

# **Technocracy Movement**

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## Fonds Description

### **Technocracy Movement Fonds. – 1934 – 1998.**

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The Technocracy Movement began in 1918-1919 when Howard Scott brought together a group of economists, engineers and scientists for the purpose of creating a research organization. This organization was known as the Technical Alliance throughout the 1920s and the early 1930s. In 1933 the group was incorporated according to New York State laws, and officially became Technocracy Inc., a non-profit, non-political, non-sectarian membership organization.

Technocracy Inc. has members and units operating in most American states and Canadian provinces, as well as some members in other areas of the world where North American Armed Forces bases exist. Technocracy is a primarily North American focused organization, and it aims to recreate the continent's social and economic systems by imposing a scientific system upon the existing industrial and social structures. One of the key points of Technocracy is the redistribution of wealth through the application of a new method of distributing purchasing power to the population at large, known as the Energy Certificate.

The fonds consists of correspondence, manuscripts, magazine articles, newspaper clippings concerning Technocracy Inc. and miscellaneous other topics, lecture notes and transcripts, writing and teaching guides, public speaking guides, activities calendars, promotional and printed materials, course books and study manuals, newsletters, receipts, obituaries, pamphlets, leaflets and booklets. The fonds has been organized into four series: Administrative Materials, Printed Materials, Edward Bernard Papers, and Miscellany. These series have not been further divided into sub series, but there is a basic description provided at the file level.

The records were donated to the Special Collections Division of the University of British Columbia Library in March of 2001.

File lists available.

No further accruals expected.

## **Series Descriptions**

### **Administrative Materials Series.** – 1934-1998.

Series consists of information regarding the history and regulations of the Technocracy Movement, study manuals, correspondence, general mailings, newsletters, activities calendars, cover letters, public speaking guides, lecture transcripts, writing and teaching guides, library inventories, newspaper articles and miscellaneous documents.  
Arranged in chronological order.

### **Printed Materials Series.** [19?]-1992.

Series consists of the printed materials and other publications of the Technocracy Movement, including article reprints, notes, digests, information briefs, pamphlets, booklets and posters.  
Arranged in chronological order or order of publication.

### **Edward Bernard Papers Series.** 1938-1995.

Series consists of the personal papers of a very active member of the Technocracy Movement, including a manuscript, publication and lecture notes, membership cards, receipts, incoming correspondence and miscellaneous documents.  
Arranged in chronological order.

### **Miscellany Series.** [n.d.]-1994.

Series consists of miscellaneous documents, including obituaries, newspaper clippings, magazine articles, printed materials, brochures, pamphlets, leaflets and booklet.  
Arranged in chronological order where possible.

## **File List**

### **Administrative Materials Series**

#### Box 1

- 1-1 History and Purpose. – 1984.
- 1-2 Bylaws and Regulations. – 1934, 1942, 1982.
- 1-3 Technological Social Design Study Manual. – 1976.
- 1-4 Technological Social Design Study Manual. – 1983.
- 1-5 Technological Social Design Study Manual. – 1990.
- 1-6 General Correspondence. – 1947-1991.
- 1-7 General Mailings. – 1993-1994.
- 1-8 North East Area Newsletters. – 1993-1994.
- 1-9 North West Technocrat Newsletter. – 1992-1993.
- 1-10 Section 3 Newsletter. – 1987.
- 1-11 Activities Calendars – Section 3, R.D. 8141. – 1993-1994.
- 1-12 Activities Calendars – Section 1, R.D. 12349 (also known as 12349-1). – 1986-1991.
- 1-13 Activities Calendars – Section 1, R.D. 12349 (also known as 12349-1). – 1992-1993.
- 1-14 Activities Calendars – Section 1, R.D. 12349 (also known as 12349-1). – 1994-1995.
- 1-15 Activities Calendars – Section 1, R.D. 12349 (also known as 12349-1). – 1996-1998.
- 1-16 Cover letters for literature mail outs. – [n.d.]
- 1-17 Public speaking guidelines. – 1960-[19?].

- 1-18 Public speaking general information. – [n.d.]
- 1-19 Lecture transcripts – John Darvill. – 1973-1988.
- 1-20 Writing and teaching guides. – [n.d.]
- 1-21 Current Events Class Notes. – 1992-1994.
- 1-22 Teen essay contest information. – 1986.
- 1-23 Section 12349-1 Library Inventory. – 1973.
- 1-24 Technocracy Newspaper Articles. – 1979-1993.
- 1-25 Miscellaneous correspondence. – 1987.
- 1-26 Technocracy miscellany. – [n.d.], 1948-1992.

Box 1 also contains two copies of the Technocracy Study Course book, 1938 and 1945 editions.

### **Printed Materials Series**

#### Box 2

- 2-1 Article Reprints. – 1976-1980.
- 2-2 Information Briefs. – [n.d.]
- 2-3 Technocracy Briefs. – [n.d.]
- 2-4 Technocracy Digest. – 1977-1986.
- 2-5 Technotes. – 1992.
- 2-6 Pamphlets and booklets. – [19?]-1947.
- 2-7 Pamphlets and booklets. – 1963-1979.
- 2-8 Posters. – [n.d.]

**Edward Bernard Papers Series**

## Box 2

- 2-9 Manuscript of book about Technocracy. – [n.d.]
- 2-10 Notes on Technocracy. – [n.d.]
- 2-11 Notes for lectures and publications. – [n.d.]
- 2-12 Technocracy membership cards. – 1938-1940, 1943-1994.
- 2-13 Receipts. – 1985-1986, 1989-1990, 1993-1995.
- 2-14 Incoming correspondence. – 1940-1986.
- 2-15 Miscellaneous. – 1961.

**Miscellany Series**

## Box 2

- 2-16 Burman obituaries. [n.d.]
- 2-17 Newspaper clippings. – 1986-1994
- 2-18 Photocopied newspaper and magazine articles. – [n.d.], 1973-1986.
- 2-19 Miscellaneous printed materials. – [n.d.]
- 2-20 Pamphlets, leaflets and booklets. – [n.d.]
- 2-21 Miscellaneous papers and documents. – [n.d.]