

S. J. McKee Archives



Coombs & Stewart general store c. 1881

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Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.67
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: c.1881

Physical Description: 6.5" x 5" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photograph is stained and water damaged. A newspaper clipping about

William (Billy) Muir is glued to the top left hand corner of the mat. The image is exfoliated in the right hand corner. The negative has been

reverse printed.

History / Biographical:

Coombs & Stewart opened the first general store in Brandon in 1881, which was located on 6th Street and Pacific Avenue. According to G.F. Barker (Brandon: A City, 1977, 291), William (Billy) Muir worked at the store until he opened his own grocery store in 1888.

Custodial History:

Donated to Fred McGuinness by Allena Strath (nee Coombs).

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Coombs & Stewart general store located on the corner of Pacific Avenue and 6th Street. A group of men pose in front of the wood-framed store.

Notes: Back of photograph reads: One of first stores in Brandon, Coombs...[?]

Name Access: Coombs & Stewart

Pacific Avenue

6th Street

Wm. Muir General Grocer

Subject Access: Pioneers

general stores building exteriors store exteriors

horses

grocery stores

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E13





William Muir General Grocer building

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Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.68

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: post-1888

Physical Description: 4.5" x 7.5" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Matting is bent and has a thumbtack hole.

History / Biographical:

According to G.F. Barker (Brandon: A City, 1977, 291), William (Billy) Muir worked at Coombs & Stewart's on Pacific Avenue until he opened his own grocery store in 1888. The shop was located at 143-6th Street, Brandon, and was demolished for a parking lot in 1952.

Custodial History:

Donated to Fred McGuinness by Allena Strath (nee Coombs).

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the "Wm. Muir General Grocer" building on 6th Street. Two men pose in the doorway of the store. The man on the left is likely William Muir. Barrels are lined on the boardwalk in front of the store. Apples and mason jars can be seen in the shop's windows.

Notes: Front of photograph reads: Sixth Street between Rosser - Princess. Back

of photograph reads: Billy Muir's Store, 143 6th Street Brandon - 57 years in business in this location. An address label affixed to the back of

the mat reads: Mrs. James Strath, Box 421, Souris, Man.

Name Access: Coombs & Stewart

Pacific Avenue 6th Street

Wm. Muir General Grocer

Subject Access: Pioneers

general stores building exteriors store exteriors grocery stores

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E18

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Panorama of Brandon viewbook postcard

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13879

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Creator: Printed by Photogelatine Engraving Co. Ltd., Ottawa

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.189
Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1927-1929

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

Material Details: postcard

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a panorama, bird's-eye-view of downtown Brandon, between Pacific and Rosser Avenues and 7th Street facing east. Photoraph likely taken from the McKenzie Seeds Building. Visible businesses include: Western Canada Flour Mills, Hanbury Hardware Co. Ltd., Cockshutt Plow Co., New Pacific Hotel, Gordon McKay Building, and Arlington Hotel.

Notes: Part of "Souvenir of Brandon, Manitoba, Canada [viewbook], Printed by

Photogelatine Engraving Co. Limited, Ottawa." Dates obtained from the Burchill's Music Store Henderson's Brandon City Directory listings (1927-

1929). Writing on the front of the photograph reads: Panorama of

Brandon, Man.

Name Access: Hanbury Hardware Co. Ltd.

New Pacific Hotel
Cockshutt Plow Co.
Gordon McKay Building

Arlington Hotel

Western Canada Flour Mills

Pacific Avenue Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: downtown

street scenes
Transportation
train stations

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

store exteriors

hotels

hardware stores

Elevators

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

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 photos

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Interior of Cafe Aagaard

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13732

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.42

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1903-1923]

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

Material Details: postcard

History / Biographical:

Opened 1903. Closed 1923. Building became the Oak Theatre ca. 1930. Reopened as Towne Cinema ca. 1980 after being closed for many years. The building has since been demolished.

Scope and Content:

Postcard shows the interior of the lunch counter and cashier register at Cafe Aagaard located at 29-8th Street Brandon.

Notes: Writing on the front of the postcard reads: Lunch Counter Cafe Aagaard,

29 Eigth St., Brandon, Man. The back of the postcard reads: Cafe Aagaard, Largest, Oldest and Best in Brandon. The postcard is

addressed to Mrs. K.L. McGregor, 157-4th St.

Name Access: Aagaard's

Cafe Aagaard

8th Street

Subject Access: restaurants

lunch counters
building interiors
store interiors
restaurant interiors

cafes

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E9

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8th Street and Rosser Avenue intersection

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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.

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.

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)





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:20-2009.11Accession Number:20-2009GMD: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

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

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