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Summary information

Repository:	University of British Columbia Library Rare Books and Special Collections
Title:	Eric Flesher fonds
Reference code:	RBSC-ARC-1196
Date:	1904-1978 (date of creation)
Physical description:	78 cm of textual records 73 photographs
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	Revised by Malcolm Fish, June 2024.

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Eric Herbert Gregory Flesher, son of Frederick Charles Flesher and Helen Gregory MacGill, was born in Santa Clara, California, in 1891. Frederick Flesher died in 1901, and Helen Gregory later married James Henry MacGill. The family was in Vancouver, BC, by the end of 1901. Helen and James MacGill had two daughters, Elsie Gregory MacGill and Helen (Jr.) Gregory MacGill. Eric Flesher began working in the BC logging industry in 1912, and his career spanned six decades. During that time he met and married his wife, Olga Ann Reed (1891-1973), and had children. Eric Flesher passed away in Vancouver, BC, in 1972.

Custodial history

The fonds was acquired by Public Archives Canada (predecessor of Library and Archives Canada) as part of the Elsie Gregory MacGill fonds in 1983. The contents of the Eric Flesher fonds was determined by Public Archives Canada archivists to be local rather than national documentation, and their donor, Eric Flesher's son, agreed to the transfer to UBC Library Rare Books and Special Collections. The fonds was transferred to UBC Library Rare Books and Special Collections between September 1983 and January 1984.

Scope and content

The fonds consists of Flesher's unpublished memoirs entitled "Timber: The Log of a Western Logger" (alternately "A Western Logger's Log") with revised drafts by Elsie Gregory MacGill. The manuscript provides an account of the British Columbia logging industry from 1912 to 1965. The fonds also includes five daily journals (1934-1969), correspondence (1945-1972), legal documents (1904-1912),

photographs of Flesher's family and early logging career, and printed material (newspaper clippings and periodicals). Most of the records relate to his activities in the Phillips Arm, BC, area.

Notes

Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title based on the contents of the fonds.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published

Access points

- Flesher (family) (subject)
- Family and personal life (subject)
- Forestry (subject)
- Forests (subject)

Series descriptions

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-01	File - Legal Documents 1904-1912	1904-1912		
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-02	File - Scale Book 1914	[1914]		
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-03	File - Daily Journal 1934-1939	1934-1939		
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-04	File - Daily Journal 1946-1951	1946-1951		
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-05	File - Daily Journal 1952-1956	1952-1956		
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-06	File - Daily Journal 1957-1961	1957-1961		
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-07	File - Daily Journal 1966-1969	1966-1969		
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-08	File - Photographs Family and Early Logging Days	1915-1970		
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-08- PH-01 to 39	Item - [Photographs]			
RBSC- ARC-1196-01-09	File - Photographs from City Archives, Van. City Hall	1967		

RBSC-ARC-1196-01-09-PH-40 to 43	Item - [Photographs]	
RBSC-ARC-1196-01-10	File - The Truck Logger Misc. Issues	1954-1969 1964-1967
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-01	File - Correspondence With Elsie MacGill Soulsby	1966
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-02	File - The Truck Logger Jan. 67	1959-1967
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-03	File - Miscellaneous Lumber Periodicals and Pamphlets	1942-1972
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-04	File - Maps and Nautical Charts	1966-1968
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-05	File - Newspaper Clippings	1931-1973
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-06	File - Correspondence F and R Logging Co. Ltd. 1946-47	1946-1947
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-07	File - Correspondence Misc. 1965-1968	1945-1969
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-08	File - Correspondence Misc. 1965-1968	1965-1967
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-09	File - Correspondence Misc. 1965-1968	1964-1972
RBSC-ARC-1196-02-10	File - Safari In Tanganyika Sept. 64 by C. Burke	1964-1972
RBSC-ARC-1196-03-01	File - Correspondence With Elsie MacGill Soulsby Re Timber Manuscript, ca. 1969-72	1969-1972
RBSC-ARC-1196-03-02	File - Manuscript 1st Draft	1965-1967
RBSC-ARC-1196-03-03	File - Manuscript 1st Draft	n.d.
RBSC-ARC-1196-03-04	File - Manuscript 1st Draft	1967-[1971]
RBSC-ARC-1196-03-05	File - Manuscript 1st Draft	1967
RBSC-ARC-1196-03-06	File - Manuscript 1st Draft	1967
RBSC-ARC-1196-03-07	File - Manuscript 1st Draft	[1966]-1969
RBSC-ARC-1196-04-01	File - Manuscript 1st Draft	1967-1972
RBSC-ARC-1196-04-02	File - Correspondence With Elsie MacGill Re Line Drawings	1971-1972
RBSC-ARC-1196-04-03	File - Manuscript 2nd Draft	1967
RBSC-ARC-1196-04-04	File - Manuscript 2nd Draft	1972
RBSC-ARC-1196-04-05	File - Manuscript 2nd Draft	1970
RBSC-ARC-1196-04-06	File - Manuscript 2nd Draft p. 173-262	1971
RBSC-ARC-1196-04-07	File - Manuscript 2nd Draft p. 263-466	1971-1972

RBSC-ARC-1196-04-08	File - Manuscript 2nd Draft p. 468-end and Glossary	1972-1978
RBSC-ARC-1196-04-09	File - Manuscripts 2nd Draft Revisions	1970-1971
RBSC-ARC-1196-05-01	File - [Newspaper Clippings]	1971-1975
RBSC-ARC-1196-05-02	File - [A Western Logger's Log Manuscript]	1970
RBSC-ARC-1196-05-03	File - [A Western Logger's Log Pictures]	1972-1974
RBSC-ARC-1196-05-03-PH-44 to 63	Item - [Photographs]	
RBSC-ARC-1196-05-04	File - [Manuscript Publication Correspondence]	1970-1976
RBSC-ARC-1196-05-05	File - [Timber The Log of a Western Logger by Eric Gregory Flesher]	n.d.
RBSC-ARC-1196-05-06	File - [Photographs and Maps]	1971-1974
RBSC-ARC-1196-05-06-PH-64 to 73	Item - [Photographs]	
RBSC-ARC-1196-05-07	File - [Timber Partial Chapters]	n.d.
RBSC-ARC-1196-06-01	File - [Timber The Log of a Western Logger, partial manuscript]	n.d.
RBSC-ARC-1196-06-02	File - [Timber The Log of a Western Logger, Anne's Copy]	n.d.
RBSC-ARC-1196-06-03	File - [Timber The Log of a Western Logger Notes]	1970-1971
RBSC-ARC-1196-06-04	File - [Timber The Log of a Western Logger Manuscript]	1932-1972
RBSC-ARC-1196-06-05	File - [Timber Research Correspondence]	1970-1972