

# S. J. McKee Archives

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## Syndicate Block fire 1916

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13999>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.69  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1916  
Physical Description: 4.25" x 2.5" (b/w)  
Physical Condition: Photograph has hole in bottom right corner  
Custodial History:

Photograph was given to Fred McGuinness by Linda Bilkoski (nee Lepard) of Lac du Bonnet, MB.

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the remains of the Syndicate Block after the fire in January 1916. The building is situated on the southwest corner of Seventh Street and Rosser Avenue. Ice from the firefighting process covers the building. The tailor shop J.S. Laughton & Son (701 Rosser Avenue) can be seen on the north side of Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: 7th Street  
Syndicate Block  
J.S. Laughton & Son  
Rosser Avenue  
Subject Access: fires  
building exteriors  
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940  
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)  
Arrangement:  
McG 4.1 File 27

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## Brandon train station

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14273>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection  
Creator: Photographer: Frank Gowen  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: 3-1997.1  
Item Number: 3-1997.1.75  
Accession Number: 3-1997  
Other Numbers: Hughes #71  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: [1905-1911]  
Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: on matting  
Physical Condition: Photograph is stained

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a CPR passenger trains at the old Brandon train station. Carts/trolleys appear to be loaded with wooden crates and metal milk containers. Photograph was likely taken from the 8th Street Bridge. The ramp to the 8th Street Bridge can be seen on the ride of the photograph, where residences line Assiniboine Avenue.

Name Access: Assiniboine Avenue - Early Scene  
8th Street Bridge

Subject Access: residences  
building exteriors  
residential streets  
railway stations  
railroads

Storage Location: Hughes oversize drawer

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## Brandon Hardware Company Ltd.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13695>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.5

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [191-]

Physical Description: 8.5" x 6.5" (b/w)

Material Details: Reproduction

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Brandon Hardware Company Ltd. storefront at 641 Rosser Avenue on the corner of 7th Street. A billboard advertisement for Stephen's Pure Paints is on the 7th Street side of the building. A company delivery truck is parked on the street. Two men appear to be window shopping on the avenue side of the store.

Name Access: Brandon Hardware Company

Rosser Avenue

7th Street

Subject Access: storefront

store exteriors

hardware

Trucks

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

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## Rosser Avenue, north side 900 block

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13799>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.108

Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1882  
Physical Description: 7.25" x 4.25" (b/w)  
Material Details: On matting  
Physical Condition: Photograph has pen markings and publishing mark-up notes on front and back of matting

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the north side of the 900-block of Rosser Avenue, facing west from 9th Street. All the shops appear to be woodframed buildings; the sidewalk has yet to be installed and wooden planks have been laid down in front of the shops. Visible storefronts include: (left to right): Leask & Rose, general merchants (at the 11th Street intersect); Fortier & Bucke - Manufacturers' Agents and CPR Express Co.; The New Era - real estate office; Imperial Bank of Canada; Durand & Macdonald Law Office, T.D. McLean - jeweller; Deacon & Hooper - grocers; and J. Barker Vosburgh - Surgeon & Dentist. The building in the foreground has Rosser Avenue and 9th Street street signs affixed above the entrance to the building. A chuckwagon is parked in front of Fortier & Bucke.

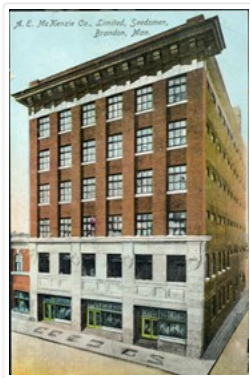
Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph reads: Brandon.

Name Access: Rosser Avenue  
Leask & Rose  
Fortier & Bucke Commision Agents  
The New Era  
Imperial Bank of Canada  
T.D. McLean  
W.A. McDonald soliciter  
J. Barker Vosburgh  
Deacon & Hooper  
9th Street

Subject Access: Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940  
store exteriors  
street scenes  
jewellers  
jewelry stores  
jewelry stores  
signs and signboards  
grocery stores  
general stores  
banks  
surgeons  
dentists  
lawyers  
grocery trade  
hardware stores  
wagons

Storage Location: McGuinness oversize storage drawer (1-2015)

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1C18



### A.E. McKenzie Seeds

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12405>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.35

Accession Number: 3-2012

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [between 1911 and 1913]

Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)

Material Details: Postcard

Physical Condition: Some water damage and staining.

#### Custodial History:

Postcard was donated to the McKee Archives by Allen Drysdale, archivist at Beautiful Plains Archives in October 2011. Drysdale received the postcard as part of a larger donation to his archives.

#### Scope and Content:

Item is a colour postcard of the A.E. McKenzie Seed Company in Brandon, MB. The postcard was sent to John Dorset, Elphinstone, MB from his brother Sid (?).

Name Access: A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited

A.E. McKenzie Seed Company

9th Street

Subject Access: commercial buildings

businesses

downtown

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer



## A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited, Seedmen

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10146>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.34

Accession Number: 17-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. April 8, 1912

Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)

Material Details: Postcard

### Custodial History:

Postcard was sent to Chuck Wilson's aunt, Mrs. W.M. Wilson in Creelman, SK by the McKenzie Seed Company in 1912. Chuck Wilson found the postcard in some of his aunt's papers in 2009 and mailed it to the McKee Archives.

### Scope and Content:

Item consists of a colour postcard of the McKenzie Seed Company building located on the west side of the 100 block of 9th Street. The card was sent to Mrs. W.M. Wilson of Creelman, SK to acknowledge her order.

Writing on the front of the card reads: A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited, Seedsmen, Brandon, Man

Name Access: A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited

A.E. McKenzie Seed Company

9th Street

Subject Access: commercial buildings  
businesses  
Agriculture  
downtown

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

Related Material: RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Seed Co., Ltd. fonds

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### Street scene 8th Street in winter

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13703>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.13

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1906

Physical Description: 4.25" x 3.25" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photograph has been glued to a backing board that has warped over time



History /

Biographical:

On 16 November 1906, Manitoba was hit by a severe winter storm that began that Thursday evening and extended through the weekend. The Brandon Daily Sun ("Storm Extends Over a Large Territory," 17 Nov. 1906, 1) reported that rail and telegraph services had been disrupted, country roads were impassable, and business in town was at a stand still. Following the weekend, the daily reported the blizzard was one of the greatest in recent memory. CPR trains had been caught in drifts by Carberry and an express car had caught fire and was destroyed ("Worst Storm in Many Years," Brandon Daily Sun, 19 Nov. 1906, 1).

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of intersection of the 000 block of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue in the winter. Businesses on the east side of 8th Street from Pacific to Rosser Avenues are clearly visible and include: a Lunch Room (likely Aagaard's Lunch Counter), the Hotel Imperial Annex, Liverpool House (a boarding house), R.S. Thompson and Company Real Estate Office (Land Office), a barber shop (likely J. Coulter's), Frank Gowen photography studio. Fleming's Drug Store on the corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue has been replaced by the Bank of Hamilton. The Imperial Hotel is visible on the west side of 8th Street. The 8th Street Bridge is visible in the background.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 338, November 1906. Page appears to be from a photo album. The photograph appears to be taken from the interior of a building on the southwest corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: Fleming Block  
Frank Gowen Photographer  
Liverpool House  
Hotel Imperial Annex  
8th Street  
Rosser Avenue  
Aagaard's  
R.S. Thompson  
8th Street Bridge  
Bank of Hamilton  
Imperial Hotel

Subject Access: Street scene  
downtown  
storefronts  
store exteriors  
hotels  
boarding houses  
barber shops  
restaurants  
druggists  
photographers  
bridge  
banks  
winter  
land agents

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)



## 8th Street and Rosser Avenue intersection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13768>

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| Part Of:              | Fred McGuinness collection                                                              |
| Description Level:    | Item                                                                                    |
| Series Number:        | McG 9                                                                                   |
| Item Number:          | 20-2009.79                                                                              |
| Accession Number:     | 20-2009                                                                                 |
| GMD:                  | graphic                                                                                 |
| Date Range:           | [1906]                                                                                  |
| Physical Description: | 4.25" x 3.25" (b/w)                                                                     |
| Material Details:     | on matting                                                                              |
| Physical Condition:   | Photograph is scratched and has been glued to a backing board that has warped over time |

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of the northeast intersection of the 000 block of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue. Horse and buggies are parked along the east side of 8th Street. Businesses on the east side of 8th Street from Pacific to Rosser Avenues are clearly visible and include: a Lunch Room (likely Aagaard's Lunch Counter), the Hotel Imperial Annex, Liverpool House (a boarding house), R.S. Thompson and Company Real Estate Office (Land Office), a barber shop (likely J. Coulter's), Frank Gowen photography studio, and Fleming's Drug Store. A possible street fair is in progress on Rosser Avenue. One man is standing on a soap box and is surrounded by a crowd in the middle of 8th Street. Another man can be seen standing behind a booth on the northwest street corner. Building construction appears to be happening on the west corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue.

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| Notes: | Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 297. One photograph (20-2009.80) is glued below the photograph. Another photograph is glued on the reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album. |
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Name Access: Fleming Block  
 Fleming's Drug Store  
 Frank Gowen Photographer  
 Liverpool House  
 Hotel Imperial Annex  
 8th Street  
 Rosser Avenue  
 Aagaard's  
 R.S. Thompson  
 8th Street Bridge

Subject Access: Street scene  
 Transportation  
 downtown  
 storefronts  
 store exteriors  
 hotels  
 boarding houses  
 barber shops  
 restaurants  
 druggists  
 photographers  
 bridge  
 horses  
 dogs  
 buggies

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

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### 8th Street and Rosser Avenue intersection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13701>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
 Description Level: Item  
 Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.11  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: [1906]  
Physical Description: 6.5" x 4.25" (b/w)  
Material Details: on matting  
Physical Condition: Photograph is scratched and has been glued to a backing board that has warped over time

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of intersection of the 000 block of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue. Horse and buggies are travelling on both roads. Businesses on the east side of 8th Street from Pacific to Rosser Avenues are clearly visible and include: a Lunch Room (likely Aagaard's Lunch Counter), the Hotel Imperial Annex, Liverpool House (a boarding house), R.S. Thompson and Company Real Estate Office (Land Office), a barber shop (likely J. Coulter's), Frank Gowen photography studio, and Fleming's Drug Store. A possible street fair is in progress on Rosser Avenue. One man is surrounded by a crowd adjacent to the Fleming Block, another man stands on a soap box in the middle of the intersection, while a third man is standing behind a booth. Building construction appears to be happening on the west corner of 7th Street and Rosser Avenue.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 296. One photograph (20-2009.12) is glued above and two others are glued on the reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block  
Fleming's Drug Store  
Frank Gowen Photographer  
Liverpool House  
Hotel Imperial Annex  
8th Street  
Rosser Avenue  
Aagaard's  
R.S. Thompson  
8th Street Bridge

Subject Access: Street scene  
Transportation  
downtown  
storefronts  
store exteriors  
hotels  
boarding houses  
barber shops  
restaurants  
druggists  
photographers  
bridge  
horses  
dogs  
land agents

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

## Images

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### Street scene 8th Street in winter

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13704>

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Part Of:              | Fred McGuinness collection                                             |
| Description Level:    | Item                                                                   |
| Series Number:        | McG 9                                                                  |
| Item Number:          | 20-2009.14                                                             |
| Accession Number:     | 20-2009                                                                |
| GMD:                  | graphic                                                                |
| Date Range:           | 1906                                                                   |
| Physical Description: | 4.25" x 3.25" (b/w)                                                    |
| Material Details:     | on matting                                                             |
| Physical Condition:   | Photograph has been glued to a backing board that has warped over time |

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#### Biographical:

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Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 340, after the storm November 1906. Page appears to be from a photo album. The photograph appears to be taken from the interior of a building on the southwest corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: Fleming Block  
Frank Gowen Photographer  
Liverpool House  
Hotel Imperial Annex  
8th Street  
Rosser Avenue  
Aagaard's  
R.S. Thompson  
8th Street Bridge  
Bank of Hamilton  
Imperial Hotel

Subject Access: Street scene  
downtown  
storefronts  
store exteriors  
hotels  
boarding houses  
barber shops  
restaurants  
druggists  
photographers  
bridges  
banks  
winter  
Transportation  
sleighs  
storms  
land agents

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

## Images

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