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Summary information

Repository:	Trent University Archives
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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Professor S.G. Denis Smith was born in 1932 in Edmonton. In 1953 he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, Honours, from McGill University. At McGill he received the J.W. McConnell Scholarship and an I.O.D.E. post-graduate scholarship for Oxford University in England. From 1953 to 1956 Denis attended Oxford University and obtained his Master's Degree and a Bachelor of Literature. While in Oxford he received an Exhibition Scholarship and a grant from the Bryce Fund to travel and study in Poland.

In 1956 he returned to Canada and by 1962 had written a number of papers and reviews on political material. Denis Smith has held a number of university positions throughout his career. He was with the Department of Political Economy at the University of Toronto, 1956 to 1957; Department of Political Science, York University, 1960 to 1961 and was the first Registrar of that University.

He held the Vice-President's position at Trent University from 1964 to 1967. He was Master of Champlain College from 1969 to 1971 and a professor in the Department of Political Studies to 1983 when he left to teach and become Dean of Social Sciences at the University of Western Ontario. At Trent he was Chairman of the Politics Department from 1967 to 1968.

He was editor of the *Journal of Canadian Studies* from 1966 to 1975; editor of the *Canadian Forum* from 1975 to 1979 and President of the Canadian Periodical Publishers Association from 1975 to 1977.

He has written several books including: *Bleeding Hearts, Bleeding Country*, 1971; *Gentle Patriot*, 1973; *Diplomacy of Fear*, 1988; *Rogue Tory*, 1995; *Prisoners of Cabrera*, 2001; *Ignatieff's World: A Liberal Leader for the 21st Century?*, 2006; *Ignatieff's World Updated: Iggy goes to Ottawa*, 2009; *General Miranda's Wars: Turmoil and Revolt in Spanish America, 1750-1816*, 2013; and, *A Dissenting Voice: Essays, Addresses, Polemics, Diversions, 1959 - 2015*, 2017.

Custodial history

Fonds was created by and in the custody of Professor Denis Smith until donated to Trent University Archives.

Scope and content

Fonds consists of research materials relating to the biography of John Diefenbaker: Rogue Tory. Includes interviews with John Diefenbaker, Dalton Camp and photocopies of many letters and papers from the Diefenbaker Centre, the National Archives of Canada, the Public Record Office and the Kennedy Library.

Notes

Immediate source of acquisition

Fonds was donated by Professor Denis Smith.

Restrictions on access

Permission of Professor Smith to use the papers is required.

Accruals

This fonds along with 89-009, 92-012, 02-012, 04-019, 12-008, 14-010, and 18-007 is an addition to 86-001.

Note [General]

Box 1: Research Materials: Rogue Tory, chapters 1-7: includes files on Menzies; the 1956 P.C. leadership convention; Diefenbaker legal cases; Saskatchewan politics between 1929 and 1939; military service and Herbert Norman.

Box 2: Research Materials: Rogue Tory, chapters 8-9: includes files on Macmillan visit of 1958; Commonwealth issues 1957-1962; Diefenbaker's world tour of 1958; the Prime Minister's residences at Sussex Ave. and at Harrington Lake and the AVRO Arrow.

Box 3: Cabinet Conclusions 1957-1963; Columbia River research material.

Box 4: Foreign Policy research files; NATO; USSR imperialism; nuclear weapons testing.

Box 5: Foreign Policy research files; Cuban missile crisis; nuclear weapons cabinet crisis.

Box 6: Funding files for Rogue Tory; SSHRC; Guggenheim; Killam; Wright thesis and correspondence regarding research assistants.

Box 7: Prime Minister's Office documents; Cabinet 1957-1963; Caucus 1960-1967; P.C. Party 1960-1967; Advisors 1957-1967.

Box 8: John George Diefenbaker biographical files; family letters; diary entries.

Box 9: John George Diefenbaker interview tapes and transcripts.

Box 10: Biographical Files including: Douglas Harkness, Richard Bell, Flora MacDonald, John Bassett, Gordon Churchill, Eddie Goodman, Donald Fleming, Lord Beaverbrook, Ron Collister, Leslie Frost, Davie Filton, Howard Green, Robert Bryce and Bruce Hutchison.

Box 11: Materials from the National Archives of Canada (King Papers, Bennett Papers); J.F. Kennedy Library; the Public Record Office and various university archives. Includes access and copyright information.

Box 12: Early memoranda and notes on the original "Diefenbaker Project"; notes on the AVRO Arrow and NORAD and preliminary notes on the location of research materials for further work; one volume

of estrays; R. M. Belliveau thesis "Mr. Diefenbaker and the Bill of Rights," 1992 and S. Gingrich thesis "Defence Production Sharing and Canada and the United States 1957-1967," 1990.

Box 13: Press Files: Globe and Mail and Telegram.

Box 14: Press Files (con't) 1957-1967 and press files on Premiers, 1957-1963.

Box 15: Rogue Tory: initial draft; correspondence with the Diefenbaker Centre and their series descriptions, oral history lists and fax requests.

Box 16: Rogue Tory: Final Draft; Epilogue, Index; disks; Acknowledgments; Macpherson cartoon file; Table of Contents; readers' comments.

Box 17: Dalton Camp interview tapes and transcripts, 1968-1969 (7" reel-to-reel) and Davie Fulton cassette interview tapes (2) 1993.

Box 18: Miscellaneous Diefenbaker Files: salaries and pensions; patronage; northern development; Canada council; C.B.C.; Bi-Bi Commission; transcripts from the National Archives used in Rogue Tory; Columbia River Treaty file; DeGaulle visit 1960; Igor Gouzenko; lectures and colloquia given by Denis Smith, 1994.

Box 19: Research Materials: Rogue Tory, chapters 10 and 11.

Box 20: Research Materials: Rogue Tory, chapter 11: Coyne Affair.

Box 21: Research Materials: Rogue Tory, chapter 12.

Box 22: Research Materials: Rogue Tory, chapter 12 (cont'd).

Box 23: Research Materials: Rogue Tory, chapter 13.

Box 24: Research Materials: Rogue Tory, chapter 14.

Box 25: Research Materials: Rogue Tory, chapter 15.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published

Access points

- Trent faculty papers (documentary form)
- Textual records (documentary form)
- Politics and Government (subject)