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Jean Mason Pell fonds

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Summary information

Repository:	MacRae Library
Title:	Jean Mason Pell fonds
Reference code:	MS-14-3
Date:	1949-1971 (date of creation)
Language:	English
Physical description:	4 m of textual records
Note [generalNote]:	Formerly known as the The Gillans Radio Transcripts Collection, or the Jean Pell fonds
Note [generalNote]:	Preferred citation: [Identification of item], Jean Mason Pell fonds, MS-14-3, Box [box number], Folder [folder number], Dalhousie University Archives, Agricola Archives, Bible Hill, Nova Scotia, Canada.

Custodial history

Records were donated by Jean Pell to NSAC Agricola collection in the MacRae library in 1994. Original accession no. A1994-001 (or 94.1).

Scope and content

Fonds contains Jean Mason Pell's broadcast scripts for The Gillans, a dramatic radio serial about a farming family produced for the Maritime version of CBC's Farm Family, which aired from 1941-1971. It was written by Norman Creighton and Kay Hill until 1949, when Jean Pell took over as the scriptwriter until the serial's final season in 1971. Scripts for the program, which aired every weekday, are arranged in chronological order; the occurrence of "emergency scripts," which were substituted when one or more characters were unable to perform, resulted in some episode numbers being skipped or numbered out of order.

Notes

Title notes

Arrangement

The Agricola Archives imposed thematic and chronological order during archival processing.

Restrictions on access

There are no access restrictions on these materials. All materials are open for research.

Conditions governing use

Materials do not circulate and must be used in the MacRae Library. Materials may be under copyright. Contact departmental staff for guidance on reproduction.

Accruals

Further accruals are not expected.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
- **Level of detail:** Full
- **Status description:** Final

Access points

- Textual record (documentary form)
- Radio broadcasts (documentary form)
- Agriculture (subject)
- Nova Scotia (place)

Collection holdings

File: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 1 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, unnumbered episodes (18-29 July 1949)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, unnumbered episodes (18-29 July 1949)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 1

Date: July 1949 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
 - Radio broadcasts (documentary form)
 - Nova Scotia (place)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 2 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 30-44 (1-19 Aug. 1949)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 30-44 (1-19 Aug. 1949)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 2

Date: August 1949 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 3 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 45-63 (5-30 Sept. 1949)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 45-63 (5-30 Sept. 1949)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 3

Date: September 1949 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 4 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 64-83 (3-31 Oct. 1949)Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 64-83 (3-31 Oct. 1949)Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 4Date: October 1949 (date of creation)Physical description: 2 cm of textual recordsLanguage of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 5 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 84-105 (1-30 Nov. 1949)Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 84-105 (1-30 Nov. 1949)Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 5Date: November 1949 (date of creation)Physical description: 2 cm of textual recordsLanguage of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 6 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 106-126 (1-30 Dec. 1949)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 106-126 (1-30 Dec. 1949)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 6

Date: December 1949 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.25 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 7 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 127-147 (2-30 Jan. 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 127-147 (2-30 Jan. 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 7

Date: January 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 8 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 149-168 (1-28 Feb. 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 149-168 (1-28 Feb. 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 8

Date: February 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 9 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 169-191 (2-31 March 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 169-191 (2-31 March 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 10, Folder 9

Date: March 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Episode number 169 is not included in the folder.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 1 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 192-209 (3-28 April 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 192-209 (3-28 April 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 1

Date: April 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 2 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 211-228 (1-25 May 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 211-228 (1-25 May 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 2

Date: May 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.25 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 3 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 240-254 (13-30 June 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 240-254 (13-30 June 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 3

Date: June 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 4 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 255-275 (3-31 July 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 255-275 (3-31 July 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 4

Date: July 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.75 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 5 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 277-288 (2-31 Aug. 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 277-288 (2-31 Aug. 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 5

Date: August 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.75 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Episodes 276, 278, 280, 286 and 287 are not included in the folder.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 6 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 289-308 (1-29 Sept. 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 289-308 (1-29 Sept. 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 6

Date: September 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.75 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Episodes 291 and 302 are not included in the folder.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 7 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 309-329 (2-31 October 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 309-329 (2-31 October 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 7

Date: October 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Episodes 328 is not included in the folder.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 8 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 330-343 (1-20 November 1950)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 330-343 (1-20 November 1950)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 8

Date: November 1950 (date of creation)

Physical description: 0.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Some episodes are missing.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 9 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 85-104 (4-30 January 1951)

Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 85-104 (4-30 January 1951)

Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 9

Date: January 1951 (date of creation)

Physical description: 2 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Episode #86 is not included in the folder.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 10 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 518-519 (1-31 July 1951)Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 518-519 (1-31 July 1951)Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 10Date: July 1951 (date of creation)Physical description: 14 pages of textual recordsLanguage of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Episodes from July 1-27 are not included in the folder.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 11 - Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 520-532 (1-17 August 1951)Title: Broadcast radio scripts for The Gillans, Episodes 520-532 (1-17 August 1951)Reference code: MS-14-3, Box 11, Folder 11Date: August 1951 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Episodes from July 1-27 are not included in the folder.

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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Series: Pell and Gillans cast photographs

Title: Pell and Gillans cast photographs

Date: 1950-1959 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Series contains 2 photographs. One is a portrait of Jean Mason Pell, and the other is of the cast of the Gillans.

Physical description: 2 photographs : b&w

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Graphic material (documentary form)
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File: MS-14-3, PB Box 34, Folder 10 - Photographs of Jean Mason Pell and The Gillans cast

Title: Photographs of Jean Mason Pell and The Gillans cast

Reference code: MS-14-3, PB Box 34, Folder 10

Date: 1950-1959 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Files contains 2 photographs. One is a portrait of Jean Mason Pell, 1915-2006, writer of *The Gillans* from 1949-72, undated. The other is of the cast of the *Gillans*. posing in the Halifax CBC studio circa the mid-1960s. Back row, from left to right, H. L. Pigot, David Murray Jr., David Brown, Bill Fulton, Baz Russell, and Tony Ross. Front row, from left to right, Joan Evans, Anna Geddes, Abbie Lane, and Lohta Miller.

Physical description: 2 photographs : b&w

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Graphic material (documentary form)
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