

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Education Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions679>

Part Of: Education building

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.7

Item Number: 2.7.1

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1967

Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Postcard of the Education Building. Shows the east side of the building and the main entrance.

## Images





## Education Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions682>

Part Of: Education building

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.7

Item Number: 2.7.2

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1967

Physical Description: 4.75" x 3.5" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking northwest from the front lawn and shows parked cars and the Education Building, particularly the south side of the building.

### Images

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## Education Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions865>

Part Of: Education building

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.7

Item Number: 2.7.3

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. early 1970s

Physical Description: 5" x 2.25" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking west from the driveway and shows the east side of the Education Building, including the main entrance.

### Images

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## Education Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions868>

Part Of: Education building

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.7

Item Number: 2.7.5

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1970s

Physical Description: 3.25" x 4.5" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking northwest from the front lawn and shows the south east corner of the Education Building.

Notes: Similar to BUPC 2.7.2 but without the cars and people in the foreground.

### Images

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## Education Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions870>

Part Of: Education building

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.7

Item Number: 2.7.6

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. late 1960s/early 1970s

Physical Description: 3.25" x 4" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking northwest from the front lawn and shows the south and east sides of the Education Building.

Notes: Similar to BUPC 2.7.5.

### Images

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## Education Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3023>

Part Of: Education building

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.7

Item Number: 2.7.8

GMD: graphic

Date Range: May, 1978

Physical Description: 3.5" x 5" (colour)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking west southwest and shows the Education Building, including the main entrance. Photograph was taken before the construction of the wheelchair ramp (built in the mid 1980s).

### Images

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## Education Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8210>

Part Of: Education building

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.7

Item Number: 2.7.9

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1971

Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Contact print is looking northwest from the front lawn and shows the east side and southeast corner of the Education Building.

### Images

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## Education Building construction

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8598>

Part Of: Education building  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: 2.7  
Item Number Range: 2.7.11 to 2.7.87  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: c. 1966  
Physical Description: 4.25" x 3.25" (b/w)  
Physical Condition: Some of the photographs have discolored lines through them.

History /

Biographical:

Donkersloot began working at Brandon University in 1971 as the Clerk of Works. From 1973 until his retirement, he was the Director of Physical Plant.

Custodial History:

Photographs were taken by Tom Donkersloot during construction and stored in albums in the Physical Plant H-Hut until they were transferred to the McKee Archives by Doug Duncalf in May 2008.

Scope and Content:

Seventy seven photographs of the construction of the Education Building.

Notes: Donkersloot recorded the date and time each photograph was taken on the back of the photos.





## Laying the cornerstone of the Education Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions681>

Part Of: Education building

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.7

Item Number: 2.7.10

GMD: graphic

Date Range: January 1967

Physical Description: 5" x 7" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the laying of the cornerstone for the Education Building. L to R: Dr. John E. Robbins (Brandon College/University President) and Hon. George Johnston (Minister of Education).

### Images

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## Education Building main entrance

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3021>

Part Of: Education building

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.7

Item Number: 2.7.7

GMD: graphic

Date Range: May, 1978

Physical Description: 3.5" x 5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking west northwest from the driveway and shows the main entrance to the Education Building.

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## Nation & Shewan block

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6448>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection

Creator: Davidson & Gowen

Description Level: Item

Item Number: 6-1999.23

Accession Number: 6-1999

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1912

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

## History /

### Biographical:

Erected in 1889, at 806 Rosser Avenue (the southeast corner of Rosser Avenue and 7th Street), the building was designed by Brandon architect W.H. Shillinglaw. At the time of its construction the structure housed the Nation Department Store, which became Nation & Shewan Department Store in 1894. One of Brandon's largest and most successful drygoods businesses, the venture was owned and operated by Fred Nation and Alexander Shewan.

Built adjacent to an existing three storey brick building known as the A.D. Rankin Block (built sometime between 1885 and 1888), this smaller building was eventually absorbed by the Nation and Shewan Block after 1897, when Rankin Drygoods moved into the newly constructed Syndicate Block located farther east down Rosser Ave. Later, the Rankin Block became known as Nation Chambers. These two structures comprised what was known as the Nation and Shewan Block.

Major improvements were made to the store and an annex was added in 1910. Some of the renovation additions included, but were not limited to: an updated frontage with new copper sash windows and prismatic glass tops, plate glass windows, new fixtures and carpet. With the renovations the floor space of the business was almost doubled. The stock of the business also increased, with the Brandon Weekly Sun reporting that when finished, Nation & Shewan would be a "store of which the citizens of Brandon will be justly proud."

The drygoods firm operated until Nation's death 1926, when it became known as A. Shewan Limited. From 1933 to 1944, the business was known as Shewan and Son. Shortly thereafter, the Metropolitan Stores Ltd began operating out of the Nation & Shewan Block.

In 2000, the Town Centre prepared to knock down what was then known as the Red Apple Building, the former Nation & Shewan Block. The demolition was to make way for the new atrium and entrance for the mall, and begin a new period of redevelopment at the downtown shopping centre.

### Custodial History:

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

### Scope and Content:

Photo shows the front of the Nation & Shewan Block, which was located in the 800 block of Rosser Avenue on the southside.

Storage Range: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript collection - photograph storage drawer

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