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**Inventory of the
E. A. Beder fonds**

Inventory #F0264

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Fonds/Collection Number: F0264**Title:** E. A. Beder fonds**Dates:** 1921-1972**Extent:** 1.5 m of textual records

**Biographical Sketch/
Administrative History:** Edward Arthur Beder (1895-1978), political activist and author, was born in London, England in 1895 and subsequently emigrated to Canada where he established himself in business. In 1932 he became involved with the founders of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF), at a time when he was writing for the #Canadian forum#. He served as chairman of the Organization Committee for Ontario, organized the CCF Club in Toronto and other parts of the province and served as Vice-President of the first Ontario Provincial Council of the CCF. Beder also served as Secretary of the Canadian League Against War and Fascism and was Secretary of the Socialist Party of Canada (Ontario Section). Beder also lectured for the Workers# Education Alliance.

Scope and Content: The fonds documents Edward Arthur Beder#s activities as political activist and author and includes manuscripts, 1921-1970; correspondence, 1923-1972; membership lists; files of the Socialist Party of Canada; League for Social Reconstruction, 1933; Canadian League Against War and Fascism, 1934-1937; project outlines files, 1935-1936; lecture notes and abstracts, 1934-1965; notes, 1935-1946; printed material, 1930-1972; and news clippings, 1921-1972.

**Restrictions on
Access and Use:** No restrictions on access.

Finding Aid: File list available.

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Accruals: The fonds comprises the following accession: 1972-001. Further accruals may be expected.

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