

William Carl Tyack collection [textual records, graphic materials]

COLLECTION NUMBER

VMM23

DATE(S)

1935-1961

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

5p. textual materials.1 photograph album. – 313 photographs (black & white)

ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY / BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

William Carl Tyack was born on September 1, 1896, in Glen Allan, Ontario, to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Tyack. He married Grace Kenning in 1931 with whom he had a daughter, Carol Kenning Tyack.

W. Carl Tyack was a member of the RCMP for 30 years until his retirement in 1953. He worked as a quartermaster and was in charge of purchases for the Arctic. This included supplying the *St. Roch* crew with food, clothing and hardware for their trip through the Northwest Passage. Tyack was also personal friends with Larsen and members of the crew, as well as their superior officer.

After his retirement, Tyack worked for Economical Mutual Insurance Co. in Kitchener, Ontario. He was active in the Ontario Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, served as secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Westbank, BC, and was a life member of Cascade Masonic Lodge, Banff, AB. In Kitchener, he was an elder of Rosemount United. Tyack passed away at the Kitchener Waterloo Hospital on April 30, 1961.

SCOPE & CONTENT

Collection consists of textual and graphic materials related to the life and work of W. Carl Tyack, a member of the RCMP who supplied the *St. Roch*. The album depicts Tyack's personal and professional life. The collection also contains Tyack's obituary and 6 photos taken of the *St. Roch* by a member of the expedition from Weyburn, SK and may have been processed by Tyack.

ARRANGEMENT

Records arranged by Archivist.

LANGUAGES

English

RELATED VESSELS

St. Roch ; RMS *Nascopie*

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The Globe and Mail obituary for W. Carl Tyack

File contains two newspaper clippings glued to a board. The first is from a Kitchener-Waterloo paper and the other is from the Globe and Mail. Both are obituaries of William Carl Tyack.

Correspondence

File contains one handwritten note and one envelope with a sketch of the *Nascopie* in Craig Harbour addressed to Mrs. W.C. Tyack.

RCMP map and handmade RCMP Christmas card

RMS *Nascopie* dinner menu card

File contains one handwritten dinner menu from the HBC vessel *Nascopie*.

Photograph album, vol. 1

File contains one portion of a photograph album depicting William Tyack's various RCMP postings. Neither people nor locations are identified.

Photograph album, vol. 2

File contains one portion of a photograph album depicting William Tyack's various RCMP postings. Neither people nor locations are identified.

Loose photographs

File contains 102 loose photographs (some have been removed from an album) depicting William Tyack's various RCMP postings and one card. Some people and locations are identified. Scenes include dog sledding and mounted police work.

Certificate and papers

File contains one first aid certificate, one card from Corporal and Mrs. R.C. Gray, newspaper clippings, and photocopies of photographs.