

FONDS DESCRIPTION (MBMS-80)

The Lower Town Study Club fonds

1938-1939

1 cm of textual records

Inspired by the Antigonish Movement based at St. Francis Xavier University's Extension Department, which was devoted to the promotion of adult education and various cooperative initiatives, the Lower Town Study Club was formed in Mahone Bay in November 1938. The leading figure in the group was Gordon St. Clair Wynot (1918-1993), who served as the club's Secretary-Treasurer. For several months, the group, comprising about sixteen members, met almost every week to study and discuss various readings relating to cooperatives and credit unions, with the ultimate goal of establishing a credit union in Mahone Bay. However, the short-lived club apparently ceased operations early in 1939.

Fonds consists of a record book comprising the minutes of the study club's meetings between 14 November 1938 and 27 February 1939, together with financial records.

The records were found in the Mahone Bay Museum's backlog and acquired in 2024.