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#### About the Records

Note: See https://memorysask.ca/walter-c-murray-fonds-2 for detailed description.

#### **Summary**

Title proper: Walter C. Murray fonds Reference code: PR 3

Title notes: Previously identified as Walter C. Murray papers (A.676.XVII.C).

**Creators:** 1905–1928 Murray, Walter Charles (1866–1945)

ca.1924–1927 Dominion Church Property Commission (ca.1924–1927)

ca.1905–1915 Joint Committee on Church Union (ca.1903–1925)

Physical description: 24.1 cm (approx.) textual records

Other formats: Microfilm copy of some records available (microfilm reference number R.10).

Finding aids: GS-168 includes original file and series listings, in section A676.XVII.C. Microfilm

contents listed in finding aid IR-12.

#### **Associated materials:**

Biographical file for Walter C. Murray included in Saskatchewan Conference collections (see **A.676.XX.Murray**).

#### **About Archival Reference Numbers**

When requesting access to specific records, please note the title and date listed, as well as all parts of the reference code, including:

- the locator code (e.g. "A.676");
- a roman-numeral series code (e.g. "XVII") and any sub-series codes present;
- individual file and/or item identifiers.

Example: A.676.XVII.D.1 – Edmund H. Oliver, Correspondence, 1911-1916.

<u>Note</u>: Records marked "restricted" in the finding aid will have to be reviewed before they can be made available to researchers. Requests should be sent to the Living Skies Archives office.

## **Collection list** (from GS-168, volume 1)

A676 XVII. Personal Papers.

A676.XVII C. Walter C. Murray.

Dr. Murray was President of the University of Saskatchewan from its founding in 1908 until 1937. He was also a prominent Presbyterian and, later, a United churchman. He was an early proponent of Union, being a member of the Joint Committee on Union from at least 1905, and after Union was a member of the Commission which assigned assets of the three uniting churches.

Most of the material in this collection refers to Dr. Murray's church union activities.

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A. 676.XVII.C 1: Joint Committee on Church Union, 1905-1915.

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- a) Papers of the Sub-Cormittee on Polity, 1905, 1cm arranged by Dr. Murray in 1925 and including a summarised list of early polity reports.
- b) Joint Committee on Church Union, Record of 4cm. Proceedings and separate printed sub-committee reports, with other pertinent information.
- 2. Correspondence relating to the Sub-Committee on 2mm on Polity, 1905-1908, 1915.

This correspondence includes printed and published material.

3. Church Union correspondence, 1920-1925.

5cm

For part of this period Dr. Murray was the Presbyterian representative on the Advisory Council of the Union Churches of Western Canada.

- 4. Committee on Church Union and Sub-Committee on 1cm Law and Legislation, 1921-22, miscellaneous material.
- A676 XVII. C. 5. Dominion Church Property Commission, 1924-1927.

This Commission was set up for the purpose of dividing the assets of the Presbyterian Church in Canada between the United Church of Canada and the non-concurring Presbyterians. The documents are in the form of exhibits submitted to the Commission; most have notes attached, or annotations by, Dr. Murray.

- a) Orders of the Commission Appointed Pursuant 3mm to the United Church of Canada Act, 1924.
- Exhibit 1. Presbyterian Church in Canada,
  Statement of Finances and assets as at 10th
  June, 1925.
  Exhibit 2. Objections to Exhibit 1, furnished
  by the United Church of Canada.
  Exhibit 3. Statements Respecting the Work of
  the Presbyterian Church in Canada as at 10th
  June, 1925.
  Exhibit 10. Statement of the Forward Movement
  Peace Offering, 10th June, 1925.

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Exhibit 11. Analysis of Votes on Church Union and Numerical Strength of the United Church of Canada, 1925.

Exhibit 12. Supplementary analysis, based on 11. Exhibit 13. Statement of Church and Manse Loan Board.

Exhibit 16. Letters pertaining to the division of former Presbyterian Mission Fields between the United Church of Canada and the continuing Presbyterian Church, 1926.

Exhibit 17. Letter pertaining to the valuation of church property, as at 10th June, 1925.

Exhibit 18. Presbyterian Church in Canada. Statement of Assets and Liabilities of All Branches of the Church, based on Exhibit 11.

Exhibit 19. Report on the valuation of Presbyterian Colleges in Manitoba, Montreal and Toronto, 1926. Exhibit 20. Division of Home Mission properties between the United Church of Canada and the continuing Presbyterian church.

Exhibit 21. List of properties for which the amount invested cannot be ascertained.

Exhibit 22. Statement of the Aged and Infirm Ministers Fund, 10th June, 1925.

Exhibit 23. Knox College. Balance sheet, 10th June, 1925.

Exhibit 24. Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Summary of Net Assets by Departments, 10th June, 1925

Exhibit 25. Valuation of Pine Hill College, Halifax, as at 10th June, 1925.

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Exhibit 27. Valuations of Buildings, Furniture and Libraries of Colleges of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, 10th June, 1925.

Exhibit 28. Summary of Foreign Mission Budgets, 1920-1924.

Exhibit 30. Extracts pertaining to Union from the Minutes of the Presbyterian General Assembly, 1915, 1916, 1917.

Exhibit 33. Extracts from Minutes re the Presbyterian College, Montreal, 1866-1871 (Endowments). Exhibit 36. Quotation from the Report of the Board of Management of Knox College, 1867-1868.

Exhibit 38. Expenditures of the Board of Home Missions and Social Service for the Years 1921, 1922, 1923 on Institutions Classed According to

Exhibit 39 Contributiond Re

Exhibit 39. Contributiond Received by the Treasurer of the Presbyterian Church in Canada after June 10th, 1925.

Exhibit 44. Allocation of Assets on Basis Set Out in Argument of Counsel for United Church.

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Exhibit 45. Legacies to Specified Institutions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, Unpaid as at January 17th, 1927.
List of Exhibits filed to January 20th, 1927, with notes by Dr. Murray.

- c) Handwritten notes apparently of the Commission's 3mm hearings, 1927-1928.
- d) Statement Showing the Claim of the Continuing 7mm Presbyterians as to the Division of the Capital, Funds and Reserves, and the Physical Division of Certain Properties to be Taken in Part Payment Therefor as Agreed. n.d.

  Memorandum filed on behalf of the United Church of Canada with respect to the claim of the Continuing Presbyterians. n.d.

  Amended Statement Showing the Claim of the Continuing Presbyterians. n.d.
- e) Toronto Globe, April 20th, 1927.

1mm

- f) Correspondence and related material, 1926-1927. 5mm
- 6. Legislation Respecting the United Church of Canada, 5mm 1924. Printed and bound.
- 7. Acts and Proceedings of the Fifty-Second General 1.7cm Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, 1926.
- 8. Newspaper extracts, 1924, 1927.

2mm

10. Synod Committee on Education. Letter referring to 1mm the use of French and the teaching of religion in schools.

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#### XVII.C. Walter C. Murray papers

1A Joint Committee on Church Union

1905-1915 1 cm