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**Winterbottom Family fonds**

**2017.029, 1999.015, 2019.054**

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**Title:** Winterbottom Family fonds

**Dates of Creation:** 1884-1940

**Physical Description:** ca. 60 b&w photographs and 5 cm of textual records

### Biographical Sketch:

**Arthur Winterbottom** was born on May 13, 1863 in the area of London, UK. He lived in the Calgary area, prior to moving his family to Kamloops in 1896. The family (including his wife Jenny Louise nee Banister, son Sydney, and daughter Helen) settled at Noble Ranch before moving into Kamloops. Arthur ran the Noble Ranch for many years as well as the West End Dairy, and was active in sports (the Calgary football team and Kamloops polo team) and the community. Arthur and Jenny Louise had five children: Sydney Amyas (1895), Helen Lily (1897), Edwin Keith (1900), Joan Aileen Rose (1903), and John (1908). Arthur Winterbottom died on June 12, 1943 in Kamloops, B.C. at age 80.

**Jenny Louise Winterbottom (nee Banister)** was born in Sussex, England on April 18, 1874. She married Arthur Winterbottom of Calgary, and had five children: Sydney Amyas (1895), Helen Lily (1897), Edwin Keith (1900), Joan Aileen Rose (1903), and John (1908). Jenny Louise Winterbottom died on April 1, 1953 in Kamloops, B.C. at age 78.

**Sydney Amyas Winterbottom** was born November 22, 1895 in Calgary, Alberta, the son of Arthur Winterbottom and Jenny Louise Banister. The family moved to Kamloops, BC, in 1896. Prior to the outbreak of World War I in 1914 Sydney helped his father run their ranch, and was active in boxing competitions. Sydney joined the 11<sup>th</sup> Canadian Mounted Rifles in Vernon in 1915 and was sent overseas with his regiment in 1916. Sydney wrote many letters home during his time at the Front, and his platoon participated in the Battles of Vimy Ridge and Passchendaele. He died in action, at Passchendaele, on November 6, 1917, at age 20.

**Helen Lily Coles (nee Winterbottom)**, was born on May 8, 1897 in Kamloops, B.C., the second child of Arthur Winterbottom and Jenny Louise Banister. She graduated high school in 1911 from the Zetland House School, before continuing her education to become a teacher at the Victoria Normal School. She gained her teaching certificate in 1916, and began teaching at the Kamloops

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Public School in 1917 before moving classrooms to the newly opened Stuart Wood School in 1919. She later married G.V. Coles. Helen Lily Coles died in 1991.

**Edwin Keith Winterbottom** was born on February 5, 1900 in Kamloops, B.C., the third child of Arthur Winterbottom and Jenny Louise Banister. Following his elder brother Sydney's example, Keith enlisted with the C.E.F. in "A" Squadron 5<sup>th</sup> British Columbia Light Horse in May 1921. He was a member of the Canadian Legion from 1928 and later worked as a deliveryman for Curry's Bakery in Kamloops. Edwin Keith Winterbottom died in 1985.

**Joan Aileen Rose Kellman (nee Winterbottom)** was born in August 1903 in Kamloops, B.C., the fourth child of Arthur Winterbottom and Jenny Louise Banister. She married E.D. Kellman of Vancouver.

**John Winterbottom**, Arthur Winterbottom and Jenny Louise Banister's fifth child, was born in November 1908 in Kamloops, B.C.

### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of the family photos of the Winterbottom family, Helen Lily's schooling certificates and inspections, military papers from Keith Winterbottom, a land deposition, and various family ephemera.

### Custodial History:

Fonds was donated to the Kamloops Museum and Archives by Barbara Coles in three donations: accession 2017.029 on September 19, 2007 and October 28, 2011 and accession 1999.015 on April 20, 1999. Materials from accession 1999.015 were originally placed in the Vertical Files collection, and were brought together with previously processed materials from the Winterbottom Family during reprocessing in 2018-2019. Additional materials (accession 2019.054) were donated on November 28, 2019 by Adam Sanders after being found in the walls of 136 Columbia Street, the Winterbottom family home.

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### Notes:

**Source of supplied title:** Title based on contents of fonds.

**Arrangement:** Fonds arrived at KMA in two donations (2007, 2011), which were accessioned together in 2017 (accession 2017.029). Two sets of photographs from this accession were grouped together. Order that fonds arrived in was maintained by the archivist. Additional material accrued to this fonds after initial processing (accessions 1999.015 and 2019.054) were placed following the initial materials.

**Access restrictions:** No restrictions on access. The archivist reserves the right to restrict access to any fragile material for preservation purposes.

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**Finding aids:** File list is available for this collection.

**Accruals:** No further accruals are expected.

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2017.029.001	Family Photos – File includes the Winterbottom family’s photographs. See Appendix 1 for details. – 10 b&w photographs	1895-[ca. 1910]	1/1
2017.029.002	Land Deposition by Charles Pooley – File includes two copies of a land deposition for Kamloops lots 232, 233, and 234. – 2 textual records	1889	1/2
2017.029.003	Photographs – File includes a photograph album. Subjects include Kamloops, the old school house on the North Thompson, Wells’ farm, St. Anne’s Convent, family portraits, Vancouver, Kamloops saw mill, Capilano canyon, and Victoria. – 4 cm of b&w photographs	1918	1/3
2017.029.004	Helen Winterbottom’s School Certificates – File includes Helen Winterbottom’s school certificates. – 6 textual records	1911-1916	1
2017.029.005	Helen Winterbottom’s School Inspections – File includes school inspections for Helen Winterbottom’s classroom. – 3 textual records	1922-1926	1/4
2017.029.006	Keith Winterbottom’s Military papers – File includes Canadian Legion membership card, 5 <sup>th</sup> BC Lighthorse Squadron letter, and pamphlet from Remembrance Day Ceremony. – 3 textual records	1924-1940	1/5
2017.029.007	Misc. – File includes programs, baby shower card, <i>Scripture Stepping Stones</i> , and autograph book. – 2 cm of textual records	1884-1903	1/6
1999.015.002	Hymns for Use During 1897 – File contains a hymn booklet owned by Arthur Winterbottom. – 1 textual record	1897	1/7
2019.054	Postcards – File contains postcards received by Winterbottom family members. – 6 textual records	[ca. 1912-1913]	1/8

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### Appendix 1: Family Photos

1. Keith Winterbottom at 3&1/2 years of age (photo by Mary Spencer)
2. Sydney and Helen Winterbottom circa 1900 (photo by Mary Spencer)
3. 1904 at Winterbottom's – Lansdowne & 2<sup>nd</sup> – Arthur Winterbottom, Rev. Akehurst, W.F. Richardson
4. Kamloops, west end
5. Ferry west of Kamloops before bridge was built
6. Old Hudson's Bay House circa 1898
7. Jenny Louise Winterbottom with Sydney, Lily Helen, and Edwin Keith – 1903 (photo by Mary Spencer)
8. Kamloops Polo Team
9. Arthur Winterbottom
10. Calgary football team – 1895 (photo by Boorne & May, Calgary)