

S. J. McKee Archives



Archibald E. Wilson fonds

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Other Title Info: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Part Of: Archibald E. Wilson fonds

Description Level: Fonds
Accession Number: 18-2000

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1895-1932; 1971

Physical Description: 2 cm

History / Biographical:

Archibald E. Wilson was the son of Reverend E.F. Wilson and the husband of St. Clair Vidal Wilson. Rev. E.F. Wilson was at one time in charge of the Shingwauk and Wawanosh Homes at Sault Ste. Marie. Rev. E.F. Wilson moved to Elkhorn, Manitoba in 1888, to establish an educational home for Indian children. He was joined by his son, Archibald E. Wilson who was, in 1890, appointed assistant to the superintendent. A.E. Wilson became Principal of the Indian Industrial School in 1892. His wife served as Matron of the girls departments. Togerher they had three daughters: E.F. Metita, Winifred St. Clair and Murial Grace, as well as two sons: Edward Vidal, and St. Clair Vidal Wilson.

Archibald Wilson and his family lived in Elkhorn, Manitoba during the years 1892 to 1918 while he was principal. At the beginning of his term as Principal there were 12 students enrolled; enrollment reached as high as 95 students, representing eight different nations. In February of 1918, the government withdrew funding and the school closed. In September of 1918, Wilson left Elkhorn to take up his new position as a clerk at an Indian Reserve near Gleichen, Alberta.

During its years of operation, the Elkhorn Industrial School included an Athletic department, a curling team and a boys' football team. Students studied carpentry, shoemaking, harness making, tailoring, knitting and sewing. In 1893, the school was presented with a large Canadian flag for being the best Industrial School in Manitoba and the Territories. In November of 1893, a brass band was established, which provided music for the local Anglican Chruch. After a fire demolished most of the school in 1895, Wilson convinced the Federal Department of Indian Affairs to rebuild the school. In 1899, the Elkhorn Industrial School was reopened.

Custodial History:

Most of this fonds was at one time in the possession of Principal A.E. Wilson. After Wilson passed away the pieces of the fonds were kept by one of his daughters, Winifred St. Clair Wilson, now deceased. Winifred married Mr. Frank Clark, M.D. and kept the fonds when she moved to Vancouver B.C. and then to Calgary, Alberta. Winifred Clark eventually donated the fonds to the McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

Fonds includes four journals, one testimonial and one newspaper article. The journals include: the '7th Annual Report of the Washakada Indian Homet 1895-1896,' written by Principal A.E. Wilson; 'The Greater Britain Messenger' September and October 1899, which includes the article 'The Elkhorn Home, Manitoba;' 'The National Monthly of Canada' September 1902, which includes the article 'Indian Children at Home;' and the Centeneray Number (March-April 1932) issue of 'The Algoma Missionary News,' which includes an article giving information about Rev. E.F. Wilson and his missionary work.

Fonds also includes an article from the November 19, 1971 edition of The Vancouver Sun, entitled "Leisure's Book Reviews," which discusses Indigenous publications in Canada. The testimonial that is included in the fonds, was given to Archibald Wilson upon his departure from Elkhorn. There are 28 subscribers to the testimonial and it is dated September 19, 1918.

Notes: The Wilsons are discussed in J.R. Miller's "Skyscrapers Hide the

Heavens: A History of Indian-White Relations in Canada," Miller's "Shingwauk's vision :a history of native residential schools" and John S.

Milloy's "A National Crime: The Canadian Government and the

Residential School System 1879-1986." Description by Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2000 accessions



City Hall and Prince Edward Hotel

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Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.1Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.25" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo was taken from the west side of 8th Street looking west. City Hall is in the foreground with the Prince Edward Hotel in the background.

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The foot of 10th street

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6427

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.2Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911Physical Description:9" x 7" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo was taken from the 100 block of 10th Street looking north. At the bottom of 10th Street is the CPR Station. Also visible are the Canadian Bank of Commerce, the Cecil Hotel, The Sun, the Royal Bank of Canada and the awning on Davidson & Gowen.

Notes: An 11.75" x 8" (b/w) print of this photograph is located with the original at

6-1999.2. A digital scan of the photograph is available on a CD located

in the Archives' office.

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10th street south from Pacific avenue

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Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.3Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911Physical Description:9" x 7" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo was taken of 10th Street from Pacific Avenue looking sourth. Visible businesses include: the Cecil Hotel; the Canadian Bank of Commerce; Campbell and Campbell; and the Bank of British North America

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Rosser avenue west from 7th street

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6429

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.4Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.25" x 7.25" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo was taken of Rosser Avenue from 7th Street looking west. Visible businesses include: ? and Ball; Vincent & MacPherson; W.N. Finlay; Christie's; J. Burchill; the Empire Hotel; and Fleming's Drug Store. A number of people and vehicles are visible on both sides of the street.

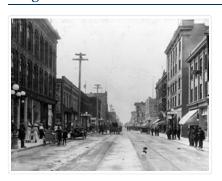
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City Hall

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Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.5Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.25" x 7.25" (b/w)

History / Biographical:

Brandon's City Hall and Opera House opened on New Year's Day 1892 with the Annual Fireman's Ball. The exterior of the building was designed by Brandon architect W.R. Marshall. At the south end was the Opera House, an auditorium formed by an internally exposed framework of delicate iron pillars and trusses. Demonlished in 1971, the limestone rubble of the foundations were turned into a sunken garden located in Princess Park.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo was taken from the northwest corner of 9th Street and Princess Avenue and shows the west side of City Hall.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the Assiniboine Historical Society's

Brandon: An Architectural Walking Tour pamphlet (1982).

Location Copy: A 5" x 7" (b/w) reproduction of the photograph is located with the original.

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Brandon Insane Asylum

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6431

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.6Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911Physical Description:9.5" x 7" (b/w)

Physical Condition: A piece of the photograph is missing on the left side. A small portion of

one of the buildings is missing as a result.

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Insane Asylum was located on the north bank of the Assiniboine River, two miles north of Brandon. It had a southern aspect.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo was taken looking northeast and shows the front and west side of the Brandon Insane Asylum. Construction materials are visible at the base of the building.

Notes: A 5" x 7" (b/w) reproduction of the photograph is located with the original.

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Brandon General Hospital

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6432

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.7Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.25" x 7" (b/w)

History / Biographical:

The Brandon General Hospital was located on McTavish Avenue between Russell and Frederick Streets.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows the original Brandon General Hospital.

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Brandon court house

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6433

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Description Level: Item
Item Number: 6-1999.8
Accession Number: 6-1999

Physical Description: 9.25" x 7.25" (b/w)

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Brandon College

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6434

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.9Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.25" x 7" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo is looking northwest from 18th Street and shows the front and south end of Clark Hall and the Original Brandon College Building.

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Canadian Pacific Railway depot

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6435

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.10Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.25" (b/w)

History / Biographical:

The 1911 station, shown in this photograph, was annexed to the old station by a breezeway. Addition architectural information is available in the Assiboine Historical Society's Brandon: An Architectural Walking Tour pamphlet (1982).

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo is looking north from 10th Street and shows the front of the Canadian Pacific Railway depot, located on the northside of Pacific Avenue. A number of people and vehicles a visible in front of the building.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the Assiboine Historical Society's

Brandon: An Architectural Walking Tour pamphlet (1982).

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Great Northern Railway depot

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6436

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 6-1999.11 Accession Number: 6-1999

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7" (b/w)

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Wholesale district

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6437

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.12Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 5.25" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo was taken from the International Harvester Co. building looking east. The railyards, Brandon Cold Storage, and the Codville Company warehouse are visible.

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View from 1st street bridge looking west

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6438

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.13Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.5" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows Brandon from the 1st Street bridge, looking west. Massey-Harris Co. Limited and the Cockshutt Plow Company Limited are visible.

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Canadian Pacific Railway yards

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6439

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.14Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911Physical Description:9.25" x 7" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows a portion of the Canadian Pacific Railway yards.

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View east-southeast from tower of Brandon Brewery

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6440

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.15Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.25" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows view east-southeast from tower of Brandon Brewery. Assiniboine Avenue and the west ramp of the Overhead bridge are visible.

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Canadian Pacific Railway tracks

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6441

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.16Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.25" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks looking east from the Overhead bridge. Businesses in the photograph include: Chatham Fanning Mills; Ogilvie; Hanbury Manufacturing Co.; and Western Canada Flour Mills Co. Ltd. The rail car in the bottom left of the photo reads "The World's Greatest Independent Show, The Great Sells-Floto, Circuses Consolidated."

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Canadian Northern Railway yards

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6442

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.17Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911Physical Description:9" x 6.75" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo of the Canadian Northern Railway yards.

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Canadian Pacific Railway tracks from 1st street bridge west

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions 6443

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.18Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911

Physical Description: 9" x 7.25" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo of the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks from the 1st Street bridge, looking west.

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Canadian Northern Railway depot

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6444

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number:6-1999.19Accession Number:6-1999GMD:graphicDate Range:ca. 1911Physical Description:9" x 6" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo of the Canadian Northern Railway depot, located between 9th and 10th Streets. The Prince Edward Hotel is in the background.

Notes: An 11.75" x 8" (b/w) print of this photograph is located with the original at

6-1999.19. A digital scan of the photograph is available on a CD located

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