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 six photographs of Connaught Station from 1928, with negatives included. It also comprises two photographs of Osulake Mines’ site from 1947 (north of Thunder Bay). The photographs of Connaught Station, 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’(?). The two pictures of Osulake Mines at O’Sullivan Lake are of the no 1 shaft headframe, while the other picture is of the bunkhouse and cookery.

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

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