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British Columbia
Centennial '58 Committee records
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The British Columbia Centennial '58 Committee was established under the Centennial Celebration Act of 1956 [4-5 Eliz. 2, c.56] to "make and carry out all necessary arrangements for the organizing of a suitable and effective celebration of the centenary of the founding of the Mainland Colony of British Columbia." The general chairman of the Committee was L.J. Wallace, Deputy Provincial Secretary; W.E. Ireland, Provincial Archivist and Librarian was Honorary Secretary.

Seventeen sub-committees, responsible for such areas as athletic and sporting events, creative and cultural activities, and tourist promotion, were also established, along with hundreds of local community committees throughout the province.

In addition to providing money for special celebrations and activities, the provincial government offered 60 cent per capita grants to communities wishing to undertake special centennial projects: projects included the construction of community halls, gymnasiums, swimming pools, arenas, and the like. All told, over three hundred and forty such projects were approved.

GR-1448 consists of the files kept by W.E. Ireland who, in addition to his duties as Honorary Secretary, served as a member of the screening committee for applications for community projects. He also served as chairman of the sub-committee on Historic Sites and Publications which commissioned Margaret A. Ormsby's British Columbia: A History.

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1	<u>W.E. Ireland (Hon. Sec.) General Files</u>
1	-Minutes
1	-Centennial Coins and stamps
1	-Publications (History)
1	-Publications (Centennial Anthology)
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1	-Historic Sites
2	<u>W.E. IRELAND General Files (cont'd.)</u>
2	-budget
2	-sub-committees minutes
2	-centennial photographs
2	-general correspondence
3	B.C. Centennial Committee Minutes, 1955-56.
4	Centennial Sub-Committees Minutes, 1957.
5	Sub-Committee Directories.
	<u>GENERAL FILES</u>
6	(A-G) -Accommodation
6	-Crests
6	-Composers
6	-Dance
6	-Elgar Choir
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7	-Museums
7	-Provincial Government
7	-Poetry
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7	-United States
7	-Women
7	-Writers
7	-Youth Organizations
	<u>COMMITTEES</u>
8	Advisory Council
8	Athletics & sports
8	Bennett, W.A.C.
8	Board of Directors
8	Community Activity
8	Creative & Cultural Activities
8	Educational Activities
8	Ethnic & Provincial Organizations
8	Executive Secretary

9 Fairs & Exhibits
 9 Historical Sites & Publications
 9 Labour Activities
 9 PNE
 9 Promotion & Displays
 9 Religious Activities
 9 Special Guests & Important Personages
 9 Tourism Promotion & Hospitality

ADVERTISING & PUBLICITY

10 Act; Agreements, Etc.
 10 Artwork
 10 BC Government Travel Bureau
 10 BC Parent-Teachers
 10 Centennial Photographers
 10 Century Sam
 10 Cockfield-Brown & Co.
 10 Crests

ADVERTISING & PUBLICITY

11 Exhibitions
 11 Industrial Companies
 11 Magazines
 11 Navies of the World
 11 Newspapers
 11 PGE
 11 Publications
 11 Radio & Television
 11 Star Weekly
 12 Tourist Bureau -UBC
 12 News Releases
 12 Armed Forces Liaison Committee Correspondence
 12 Advertising & Publicity Committee Correspondence
 12 Athletics & Sports Committee Correspondence

PROJECT FILES

13 Anthology
 13 Art Competitions
 13 Awards
 13 Balloons
 13 Beacon Fires
 13 Bumper Strips
 13 Calendars
 13 Campsites
 13 Canadian National Air Show
 13 Clean Up, Paint Up
 13 Conventions
 14 Citizenship Day
 14 Commodore
 14 Commonwealth
 14 Conventions

14 Cook Book
14 Decorations, Provincial Buildings
14 Dogwood Award
14 Douglas Day
14 Film Projects
14 Fireworks

PROJECT FILES

15 Flag
15 Folk Festival
15 Fort Langley
15 Fraser Saga
15 Games
15 Governor General
15 Grants
15 Grey Cup

16 Hand Outs
16 Hats
16 Historic Caravans
16 Historic Sites Markers
16 Historical Newspaper Supplement
16 Histories
16 Histories-short
16 History Textbook (Dr. Ormsby)
16 Industrial Caravan
16 Insurance
16 Invitations
16 Japan
16 Jet Air Race
16 Kits

17 Labels
17 Lacrosse
17 Licence Plates
17 Lisogar
17 Lord Mayor Of London
17 Maps
17 Match Folders
17 Medallions
17 Menus
17 Meter-Ad Plates

18 MacDonald Brier
18 Mayors' Week
18 Meter Ad Plates
18 Museum Train
18 Musical Ride
18 Name Band - Mart Kenny
18 Official Centennial Record Book
18 Organizational Booklet

PROJECT FILES

19 Pageant

19	Pioneer Scrolls
19	Placemats
19	Posters
19	Princess Margaret
19	Prayer Day
19	Premiers' Visit
19	Rodeo Broadcasts
19	Royal Engineers
19	Slogans
20	Salute to Sockeye
20	Sculpture
20	School Broadcasts
20	Sculpture
20	Signs - BOrder
20	Slogan
20	Song Book (school)
20	Song Contest
20	Song of British Columbia
20	Stage Coach
21	Sky Diving
21	Totem Poles
21	Trade Fair
21	Vancouver Festival
21	Vancouver Symphony
21	Victoria Symphony
21	Water Skiing
21	Windshield Stickers
22	<u>COMMUNITY PROJECTS</u> (Organized Territories)
22	Alberni - Kitimat
23	Ladysmith - Quesnel
24	Revelstoke - Zeballos
25	<u>COMMUNITY PROJECTS</u> (Unorganized Territories)
25	Indian Villages & Bands Ainsworth - Dragon Lake
26	East Arrow Park - Mount Sheer
27	Nakusp - Skidegate Mission
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29	Applications for use of Centennial Crests: Granted
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