

Ontario Federation of Agriculture records

1974-1984

Ontario Editorial Bureau fonds

RG 75-41

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- Creator:** Ontario Editorial Bureau
- Extent:** 0.65 m of textual records (3 boxes)
16 photographs
2 audiocassette tapes
- Abstract:** This archive is part of the larger Ontario Editorial Bureau Fonds (OEB) housed at Brock University. The records contain information about the activities of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture. The bulk of the material is correspondence, media releases, reports, promotional material and photographs.
- Materials:** Correspondence, media releases, reports, brochures, booklets, news clippings and photographs.
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Administrative History:

The Ontario Federation of Agriculture was established in 1936 and is the largest voluntary farm organization in Canada, representing 37,000 farm families. The Federation came about in response to the creation of the Canadian Chamber of Agriculture (later renamed the Canadian Federation of Agriculture) in 1935. The establishment of an Ontario branch was needed to provide a forum through which similar organizations from other provinces could communicate about farm issues that were of interprovincial, national, or international importance.

The organization is led by farmers and is based in Guleph, Ontario. Their mission is to enable prosperous and sustainable farms. They accomplish this through lobbying, government and media relations, and community representation.

Source: Ontario Federation of Agriculture website
<http://www.ofa.on.ca/about/default.aspx>
Retrieved 2015/03/24

Scope and content:

The records contain material about the activities of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture. The bulk of the material is correspondence, media releases, reports and promotional material. Some invoices and photographs are also included. Duplicates were removed and discarded. Within folders, material is arranged chronologically.

Organization:

The records were arranged into three series:

Series I: Administrative 1974-1984

Sub-series A: Correspondence, 1974-1984

Sub-series B: Invoices, 1974-1977

Sub-series C: Reports, 1975-1978

Series II: Media releases, 1974-1984

Series III: Resources, 1974-1984

Inventory:

Series I: Administrative, 1974-1984

Sub-series A: Correspondence, 1974-1984

1.1-1.12 Correspondence, 1974-1978.

1.13-1.15 Mailing lists, 1978.

1.16-2.5 Correspondence, 1979-1984.

Sub-series B: Invoices, 1974-1977

2.6-2.9 Invoices, 1974-1977. Contains financial statements detailing the cost of services rendered and disbursements.

Sub-series C: Reports, 1975-1978

2.10-2.13 Reports, 1975-1978. Contains public relations reports and proposals prepared

by the Ontario Editorial Bureau for the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

Series II: Media releases, 1974-1984

2.14-2.27 Media releases, 1974-1984. Some of the media releases include photographs.

Series III: Resources, 1974-1984

2.28 Resources, 1974. Includes newsletters of the Niagara South and North Niagara Federation of Agriculture; a newsletter by the Niagara Seed Growers' Association; a brochure for a certificate program in Agriculture for the novice farmer at the University of Guelph; an annual report by the Federations of Agriculture of Niagara North and Niagara South; financial statements for the North Niagara Federation of Agriculture; a report by the Ontario Federation of Labour entitled *Harvest of Concern: conditions in farming and problems of farm labour in Ontario*.

2.29 Resources, 1975. Includes a booklet on the Department of Agriculture; a brochure on agricultural highlights of the Niagara region; a communications report prepared by Ontario Editorial Bureau for the Niagara South and North Niagara Federation of Agriculture; a financial statement for the Niagara South Federation of Agriculture; an annual report of the Niagara North and Niagara South Federations of Agriculture; and a Review of the Agricultural Industry in the Regional Municipality of Niagara prepared by the Niagara North and Niagara South Federations of Agriculture.

2.30-3.1 Resources, 1976. Includes selected clippings compiled by Ontario Editorial Bureau for the Ontario Federation of Agriculture; annual reports by the Niagara North and Niagara South Federations of Agriculture; a statement to William Newman, Minister of Agriculture and Food, re: farm income protection; a brief of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture to the Prime Minister and Cabinet of Ontario; a news bulletin of the Niagara South and Niagara North Federation of Agriculture; minutes of the Niagara Peninsula Fruit & Vegetable Growers' Association annual meeting; a newsletter of the Niagara South Rural Youth; and statistics on fruit and vegetable production in Ontario.

3.2-3.5 Resources, 1977. Includes a brief to the Prime Minister and Cabinet of

Ontario from the Ontario Federation of Agriculture; financial statements for the North Niagara Federation of Agriculture; a report entitled *Maintaining Niagara's Agricultural Economy*; an annual report of the Niagara North and Niagara South Federations of Agriculture; a review of the agricultural industry in the Regional Municipality of Niagara; a newsletter of the Niagara South Rural Youth; statistics on food production; news clippings; a paper prepared by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food entitled *Planning for Agriculture: foodland guidelines*; reports of the Planning and Development Department of the regional municipality of Niagara; and some photographs of farmers.

- 3.6-3.7 Resources, 1978. Includes an audiocassette of a presentation titled *Agriculture in Niagara* by the Ontario Federation of Agriculture; an annual report of the Niagara North and Niagara South Federations of Agriculture; soil maps of the Niagara region; a newsletter of the Federations of Agriculture of North and South Niagara; a brochure highlighting Niagara's agriculture; notes for an address to the Grey County Federation of Agriculture by Eugene Whelan, Minister of Agriculture; a brief of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture to the Prime Minister and Cabinet of Ontario; a regional Niagara policy plan and an issue of *Canadian Farm Economics*.
- 3.8-3.9 Resources, 1979. Includes a submission of the Federations of Agriculture of Niagara North and Niagara South to the Ontario Municipal Board; federal farm credit statistics for 1978 by the Farm Credit Corporation; news clippings; photographs of farmers and their products; brochures promoting the Niagara Federation of Agriculture; a white paper on the Planning Act by the Government of Ontario; and an issue of *Canadian Farm Economics*.
- 3.10 Resources, 1980. Includes a submission to the Niagara Region from the Niagara North and South Federations of Agriculture; agricultural statistics for Ontario; issues of *Canadian Farm Economics*; news clippings; and financial statements for the Niagara North and South Federations of Agriculture.
- 3.11-3.12 Resources, 1981. Includes a submission to the Emergency Task Force of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture by the Niagara North and Niagara South Federations of Agriculture; a newsletter of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture; new clippings; a farm survey coordinated by Farm Credit Corporation Canada; a report of the Ontario Energy and Agriculture Policy Committee; issues of *Canadian Farm Economics*; a submission to the

Niagara Region by the Niagara North and South Federations of Agriculture; and census data on agriculture in the Niagara region.

- 3.13-3.16 Resources, 1982. Includes a report of the Ontario Pork Producers' Marketing Board and Ontario Hog Producers' Association; several speeches by Eugene Whelan, Minister of Agriculture; a report to the Niagara Region by the Niagara North and Niagara South Federations of Agriculture; brochures by the Canadian Farmers Survival Association and the Niagara Federations of Agriculture; a seasonal fruit and vegetable report; federal farm credit statistics; a food market commentary by Agriculture Canada; and an issue of *Canadian Farm Economics*.
- 3.17-3.18 Resources, 1983. Includes a statement to the Legislature by Dennis Timbrell, Minister of Agriculture and Food; a report to the Niagara Region by the Niagara North and Niagara South Federations of Agriculture; a food market commentary by Agriculture Canada; a summary of studies on the red meat sector by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food; an audiocassette labelled "Harry Pelissero"; and House of Commons minutes of proceedings and evidence of the Standing Committee on Agriculture.
- 3.19 Resources, 1984. Includes a report to the Niagara Region from the Niagara North and South Federations of Agriculture; a "1983 in Review" brochure by the Niagara North and South Federations of Agriculture; and an address by Peter Buis, President of the Niagara North Federation of Agriculture.