

Lois and Ralph Cudmore fonds

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Fonds Description

Lois and Ralph Cudmore Fonds. – 1934-1940.

27 cm of textual records.

Biographical Sketch

Lois Cudmore (née Still) was born in 1915. She attended UBC from 1934 to 1938, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree. While at UBC, Lois was an active member of the [Biological Discussion Club](#) and [UBC Players Club](#). After graduating from UBC, Lois received a Master of Sciences in Zoology and Botany from University of California, Los Angeles. Ralph Cudmore attended UBC from 1933 to 1937, receiving a Bachelor of Arts in Horticulture. While at UBC, Ralph was president of the Ice Hockey Club from 1935-1936 and president of the [Agriculture Club](#).

Lois and Ralph lived in New Westminster and Montreal, where Ralph worked for CIL Chemicals Division, and then Windsor and Port Credit where he worked for Ford Motor Company of Canada, eventually becoming General Manager of the Tractor and Equipment Division. After Ralph passed away in 1980, Lois moved to Guelph, Ontario to be closer to family and had retired from her career by 1988. Lois was an artist, passionate gardener, field naturalist and environmentalist. In her later life she took a special interest in Carolinian forest preservation. Lois passed away on September 5, 2010.

Scope and Content

The fonds contains essays, lab notes, class notes and theses created and acquired by Lois and Ralph during their time as post-secondary students. The fonds is divided into two series: Ralph Cudmore's Student Records and Lois Cudmore's Student Records. The archivist arranged the records of Lois and Ralph by chronological order and course name where applicable.

Notes

File list available.

The records were donated to University Archives in 2012.

Series Descriptions

Ralph Cudmore's Student Records. – 1935-1937.

3.5 cm of textual records.

Series contains class notes and a thesis relating to Ralph's time as a student at UBC.

Lois Cudmore's Student Records.. – 1934-1940.

22.5 cm of textual records.

Series contains class notes, lab reports, essays, and a rough draft of a thesis relating to Lois' time as a student at UBC and University of California, Los Angeles.

File List

BOX 1

RALPH CUDMORE'S STUDENT RECORDS

- 1-1 Horticulture '18' and '19' [Class Notes]- 1935-1936
- 1-2 Horticulture 41 + 42 [Class Notes]- 1936-1937
- 1-3 Botany 6(c) [Class Notes]- 1937
- 1-4 An Apparatus for Continuously Circulating Water Cultures [Thesis]- April 1937.

LOIS CUDMORE'S STUDENT RECORDS

- 1-5 Botany I Lab [Notes]- 1935-1936
- 1-6 Botany 4 [Class Notes]- Between 1934 and 1938
- 1-7 Botany 6C [Class Notes]- Between 1934 and 1938
- 1-8 Geology 1 [Class Notes]- Between 1934 and 1938
- 1-9 Zoology 1 [Class Notes]- 1936-1937
- 1-10 Zoology 5 [Class Notes]- Between 1934 and 1938
- 1-11 Cytology [Class Notes]- Between 1934 and 1940

BOX 2

- 2-1 Morphology 105A [Class Notes]- Between 1934 and 1940
- 2-2 Morphology 105B [Class Notes]- Between 1934 and 1940
- 2-3 Poisonous and Edible Fungus [Essay Notes]- [1938?]
- 2-4 A Discussion Upon Some Factors in the Evolution of the Plant Kingdom [Essay]-
Jan. 26, 1939

2-5 Comparative stem anatomy of the species of Lycopodium of the United States and Canada [Rough Draft of a Thesis]- June 1940

2-6 [Cross Section Images for Lois' MA Thesis]- [1940?]