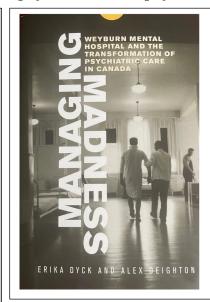


Dr. Erika Dyck, Historian at the University of Saskatchewan, has done yeoman work researching and presenting Saskatchewan's pioneering work with psychedelics as psychotherapeutics. P.W. Barber too.

My father was treated with LSD at Weyburn Psychiatric Hospital in the 1950's. It actually worked for many people, though at 90—when he first talked about it with me—he said "It only scared the sh\_t out of me!" But it worked well for many. I can only imagine my father's discomfort in such a setting—being "sent to Weyburn" was the ultimate embarrassing taunt—and his continuing difficulties might also be attributed to the fact that my poor aggrieved and angry mother, with two young children out on a farm, received no "treatment" of her own as the wife of an alcoholic. Imagining the ongoing pain of it all disconcerts me.



Erika, along with grad student Alex Deighton, completed a masterful (2017, University of Manitoba) history of mental health treatment in Saskatchewan that speaks to the experience of the rest of the Continent.