



Edith Catherwood

(1891-1993)

“An astute business woman with style and a rare sense of humour”

First female notary public in Mission and one of the first in all of B.C. Edith Catherwood (1891-1993) was a life time resident of Mission.

She went to “Normal School” and became a teacher in 1911. During her career she taught in Merrit Abbotsford and Mission Central School.

In 1918 she quit teaching to help with her father’s real estate and insurance business and upon her fathers death in 1941 she took over the business.

In 1941 she also became a Notary Public for the Village of Mission. She was breaking new ground challenging the social norms and thus was able to achieve then what is still a challenge for women today.

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