

Hans Sorenson fonds

Original, 4 cm of textual records, December 10, 1942-October 1, 1957.

Scope and content:

The Hans Sorenson fonds consists of one series made up of two books. These two books are actually Pilot's Flying Logs which belonged to Hans Sorenson, and which chronicle his activities as a Flight Officer during World War Two and afterwards.

Series A 101/1/1-2: Two Pilot's Flying Log Books, 4 cm, December 10, 1942-October 1, 1957 (originals).

- 1) December 10, 1942-March 31, 1954
- 2) April 1, 1954-October 1, 1957

Biographical information: Hans Sorenson was born in Tromsö, Norway in 1921, and lived in Ignace after his father, Emil, moved there in 1924. Hans was a flying officer with the Royal Canadian Air Force during WWII and was awarded the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal, the 1939-1945 War Medal, and the Burma Star Defence Medal. In 1953, he was flight officer in "C" Flight at the RCAF station in MacDonald, Manitoba. He was killed during a robbery in the late 1990s.

Associated material:

Custodial History: After Hans' death, his neighbours Hannah and Randy Winters saved the log books, passing them along to the donor, Mr. Fred Sorenson. The books were for a time in British Columbia before being returned to Ignace. They were brought to the Thunder Bay Museum by Elinor Barr. Two uniforms belonging to Hans are in the collection of the Thunder Bay Military Museum. Donated by Fred Sorenson on June 8, 2007.