Michael (Mike) Farrell Fonds
12.0 cm of textual records, 9 photographs, 7 tape recordings, 17 pins.

Biographical sketch: Michael Shawn Farrell (1931-2000) was a union organizer born in Hamilton, Ontario. At age 19, when employed as a gold miner, he joined Mine Mill Local 240 in Kirkland Lake. In 1956, after being offered a full-time staff position with the International Union of Mine Mill and Smelter Workers (IUMMSW), he moved to Sudbury. In 1962, following Mine Mill’s merger with the Steelworkers, Farrell joined the USWA staff. From 1971-1986 he lived in Timmins, working as a staff representative for USWA until his retirement. In retirement, Mike Farrell remained very active in the world of unions and also in different organizations of the Sudbury region, such as the Red Cross, United Way, CNIB and others.

In 1954, he married Evelyn Hedman (of Sudbury) in Kirkland Lake. They had 3 sons, Michael, Douglas, and David.

Scope and Content: The fonds consists of records that pertain to the labour movement. The records include collective agreements signed by the USWA and the Mine Mill, 3 Scrap Books of newspaper clippings on the 1958 strike, recordings of the “Battle Within” and enlarged reproductions of photographs pertaining to mining.

Note: Immediate source of acquisition: The first accrual was received in October 1999. A second accrual sent by the USWA Timmins Office, was received in February 2001. Related material: P020- USWA Timmins Office fonds, P026- IUMMSW (Mine Mill) Local 598 fonds, P038- USWA District 6 (Sudbury Office) fonds may contain related information.
List

1- Collective agreements [USWA]
   1957-1995 (predominant dates are in the 1970's);
   5.0 cm of textual records.

   (By alphabetical order)
   Alexander Centre Industries Limited & USWA, Local 7842, 1985;
   Bicroft Uranium Mines Limited & USWA, 1957;
   Carman Construction Inc. & USWA, Local 7727, 1986;
   Dome Mines Limited, South Porcupine & USWA, 1972;
   Dome Mines Limited, South Porcupine & USWA, 1974;
   Dome Mines Limited, South Porcupine & USWA, 1975;
   Dome Mines Limited, South Porcupine & USWA, 1976;
   Dome Mines Limited, South Porcupine & USWA, 1977;
   Dome Mines Limited, South Porcupine & USWA, 1978;
   McIntyre Porcupine Mines Limited, Castle Division & USWA, June 1964;
   Teck-Corona Operating Corporation & USWA, Local 9165, 1995

2- Collective agreements [I.U.M.M.S.W]
   1960-1964
   1.7 cm of textual records.

   Deer Horn Mines Limited & IUMMSW, 1964;
   Deer Horn Mines Limited & IUMMSW, Local 1028, 1966;
   Dickenson Mines Limited & IUMMSW, Local 1003, 1962;
   Mill Smelter and Refinery Wokers of IUMMSW, Local 1026, 1961;
   1964 reprint of information booklet issued in 1961 by: Thompson District [Manitoba]
   Mine Mill Smelter and Refinery Wokers, Local 1026;
   Zeballos Iron Mines Ltd. & Zeballos District Mine & Mill Workers= Union, Local 851,
   1960 ( with memorandum of agreement) 1960.

3- [Leaflets]
   circa 1962;
   3 sheets of textual records.

   USWA leaflet on Mine Mill, Local 598; Mine Mill leaflet on USWA; Mine Mill leaflet
   AResolution on Referendum Vote@.
4- [1958 strike]  
   September-December 1958;  
   3 scrapbooks.  

   Newspaper clippings on the Mine Mill 1958 Strike at Inco.

5- [Porcupine Miners Union.]  
   undated;  
   1 photograph.  

   Enlarged reproduction of a black and white, 1910 photograph of the first Union Hall in the Timmins area.

6- [Right of Way Mining Co.]  
   undated;  
   1 photograph.  

   Enlarged reproduction of a black and white [191?] photograph of the Right of Way Mining Co. headframe and mine buildings.

7- [Miners]  
   undated;  
   2 photographs.  

   Enlarged reproductions of 2 (not dated) black and white photographs representing miners at work underground.

8- Dome Home Site  
   1939;  
   1 photograph.  

   Black and white photograph of Dome Homesite near South Porcupine.  
   This home site does not exist anymore, it is currently the open pit.

9- [Dome mine sites]  
   undated;  
   4 photographs.  

   Enlarged reproductions of 4 (not dated) black and white photographs of Dome Mine sites.
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10- ‘The Battle Within’.  
    Undated  
    7 sound recordings.  
    History of the United Steelworkers of America.

11- Memorabilia  
    not dated;  
    17 pins.  
    Pins and one key holder with USWA logo.