Lily (Steinman) Greene

An inventory to her fonds
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Prepared by: Donna Waye February 2004 **Biographical History:** Lily (Steinman) Greene was born in 1916 in Toronto. In 1932, at the age of 16, she graduated as a stenographer from the Toronto Central High School of Commerce. After graduation, Greene began work in the needle trade. This period marked the beginning of her labour and social justice activism. As a dress-maker, she served on the organizing committee for her section of the Industrial Union of Needle Trades Workers. She also joined the Central Division of the Canadian Jewish Congress in 1938 and worked in the head office of the Worker's Unity League and Worker's Educational Association during that time. As part of these activities she began an ongoing correspondence with the British Columbian socialist and labour organizer Tom McEwen which continued well into the 1970s.

After the war she continued her work as a labour organizer, moving to a full-time position in the head office of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Worker's Union. In 1967, a merger of steel industry unions took place and together they formed the United Steelworkers. Greene was assigned to the Toronto office of the merged union and worked there until her retirement in 1982 at the age of 65.

Greene was also highly active in the movement against the Vietnam War during the 1960s and early 1970s. She was a charter member of the Voice of Women (now known as the Canadian Voice of Women for Peace), acted as the Convenor of the Ontario Voice of Women Knitting Project for Vietnamese Children and served as the Ontario Representative of the Canadian Aid for Vietnamese Civilians organization.

Lily married Samuel Greene in 1938. After Samuel died at the age of 59, Greene lived common-law with Ray L. Stevenson until he passed away at the age of 84.

Title: Lily (Steinman) Greene Fonds

Dates: [193-] - 2000

Extent: .20m textual records and other material

Scope and Content: Fonds contains 171 letters from Tom McEwen spanning the decades from 1944 to 1976, and 4 letters from his wife, Rose McEwen; her sister, Anne Belenkaya; and Norman McEwen, Tom and Rose's son, and his family. Lily Greene remained friends with both Tom and his family for many years, so the letters are mostly of a personal nature but many contain discussions of, or references to, issues important to the Communist Party in Canada and elsewhere, including Tom's observations of and opinions on events occuring both at home and internationally, like the Vietnam war.

There are 22 photographs of Tom McEwen and various family members, as well as copies of photographs of Lily's children. A clippings file contains an assortment of newspaper clippings, some columns and opinion pieces written by Tom McEwen, with the majority on issues or events concerning a member of the McEwen family. The clippings cover the period from 1950 through to 2000.

The fonds also contains two essays written by Tom McEwen and an audiocassette of a talk he gave in 1974 to a Grade 11 class taught by his grandson, Harry Ewen. The cassette also contains a recording of a CBC program "This Morning" that aired in 2000 and which incorporated that lecture as part of the program.

The fonds is contained in its entirety in Box #1 (Files 1-33) and Box #2 (Files 1-4).

One oversized photographic print, reference number BC2112/22 (Paul Robeson) has been removed from the fonds and placed in Oversize shelving, where it may be retrieved.

Physical Description: Includes 22 photographs (b&w and colour), 7 Christmas cards, 4 postcards, and 1 audio cassette.

Source of Acquisition: Donated by Lily Greene in June of 2003.

Restrictions on Access: None

Accruals: No further accruals expected

Related records in a different fonds: The Tom McEwen Fonds contains personal correspondence, including numerous letters sent in support of Tom during his incarceration in the Hull Concentration Camp during the period 1941 – 1942, as well as correspondence addressed to Tom in his capacity as editor of *The Pacific Tribune*. Also included: materials relating to his Yukon election campaign of 1944 – 1945; a collection of essays and draft manuscripts written by Tom; numerous pamphlets, bulletins and other writings collected by Tom; materials related to various labour unions and labour union activity in general; and a large number of newspaper clippings.

Series List - Lily Greene Fonds

Title: Correspondence – 1944

Dates: August 9, 1944

Extent: 1 letter.

Scope and Content: This series contains one letter from Tom McEwen written on stationary reflecting Tom's campaign as Labour Candidate for the Yukon Territory.

Letter is typed, one page in length, one-sided.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #1.

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1946

Dates: August 16, 1946 - December 24, 1946

Extent: 3 letters. – 1 card.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated August 16, November 3, and December 24, 1946, along with a small Christmas card from Tom and Rosa McEwen (date written on back "1946")

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

All letters are typed, 1 page in length, one-sided.

Letter dated November 3, 1946 includes a sticky note written by Lily Greene – "'Tommy' is Tom's grandson, Tom Kozar, Jean's son."

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #2.

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1947

Dates: February 2, 1947 – October 30, 1947

Extent: 5 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 2, February 19, June 27, October 2, and October 30, 1947.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

All letters are typed, 1 page in length, one-sided except for June 27, which runs a paragraph over to the back.

Letters dated June 27 and October 30th written on Pacific Tribune letterhead (where Tom McEwen was editor for many years)

Letter dated June 22 includes short paragraph commenting on the death of former Prime Minister Richard B. Bennett. The Worker's Unity League of Canada (WUL) sent a delegation from Toronto to Ottawa as part of the 1935 On To Ottawa Trek. Lily Greene was assigned by Tom McEwen to take notes for the WUL while the Trekkers' delegation met with and was subsequently dismissed by then Prime Minister Bennett (as per inscription on back of photograph reference number BC2112/9).

The On To Ottawa Trek was organized by the Relief Camp Workers Union (RCWU) which was affiliated with the WUL. The Trek originated in Vancouver where, on June 3, 1935, over 1000 striking workers set out to Ottawa in order to force better conditions in the labour camps established by the Bennett government during the severe economic conditions of the Depression. On June 14th the now 2000 strong contingent of striking workers reached Regina where the RCMP, operating under orders from Prime Minister Bennett, stopped them. On July 1 the RCMP arrested the Trek leaders at a large public meeting, igniting the Regina Riot in which one policeman was killed and hundreds of Trekkers and supporters were shot, beaten and badly injured. The Trek and the strike were smashed but the fight wasn't lost. The Conservative government of Bennett lost the federal election a few months later and the new Liberal government abolished the camps.

Refer to the following websites for more information on the On To Ottawa Trek:

http://www.ontoottawa.ca/home.html

http://www.ucalgary.ca/applied history/tutor/calgary/onottawa.html

http://radio.cbc.ca/programs/thismorning/lfnsound/moments in history/moments in history 021800.html

After the Riot, approximately 1250 of the protestors volunteered for the Mackenzie-Papineau Battalion (the Mac-Paps) to fight for the Spanish Republic during the Spanish Civil War. The Mac-Paps were part of the International Brigade fighting in this war and amongst their number was John Kozar, father of Tom Kozar who is the grandson of Tom McEwen. Refer to Clippings file, Box #2, File #2 for information relating to the Mac-Paps:

"A son traces 'the unknown soldier', by Sean Griffin (December 17, 1986, Pacific Tribune) "Paying homage in Barcelona to a father and anti-fascist", by Tom Kozar (1988, Pacific Tribune) "Lest we forget the Mac-Paps", by Rod Mickelburgh (December 1, 1988, National News)

Refer to photograph reference # BC2112/9, Box #2, File #1, for a picture of Lily Greene with Tom Kozar.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #3

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1948 **Dates:** January 12, 1948

Extent: 1 letter. – 1 letter sized sheet of photocopied photographs.

Scope and Content: This series contains one letter from Tom McEwen and 1 letter sized sheet of 8 photocopied photographs depicting Toma and Karen Greene, Lily's daughters, with two pictures including Tom McEwen. This same sheet is contained in the series Photographs, Box #2, Folder #1.

Letter is typed, 4 half pages in length, one-sided.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #4

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1949

Dates: January 6, 1949 – November 28, 1949

Extent: 5 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 6, April 26, September 21, November 24, and November 28.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

All letters are typed, 1 page in length, one-sided except for January 6 (3 half pages), September 21 (2 half pages), and November 28 (2 half pages).

Letter dated April 26 is on Pacific Tribune letterhead.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #5

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1950

Dates: February 22, 1950 – November 1, 1950

Extent: 9 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 22, March 29, [April 26], May 24, June 5, June 21, July 25, [August], and November 1.

Letters for April 26 and August did not have a date on them – this information was written at the top of the letters by an unknown person (possibly Lily Greene).

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Only letter dated July 25 is 1 page in length, one-sided. The rest are 2 to 3 half pages in length. All letters are typed.

Letter dated Feb 22 has a 2cm x 2.5cm purple stamp attached to the second half page. The image is of Hitler and the postscript to the letter reads: "Here's a stamp you can keep for a souvineer [sic] of a fiend who thought he could rule where freedom refused to die."

Letter dated May 24, 1950 makes mention of the death of his daughter, Isobel McEwen Argyros (Touchee), who passed away suddenly on May 2, 1950. Refer to Clippings Folder (Box #2, File #2) for two clippings related to the death of Isobel:

"Isobel McEwen Argyros, devoted Communist", 1950
"In Memoriam", by Tom McEwen (April 27, 1951, Pacific Tribune)

A few letters have sticky notes attached from Lily Greene clarifying some references used by Tom in the letters, as follows:

Letter dated [April 16]: "The stamps are used postage stamps which Tom tore off letters and mailed to Lily which I sold for cash to raise funds for the Tribune. L.S.G."

Letter dated May 24: "'Dean' of Canterbury, 'Endicott' Dr. James Endicott." Also on page 3 there is a notation "Leslie Morris" in the margin for the reference to "Leslie" in the letter.

Letter dated June 21: "'Sweethearts' are Toma and Karen Greene, 'Jim' is Tom's oldest son, 'Nick' is Touche's widower."

Letter dated July 25: "Lily's father died on July 5, 1950; 'J.G.' Joseph B. Salsberg."

Letter dated November 1: "Nicki Argeros is Isobel's husband (Touche)"

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #6

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1951

Dates: January 5, 1951 - March 13, 1951

Extent: 3 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 5, February 21 and March 13.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

All letters are typed, one-half page in length, one-sided except for February 21 (letter sized sheet).

Letter dated January 5 includes a sticky note written by Lily Greene: "'The Classics and the People's Movement' came with this letter – is attached. L.G." This refers to an essay written by Tom McEwen for the Annual Vancouver Book Fair, October 22, 1950 and is included with the letter. It is 10 pages in length, legal-sized, typed.

Refer to series Writings (Box #2, File #3) for two other essays written by Tom McEwen:

"The Unfriendly Arctic" (National Affairs Monthly, between 1939-1953)

"Paul Bunyan" (New Frontiers, Spring 1959)

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #7

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1952

Dates: March 11, 1952 – December 21, 1952

Extent: 7 letters. – 1 card.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated March 11, April 26, June 22, July 1, September 10, December 6, and December 21, along with a Christmas card

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

All letters are typed, 1 page in length, one-sided except for March 11 (double-sided) and June 22 (handwritten, double-sided).

Letter dated June 22 includes an attached sticky note from Lily Greene: "The Paul Robeson picture at the Peace Arch came with this letter. L.G." Refer to Box #2, File #1, Reference number BC2111/22 for the picture.

Letter dated December 21 includes a handwritten postscript from Tom: "Just before mailing got a writ charging yours truly and a bunch of others with "libel" against the police here. Promises to be interesting." References to this libel suit are made in letters from 1953 (Box #1, File #9)

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #8

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1953

Dates: February 9, 1953 – December 26, 1953

Extent: 7 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 9, March 6, April 1, June 8, October 7, December 17, and December 26.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

All letters are typed, 1 page in length, one-sided.

Letter dated June 8 is on Pacific Tribune letterhead.

Letter dated December 17 includes an attached sticky note from Lily Greene: "'Michael and Robbie' are the sons of 'The Rosenbergs' who were in prison then. L.G."

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #9

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1954

Dates: February 17, 1954 – December 26, 1954

Extent: 16 letters. – 2 postcards. – 10 photographs: b&w; 8.5cm x 5.5cm.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 17, March 3, May 12, June 8, July 1, August 8, August 27, September 6, September 14, October 8, November 2, November 3, November 16, December 2, December 15, December 26. Postcards are dated September 5 and September 14.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

The majority of letters are typed, 1 page in length, one-sided, except November 2 and November 3 (2 half pages, double-sided), November 16 (one half page), and December 15 (one half page). Letters from October 8 and December 2 are handwritten, 2 half pages each.

Letters from August 27 through to November 2 were written while Tom was travelling through Russia. Letters from November 16 to December 15 were on his way back to Canada. The

postcards are from this trip, as are the group of 10 photographs, which are enclosed in an envelope and addressed to Toma, Karen and Louise (Lily's daughters) on the back. The pictures are of various buildings around Moscow (all writing in Russian).

Letter dated June 8 includes an attached sticky note from Lily Greene: "'Mel' is Mel Colby."

Letter dated February 17 is on Pacific Tribune letterhead.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #10

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1955

Dates: February 28, 1955 – November 3, 1955

Extent: 5 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 28, June 8, June 29, October 5 and November 3.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided.

Letters dated February 28, October 5 and November 3 are on Pacific Tribune letterhead.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #11

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1956

Dates: January 29, 1956 - December 15, 1956

Extent: 11 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 29, April 27, April 30, May 5, May 9, October 6, October 16, October 23, November 15, November 19 and December 15.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided, except for April 30 (one half page), October 23 (handwritten, 2 pages) and November 19 (one half page)

Letters dated October 6 through to October 23 were written while Tom was travelling through China. The October 6th letter makes reference to "The Congress" which is no doubt a reference to the Eighth National Congress of the Communist Party of China held in 1956.

Refer to the following websites for more information on the Eighth National Congress:

http://www.maoism.org/msw/cpc/8th_congress_opening.htm http://www.maoism.org/msw/cpc/CPC_idx.htm Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #12

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1957

Dates: January 30, 1957 – December 8, 1957

Extent: 3 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 30, March 11 and December 8.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided, except for December 8 (handwritten).

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #13

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1958

Dates: September 10, 1958 – December 26, 1958

Extent: 3 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated September 10, October 22 and December 26.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #14

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1959

Dates: February 4, 1959 – December 23, 1959

Extent: 12 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 4, March 23, April 14, May 27, June 18, June 24, July 13, August 18, October 16, November 25, November 29 and December 23.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for February 4 (double-sided) and December 23 (half-page).

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #15

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1960

Dates: January 30, 1960 - December 11, 1960

Extent: 10 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 30, March 2, April 8, June 9, July 23, July 23, August 23, October 4, October 23 and December 11.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for October 23 (double-sided).

Letter of July 23 is addressed to Louise, Lily Greene's daughter.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #16

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1961

Dates: January 10, 1961 - October 12, 1961

Extent: 7 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 10, January 28, February 26, March 28, March 28, July 9, October 12 and October 12.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for March 28 (double-sided) and October 12 (double-sided)

Letter of March 28 is addressed to Louise, Lily Greene's daughter, and is handwritten on a small card.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #17

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1962

Dates: January 31, 1962 – October 23, 1962

Extent: 7 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 31, February 20, February 26, May 23, June 26, August 7, and October 23.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for February 20 (2 half pages).

Letters of January 31, February 26 and May 23 are written on Pacific Tribune letterhead.

Letter of August 7 includes an attached receipt (No. 1927) from Tribune Publishing Co. Ltd. to Lily Greene for \$4.00 for a one year Pacific Tribune subscription.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #18

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1963

Dates: January 27, 1963 – November 26, 1963

Extent: 14 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 27, February 13, March 2, March 31, [May 6], [May 16], May 23, June 5, August 30, October 2, October 14, November 10, November 19 and November 26.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for March 2 (2 handwritten pages), October 2 (2 half pages), and November 10 (handwritten, 1 steno page, both sides).

Letters of May 6 and May 16 do not have a specific date on the letter. For May 6 this date has been written on the envelope with question marks after it, and for May 6 a handwritten note in the top right hand corner of the first page indicates that May 16 was the post marked date. The handwriting appears to be that of Lily Greene.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #19

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1964

Dates: January 5, 1964 – December 6, 1964

Extent: 13 letters. – 2 postcards.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 5, January 18, February 14, March 18, April 14, May 21, [June 18], July 15, August 16, Sept 22, October 27, December 6.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for July 15 (handwritten, 2 pages), August 16 (handwritten, 1 page) and September 22 (handwritten, three pages).

Letter of January 18 is attached to another letter, 1 typed half page in length, that has no date. Written in the top right had corner is "Jan? 64?" This letter talks about the death of Jim Hutton. Both letters are attached to an envelope postmarked January 20, 1964.

Letter of July 15 while Tom and Rosa were travelling through Russia. It is attached to 2 postcards. One is in colour and depicts the ship the m/s Batory of the Polish Ocean Lines (Gdynia America Line). The postcard is postmarked July 4, 1964. The second postcard is in black and white and depicts the statue of Colonel Jan Kilinski, a leader of the Warsaw people during the Kosciuszko insurrection in 1794 (as per the back of the postcard). The postcard is dated July 7, 1964.

Letter of June 18 does not have a specific date on the letter. The date of June 18, 1964 has been written in the top right hand corner of the page in what looks to be Lily Greene's handwriting.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #20

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1965

Dates: February 5, 1965 – December 16, 1965

Extent: 7 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 5, February 21, April 28, June 15, September 14, November 12 and December 16.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for September 14 (double-sided), November 12 (3 half pages) and December 16 (double-sided).

Letter of February 5 includes a notation "Sam Carr" in the margin, written in what looks to be Lily Greene's handwriting, to clarify a reference in the letter to "our old pal SC".

Letter of April 28 is on new Pacific Tribune letterhead, and contents of letter references the move of the Pacific Tribune offices to 193 East Hastings Street, Vancouver (from 6-426 Main Street, Vancouver).

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #21

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1966

Dates: January 4, 1966 - December 14, 1966

Extent: 13 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 4, January 13, February 18, March 1, April 12, May 10, June 28, July 22, August 16, September 5, October 7, November 22, and December 14.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for March 1 (2 half pages), April 12 (double-sided) and July 22 (double-sided).

Letter of January 4 includes an attached receipt (No. 681) dated January 3, 1966 to Lily Greene for \$2.00 from Tribune Publishing Co. Ltd.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #22

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1967

Dates: January 4, 1967 - December 17, 1967

Extent: 9 letters. – 1 card.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 4, January 25, February 8, February 24, March 22, April 25, May 23, July 23, November 1, December 17 (card).

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for February 8 (2 half pages), and April 25 (double-sided).

Letter of January 25 includes writing on the top left hand corner of the first page: "Bert Kenny, Oscar Ryan, Vapans – Annie B." Letter of May 23 including writing on the back of the page: "Royal Canadian Dragoons Cavalry Regiment later became Tank Corps Regiment. 1 squadron (75 men). Bill Walsh knows where Minster. Joe Spense, Barrie, married to Idele W." It is not known whose handwriting it is or to what specifically the notes refer.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #23

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1968

Dates: February 3, 1968 – October 13, 1968

Extent: 10 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 3, March 4, April 5, [April 6], May 8, May 27, [June 24], July 13, September 9, October 13.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for February 3 (2 half pages), April 5 (2 half pages), [April 6] (short note on small piece of paper), May 27 (2 pages) and September 9 (3 half pages).

Letters of April 6 and June 24 do not have the date indicated on the letter. The letter of April 6 is postmarked with that date, while the letter of June 24 has that date written on the top right hand corner of the first page in what looks to be Lily Greene's handwriting.

Letter of April 5 mentions the murder of Martin Luther King.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #24

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1969

Dates: January 21, 1969 – November 14, 1969

Extent: 14 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 21, January 29, February 23, March 12, March 17, April 17, April 29, May 28, July 30, September 10, September 19, October 17, October 23, and November 14. The series also contains two receipts from Tribune Publishing Co. Ltd. One is dated July 23, 1969 (No. 2794) for \$5.15 and is made out to Mrs. L. Greene (for a 1 year subscription to Pacific Tribune). The second, dated October 23, 1969 (No. 222) is for \$5.00 and is made out to Tom McEwen (for a one 1 year renewal to June 71).

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for January 29 (double-sided), April 17 (double-sided), and September 19 (double-sided).

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #25

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1970

Dates: February 12, 1970 – November 8, 1970 **Extent:** 10 letters. – 1 newspaper clipping.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 12, March 2, March 13, March 15, April 21, May 6, June 24, July 30, October 4, and November 8. The series also contains a newspaper clipping from the Toronto Telegram dated May 8, 1970. The clipping is a picture and a brief write up on a dawn memorial service held in sympathy with the Day of Mourning called by American college students for the Kent State four.

The series also includes a handwritten note from Lily Greene and family on the occasion of the retirement of Tom McEwen (letter of April 21, 1970 references Tom's retirement banquet the previous Sunday).

There is also a receipt (No. 1885) from Tribune Publishing Co. Ltd. Dated June 9, 1970 to Lily Greene in the amount of \$5.00 (donation).

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for February 12 (double-sided), March 15 (handwritten), April 21 (double-sided), May 6 (double-sided), June 24 (handwritten), October 4 (double-sided) and November 8 (double-sided).

Letter of May 6 congratulates Toma, Lily's daughter, on her upcoming marriage (a note in the margin by Lily indicates that Toma did not end up marrying at that time.)

Letter of July 30 is written on Pacific Tribune letterhead.

Letter of March 13 includes a flyer advertising a talk entitled "Is There An American Conspiracy Against Cambodia?" given on March 22 by Dr. E.W. Pfeiffer of the University of Montana. The letter references the talk and Dr. Pfeiffer.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #26

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1971

Dates: February 15, 1971 - December 6, 1971

Extent: 6 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 15, March 14, June 1, August 4, September 9, and December 6.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for September 9 (one half page).

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #27

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1972

Dates: January 25, 1972 – December 26, 1972

Extent: 9 letters. - 2 cards.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 25, February 9, February 14, April 10, May 30, June 26, September 11, November 1 and December 26. The series also contains 2 Christmas cards from Tom McEwen and his family.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for November 1 (two half pages).

Letter of January 25 includes a sticky note written by Lily Greene: "'JE' – Jim Endicott". Letter of February 9 includes a sticky note written by Lily Greene: "'Harry' Guracnick".

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #28

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1973

Dates: January 8, 1973 – December 3, 1973

Extent: 9 letters. – 2 telegrams.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 8, January 30, February 20, March 6, April 5, May 31, June 28, October 15, and December 3.

Series also contains two telegrams. One is dated January 19, 1973 from Tom and Rose McEwen and family to Lily Greene re: death of Annie Buller. See Box #2, File #2 for Tom's eulogy printed in the January 24, 1973 edition of the Canadian Tribune. The second telelgram is also from Tom McEwen and family to Lily Greene re: death of Pearl Wedro (no date on telegram).

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for January 8 (2 pages), January 30 (2 pages), October 15 (2 pages), and December 3 (handwritten, 2 pages).

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #29

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1974

Dates: January 10, 1974 – December 3, 1974

Extent: 12 letters. – 1 card.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 10, January 14, February 13, March 27, April 15, May 21, June 24, August 2, August 28, October 31, November 5, December 3. Series also contains a Christmas card.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for May 21 (3 half pages) and October 31 (2 pages).

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #30

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1975

Dates: January 2, 1975 - December 7, 1975

Extent: 18 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated January 2, January 8, February 17, April 9, April 29, May 2, June 17, June 20, July 2, July 12, July 15, September 10, August 16, October 1, October 20, November 1 and December 7. Series also includes a copy of a letter sent to Tom Lily Greene dated July 11.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for January 8 (handwritten, double-sided), June 20 (double-sided), and October 20 (2 half pages).

Letter of February 17 is typed on a Thank You card acknowledging a birthday gift sent to Tom from the Greenes.

Letters of June 17 and August 26 are addressed to Louise Greene, Lily's daughter.

Letter of July 11 from Lily Greene includes an attached Registration Receipt (No. 25388) to Tom McEwen re: a photostatic copy of a document typed up by Lily. This could refer to letters dated June 20 wherein Tom asks Lily to do some re-typing of a brochure he wrote on prison life, and of July 2 where he indicates his acceptance of Lily's agreement to do the typing. Tom's letter from July 15 confirms receipt of photostat copy referenced in Lily's July 11 letter. Later letters of November 1 and December 7 mention this manuscript as being titled *Behind Prison Bars*.

Refer to File #32 for a letter dated October 16, 1976 from Robin Andrews to Lily Greene commenting on the manuscript. On this letter is a sticky from Lily Greene referencing an October 27 letter from Tom wherein he references "The lad in Kingston P". On the sticky Lily writes this must be Robin Andrews who, from other information in Tom's October 27 letter, appears to have been a prisoner at that time in the Kingston Penitentiary.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #31

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – 1976

Dates: February 15, 1976 - October 27, 1976

Extent: 8 letters.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters from Tom McEwen dated February 15, February 8, March 1, March 18, April 6, May 28, and October 27. Series also contains a letter from Robin Andrews dated October 16.

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are typed, one page, one-sided except for May 28 (double-sided) and October 16 (handwritten).

Letter of October 16 is from Robin Andrews and includes a sticky note from Lily Greene referencing the October 27 letter from Tom: "The 7th line – "the lad in Kingston P" must be the "Robin Andrews" on this letter. I mailed to him the *Prison Bars* manuscript. Lily G." This letter comments on the manuscript

Refer to File #31 for letters referencing the *Behind Prison Bars* manuscript: June 20, July 11, July 15, November 1 and December 7. Tom asked Lily to type up a brochure he wrote on prison life which she did and sent him a copy. In later letters he references the manuscript as being titled *Behind Prison Bars*.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #32

Signatures and Inscriptions: At the bottom right of the October 16th letter from Robin Andrews is written: "July 14/79, CAUC 31/1, June, Peace News"

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Correspondence – Other

Dates: August 23, 1974 - November 18, 1988

Extent: 4 letters. - 2 cards.

Scope and Content: This series contains letters to Lily Greene from other members of Tom McEwen's family. Letters are dated [August 23, 1974], September 7, 1977; March 27, 1984 and a letter which is undated but written at the top is "Replied November 18, 1988". Also included in this series are two cards. One is an In Appreciation card from Norm (Norman, son of Tom McEwen), Dee (Deirdre), Scott and Rosanne McEwen to Lily Greene and her family with respect to the death of Tom McEwen. The second is a Christmas card from Tom, Rose, Ron and Anne, which does not have a date, but on the envelope is written "1979".

Letters are arranged in chronological order.

Letters are all handwritten, 1 – 2 pages in length, double-sided.

Letter of August 23, 1974 is from Anne Belenkaya (Rose McEwen's sister). The letter does not include a date but written at the top is "Post Mark Aug 23/1974" (envelope is included with letter)

Letters of September 7, 1977 and March 27, 1984 are from Rose McEwen. Letter includes a copy of a birthday card sent to Tom on February 13, 1984 from an admirer.

Undated letter marked as having been replied on November 18, 1988 is from Dee and Norm McEwen. Included with the letter is a copy of a speech given by Tom Kozar, Tom McEwen's grandson, at the memorial for Tom McEwen. The copy is dated June 4th, 1988 and it is written on the top that Tom McEwen died May 11, 1988 at the age of 97.

Refer to Box #1, File #35 for clippings related to the death of Tom McEwen.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #1, File #33

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Photographs **Dates:** [193-] - 1998

Extent: 1 file folder. – 22 photographs: b&w and col.; 27.5cm x 33.5cm or smaller

Scope and Content: This series contains photographs of Tom McEwen and other members of the McEwen family, including relations; and of Lily Greene and her family. Series also includes a laser copy of a photograph of Tom and Rosa McEwen, and a page of photocopied photographs of Tom with Lily Greene's daughters, Toma and Karen.

Most of the photographs include identifying information supplied by Lily Greene and written on the back of the photos. This information has been included in the item level descriptions of individual photographs.

Series encompasses photograph reference numbers BC2112/1 – BC2112/22

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #2, Folder #1

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

General note: There are 5 photographs in this series which are copies of photographs:

BC2112/13 (Tom McEwen) BC2112/22 (Paul Robeson)

3 letter sized sheets featuring photos (Tom McEwen, Tom and Rosa McEwen)

1 letter sized sheet of a series of pictures featuring Toma and Karen Greene, Lily's daughters, (with two showing Tom McEwen)

Photograph reference numbers BC2112/1 – BC2112/5 were originally contained in an envelope which was inscribed, "The enclosed 5 pictures were taken of Tom and other visitors and fellow patient...while he was in the nursing home from 1979 and later years. Sorry for no specific dates. L.G.". This envelope has been retained with the photographs.

Title: Clippings

Dates: January 9, 1950 – October 15, 2000

Extent: 1 file folder. – 4 envelopes.

Scope and Content: This series contains clippings related to Tom McEwen, his family and descendents. Series also contains an original book jacket for a work authored by Tom McEwen, *He Wrote For Us – The Story of Bill Bennett, Pioneer Socialist Journalist.*

Clippings are arranged chronologically.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #2, Folder #2

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Writings – Tom McEwen **Dates:** [between 1939 and 1953]

Extent: 1 file folder.

Scope and Content: This series contains two essays written by Tom McEwen. Refer to Item level description for details.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #2, Folder #3

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Title: Audio Material

Dates: [1974], February 18, 2000 **Extent:** 1 audio cassette. – 1 letter.

Scope and Content: This series contains an audio cassette and accompanying letter to Lily Greene from Harry Ewen (son of Bruce Ewen and grandson to Tom McEwen). The A-side of the cassette contains a recording of a lecture given by Tom McEwen to Harry Ewen's Grade 11 social studies class in 1974. The B-side is a recording of an episode of the CBC program "This Morning" that aired in early 2000 and which used the 1974 lecture as part of the episode.

The letter gives more detail on the circumstances of both the lecture and the CBC recording.

Series is contained in its entirety in Box #2, Folder #4

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on content of series

Signatures and Inscriptions: At the bottom of the letter is written "Harry Ewen, son of Bruce Ewen". There is also a date stamp of "Apr 26, 2000".

<u>Item List – Lily Greene Fonds</u>

Series - Photographs

Title: Tom McEwen, Lily Greene and Pat Haney

Dates: 1979

Extent: 1 photograph: col.; 10cm x 10cm

Scope and Content: Photograph taken while Tom McEwen was in a nursing home. Tom is seated in a wheelchair on the left, Pat Haney in a wheelchair on the right, with Lily Greene standing between them.

Reference number is BC2112/1

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph and information taken from a subsequent photograph, reference number BC2112/5. Here it is noted in the inscription on the back that one of the figures is Pat Haney, and as that same man appears in this photograph, this information has been included in the title of this photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back "Tom, Lily and?"

Title: Tom McEwen and Pat Haney

Dates: 1979

Extent: 1 photograph: col.; 10cm x 10cm

Scope and Content: Photograph taken while Tom McEwen was in a nursing home. Tom is seated in a wheelchair on the left, Pat Haney in a wheelchair on the right.

Reference number is BC2112/2.

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph and information taken from a subsequent photograph, reference number BC2112/5. Here it is noted in the inscription on the back that one of the figures is Pat Haney, and as that same man appears in this photograph, this information has been included in the title of this photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back "Tom & ?, 13".

Title: Rosa McEwen, Tom McEwen and Pat Haney

Dates: 1979

Extent: 1 photograph : col.; 10cm x 10cm

Scope and Content: Photograph taken while Tom McEwen was in a nursing home. Rosa is seated on the left, Tom is in the middle of the picture receiving a kiss from an unidentified person, while Pat Haney is seated in a wheelchair on the right.

While indicating "Rose" on the back of the photograph, comparisons with BC2112/21 and the laser copy of a photograph of Tom with Rosa seem to show that the woman seated appears to be Rosa, so it was assume Rose meant Rosa.

Reference number is BC2112/3.

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph and information taken from a subsequent photograph, reference number BC2112/5. Here it is noted in the inscription on the back that one of the figures is Pat Haney, and as that same man appears in this photograph, this information has been included in the title of this photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back "Rose, Tom & ?, #17".

Title: Tom McEwen, Audrey Mozdir, and Pat Haney

Dates: 1979

Extent: 1 photograph : col.; 10cm x 10cm

Scope and Content: Photograph taken while Tom McEwen was in a nursing home. Tom is seated in a wheelchair on the left, Pat Haney in a wheelchair on the right, with Audrey Mozdir standing between them.

Reference number is BC2112/4

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph and information taken from a subsequent photograph, reference number BC2112/5. Here it is noted in the inscription on the back that one of the figures is Pat Haney, and as that same man appears in this photograph, this information has been included in the title of this photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back "Tom, Audrey Mozir, #18".

Title: Tom McEwen and Pat Haney

Dates: February 23, 1979

Extent: 1 photograph : col.; 10cm x 10cm

Scope and Content: Photograph taken while Tom McEwen was in a nursing home. Tom is seated in a wheelchair on the left and Pat Haney in a wheelchair on the right.

Reference number is BC2112/5.

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back "15, Feb 23/79, Tom and Pat Haney".

Title: Lily Green (nee Steinman)

Dates: 1935

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w.; 9cm x 5cm

Scope and Content: Lily Steinman – 1935 – in office of Workers Unity League on Adelaide St.

W., Toronto.

Reference number is BC2112/6.

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph.

Title: W.U.L. (Workers Unity League) Gathering, Ottawa

Dates: [193-]

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w.; 13.5cm x 8.5cm

Scope and Content: Photograph features a large group standing in front of the Parliament

Buildings in Ottawa.

Reference number is BC2112/7.

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

Tom McEwen not in picture Lily Greene red ink line Ottawa Date? W.U.L. gathering

Physical condition: Photograph is marked on the front with a thin red line indicating Lily Greene. There is a small piece missing in the bottom right hand corner, with tiny holes in the other three corners. There is also a small piece of the emulsion torn off the bottom of the photograph.

Title: The Great National Congress Ottawa

Dates: [193-]

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w.; 24.5cm x 6cm

Scope and Content: A group shot where the front row holds a long banner titled "The Great National Congress Ottawa" taken in front of the Parliament Buildings.

Reference number is BC2112/8

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on banner information in photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

Tom McEwen, upper right corner
Lily "Steinman" Greene, 6 front row from right
Not sure of date
Parliament Bldgs. Ottawa
Millie Lamb
Helene Caren
Marion (Magnusou [sic]) Nodelman
Harvey Murphy
Charlie Sims
Jim Blugeman
Sam Ratenberg

Physical condition: Photograph is marked on the front with two thin red lines, one indicating Lily Greene and the other Tom McEwen.

Title: Lily Green and Tommy Kozar

Dates: May 14, 1996

Extent: 1 photograph: col.; 25.5cm x 20cm.

Scope and Content: Photograph taken during the Canadian Labour Convention held in

Vancouver, B.C.

Reference number is BC2112/9

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

May 14/96 Lil Greene and Tommy Kozar (Tom McEwen's grandson, delegate at Convention Vancouver B.C.

Tommy asked the official photographer to take this picture - after the reception on the podium – in the convention hall.

Lil Greene was invited to attend the convention of the Canadian Labour Congress in Vancouver, B.C. in May 1996. She was one of the ten honoured "On to Ottawa Trek" in 1935. Working in the Workers Unity League office in 1935, Tom McEwen assigned her to take notes for the WUL while the Trekkers' delegation met with P M Bennett. She sat at his desk with notebook and was ushered out at the same time the delegation was dismissed.

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General Note: Refer to Scope and Content description for series Correspondence – 1947 for more information on the background on the On To Ottawa Trek of 1935.

Title: Sean, Brendan and Tasha McEwen; Premier of B.C.

Dates: [December 1998]

Extent: 1 photograph: col.; 15cm x 10cm.

Scope and Content: Premier Glen Clark on the left, then Tasha McEwen and other 2 McEwen family members next to her (it is not identified who is Sean and who is Brendan McEwen)

A second photograph, BC2112/11, taken at the same time indicates the occasion for this photo is the laying of a wreath and ceremonies of the monument for Mac Pap Veterans (MacKenzie-Papineau Battalion veterans who fought in the Spanish Civil War in 1936).

See Scope and Content for the item "Mac-Pap Veterans Monument Ceremony", photograph reference number BC2112/11 for more information on the MacKenzie-Papineau Battalion and the circumstances behind the dedication of the monument.

Reference number is BC2112/10

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

Victoria, B.C. Sean, Brendan and Tasha McEwen Premier of B.C. Dec 29 1998 (received)

Title: Mac-Pap Veterans Monument Ceremony

Dates: [December 1998]

Extent: 1 photograph : col.; 15cm x 10cm.

Scope and Content: A group of people standing in front of monument, with Premier Glen Clark standing next to an elderly veteran.

Most of the MacKenzie-Papineau volunteers were labour or student activists, including participants from the On To Ottawa Trek of 1935, which ended in a riot in Regina, Saskatchewan on July 1, 1935. Nearly half of the MacKenzie-Papineau battalion died in the Spanish Civil War of 1936 - 1939 and were buried where they fell on the Spanish battlefields. By the late 1990s only Canada and the United States had failed to recognize the sacrifice of the volunteers. BC Labour activists, headed by Tom Kozar (son of Jean Ewen Kozar and grandson of Tom McEwen) and Joe Barrett (son of former NDP premier Dave Barrett), organized a campaign to gain this recognition. On December 4, 1988 a plaque was unveiled (shown in this photograph). It is inscribed in large text at the bottom with the words "No Pasaran" which means "They Will Not Pass", the slogan of Spanish anti-fascists and their international comrades during the Spanish Civil War. Later, in February of 2000, there was the dedication of a veterans monument.

Refer to Clippings File #2, Box #2 for an article entitled *Lest we forget the Mac-Paps*, by Rod Mickelburgh, in which he talks about the Mac-Paps and the circumstances of the plaque and monument dedications. Other relevant articles from this file are:

"A son traces 'the unknown soldier', by Sean Griffin (December 17, 1986, Pacific Tribune) "Paying homage in Barcelona to a father and anti-fascist", by Tom Kozar (1988, Pacific Tribune)

Reference number is BC2112/11

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

Victoria, B.C. Laying and ceremonies of monument for Mac Pap Veterans Sent to us from Sean McEwen Dec 29 1998 (received 1998)

Title: Put Canada First – Vote Communist, Tom McEwen

Dates: [April 27, 1998 – July 10, 1998] **Extent:** 1 photograph : col.; 15cm x 10cm.

Scope and Content: Photograph of a Tom McEwen political poster. There is no indication as to the original date of the poster.

Reference number is BC2112/12

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on information contained within the poster

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

Taken by Lil Greene during the period of April 27 to July 19/98 at the Exhibit - Radicals and Revolutionaries – at the Rare Book Library in Toronto.

Title: Tom McEwen

Dates:

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w; 9.5cm x 15cm pasted on a 13.5cm x 19cm piece of cardboard

Scope and Content: Photograph was cut from an unknown publication (as per information that can be seen on the back of the picture) but is inscribed by Tom McEwen.

Reference number is BC2112/13

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on contents of photograph

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed in the lower right hand corner:

"Up From the Past"
Second line illegible (only the words "for a" are understandable)
Tom McEwen

Title: A Young Woman

Dates: [195-]

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w; 7.5cm x 11.5cm (sight) in cardboard frame 21cm x 14.5cm

Scope and Content: A close up of an unidentified woman. On her coat is a ribbon which says "May Day".

The woman in this photograph is the same as the woman in photograph reference number BC2112/19, where she is indicated as being Isabel McEwen (from the inscription on the back of that photograph).

Reference number is BC2112/14

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on contents of photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on the left side of the frame:

To Sam and Lily: In the memory of one we both loved, and who dedicated her life that others might be happy, Tom

1950

General Note: "Sam" refers to Lily's husband.

Title: Tom and Rosa McEwen

Dates: June 24, 1939

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w; 8.5cm x 14cm

Scope and Content: Tom and Rosa standing on a graveled path in front of lush vegetation and

tall trees.

Reference number is BC2112/15

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on contents of photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

June 24/39 Greetings from the Crimea to Lily & Sam from an old friend and his Meha.

Title: Tom McEwen and unidentifed man

Dates: November 2, 1954

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w; 12cm x 18cm

Scope and Content: Tom is standing at the right side of the photograph, with the unidentified man standing to the left. They are posed in front of a terraced park or garden, with a white sculpture of two men seated on a bench behind them.

Reference number is BC2112/16

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on contents of photograph.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

November 2, 1954; Moscow, U.S.S.R. To my Little Girls, Toma, Karen and Louise, from Uncle Tom, with lots of love.

Photograph is stamped with a purple triangle containing Russian lettering.

General Note: Toma, Karen and Louise are Lily Greene's three daughters.

Title: Man and Boy

Dates: [194-]

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w.; 6.5cm x 9cm

Scope and Content: A young boy stands on a bench next to a man dressed in a soldiers uniform. The man has his arm around the boy and is looking down at him while the boy looks out into the camera.

Reference number is BC2112/17

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on contents of photograph

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

Jim and Norma Ewen, with best wishes to Lily and (this second name is illegible) 1942?

Physical condition: Upper left corner is torn.

General note: Photograph is stamped with the number 706 on the back. As well, the name

"Norma" could also be "Normie" – it is hard to tell from the handwriting which it is.

Title: Small Boy **Dates:** February 1951

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w.; 8.5cm x 12cm

Scope and Content: A young boy is holding on to the hand of a person not in the shot. He is dressed in a coat and hat, and is looking into the camera, smiling slightly. There is a car off in the background.

Reference number is BC2112/18

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on contents of photograph

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

Hullo, Toma and Karen, Yours, Ronnie

Feb/51

Pencil squiggle that looks like an upside down "3"

Title: Ruby, Isabel and Tom McEwen

Dates: 1949

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w.; 11.5cm x 8cm

Scope and Content: Tom is crouched down behind a woman and a young girl. The setting is a large field with houses in the background.

The woman in the photograph is the same as in photograph reference number BC2112/14. From the inscription on this photograph she appears to be Isabel McEwen (although not specifically identified as such it seems reasonable that the little girl is, Ruby because her name was clarified with "Bruce's daughter", while the two adults are grouped together in the rest of the inscription).

Reference number is BC2112/19

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

1949 Ruby (Bruce's daughter), Isabel and Tom McEwen Ruby P21

General note: Photograph is stamped "Photolec Ltd., July 13, 1949, Vancouver, B.C."

Title: Tom and Spot

Dates: 1959

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w.; 9cm x 9cm

Scope and Content: Tom is seated and holding a medium sized black dog on his lap.

Reference number is BC2112/20

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

1959

Tom and "SPOT" Vancouver

General note: Photograph is stamped "3140" on the back.

Title: Rosa McEwen

Dates: 1959

Extent: 1 photograph: b&w.; 9cm x 9cm

Scope and Content: Rosa is seated between a table and curio cabinet, chin resting on her hand, looking out at the camera.

Reference number is BC2112/21

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of photograph

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

1959 Rosa Vancouver

General note: Photograph is stamped "3140"

Title: Paul Robeson **Dates:** June 22, 1952

Extent: 1 photograph (copy): b&w.; 20cm x 25cm image with a 3.5cm border around

Scope and Content: Paul Robeson is standing outdoors in front of a microphone, looking down at a small notebook in his hands and smiling. The camera is positioned somewhat below Mr. Robeson and looking up at him. Behind Mr. Robeson is a white building with 2 American flags flying on the roof.

This photograph is referenced in a letter from Tom McEwen dated June 22, 1952 where he writes, "Am enclosing a picture for the girls and am sure they will like it. We have already become famous with this picture taken from the Pacific Tribune and the orders are terrific – especially to the U.S. It was sure a great day and 35 or 40-thousand Canadians gave the State Department

their answer. Paul himself was thrilled with the crowd, and it was reflected in his songs." Refer to Box #1, File #8 for the June 22 letter.

Reference number is BC2112/22

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on contents of photograph

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

June 22, 1952

To Toma, Karen and Louise: for them his songs hold the promise of a happy future. Tom McEwen

Physical condition: Material is somewhat wrinkled and bent around the outside edges. There is a piece of scotch tape at the top, in the middle, that goes round to the back of the photograph.

General note: Photograph is a reproduction on cardboard. On the back is a sticky note written by Lily Greene: "This came with Tom's June 22/52 letter. It hung on a frame in our home until this year in order to send it to B.C. We replaced it with a photstat one. L.G."

The Pacific Tribune was a paper at which Tom McEwen was editor for many years.

Title: Tom McEwen and Rosa Belankaya McEwen

Dates: [19 -]

Extent: 1 photograph (copy): sepia toned; 21cm x 28cm

Scope and Content: Tom is standing with his arm around Rosa. He is wearing a suit and tie and she is wearing a white dress. Both are positioned in front of a fence with a tree rising up behind it. Both are looking into the camera.

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on inscription on back of sheet.

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on back:

Tom McEwen, Rosa Belankaya McEwen

Rec'd May 26, 2000

General note: Photograph is a laser copy of an original.

Title: Tom McEwen, Toma and Karen Greene

Dates: May 31, 1948

Extent: 8 photograph (copies): b&w; 6.5cm x 10cm each on a letter sized sheet

Scope and Content: A series of 8 photographs depict various shots of Toma and Karen Greene, daughters of Lily Greene, with one showing Tom McEwen alone and another Tom with Karen.

Source of Supplied Title: Title based on written captions on each photograph

Signatures and Inscriptions: Photograph is inscribed on the bottom:

Toronto - May 31, 1948

<u>Item List – Lily Greene Fonds</u>

Series - Clippings

Title: Ol' Bill writes last column - beloved pioneer Communist dies carrying on struggle, by

Bruce Mickelburgh **Dates:** January 9, 1950

Extent: 1 clipping; 18.5cm x 40cm.

Scope and Content: Column discusses the life and work of Bill Bennett, who authored the weekly column "Short Jabs" in the Pacific Tribune.

Clipping was taken from the Canadian Tribune.

Physical condition: Paper has a few fold lines and is slightly torn around the edges.

Title: He Wrote For Us - The Story of Bill Bennett, Pioneer Socialist Journalist, by Tom

McEwan

Dates: [1951]

Extent: 1 book jacket; 29cm x 21cm

Scope and Content: The original book jacket including "About the Author" information. This book was published in 1951 by the Tribune Publishing Company, Vancouver, B.C., and was 161p.

Physical condition: Front cover of book jacket is missing the top left hand corner. The front cover is separated from the back cover, which has no information on it front or back. The "About the Author" flaps are similarly separated from the front and back covers. Overall condition is very fragile.

Title: Isobel McEwen Argyros, devoted Communist, by M. Holmes, Toronto Writers' Group

Dates: [1951]

Extent: 1 clipping; 20.5cm x 18.5cm

Scope and Content: Eulogy for Tom McEwen's daughter Isobel (also known as Touche by her family) who died suddenly on May 2, 1950. Clipping includes two photographs, one of an adult Isobel and the other when she was a child with her parents, Tom and Isobel McEwen.

The source of the clipping is unknown.

Physical condition: There are small tears at the top and bottom of the centre fold line, and a small piece is missing from the right hand side of the clipping, but this does not affect the content.

Signatures and Inscriptions: On the right hand side is written "1951" with a line drawn to the date May 4 in the column, which is when the funeral was held. However, this date is incorrect, as Isobel McEwen died in 1950, not 1951. Refer to clipping *In Memoriam* written by Tom McEwen and published in April of 1951, wherein he indicates that Isobel died the year before.

Title: In Memoriam, by Tom McEwen

Dates: April 27, 1951

Extent: 1 clipping; 15.5cm x 36cm (column size)

Scope and Content: Eulogy for Tom McEwen's daughter Isobel (also known as Touchee by her family) who died suddenly on May 2, 1950. Clipping includes a photograph of Isobel.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune and was published in Tom's column *As We See It.*

A sticky note from Lily Greene is attached to the clipping: "Original copy of Tom's eulogy for Isobel – for Lil, Sam and Kiddies."

Physical condition: There are several fold lines and a piece of the top right hand corner is missing.

Signatures and Inscriptions: On the bottom is written "Dear Lil, Sam and Kiddies – Happy May Day greetings. May see you before long. Tom".

Title: Georgie Hewison, Bill Hreherchuk and Tom McEwen

Dates: June 3, 1955

Extent: 1 clipping; 12.5cm x 19.5cm

Scope and Content: Clipping is a photograph of Bill Hreherchuk, Georgie Hewison and Tom McEwen. Georgie, who was 10 years old at the time, was to be seated at the head table for a Pacific Tribune dinner as he had raised \$136 during the paper's press drive.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of clipping and caption information

Caption: "Seated at the head table at the Pacific Tribune smorgasbord in Hastings Auditorium Friday night this week will be 10-year-old Georgie Hewison of Campbell River, who raised \$136 for the paper during the press drive. Georgie is shown with leading Honor Press Builder Bill Hreherchuk (left) and PT editor Tom McEwen."

Title: Editorial Commentary, by Tom McEwan

Dates: October 16, 1964

Extent: 1 clipping (copy); 28cm x 21.5cm

Scope and Content: Commentary on the Labor Progressive Movement. Column also includes in the bottom right hand corner circulation and subscription information for the Pacific Tribune, along with a listing of the editorial staff.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune.

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of clipping

Title: Day of protest to stop the slaughter in Vietnam

Dates: April 7, 1967

Extent: 1 page; 29cm x 40cm

Scope and Content: This is the entire first page of the April 7 edition of the Pacific Tribune. On Page 1 are two pictures of wounded Vietnamese people, one a child and the other a mother and her child. On Page 2 is Tom's editorial commentary covering a variety of topics. In the bottom right hand corner is the circulation, subscription and editorial staff information for the Pacific Tribune.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune.

Physical condition: There are two horizontal fold lines in the middle of the page.

Signatures and Inscriptions: On Page 2 next to Tom's column is written "See Over".

Title: Boris Kowalsky, Tom and Rose McEwen

Dates: August 16, 1972 **Extent:** 1 clipping; 12cm x 16cm

Scope and Content: Clipping is a photograph of Tom and Rose McEwen with Boris Kowalsky, the first Secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Canada. The occasion was the presentation of the Lenin Medallion to Tom.

The source of the clipping is the Canadian Tribune

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of clipping and caption information

Caption: "The first Secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Canada, Boris Kowalsky, presented veteran Communist leader and editor Tom McEwen with the Lenin Medallion struck off by the Soviet government last year to honor individuals in other lands for outstanding achievements. Photo taken at McEwen's home in Vancouver shows him and his wife Rose with Mr. Kowalsky in the centre."

Signatures and Inscriptions: On the top of the clipping is written "Aug 16/72 Can. Tribune"

Title: Editorial Commentary, by Tom McEwen

Dates: November 3, 1972 **Extent:** 1 clipping; 12cm x 33cm

Scope and Content: Commentary on ex-Communist J.B. Salsberg.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of clipping

Signatures and Inscriptions: Typed along the left-hand side of the clipping is "Pacific Tribune, November 3, 1972".

Title: Residents have fond memories of late Dr. Bethune

Dates: November 27, 1972

Extent: 1 clipping; 38.5cm x 9.5cm

Scope and Content: This is an interview with Jean Kovich and Henning Sorenson on their

thoughts about working with Dr. Norman Bethune.

The source of the clipping is The Sault Daily Star

Title: Eulogy for Annie Buller Guralnick, by Tom McEwan

Dates: January 24, 1973 **Extent:** 1 page; 29cm x 40cm

Scope and Content: Eulogy details the life and work of Annie Buller Guralnick, a pioneer in the formation of the Communist Party of Canada. William Kashtan, general secretary of the Communist Party of Canada, delivered the eulogy at her funeral on January 21, 1973.

The page contains a picture of Annie, and attached to the page is another smaller clipping, possibly from the same edition of the Pacific Tribune. This clipping is another photograph of Annie with the caption: "Annie Buller Guralnick, veteran Communist, died in Toronto on January 19. Tributes to Annie are presented on pages 4 and 10."

Clipping is accompanied by an attached sticky note from Lily Greene: "Tom's original eulogy for Annie Buller in the Pacific Tribune"

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune.

Source of supplied title: Title is based on contents of clipping and information contained in sticky note.

Physical condition: There are horizontal and vertical fold lines in the page.

Title: Tom McEwen

Dates: January 8, 1975

Extent: 1 clipping; 16cm x 12cm (photograph)

Scope and Content: This is a picture of Tom McEwan signing a copy of his autobiography *The*

Forge Glows Red for an unidentified woman.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune.

Physical condition: Page has been folded twice in order to focus on the photograph.

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of clipping and caption information.

Caption: "Tom McEwan, author of "The Forge Glows Red" shown autographing a copy of his book at an autographing party in Vancouver's Coop Bookstore last week.

Title: Editorial Commentary, by Tom McEwen

Dates: September 3, 1976

Extent: 1 clipping (copy); 28cm x 22cm

Scope and Content: Commentary on the life of Norman Bethune.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune.

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of clipping

Title: Nurse dispels Bethune myth, by Margaret MacMillan

Dates: May 24, 1981

Extent: 1 clipping; 12.5cm x 21cm

Scope and Content: This is a book review of *China Nurse 1932 - 1939*, which was written by Jean Ewen. The book recounts her experiences as a young nurse in China working with Dr. Norman Bethune.

The source of the clipping is The Sunday Star.

China Nurse was originally published by McClelland and Stewart in 1981.

Title: Yesteryear in The Star **Dates:** [November 9, 1981] **Extent:** 1 clipping; 12.5cm x 10cm

Scope and Content: This clipping highlights the front page story in The Star on November 9, 1931, which was coverage of the arrest and subsequent trial of Tom McEwen and eight other men charged with being members of a Communist party.

The source of the clipping is The Star.

Signatures and Inscriptions: The date "Nov. 9/81" is written at the top of the clipping.

Title: Obituary – Anne Belenkaya

Dates: November 1985

Extent: 1 clipping; 13cm x 22.5cm

Scope and Content: This is an obituary for Rose McEwen's sister, Anne Belenkaya.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune.

Physical condition: Page has been folded twice in order to focus on the photograph.

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of clipping and caption information.

Caption: "Tom McEwan, author of "The Forge Glows Red" shown autographing a copy of his book at an autographing party in Vancouver's Coop Bookstore last week.

Title: A son traces 'the unknown sailor', by Sean Griffin

Dates: December 17, 1986 **Extent:** 2 pages; 29cm x 40cm

Scope and Content: This is a feature story which details the search by Tom Kozar into the life and death of his father, John "Topsy" Kozar, who died before Tom was born. Article includes a photograph of Tom Kozar holding two pictures of his father.

Refer to later clipping dated 1988 and titled *Paying homage in Barcelona to a father and anti-fascist*", by Tom Kozar, where he describes his return trip to Spain for the dedication of a moment to the International Brigades.

Tom Kozar is the son of Jean Ewen, daughter of Tom McEwen.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune.

Physical condition: Both pages are folded horizontally.

Signatures and Inscriptions: On the top of the first page is written "Dec 17/1986".

General Note: Each page has been placed in a separate mylar sleeve, due to the size of the pages. The first page of the article is on Page 17 and the continuation of the article is on Page 24, titled at the top *Legacy of John Kozar*.

Title: Obituary for Jean Ewen Kovich

Dates: November 4, 1987

Extent: 1 clipping; 8.5cm x 28.5cm

Scope and Content: This is an obituary for Jean Ewen Kovich, daughter of Tom McEwen and his first wife Isobel. Clipping includes a picture of Jean Kovich.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune.

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of clipping.

Title: Tom McEwen 1891 - 1988

Dates: May 23, 1988

Extent: 1 clipping: 17.5cm x 27cm

Scope and Content: This is an obituary for Tom McEwen who died on May 11 at the age of 97.

The source of the clipping is The Canadian Tribune

Title: 200 gather to remember Communist McEwen's work, by Glenn Bohn

Dates: June 6, 1988

Extent: 1 clipping; 11.5cm x 12cm

Scope and Content: This brief article describes the memorial for Tom McEwen held in Vancouver and at which his grandson Tom Kozar gave a speech about the life and contributions of Tom McEwen. Refer to File #33 for a copy of this speech attached to a letter dated November 1988. The speech itself is dated June 4, 1988.

The source of the clipping is The Vancouver Sun.

Signatures and Inscriptions: On the top of the clipping is written "Van Sun; Mon June 6/88".

Title: Memorial June 4 for Tom McEwen

Dates: May 18, 1988

Extent: 1 clipping; 8cm x 31cm

Scope and Content: Announces the memorial for Tom McEwen and singles out Bill Kashtan, Communist Party leader, and Tom Kozar, as two of the speakers at the memorial.

Refer to clipping 200 gather to remember Communist McEwen's work, by Glenn Bohn (June 6, 1988) for brief commentary on the memorial, as well as File #33 for a copy of the speech given by Tom Kozar at the memorial.

The source of the clipping is The Pacific Tribune.

Title: Sympathy Notice **Dates:** June 15, 1988

Extent: 1 clipping; 6cm x 8.5cm

Scope and Content: Noticed placed by Lil Greene and family on the death of Tom McEwen.

The source of the clipping is The Pacific Tribune.

Source of supplied title: Title based on contents of clipping

Signatures and Inscriptions: Clipping is pasted to a larger piece of paper, at the top of which is written "Pacific Tribune, June 15/88".

Title: Paying homage in Barcelona to a father and anti-fascist, by Tom Kozar

Dates: [October 1988]

Extent: 1 clipping; 29cm x 42cm

Scope and Content: This is a feature article about Tom Kozar's trip to Barcelona, Spain for the unveiling of a monument dedicated to the memory of the International Brigades, who fought against fascism in Spain and Europe between the years 1936 – 1939.

Refer to clipping *A son traces 'the unknown soldier'* which was published two years previous and is referenced in this clipping.

Refer to clipping *Lest we forget the Mac-Paps*, by Rod Mickelburgh, which gives background on the Mackenzie-Papineau Batallion, the Canadian contingent of the International Brigades.

The source of the clipping is the Pacific Tribune.

Title: Lest we forget the Mac-Paps, by Rod Mickelburgh

Dates: December 1, 1988

Extent: 1 clipping; 21.5cm x 30.5cm

Scope and Content: This article discusses Tom Kozar's involvement in the drive to recognize the Canadian veterans of the Spanish Civil War from 1936 – 1939. The article references the dedication ceremony on December, 1988 at the provincial legislature in Victoria of a plaque commemorating their service.

The article references the plans for a monument to the veterans to be erected near the location of the plaque. This was completed in February of 2000 with the "Spirit of the Republic" statue unveiling. Refer to "Mackenzie-Papineau Battalion Monument", by Steve Harvey (http://www.crixa.com/muse/unionsong/reviews/macpaps.html)

Refer to Photograph reference numbers BC2112/10 and BC2112/11, File #1, Box #2 for images from the plaque dedication ceremony.

The article includes a photograph of Tom Kozar.

The source of the clipping is The Globe and Mail.

Title: Rose McEwen, 1911 - 2000

Dates: October 1-15, 2000 **Extent:** 1 clipping; 6.5cm x 18cm

Scope and Content: Obituary for Rose McEwen, wife of Tom McEwen, who died on July 26 at

the age of 89.

The source of the clipping is People's Voice.

Title: Sympathy Notice **Dates:** September 1-15, 2000 **Extent:** 1 clipping; 6cm x 8.5cm

Scope and Content: Notice placed by Peggy and Allan Chunn on the death of Rose McEwen.

The source of the clipping is People's Voice.

<u>Item List – Lily Greene Fonds</u>

Series - Writings

Title: The Unfriendly Arctic **Dates:** [between 1939 and 1953] **Extent:** 3 pages; 17.5cm x 25.5cm

Scope and Content: Essay discusses tensions between Alaska and the perceived rising threat of Russia. The specific publication date is unknown but the beginning of the essay quotes then Territorial Governor of Alaska Ernest Gruening. Gruening's time in office as Territorial Governor was from 1939 to 1953, so the essay must have been written at some point during his leadership.

The essay was originally published in National Affairs Monthly, also known as Marxist Review.

The essay is double-sided and pages of the essay have been placed in separate mylar sleeves.

Signatures and Inscriptions: At the top of the first page is written "National Affairs Monthly".

Title: Paul Bunyan **Dates:** Spring 1952

Extent: 7 pages; 17.5cm x 26cm

Scope and Content: Essay explores the folklore of Paul Bunyan as inspiration for social progress and the culture of working people.

The essay is contained in the publication *New Frontiers*, Vol. 1, No. 2, Spring 1959, pages 1 – 7.