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Creator: Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire Col. Kerby Chapter

Extent: 28 1/2 cm (3/4 box) of textual material

Abstract: This archive is comprised of minute books relating to activities of the Col. Kerby Chapter of the I.O.D.E.

Materials: Minute books and some loose pages including clippings

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History: The Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire was founded by Margaret Polson Murray in 1900 following the outbreak of the second Boer War. The organization gave charitable aid to soldiers and it assisted the dependents of deceased soldiers. The federation of women was formed to promote patriotism, loyalty and service to others. The mayors of Canada’s major cities were urged to call together the prominent women of their communities to join in this endeavor.

In 1979, the name I.O.D.E was officially adopted. The organization is federally chartered not-for-profit. The focus is on improving the quality of life for children, youth and the underprivileged through educational, social service and citizenship programs.
The Colonel Kerby Chapter of Fort Erie, Ontario began on August 19, 1914 under the direction of Captain the Reverend A.C. Mackintosh. The chapter was named after Colonel James Kerby who was a legislator and a soldier. This chapter worked during two world wars raising large sums of money for war work, the community, health and education. In 1931, this chapter created the Douglas Memorial I.O.D.E. Hospital Fund to assist needy veterans. Other fundraisers included: their Salvage Shop, card parties and the Margaret Graham Memorial which raised funds for the Canadian Institute for the Blind. In June of 1989 the last meeting of the chapter took place.

Sources: http://www.iode.ca/our history.html

Scope and Content:

The fonds contains minute books from the Col. Kerby Chapter of the I.O.D.E. Also included are some loose pages including clippings. Original order was maintained where possible and where no order existed, like records were brought together.

Organization: Loose papers have been placed in a folder.


1.2 Minute book (soft cover). The binding is coming apart, Feb. 4, 1920 – Feb. 1924

1.3 Minute book (hardcover notebook), March 5, 1924 – May 4, 1927

1.4 Minute book (soft cover). The cover is coming off, June 1, 1927 – Jan 7, 1931

1.5 Minute book (soft cover), February 1931 – March 1934

1.6 Minute book (hardcover), April 1934 – November 15, 1939

1.7 Minute book (hardcover), December 1939 – January 1944

1.8 Minute book (hardcover), February 1944 – March 1947

1.9 Minute book (hardcover), April 2, 1947 – May 3, 1950

1.10 Minute book (hardcover), June 1, 1950 – October 1952

1.11 Minute book (hardcover). Some of the pages are loose, November 1952 – February 1955
1.12 Minute book (hardcover), March 1955 – December 1958
1.13 Minute book (hardcover), January 1959 – March 1962
1.14 Minute book (hardcover), April 1962 – November 1966
1.15 Minute book (hardcover), December 7, 1966 – June 2, 1971
1.16 Minute book (hardcover), October 6, 1971 – January 7, 1976
1.18 Minute book (hardcover), December 2, 1981 – June 7, 1989

Related Material:

McComb, Isabel. Isabel McComb Brighty Fonds. 17 RG. 1876-1941.
Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire. Who Called? 1949. Special Collections FC 3164.2 N85 1949
Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire. Who Called? 1946. Special Collections FC 3164.2 N85 1946