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1912-2005. -4.6 m of textual records and other materials.

Biographical Sketch:

Born in Victoria, British Columbia, on August 4, 1912, Harold Rocke Robertson, known as H. Rocke Robertson or “Rocke”, received his primary school education at St. Michael’s School and his secondary school training, from 1926-1929, at Brentwood College in Victoria. From 1925-1926, accompanied by his sister, Marian, he studied near Geneva, Switzerland, where he acquired French. In 1929 he moved to Montreal where he attended McGill University, receiving a B.Sc. (1932) and an M.D.C.M. (1936). He also completed an internship at the Montreal General Hospital under Dr. Fraser B. Gurd and he studied pathology under Dr. Pop Rhea. Following this, Robertson earned a medical fellowship at the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, Scotland, where he studied from 1938 to 1939. In 1937 he married Beatrice Rosyln Arnold, known as “Rolly” at Arncliffe, her family home, in Senneville, Quebec, and had four children: Tam, Ian, Bea, and Stuart, known as “Tooie or Toopot”.

In 1940, H. Rocke Robertson enlisted with the RCAMC (Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps), serving in England until 1943 when he was appointed commander of the 2nd Canadian Field Surgical Unit. In the summer of 1943 he participated in the allied invasion of Sicily and Italy, known as Operation Husky. During his military service, he achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. In 1944, still a member of the military, he became the Chief of Surgery at the Vancouver Military Hospital and Head Surgeon at the Shaughnessy Veteran’s Hospital. Following this, he was instrumental in the development of the Faculty of Medicine at the University of British Columbia, where he became Head of the Department of Surgery and UBC’s first Professor of Surgery from 1950-1959. He also served as acting dean of the Faculty of Medicine although he declined to accept this as a full-time appointment. Upon his return to Montreal in 1959, Robertson procured the position of Surgeon in Chief at the Montreal General Hospital, where he oversaw the building of the University Surgical Clinic. In addition, he altered the emergency room and developed the Trauma Team concept, which is still the basis for many contemporary trauma centres. Robertson also developed a Surgical Intensive Care Unit at the Montreal General Hospital, and he acted as the Chairman of Surgery at McGill University, where he taught until 1962. He particularly enjoyed teaching and was well-known for his bedside clinics. Although Robertson received recognition as a surgeon, his greatest contributions to the field of medicine were administrative, namely improving hospital operating systems and later health care delivery systems.

From 1962-1970, H. Rocke Robertson served as the Principal and Vice Chancellor of McGill University during the most tumultuous decade of McGill’s history. He was the

first McGill graduate to receive this appointment. His principalship was often troubled by the radical student and Quebec nationalist protests of the time. During his principalship he oversaw the rapid physical expansion of the University through the construction of several buildings, including the McIntyre Medical Building, the Leacock Building, the Otto Maass Chemistry Building, the Stewart Biology Building, and the University Centre. Robertson's principalship also coincided with the rise and fall of the much publicized HARP (High Altitude Research) programme. This joint US Military-McGill project, headed by Dr. Gerald Bull and Donald Mordell, the Dean of Engineering at McGill University, tested using cannons instead of rockets to launch satellites and to explore the earth's atmosphere.

Under his tenure the number of staff and students doubled. In response to the increased size of the University, Robertson implemented a more bureaucratic structure with several vice-principals. He sought to better integrate McGill within the fabric of Quebec society through the creation of the French Canada Studies Programme and the introduction of a policy that permitted francophone students to write their exams and papers in French. Robertson also advocated strongly for increased funding for McGill from the provincial government of Quebec in his correspondence with Premier Robert Bourassa, to little avail, and he even contemplated approaching the federal government with the concept of McGill as a national university in order to secure federal funding. It was Robertson's hope that improved educational quality at McGill would facilitate French and English Canadian relations. Under student pressure for reform he reorganized the governance structure of McGill to accommodate student membership in the Senate, the Committees of the Senate, and the Board of Governors.

The turbulent years of Robertson's principalship were characterized by student demonstrations and unrest, largely spearheaded by John Fekete, editor of the *McGill Daily* and Stanley Gray, a McGill Political Science Professor and Marxist Lecturer. In what was to later become known as the McGill Daily Affair, Robertson received criticism for permitting the Montreal police morality squad to confiscate copies of the *McGill Daily* containing Paul Krassner's controversial, reprinted article from *The Realist* entitled, "The Parts that were left out of the Kennedy Book", as well as for bringing charges before the Senate Discipline Committee against Fekete and two other editors. This controversy caused a contingent of radical McGill students to occupy the Senate Discipline Committee and the Administration Building, including the principal's office. Further demonstrations followed wherein students agitated for changes in university governance, including increased representation, which Robertson accommodated. Although Stanley Gray did not directly participate in the aforementioned occupations, he was present to verbally instigate students. His repeated calls for direct action and forceful student protests led to further disruptions of board of governor meetings and senate meetings, eventually culminating in Operation McGill français, a march calling for an end to English control of McGill. Marchers included French-Canadian Nationalists, radical McGill students, and supporters of other radical political ideologies. As a result of these disruptions, Robertson again felt forced to take formal action. During the Stanley Gray affair, the arbitration committee, which did relieve Gray of his professorial duties, subtly criticized Robertson by suggesting that he could have more effectively handled the

situation by taking Gray's Department Head into his confidence prior to formally laying charges or by directly confronting Gray, telling him that he immediately cease his radical behaviour. Further signs of the atmosphere of the time included numerous bomb threats, such as the "Greenhouse bomb incident", in which a bomb was detonated in a McGill greenhouse, and the "Save the Trees" riot, when students protested the removal of trees at the construction site of Burnside Hall. The stress of his principalship at McGill, coupled with the political turbulence in Quebec at the time, eventually led to Robertson's retirement from McGill in 1970.

During his lifetime, H. Rocke Robertson was awarded numerous honorary degrees from diverse Canadian and American universities, including Harvard University, Memorial University, the University of Toronto, and the University of Philadelphia. In 1956 he became one of only two Canadian doctors to become Harvard's Visiting Surgeon in Chief Pro Tempore at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital under Francis D. Moore. He was a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, the American College of Surgeons, and the Royal College of Surgeons (Edinburgh). In 1969, he was made a Companion of the Order of Canada. He also served on the National Research Council of Canada. During his retirement he kept active, for example through his role as an honorary librarian and archivist for the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada from 1974-1992, and then as honorary archivist from 1992 onwards. Robertson was also a prolific writer, who published widely on medical related topics, and he often delivered speeches, reflecting both his professional and personal interests.

Such personal interests included collecting rare English dictionaries, studying lexicography, and researching the history of medicine. Robertson donated his collection of dictionaries to the University of British Columbia and published a book on this collection, entitled A Collection of Dictionaries and Related Works: Illustrating Some Aspects of the Development of the English Dictionary Volumes I and II with his grandson, J. Wesley Robertson. Additionally, throughout his lifetime Robertson excelled at many sports; however, he was best known for his skills as a doubles tennis player.

H. Rocke Robertson died on February 8, 1998, Ottawa, Ontario. His funeral was held at McGill University.

Scope and Content Note:

The fonds document H. Rocke Robertson's personal and family life, including his early education, his athletic abilities, his experiences during WWII in Britain, Sicily, and Italy, as well as some aspects of his professional life, including articles, speeches, and correspondence on his activities as a surgeon, surgeon in chief, professor of surgery, and as McGill's principal, inclusive 1912-1998. In particular, his tenure as McGill's principal is characterized by records in diverse formats such as personal diaries, correspondence files, newspaper and magazine clippings, photographs, and related ephemera reflecting his administrative duties, including the changes he implemented at McGill, as well as his efforts to cope with radical student behaviour and the Quebec government's unwillingness to provide McGill with much needed financial assistance. Robertson's

retirement activities are also reflected in the records. Also included are numerous documents that reveal his interest in rare English dictionaries, rare books, and the history of medicine, in particular the history of surgical techniques. The fonds consist of 18 boxes with some files arranged into subject categories while others have a chronological arrangement scheme.

The series consist of 1) Diaries; 2) Publications and Research Notes; 3) Speeches; 4) Personal and Family Related Materials; 5) Student Years at Brentwood College and McGill; 6) Medical and Professional Activities; 7) McGill Principalship and Administrative Activities; and 7) Awards and Honours.

Custodial History:

The fonds were donated by Stuart Robertson, the son of H. Rocke Robertson on February 13, 2006. Prior to their donation to McGill, the fonds were transferred to Stuart Robertson, following Robertson's death.

Languages:

Mainly English, with some French.

Title:

Fonds title and file titles are based on the contents of the fonds.

Access points:

H. Rocke Robertson fonds.

Finding Aid:

Box list available.

Access:

The diary beginning January 1971 (post-McGill years) will be closed for 20 years until December 31, 2005.

1. Diaries. – 1922-1995. - 1.45 m of textual records and 27 photos.

This series of diaries, arranged chronologically and spanning the years 1934-1995, contains Robertson's matter-of-fact overview and some of his measured reflections on his personal life, including his private interests and his family life, as well as his professional activities, as a surgeon, as principal of McGill University, and as an advisor and a board member following his retirement from McGill in 1970. Also included in the series are photos, correspondence files, ephemera, and newspaper and magazine clippings attached to entries in his diaries, 1922-1981 (Container 15, File 224).

In particular, the years 1934-1961 (Container 12, Files 195-200/ Note: There are no diaries for 1959-1960), recount his final student years at McGill, his courtship of Rolly Arnold, his completion of his medical fellowship in Scotland and England, his war experiences in both Great Britain and Italy, his medical years in Vancouver, and his return to the Montreal General Hospital. Of note is the bustling social life that Robertson maintained during his final years as a medical student at McGill. He, his friends, and Rolly frequently went to cocktails parties, to the theatre, and played sports, including doubles tennis and golf. Also of interest are his comments about headmasters that he encountered at St. Michael's School and Brentwood College in Victoria, British Columbia, 1940-1941 (Container 12, File 197) and his anecdote about Sir Arthur Currie, a former McGill Principal, 1940-1941 (Container 12, File 197) which was later incorporated into one of his speeches, 1972 (Container 8, File 153).

The diaries dating from 1962-1969 document the events that transpired during Robertson's tenure at McGill (Container 12, Files 201-203; Container 18, Files 247-256), including his reflections on his ultimate decision to retire. These diaries, in particular, are more introspective and personal as they reveal Robertson's attempts to assimilate the societal changes of the 1960s, as well as discussing his own feelings of stress and sense of confoundedness at the student unrest at McGill. The diaries dating from 1969-1979 (Container 14, Files 214-223), commence with the announcement of his retirement, his decision to ultimately leave Quebec, due to the political turmoil and violence of the times, and the initial years of his retirement. They also treat his reactions to the Stanley Gray affair. His diary entries include his relief over Gray's dismissal, which Robertson felt was crucial in allowing him to maintain a semblance of control during his final year as McGill's principal (Container 14, File 214).

The aforementioned diaries, coupled with the set from 1980-1995 (Container 13, Files 205-213), focus on the retirement years of H. Rocke Robertson. They are increasingly dedicated to reflections on the weather (which are an aspect of all of his diaries), as well as his activities as a gentleman farmer at "Struan" in Mountain, Ontario. Activities include gardening, caring for his dog, Blaze, and working on his dictionary manuscript. Most revealing are his reflections on the purpose of his book and his attempt to convey how each dictionary and his collection, in its entirety, illustrate the development of

English dictionaries, 1969 (Container 14, File 214). His retirement diaries also document his efforts to keep active in the professional milieu, such as through his duties as an honorary librarian and archivist for the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. Also included is a Diary Index, compiled in 1988, spanning January 1961-February 1971 (Container 13, Files 212), which reveals his attempt to make key life events, particularly during his time as principal of McGill, readily accessible to researchers.

Part of this series consists of notes and a partial draft of his autobiography (Container 4, File 82; Container 12, File 197), as well as the original manuscript and a transcribed version of Robertson's War Diaries, 1940-1943 (Container 11, Files 192-193; Container 4, File 88). His reflections on the war reveal his restlessness during his time in England, where it became evident that Prime Minister Mackenzie King did not want Canadians to see active combat. Despite this, Robertson did experience one of the first significant London bombings and he assisted in the treatment of patients who had been injured at Coventry. His diaries also reveal that he learned about hospital organization and administration, particularly during his time at Marston Green, on the outskirts of Birmingham; this knowledge was to become crucial for his subsequent professional activities. His time in Sicily and Italy, known as Operation Husky, includes descriptions of surgical techniques, of individuals he performed surgery on, as well as a few instances of being under mortar fire, particularly at the Battle of Ortona, 1943. This information is supplemented by photos, as well as a scrapbook of newspaper clippings and notes, all related to Robertson's activities during WWII, 1940-1943, 1940 (Container 11, File 194; Container 16, File 238).

2. Publications and Research Notes. – 1945-1998. – .6 m of textual records, 1 videocassette, and 4 photos.

This series documents Robertson's contributions to the medical field through articles and reports on such diverse topics as wounds and infection, and surgical techniques, 1953, 1958, 1963-1964, 1974, 1981 (Container 2, File 47, 49, 51, 56; Container 2, File 59), trauma care, including one VHS cassette, 1962-1996 (Container 1, File 11), the state of the Canadian Health Care System, 1972-1973 (Container 2, Files 52-53), and the effects on human health of lead in the environment, 1974 (Container 2, File 54; Container 5, File 123). In particular, Robertson made significant contributions towards the efficiency of hospital operating systems, to the treatment of wounds, and to gastrointestinal surgery, especially duodenal ulcers and to vascular surgery, with an emphasis on venous thrombo-embolism and arterial replacement, 1954, 1957, 1962, 1960-1962 (Container 2, Files 46, 48, 50; Container 4, File 106). Robertson's publications include: The Emergency Care Project, Books I and II, 1973-1974 (Container 16, Files 236-237), Health Care in Canada: A Commentary, 1973 (Container 5, File 120; Container 16, File 239) and Health Care in Canada: Supplementary Papers, 1973 (Container 16, File 240). This series also contains the article, entitled "Ten Years After", published in the *McGill Journal of Education*, which reflects on Robertson's principalship at McGill, 1978-1980, 1980 (Container 2, File 57; Container 5, File 122).

Newspaper articles, correspondence files, published and unpublished publications, and descriptions of visits to libraries worldwide demonstrate Robertson's diverse personal interests, particularly his passion for rare English dictionaries, 1963-1992, 1946-1993, 1966-1986 (Container 6, Files 176-188; Container 8, Files 145-147, 149-152, 172), as well as his interest in literature and rare books, which includes a book of hand-written literary quotes, 1967-1991 (Container 15, Files 1/225-2/225), as well as efforts to imitate the literary style of Lyttleton-Hart Davis in a letter to his brother, Bruce Robertson, 1989-1994 (Container 4, File 82). This file also includes two of Robertson's creative writing endeavours, entitled "Silly Boy" and "The Paymaster, or the Artful Dodger". This series also contains Robertson's and his grandson's A Collection of Dictionaries and Related Works, Volumes 1 and 2, 1987 (Container 16, Files 1/235-2/235).

Robertson's interest in the history of medicine is documented, in particular, through his correspondence with Joyce Hemslow, former Professor of English at McGill University, in which she discusses the Fanny Burney Papers, 1963-1976 (Container 8, File 169) as well as through additional correspondence and articles, 1993-1997, 1976-1984 (Container 8, Files 170-171). Burney's first person account of undergoing surgery without anesthesia is later incorporated into one of Robertson's articles on the history of medicine entitled, "Without Benefit of Anesthesia" (Container 8, File 146), which also addresses George Wilson's anaesthetized amputation during the nineteenth century. Further indications of this interest include Robertson's annotation of the Archibald and Archibald-McCrae Correspondence for the Osler Library, 1976 (Container 8, Files 154, 159).

3. Speeches. – 1945-1991. -.63 m of textual records, 9 photos, and 7 slides.

This series contains H. Rocke Robertson's speeches which document his role as the Principal of McGill, 1963-1970 (Container 8, Files 161, 164, 175); his medical experience during WWII and his subsequent surgical and medical expertise, 1945-1971 (Container 8, Files 155, 157), including such speeches as that delivered to the Vancouver Medical Association on the Activities of a Field Surgical Unit, 1945 (Container 8, File 158); and the Shattuck Lectures delivered in Massachusetts in 1965 (Container 1, File 19), in which Robertson reflects on noteworthy medical cases that he encountered during his career while simultaneously commenting on his failure to develop innovative surgical techniques. Graphic medical photos accompany the speech. Following his retirement, Robertson was frequently called upon to give public addresses such as that delivered at a nurse's graduation at the Ottawa Civic Hospital, 1971 (Container 4, File 82) and at the Montreal General Hospital Dinner on October 12, 1989 (Container 4, File 113), in which he reflects on his time studying pathology under Dr. Pop Rhea.

Robertson's interest in the history of medicine is apparent in the speeches he delivered to both the Osler Society, 1947-1958 (Container 8, File 156) and the American Osler Society in 1991. The later, entitled "William Osler and the OED", includes slides and booklets, as well as offering a hypothesis on Osler's possible medical word contributions to the *Oxford English Dictionary*, 1991 (Container 8, File 160). The Osler speeches cover such diverse topics as Robertson's reminiscences on war surgery, including detailed descriptions of the effects of missiles (bullets) passing through the body, the effects of

gas gangrene, and Robertson's feelings on his first experience using the new drug, penicillin (Container 8, File 156). Also included is a speech Robertson delivered about Osler's trip to British Columbia in 1886 and the development of the practice of medicine in the province, 1947-1958 (Container 8, File 156), which highlights Robertson's skills as an orator.

Numerous speeches reflect Robertson's duties as principal of McGill University, including his installation address on April 2, 1963 in which he comments on the achievements of past McGill principals, as well as elucidating his own plans for improving relations between English and French Canada through improved education at McGill (Container 8, File 161). Also included are Robertson's graduation addresses, 1962-1992 (Container 3, File 67) and the bound volumes Addresses and Other Papers: H. Rocke Robertson, 1963-1970 (Container 19, Files 257-264), which contain Robertson's speeches during his principalship at McGill.

Correspondence files and speech notes reflect Robertson's activities as a collector of rare books and English dictionaries, 1960-1991 (Container 8, File 163). Also preserved is his speech for the reception of his dictionary collection at the University of British Columbia, 1990 (Container 2, File 40) and a series of pamphlets and newspaper clippings on conferences, where Robertson was a guest speaker, 1971-1983, 1972-1973, 1971-1973, 1977 (Container 15, File 233; Container 2, Files 32, 35; Container 8, File 162).

4. Personal and Family Related Matters. – 1912-2005. –.7 m of textual records, 76 photos, and ephemera.

This series consists of H. Rocke Robertson's private life, documented in a series of correspondence with his father, Harold Bruce Robertson, Justice of Appeal, British Columbia; his Uncle, Dr. Edward M. Eberts, known as Uncle Ted; his brothers, Alexander Bruce Robertson, known as Bruce, and Alan McGregor Robertson; and his sister, Ethel Marian Robertson, known as Marian, 1915-1926, 1962-1979 (Container 4, Files 85, 89; Container 3, Files 60, 63), as well as personal papers which include Robertson's birth certificate, expired passports, and CVs, 1912-1978, 1996 (Container 4, Files 83-84; Container 19, File 267). Files pertaining to Robertson's father's role on the Court of Appeal of British Columbia are also included, 1943 (Container 20, Files 285-286) as are documents recognizing Robertson's acts of kindness in his personal life including one such incident where he exchanged his first class seat on Trans Canada Airlines for the coach seat of a sick child, 1963 (Container 1, File 24).

Of particular interest are the correspondence files, photos, and news clippings in the form of a scrapbook, which circulated between Robertson's father, his Uncle Ted Eberts, and Robertson discussing strategic plans for his career path, marriage, and financial situation, 1935-1936 (Container 4, File 91). Robertson also maintained a regular correspondence with his brother, Bruce, a lawyer in British Columbia, from whom he sought advice on such matters as the McGill Daily Affair and the Stanley Gray Dismissal, among more personal subject matters, 1939-1969, 1939-1989 (Container 8, File 165; Container 11, File 194-1). Other personal correspondence consists of birthday cards, congratulatory

cards for his many achievements, and letters from family members and friends, 1953, 1955-1986, 1994-1997 (Container 4, File 94; Container 3, Files 61-62, 64-66, 68, 70; Container 8, File 173). Also of note is a letter from his neighbour James or “Jasper” Cross, in which Cross thanks Robertson for greeting him on his return from captivity during the FLQ crisis while congratulating Robertson on his wise decision to move to Ontario due to the perceived dangers to prominent Anglophones in Quebec (Container 3, File 66).

This series also contains documents pertaining to Robertson’s properties, for example, photos of his numerous private residences, 1956-1971, 2001 (Container 4, Files 93, 111); information on the sale of “Struan”, his retirement home; as well as information on his investments and donations, including the division of his estate and chattels amongst family members, 1948-1998 (Container 3, Files 71-77). Personal letters received during his principalship discuss topics such as his mother’s declining health, as well as letters from his nieces and nephews that recount such events as the loss of Toni Robertson’s baby teeth, 1962-1966 (Container 3, Files 60, 69). These letters reflect the space that Robertson reserved for his family, even during times of professional stress and turbulence.

His interest in his lineage is evident through files that document his family’s genealogy, including a detailed family tree, 1984-1994 (Container 4, Files 82, 86). This series contains documents in diverse formats, such as photos, travel brochures, and postcards from a family trip to Europe in 1958 (Container 4, Files 81, 89), as well as other vacations with friends and family (Container 15, Files 226-228, 232). Additional correspondence files, newspaper clippings, in the form of wedding announcements, and photographs pertain to family related events such as Robertson’s courtship and marriage to Beatrice Rosyln, 1935-1936 (Container 4, File 91), and to the celebration of the Robertsons’ Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary, 1987 (Container 2, File 43). Robertson’s courtship was largely documented through letters that circulated between his Uncle Ted, his father, and Thomas Arnold, Rolly’s father.

Several files, including health notes and medical charts on Robertson and his wife that were compiled by caregivers, 1997-1998 (Container 2, File 44), condolence letters and cards on the death of H. Rocke Robertson, 1998 (Container 2, File 45; Container 8, File 174), H. Rocke Robertson’s obituary, 1998 (Container 3, File 78), and memorial service, 1998 (Container 1, File 14) were added to the archives by Stuart Robertson following H. Rocke Robertson’s death.

Robertson’s interest in rare English dictionaries and his penchant for collecting are reflected in his personal library of dictionaries, numbering almost 500, which he donated to the University of British Columbia, 1986-1994 (Container 2, Files 38-40). Numerous articles and correspondence files reinforce his interest in this subject, 1976-1989, 1981, 1969-1991 (Container 2, Files 41, 58; Container 8, File 168). In particular, letters to his friend, Geoffrey Keynes, a William Blake Scholar and collector, suggest that Keynes may have been the stimulus for Robertson’s interest in collecting, 1989-1994 (Container 4, File 82). His membership in the Osler Society and the H. Rocke Robertson Rare Book

Room in McGill's Osler Library which houses Robertson's rare book donation to McGill, coupled with conferences he attended on the history of medicine signify his interest in this topic, 1970-1998, 1927-2005, 1979 (Container 1, Files 15-18, 20; Container 3, Files 1/80-3/80; Container 8, File 159). Robertson's interest in the creative arts is reflected through the plethora of theatre and opera brochures and pamphlets that he preserved, 1965-1983 (Container 15, File 231).

5. Student years at Brentwood College and McGill. – 1925-1936-- .07 m of textual records, 16 photos, and 8 artifacts.

This series consists of correspondence with Robertson's family, addressed to his father and family, dealing with daily school activities and athletic accomplishments; as well, several letters, postcards, artifacts, and photos document Robertson's educational and travel experiences in Switzerland, 1925-1926 (Container 4, File 89). Also included are Rhodes scholarship nomination letters, written by Brentwood College and St. Michael's School teachers, praising Robertson's academic ability, athletic prowess, and natural leadership skills. Although he applied, he did not receive this scholarship. Robertson's early leadership potential manifested itself in his appointment as head prefect at St. Michael's School and as head boy during his time at Brentwood College. This series also includes photos of tennis and rugby sports teams, medals, and school crests, 1929-1931 (Container 4, File 90).

During his last two years at McGill, H. Rocke Robertson received the distinction of being the top medical student, which is documented through newspaper clippings, 1935-1936 (Container 1, File 2). Also included in the series are mock menus reflecting the comedic efforts of medical students, 1935-1936 (Container 1, File 2). Several artifacts, including McGill crests and tennis crests, 1930-1935 (Container 7, File 144) reflect Robertson's scholarly and athletic achievements at McGill.

6. Medical and Professional Activities. – 1937-1995– .5 m of textual records, 163 photos, and ephemera.

This series reflects the diverse contributions that Robertson made as a physician, surgeon, and hospital administrator, as well as containing files related to Robertson's medical training immediately following his graduation from McGill. Robertson's time as an intern in the Pathology Department at the Montreal General Hospital is documented through photos, 1937-1938 (Container 4, File 112). Also included are orthopedic notes from the John Bruce Lectures that Robertson attended as an intern in Edinburgh, 1938-1939 (Container 4, File 92). Robertson's wartime medical experiences are preserved through newspaper clippings, photos, and notes, in the form of a scrapbook, 1940-1943 (Container 11, File 194), and additional secondary sources, including Robertson's chapter on wound infections in W. R. Feasby's The Canadian Medical Services 1939 - 1945, Vol. II, 1953 and correspondence from the Minister of National Defence, Brooke Claxton (Container 19, Files 265-266).

His medical work in Vancouver following WWII, such as his contributions to the development of the Faculty of Medicine and Department of Surgery at the University of British Columbia and his role as first Professor and Head Surgeon is documented through correspondence files, photos, pamphlets, and ephemera, 1952-1971, 1950-1975 (Container 4, Files 97, 100). Also included is information on the launch of his private practice in Vancouver, 1949 (Container 4, File 95), as well as articles and gifts commemorating his time at Vancouver General Hospital, 1959-1990 (Container 4, File 96). Robertson's rejection, in 1947, of McGill's initial offer of the position of Professor of Surgery and Chairman of the Department of Surgery can be found in Container 1, File 3.

Robertson's work at the Montreal General Hospital, particularly his time as Surgeon in Chief, is documented through numerous records and correspondence files, 1937-1997 (Container 4, Files 112-118, 1/119-2/119). His membership in different professional organizations, such as the Canadian Association of General Surgeons, 1985-1988 (Container 2, File 31) and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, 1960-1980, 1985 (Container 5, File 121) among others, are also included, as are meetings and conferences he attended as a member of the American College of Surgeons, 1950-1961 (Container 2, File 29). Of interest are the pamphlets and photos Robertson acquired as a result of his membership as part of the Surgeon's Travel Club, 1961-1989 (Container 4, File 98). Additional correspondence files, memberships, and certificates document further medical related activities, 1958, 1974, 1962 (Container 4, Files 99, 102; Container 2, File 36, 50), including his trip to Harvard University as Visiting Surgeon in Chief Pro Tempore, 1955-1956 (Container 4, File 104). Thank you cards and correspondence with former patients demonstrate Robertson's skills as a physician and surgeon, particularly highlighting his superb bedside manner, 1974-1994 (Container 4, File 103).

Photos, cards, invitations, correspondence files, books, and agendas reflect Robertson's continual involvement in the professional arena after his retirement from McGill, 1985-1986 (Container 6, File 129). His professional influence is reflected in the number of functions he attended, which included conferences, dinners, installation ceremonies, and fundraising activities, 1962-1973, 1971-1983, 1981 (Container 4, Files 109-110; Container 15, File 233; Container 2, File 30). This series also includes his role as the Director of the Bell Telephone Company, 1965-1985, 1992, 1994 (Container 1, File 21) his membership and subsequent role on the Archives and Library Committee of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, 1955-1999 (Container 1, Files 22-23), and special appointments, such as to the Science Council of Canada (1976-1982), 1973-1979 (Container 1, File 13) and his time as the president of the Traffic Injury Research Foundation of Canada (1967-1973), 1971-1973, 1974 (Container 2, File 35; Container 16, File 234), among other boards. Reports, including the "Report to the Hospital for Sick Children" in Toronto, Ontario, 1975 (Container 4, File 108) highlight Robertson's role as a much sought after advisor, 1990-1992 (Container 1, File 10). Robertson also sat on several different scholarship committees, 1967-1989, 1986-1991 (Container 2, File 27; Container 4, 107), and he was responsible for the nomination of Dr. Brenda Milner of the Montreal Neurological Institute and McGill professor for the Order of Canada, 1982-2004 (Container 2, File 42).

7. McGill Principalship/ Administrative Activities. – 1937-1995– .5 m of textual records and other materials.

Note: Includes 24 photos, ephemera, and 1 artifact.

A record of Robertson's activities as principal of McGill from 1962-1970 is found in diverse documents such as pamphlets, tickets, booklets, newspaper and magazine clippings, and photos, 1962, 1970, 1980, 1944-1992 (Container 1, File 4; Container 5, Files 122, 124, 128), as well as in his diaries, 1962-1964; 1964-1969; 1969-1970 (Container 12, Files 201-203; Container 18, Files 247-256; Container 14, Files 214-217). Robertson's appointment to McGill, his installation as principal (Container 1, File 5), his correspondence during his principalship, 1962-1994, 1965 (Container 1, File 9; Container 8, File 175), his resignation and retirement from McGill, and an account of the turbulent times that accompanied his principalship are also contained in this series, 1969-1971 (Container 1, File 8; Container 5, Files 125-127; Container 6, File 130). More specifically, Robertson's meditations on the continuing feasibility of Gerald Bull's HARP project can be found in Container 18, File 252.

Of particular interest is Robertson's correspondence and report for Quebec Premier Robert Bourassa, 1970 (Container 1, File 6) which discusses Robertson's unsuccessful attempts to solicit increased provincial government funding for McGill University, particularly through his analysis of the Quebec government's unfair funding formula. Robertson even contemplated approaching Prime Minister Trudeau with the concept of McGill as a National University in an effort to secure federal funding, 1969 (Container 14, File 214).

Numerous newspaper clippings and case files relate to the Stanley Gray Dismissal Hearings (Container 1, File 7). This information is supplemented by the more personal reflections contained in Robertson's correspondence with his brother, Bruce, a lawyer from British Columbia. Robertson's uncertainty regarding his actions caused him to legally clarify his position with his brother and almost led to his decision to retire in 1967, 1939-1969 (Container 8, File 165). Further indications of the atmosphere at McGill include the "Save the Trees Riot" which took place near the construction site of McGill's Burnside Hall, and the greenhouse bomb incident, both of which are discussed in some detail in Robertson's Diaries, 1969-1979 (Container 14, Files 214-223).

Also included in the series are McGill University Convocation Brochures, 1963-1970 (Container 16, Files 1/241- 3/241) and ephemera related to McGill Programs and Social events, 1956-1988, 1964-1966 (Container 3, Files 1/79-3/79; Container 15, File 230) reflecting the diverse nature of Robertson's duties as a principal, as well as the administrative changes he made to McGill. These changes included increasing the number of vice-principals, students, and staff, as well as Robertson's efforts to give students more of a voice by increasing student representation on both the senate and committees of the senate, 1970 (Container 19, File 264). A construction helmet, often worn by Robertson in photos, signifies the building boom that accompanied Robertson's time as principal of McGill (Container 10, File 191).

8. Degrees, Awards, and Honours. – 1932-2005—.15 m of textual records and other materials.

***Note:* Includes 1 audio cassette, 8 photos, and approximately 20 artifacts.**

This series consists of H. Rocke Robertson's numerous degrees, 1936-1971 (Container 4, File 87), 1932, 1936 (Container 20, Files 269-270) and medical certificates, 1936-1976 (Container 20, Files 272-275, 277-278, 280-283, 287-288), honorary degrees, 1964-1968, 1967-1971 (Container 2, File 33; Container 6, File 131; Container 20, Files 276, 279, 284, 289), awards, including the Montreal General Hospital Award of Merit, 1992-1993 (Container 1, File 1), the Brotherhood of Temple Eman-El Award, which includes an soundtape, 1970 (Container 2, File 28), and the Lister Centenary Prize, Doctor of Laws, the University of Glasgow, 1965 (Container 4, File 105). Robertson also received recognition and awards for his athletic abilities, such as the McGill Sports Certificate, 1936 (Container 20, File 268). Also included in the series are medals, such as the Order of St. John and the Order of Canada, 1969-1985 (Container 1, Files 25-26), military medals, 1939-1945, 1940 (Container 7, Files 139-141, 143; Container 20, File 271), and other honours, 1930-1974, 1962 (Container 7, Files 132-138, 142, 144).

Scholarships and chairs in his name reflect Robertson's contributions to the fields of surgery and medicine, 1962-1996 (Container 1, File 11), such as the H. Rocke Robertson Chair in Surgery at the University of British Columbia, 1987 (Container 1, File 12), the H. Rocke Robertson Award for Clinical Teaching at the University of British Columbia's Faculty of Medicine, 1950-2005 (Container 4, Files 100-101), and the H. Rocke Robertson Chair in Surgery at McGill University, 1987 (Container 1, File 12), which was first awarded to David S. Mulder.

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File Number	File Title	Year From	Year To	Container Number	Box Number	Comments Code
1	Montreal General Hospital - Award of Merit (corresp., medals)	1992	1993	1	10	G
2	Final Years of McGill Medicine (newspaper clippings, menu)	1935	1936	1	10	
3	McGill Assistant Professor of Surgery (correspondence)	1947	1947	1	10	
4	Appointment as McGill Principal & Vice-Chancellor (CV, correspondence, bio notes, newspaper clippings)	1962	1962	1	10	B
5	Installation as McGill Principal (pamphlets, tickets, newspaper clippings, booklet, corres., magazine)	1963	1963	1	10	P(2), B
6	Premier Robert Bourassa - Correspondence (report & charts)	1970	1970	1	10	
7	Stanley Grey Dismissal Hearings (newspaper clippings & case)	1969	1969	1	10	
8	McGill Resignation (corres., Bell's address to staff, newspaper clippings)	1969	1971	1	10	B
9	McGill Principal's correspondence	1962	1994	1	10	P(2)
10	Faculty of Medicine Advisory Board (minutes, building plans, correspondence, newsletter)	1990	1992	1	10	
11	HRR Visiting Professorship on Trauma (newspaper clippings, VHS tape)	1962	1996	1	10	B, VHS tape
12	HRR Chair in Surgery (correspondence, CV)	1987	1987	1	10	
13	Science Council of Canada (Book and Governor General appointment)	1973	1979	1	10	B
14	Memorial Service for H. Rocke Robertson	1998	1998	1	10	

15	Osler Library - W.W. Francis Wing and HRR Rarebook Room (correspondence)	1970	1996	1	10	R (McIntyre Medical Building-History of Medicine Library blue-prints)
16	Osler Library - correspondence	1971	1997	1	10	
17	Osler Days (correspondence, budget & agenda)	1996	1997	1	10	P(11)
18	American Osler Society (brochures, minutes, articles, newsletters, correspondence)	1989	1996	1	10	
19	Shattuck Lecture (Massachusetts, 1965) (article, speech, correspondence)	1965	1965	1	10	P(17)
20	Faith Wallis note on HRR in Osler Library Newsletter	1998	1998	1	10	D
21	Bell Telephone Company - Board of Directors (speech, cards, correspondence, agenda)	1965	1985	1	10	
22	Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons (newspaper clippings, correspondence, pamphlets)	1955	1999	1	10	P(1)
23	Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons (Archives and Library Committee) (minutes, correspondence, catalogue)	1993	1995	1	10	
24	Trans Canada Airlines (correspondence)	1963	1963	1	10	
25	Order of St. John (booklet, correspondence, medal)	1983	1983	1	10	G
26	Order of Canada (pamphlets, brochures, corres., medals)	1969	1985	1	10	G
27	Royal Bank of Canada Awards	1967	1989	2	11	
28	Brotherhood of Temple Emanu-El Award (programmes, bulletin, medal, sound tape)	1970	1970	2	11	A (1 sound tape), G, D,
29	American College of Surgeons (meeting, certificate, photos (Mexico), correspondence)	1950	1961	2	11	P(10)
30	Montreal Neurological Institute - Fundraising (pamphlet, correspondence, pledges)	1981	1981	2	11	

31	Canadian Association of General Surgeons (membership cards)	1985	1988	2	11	
32	Association of University & Colleges of Canada (corres.)	1972	1973	2	11	
33	Honorary Degrees & Honours (programmes & corres.)	1964	1968	2	11	
34	Dundas County Hospice (plaque, correspondence, cards)	1994	1995	2	11	G
35	Traffic Injury Research Foundation (Annual Report, correspondence, programmes)	1971	1973	2	11	
36	Sherbrooke Hospital (correspondence)	1974	1974	2	11	
37	Royal Society of Canada (rosette, correspondence)	1982	1982	2	11	G
38	Gift of Dictionaries to UBC (corres., pamphlets, receipts)	1986	1993	2	11	
39	Correspondence with Anne Yandle (UBC)	1987	1994	2	11	
40	Reception of Dictionary Collection - UBC (fax, photos, correspondence, speech notes)	1985	1994	2	11	P(23)
41	Dictionary Society of North America (correspondence, speech notes)	1976	1989	2	11	
42	Nomination of Brenda Milner for Order of Canada (correspondence, CV, nomination form)	1982	2004	2	11	
43	Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary (15 cards, speech, photos, Governor General & Prime Minister certificates)	1987	1987	2	11	P(18)
44	Health (notebooks, charts)	1997	1998?	2	11	
45	Condolences on death of HRR (to Stuart Robertson) (correspondence, cards)	1998	1998	2	11	
46	"The Reaction of the Wall of a Vein to Intraluminal Blood Clot" (publication)	1954	1954	2	11	B
47	"Wounds & Infection" (Chapter from W.R. Feasby's The Canadian Medical Services	1953	1953	2	11	

	1939 - 1945, Vol. 2)						
48	"The Reaction of Ligated Peripheral Veins to the Presence of Autogenous Clots & Thrombi" (article)	1957	1957	2	11	B	
49	"Wound Infection"	1958	1958	2	11	D, B	
50	Cine Clinic Film Programme (newspaper, re: films)	1962	1962	2	11	B	
51	The Wound & Its Care (correspondence, draft article)	1963	1964	2	11		
52	Health Manpower Output of Canadian Educational Institutions (report)	1973	1973	2	11	B	
53	Health Care in Canada - corres. & publicity (corres., newspaper clippings, journal, report)	1972	1973	2	11	B	
54	"The Effect on Human Health of Lead from the Environment" (correspondence, report)	1974	1974	2	11	B	
55	"Causes, Sites, Management and Outcome of Injuries in the Ottawa Region" (newspaper clippings, report)	1977	1977	2	11	B	
56	"Wound" - Encyclopedia Britannica 1974	1974	1974	2	11	B, D	
57	"Ten Years After" (journal, corres., newspaper clipping)	1978	1980	2	11	B	
58	John Baret's "Diligent Bees" (re: dictionaries)	1981	1981	2	11	B	
59	"Progress at the Cutting Edge" (book review)	1981	1981	2	11	D	
60	Alan Robertson & family correspondence	1962	1966	3	13		
61	Herbert Geddes correspondence	1955	1958	3	13		
62	Sir James Learmonth correspondence	1965	1986	3	13		
63	Marian Robertson Fordyce & family correspondence	1969	1979	3	13		
64	Patterson - Ross correspondence	1962	1970	3	13		
65	Wallace & Ethel Wilson correspondence	1961	1969	3	13	P(2)	
66	Jasper Cross correspondence	-	-	3	13		
67	Graduation Addresses (Brentwood College); speeches, personal & professional	1962	1992	3	13	P(6)	

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68	Dr. Robert B. Kerr correspondence	1967	1969	3	13	
69	Mrs. Georgina Russell (condolence on death of HMRR- Robertson's mother)	-	-	3	13	
70	Margareta correspondence	1970	1971	3	13	
71	Purchase of property, Haney, B.C. (corres., receipts, deeds)	1948	1956	3	13	
72	Appraisal & sale of possessions, Chattels from Struan (art and farm equipment)	1994	1996	3	13	
73	Sale of Struan	1983	1994	3	13	
74	Distribution of possessions amongst children (correspondence, children's books, UBC)	1995	1995	3	13	
75	Gifts to libraries (correspondence)	1994	1995	3	13	
76	Mortgage documentation	1959	1963	3	13	
77	Arrangements for handling estate, chattels and investments	1998	1998	3	13	
78	Newspaper clippings - McGill Principalship to Obituary	1962	1998	3	13	B, D
1-79	McGill Programs and Social Events (Ephemera)	1965	1988	3	13	B, P(3)
2-79	McGill Programs and Social Events (Ephemera)	1963	1969	3	13	B
3-79	McGill Programs and Social Events (Ephemera)	1956	1971	3	13	B, P(5)
1-80	Osler Library - Newsletter	1970	2005	3	13	
2-80	Osler - History (journals & articles)	1927	1996	3	13	B
3-80	Osler Library - History (articles, newspaper clippings, pamphlets)	1956	1997	3	13	B
81	Trip to UK/Europe - May/June 1958 (correspondence)	1958	1958	4	9	
82	Notes for an Autobiography (also family tree/genealogy)	1989	1994	4	9	D

83	Personal documents (passports, birth certificate)	1912	1978	4	9	
84	Curriculum Vitae (1st proof of Robertson's Canadian Who's Who entry)	-	1997	4	9	
85	Early correspondence	1915	1921	4	9	D
86	Family tree/predecessors	1984	1984	4	9	D
87	Medical Certificates	1936	1971	4	9	
88	Canadian Army - War Diary or Intelligence Summary (Italy)	1940	1943	4	9	D
89	Trip to Europe 1925-1926 (photos & correspondence & coin)	1925	1926	4	9	P(14), G
90	Brentwood College (photos, 1 medal, 2 crests, correspondence)	1929	1931	4	9	P(2),G
91	Marriage to Beatrice Roslyn (scrapbook-corres., photos, newsclipping)	1935	1936	4	9	P(4)
92	Orthopedic notes - Edinburgh John Bruce lectures (notebook)	1938	1939	4	9	
93	550 St. Charles House (correspondence, map, photos) Sydney's House	-	2001	4	9	P(6)
94	Godfather of Ross Alexander Hanbury	1953	1953	4	9	
95	Private practice launch	1949	1949	4	9	
96	Vancouver General Hospital (article, gift/book)	1959	1990	4	9	
97	A.D. Mackenzie corres., (photos, Pathology Report)	1952	1971	4	9	P(2)
98	Surgeons Travel Club (pamphlets, photos, Certificate of Appreciation)	1961	1989	4	9	P(9)
99	James IV Surgical Association Certificate	1958	1958	4	9	
100	UBC Faculty of Medicine: HRR Prize in Surgery (corres., pamphlets, photos, ephemera)	1950	1975	4	9	P(6)
101	UBC Faculty of Medicine: HRR Award for Clinical Teaching	2005	2005	4	9	P(2)
102	The Westbrook Society (pin and membership	-	-	4	9	G

	card)					
103	Shaughnessy Hospital (patient thank-you cards & set up of archives)	1974	1994	4	9	
104	Trip to Harvard University - 1956 (correspondence, photos, documents)	1955	1956	4	9	P(2)
105	Lister Centenary - University of Glasgow 1965 (documents, menus, maps)	1965	1965	4	9	D
106	The Journal of Surgical Research (corres., article)	1960	1962	4	9	
107	Mackenzie King Scholarships (correspondence)	1986	1991	4	9	
108	The Hospital for Sick Children (Toronto) (correspondence, report, memorandum)	1972	1975	4	9	
109	Royal Victoria Hospital (Montreal) (correspondence)	1962	1973	4	9	
110	Royal Victoria Hospital - Charity Ball (newspaper clippings)	1961	1961	4	9	
111	Photos of private residences	1956	1971	4	9	P(11)
112	Montreal General Hospital - Pathology Department (photos)	1937	1938	4	9	P(6)
113	Montreal General Hospital - speeches (& Annual Report)	1971	1989	4	9	
114	Montreal General Hospital - correspondence	1958	1959	4	9	
115	Montreal General Hospital - letters of congratulations	1958	1959	4	9	
116	Montreal General Hospital (correspondence, photos, telegram, newspaper clippings, re: salary)	1959	1997	4	9	P(4)
117	Disciplinary hearing against Dr. Hori (1961-1962)	1961	1962	4	9	
118	Montreal General Hospital - 150th Anniversary Reunion (pamphlet, speech notes, receipts, correspondence)	1962	1971	4	9	D

1-119	Montreal General Hospital - History (photos, ephemera, publications, Annual Report)	1961	1984	4	9	P(3), D
2-119	Montreal General Hospital - History (publications: Annual Report, MGH News)	1965	1971	4	9	
120	Health Care in Canada : A Commentary (publication)	1973	1973	5	5	B
121	Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons of Canada: The Pursuit of Unity, 1960-1980, David A. E. Shepherd	1985	1985	5	5	
122	"Ten Years After" McGill Journal of Education	1980	1980	5	5	D
123	Effect on Human Health of Lead from the Environment	1974	1974	5	5	D
124	Old McGill '70 Annual (& correspondence)	1970	1970	5	5	
125	Montreal Star "The Week in Review" (newspaper clippings)	1963	1965	5	5	
126	Montreal Star "The Week in Review" (newspaper clippings)	1966	1968	5	5	
127	Montreal Star "The Week in Review" (newspaper clippings)	1969	1970	5	5	
128	HRR photos	1944	1992	6	18	P(12)
129	Photo Albums (Friends of McGill University, 40th Anniversary Dinner, Roslyn Robertson Herb Scent Garden, McGill 1986)	1985	1986	6	18	P(49)
130	Magazines and clippings re: retirement from McGill	1969	2001	6	18	
131	Honorary Degrees - 1967, 1969, 1971	1967	1971	6	18	
176	Research notes - Dictionaries 1971-1992	1971	1992	6	14	
177	Research notes - Dictionaries 1981-1984	1981	1984	6	14	
178	Checklists of Dictionaries - Spain, Portugal/Ireland, England, Italy	1983	1985	6	14	
179	Research correspondence - Dictionaries	1972	1985	6	14	
180	Newspaper clippings - Dictionaries	1980	1982	6	14	

181	Library visits - documentation	-	-	6	14	
182	Library visits 1963-1983	1963	1983	6	14	
183	Library visits 1971-1980 (library cards)	1971	1980	6	14	
184	Library visits 1981-1984 (library cards, clippings)	1981	1984	6	14	
185	Library visits 1984-1986	1984	1986	6	14	D
186	Research related publications - Great Books in Great Editions, Huntington Library 1954	1954	1954	6	14	
187	Research related publications - Short-title Catalogue of the Warren N. & Suzanne B. Cordell Collection of Dictionaries 1975-1990	1975	1975	6	14	
188	Research related publications - Communis & Universalis: The Catholicon of Giovanni Baebi of Genoa, o.p., by Faith E. Wallis	1981	1981	6	14	
145	"Lead in the Canadian Environment: Science & Regulation"	1986	1986	8	12	
146	"Without Benefit of Anaesthesia" (articles, correspondence, manuscript)	1985	1989	8	12	D
147	"A Collection of Dictionaries & Related Works" (correspondence, UBC publication)	1986	1991	8	12	
148	Reviews: "A Collection of Dictionaries & Related Works" (correspondence, articles)	1987	1993	8	12	
149	Dictionaries and computing - notes (newspaper clippings, notes)	1966	1984	8	12	
150	Forward in Biography of Dr. Archibald's	1992	1993	8	12	
151	"Lives of Four 20th Century Surgeons" (review essay & correspondence)	1993	1993	8	12	
152	Assorted unpublished articles	1946	1963	8	12	
153	Sir Arthur's (Currie) Memory	1972	1972	8	12	
154	Archibald & Archibald McCrae correspondence (bound publication)	1976	1976	8	12	

155	Venous Thrombosis (speeches, correspondence)	1953	1962	8	12	
156	Osler Society (3 speeches)	1947	1958	8	12	
157	Medical related speeches	1945	1971	8	12	
158	Activities of field surgical unit (speech to Vancouver Medical Association)	1945	1945	8	12	D
159	Dr. Edward Archibald & the new medical science/Bethune: His Times and His Legacy, conference, McGill University, 1979 (correspondence, budget, proposal)	1979	1979	8	12	
160	William Osler & The Oxford English Dictionary (American Osler Society, speech, correspondence, 1991, booklets)	1991	1991	8	12	D, 7 slides
161	Harold Rocke Robertson - Installation address	1963	1963	8	12	D
162	Notes for a speech at dinner in honour of Dr. Malcolm Brown	1977	1977	8	12	P(2), D
163	Assorted speeches (including a collection of dictionaries, correspondence, & presentation notes)	1960	1991	8	12	
164	Address to Special Convocation at McGill University 1970	1970	1970	8	12	
165	Correspondence - A. Bruce Robertson	1939	1969	8	12	
166	Francis Moore, M.D. - correspondence	1963	1992	8	12	
167	Fraser Gurd, M.D. - correspondence & clippings	1962	1997	8	12	
168	Richard Pennington corres. (2 postcards & articles)	1969	1991	8	12	
169	Joyce Hemslow (Fanny Burney papers, clippings, articles and correspondence)	1963	1976	8	12	P(4)
170	Tony Dobell MD (surgical heritage articles & correspondence)	1993	1997	8	12	
171	Wilfred Penfield M.D. articles	1976	1984	8	12	

172	Robin Alston (correspondence re: A Bibliography of the English Language), clippings	1966	1986	8	12	
173	Personal correspondence (postcards, cards) 1994-1997	1994	1997	8	12	P(1)
174	Robert Shaw correspondence	1998	1998	8	12	
175	Lester & Marion Pearson correspondence	1965	1965	8	12	
191	Rocke's McGill construction helmet	-	-	10	15	G
192	War diaries of H. Rocke Robertson, MD, CC, 1940-1943 (transcribed)	1940	1943	11	17	
193	HRR War Diaries, 1940-1943, original manuscript	1940	1943	11	17	
194	HRR War Papers (scrapbook-newspaper clippings, notes)	1940	1943	11	17	P(60)
194-1	HRR and A. Bruce Robertson Correspondence (binder)	1939	1989	11	17	
195	H. Rocke Robertson Diary Sept. 14/34-Dec. 31/38	1934	1938	12	1	
196	H. Rocke Robertson Diary Dec. 4/38-	1938	1949	12	1	
197	Notes for autobiography (1934-1939)	-	-	12	1	
198	Diary July 1940 - April 1941	1940	1941	12	1	
199	Diary 1956-1958	1956	1958	12	1	
200	Diary 1961	1961	1961	12	1	
201	Diary 1962	1962	1962	12	1	
202a	Diary 1963-1	1963	1963	12	1	
202b	Diary 1963-2	1963	1963	12	1	
203	Diary 1963-1964	1963	1969	12	1	
204	Edinburgh (diary & correspondence)	1938	1939	12	1	P(8)
205	HRR Diary 1980	1980	1980	13	4	
206	HRR Diary 1981-1982	1981	1982	13	4	
207	HRR Diary 1983-1984	1983	1984	13	4	
208	HRR diary 1985	1985	1985	13	4	
209	HRR diary 1986-1987	1986	1987	13	4	

210	HRR diary 1988-1990	1988	1990	13	4	
211	HRR diary 1991-1995	1991	1995	13	4	
212	HRR diary index Jan. 1961-Feb. 1971 (1988)	1988	1988	13	4	
213	HRR correspondence (Spring Convocation 1990 speech)	1948	1990	13	4	
214	HRR diary 1969 (2)	1969	1969	14	3	
215	HRR diary 1970 (1)	1970	1970	14	3	
216	HRR diary 1970 (2)	1970	1970	14	3	
217	HRR diary 1970-1971	1970	1971	14	3	
218	HRR diary Feb. 23, 1971 - Jan. 8, 1972	1971	1972	14	3	
219	HRR diary 1972	1972	1972	14	3	
220	HRR diary 1973-74	1973	1974	14	3	
221	HRR diary 1974-75	1974	1975	14	3	
222	HRR diary 1975, 1976, 1977	1975	1977	14	3	
223	HRR diary 1978-79	1978	1979	14	3	
224	H. Rocke Robertson - misc. clippings & documents attached to entries in his diary	1922	1981	15	7	P(17)
1-225	The Canadian Datebook (Literary Quotes)	1967	1991	15	7	
2-225	Literary News Clippings (correspondence, clippings, quotes)	1960	1991	15	7	
226	Postcards of Prague, High Tetra, Belgrade, Dubrovnik	-	-	15	7	
227	Travel brochures, guides and information	-	-	15	7	
228	Travel brochures, guides and information (cont'd) (postcards)	1978	1989	15	7	
229	War Measures Act/Hastings and Prince Edward Regiment	1966	1970	15	7	
230	Re: Montreal Metro/St. Matthias' Church (historical St. Andrews map)	1964	1966	15	7	
231	Theatre and opera brochures and pamphlets	1965	1983	15	7	
232	Travel brochures, maps, news clippings (some book related)	1961	1984	15	7	
233	Professional activities (conferences, dinners,	1971	1983	15	7	

	installations)						
234	Proceedings of the Scientific Conference on Traffic Safety	1974	1974	16	8		
1-235	A Collection of Dictionaries & Related Works, Volume I	1987	1987	16	8		
2-235	A Collection of Dictionaries & Related Works, Volume II	1987	1987	16	8		
236	Emergency Care Project (July 1973-July 1975) Dr. H. Roche Robertson, Book I	1973	1975	16	8		
237	Emergency Care Project (July 1973-July 1975) Dr. H. Roche Robertson, Book 2	1973	1975	16	8		
238	Two Photos - McGill campus 1940 (CAMC)	1940	1940	16	8		P(2), D
239	Health Care in Canada: A Commentary	1973	1973	16	8		
240	Health Care in Canada: Supplementary Papers	1973	1973	16	8		
1-241	McGill University Convocations (Booklet) 1963-1965	1962	1965	16	8		
2-241	McGill University Convocations (Booklet) 1966 - 1968	1966	1968	16	8		
3-241	McGill University Convocations (Booklet) 1970 & 1990	1970	1990	16	8		
247	HRR Diary 1964	1964	1964	18	2		
248	HRR Diary 1965-1	1965	1965	18	2		
249	HRR Diary 1965-2	1965	1965	18	2		
250	HRR Diary 1966-1	1966	1966	18	2		
251	HRR Diary 1966-2	1966	1966	18	2		
252	HRR Diary 1967-1	1967	1967	18	2		
253	HRR Diary 1967-2	1968	1968	18	2		
254	HRR Diary 1968-1	1968	1968	18	2		
255	HRR Diary 1968-2	1968	1968	18	2		
256	HRR Diary 1969 (1)	1969	1969	18	2		
257	Addresses & other papers - HRR - 1963	1963	1963	19	6		B
258	Addresses & other papers - HRR - 1964	1964	1964	19	6		B

259	Addresses & other papers - HRR - 1965	1965	1965	19	6	B
260	Addresses & other papers - HRR - 1966	1966	1966	19	6	B
261	Addresses & other papers - HRR - 1967	1967	1967	19	6	B
262	Addresses & other papers - HRR - 1968	1968	1968	19	6	B
263	Addresses & other papers - HRR - 1969	1969	1969	19	6	B
264	Addresses & other papers - HRR - 1970	1970	1970	19	6	B
265	The Canadian Medical Services 1939 - 1945, Vol. 1 – W.R. Feasby	1956	1956	19	6	B
266	The Canadian Medical Services 1939 - 1945, Vol. 2 – W. R. Feasby	1953	1953	19	6	B
267	James IV Association of Surgeons Incorporated	1996	1996	19	6	B
268	McGill Sports Certificate - HRR	1936	1936	20	16	
269	McGill Bachelor of Science Degree - HRR	1932	1932	20	16	
270	McGill Doctor of Medicine & Surgery Degree (photocopy) HRR	1936	1936	20	16	D
271	Active Militia Certificate/ Military Discharge - HRR	1940	1940	20	16	
272	General Surgery Certificate - HRR	1940	1940	20	16	
273	Canadian Medical Council of Canada Certificate - HRR	1936	1936	20	16	
274	Royal Canadian Society Certificate- HRR	1968	1968	20	16	
275	Glasgow (Glasgvensis) Certificate - HRR	1965	1965	20	16	
276	Honourary Doctorate Degree (Universitas Montis Regi- University of Montreal) - HRR	1965	1965	20	16	
277	College of Physicians & Surgeons of Ontario Certificate - HRR	1971	1971	20	16	
278	College of Physicians & Surgeons of British Columbia Certificate - HRR	1945	1945	20	16	
279	Memorial University - Newfoundland - Honorary Degree - HRR	1968	1968	20	16	
280	College of Physicians & Surgeons of Quebec Certificate - HRR (November 18, 1959)	1959	1959	20	16	

281	College of Physicians & Surgeons of Quebec Certificate - HRR (July 2, 1959)	1959	1959	20	16
282	Montreal General Hospital Resident Staff Certificate - HRR (1936 - 1938)	1938	1938	20	16
283	College (Dartmuthensis) Dartmouth Certificate - HRR	1967	1967	20	16
284	Jefferson Medical College Philadelphia - Honorary Degree - HRR	1969	1969	20	16
285	Harold Bruce Robertson - Justice of Appeal of the Court of Appeal for British Columbia Certificate	1943	1943	20	16
286	Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons of Canada Certificate	1946	1946	20	16
287	Member of the Medical Council of Canada Certificate	1976	1976	20	16
288	McGill Students' Society Recognition of Principal - HRR	1962	-	20	16
289	McGill University Honorary Doctor of Law Degree	-	-	20	16
189	Wire Wars – Lawrence Surtees (Book)	1994	1994	10	15
190	Pa Bell - Lawrence Surtees (Book) inscription with thanks for H. Rocke Robertson	1992	1992	10	15

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