigation Projects Association
Alberta Sugar Beet Growers Association
Carl J. Anderson
Canada Land and Irrigation Company
Eastern Irrigation District
Lethbridge Northern Irrigation District
Asael Exile Palmer
United Farmers of Alberta
Western Irrigation District
W. D. Albright
Cooper family
Stirling/Holmes family

Alberta Sheep Breeders Association
Alberta Wheat Pool
Bow Slope Shipping Association
Howard Falkenberg
Lalovee Rogers Jensen
Charles Sherwood Noble
Charles Walter Peterson
United Grain Growers
William Berry family
John C. Hargrave
Perry family
Farmers Union of Alberta/Unifarm

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

Glenbow holds one of the larger corporate archives collections in Canada and we have many types of business records from 20th century Calgary and southern Alberta. We also have the files of several business and professional organizations. [total 440 collections]:

Bennett and White Ltd.
Calgary Chamber of Commerce
Golden Fleece Woollen Mills
Hay and Harding Ltd.
Hook Signs Ltd.
Jenkins Groceteria Ltd.
Motor Car Supply Company
Calgary Power
Lamont Real Estate
Molsons Brewery, Western
W. F. Nelson
Canadian Information Proc. Society, Calg.
Canadian Pacific Hotels
Better Business Bureau

Building Owners and Managers Assn.
Crown Lumber Company
Great West Saddlery
Hays and Company
Hurst Construction Company
Administrative Management Society
Ted Riback
James Kerr
Dominion Bridge
Silvester Building Supplies
Leon Plotkins
Riley & McCormick
Kerry Busby

COMMUNICATIONS

Glenbow has the records of most of the major newspaper, radio & television companies in the city. [CBC Calgary records are held at the Provincial Archives]. We also hold many of the prominent journalists from the city's history. [total 125 collections]:

Mutual Telephone companies [8]	Max Bell
Clark family	William and Ethel Davidson
Media Club of Calgary	Leonard D. Nesbitt
Jack Peach	Elizabeth Bailey Price
Eva Reid	Alberta Weekly Newspapers Assn.
Calgary Albertan	Calgary Herald
CFAC Radio	CFCN Radio and Television
Calgary 7 Television [Global]	Farm and Ranch Review
H. Gordon Love	Western Oil Examiner
Jewish Star	Canadian Public Relations Society
John T. Schmidt	Gardiner, Price family
John Francis	Linda and Dick Curtis
Tom Primrose	Nancy Millar
Faye Reineberg Holt	
Society for Technical Communication, Alberta Chapter	

ETHNICITY

Glenbow was involved in a major ethnic oral history project in the 1980s and had a dedicated multicultural archivist for several years before 2005. [total 150 collections]:

Alberta/NWT Network of Immigrant Women	American Womens Club
Arusha Cross-Cultural Centre	Calgary Folk Arts Council
L'Association Canadienne-Francaise	Calgary Jewish Community Council
Canadian Council of Christians and Jews	Howard Palmer
Independent Order, Flowers of Italy	Abraham Shumiatcher
Rebaudengo Family	Calgary Immigrant Aid Society
Alberta Chapter, Germans from Russia H. S.	Raymond Buddhist Temple
Joe Khu	Mary Koga [Hutterite photography]
Peoples of Southern Alberta Oral History Project	Jack Switzer

EDUCATION

In the 1980s Glenbow acquired substantial holdings of southern Alberta school divisions, most of which have disappeared in recent administrative amalgamations. We also have the files of several organizations of educational professionals and some personal files of teachers. [total 215 collections]:

Alberta Federation of Home and School Associations	Berry Creek S. D.
College of Alberta School Superintendents	Bow Valley S. D.
Calgary Board of Education	Crowsnest Pass S. D.
Foothills Christian College	Foothills S. D.
Old Sun Community College	Alberta Education Man. Soc.
Pincher Creek S. D.	Rockyview S. D.
Alberta Association for Continuing Education	Alice and Arthur Avery
Calgary Retired Teachers' Association	

ENVIRONMENT

Glenbow holds a small but significant collection relating to the environmental movement in the region.
[total 55 collections]:

Alberta Wilderness Association
Calg. Field Naturalists Society [Nature Calgary]
Nose Hill Park Communities Board
Calgary Fish & Game Association
Roxanne Walsh

Calgary Eco-Centre Society
Sierra Club of Alberta
Wyn van der Schee [Recycling]
Andrew Nikiforuk

FAMILY AND PERSONAL LIFE

The Archives are regularly offered family history material (often in association with Cultural History donations).
[total 205 collections]:

Shervey family
Willison family
Wright family

Miles, Hanlon family
Stirling/Holmes family

FUR TRADE

The fur trade was not a major factor in the history of southern Alberta but we have several collections that relate to this industry in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Very little material now comes to light.
[total 44 collections]:

James Kennedy Cornwall
Philip Godsell
Nagle family

Clair W. Dawson
Richard C. Hardisty

HEALTH SERVICES

Over the years we have acquired quite a few collections dealing with medical organizations, particularly nursing schools, as well as the papers of several significant physicians and nurses.
[total 120 collections]:

John W. Giffen
George E. Learmonth
Earle Parkhill Scarlett
Kate Colley
Eileen Jameson
Noel A. Farrow
Alberta Heart Foundation
Canadian Red Cross Society, AB/NWT
Alberta Registered Dietitians

David Lander
Ethelbert Reavley
Calgary Gen. Hospital School of Nursing
Holy Cross School of Nursing
Victorian Order of Nurses
Penley Pharmacy collection
Calgary Medical Society
Childrens Hospital Aid Society
Gardiner, Price family

INDIGENOUS/METIS - MAJOR FONDS

The Archives holds many significant collections relating to Indigenous studies including many who were part of the Indian Affairs bureaucracy – agents, farm instructors, doctors, nurses, and teachers. Among the holdings are the files of several anthropologists who worked locally including Lucien and Jane Hanks, Verne Dusenberry, Douglas Leechman and Claude Schaeffer. We also have personal papers from indigenous leaders who established the Indian and Metis Associations in Alberta, and, extensive genealogical collections relating to Metis families, and several fonds from Metis leaders and organizations. [total 315 collections].

LABOUR

Glenbow has one of the most extensive labour history collections in Canada.
[total 70 collections]:

ACCTRA	Alberta CCF
Bricklayers and Masons	Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen
Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen	Brotherhood of Railway Carmen
Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers	Calgary Labour Temple Company
Calgary and District Labour Council	Calgary Typographical Union
Construction and General Workers	IBEW
Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers	Sheet Metal Workers
Plumbers	Carpenters and Joiners
United Mine Workers District 18	United Transportation Union (west. region)
IATSE 302 [Projectionists]	United Transportation Union local 1884
Gordon Christie	

LAND SETTLEMENT AND IMMIGRATION

The Archives has extensive holdings from the early land settlement corporations in the region.
[total 85 collections]:

Alberta Railway and Coal Company	Calgary and Edmonton Corporation
Canada Northwest Land Company	Canadian Pacific Railway

LAW AND JUSTICE

The Archives has not been active in collecting material relating to law firms, lawyers and legal organizations since the establishment of the Legal Archives Society in the 1990s. [We do still occasionally acquire legal records as part of the papers of politicians, many of whom are lawyers]

[total 300 collections]:

John C. F. Bown	J. McKinley Cameron
Spencer Cumming	Eric L. Harvie
John P. J. Jephson	Short, Ross, Shelwood, Shaw and Mayhood
William E. Simpson	John Vaselenak
Austin Winter	

MILITARY

The Archives has a small but rich assortment of material relating to the military history of Calgary, often collected in association with donations to the Military History collection. However, many of our acquisitions in other fields such as family history, business, natural resources, etc. also include a military component.

[total 375 collections]:

Calgary Highlanders
Frederick Scott
Lord Strathcona's Horse
South African Veterans
Victor Wheeler
Dennis Wagner

Daniel Lee Redman
Richard Cunniffe
Garnet Wolseley
James Anderson-Wilson
Jack Summers

NATURAL RESOURCES

The Archives has a very large and comprehensive collection relating to the history of the petroleum, coal and lumber industries in Alberta and western Canada. Included are papers of 17 members of the Canadian Petroleum Hall of Fame.

[total 400 collections]:

Canmore Mines Ltd.
Coal Association of Canada
Lethbridge Collieries Ltd.
West Canadian Collieries
Davidson Enman Lumber
Revelstoke Companies Ltd.
Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling
Canadian Society of Exploration Geophysicists
Canadian Petroleum Association
Canadian Well Logging Society
William Stewart Herron
Independent Petroleum Association
Royalite Oil Company
Jack Gallagher
R. A. Brown (Sr. & Jr.)
Hal Godwin
Stan Harding
Pete Sanderson
Canadian Gas Processors
Stan Brodylo
Canadian Oil Scouts Association
Peter Bediz
Gulf Canada Limited
John Steward

Century Coals Ltd.
CrowsNest Pass Coal Company
Monarch Coal Mining Company
Crowsnest Resources
Eau Claire Lumber
Alberta Stock Exchange
Can. Association of Petroleum Landmen Contractors

Canadian Society of Petroleum Geologists
Dingman family
Home Oil Company
Neil McQueen
Petroleum Communication Foundation
Imperial Oil Limited
Robert Svare
Herron family
J. C. Sproule
Ned Gilbert
Petroleum Accountants Society
Leon Plotkins
Robert Adair
Andrew Nikiforuk
Turner Valley Oilfield Society
Hans Maciej

PHOTOGRAPHERS

From the early days of the archives the records of southern Alberta professional photographers has been a priority. We are fortunate that the vast majority of studios have kept their negatives and have donated them to Glenbow.

[total 70 collections]:

A. E. Cross Studios	Robert A. Bird
Boorne and May	Orville Brunelle
B. S. Cameron	John H. Gano
Herbert W. Gleason	Fern Gully
Bob Hoare	William Kilroe
Arnold Lupson	McDermid Studios
W.J. Oliver	Rosettis Studio
Mathieson Photo Service Ltd.	Jack De Lorme
John Gibson	Jack Crossley
Jim Hall	Ernest Kehr
Boyd and Freda Waddell	Angus of Calgary
Bow Valley Photographic Services	Lorne Burkell

POLITICS

The Archives has an extensive collection of the records of southern Alberta MLAs, MPs and Senators and various political organizations, especially the Social Credit, UFA and Liberal parties. We also hold over 50 collections of Calgary mayors and aldermen.

[total 165 collections]:

Alberta CCF	Norman F. Priestley
Walter and Amelia Smith	R. G. Brett
David Carter	James Gladstone
Frederick Haultain	John Kushner
Progressive Conservation Assn.	Alberta Liberal Association
J. J. Bowlen	Jim Hawkes
Earl A. Hastings	J. Wesley Stambaugh
John H. Blackmore	Ernest G. Hansell
John W. Hugill	Norman B. James
Solon E. Low	Perren Baker
G. G. Coote	John H. Ford
Henry E. Spencer	United Farmers of Alberta
Ralph Steinhauer	Una Maclean Evans
Janet Koper	Sheldon Chumir
Eldon Woolliams	Thomlinson family
Lorne Proudfoot	Calgary Women's Liberal Association
Lily Phan	Jason Ness
Farmers Union of Alberta/Unifarm	

RANCHING

Glenbow holds the major collection relating to the history of the cattle industry in Canada. [total 500 collections]:

Alberta Aberdeen Angus Association	Bray family
Brooks Central Feeders Association	Patrick Burns
Frederick and Gordon Burton	Canadian Cattlemans Association
Cochrane Ranche Company	Bud Cotton
A. E. Cross family	E. P. Ranch
Edwards/Gardiner family	Gilbert Goddard
Harry Hays	McHugh family
New Walrond Ranche Company	George Pocaterra
Quorn Ranche Company	Ranchmens Club
Ross family	St. Ann Ranch Trading Company
Guy Weadick	Western Stock Growers Association
Frank White	Western Heritage Centre
Zahava Hanan	Waldron Grazing Cooperative
Towers & Wearmouth	Canadian Angus Association
Usher family	

RCMP

Outside of Library and Archives Canada and the RCMP Museum in Regina, Glenbow holds the largest collection of RCMP records in Canada – most relate to the early North West Mounted era before 1920. Material is often acquired in association with additions to the Military History collection. [total 205 collections]:

K. F. Anderson	Fred Bagley
Joseph Begin	William E. Buchanan
Jukes family	James F. Macleod
George B. McClellan	Richard Barrington Nevitt
William Parker	Sanders family
Wood family	Gagnon/Royal family
Geraldine and Douglas Moodie	Jack Dunn NWMP Research Collection

RELIGIONS

From the early years of the Archives, material relating to religious organizations and individuals has not been a priority due to the fact that it is a specialization of the Provincial Archives of Alberta. We primarily hold papers of missionaries to First Nations, or small unaffiliated religious groups such as the Unitarians and local synagogues. [total 160 collections]:

Alberta CGIT	Beth Tzedec synagogue
Calgary Prophetic Bible Institute	Catholic Womens League
Central United Church	Free Methodist Church, Alberta Conference
Hillhurst Baptist Church	George and John McDougall
Samuel H. Middleton	Pinkham family
Robert T. Rundle	Scollen family
Robert B. Steinhauer	Harry Stocken
Cecil Swanson	John William Tims
Samuel Trivett	Unitarian Church of Calgary
Wood's Christian Home	YWCA/YMCA

SOCIETIES

The Archives has collected widely in the realm of local non-profits related to communities, fraternal and service organizations, and social welfare. [total 405 collections]:

Calgary Jaycees	Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary
Association of Records Managers	Community Associations [Bankview, Hillhurst, Rideau Roxboro, Southview, Rosedale, Hounsfield Heights-Briar Hill, Crescent Heights]
Elks	Canadian Public Relations Society
Canada West Foundation	Developmental Disabilities Association
Cosmopolitan Club	Family Life Education Council
Devonian Foundation	Gyro Club
Federation of Calgary Communities	Oddfellows
Historical Society of Alberta	Maccabees
Kiwanis Club	Rotary Club
Rehabilitation Society	Senior Citizens Central Council
Royal Arch Masons	United Way
Tourism Industry Association	Inst. of Public Administration, Calgary
Optimist club	Independent Order of Foresters
Calgary Beautification Foundation	Rotary (William Gant)
Calgary Interfaith Community Action Assn	Child Find Alberta
Project Management Inst., S. AB Chapter	

SPORTS RECREATION AND LEISURE

Glenbow has a very extensive collection relating to these themes - likely one of the larger sports holdings in the country. Most of our holdings consist of organizational records as the papers of athletes are typically collected by Sports Hall of Fame across the country – one major exception is the Stu Hart fonds. [total 345 collections]:

Calgary Polo Club	Calgary Stampeders Football Club
Calgary Golf and Country Club	Alberta Golf Association
Alberta Rugby Union	Alberta Squash Racquets Association
Calgary Ski Club	Calgary Winter Club
Canadian Girls Rodeo Association	Canadian Professional Rodeo Association
Canadian Ski Association, Alpine	Canadian Ski Patrol
Foothills Cowboys Association	Foothills Nordic Ski Club
Synchro Swim Alberta	Alpine Club of Canada, Calgary
Calgary and District Square Dancers	Calgary Horticultural Society
S. S. Jameson Chautauqua collection	Field Hockey Association of Calgary
Sierra Club of Western Canada	Canadian Hostelling Association
Alberta Light Horse Association	Alberta Dressage Association
Stu Hart	Y's Men's Club of Calgary
Alberta Family Histories Society	Canada's America's Cup Challenge Inc.
Calgary Weekend Hikers	Norseman Ski Club
Kerby Centre	

TRANSPORTATION

Glenbow holds a rich collection relating to transportation in the region, including the bus and trucking industries.

[total 235 collections]:

Wop May	Fred McCall
Joseph Patton	Alberta Trucking Association
Cardinal Coach Lines [First Student Can]	Canadian Pacific Railway Right of Way Dept.
Floyd Yeats	Norman Fisher
Ray Matthews	

WOMEN

The Archives has an extensive collection relating to the role of women in southern Alberta history.

[total 320 collections]:

Aileen Fish	Helen Freeman
Dorothy A. Gray	Sophie Miles
Willison family	Louise Dean
Price family	Maude Riley
Doreen Orman	Nancy Millar

WOMEN'S SOCIETIES

Glenbow has a very comprehensive collection from women's organizations in the region.

[total 190 collections]:

Alberta Council on Child and Family Welfare	Alberta Home Economics Assn.
Alberta Women's Institute [5 branches]	Altrusa Club
American Woman's Club	Assn of Administrative Assts.
Calgary Activettes	Calgary Birth Control Assn
Calgary Local Council of Women	Calgary Status of Women Action Comm.
Calgary Women's Literary Club	Calgary Women's Musical Club
Can. Fed. of Bus. & Prof. Women's club, Calgary	Famous 5 Foundation
Canadian Women's Press Club	Desk and Derrick Club
Elizabeth Fry Society	Executive Women International
IODE [11 chapters]	Junior League of Calgary
Oil Wives Club	Rebekah Assembly [4 lodges]
Rotary Anns	Samaritan Club
Women's Canadian Club	Women's Christian Temperance Un.
Calgary Women's Network	Girl Guides, Calgary Area
Prairie Costume Society	Women Looking Forward
Women of Colour collective	Herland feminist film festival
Sexual Health Access Alberta	Beta Sigma Phi [19 chapters]
Delta Kappa Gamma	