

# THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

**NAME OF COLLECTION:** **McKAY AUSTRALIA LTD**

**ACCESSION NO:** **100/23**

**CATEGORY:** Business, organisations  
**ACTIVITY:** Agricultural machinery manufacturer

**DATE RANGE:** 1951 - 1980

**SIZE OF COLLECTION:** 0.5 cm

**DATE OF TRANSFER:** 17 Mar 2000

**ACCESS CONDITIONS:** Open

**HISTORICAL NOTE:** The company was founded in 1932 by Ralph McKay a nephew of H V McKay. Ralph McKay Ltd was incorporated in Victoria 30 Jun 1950. The company established a promotion & distribution centre in Hong Kong and gained considerable growth through a number of acquisitions. It had an operation in Canada and in Jan 1985 it acquired the Empire Plow Company Inc of Cleveland, USA to make it a "market leader in tillage components sector of the North American farm machinery market" it changed its name to McKay Australia Ltd on 29 Nov 1988. In Dec 1990 the company appointed a Receiver Manager and stock exchange trading was suspended on 19 Dec 1990. The company was delisted 22 Dec 1992 by order of the Australian Stock Exchange.

**DESCRIPTION:** Printed annual reports

**FORM:**

**NOTE ON COLLECTIONS:**  
**NOTE ON LISTINGS:**

**RELATED COLLECTIONS:** Massey Ferguson Iseki

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| 1                  |                          | Annual Report & Balance Sheet<br>1951 – 1970, 1972 – 1976, 1980 |