Saskatchewan Wheat Pool 6 fonds

Originals - 206 negatives - July 1918 - October 1974.

Scope and Content:

Series B 42/1/1-206: Negatives - 206 negatives - July 1918 - October 1974 (originals). This series contains 206 negatives of blue prints and plans related to Saskatchewan Wheat Pool 6. Each card gives a description of the slide being shown, and also lists the date and a reference number that was used by the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool company while they were still in their possession.

Organizational Sketch: The origins of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool stretch back to the early 20th century between 1900 and 1920. At the time the farmers of Saskatchewan were upset with the price of their wheat and decided to do something about it and chose to use a co-operative style of managing their farm operations. Around 1902 the farmers grouped together and formed the Territorial Grain Growers Association which later turned into the Saskatchewan Grain Growers's Association (SGGA) in 1906. The SGGA met up with the United Farmers of Alberta and the United Farmers of Manitoba on August 25, 1923. During this meeting the three associations banded together and formed the Saskatchewan Co-operative Wheat Producers Ltd. which was more commonly known as the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool. This name was given as the association helped farmers receive better grain prices for their wheat. The first president was Alexander James McPhail and the company's first gain elevator was constructed in 1925 in the town of Bulyea, Saskatchewan. The name was officially changed from the Saskatchewan Co-operative Wheat Producers Ltd. to the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool in 1953. (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saskatchewan Wheat Pool)

Additional Information:

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