

Frank H. Sherman

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I N V E N T O R Y

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE Frank H. Sherman arrived in the Crow's Nest Pass coal fields from Wales in 1903 and worked as a coal miner and check weighman in the mines at Morrisey. After the organization of the United Mine Workers of America in the area, he became the first elected President of District 18, a position he held until shortly before his death.

SCOPE/CONTENTS ABSTRACT The papers consist of documents, letters, photographs and printed material relating to Frank H. Sherman and collective bargaining between mining companies in Fernie, B.C. Crow's Nest Pass and Southern Alberta and the United Mine Workers of America, District 18.

| BOX & FLD NO | SUBJECT | DATES | NO.OF ITEMS |
|-----------------|--|---------|----------------|
| 1-1 | - Personal letter from Annie Sherman to mother | 1913 | 1 |
| | SUBJECT FILES | | |
| 1-2 | <u>Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. (1904-1909)</u> | | |
| | - Report of development by J. McEvoy Drinnan | 1908 | 2 |
| | - Inspector's report by J. Ashworth | 1908 | 1 |
| | - Inspector's report by C. Fergie | 1908 | |
| | - Report by general manager J.D. Hurd & letter by R.G. Drinnan | 1908 | 1 |
| | - Civil Engineering & Mining report by J.Ashworth | 1908 | 1 |
| | - Inspector's report (incomplete) | 1908 | 1 |
| 1-3 | <u>District Bargaining (1907-08)</u> | | |
| | - letter by labour minister McKenzie King | 1907 | 1 |
| | - settlement union dispute signed by Sherman | 1909 | |
| | - letter with explanatory appendix re. Mines Union Workers of America & industrial dispute & investigation | 1907 | 1 |
| | - telegrams by Coleman to Sherman | 1907 | 4 |
| | - minutes of Conference: Coal mine & UMW of A | 1907 | 1 |
| | - receipt of telegrams & correspondence between Ottawa (McKenzie King) & UMW of A | 1907 | 36 |
| 1-4 | - Sherman's last letters from hospital to his wife & children | 1908 | 5 |
| 1-5 | <u>Strike & district convention (1909)</u> | | |
| | - letter from McKenzie King | 1909 | 1 |
| | - minutes of session of UMW of A (fragment) | n.d. | 1 |
| | - letter from Lewis | 1909 | 1 |
| | - letter fragment | n.d. | 1 |
| | - resignation by Sherman | 1909 | 1 |
| 1-6 | <u>L.P. Eckstein District 18 Solicitor Misc. Legal Documents</u> | | |
| | - agreement by UMW of A | n.d. | 1 |
| | - appointment of Sherman to Board of Investigation re. industrial disputes | 1907-09 | 1 |

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| 1-6 | - report to minister of labour re. dispute | 1908 | 1 |
| | -correspondence (UMW of A & Coal Co. & District) | 1907 | 22 |
| 1-7 | <u>Notes of sympathy & condolences</u> | | |
| | - death announcement | 1909 | 1 |
| | - note of sympathy by Mother Townsend | 1909 | 1 |
| | - letter from wife to Sherman (fragment) | n.d. | 1 |
| | - sympathy note by Kathy Symonds | 1909 | 1 |
| | - letter from wife to Sherman (fragment) | n.d. | 1 |
| | - condolences (fragment) | 1909 | 1 |
| | - letter to Sherman from Smack | 1909 | |
| | - condolences to Annie S. from Wales | 1910 | 1 |
| | - letter to Sherman from McKenzie | 1909 | 1 |
| 1-8 | <u>Photographs</u> | | |
| | - Annie? with flowers | | 1 |
| | - shop in Wales (Frank & Emily S. & mother) | n.d. | 1 |
| | - Bill S. (son of Frank) | n.d. | 1 |
| | - Funeral of Sherman | n.d. | 3 |
| | - Coal cars in Fernie, B.C. | n.d. | 1 |
| | - F.S.'s wife & Annie at tombstone | 1938 | 1 |
| | - Mr. Atkin? | n.d. | 1 |
| | - CCF Nat. Convention Port Coqu. | 1958 | 3 |
| | - W. L. MacKenzie King | n.d. | 1 |
| | - negative of funeral | n.d. | 1 |
| PRINTED MATERIAL | | | |
| 1-9 | <u>BOOKLETS - POLITICAL</u> | | |
| | - agreement Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. & employees | 1909-11 | 1 |
| | - Rates | n.d. | 1 |
| | - Miner's Next Step (Unofficial Reform Committee) | 1912 | 1 |
| | - Lest We Forget cartoon & neg. | 1913-16 | 2 |
| | - 17th Annual Convention Report | 1923 | 1 |

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| 1-10 | <u>Newspapers (1909)</u> | | |
| | - District Ledger: announc. funeral of S. | 1909 | 1 |
| | - District Ledger: UMW of A & Sherman | 1909 | 1 |
| | - District Ledger: Strike | 1909 | 1 |
| | - District Ledger: S. expelled from Socialist Society | 1909 | 1 |
| | - District Ledger: S. freights of Mines | 1909 | 1 |
| | District Ledger: S. resigns | 1909 | 1 |
| | - United Miner Worker's Journal (Indiana) | 1922 | 1 |
| 1-11 | <u>Newspaper - death announcements</u> | | |
| | - Frank Paper: S.'s death | 1909 | 1 |
| | - Daily Herald, Alberta: S.'s death | 1909 | 1 |
| | - District Ledger: S's death | 1909 | 1 |