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ROSS, John R. (1902-). Medical Doctor, Paediatrician.

Originals, 1925-1980. 15 cm. Photocopies, n.d. 5 cm.
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Dr. Ross was born in Toronto in 1902. Upon graduation from the University of Toronto in 1926 he interned and held various research positions in the United States and Canada, including work under Dr. Frederick Banting. In 1932 Dr. Ross established the Department of Allergy at the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. After he diagnosed the first case of lead poisoning at the Hospital for Sick Children, Dr. Ross's research and reform advocacy led to provincial legislation prohibiting the use of lead containing paints on children's toys, cribs and furniture. With the exception of military service during World War II, Dr. Ross spent most of his career at the University of Toronto and the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto. His major areas of paediatric research were prevention and treatment of poisoning, allergy and vitamins. Dr. Ross is also an amateur artist of note and the author of The Great Clan Ross-Detailed biographical information is provided in the first part of the collection.

Presented in 1981 by John R. Ross of Willowdale, Ont.

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The collection consists of photographs, clippings, offprints, correspondence and typescripts of papers presented to medical and non-medical audiences. Most of the material relates to Dr. Ross' work as a medical doctor, both civilian and military, a lesser amount to his work as an amateur artist of note and supporter of charitable works.

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<u>File No.</u>	<u>File Title</u>
1.1	Autobiography, 2 versions
1.2	Ross, John R. Notes on his medical career prepared specifically for deposit in Public Archives of Canada. Includes material on Dr. Banting and development of pressure suits for combat pilots. 19pp.
1.3	Biography to 1939 from <u>Who's Who Among Physicians and Surgeons</u> , vol. I, 1938.
1.4	Biographical: includes clippings, honours.
1.5	Canadian Medical Association, Physicians' Art Salon, Award of Merit to J.R. Ross, M.D., for outstanding work of art in 1955. Xercx copy.
1.6	Alumni Association Hospital for Sick Children, Award of Merit to John R. Ross, M.D., for outstanding work of art, 1958. Xerox copy.
1.7	Canadian Society of Allergy and Clinical Immunology, Certificate of Meritorious Service, presented to Dr. J.R. Ross, June 14, 1975. Xerox copy.
1.8	Ontario Medical Association, Certificate of Good Standing, John R. Ross, 1980.
1.9	American Academy of Pediatrics, Life Membership Certificate of John R. Ross, M.D., 1966. Xerox copy.
1.10	Partial record of positions held by Dr. John R. Ross at Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto, University of Toronto, 1935-1970.
1.11	Genealogy and Family History.
1.12	John R. Ross, "Soliloquy" June 1976, 2pp. manuscript, (reflections on state and future of our civilization).
1.13	The establishment of the Allergy Department and Clinic at the Hospital for Sick Children, 67 College St., Toronto, typescript, written 1979.
1.14	Correspondence, Dr. Ross as artist and donor of books and works of art. 1958-1980.
1.15	Correspondence: Alumni Association of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto 1974-1980.

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1.16	Correspondence: American Academy of Allergy, 1974.
1.17	Correspondence: American Academy of Pediatrics, 1932.
1.18	Correspondence: American Medical Writers Association, 1972.
1.19	Correspondence, Canadian Academy of Allergy [Canadian Society for the Study of Allergy]. 1952-1954.
1.20	Correspondence, Canadian Medical Association. 1950.
1.21	Correspondence: Canadian Society of Allergy and Clinical Immunology. 1975.
1.22	Correspondence: College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario. 1979-1980.
1.23	Correspondence, Earls court Children's Home. 1963-1967.
1.24	Correspondence: Ontario Medical Association. 1977-1980.
1.25	Correspondence, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, 1942-1972.
1.26	Correspondence, St. Andrew's Society. 1961.
1.27	Correspondence, Victoria Hospital, St. Lucia, West Indies, regarding donation of complete oxygen tent in 1964.
1.28	Correspondence, various. 1950-1980.
1.29	John R. Ross, "Poisoning in Children," Lecture, Oct. 1933, no place given, 6pp. typescript plus 1 p. written additions.
1.30	Lead poisoning in children, further notes re Lead poisoning in infants and children, written 1979, outlines work of Dr. Ross in 1930's. Typscript.
1.31	John R. Ross, "Poisoning Common in Children," read at the annual meeting of The Canadian Medical Association. June 23, 1950, Halifax, N.S. Typscript, 8pp. with revisions.
1.32	John R. Ross, participant, "Round Table Discussion, Pediatric Dermatology," annual meeting of American Academy of Pediatrics, Oct. 23-24, 1951.
1.33	John R. Ross, "Accidents & Accidental Poisoning in Children," Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, medical staff meeting, Jan. 27, 1954, 3pp.

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1.34	John R. Ross, "Allergy," lecture presented to Niagara Falls Pharmacists Association, Oct. 21, 1970, 9pp. typescript with written additions.
1.35	John R. Ross, "Papular Urticaria (Lichen Urticatus)," lecture, date and place unknown, 5pp. typescript.
1.36	John R. Ross, 1 page typescript, incomplete, from a report, lecture or abstract on cases of poisoning in children admitted to Hospital of Sick Children, Toronto, n.d.
1.37	Normal Laboratory Determinations, n.d., 1 leaf, typescript and handwritten figures on vital signs and lab. results for children of various ages. n.d.
1.38	Dr. Alan Brown, Chief of Paediatrics, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, biographical sketch written by J.R. Ross, 1964. (3 photographs transferred to National Photography Collection).
1.39	University of Toronto, School of Medicine, class of 1926, reunion 1976.
1.40	John R. Ross, "Nutritional Disturbances of Infants and Young Children," <u>The University of Toronto Medical Journal</u> , III, No. 1, Nov. 1925, pp. 17-24.
1.41	Publications, "Increased Resistance of Rachitic Rats Fed Irradiated Food." <u>Proceedings of the Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine</u> , XXVII, 999-1002, 1930. Xerox copy.
1.42	Publications, "Increased Resistance of Rachitic Rats Exposed to Sunlight through Vita Glass." <u>Proceedings of the Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine</u> , XXVIII, 443-445, 1931. Xerox copy.
1.43	Publications, "A Study of the Enzymes of Stools in Intestinal Intoxication." <u>C.M.A. Journal</u> , XXV, 393-399, 1931. Xerox copy.
1.44	Publications, "Intestinal Erepsin and Phosphatase of Infants with Acute Intestinal Intoxication." <u>C.M.A. Journal</u> , XXVI, 293-296, 1932. Xerox copy.
1.45	Publications, "The Effect of Vitamin B Complex on the Resistance of Rats to Enteritidis Infection." <u>American Journal of Diseases of Children</u> , XLIII, 547-554, March 1932. Xerox copy.

<u>File No.</u>	<u>File Title</u>
1.46	Publications, "Vitamin B in Nutrition." <u>Canadian Chemistry and Metallurgy</u> , XVI, No. 3 n.p., March 1932. Xerox copy.
1.47	Publications, "Effect of Sunshine Through Window Glass and Fresh Air on Resistance to Infection." <u>American Journal of Diseases of Children</u> , XLV, 81-95, Jan. 1933. Xerox copy.
1.48	Publications, "A New Method for the Detection and Estimation of Minute Amounts of Lead in Biological Materials." <u>C.M.A. Journal</u> , XXIX, 649-650, 1933. Xerox copy.
1.49	Publications, "Effect of Exposure of Chickens Inoculated with Rous Sarcoma to Electromagnetic Waves of High Frequency." <u>American Journal of Cancer</u> , XVIII, No. 4, 905-911, August 1933. Xerox copy.
1.50	Publications, "The Effect of Dehydration on the Pancreatic and Intestinal Enzymes." <u>Journal of Biological Chemistry</u> , CIV, No. 1, 131-139, Jan. 1934. Xerox copy.
1.51	Publications, "Poisonings Common in Children." <u>Canadian Public Health Journal</u> , 238-243, May 1935. Xerox copy.
1.52	Publications, Value of Increased Supply of Vitamin B ₁ and Iron in the Diet of Children." <u>American Journal of Diseases of Children</u> , XLIX, 1185-1188, May 1935. Xerox copy.
1.53	Publications, "A New Method for the Determination of Minute amounts of Lead in Urine." <u>The Journal of Biological Chemistry</u> , III, No. 2, 285-297, 1935. Xerox copy.
1.54	Publications, "Strychnine Poisoning in Children." <u>C.M.A. Journal</u> , XXXII, 1-3 [282-284], 1935. Xerox copy.
1.55	Publications, "Haemoglobin of Normal Children and Certain Factors Influencing its Formation." <u>C.M.A. Journal</u> , XXXIV, 155-158, 1936. Xerox copy.
1.56	Publications, "Lead Poisoning in Children and its Prevention." <u>Quarterly Bulletin of the International Association for Preventive Pediatrics</u> IV, No. 13, 1-6, 1937. Xerox copy.

<u>File No.</u>	<u>File Title</u>
1.57	Publications, "Prolactin - Its Effect on the Secretion of Woman's Milk." <u>Endocrinology</u> , XXII, No. 4, 429-434, April 1938. Xerox copy.
1.58	Publications, "When Glands Fail to Do their Work." <u>Health</u> , 92, 99, December, 1939.
1.59	Publications, "Delayed Absorption of Proteins in the Guinea pig." <u>The Journal of Allergy</u> , XVIII, No. 2, 86-89, March 1947. Xerox copy.
1.60	Publications, "The Management of a Topic Eczema Cases in Infancy and Childhood." <u>C.M.A. Journal</u> , LVIII, 486-490, 1948.
1.61	<u>American Physicians' Art Association, Newsletter</u> , 1940. Xerox copy.
1.62	John R. Ross, Paintings, 1947. Xerox copy.
1.63	Hospital for Sick Children, <u>Paediatric Patter</u> , June 1966, material relating to painting by Dr. Ross. 3pp. Xerox copy.
1.64	John R. Ross, F. Banting, Painting 1942. Xerox copy from, <u>Parergon</u> .
1.65	John R. Ross, "Growing Orchids as a Hobby." <u>The Medical Graduate</u> , Publication of the Medical Alumni Association of the University of Toronto, VII, no. 3, 6-7, 1960-1961. Plus covering letter. Xerox copy.
1.66	John R. Ross, F. Banting, Paintings. 1930, 1937.
1.67	Papers relating to 26th field ambulance, RCAMC, File 1, Lectures, Instructions, General Orders. 1940-1943, n.d.
1.68	Papers relating to 26th Field Ambulance, RCAMC, File 2, Diary of Lt. Col. John R. Ross 1940-1943.
1.69	List of names to accompany group photograph of 3rd Refresher War Course, Royal Military College, 28 July to 9 August, 1940. Photo transferred to National Photography Collection.
1.70	The Banting Tree, 1931 (written 1980).
1.71	John R. Ross, "Notes re Dr. Fred Banting as an Artist." 1p. typescript, carbon copy. [1980].

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1.72	Banting, F.G., "The History of Insulin." <u>Edinburgh Medical Journal</u> , January 1929. Xerox copy.
1.73	John R. Ross, 4 notebooks with student marks, 1951-1954.
1.74	William R. Brebner, "The Production of a New Tumour." Reprint from the <u>Canadian Medical Association Journal</u> , 1928, XVIII, 397-399. Autographed presentation copy. (Banting - Best Chair of Medical Research).
1.75	Canadian Society for the Study of Diseases of Children. List of Members, Sept. 1946, 2 copies. (1) Alphabetical, (2) Geographical.
1.76	Clippings relating to Medical Archives, History, Practice.
1.77	Clippings, quotations, non-medical.
1.78	Historical Account of 'Old' Hospital for Sick Children, 1883-1936.

PHOTOGRAPHS

The following material has been transferred to the National Photography Collection.

1 photograph of Dr. John R. Ross beside tombstone of his great grandfather Alexander Ross. Inisfil cemetery north of Churchill.

3 photographs of Dr. Alan Brown, Chief of Paediatrics, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto. On the back of one photograph Brown is described as "a tyrant in the treatment of his medical staff."

1 photograph of Dr. Earl J. King and Family. Dr. King was a Biochemist at the Banting Institute until 1935 when he transferred to Hammersmith Hospital, London, England.

1 group photograph May 14, 1976, University of Toronto Medical Alumni Association, reunion of class of 1926. Accompanied by Key to identification.

1 group photograph, 26th Field Ambulance. RCAMA, C.A. Camp Sarcee, 1st September 1942. Commanded by Lt. Col. John R. Ross, M.D.

1 group photograph, Niagara Military Camp 1932. Names of some officers written on face of photograph.

1 group photograph, 3rd Refresher War Course, Royal Military College, 28 July - 9 August 1940. Accompanied by Key to identification.