

P195- William Meredith Ireton fonds
n.d. ; ca 1925-1947
22 photographs and 12 negatives

Biographical sketch: After graduating in Pharmacy from the University of Toronto in 1925, William Meredith Ireton moved to Connaught Station where he worked at the drugstore until 1929. He then started to work as insurance salesman with the Confederation Life Insurance Company. Ireton's territory was Northern Ontario and Quebec.

Scope and content: The fonds consists of thirteen photographs of Connaught Station from 1925 to 1929, including some negatives. It also comprises two photographs of an Osulake Mines Ltd. site from 1947 (North of Thunder Bay), as well as five photographs and three negatives of unidentified individuals.

Eight photographs of Connaught Station in 1928, northeast of Timmins on the south shore of Frederick House Lake, depict buildings such as the train station and offices, but also outdoor public gatherings. One is of a group of musicians and some are of a picnic(?). An additional seven photographs depict the Connaught Station Drug Store and a dog from 1925-1929.

The two pictures of an Osulake Mines Ltd. site at O'Sullivan Lake are of the no. 1 shaft headframe, while the other picture is of the bunkhouse and cookery.

Four of the unidentified photographs depict an unknown wedding, while one photograph and three negatives depict two fishermen on a pier.

Immediate source of acquisition: The photographs were donated by Verne Ireton, son of William M Ireton, in 2013.

Availability of other formats: Digitized copies are available

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Accruals: The first accrual was received in 2013. A second accrual was received in July 2020. No more accruals are expected.