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Opening of Steam Plant

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History /

Biographical:

The 1960s campus expansion necessitated a large, updated heat source so a central steam plant fueled by coal was built north of the campus adjacent to the CPR rail lines on Pacific Avenue. A 25-year agreement was made between the University and John R. Brodie of the Great West Coal Company, which guaranteed BU lower coal prices tendered by the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways on an annual basis. Brandon College Engineer John Kasiurak officially opened the Heating Plant on 24 January 1962. An extension and/or upgrade of the steam plant appears to have occurred in 1970.

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Scope and Content:

Photograph shows dignitaries at the opening of Brandon University's steam (heating) plant located at 20th Street and Pacific Avenue beside the railroad tracks. L to R: Bill Fotheringham ?, Wilf McGregor, John Robbins, John Kasurak, ?, E. Murray Simpson (Architect).

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Photograph shows dignitaries at the opening of Brandon University's steam plant located at 20th Street and Pacific Avenue beside the railroad tracks. L to R: Wilf McGregor, S.A. Magnacca (Mayor), John Kasurak, E.A. (Andy) Anderson. Anderson appears to be demonstrating how a piece of machinery works.

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Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the representative for the construction firm turning over the keys of Brandon University's new Steam Plant to Wilf McGregor at the Steam Plant opening. L to R: Wilfred F. McGregor (Chairman of Brandon College Board of Directors), E. Murray Simpson, Architect (representing GBA Associates) and ? (representing the Construction firm).

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