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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Trent University Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Gilbert C. Monture fonds
<b>Reference code:</b>	97-017
<b>Accession number</b> <b>[97-017] :</b>	97-017
<b>Date:</b>	1912-1983 (creation)
<b>Physical description:</b>	47 cm of textual materials (2 boxes) 10 photographs
<b>Dates of creation, revision and deletion:</b>	TO DO: the photocopies have captions on them - list them

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Gilbert C. Monture was born on August 27, 1896 on the Six Nations Reserve, Brant County, Ontario. He was the great grandson of Joseph Brant. In 1921, he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mining and Metallurgy from Queen's University. Monture enlisted in World War I as a gunner in the Royal Canadian Field Artillery. In 1923 he became editor of publications for the Dominion Department of Mines and in 1929 became chief of the Division of Mineral Economics of the Mines Branch in Ottawa. During World War II, Monture worked in the Department of Munitions and Supply. Monture resigned from government service in 1956 and was appointed vice-president of Stratmat, a Canadian minerals exploration and development company. In 1957, he received the Indian Achievement Award of the Indian Council Fire for notable contributions in his field. In 1958, he was appointed honorary chief of the Mohawk tribe of the Six Nations Reserve at Brantford. He was elected a member of the Order of Canada, and in 1966 received a Vanier Medal. Monture served on the Board of Governors of Trent University from 1966-1973, and Monture House, near Rubidge Hall, was named after him. He died on June 19, 1973 in Ottawa.

### Custodial history

This fonds was in the custody of Mrs. Barbara Malloch before it was donated to Trent University Archives.

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## Scope and content

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This fonds consists of miscellaneous personal documents relating to Gilbert Monture, including his family tree and a copy of his birth certificate. Also included are various speeches and articles by Monture, correspondence ranging from 1912-1983, newspaper clippings, miscellaneous photographs, materials relating

to Pauline Johnson, correspondence and minutes relating to the Canadian Correction Association project "Indians and the Law", and documents regarding an exhibit at the Indian Hall of Fame, Canadian National Exhibition.

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## Notes

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### Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title based on the creator of the fonds.

### Immediate source of acquisition

This fonds was donated by Monture's daughter, Mrs. Barbara Malloch.

### Restrictions on access

None

### Related material

For related records see: 75-015, 77-018, 81-018, 82-014, 89-013, 94-009, 95-005, 95-006, and 95-019.

### Note [General]

Additional information re Monture located in "Trent Press Releases" box, Archives Reading Room, 1965.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
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## Access points

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- Textual records (documentary form)
  - Photographs (documentary form)
  - Indigenous Studies (subject)
  - Mining (subject)
  - Politics and Government (subject)
  - Six Nations of the Grand River (place)
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## Series descriptions

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### Series 1: Correspondence

Date: 1912-1983 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of the correspondence of Gilbert C. Monture.

Physical description: 9 folders of textual records

Publication status:

Published

#### File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
97-017/001(01)	<b>File - Correspondence, includes letters from and re Pauline Johnson</b>	1912-1938, n.d.	
97-017/001(02)	<b>File - Correspondence</b>	1943-1944	
97-017/001(03)	<b>File - Correspondence</b>	1945-1946	
97-017/001(04)	<b>File - Correspondence</b>	1956-1958	
97-017/001(05)	<b>File - Correspondence</b>	1959-1961	
97-017/001(06)	<b>File - Correspondence</b>	1962-1965	
97-017/001(07)	<b>File - Correspondence</b>	1966-1967	
97-017/001(08)	<b>File - Correspondence</b>	1968-1969	
97-017/001(09)	<b>File - Correspondence, includes correspondence with G.C. Monture's daughter Mrs. Malloch re inheritance, etc.</b>	1970-1983	

### Series 2: Personal documents

Date: 1934-1972 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of various personal records, including government records verifying birth date and family information, a family tree, income tax returns (1936, 1942), and records relating to awards such as the Indian Achievement Award and honorary life membership of the Ottawa Branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (1966).

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

Publication status:

Published

#### File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
97-017/001(10)	<b>File - Miscellaneous personal documents</b>	1934-1972	

### Series 3: Newspaper clippings

Date: 1938-1981 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of a large file of newspaper clippings regarding G.C. Monture and Indigenous issues. Also includes obituaries and a tribute to G.C. Monture "The Rockhound of Jerusalem" by Rev. Enos T. Monture.

Physical description: 1 folder of textual records

<u>Publication status:</u>			
Published			
<b>File / item list</b>			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
97-017/001(11)	<b>File - Newspaper clippings</b>	1938-1981	
<b>Series 4: Speeches and articles</b>			
<p><u>Scope and content:</u> Series consists of more than 25 speeches and articles by G.C. Monture about Indigenous issues and mining. Many are undated. Includes speech notes on cards and full texts of talks. See file description for a list of some of the titles.</p> <p><u>Physical description:</u> 1 folder of textual records</p> <p><u>Publication status:</u></p> <p>Published</p>			
<b>File / item list</b>			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
97-017/001(12)	<b>File - Speeches and articles</b>	[193-]-[195-], n.d.	1 folder of textual records
	<p><i>Scope and content:</i></p> <p>File consists of more than 25 speeches and articles by G.C. Monture. Many are undated and some are untitled. Topics include Mary (Molly) Brant, Six Nation, mining, Northern Development and Indian Affairs, settler representations of Indigenous peoples, Canadian identity, Individual titles include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- From Ore to Metal: Coal in Integrated Metallurgy / by G.C. Monture</li> <li>- The Indians of the North / by G.C. Monture</li> <li>- The Indians Speak to Canada: a series of broadcasts sponsored by The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in co-operation with the Indian Affairs Branch, Department of Mines and Resources, 1939. Includes "The Iroquois" by G.C. Monture</li> <li>- Human Problems in the Canadian North: prepared for inclusion in the 1954-55 annual report of the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources</li> <li>- The Plastic Igloo</li> <li>- Enfranchisement</li> <li>- Canada and the Commonwealth</li> <li>- The Iroquois, 1937</li> </ul> <p>Also includes some speeches by others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Critical Mineral Shortages, an address delivered at a plenary session of the United Nations Scientific Conference on the Conservation and Utilization of Resources / by H.L. Keenleyside, Deputy Minister of Mines and Resources and Commissioner of the Northwest Territories at Lake Success, August 18, 1949</li> </ul> <p>Also includes an Indian Council Fire membership directory (undated).</p>		
<b>Series 5: Project and subject files</b>			
<p><u>Date:</u> 1961-1973 (creation)</p> <p><u>Scope and content:</u> Series includes project and subject files kept by Monture. More details are provided in file level descriptions.</p> <p><u>Physical description:</u> 9 folders of textual records</p>			

10 photographs			
<u>Publication status:</u>			
Published			
File / item list			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
97-017/001(13)	<b>File - Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development: A study of royalties and other benefits to bands under the Indian mining regulation - report by G.C. Monture, includes also correspondence, questionnaires and Indian Mineral Act</b>	1970-1973	
97-017/001(14)	<b>File - Canadian Correction Association: project "Indians and the Law" - reports, correspondence, minutes of meetings, etc.</b>	1965-1967	
97-017/001(15)	<b>File - Indian Eskimo Association: minutes, miscellaneous documents, and reports</b>	1966-1971	
97-017/001(16)	<b>File - Miscellaneous material relating to Pauline Johnson, includes memorial stamps, newsclippings, and other records</b>	1961	
97-017/002(01)	<b>File - The Institute of Iroquoian Studies: correspondence, programmes, reports, newspaper clippings</b>	1961	
97-017/002(02)	<b>File - Indian Hall of Fame materials, including minutes of meetings, correspondence, a brochure, a poster and associated photographs of sketches of G.C. Monture, Emily Pauline Johnson, Cameron D. Brandt, Crowfoot, James Gladstone, Tecumseh, Oliver M. Martin, Elmer Jamieson, Frank Calder, Joseph Brandt</b>	1965-1970	
97-017/002(03)	<b>File - Canadian National Exhibition: Miscellaneous documents relating to Exhibit of Indian Hall of Fame, minutes, budgets, press releases, news clippings, diary of 1965 exhibition, main floor plan of 1962 exhibition</b>	1962-1966	
97-017/002(04)	<b>File - Indian Hall of Fame at Canadian National Exhibition: correspondence, guide for exhibitors, minutes,</b>	1965-1967	
97-017/002(06)	<b>File - Various material related to Indigenous organizations: Indian Council Fire Board of Directors memorandum (1970), program from Indian Achievement Award Dinner (n.d.), report on the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation (Manitoulin Island), Proposed Program for Native Counselling</b>	1970, n.d.	

Services of Alberta (Alcohol Education and Court Workers Program)			
<b>Series 6: Photographs</b>			
<u>Scope and content:</u> Series consists of 3 photographs and approximately 50 photocopies of photographs of Gilbert Montrose, family, government and mining gatherings, and other subjects.			
<u>Physical description:</u> 1 folder of graphic materials			
<u>Location of originals:</u> Photocopies of photographs were made by the archivist and the originals were returned to the donor.			
<u>Publication status:</u>			
Published			
<b>File / item list</b>			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
97-017/002(05)	<b>File - Miscellaneous photographs</b>		
<b>Series 7: Newspapers and bulletins</b>			
<u>Date:</u> 1944-1971 (creation)			
<u>Access points:</u>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newspapers and magazines (documentary form)</li> <li>• Indigenous Studies (subject)</li> </ul>			
<u>Publication status:</u>			
Published			
<b>File / item list</b>			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
97-017/002(07)	<b>File - Indian Council Fire Bulletins</b>		1 folder of textual records
	<u>Scope and content:</u> File consists of the following bulletins issued by the Indian Council Fire bulletins: - Mid-Winter bulletin, February 1958 - Midsummer bulletin, August 1959 - Spring bulletin, May 1961 - Midsummer bulletin, August 1961		
97-017/002(08)	<b>File - The Amerindian: American Indian Review</b>	1956-1963	
	<u>Scope and content:</u> file consists of issues of The Amerindian: American Indian Review, from Chicago, Illinois. Issues include the following: - Vol. 4 nos. 4, 6, 15 (1956) - Vol. 5, nos. 1, 2, 4-6 (1956-1957) - Vol. 6, nos. 1-3 (1957-1958) - Vol. 7, nos. 3-5 (1959) - Vol. 8, nos. 1-6 (1959-1960)		



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Vol. 9, nos. 1, 2, 5, 6 (1960-1961)</li> <li>- Vol. 10, nos. 1-4 (1961-1962)</li> <li>- Vol. 12, no. 2 (1963)</li> </ul>		
97-017/002(09)	<b>File - The Indian News</b>	1958-1970	
	<p><i>Scope and content:</i></p> <p>File consists of the following issues of The Indian News, a quarterly newspaper published by the Indian Affairs Branch in Ottawa, Ontario</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Vol. 3, no. 1 (June 1958)</li> <li>- Vol 5, no. 2 (December 1961)</li> <li>- Vol. 10, no. 1 (April 1967)</li> <li>- Vol. 10, no. 2 (August 1967)</li> <li>- Vol. 13, no. 8 (November 1970)</li> </ul>		
97-017/002(10)	<b>File - Various newspapers and newsletters</b>	1944-1971	1 folder of textual records
	<p><i>Scope and content:</i></p> <p>File consists of the following newspapers and newsletters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- News, published weekly by Picture News Press, Toronto. Vol. 4, no. 22 (May 27 1944)</li> <li>- The Printed Word, published monthly by Johnston, Everson and Charlesworth, Toronto and Montreal, March 1944, no. 112</li> <li>- Indian Affairs: News Letter of the American Indian Fund and the Association on American Indian Affairs, Inc. no. 22 (September 1957)</li> <li>- Canadian Indians of Today, February Bulletin, 1965 (featuring Dr. Gilbert C. Monture) and May Bulletin, 1966 (featuring Miss Annee Meekitjuk)</li> <li>- Indian Magazine / Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, CBC Northern Service - Radio, broadcasts for 30 September 1967, 7 October 1967, 4 November 1967</li> <li>- Akwesasne Notes, vol. 3 no. 8 (Late Autumn, 1971)</li> </ul>		