

# Claude Dolman fonds

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# Fonds Description

**Claude Dolman fonds.** – 1883-1976; predominant 1936-1976.

1.18 m of textual records

## Biographical Sketch

Born in Porthleven, Cornwall, England in 1906, Claude Ernest Dolman received his medical education at St. Mary's Hospital Medical School, graduating from the University of London with a M.B., B.S., and later gaining a Ph.D. from that University. He came to Canada in 1931 as a Research Assistant and Clinical Associate in Connaught Laboratories at the University of Toronto. In 1935 he moved to Vancouver to head a cooperative project sponsored by the Connaught Laboratories, the Provincial Board of Health of B.C., and the University of B.C. He was appointed Research Member in charge of the Western Division, Connaught Medical Research Laboratories, University of Toronto, and Director, Division of Laboratories, Department of Health of British Columbia. In addition Dolman became head of the Department of Bacteriology and Preventive Medicine (1936-51) and of its successor, the Department of Bacteriology and Immunology (1951-65). He also served as acting head of the Department of Nursing and Health (1933-43) and later as head of the Department (1943-51). In 1947, he was elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of London, and also of Canada.

Dolman played a significant role in the history of medicine at UBC, beginning with his attempts to establish an Institute of Preventive Medicine in 1936. He recognized that the Division of Laboratories, the Departments of Bacteriology and Preventive Medicine and of Nursing and Health (UBC), the Western Division of Connaught Laboratories, and the UBC Health Services, all suffered from inadequate facilities, that their operations often duplicated efforts, and that their geographic separation often led to wasteful duplication and dispersal of effort; whereas close proximity would multiply their individual usefulness and permit integration of their teaching, service and research contributions, in the broad field of public health. He therefore proposed the development of an institute which would bring them under a single roof. In 1938, the Federal and Provincial governments agreed to sponsor the construction of the Institute of Preventive Medicine. Unfortunately, with the outbreak of World War II the Federal Government suspended public works projects, including the Institute. Following the war, returning veterans and the local medical profession generated renewed enthusiasm for an orthodox medical school. As one of the preliminary steps towards the end, the Board of Governors asked Dolman to conduct a survey of medical schools in Canada and the United States to determine the best pattern of development to follow. Dolman's report and his efforts to re-establish an Institute of Preventive Medicine as a component of the proposed Faculty of Medicine, sparked a lengthy and confused

debate. A Faculty of Medicine was established at UBC in 1947, with Myron M. Weaver as the first dean. Dolman was an active member of the Royal Society of Canada from 1947, and served as president of Section III (Science Section) for 1965-66 and later as Society President (1969-70).

### **Scope and Content**

Fonds consists of correspondence, minutes, reports, clippings, and printed material pertaining to Dolman's involvement with the Royal Society of Canada and attempts to establish an Institute of Preventive Medicine at UBC.

## Series Descriptions

**History of Medicine at UBC.** - 1936-1976; predominant 1936-1955.

12.5 cm of textual records.

Series consists of correspondence, reports, plans, memoranda, printed materials, and minutes pertaining to the history of Medicine at UBC from 1936 to 1947. Series includes correspondence with various government and university officials and concerns Dolman's attempt to establish an Institute of Preventive Medicine. Series also includes materials associated with the preparation of the medical school survey (1946) and the ensuing debate.

**Royal Society of Canada.** - 1883-1976; predominant 1949-1976.

1.05 m of textual records.

Series consists of pamphlets, correspondence, calendars, newsletters, minutes, memoranda, printed material, clippings, and reports pertaining to the Royal Society of Canada. A large portion of this material reflects the efforts of the Society to participate in the formulation and implementation of a national science policy from the mid-1960's to the early 1970's. Other topics addressed in the records include an attempt to organise a Federation of Learned Societies (1966-69) under the auspices of the Society, and Dolman's participation in the selection and subsequent ceremonies associated with the Order of Canada by virtue of his position on the Governor-General's Nomination Committee as President of the Royal Society of Canada.

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