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# Finding Aid - T.H. Stinson family fonds (PR 792)

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# **Summary information**

<b>Repository:</b>	Trent University Archives		
Title:	T.H. Stinson family fonds		
<b>Reference code:</b>	PR 792		
Accession number [75-001] :	75-001		
Accession number [22-005] :	22-005		
Date:	1897-1937, 1944 (creation)		
Physical description:	<ul><li>35 cm of textual records (4 boxes)</li><li>ca. 160 photographs</li><li>ca. 50 prints: postcards</li><li>3 maps</li><li>4 posters</li></ul>		

### Administrative history / Biographical sketch

#### Note

Thomas H. Stinson was born February 26, 1883, at Minden, Ontario, the son of T. Stinson and Victoria Henderson. He was educated at Minden Public School, Lindsay Collegiate, University of Toronto, and Osgoode Hall. He married Ella E. Robson, daughter of Lindsay lawyer William Robson, on July 14, 1910. Stinson was a lawyer and conservative politician. He was the Crown Attorney for Victoria and Haliburton Counties from 1913 to 1921; the solicitor for the two counties, as well as the town of Lindsay; Governor of Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay, Ontario; Director (later President) of Victoria and Grey Trust Company; Director of Cole Manufacturing Company; and Director of Penny Bank of Ontario. In his political career, he was elected M.P. for Victoria riding in the general elections of 1925, 1926, and 1930, losing in 1935. He also served on the provincial campaigns of Leslie M. Frost. He died in 1965.

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Ella E. Stinson (nee Robson) was the daughter of Lindsay lawyer William Robson. She married T.H. Stinson on July 14, 1910.

#### **Custodial history**

This fonds was in the custody of Margot J. Fawcett before it was donated to the Trent University Archives.

### Scope and content

Fonds consists of records documenting the Stinson family, primarily the legal and political career of T.H. Stinson. Family records include Christmas cards, wedding invitations, and family portraits, Mrs. Stinson's correspondence, and travel records (postcards, booklets, photographs) documenting the 1913 Christian North American Tour, in which Mr. and Mrs. Stinson participated. Records documenting T.H. Stinson's legal and political career include law school notebooks (1904-1910), correspondence and a scrapbook regarding the 1921 election, campaign files and notes from the 1930 and 1935 federal elections and Leslie Frost's 1934 provincial campaign, material from the Conservative Party Caucus Study club, newspaper clippings regarding the depression and the Bennett government, memoranda, correspondence regarding the riding organization (1933-1935); and House of Commons materials. There are postcards which depict scenes of Canada and the United States, from approximately 1920. Included, also, are several local maps, election posters (1927), and voter tally boards.

### Notes

#### **Title notes**

• <u>Source of title proper</u>: Title based on the creator of the fonds

#### Immediate source of acquisition

Both accessions of this fonds were donated by Margot J. Fawcett.

#### **Restrictions on access**

None

### Note [General]

Most photographs are not identified.

### Note [General]

22-005/002 is an oversized folder in MC26

#### **Other notes**

• **<u>Publication status</u>**: Published

### **Access points**

• Frost, Leslie M. (subject)

- Textual records (documentary form)
- Photographs (documentary form)
- Maps and atlases (documentary form)
- Postcards (documentary form)
- Politics and Government (subject)
- Legal Records (subject)
- Elections (subject)
- Victoria County (place)

# **Series descriptions**

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Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description	
75-001/001(01)	File - Stinson family: Christmas cards, wedding invitations, and family photographs	[191-?]	1 folder of textual records12 photographs	
	Scope and content:			
	File includes wedding invitations for T.H. Stiunidentified portraits.	inson and E.E. R	obson, various Christmas greetings, and	
75-001/001(02)	File - Stinson family: 1913 Christian North American Tour: story of the tour, list of travellers, and daily program	1913	1 folder of textual records	
75-001/001(03)	File - Stinson family: 1913 Christian NorthAmerican Tour: pamphlets and brochures	1913	1 folder of textual records	
	Scope and content:			
	File includes the "Wonders of America" mag Medicine Hat, Alberta; Brandon, Manitoba; V Creek, Colorado; and the Foothills Trolley Tr tables for the Southern Pacific and an issue o 1913).	Vancouver, Britis	sh Columbia; Corona, California; Cripple File also includes a guide to local time	
75-001/001(04)	File - Stinson family: 1913 Christian NorthAmerican Tour: postcards	1913	approx. 40 postcards	
	Scope and content:			
	File consists of postcards, likely accumulated on the 1913 tour. Includes images of Quebec, California, Victoria, Georgian Bay, Colorado, Santa Fe, and other areas.			
75-001/001(05)	File - Stinson family: 1913 Christian North American Tour: photographs	1913	ca. 150 photographs	
	Scope and content:			
	File consists of travel photographs from across North America. Photographs are largely unidentified. Some photographs of Santa Fe, including visits to Indigenous peoples, are captioned.			
75-001/001(06)	File - Mrs. T.H. Stinson [nee EdithEllerton Robson]: correspondence, bills,scrapbook, materials re: IndependentOrder, Daughters of the Empire (IODE)	1918-1923	1 folder of textual records	
75-001/001(07)	File - Stinson family: Prophetic Visions, or, A Literary Digest. Being a Review of	1912-1913		

	Man. His Characteristics, Progression, and Tendencies / by W.M. Robson, Lindsay Ont. [typescript]		
75-001/002(01)	File - T.H. Stinson: legal education, Osgoode notebooks	n.d., 1904, 1909	
75-001/002(02)	File - T.H. Stinson: Osgoode Hall law notebooks	n.d., 1908, 1909	1 folder of textual records
75-001/002(03)	File - T.H. Stinson: Osgoode Hall notes	1909, 1910	
75-001/002(04)	File - T.H Stinson: school records and recommendation letters	1897-1905	1 folder of textual records
75-001/003(01)	File - T.H. Stinson: legal files and addresses on Hydro in Ontario Municipalities	1905-1919	1 folder of textual records
	<i>Scope and content:</i> File consists of documents regardingletterhead Solicitors, Notaries in Lindsay Ontario.	d from McLaughlin, P	Peel, Fulton & Stinson Barristers,
75-001/003(02)	File - T.H. Stinson: 1921 Election, correspondence and campaign scrapbook; liberal party platform, 1919	1919-1921	1 folder of textual records
75-001/003(03)	File - T.H. Stinson: clippings on the depression, Bennett Government; and notes on the Gold Standard; memo on hog and cattle marketing, 1933-34; materials re: flour milling, the tariff, and the budget, 1928 (Feb.)	1928-1934	1 folder of textual records
75-001/003(04)	File - T.H. Stinson: file cover, with notes from 1930 general election campaign	1930	1 folder of textual records
75-001/003(05)	File - T.H. Stinson: campaign file, 1930         general election         Scope and content:         File includes news clippings, National Liberal         Commons speeches, notes, and correspondence		-
75-001/003(06)	election. File - T.H. Stinson: material from Conservative Party Caucus Study Club	1934-1935	1 folder of textual records
	Scope and content:		
	<ul> <li>File includes the following articles and speech</li> <li>Dr. O.D. Skelton, "The Present Situation in t</li> <li>Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, "Depression" 3</li> <li>W.C. Clark, "The Central Bank," February 2</li> <li>Hon. W. Gordon "Deportation of Aliens," M</li> <li>Canadian Prisoners' Welfare Association, "P</li> <li>Right Hon. Arthur Meighen, "The Greatest F</li> <li>Education Montreal), 1935.</li> </ul>	the World," n.d. 1 January, 1934 7, 1934 Jarch 20, 1934 Penitentiaries Situation	
75-001/003(07a)	File - T.H. Stinson: Canadian National Railways Central Region Income Tax (Dominion) of Trainmen, 1926 [list of	1926	1 volume

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	trainmen with Lindsay addresses and amount paid]		
75-001/003(07b)	File - T.H. Stinson: Rural Directory of theElectoral District of Victoria, Ontario /Post Office Department, Canada	March 1935	1 volume
75-001/003(08)	File - T.H. Stinson: Correspondence and papers regarding 1935 election, riding organization, and draft speech on tourist trade	1933-1935	
75-001/003(09)	File - T.H. Stinson: House of Commons materials on investment and corporate interconnections in House of Commons	1927-1928	1 folder of textual records (2 blueprints)
	<ul> <li>Scope and content:</li> <li>File consists of 2 blueprints of diagrams that and commercial companies.</li> <li>Members of Parliament in the Commercial a Compiled by J. McArthur Conner, December</li> <li>The Spiders' Web / Compiled by W.J. McArt 1928</li> </ul>	and Industrial Capita 29, 1927; drawn by	alistic Group. House of Commons / W.J. Chas. Webster, February 9, 1928
22-005/001(01)	File - Bank book	[193-?]	
22-005/001(02)	File - Result of vote in Victoria	1930	
22-005/001(03)	File - Campaign file	[1934?]	
22-005/001(04)	File - Les Frost's campaign meetings	1934	
22-005/001(05)	File - T.H. Stinson: correspondence	1935	
22-005/002(01)	File - Election poster: Notice of holding an advance poll or polls for railway employees, sailors and travellers, Electoral District of Victoria, 1937	1937	
22-005/002(02)	File - Election poster: Proclamation, electoral district of Victoria, Town Hall, Town of Lindsay, on the 29th day of Sept 1937	1937	
22-005/002(03)	File - Voter tally board, federal election (Falconer, McNevin, Stinson)	1935	
22-005/002(04)	File - Voter tally board, provincial election, comparison of 1934 to 1937 elections (Frost and Newman)	1937	
	Note [General] :		
	On verso is a list of speaking engagements, as	s would be hung in a	a campaign office.
22-005/002(05)	File - Map: Electoral District of Victoria, annotated to show poll counts in each township	[192-?]	
22-005/002(06)	File - Map of Haliburton and Surrounding districts / published and compiled by Touring Department, Ontario Motor League, Toronto Canada	[193-?]	

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