

PIMLOTT, DOUGLAS H.

ACCESSION NUMBER: B1990-0023

PHYSICAL FORM: Textual

DATE(S): 1971-1978

EXTENT: 1 box

EXTENT IN LINEAR METRES: 0.39

SCOPE AND CONTENTS: Briefs, press releases and reports documenting Prof. Pimlott's relationship with the Dept. of Zoology, Pollution Probe at the University of Toronto and environmental issues generally.

FINDING AIDS: None

ACCESS: Open

PIMLOTT, DOUGLAS H.

ACCESSION NUMBER: B1978-0020

PHYSICAL FORM: Textual Cartographic Moving images

DATE(S): 1913-1972

EXTENT: 35 boxes

EXTENT IN LINEAR METRES: 6.55

SCOPE AND CONTENTS: Correspondence, memoranda, reports, field notes, publications, brochures, maps and films relating to Douglas Pimlott's career as zoologist and professor at the University of Toronto. The records relate to provincial commissions and committees (Newfoundland and Ontario) of which he was a member, and includes files on areas of his major research interest: the environment (oil, pollution, Alaska pipeline, pesticides), water policy, provincial resources, and northern development. The field notes are from his study of the moose population in Newfoundland.

FINDING AIDS: None

ACCESS: Open

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Biographical Note

Douglas Humphreys Pimlott was born in Quyon, Quebec in 1920. After military service in the war, he graduated in 1949 with a Bachelor of Science in Forestry from the University of New Brunswick. During the 1950's he obtained a Master of Science in wildlife management (1954) and a Ph.D. in zoology and wildlife management (1959) from the University of Wisconsin. While earning these degrees, he was employed in wildlife research and management with the Newfoundland Government from 1950-1957. He was in charge of wolf research for the Ontario Department of Lands and Forests from 1958 to 1962 when he joined the Department of Zoology of the University of Toronto. During his career, Prof. Pimlott became best known for his writings on wolves, parks and wilderness and later, on environmental problems in the Arctic.

He was a past president of the Canadian Nature Federation, a founding member and former chairman of the Canadian Arctic Resources Committee and past president of the Canadian Society of Zoology. In 1971 he was invited to become a member of the Survival Service Commission of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN) as a leader of a Specialist World Wolf group. In the summer of 1973 he toured Europe lecturing, consulting with government officials and examining wolf habitats. Other associations he was actively involved in were the Canadian Audubon Society, Algonquin Wildlands League and the Wilderness Society.

Scope and Content

Records [multimedia] 1949-1987 2.50 m

This accession documents primarily the research and writing activities of Prof. Pimlott during his academic career as a student, environmentalist and teacher of zoology and forestry at the University of Toronto. Documentation of his participation in various national and inter-national organizations is found among professional correspondence (Series I) and subject files (Series IV). Drafts and offprints of his writings as a student (including his doctoral thesis), government employee, and professor of zoology at the University of Toronto are contained in Series VI and VII. Much of the early data he collected on moose for both his theses and government reports and later, on wolves are to be found in the research materials and field notebooks in Series VIII and Series IX. Additional correspondence following his death on July 31, 1978 has been preserved in Series III and contains tributes, and summaries of his contributions and accomplishments to wildlife management and the environment.

Access: All records are open except for Series IV Box 006 (01) which is closed until 2007

Related Accession: B1978-0020, B1990-0023

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Series 1 Professional activities

1962-1978 0.21m textual

This series consists of predominantly incoming and outgoing correspondence with colleagues, associates, and others relating to his research, publishing and association activities. The majority of the correspondence begins with his appointment to the University of Toronto, Department of Zoology in 1962 and continues until his death in July, 1978. Among the correspondents are H. Albert Hochbaum (including copies of "Wilderness wildlife in Canada" (1969), representatives of various national and international governments regarding the study of wolves, private individuals including school children interested in the protection of wolves, organizations such as the World Wildlife Fund, the Canadian Arctic Resources Committee, International Union for Conservation of Nature and Nature Resources (Wolf Specialist Group) and others.

Arranged chronologically by year.

B1995-0003/001 and /002 (01) - (03)

Series 2 University of Toronto

1962-1978 0.14m textual

This series consists mainly of incoming and outgoing memoranda and correspondence with administrators and faculty in the Department of Zoology, Faculty of Forestry (to which he was cross-appointed in 1969). Subjects include teaching responsibilities and course development, leaves of absence for research, conference attendance, etc.

B1995-0003/002 (04)-(06), and /003 (01)-(03)

See Also Series 5: Course materials

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Series 3 Personal and In Memorabilia

1954-1987 0.07m textual

This series consists of predominantly incoming correspondence received during the last months of his life, and condolence and tribute letters after his death on July 31, 1978. Also included is a file of memorial newspaper and magazine articles.

Copies of diplomas for his Master of Science (1954) and Doctorate degrees (1959) and awards from the Federation of Ontario Naturalists, Canadian Meteorological Society (1977), 25th Anniversary of accession of Queen Elizabeth (1977), Centennial Medal (1967) will be found in B1995-0003/003 (04).

Arranged chronologically.

B1995-0003/003 (04) - (10)

Series 4 Subject files

1963-1977 .49m textual

During his life, Dr. Pimlott was involved in many ecological and environmental issues and organizations relating to wildlife conservation and the Arctic. This series correspondence, drafts of articles, notes, newsletters, etc. documenting his participation in the Algonquin Wildlife League, as founding member and later, chairman, of the Canadian Arctic Resources Committee, and in the World Wolf Conservation Group of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Resources (IUCN), among others. Also included in this series is correspondence regarding his research on wolves, grant applications to the National Research Council, and the Canadian National Sportsmen's Show, and Quetico Provincial Park.

Access: Restricted until 2007: Box B1995-0003/006 (01) Mosquin, Theodore

Arranged alphabetically by topic. See Appendix A for listing: B1995-0008/004 - 006, and / B1995-0003/007 (01)-(03)

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Series 5 Course materials

ca 1965 & 1974 0.07m textual; sound recording

Dr. Pimlott was appointed to the Department of Zoology in 1962. This series contains all that has survived of course materials and student reports for three courses taught by Dr. Pimlott in zoology. Also included is a tape and transcript of instructions for a new course in Animal ecology dictated shortly before his death in March, 1978.

B1995-0003/007 (04) - (09); one cassette tape has been removed to B1995-0003/001S

Series 6 Addresses

n.d., 1975 0.07m textual; sound recording

Dr. Pimlott's expertise in wildlife preservation and the ecology resulted in requests to speak at conferences, government bodies and meetings of various local groups interested in the environment. These files consist of rough notes prepared for talks in Halifax, Sault Ste Marie, Regina and other unidentified locations on such topics as Arctic ecology and off-shore drilling, history of Algonquin Wildlands League, and wolves and men, among others. Also included is a tape recording of a talk by Stephen Lewis to public meeting of the Algonquin Wildlands League.

B1995-0003/007 (10) - (17) and B1995-0003/001S for sound recording.

Series 7 Reports, articles, papers

1949-1977 0.42m textual; graphic

Dr. Pimlott wrote many articles, reports and papers as a graduate student, employee of the Newfoundland government (1950-1957) and Ontario Government's Department of Lands and Forests (1958-1962), and as professor of zoology at the University of Toronto (1962-1978). This series contains a wide variety of these writings covering his early studies of moose (later used for his doctoral theses entitled "Reproduction productivity and harvests of Newfoundland Moose", 1958) and wolves to his later work as environmentalist. Files include correspondence, draft manuscripts, reports, and offprints.

Arranged chronologically.

See Appendix B for listing: B1995-0003/008 - 010.

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Series 8 Research materials

1951-1974 0.42m textual

This series consists of original data, correspondence, and notes compiled for research on moose during Dr. Pimlott's employment with the Newfoundland government and in preparation for his doctoral thesis at the University of Wisconsin (1951-1960). Also included is a draft of a paper by D.A. Chant, Professor of Zoology, University of Toronto, entitled "Biological and ethical considerations related to the question of growth" (Oct. 1974).

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See Also Series 7 Cartographic materials;
Associated Accession B1978-0020/025 to /035

Series 9 Field notebooks and diaries

1953-1974 0.42m textual

Throughout his career, Dr. Pimlott continued to undertake field research on wolves, caribou and other wildlife in both Canada and Europe. This series consists of original field notebooks containing observations of wolves in Algonquin Park (Ontario), and Baffin Island as well as brief diaries of research trips to Portugal, Spain, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia and other European countries. Among the more detailed diaries, are those kept at Inuvik, NWT, during a leave of absence from the University of Toronto. During this year (1973-1974) Dr. Pimlott was retained by the Canadian Arctic Resources Committee (CARC) to serve as a Resource worker with the Committee on Original Peoples' Entitlement (COPE).

B1995-0003/014 – 016

Associated Accession B1978-0020/025 to /035

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Series 10 Graphic materials

1962-1968 0.07 m graphic

<u>Box (file)</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
B1995-0003		
/001P (01)	Two photographs of Dr. Pimlott with some of his students	Oct. 1962
/001P (02)	Trip to Allegheny National Forest, Pennsylvania with students 7 photographs, b&w.	Nov. 1962
/001P (03)	[field trip photographs "resting on a pack trip] 2 photographs, b & w	1967-1968?
/001P (04)	Mrs Mujib [student of Dr. Pimlott] from West Pakistan, at home of Dr. and Mrs Pimlott	Dec. 29 1963

Series 11 Sound recordings

1975-1978 2 cassettes sound recordings

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
B1995-0003		
/001S	Address by Stephen Lewis to public meeting sponsored by Algonquin Wildlands League, Huntsville, July 27,1975	July 27 1975
/002S	To J. Bendell from D.H. Pimlott March 17 and 21, 1978". Re Animal Ecology labs and lectures	March 17 & 21, 1978

Series 12 Cartographic material

1958-1964 23 items cartographic

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
B1995-0003		
/001A – 002A	"Wolf study maps Algonquin Park" 10 items. Annotated printed maps.	1958-1962
/003A-/004A	"Wolf pack distribution maps (Algonquin Park) Rough" 9 items	1958-1964
/005A	"Source Lake Wolf Pack Observations [Algonquin Park]" 4 items	1962-1963

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Appendix A **Series 4: Subject files**

Box	File	Description	Dates
B1995-0003/004	(01)-(02)	Algonquin Wildlife League--includes Preliminary report, Lake Superior Park	1963-1970
	(03)-(04)	Boundary Waters Canoe Area	1970-1972
	(05)-(06)	Canadian Arctic Resources Committee	1974-1978
	(07)	Earthcare	1975
	(08)-(10)	Grants - National Research Council, Canadian National Sportsmen's Show.	1963-1971
B1995-0003/005		International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Resources. Includes, among others, Banff conference materials (1972), copy of <i>Wolves. Proceedings of the first working meeting of wolf specialists and of the First International Conference on Conservation of the Wolf</i> (1973) edited by Douglas Pimlott.	1971-1978
B1995-0003/006	(01)	Theodore Mosquin - Restricted	1977
	(02)	Off-shore drilling	1973-1974
	(03)	Pollution	1968-1977
	(04)-(05)	Publications - including list	1971-1978
	(06)	Quetico Provincial Park	1970-1971
	(07)	Resources for Tomorrow Conference proceedings	Oct. 1961
	(08)	Trustees for Alaska	1976-1977
	(09)	Wolves	1971-1975
B1995-0003/007	(01)	Wolves	1977
	(02)	Minnesota wolves	1972-1973
	(03)	Wolf Group funds	1970-1972

Appendix B

Series 7: Reports, articles and papers

Box	File	Description	Dates
B1995-0003/008	(01)	Cottontail rabbit study	ca. 1949
	(02)	Report on the pintail banding project	1949
	(03)	Second report on economic status of the herring gull	1949
	(04)	A report of a deciduous forest succession in southern Wisconsin	1950
	(05)	The economic status of the herring gulls of Grand Mananarchipelago, New Brunswick, 1949	1952
	(06)	Anticosti Island – correspondence, papers, etc	1954
	(07)	Deer range conditions on Anticosti Island	ca. 1954
	(08)	The effect of deer browsing on forest reproduction on Anticosti Island	[1954]?
	(09)	Moose and the Newfoundland forests	1955
	(10)	Moose reproduction study	[1955?]
	(11)-(12)	Some aspects of moose activity in Newfoundland - drafts	ca 1955
	(13)-(14)	Newfoundland Reports - by D.H. Pimlott - typescript collection of reports, articles etc.	1953-1956
	B1995-0003/009	(01)	Moose reproduction study – a preliminary report
(02)		Age determination in moose from sectioned incisor teeth	[1958?]
(03)		A macroscopic ovary sectioning method - with H. W. Mossman	[ca. 1958]
(04)		Breeding behaviour and reproduction of the Milwaukee Zoo moose	1958
(05)		Moose harvest in Newfoundland and Fennoscandian countries	1959
(06)		Reproduction productivity and harvests of Newfoundland moose -- PhD thesis, University of Wisconsin	1958
(07)		Moose reproduction and productivity--drafts, editors comments	1958-1959
(08)		A sea-bird banding trip to Funk Island	1958
(09)-(10)		Reports on studies re wolves	1960-1965

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B1995-003/010	(01)	Influence of deer and moose on boreal forest vegetation in two areas of eastern Canada	n.d.
	(02)	Accessibility of hunting areas and big games kills in Quebec	n.d.
	(03)	Do foresters really accept the multiple use concept	1966
	(04)	Deer articles - Quebec	1968
	(05)	Mammals and forests of the future	1968
	(06)	Air of Death programme, CBC	1969
	(07)	The struggle to save a park - <i>Canadian Audubon Magazine</i>	1969
	(08)	Predation and productivity of game populations in North America	1970
	(09)	'Parks and other wild places'-proposed book	ca. 1971
	(10)	People and the north	1972
	(11)	Papers re environment	1960-1977
	(12)	Papers, articles re wolves	1960-1977
	(13)	Arctic - off-shore drilling articles	ca.1974-1975
	(14)	Wolves - draft papers	1972-1973