



The CABHC Patch

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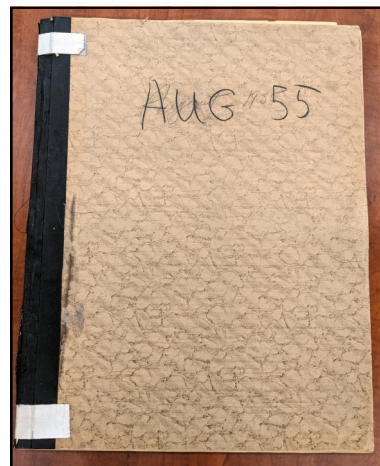
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Digitization tools

Our newspaper scanning project is continuing at a steady pace, with a few road bumps along the way. There are some months of *The Daily Intelligencer* which are missing from the microfilm sequence, and which don't exist in paper copy, for example. In 1955, the newspapers for the summer months were never microfilmed, although we do hold them in their paper form.

In the 1950s, the staff of the *Intelligencer* used to bind each month's newspapers in cardboard covers, as these photographs show:

The binding was too tight to allow for photographing the text, which meant that some dismantling work was required. After removing the black tape over the spine, the binding method was revealed as a set of wires, tied through holes punched in the newspapers' left edge.



Fortunately, one of the things the Community Archives inherited from the Hastings County Historical Society was a series of useful hand tools. A pair of cutters made quick work of the wire binding, allowing us to

separate the newspapers and photograph them.

Once digitized, the newspapers were transferred to an archival quality box for long-term storage and protection.

You can find the digital copy of this volume [online at the Internet Archive](#).



Recent Additions to the Archives

2021-058 Scanned copies of pages from a Royal Flying Corps pilot's photograph album, 1917-1935

2021-059 Digital photograph of former Schryver's drugstore sign at 214 Front Street, Belleville, 2021

2021-060 Bell telephone directory for Belleville, Trenton, Picton areas, 1936

2021-062 Digital photograph of Simpson's Tavern plaque, 2021

2021-064 Additional materials from Gerry Boyce, 1947-2019

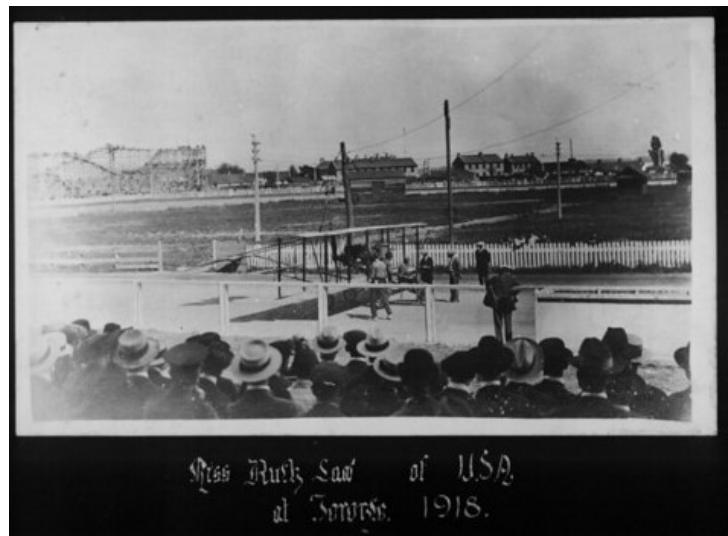


CABHC: 2021-058/16 Vernon Castle and his monkey, Jeffrey, c.1917

The Royal Flying Corps in Deseronto and Texas

The archives was recently contacted by a correspondent in Texas who had found a photographic copy of an album compiled by an unidentified pilot instructor from the First World War. Our donor sent us copies of these images, which are now available on [Flickr](#).

The photographs were taken during the pilot's time at Camp Mohawk near Deseronto and at Camp Taliaferro near Fort Worth in Texas. As well as the usual photographs of aircraft and crashes, there are some celebrity sightings. The photographer visited the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto and was there to see the performance of American pilot Ruth Law (1887-1970) on 29 June 1918.



CABHC: 2021-058/34 Ruth Law at the CNE, 19 June 1918

The images also include a photograph of Captain Vernon Castle (1887-1918), a ballroom-dancing movie star who served as a pilot and a pilot-trainer in the war. Castle was killed in a flying accident on 15 February 1918. There are also photographs of his funeral procession.



CABHC: 2021-058/04 Vernon Castle's funeral procession in Fort Worth, 16 February 1918