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Summary information

Repository:	University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections
Title:	David Turnbull fonds
ID:	MSS 186
Date:	1904-1995, predominant 1928-1931 (date of creation)
Physical description:	40 cm textual records, 2 photo albums (776 black and white photographs), 1 negative, 1 scrapbook
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	Finding aid created by Jonathan Nordland and Brian Hubner (August 2004). Encoded by Vladimira Zvonik (January 2005). Revision History: July 26, 2005 - MSS 186, PC 178 (A.04-15, A.04-116) converted from EAD 1.0 to 2002 by v1to02.xsl (sy2003-10-15). Revised by: N. Courier (September 2019).

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

David McIntosh Turnbull was born in Winnipeg, Canada in 1906. He was the son of Janet (McIntosh) and William Turnbull, a graduate of the school of Medicine at the University of Manitoba in 1904.

David attended the University of Manitoba from 1924 to 1928 where he obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics. In his final year he was the senior stick for the Faculty of Arts and was awarded the Manitoba Rhodes Scholarship to attend Oxford. At Oxford he obtained a Bachelor and Masters of Arts in Philosophy, Politics and Economics, graduating in 1931. During his time at Oxford University he was accepted as a member of the University Ice Hockey Team in 1928 and played for the team at the Spengler Cup in 1928 and 1929.

Turnbull returned to Winnipeg, but in 1931 relocated to Toronto where prospects were believed to be better. That year he joined Manufacturers Life, but two years later he was hired by the firm Woods, Gordon and Co. as a "time-study man". Employed within the firm's work measurement services department, Turnbull was primarily concerned with time and motion, marketing, supervisory training and organizational studies. In 1952, he opened the firm's Montreal office where he remained in charge for the next twelve years. Upon his mandatory retirement as a partner in 1964, he moved to the Toronto office to assist the University of Toronto's Faculty of Medicine in its expansion project. He fully retired in 1972 and pursued his own interests until his death on December 26th, 1995.

Custodial history

Ian Turnbull donated the two accessions, A2004-015 and A2004-116, to the University of Manitoba Archives and Special Collections in 2004.

Scope and content

A2004-115 consists of four series and a photographic collection. The series includes correspondence, biographical and a scrapbook and subject files. The majority of the fonds consists of letters written by David Turnbull to his mother, which have been collected in the form of a journal. In addition, two photo albums consisting of 772 black and white photographs take up a large part of the collection. This fonds deals primarily with David Turnbull's experience as a Rhodes Scholar from 1928 to 1931.

The second accession (A2004-116) contains biographical information, correspondence, photographs, and two Spengler Cup medals from 1929 and 1930.

Notes

Title notes

Arrangement

A2004-115 is organized into four series:

Correspondence

Biographical

PC 178 (A.04-15)

Scrapbook

A2004-116 is organized into one series:

Subject Files

Restrictions on access

There are no restrictions on access.

Finding aids

A finding aid can be downloaded by clicking on the "Download" link under "Finding Aid" on the right hand side of the screen.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published
- **Level of detail:** Partial
- **Status description:** Draft

Access points

- Textual record (documentary form)
- Graphic material (documentary form)

Series descriptions

Correspondence

Date: 1928-1979, predominant 1928-1931 (date of creation)

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - David Turnbull	September 20, 1928 - November 9, 1928		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0001
	File - David Turnbull	November 21, 1928 - February 11, 1929		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0002
	File - David Turnbull	February 18, 1929 - May 12, 1929		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0003
	File - David Turnbull	May 13, 1929 - August 7, 1929		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0004
	File - David Turnbull	August 11, 1929 - December 13, 1929		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0005
	File - David Turnbull	December 17, 1929 - March 30, 1930		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0006
	File - David Turnbull	March 31, 1930 - June 29, 1930		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0007
	File - David Turnbull	June 30, 1930 - October 12, 1930		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0008

	File - David Turnbull	October 13, 1930 - February 14, 1931	A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0009
	File - David Turnbull	February 16, 1931 - July 20, 1931	A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0010
	File - David Turnbull	Aug-79	A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0011

Biographical

Date: 1929-1941 (date of creation)

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - David Turnbull			A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0012
	File - Oxford University Documentation	1931-1941		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0013
	File - Correspondence	1929-1931		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0014

Series MSS 186-PC 178: Photographs

Date: 1928-1979 (date of creation)

Access points:

- Graphic material (documentary form)

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Group photo, Childhood portrait	1979		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0001
	File - photo albums	1928-1931		A2004-015, Box 0001 File 0002

	File - Oversized Material	1928-1968	A2004-015, Box 0002 File 0001
	Item - St. John's Archery Club, Oxford	1931	A2004-015, Box 0002 File 0001 Item 0001
	Item - Undergraduate Parchment, David Turnbull	1928	A2004-015, Box 0002 File 0001 Item 0002
	Item - Curling Certificate	1968	A2004-015, Box 0002 File 0001 Item 0003
	Item - Oxford, King Charles Club	1930-1931	A2004-015, Box 0002 File 0001 Item 0004
	Item - Oxford ice-hockey team	1929	A2004-015, Box 0002 File 0001 Item 0005

Series MSS 186-PC 178: Oversized Material - Scrapbook

Date: [192-?] (date of creation)

Access points:

- Object (documentary form)

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Scrapbook	[192-?]		A2004-015, Box 0002 File 0002

Subject Files

Date: 1906-1995 (date of creation)

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
- Graphic material (documentary form)
- Object (documentary form)

Publication status:

published				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Biographical Information	1906-1995		A2005-116, Box 0001 File 0001
	File - D. Turnbull's Canadian Passport	1928		A2005-116, Box 0001 File 0002
	File - D. Turnbull's Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence	1928-1929		A2005-116, Box 0001 File 0003
	File - Cambridge and Oxford University Ice Hockey Team Photographs	[ca. 1929]		A2005-116, Box 0001 File 0004
	File - Spengler Cup Medals	1929-1930		A2005-116, Box 0001 File 0005