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Summary information

Repository: York University Archives & Special Collections (CTASC)

Title: James J. Morrison fonds

ID: F0360

Date: [Photocopied 1973? (originally created 1916-1933)] (date of creation)

Physical description: 0.03 m of textual records

Note [generalNote]: Originals from which the material in the fonds has been copied are in the possession of C. A. Morrison.

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

James J. Morrison (generally known as "J. J.") was farm leader, salesman, and a prominent agrarian organizer and politician. Morrison was born in 1861 on his family's homestead in Peel Township, Wellington County. After working for twelve years for a manufacturer in Toronto, he returned home to work his family's farm in 1900. In the following years he also served in various administrative capacities in local government and interests. In 1914, he helped to found and served as the secretary for the United Farmers of Ontario (UFO), a farm advocacy organization, and he was also secretary of its sister body, United Farmers Co-operative Company Ltd. (UFCC), a co-operative purchasing body for its members, from 1914 to 1935. The United Farmers of Ontario also formed a political party which became the government (1920-1923) through an alliance with labour and progressive political organizations. Morrison declined the invitation to take over leadership of the political party and his opposition to alliance with urban elements and non-farm issues played a part in undermining the UFO government in 1923. James J. Morrison died in 1936.

Scope and content

The fonds consists of correspondence, memoranda and notes, by James Morrison and others, concerning the activities of the UFO and the UFCC. There is also an unsigned biographical sketch of Morrison.

Notes

Title notes

Restrictions on access

No restrictions on access.

Related material

There are related records in the James J. Morrison fonds at the National Archives of Canada. New reference number: R4673-0-4-E; old reference number: MG27-IIID3.

Accruals

The fonds comprises the following accession: 1973-006. No further accruals are expected.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
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Collection holdings

File: F0360-1973-006/001(01) - Biographical Sketch

Title: Biographical Sketch

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File: F0360-1973-006/001(02) - United Farmers of Ontario Correspondence

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