

Canadian Pacific Railway Company fonds

1906-1940

6 cm of textual records

Administrative history

The sod was turned for the western Canadian section of what was to become the Canadian Pacific Railway in Fort William in 1875. Both Fort William and Port Arthur, its sister city (now Thunder Bay), were major beneficiaries of railway business, including coal docks, grain elevators, yards, hotels, and freight handling facilities. In their early years, the CPR was the major industry and the most significant employer, particularly in Fort William.

Scope and Content

Lease agreements and time books regarding the business of the Canadian Pacific Railway Records.

Series B 15/1/1-2. - Lease agreements. - 214 p. - 1906-1940

A bound volume entitled "Descriptions of Lands to be Leased" produced by the local chief clerk's office of the CPR. It contains copies of lease agreements made by CPR and other parties between 1906 and 1940 regarding CPR lands at Lakehead. They have been copied onto thin copying paper or pasted into the volume. They are mostly all typewritten and they are not a complete account of all CPR Land transactions locally. The binding is damaged and it is fragile. It is indexed by name or by lease.

Series B 15/2/1-2. - Timebooks. - 3 cm. - 1908-1920

1) Time book of CPR employees (May 1908-September 1920), showing names, jobs, hours worked, what jobs were done, hours worked and rates of pay. It is a bound volume.

2) Time book for construction work in various buildings, 1911 and 1920 reports on who worked, what jobs were done, hours worked and rates of pay. It is a bound volume on copy paper.

Notes

Formerly catalogued into the museum collection, 980.1.9, 980.1.10, 972.74.5.