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Jack Scott fonds

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Summary information

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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

John Alexander Scott (1910-2000) was born on May 12 in Belfast, Ireland. Starting at the age of 14, Scott worked on the docks, then as a delivery boy for a small bakery before immigrating to Canada in May 1927. After landing in Quebec City, Scott worked at various jobs in and around Montreal, including as a farm labourer in the Eastern Townships.

Scott's interest in political activism began when he participated in a 1929 May Day rally in Montreal. Scott joined the Communist Party within the year and became a Workers Unity League organizer whose territory encompassed the western Ontario centres of Sarnia, London, Brantford, Kitchener, and adjacent towns. He helped to organize the high-profile Ontario Hunger March from Windsor to Toronto in 1934, and also participated in the Ontario segment of the On-to-Ottawa Trek in 1935. In 1936, he helped to organize Sunday evening demonstrations against fascism, war, and unemployment on the boardwalk of the Toronto Beaches. In 1939, he began working in the tobacco fields of Delhi, during which time he organized the workers to strike for higher pay. In 1941, while working in the shipping department, he helped to organize a strike at Campbell's Soup Company in New Toronto.

After enlisting in 1942, Scott served as a communications operator overseas during World War II, receiving the Croix de Guerre avec Étoile de Bronze from the provisional government of the French Republic and a citation from the 2nd Canadian Infantry Division headquarters. Shortly after returning

from the war, he married his first wife, Ann Walters, a Finnish-Canadian woman whom he had known since the 1930s, but they soon separated.

Among other jobs he had following the war, Scott worked for 18 months at Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada Limited in Trail, British Columbia, before being dismissed for distributing leaflets critical to the company. While in Trail, Scott was married to Hilda Bernadette Scott. After losing the job at Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, Scott worked at a dairy until the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers asked him to organize for them. Scott spent two years as union business agent in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories before moving to Vancouver in 1951.

In 1964, Scott was expelled from the Communist Party for speaking in favor of Communist China and for voicing opposition to what he believed to be the party's movement away from revolutionary Marxist-Leninist principles. The same year, he was also expelled from the New Democratic Party. During this time, Scott was instrumental in founding the Canada-China Friendship Association (CCFA) and the Vancouver-based Progressive Workers' Movement (PWM), which drew strength from a pro-Chinese faction within the Communist Party. Scott also became the chief writer / editor for the political party's journal, *Progressive Worker*. Scott visited China four times starting in 1967, at which time he met Mao Zedong. On his second visit in 1974, his wife Hilda suffered a heart attack and died in Beijing.

In the 1970s, Scott was an active member of the Vancouver Study Group (VSG), which eventually became the Red Star Collective (RSC), and wrote on such topics as labour history, Canadian unions, Canadian political economy, and Chinese foreign policy. His books include "Yankee Unions Go Home," "Sweat and Struggle: Working Class Struggles in Canada," "Canadian Workers, American Unions," and "Plunderbund and Proletariat." After retiring as a maintenance man for the Pender Auditorium, Scott continued to write and to volunteer at the co-op bookstore, Spartacus Books. In 1990, following the publication in 1988 of Jack Scott's oral history recollections entitled "A Communist Life: Jack Scott and the Canadian Workers Movement, 1927-1985," four members of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) mentioned in the book submitted a claim of libel against Scott and the Committee on Canadian Labour History. The case was settled in 1995 before being brought to trial. At the time of his death on December 30, 2000, Scott was completing the final chapters of a critique of Vladimir Lenin.

Custodial history

The fonds is comprised of three different accessions.

The first accession is believed to have been acquired by Rare Books and Special Collections directly from the creator in the 1990s. This accession includes three boxes of papers that became part of the Jack Scott fonds, and books and pamphlets that were catalogued as part of the Jack Scott Collection.

The second accession was donated to Rare Books and Special Collection in November 2012 by Janet Hall, a friend of Jack Scott's. The material was collected from Scott's apartment shortly after his death by Hall and three other acquaintances. The material was then organized topically by Scott's acquaintances at a later date.

The third accession was donated to Rare Books and Special Collections in February 2019 by Juliana de Souza, whose partner was a family friend of Scott and who received textual records and photographs upon Scott's death.

Scope and content

Fonds consists of records related to Jack Scott's activities as a political activist and author, as well as material related to his personal life, from the 1930s through his death in 2000. Records relating to Scott's political activities include material generated or used by groups with which Scott was involved, such as the Progressive Workers' Movement (PWM), the Vancouver Study Group (VSG), the Red Star Collective (RSC), and the Chinese-Canadian Friendship Association (CCFA). These records include meeting minutes and summaries; committee lists, agendas, reports, policies, constitutions, financial statements, and other internal documents; position, discussion, and opinion papers and critiques; conference, seminar, and workshop materials; correspondence; materials by or about other communist, socialist, or leftist organizations; papers, articles, speeches, critiques, letters, and reports on related topics; ephemera and publications, such as newsletters and journals; clippings and photographs; and other materials. Records relating to Scott's writings and publications on socialist and labour movements and other topics include drafts of published and unpublished pieces, research notes, comments and corrections, proofs, and supporting documents, such as correspondence, clippings and photocopies, ephemera, and other materials. The fonds also consists of material related to a libel claim made against Scott and the Committee on Canadian Labour History. These records include copies of court documents, correspondence, Scott's writings and research on the plaintiffs, ephemera related to the plaintiffs, and other materials. The fonds also consists of material collected by Jack Scott relating primarily to other communist, socialist, leftist, or social justice organizations and arranged by subject either by Jack Scott or by his acquaintances following his death. This material includes photocopies and originals of letters, writings, and other documents; statements, commentaries, bulletins, and other literature; ephemera, such as posters, newspaper clippings, flyers, newsletters, and pamphlets; and speech texts. The fonds also consists of personal papers and documents, including miscellaneous incoming correspondence, oral history interview transcripts and related documents, and correspondence and documents related to Scott's 1964 expulsion from the Communist Party.

Notes

Title notes

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

Arrangement

Materials from the first accrual appear to have been minimally arranged and described, though some file titles and notes may have been added by an archivist. Between the time of the acquisition and August 2013, when the original accession was more thoroughly arranged and described, the Jack Scott fonds appears to have been accessed by researchers at RBSC. The materials may have been inadvertently rearranged by researchers during that time.

No order was apparent in the majority of the materials received by RBSC as part of the first accession. This is particularly true of the records related to the Vancouver Study Group, the Red Star Collective, and the Chinese-Canadian Friendship Association. Where no any discernible order was present,

the archivist imposed an order to better represent the functions of the organization and to increase the ease of use by researchers. However, material related to the Progressive Workers' Movement, Scott's writings and publications, and material collected from other communist, socialist, or leftist organizations may have been arranged by an archivist or other party before or after the initial accession. Material from the second accession, which had been arranged topically by Scott's acquaintances before transfer to RBSC, was integrated, where possible, with series established during the arrangement of the first accession. During the arrangement of the second accession by Scott's acquaintances, post-it notes with the titles of thematic categories and explanatory details were applied to material. The archivist removed post-it notes with thematic category titles, but retained the notes with explanatory details. In addition, the archivist weeded some material from the second accession, such as duplicate documents, newspaper clippings, and photocopies of published works not bearing any annotations by Scott. In 2019, the third accrual was processed, along with a small box of formerly unprocessed materials from c. 2005. These materials did not have any discernible original order and were filed at the end of the fonds and integrated into existing series as appropriate. Folders 7-25 through 8-04 belonged to the 2019 accrual and folders 8-05 through 8-14 were formerly unprocessed materials. Notes have been made at the series level to indicate which series these materials have been integrated into.

Restrictions on access

Research access to the Committee on Canadian Labour History libel suit series is restricted until 100 years from the creation of the records.

Related material

UBC Library holds the Jack Scott Collection, which contains pamphlets and ephemera collected by Scott on subjects such as labour and politics. RBSC's Homer Stevens fonds contains correspondence to and from Jack Scott. Letters written by Henry Norman Bethune that were collected by Jack Scott have been removed from the Jack Scott fonds and catalogued as a separate vertical file.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published

Series descriptions

Progressive Workers' Movement

Date: [1930-1979?] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series contains material relating to the administration of the Progressive Workers' Movement (PWM) of which Jack Scott was a founding member, as well as to events leading up to the founding of the

PWM, PWM's eventual break with the Toronto section of the party, and Scott's expulsion from the New Democratic Party (NDP). The series includes incoming and outgoing correspondence related to subscriptions and fulfillments, as well as other party business and personal correspondence to Scott. Correspondents include Jack Scott, Jerry LeBourdais, Joe Hendsbee, Al Birnie, Norman Endicott, Cliff Gunter, Ernest Hall, Roger Perkins, and various circulation managers. The series also contains PWM ephemera and publications; collected material and ephemera from other communist, socialist, and leftist organizations; drafts and notes, possibly of writings for the PWM's journal; photographs and newspaper clippings, primarily related to the creation of the PWM, and profiles of Scott. The series also includes PWM internal and public documents, such as position papers and opinion pieces, statements, text of speeches, proposals and responses, constitution drafts, mailing lists and contact cards, lists of tasks and priorities, reports, conference documents, policies, minutes and agendas, and other documents.

Physical description: 21 cm of textual records
4 photographs : b&w

Arrangement:

Approximately half of the correspondence in this series is in chronological order and half is not. It is unknown whether this arrangement was done by the creator or another party.

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-01	File - Misc. socialist causes and organizations	[196-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-02	File - PWM publications	[1960-1979?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-03	File - PWM internal and external documents	[196-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-04	File - Mailing lists and assorted documents	[196-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-05	File - Photographs and clippings	[1930-1985?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-05-BC2159-01	Item - Jack Scott in Pender Auditorium[?]	[196-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-05-BC2159-02	Item - Unknown altercation	[1930-1959?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-05-BC2159-03	Item - Unidentified man	[1940-1969?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-05-BC2159-04	Item - Unidentified child	[1950-1969?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-06	File - PWM outgoing correspondence	1964-1970		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-07	File - Drafts and notes	[196-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-08	File - PWM incoming correspondence	1964-1972		

RBSC-ARC-1484-1-09	File - PWM incoming correspondence	1963-1970
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-10	File - PWM incoming subscription and fulfillment correspondence	1964-1975
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-11	File - PWM conference and internal documents	1966
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-12	File - Miscellaneous incoming correspondence	1967-1972
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-13	File - China report to PWM	1967

Vancouver Study Group and Red Star Collective

Date: [1960-1979?] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series contains material relating to the Vancouver Study Group (VSG), later the Red Star Collective (RSC). Material related to the administration of the group includes full group and committee reports, agendas, meeting minutes and summaries, and draft and final versions of internal and public documents. The series also includes critiques of other communist, socialist, and leftist organizations' positions, including In Struggle! (En Lutte!) and the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist), as well as position and analysis papers written by RSC members. Material also includes papers, articles, notes, and discussion guides written by RSC and non-RSC members on various topics. Other material includes documents from seminars, workshops, and conferences organized or participated in by RSC; documents and correspondence from or about other communist, socialist, or leftist organizations; miscellaneous ephemera; photocopy of published material; an interview transcript; manuscripts of poetry by Joan McIntosh, text of speeches given by RSC honouring Jack Scott, and other materials.

Physical description: 29 cm of textual records

Arrangement:

As records within this series lacked any discernible order, the archivist imposed an order to better represent the functions of the organization and to increase the ease of use by researchers.

Accruals:

Folder 7-26 in this series was donated as part of the 2019 accrual.

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-14	File - Reports and agendas	[1976-1978?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-15	File - Meeting minutes and summaries	[1974-1977?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-16	File - Discussion and opinion papers	[1974-1978?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-17	File - Discussion and opinion papers	[197-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-18	File - Group and committee internal documents	[197-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-19	File - RSC basis of unity	[1977?]		

RBSC-ARC-1484-1-20	File - RSC tract	[1978?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-21	File - RSC critiques and position papers	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-22	File - RSC position and analysis papers	[197-]
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-23	File - Reprints and publications list	[1978?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-24	File - Conference, workshop, and seminar documents	1977
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-25	File - Jack Scott notes on speaking tour	[197-]
RBSC-ARC-1484-1-26	File - Miscellaneous papers and articles	[1967-1977?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-01	File - Miscellaneous papers and articles	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-02	File - Miscellaneous papers and articles	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-03	File - Papers on Canadian imperialism	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-04	File - Jack Scott statement on women's movement	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-05	File - VSG documents on Progressive worker	1976
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-06	File - Committee to defend the right of immigrants documents	1977-1978
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-07	File - Toronto Communist Group working documents	[1961-1975?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-08	File - In Struggle / En Lutte materials	[1974-1977?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-09	File - Documents and correspondence from misc. organizations	[1960-1979?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-10	File - Documents and correspondence from misc. organizations	[1965-1979?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-11	File - Miscellaneous ephemera and clippings	[1965-1979?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-12	File - Irish Civil Rights Association interview	1973
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-13	File - Lyrics and chants	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-14	File - Joan McIntosh poetry	1966
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-15	File - The rise of labor unionism in Alberta	1965
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-16	File - RSC speeches honouring Jack Scott	[1979?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-26	File - [Red Star Collective Publications]	1977-1978

Writings and publications

Date: [1939-2011] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series contains material relating to Jack Scott's published and unpublished writings. Material includes handwritten and typed drafts of Scott's books, speeches, critiques, reports, and thought pieces, as well as notes, comments, and corrections on drafts, a galley proof, research notes, and supporting documents. Supporting documents include correspondence, newspaper clippings, photocopies of articles and other documents, and ephemera. The series also contains clippings of articles by or about Jack Scott, as well as biographical sketches written by Scott.

Physical description: 83 cm of textual records

Note:

Includes the following photographs: RBSC-ARC-1484-PH-108 to 112.

Accruals:

Folders 7-27 through 8-04 in this series were part of the 2019 accrual. Folders 8-05 through 8-14 were part of formerly unprocessed materials.

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-17	File - Sweat and struggle manuscript	[ca. 1974]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-18	File - Jack Scott and Roger Howard writings	[197-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-19	File - Unidentified manuscript	[197-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-20	File - Plunderbund and proletariat draft and notes	[ca. 1975]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-21	File - Plunderbund and proletariat draft	[ca. 1975]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-22	File - Yankee unions go home draft and notes	[ca. 1978]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-23	File - Canadian workers, American unions draft and notes	[ca. 1978]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-24	File - Yankee unions go home draft notebook	[ca. 1978]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-25	File - Yankee unions go home draft	[ca. 1978]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-26	File - Yankee unions go home draft	[ca. 1978]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-27	File - Imperialist aspects of American unions draft	[197-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-28	File - Partial critique of CCL(ML) and MREQ	[197-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-29	File - Research notes	[197-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-30	File - Research notes	[197-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-31	File - Research notes	[197-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-32	File - Research notes	[197-]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-2-33	File - Unidentified draft and notes	[197-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-01	File - Unidentified draft and research notes	[197-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-03	File - Book, article, and speech drafts	[1960-1979?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-04	File - Correspondence and clippings	1970-1975		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-05	File - Photocopies and ephemera	1950-1978		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-02	File - China report draft, misc. drafts, and research notes	[between 1967 and 1984]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-06	File - Canadian Bolsheviks paper	[between 1965 and 1993]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-07	File - Draft writings on French revolution	[ca. 1999]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-08	File - Research notes	[197-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-09	File - Draft writings on inflation	[197-?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-10	File - After Freire paper critique	[197-?]		

RBSC-ARC-1484-3-11	File - Poulantzas' political power and social classes critique	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-12	File - Post-vietnam war speech	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-13	File - Writings on Chinese invasion of Vietnam	[ca. 1979]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-14	File - Draft writings, critiques, research notes on Marx and Lenin	[199-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-15	File - Writings on Gulf War	[ca. 1990-1991]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-16	File - Writings on democratic centralism and Marx	[1970-1996?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-17	File - Drafts and research notebooks	[199-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-18	File - Angola article critique	[ca. 1977]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-19	File - Drafts and notes on various topics	[1970-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-20	File - Notebook on 1970s economic crisis	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-21	File - Drafts and research notebook on China	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-22	File - Report on 1976 China visit	[ca. 1976]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-23	File - Writings on Chinese Cultural Revolution	[1983-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-24	File - Notes on China	[1970-1984?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-25	File - Draft on China-Russia relations	[199-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-26	File - Draft on Bolshevik Revolution	[199-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-27	File - Drafts on Lenin	[1990-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-28	File - Writings on Russian Revolution	[1970-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-29	File - Drafts on China	[1980-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-30	File - Drafts on Lenin and Russian Revolution	[1980-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-3-31	File - Drafts on Lenin	[1990-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-01	File - Drafts of British Columbia history	[1980-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-02	File - Research notes	[1970-1989?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-03	File - Writings on Canadian banking	[1978-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-04	File - Writings on political economy of Canada and B.C.	[ca. 1978]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-05	File - Notes on book draft	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-06	File - Writings on B.C. coal industry	[1980-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-07	File - Against the tide critique	[1986-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-08	File - Teeple article discussion paper	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-09	File - Writings on Canadian imperialism	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-10	File - Presentation on Vancouver Island coal mining	[197-]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-11	File - Writings on Communism and Ian Angus book	[1970-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-12	File - Writings on Canadian unions	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-13	File - Writings on Quebec and FLQ	[between 1963 and 1970]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-14	File - Letter to Vancouver sun	[1991?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-15	File - Two roads galley proof	1974
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-16	File - Biographical writings, notes, and clippings	[1939-1990?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-17	File - One big union draft and Roger Howard chapter	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-18	File - Writings on China and Deng Xiaoping	[199-]

RBSC-ARC-1484-4-19	File - Notebook page	[1990-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-20	File - Notebook	[1990-2000?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-21	File - Draft writings, research material, and PWM correspondence	[1964-1978?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-27	File - [Newspaper Clippings and Essays]	1964-2011
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-27-PH-108 to 112	Item - Photographs	
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-28	File - Social Studies Bulletin	1987-1989
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-01	File - Al Birnie Notes and Transcripts (A)	1999
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-02	File - Al Birnie Notes and Transcripts (B)	1999
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-03	File - Al Birnie Notes and Transcripts (C)	1988
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-04	File - Al Birnie Notes and Transcripts (D)	1992
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-05	File - Class Struggles and the Native Peoples	1977
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-06	File - [Newspapers]	1968-1976
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-07	File - Aboriginal Economies and Their Transformations: Northern British Columbia and the Fur Trade	1978
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-08	File - [Ephemera]	1962-1971
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-09	File - [Publications of Various Organizations: Conferences and Committees]	1965-1971
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-10	File - [Publications of Various Organizations: Summaries and Reports]	1963-1969
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-11	File - [Publications of Various Organizations: Bulletins and Newsletters]	1965-1972
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-12	File - Unite to Regain Control of the Columbia River	1964
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-13	File - Strike at United Aircraft	
RBSC-ARC-1484-8-14	File - Constitution du RIN	1966

Chinese-Canadian Friendship Association

Date: 1964-1990 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series contains material relating to the Vancouver chapter of the Chinese-Canadian Friendship Association (CCFA), as well as to similar regional, national, and international friendship associations and societies. Material related to the administration of the Vancouver chapter includes executive committee and general meeting minutes, committee lists, a draft constitution, and financial statements. Vancouver chapter material also includes incoming and outgoing correspondence, printed material from events and outreach efforts, position statements, and other documents. The series also contains material from regional and national friendship association meetings and conferences, including proposals, notes, minutes, summaries of proceedings, schedules, memoranda, and agendas; assorted material from other Canadian and international friendship associations and societies, including reports, articles, policies, position papers, newsletters, draft constitutions, proposals, and flyers; and various papers, articles, speeches, articles critiques, letters, and reports on China. The series also contains assorted local and national newsletters, journals, and magazine, as well as CCFA membership cards

belonging to Jack and Hilda Scott. Meeting minutes, correspondence, newsletters, and journals are all arranged chronologically.

Physical description: 16 cm of textual records

Arrangement:

As records within this series lacked any discernible order, the archivist imposed an order to better represent the functions of the organization and to increase the ease of use by researchers.

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1484-4-22	File - Meeting minutes 1964-1976	1964, 1973-1976		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-01	File - Meeting minutes 1977-1980	1977-1980		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-02	File - CCFA newsletters	1964-1990		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-03	File - Committees lists	1973-1980		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-04	File - Draft constitution	1975		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-05	File - Financial statements	1977-1978		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-06	File - Outgoing correspondence	1964-1980		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-07	File - Incoming correspondence	1964-1980		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-08	File - Events and outreach efforts	[1973-1979?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-09	File - Chinese ambassador itinerary	1973		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-10	File - Canada-China Friendship Association newsletter	1971-1976		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-11	File - Canada China journals	1977-1980		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-12	File - Regional meetings documents	1977-1979		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-13	File - National conferences documents	1978-1980		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-14	File - National and regional cooperation position statement	1978		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-15	File - Canadian and international friendship association materials	1964-1979		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-16	File - Canada-wide Federation of Chinese Friendship constitution	1978		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-17	File - National newsletters	1965-1981		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-18	File - New bridge magazine	1971		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-19	File - Papers, articles, and reports on China	1966-1979		
RBSC-ARC-1484-5-20	File - Papers, articles, speeches, and letters on China	1966-1978		
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-01	File - Jack Scott article critique notes	[1964-1980?]		
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-02	File - Jack and Hilda Scott CCFA membership cards	1964-1981		

Committee on Canadian Labour History libel suit

Date: [1990-1995?] (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series contains material relating to a libel claim submitted against Jack Scott and individuals associated with the Committee on Canadian Labour History by members of the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist), Hardial Bains, Charles Boylan, Dorothy-Jean O'Donnell, and Brian Sproule. The series contains the writ of summons, statement of claim, statement of defense, correspondence to and from the plaintiffs' and defendants' attorneys, and memoranda or statements regarding the charges. The series also contains Jack Scott's writings and research on the plaintiffs in the case, primarily Hardial Bains and Charles Boylan, including critiques of their writings and positions, copies of Bains's and Boylan's speeches and writings, extracts from newspaper and journal articles, library search results on Bains, and other related documents. The series also contains ephemera related to the plaintiffs, including a book of poetry by and biographical material about Charles Boylan's wife, Sharon Stevenson, Consensus magazine, a conference program, Words newsletter, and a pamphlet on the CPC(M-L) published by concerned feminist trade unionists. Correspondence is arranged chronologically.

Physical description: 10 cm of textual records

Access points:

- Bains, Hardial (subject)
- Boylan, Charles (subject)
- Sproule, Brian (subject)
- O'Donnell, Dorothy-Jean (subject)

Restrictions on access:

Research access to this series is restricted until 100 years from the creation of the records.

Publication status:

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File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-03	File - Writings on plaintiffs and defense statement	[between 1990-1995]	Research access to this file is restricted until 100 years from the creation of the records.	
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-04	File - Writings and research on plaintiffs	[between 1990-1995]	Research access to this file is restricted until 100 years from the creation of the records.	
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-05	File - Statement against libel charges	[between 1990-1995]	Research access to this file is restricted until 100 years from the creation of the records.	

RBSC-ARC-1484-6-06	File - Writings and research on plaintiffs	[between 1990-1995]	Research access to this file is restricted until 100 years from the creation of the records.
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-07	File - Writings and research on plaintiffs	[between 1990-1995]	Research access to this file is restricted until 100 years from the creation of the records.
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-08	File - Ephemera related to plaintiffs	[196-]-1995	Research access to this file is restricted until 100 years from the creation of the records.
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-09	File - Libel case documents and correspondence	1990-1995	Research access to this file is restricted until 100 years from the creation of the records.

Subject files

Date: 1934-1994 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series contains material collected by Jack Scott relating primarily to other communist, socialist, leftist, or social justice organizations and arranged by subject either by Jack Scott or by his acquaintances following his death. The groups represented in the series include the Progressive Labor Party (PLP), Vancouver Student Movement (VSM), Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) [CPC(M-L)], Partisans, Yenon Collective, United Front, Committee to Defeat Revisionism for Communist Unity (CDRCU), Canadian Student Movement, Students for a Democratic University, and various unions. Individuals represented in the series include Norman Bethune, Homer Stevens, Hugh Hardyman, James and Mary Endicott, Robert F. Williams, Jim Stanford, John F. Kennedy, and W. Kashtan. The material in the series includes photocopies and originals of letters, writings, and other documents; statements, commentaries, bulletins, and other group literature; ephemera, such as posters, newspaper clippings, flyers, newsletters, and pamphlets; and speech texts.

Physical description: 13 cm of textual records

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-10	File - PLP and Van Lydegraf correspondence and writings	1967-1970		
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-11	File - PLP documents and correspondence, photocopies	1967		
RBSC-ARC-1484-6-12	File - VSM and CPC (M-L) literature and ephemera	1969-1975		

RBSC-ARC-1484-6-13	File - CPC (M-L) and anti-CPC (M-L) material	1968-1974
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-01	File - Partisan Organization and Yenau Collective material	1972-1973
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-02	File - Ironworkers Union related letter and document	1960
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-03	File - United Front platform document	1962
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-04	File - Resolution of the northern groups of the CDRCU	1965
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-05	File - Irish-communist newsletters and documents	[196-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-06	File - Photocopy of Homer Stevens letter	[ca. 1968]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-07	File - Students for a Democratic University materials	[ca. 1969]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-08	File - The worker's voice newsletter	1963
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-09	File - Hugh Hardyman Bitter aloes pamphlet	[ca. 1951]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-10	File - Pamphlets on unionism	[1960?]-1964
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-11	File - Speaking out newsletter	1984
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-12	File - Pacific Northwest Labor History Association conference schedule	1976
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-13	File - Jim Stanford presentation to NDP renewal conference	1994
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-14	File - W. Kashtan keynote to 19th Communist Party convention	1966
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-15	File - Norman Bethune cut-out book	[ca. 1960]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-16	File - James and Mary Endicott pamphlet	[195-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-17	File - Robert F. Williams letter to Fidel Castro	1966
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-18	File - The 1930s: labour fights back	[197-?]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-19	File - John F. Kennedy assassination theory paper	[after 1963]
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-20	File - Collected flyers and pamphlets	1934-1976
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-21	File - Norman Bethune outgoing correspondence	1938

Personal papers and correspondence

Date: 1956-1994 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

The series consists of miscellaneous incoming correspondence to Jack Scott, transcripts of Scott's oral history interviews by the Participatory Research Group and related correspondence, incoming and outgoing correspondence and documents related to Scott's 1964 expulsion from the Communist Party, and photographs related to Scott's personal life. The miscellaneous incoming correspondence was likely arranged into one file by Scott's acquaintances following his death and includes letters from Bert Price, the All-China Federation of Trade Unions, Robert Kircher, Graham Johnson, William E. Willmott, and various universities. Correspondence is arranged chronologically.

Physical description: 6 cm of textual records, 108 photographs.

Note:

Includes the following photographs: RBSC-ARC-1484-PH-01 to 107, 113.

Accruals:

Folder 7-25 in this series was donated as part of the 2019 accrual.

Publication status:

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File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-22	File - Jack Scott oral histories and related documents	1986		
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-23	File - Incoming correspondence	1956-1994		
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-24	File - Communist party expulsion correspondence and related documents	1963-1964		
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-25	File - [Personal Photographs]			
RBSC-ARC-1484-7-25-PH-01 to 107, 113	Item - Photographs			