

ROBERT RUSSELL REID

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**Provenance:** Reid, Robert, 1927-

**Title:** Robert Reid fonds

**Dates:** 1905-1944

**Physical desc.:** 80 cm of textual records ; 9 photographs

**Bio/Admin History:** Robert Reid became interested in printing when he was given a printing press during his childhood. His years as a student at the University of British Columbia, where he graduated in 1949 with a Bachelor of Commerce, were spent experimenting with his press, producing imaginative ads for campus events. He worked at the UBC Library in the Reference Division. His association with Neil Harlow, then the Chief Librarian, led him into the field of fine printing. He opened his own press under a variety of names including Graphos Press, The Nevermore Press, and eventually the Private Press of Robert Reid. Reid worked in the Vancouver area until 1963 when he moved to Montreal and then in 1974 to New York.

**Scope/Content:** The fonds consists of a printer's collection of fine printwork and files on various old books. It also includes undated biographical material, correspondence (1905-1944), financial records, speeches, notes, clippings, photographs and printed material.

**Title source:** Title based on the contents of the fonds.

**Finding aids:** Inventory available.

**Repository:** [University of British Columbia Library Rare Books and Special Collections](#)

**Names:** Reid, Robert, 1927-

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Publications

File #

- 1-1 British Columbia, 1858 - 1958. A Centennial anthology
- 1-2 British Columbia. (1959). A history of Government House in B.C. Six photographs of Government House in Victoria, B.C. (one taken before the fire.)
- 1-3 Claudet, F.G. "Gold", its properties, modes of extraction, value, etc.
- 1-4 Copeland, William. Letters to Mrs Eileen Laurie re Norman Lee. 1958  
Photograph of William Copeland who went on the Klondyke trek with Norman Lee. (see also file 1-7)
- 1-5 Haig-Brown, Roderick. The living land. ca. 1960
- 1-6 Kane, Hugh. Correspondence re publication of Legends of Vancouver by Pauline Johnson, 1958 - 1960
- 1-7 Lee, Norman. On the trail of '98 to the Klondyke.  
Lee, Agnes. (Mrs. Norman Lee) Script on the life of Mrs. Agnes Lee for broadcasting on "Party Line", June 23, 1954  
Photograph of Mrs. Agnes Lee being presented to Princess Elizabeth, 1958  
Laurie, Eileen. CBC morning commentator on "Party Line".  
Photograph of Eileen and Jim Laurie on CBC, n.d.
- 1-8 Woodcock, George. Correspondence re publication of first issue of Canadian Literature, 1959
- 1-9 Waddington, Alfred. 1801 - 1872  
The Fraser Mines vindicated, or the history of four months.  
Vancouver, 1948

Printed Material: Printwork

- 2-1 Awards, certificates, diplomas
- 2-2 Business cards
- 2-3 Business cards ; Design samples
- 2-4 Business cards ; Admission
- 2-5 Business cards ; Announcements, change of address, compliments
- 2-6 Business cards ; Membership
- 2-7 Cards ; Calling
- 2-8 Cards ; Greeting, Christmas, New Years, etc.
- 2-9 (A-Z) Commercial advertisements ; A-Z

Printwork (cont.)

<u>File #</u>	(alphabetized A-Z)
3-1	Design type specimens, etc.
3-2	Envelopes
3-3	Grant-Mann Lithographers
3-4	Graphos Press
3-5	Invitations ; Business
3-6	Labels and tags
3-7	Stationery ; Business (A-Z)
3-8	Stationery ; Business D.A. Town Associates (Felicity M. Pope, see also file 2-8)
3-9	Stationery ; Business forms (A-Z)
3-10	Western Books Exhibitions of the Rounce and Coffin Club
4	Oversize items