

Lawrence Lowe fonds

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Fonds Description

Lawrence Lowe fonds. – 1860, 1939-2013.

44 cm of textual records.

Biographical Sketch

Dr. Lawrence E. Lowe (March 29, 1933 – June 17, 2016) was a faculty member in the Department of Soil Science in the UBC Faculty of Agricultural Sciences (now Land and Food Systems). Born in Toronto and educated in England, Lowe attended Oxford University (B.A. 1954, M.A. 1958). He went on to graduate work at Macdonald College, McGill University (M.Sc. 1960, Ph.D. 1963). He joined UBC as an assistant professor in 1966, after a period of soil survey and soil research work in Alberta. A specialist in the field of soil chemistry, Lowe's research focused on soil organic matter. He was promoted to associate professor in 1970, and professor in 1975. As Associate Dean of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences from 1985 to 1991 Lowe held responsibilities for student counselling, admissions, records, and curriculum matters, as well as continuing to teach. He retired as professor emeritus in 1994.

Scope and Content

Fonds consists of academic and personal works of Dr. Lawrence Lowe, by himself or in collaboration with others. Also included are a collection of genealogical materials pertaining to the Burpee and Lowe branches of his family along with a copy of Lowe's 1994 curriculum vitae.

Notes

File list available.

Initially acquired from Dr. Lowe in June 1994. An additional accrual was received in 2016.

Series Descriptions

Academic work series. – 1961-1994.

16 cm of textual records.

Series consists of articles and other works written by Dr. Lawrence Lowe, by himself or in collaboration with others. Also included is Lowe's 1994 curriculum vitae.

Box: 1.

Genealogical work series. – 1860, 1939-2013.

28 cm textual records.

Series includes a bound, five volume set of Dr. Lowe's memoirs along with a bound single volume history for the Burpee family by Isaac Burpee. Also includes correspondence (copies and originals) and other genealogical records.

Box: 2.

File List

BOX 1

ACADEMIC WORK SERIES

- 1-1 Curriculum Vitae 1994
- 1-2 Unpublished Manuscripts & Notes 1969-1994 [2 folders] [removed from binder]
- 1-3 Published Articles 1961-1994
- 1-4 Research Summaries 1967-1975
- 1-5 "Characterization of the most productive ecosystems for growth of *Pseudotsuga menziesii* var. *menziesii* in southwestern British Columbia" January 1981
- 1-6 "Forest humus in the Coastal Western Hemlock Biogeoclimatic Zone in British Columbia in relation to forest productivity and pedogenesis" (Research Note No. 89) 1981
- 1-7 "Taxonomic classification of humus forms in ecosystems of British Columbia" 1981
- 1-8 "Diagnosis and correction of copper deficiency in the Vanderhoof-Fort Fraser of B.C." November 1982
- 1-9 "Characterization of humus forms in West Coast forest ecosystems" December 1982
- 1-10 "Characterization of sulphur in selected limnic and clay materials underlying peat deposits" March 1985
- 1-11 "Chemical characterization of organic soils and horizons" February 1987
- 1-12 "Final report on project supported by BCASCC for the period 1988-1990" February 1991

- 1-13 "Final Report – The role of phenolic acids in forest humus layers in coastal B.C." 1991
- 1-14 "Conservation farming systems in the western Fraser Valley" May 1992
- 1-15 "Organic horizons in British Columbia, their chemical properties and classification" [n.d.]

BOX 2

GENEALOGICAL WORK SERIES

- 2-1 Correspondence to John and Mrs. Lowe. – Copies of correspondence from various guests to Lowe's parents mostly from when his father was Dean of Christ Church at Oxford in England. Includes copies of letters from Princess Margaret, Prince Phillip, and Neville Chamberlain among others. Originals dated 1860, 1939 – 1959.
- 2-2 Correspondence from Isaac Burpee. – Formerly paper-clipped to the first page of (2-4) *A Short History and Partial Genealogy of the Burpee Family in America*. [c. 1950].
- 2-3 Genealogy data form – Henry Smith. – Formerly included as an insert with (2-4) *A Short History and Partial Genealogy of the Burpee Family in America*. [n.d.]
- 2-4 *A Short History and Partial Genealogy of the Burpee Family in America*. – Initially compiled by Isaac Burpee in 1950, includes annotations to 1986. Page D. 74 includes an inserted loose leaf. 1950-1986.
- 2-5 *A Runcible Story: Recollections and Autobiographical Notes*. Volume 1. – 1933-1966. Chapters 1 – 6.
- 2-6 *A Runcible Story: Recollections and Autobiographical Notes*. Volume 2. – 1967-1986. Chapters 7 – 11.
- 2-7 *A Runcible Story: Recollections and Autobiographical Notes*. Volume 3. – 1987-2002. Chapters 12 – 14.

- 2-8 *A Runcible Story: Recollections and Autobiographical Notes. Volume 4.* – 2003-2006. Chapters 15-17 (w/ addendum to chapter 13)
- 2-9 *A Runcible Story: Recollections and Autobiographical Notes. Volume 5.* – 2006-2013.
- 2-10 Lantern slide notes. – list of slides in Lawrence J. Burpee's lantern slide collection. 2005.