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Ethel and Allan Grant collection

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Summary information

Repository:	Simon Fraser University Special Collections and Rare Books
Title:	Ethel and Allan Grant collection
Reference code:	MsC-108
Date:	1902-1974, predominantly 1918-1974 (date of creation)
Physical description:	60 cm of textual records 4 photographs: b&w prints 1 plaque 1 souvenir pennant
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	Created February 5, 2016. SS

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Ethel Moxon Grant and Allan Garfield Grant were farmers in Western Canada. Allan Garfield Grant (born 1881) was a farmer and early organizer of the Co-operative movement in Saskatchewan and British Columbia. He kept diaries recording his daily life from 1918 until 1964. Ethel Moxon Grant (born July 6, 1886) was a British working-class woman who married Allan Grant at the end of World War I. From 1919 until 1934 the Grants farmed at Coleville Saskatchewan. In 1934 they moved to ten acres at Whonnock, British Columbia (now part of Maple Ridge), where they stayed.

Custodial history

Collection was purchased from bookseller Don Stewart in 2008.

Scope and content

Collection consists of diaries, photographs, a passport, correspondence and an award issued to Allan Grant from the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool in 1974.

Notes

Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title based on contents of collection

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published
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Access points

- Grant, Ethel Moxon and Allan Garfield
 - Textual record (documentary form)
 - Photographic material (documentary form)
 - Family and personal life (subject)
 - British Columbia (place)
 - Saskatchewan (place)
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Series descriptions

Series MsC-108-0-1: Allan Grant diaries and notebooks

Date: 1918-1974 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series consists of Allan Grant's diaries and notebooks. The diaries record his daily life, with diary entries ranging from two lines to twelve lines. Typical entries include a note about the weather, the types of activities he undertook around the farm, expenses, and notes about meetings with friends and neighbours. The notebooks detail his involvement in municipal and co-operative organizing and lecture notes, poetry, or quotations from books that he recorded and found inspirational.

Physical description: 45 cm of textual records

1 plaque

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)

Publication status:

published

File / item list				
Reference code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-1	File - War diary - small notebook	1918		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-2	File - Diary - small notebook	1919-1920		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-3	File - Diary	1920		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-4	File - Diary - exercise book	Nov 4 1920-Apr 17 1921		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-5	File - Diary - exercise book	Apr 18 1921-Jul 5 1921		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-6	File - Diary - black notebook	Jul 6 1921-Dec 31 1921		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-7	File - Weekly farm record and journal of receipts and expenses	1922		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-8	File - Weekly farm record and journal of receipts and expenses	1923		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-9	File - Weekly farm record and journal of receipts and expenses	1924		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-10	File - Weekly farm record and journal of receipts and expenses	1925		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-11	File - Diary - collegiate exercise book	1925-1927		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-12	File - Diary - calendar used as diary	1927-1928		MsC-108 Box 1
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-13	File - Diary - the calendar of golden thoughts	1929		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-14	File - Diary - collegiate exercise book	Nov 9 1929-Apr 23 1931		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-15	File - Diary	Apr 24 1931-Dec 7 1932		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-16	File - Diary - chief	Dec 8 1932-Apr 22 1934		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-17	File - May trip to Vancouver notebook	[1934?]		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-18	File - Diary - teddy	Apr 23 1934-Feb 28 1936		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-19	File - Diary - great American school series composition book	Feb 1936-Aug 1937		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-20	File - Diary - City of Vancouver exercise book	Aug 1937-Nov 1938		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-21	File - Diary - brown notebook	Nov 1938-Oct 1942		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-22	File - Diary - notebook without cover	Oct 1942-Jun 1943		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-23	File - Diary - Popeye notebook	Jun 1943-Feb 1944		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-24	File - Diary - Mickey Mouse notebook	Feb 1944-Sep 1944		MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-25	File - Diary - Popeye notebook	Sep 1944-May 1945		MsC-108 Box 2

MsC-108-0-1-0-0-26	File - Diary - notebook without a cover	May 1945-Dec 1945	MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-27	File - Diary - red notebook	Dec 1945-Dec 1947	MsC-108 Box 2
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-28	File - Diary - huge scribbler	Dec 1947-Dec 1949	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-29	File - Diary - blue notebook	Dec 1949-Aug 1952	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-30	File - Diary - black notebook	Aug 1952-Sept 1955	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-31	File - Diary - fisherman	Sept 1955-Jun 1958	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-32	File - Diary - fisherman	Jun 1958-Feb 1961	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-33	File - Diary	Feb 1961-Dec 1961	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-34	File - Diary	Jan 1962-Dec 1962	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-35	File - Diary	1929, Jan 1963-Aug 1964	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-36	File - Notebook with editorial cartoons and newspaper clippings	[191-]-[192-]	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-37	File - Notebook - political notes	[192-?]	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-38	File - Notebook - notes on reading, mostly religious topics	[192-?]	MsC-108 Box 3
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-39	File - Notebook - notes on cooperative associations	[192-]	MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-40	File - Notebook - homestead/land grant notes	[192-]	MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-41	File - Notebook - Coleville rural telephone co	[192-]-[193-]	MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-42	File - Notebook - Coleville United Church study group to discuss the world depression and the way out	1932-1933	MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-43	File - Notebook - train register	1902-1912	MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-44	File - Notebook without a cover	[193-?]	MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-45	File - Diary of a trip east and household expenses	[195-]-1972	MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-1-0-0-46	File - Saskatchewan Wheat Pool original member plaque	1974	MsC-108 Box 4

Series MsC-108-0-2: Ethel Grant diaries and papers

Date: 1923-1963 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series contains travel diaries, correspondence, and photographs.

Physical description: 11 cm of textual records

4 photographs: b&w prints

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-1	File - Small notebook	1949?		MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-2	File - 2 address books	[194-]-[195-]		MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-3	File - Passport	1949		MsC-108 Box 4
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-4	File - Travel diary	1949-1960		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-5	File - Travel diary	1961		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-6	File - Diary	1960-1963		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-7	File - Wedding announcements	1944-1954		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-8	File - Daughter Winnifred's baby stats, school photo, and degree info	1925-1958		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-9	File - Farm Women's Week, University of Saskatchewan	1931		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-10	File - Correspondence to Ethel	1946-1962		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-11	File - Information about Hull	[195-?]		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-12	File - Ethel Grant's geneological research	ca. 1944-1963		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-13	File - The Girls' Friendly Society member guide and card	1908		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-14	File - Photograph of Ethel and Mrs Libby	1963		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-2-0-0-15	File - St Paul's Hospital Bill	1923		MsC-108 Box 5

Series MsC-108-0-3: Grant family papers and other materialDate: 1920-1961 (date of creation)Scope and content:

Series consists of family materials, such as documents related to the purchase of land, certificates of shares in various co-operative associations, a notebook of shared family expenses, correspondence from Ethel to Allan, and a souvenir pennant.

Physical description: 4 cm of textual records
1 souvenir pennant

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)

Publication status:

published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
MsC-108-0-3-0-0-1	File - Expenses notebook	1955-1960		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-3-0-0-2	File - United Grain Growers shares certificates	1942		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-3-0-0-3	File - Cemetary plot deed	1920		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-3-0-0-4	File - Land transfer documents	1927		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-3-0-0-5	File - Correspondence re: land in British Columbia	1934		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-3-0-0-6	File - Consumers Cooperative Association - certificates and correspondence	1946-1961		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-3-0-0-7	File - Correspondence from Ethel to Allan	1958-1961		MsC-108 Box 5
MsC-108-0-3-0-0-8	File - Royal visit to Maple Ridge souvenir pennant	1939		MsC-108 Box 5