Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario records

1940-1989

*Ontario Editorial Bureau fonds*

RG 75-42

Brock University Archives

**Creator:** Ontario Editorial Bureau

**Extent:** 1.4 metres of textual records (4 boxes)
12 photographs

**Abstract:** This archive is part of the larger Ontario Editorial Bureau Fonds (OEB) housed at Brock University. The records contain information about the activities of the Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario. The bulk of the material is correspondence and media releases.

**Materials:** Correspondence, media releases, invoices, journals, magazines, newsletters, photographs.

**Repository:** Brock University Archives

**Processed by:** Chantal Cameron

**Last updated:** April 2015

---

**Terms of use:** The Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario records are open for research.

**Use restrictions:** Current copyright applies. In some instances, researchers must obtain the written permission of the holder(s) of copyright and the Brock University
Archives before publishing quotations from materials in the collection. Most papers may be copied in accordance with the Library’s usual procedures unless otherwise specified.

**Preferred citation:**
RG 75-42, Ontario Editorial Bureau fonds, Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario fonds, 1948-1989, Brock University Archives, Brock University.

**Acquisition info.:**
This collection is part of the Ontario Editorial Bureau Fonds, donated by Lou Cahill in November, 1997.

**Administrative history:**

The Act to establish the Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario (APEO) was passed on June 14, 1922. The creation of the APEO was part of a larger movement in Canada to license the engineering profession. At first, membership in the APEO was not mandatory in order to work as an engineer, but this changed in 1937 when the Professional Engineers Act was amended so that licensing by the APEO was required. In 1945, the initials “P. Eng.” were adopted by the APEO as the official abbreviation of the professional engineer. Many other amendments have been made over the years in order to strengthen the APEO’s ability to regulate the profession. Members of the APEO must also abide by a Code of Ethics, which emphasizes the regard for public welfare as paramount.

There are currently 36 chapters of the APEO. In 1993, the APEO’s name was changed to Professional Engineers of Ontario, in part to emphasize the group’s role as a licensing body for engineers as opposed to an association of member engineers.

Source: Professional Engineers of Ontario website
http://www.peo.on.ca/index.php
Retrieved 2015/04/10

**Scope and content:**

The records contain material about the activities of the Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario (APEO). The bulk of the material is
correspondence and media releases. Some invoices, journals, magazines, newsletters, news clippings, and photographs are also included. Duplicates were removed and discarded. Within folders, material is arranged chronologically.

Organization:

The records were organized into three series:

Series I: Administrative, 1949-1989
   Sub-series A: Correspondence, 1949-1989
   Sub-series B: Invoices, 1956-1986

Series II: Media releases, 1953-1986

Series III: Resources, 1948-1989

Inventory:

Series I: Administrative, 1949-1989

Sub-series A: Correspondence, 1949-1989

1.1-3.8 General correspondence, 1949-1989. Some of the early folders of correspondence (1949-1952) also contain media releases.

Sub-series B: Invoices, 1956-1986

3.9-3.16 Invoices, 1956-1986 [non-inclusive]. Contains financial statements detailing the cost of services rendered and disbursements.

Series II: Media releases, 1953-1986

3.17-4.19 Media releases including articles on Elizabeth MacGill (Elsie) of Fort William, Ontario who was the chief aeronautical engineer of the Canadian Car and Foundry Company, and the only woman member of the engineering institute, 1940-1941, 1953-1986.
Series III: Resources, 1948-1989 [non-inclusive]

4.20 Resources, 1948-1949. Contains a schedule of salaries for professional engineers; principles of job evaluation in the determination of equitable salary structures; By-laws passed by the Council under the Professional Engineers Act; and issues of *The Professional Engineer*, journal of the APEO.


4.22 Resources, 1952. Contains a printed broadcast of “John Fisher Reports” about the Professional Engineers of Ontario, and issues of *The Professional Engineer*.

4.23 Resources, 1953. Contains news clippings, an issue of *The Professional Engineer*, and a booklet entitled *How your company can help promote engineering as a career*.

4.24 Resources, 1954. Contains issues of *The Professional Engineer*; a booklet entitled *Engineering is your Profession* published by the Corporation of Professional Engineers of Quebec; a brief submitted to the Ontario Legislature by the APEO; and a public relations study entitled *Silent Service is not Enough* by the APEO.

4.25 Resources, 1956. Contains issues of *The Professional Engineer* and bulletins by the Association for Management and Professional Engineers entitled *Professional Recognition*.

4.26 Resources, 1957. Contains issues of *The Professional Engineer*, a booklet by the APEO entitled *Serving the Engineering Profession in Ontario*, and an issue of *The Canadian Professional Engineer*.


4.28 Resources, 1966. Contains a draft of a brochure about the APEO.

4.29 Resources, 1969. Contains a booklet entitled *Putting public relations to work for*
your chapter by the APEO, and a copy of the opening address for the debate on the Professional Engineers Act in the Ontario Legislature by Harold MacKenzie.

4.30 Resources, 1970. Contains a news clipping and a list of Council members of the APEO.

4.31 Resources, 1972. Contains news clippings, issues of Engineering Digest, and a report on a proposed public relations program for the APEO by the Ontario Editorial Bureau.

4.32 Resources, 1973. Contains a photograph; a membership list of the Association of Professional Engineers of Saskatchewan; a commemorative program of the Centennial of the International Railway Bridge Erection, Buffalo-Fort Erie; an address by C.J. Moull, president of the Association of Professional Engineers of Ontario titled Nationalism and Canadian Engineering; issues of Engineering Digest; and news clippings.

4.33 Resources, 1974. Contains photographs; a program of the Convention of the Panamerican Union of Engineering Associations; a program of a testimonial dinner in honour of L.C. Sentence; an issue of Engineering Digest; and news clippings.

4.34 Resources, 1975. Contains news clippings and a press kit from the 54th Annual meeting of the APEO.

4.35 Resources, 1976. Contains photographs of L. Patrick Ryan, General Secretary of the AEPO; Oscar J. Zanatta, President of the APEO; W.K. Bilanski, 1st vice president of the APEO; and M.N. Patterson, 2nd vice president of the APEO.

4.36 Resources, 1977. Contains a program for ENGCON 1977; a program of the APEO annual awards presentation and dinner; and an issue of Engineering Digest.

4.37 Resources, 1980. Contains news clippings about the APEO’s annual awards.


4.40 Resources, 1985. Contains a brochure on Engineers and the media published by the APEO and a newsletter of the Pennsylvania Society of Professional Engineers.

