

Harold E. Escott, 1881 -  
An inventory of his papers  
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Dates

Diaries

The diaries consist of daily comments on the major news items of each day, 1919-1973, notes by Harold Escott on his personal experiences, and comments on events that occurred in the Vancouver and Coquitlam area. In some cases, the author has written notes for one day in two separate places, with one marked "diary" and the other "comments". These notes have been kept together, wherever possible. The diaries have been arranged chronologically. Those that are undated have been placed at the end.

1-1 to 2-4	1919-1941
2-5	1 Jan. - 31 Dec. 1942 1 July 1942 - 17 Mar. 1943
2-6	1 Jan. - 31 Dec. 1943 18 Mar. 1943 - 29 Feb 1944
2-7	1 Jan. - 31 Dec. 1944 1 Mar. 1944 - 18 May 1945
2-8	1 Jan. - 31 Dec. 1945 19 May - 28 Dec. 1945
3-1	1946
3-2	29 Dec. 1945 - 20 Mar. 1947
3-3	1 Jan. - 31 Dec. 1947 21 Mar. - 30 Oct. 1947
3-4	31 Oct. 1947 - 8 Feb. 1950
3-(5-7)	1948 - 1950
4-1	9 Feb. - 13 July 1950
4-2	14 July 1950 - 7 July 1951
4-3	8 July 1951 - 24 Jan. 1952
4-4	25 Jan. 1952 - 6 Jan. 1953
4-5	(1 Jan. - 31 Dec. 1952)

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4-6	7 Jan. - 29 July 1953
4-7	30 July 1953 - 8 Dec. 195
5-1	9 Dec. 1954 - 14 June 195
5-2	15 June 1955 - 10 Dec. 19
5-3	26 Nov. (n.d.) 15 May 1956 - 16 July 195
5-4	12 Dec. 1956 - 6 April 19
5-5	24 July 1957 - 27 Mar. 19
5-6	7 April 1958 - 23 Aug. 19
6-1	24 Aug. 1958 - (1 Jan. 196
6-2	26 Jan. - 29 May 1959 24 Sept. - 23 Dec. 1959
6-3	28 Mar. 1959 - 16 Dec. 196 22 Sept. 1962 - 13 Apr. 19
6-4	17 Sept. 1963 - 12 Feb. 19
6-5	22 Sept. 1963 - 24 Oct. 19
7-1	13 Feb. 1965 - 26 Mar. 196
7-2	27 Mar. 1966 - 18 Mar. 1967
7-3	19 Mar. 1967 - 3 Jan. 1968
7-4	4 Jan. 1968 - 21 Aug. 1968
8-1	25 Oct. 1968 - 25 June 1969 (27 June - 17 July 1969)
8-2	14 - 23 Aug. 1969 1 Sept. 1970, (9 Feb.-13 Mar n.d.)
8-3	(26 Oct. - 24 Nov. 1971) (1 - 13 May 1972)
8-4	1 Jan. 1972 - 19 Feb. 1973
8-5	20 Feb. - 2 Sept. 1973 30 June - 31 Aug. 1973 5 Dec. - 27 Dec. 1974

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Letters: Incoming

8-6	Various letters replying to Escott's comments on a wide variety of matters. Correspondents include: Air Transport Board, Canadian Forest Products Limited, John Hart, Herbert W. Herridge, Institute for Cancer Research, H. Lindsay Tutte, Union Oil Company of California, and World Ship Society.	1932 - 1964	15
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Letters: Outgoing

8-7	Letters to the Reeve and Council of the District of Coquitlam and Premier W.A.C. Bennett pertaining to property Assessment.	1955, n.d.	2
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Documents

8-8	Birth certificate, embarkation permit, and notice of assessment, 1950.	1920	
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Manuscripts: Poetry

8-9	The Log Boom	n.d.	1 p.
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Manuscripts: Prose

8-10	War As I Saw It	n.d.	198 p.
9-(1-2)	Stray Impressions His comments were written mainly from Landour, Missouris, India.	1917-18	ca. 300 pp.

ADDENDUM

Diaries

10-1	3 Feb. [1933] to 29 Jun. [1933]
10-2	1 Jan. [1937] to 31 Dec. [1937]
10-3	11 Jan. 1937 to 31 Dec. 1937
10-4	6 Jan. 1942 to 31 Dec. 1942
10-5	11 June 1948 to 16 Nov. 1948
10-6	Items enclosed with 1948 diary: 1 letter with clipping attached, 3 clippings, 2 photographs.
10-7	22 Sept. 1951 to 6 Feb. 1954
11-1	1 Jan. 1952 to 31 Dec. 1952
11-2	22 Sept. 1956, 15 Apr. [1957?] to 19 Jul. [1957?]
11-3	3 Nov. 1973 - 12 Nov. 1973, 27 Dec. 1975 to 14 Jan. 1976 28 Dec. 1974 to 13 Jan. 1975 2 Jul. 1975 to 1 Feb. 1976 1 Feb. [1976?] to 22 Feb. [1976?]

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22 Mar. 1976 to 30 Mar. 1976  
31 Mar. 1976 to 16 Apr. 1976  
20 Apr. [1976?] to 11 Nov. 1976  
6 Mar. 1978 to 21 Mar. 1978

11-5

20 Jul. 1978 to 12 Dec. 1978

Letters, Incoming

11-6 "Rneee", Dublin  
"H.C.", Auckland, N.Z.

10 [Dec. 190]4.  
n.d.

Letter, Outgoing

11-7 Universal Song Service, Hollywood, Calif.

22 Aug. 1935

Manuscripts: Poems and Song Lyrics

11-8 Notebook (ca. 1932-1942) containing:

Marguerite  
Sometime  
"I wandered in a down town store"  
Lost to me  
"Above the swirling mists"  
"The swaying trees perched on the canyons rim"  
The day Dec. 25  
The King is dead  
The ocean  
While you are young  
Discontent  
Parade  
Matthew  
"Oh to be young"  
No other little girl like you  
Lonesome for you  
The rose in my garden  
Tired little baby  
I live you so  
Your living arms  
All the world wants a little love  
The man in the moon  
Twilight memories  
Mother  
London Calling  
"I wander lonely as a cloud"  
Mine  
Loading lead  
Adorable you  
"Play time over for the day"  
"Love me a little"  
"The mists lang low"  
The Canyon Lynn  
English Bay  
The cookie heart  
Vectis  
To Vivian  
Youth

11-9 Poems (loose leaf):

Golden girl  
"Sing everyone and forget your troubles"

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11-9 (Cont.)

From within  
"Before her fair young beauty - He stood - "  
While you are young  
Futility: Flames of sacrifice  
Guarantee certificate, Universal Song Service  
London calling  
Remembrance  
"Cuddle me for I am feeling blue"  
Rolling wheels  
The visit from the wind  
A sigh - alone (2 drafts)  
Remembrance (2)  
Street corner (2) (2 drafts)  
Futility: The Holocaust  
I want a little home  
Futlilty: Embers  
So still the night  
What could I do (2 leaves)  
Someday  
The yellow leaf (by G.H.E. Lines)  
Side-lights (2 leaves)  
Destiny  
The thirsty sailor (2 leaves)  
Let's all be gay  
Vectis  
My mother  
Poems by G.H.E. Lines (5 leaves)  
"Above the swirling mists"  
While you are young

11-10 Poems

(loose  
leaf)

Vancouver  
Steal a little kiss  
I want a little home (2 drafts)  
Lonesome for you  
"There's a little white house set snug on a hill"  
The cookie heart  
A sigh  
Granville Street  
From within  
"Back through the years I see again"  
Forced down  
Loading lead  
Futility  
Forced down  
Put your loving arms around me  
Noon news  
Rain  
Beloved one  
Loony Lyrics: Our ranch: The dog  
To me - for me  
I wonder why  
"I ain't a feller that often hollers"  
Loony lyrics  
Haunted  
What could I do  
In the family (by Geoff Lines)

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11-10 (Cont.)

No other little girl like you (2 drafts)  
Loony lyrics" Our ranch: the dog  
Mother mine (2 drafts)  
Little ship  
What could I do  
"I knew a glen"  
Rolling home to London  
Remembrance  
And this is life  
Beloved one  
Tired little baby

11-11 Poems (loose leaf):

Loony lyrics  
The transient  
The troubadour  
I'm lonesome  
Loony lyrics  
Alone  
A good idea  
Sidelights  
Combley and cowslips  
Daffies  
Someday  
The awakening  
There's no other little girl like you  
All the world wants a little love  
Mother mine  
To L.H.  
Golden girl  
The thirsty sailor (2 leaves)  
Sleeping children  
Tired little baby  
There's no other little girl like you (2 drafts)  
St. Valentines  
The passing show  
The red-headed drum  
The ocean  
Rolling wheels  
While you are young  
Longing  
All grown up  
"We say the sun has gone to rest"  
Destiny  
Little ship  
When winter comes  
The rose in my garden  
"Into this world I came not knowing"  
Forced down  
The log boom (draft; published version)

11-12 Poems (loose leaf):

Loony lyrics  
Somewhere (by Corel Clarke?)  
Dogwoods

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11-12 (cont.)

From within  
To Miss Terry  
Thats that  
Noon news  
"I knew a glen"  
Dogwoods  
For freedom and liberty  
I love you so (2 drafts)  
Futility (2 leaves)  
"I knew a glen"  
Lonesome for you  
All the world wants a little love  
For freedom  
"The warrior sleeps"  
"What of the beauty of the day"  
Grave and gay  
"If swings high above the earth"  
Street corner  
What the Prince of Peace might say  
What shall we do with the old folks  
Autumn  
Rouse up - stand by  
The warrior sleeps  
"I see the aftermath and heritage of war"  
From within  
Peggy  
The live chimes  
No other little girl like you  
Futility (2 leaves)  
"They were young"  
Brown eyes  
Odds and ends  
"Golden girl - golden girl"  
The ocean  
Thats that  
"I look through the window"  
What the prince of Peace might say  
"The policeman's life is not a happy one"  
"I live alone in a lonely house"  
"A little lean dog, with a curly tail"  
Unheeding  
For freedom  
"Sweet are my memories"  
Put your loving arms around me  
The fountain  
"When I sit alone as the shadows fall"  
Rain  
"What of the beauty of the day"

11-13 Notebook containing poems:

Aftermath  
A gray day  
A March day  
Golden girl  
Loony lyrics: Our ranch; odds and ends



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11-13 (cont.)

The Ballad of the wandering sailors  
The thirsty sailor  
Hellow sucker  
Sleeping children  
"In your eyes I see the moonlight"  
The man who walked alone  
London calling  
A memory  
I wanta little home  
Twilight memories  
Tired little baby  
Pity the man in the moon  
The rose in my garden  
Mother mine  
All the world wants a little love  
Someday  
Sunshine and you  
Lonesome for you  
In your dream garden  
For me  
Vancouver  
Sunshine and you  
I live you so  
Alone  
What could I do  
Forget me not  
Just a little home  
There's no other little girl like you  
Put your living arms around me  
My little house of dreams  
One day in spring  
Absence  
Hunger

Manuscripts: Prose

- 12-1 All about us" and what is man? (essays), including poem, "Retrospect" (15p.)
- 12-2 All in a day: Nov. 29 1934 (3 p.)
- 12-3 The madness of the people (story, incomplete - 7 p.)..
- 12-4 The night before Christmas (fragment - 1 p.)
- 12-5 A Commentor's day: ond day for "the passer by" (essay, incomplete - 10 p.)  
The passer by (2 p.).
- 12-6 The process of survival (autobiographical account - 3 p. in notebook).
- 12-7 The quest of Adam's son (novel - 155 p.) with untitled addendum (7 p.)  
in notebook
- 12-8 The record of ninety years (autobiographical essay - 23 p.) The patients'  
litany (1 p.)
- 12-9 Untitled items:  
Hitler - the nemesisof Germany (fragment - 1 p.)  
[Autobiographical account of military service in India] (fragment -  
173 p.)

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"I have wandered far from Temple Bar" (poem - 1 p.)  
[Fragment of essay on aviation] (1 p.)  
[Essay on cancer research] (2 p.)

Publications

12-10 "At 95 I am fed up to the brim" (letter, Vancouver Sun, 16 July, 1977).  
"Coquitlam gardening enthusiast Harold Escott.... (portrait with caption,  
The British Columbian, 23 Feb, 1962)

Memorabilia

12-11 Escott coat of arms (ink drawing, with heraldic description, and explanation  
on reverse side).  
World War I service medal ribbons, with document from the Hampshire  
Regiment.  
Memo [to Graham Elliston, UBC Library?] on the significance of the ribbons.

Photographs

12-12 "Sissie in the shaps at Cocharane"  
Postcard, "Rainbow Lodge", Alta Lake, B.C.  
Snapshot of Escott, [ca. 197\_]  
Press photograph of Escott, 1976, with accompanying note.

12-13 Album of photographs from Escott's military service in India.

12-14 album of photographs from Escott's military service in India.

12-15 Incoming Letter (1922) from U.B.C. President L.S. Klinck --  
Thanks Escott for donation towards moving U.B.C. to the Point Grey Campus.