



MG 167 - A.M. Shaw fonds

Dates: [ca. 1900]-1986 (inclusive).

Extent: 18 cm (+ oversize) of textual records, photographs, graphic material.

Biography: John Alexander Malcolm Shaw was born on 12 June 1885 in Woodburn, Ontario. He graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College in 1910 and served as an agricultural agent for the Great Northern Railways prior to accepting an appointment at the University of Saskatchewan as assistant professor of Animal Husbandry. In 1929 he was named Dean of the College of Agriculture, a position he held until his resignation from the University in 1937.

From 1935 to 1937, Shaw was a Commissioner of the Canadian Wheat Board; in 1937, he was appointed Director of the newly formed marketing service in the federal Department of Agriculture. In 1950 he became Chair of the Agricultural Prices Support Board; and from 1953 to 1955 he chaired the Royal Commission on Agriculture in Newfoundland. He retired in 1958.

A. M. Shaw was one of the outstanding pioneers in Saskatchewan agriculture and played a leading role in the development of livestock breeding and of agricultural marketing in Canada. He died on 16 August 1974 in Ottawa, Ontario.

Scope and Content: This fonds contains correspondence, reports, articles and addresses relating to Professor Shaw's career and research. There is considerable material regarding the development of livestock breeding, agricultural marketing in Canada, and the drought on the prairies during the 1930s. In addition, it contains memorabilia related to the career of Winkona Wheelock Frank, the first nutritionist at the University of Saskatchewan.

Arrangement:

This fonds is organized into two series:

- I. Alexander Malcolm Shaw
- II. Winkona Wheelock Frank

Files within each series are arranged in alphabetical order.

Restrictions: There are no restrictions to this material.

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I. Alexander Malcolm Shaw

1. **Articles and Addresses - By Year.** - 1913-1944. - 2 folders.
The material in these folders was arranged in chronological order [by A.M. Shaw]; a complete listing is included at the beginning of each folder.
2. **Articles and Addresses - Miscellaneous.** - [ca. 1900]-1938.
Includes "Drafting of Army Remounts;" various reports regarding proper care of livestock; a report of the first Saskatchewan Winter Fair including a list of award winners; "Drought on the Canadian Prairies;" "Tonic for the Drought Area;" etc.
3. **Articles and Addresses - University of Saskatchewan.** - 1916-1927.
Includes a report on the Better Farming Train, 1916; a report on the 1922 Agricultural Societies Convention; and a report on the department of Animal Husbandry for the *Saskatoon Star*; etc.
4. **Birth/Death.** - 1938, 1974.
Birth certificate and obituaries.
5. **Career.** - nd, 1913-1958, 1986.
Press releases, newspaper clippings, and CVs relating to Shaw's appointments, career and achievements.
6. **Correspondence.** - 1956, 1958.
Shaw's memories of Algoma in 1909; correspondence relating to his award of a Live Stock Scroll by the Saskatchewan Livestock Board.
See also 10. Graphics (oversize).
7. **Correspondence - CMG.** - 1946-1947.
Telegrams and correspondence regarding Shaw's appointment as a Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George.
8. **Correspondence - Retirement.** - 1958.
9. **Correspondence - University of Saskatchewan.** - 1915, 1930-1937.
Primarily various offers of employment; and his letter of resignation.
10. **Graphics.** - 1936, 1958.
Two pen and ink drawings of Grey Gables, the Dean of Agriculture's Residence (now the Faculty Club) by Al Davey; and the Live Stock Scroll (see above, 6. Correspondence).
Oversize.

11. **Miscellaneous.** - 1915-1975.

12. **Photographs.** - 1932-1958.

Portraits of A.M. Shaw; his retirement; his work on the Royal Commission on Agriculture in Newfoundland; several photos of Anne and Robert Shaw and their pony "Buster" in front of "Grey Gables," the Dean of Agriculture's residence [now the Faculty Club]; and two photos of the College of Agriculture class of 1933.

13. **Reports - Advisory Committee [Agriculture/Livestock Marketing].** - 1935.

14. **Reports - *The British Market and the Canadian Farmer.*** - 1937.

An annotation on this report suggests it "was shelved and never distributed because it was critical of another [federal] Department."

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15. **Reports - Royal Commission on Agriculture in Newfoundland.** - 1955.

16. **Reports - Saskatchewan Better Farming Commission.** - 1920.

17. **Reports - University of Saskatchewan - Animal Husbandry Department.** - 1918, 1920.

18. **Wheat Board - Appointment - Congratulatory Telegrams.** - 1935.

II. Winkona Wheelock Frank

Winkona Wheelock Frank was the first dietitian at the University of Saskatchewan. She married A.M. Shaw in 1918; they had two children, Robert and Anne. Winkona Shaw died in 1948.

1. **Memorabilia.** - 1911-1919.

A handmade menu card; several invitations to dances and concerts on campus; and a photograph of the dining room in the men's residence, U of S.

2. **Resumé.** - 1996.

A resumé/memoir of Winkona Frank's career, written by her daughter, Anne Shaw Hudson.