Creator: Robert John Butler Pearson 1918-1999

Historical Note: Robert John Butler Pearson was born in Melbourne in 1918. He was a student at Melbourne High School and subsequently completed his education in Metallurgical Engineering at the Melbourne Technical College.

In December 1937 Mr Pearson joined the staff of Metal Manufactures, Port Kembla. He became Foundry Superintendent in 1943 and, later made his way to the General Managership of the Port Kemble works.

When the University of Wollongong was still a college of the University of New South Wales, Mr Pearson became a member of its Advisory Council, and upon the University’s incorporation he was made a member of its first Council. He also held the position of Chairmen of Council of the former Wollongong Institute of Education, a position he maintained until the amalgamation of the Institute with the University in 1982.

This collection comprises both records from Mr Pearson’s involvement with the Metal Manufactures at Port Kembla and his personal collections of newspapers and books.

Record Summary: Business records and personal records – annual reports, newspapers, books and journals.

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