

Reginald Walter Brock fonds

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Fonds Description

Reginald Walter Brock fonds. – 1920-1959.

32 cm of textual records.

10 maps.

Biographical Sketch

R.W. Brock was born in Perth Ontario and he graduated from Queen's University with an M.A. in Geology. His many professional appointments included his work as a geologist with Dawson Survey of British Columbia (1897), the Chair of Geology at Queens University (1902-1907) and Director of the Geological Survey of Canada (1907-1914). Brock became one of the first four men selected by the University of British Columbia President F.F. Westbrook to form the nucleus of the staff of the new University. In 1914, Brock became Dean of Applied Science although his career was interrupted by war service (1914-1919). He returned to the University in 1919 and continued as a geology professor and dean until his death, together with his wife, in a 1935 airplane accident.

Scope and Content

The fonds consists primarily of material accumulated during a survey of the Colony of Hong Kong undertaken by the Department of Geology between 1923 and 1933. It is composed of notes, maps and reports generated by Brock and his associates. There are also some papers from the files of the Department of Geology. The papers have been roughly sorted according to form. Also included are several non-UBC publications originally kept in the Brock family library.

Notes

Researchers are strongly advised to check with the University Archives regarding permission to publish or otherwise use materials from this fonds.

File list available.

Publications in Box 3, some of which were acquired after Brock's death, were originally kept in the Brock family library, and were donated to the Archives by Peter Brock in 2019.

File List

BOX 1

- 1-1 Biographical Material
- 1-2 U.B.C. Geology department: Invoices, 1921-1928
- 1-3 U.B.C. Geology department: Inventories, 1920-1924
- 1-4 U.B.C. Geology department: Gifts and Exchanges, 1926-1935
- 1-5 Correspondence with S.J. Schofield
- 1-6 Notes - China
- 1-7 Notes - China
- 1-8 Report, Field maps, clay - Hong Kong
- 1-9 Summary report - Geology of Hong Kong
- 1-10 Report - Geology of Hong Kong
- 1-11 Pamphlets China
- 1-12 Geology department, subject file

BOX 2

- 2-1 Report - Hong Kong - S.J. Schofield
- 2-2 Report - Hong Kong
- 2-3 Notes - China and Hong Kong
- 2-4 Geological Maps - Hong Kong
- 2-5 Newspaper clippings - China

2-6 Newspaper clippings - China

2-7 Photographs - Hong Kong

2-8 Photographs - Hong Kong

2-9 Photographs - Hong Kong

2-10 Notebook, c.1910

BOX 3

3-1 Young, G.A., "A Descriptive Sketch of the Geology and Economic Minerals of Canada", Department of Mines 1909
- introduction by R.W. Brock

3-2 Brock, R.W. et. al., "Turtle Mountain, Frank, Alberta", Dept of Mines, Report of the Commission (Frank Slide investigation) 1911

3-3 Brock, R.W. et al, "The Physiography and Igneous Geology of Hong Kong and the New Territories", Royal Society of Canada 1945
- R.W. Brock's contribution published posthumously

3-4 Brock, B.B., "On Orogenic Evolution, With Special Reference to South Africa", Geological Society of South Africa 1959

3-5 Canadian Alpine Journal, Vol XXV 1937

3-6 Canadian Alpine Journal, Vol XXVI 1938