

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Birtle Garage

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11426>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 11-2010.B31c  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: September 1963  
Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative  
Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of a Birtle Garage employee pumping gas.

Name Access: CKX  
Birtle Garage  
Subject Access: Buildings  
commercial buildings  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images





## Birtle Garage

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11425>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 11-2010.B31b  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: September 1963  
Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Image of vehicles adjacent to Birtle Garage.

Name Access: CKX  
Birtle Garage

Subject Access: Buildings  
commercial buildings  
automobiles

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Birtle Garage - exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11424>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 11-2010.B31a  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: September 1963  
Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative  
Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Image of the exterior of Birtle Garage.

Name Access: CKX  
Birtle Garage  
Subject Access: Buildings  
commercial buildings  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Murray's Garage (Souris)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13109>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: S  
Item Number: 11-2010.S109a  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of Murray's Garage.

Name Access: CKX  
Murray's Garage

Subject Access: businesses  
cars  
building exteriors  
signs and signboards

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images

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## Rutledge Garage (Neepawa)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13459>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: R  
Item Number: 11-2010.R40a  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of the Rutledge Garage building.

Name Access: CKX  
Rutledge Garage  
Markle Sheet Metal

Subject Access: businesses  
cars  
building exteriors  
garages  
signs and signboards

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images

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## Murray's Garage (Souris)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13108>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: S  
Item Number: 11-2010.S109b  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of Murray's Garage.

Name Access: CKX  
Murray's Garage

Subject Access: businesses  
car lots  
cars  
building exteriors  
signs and signboards

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images

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## Rutledge Garage (Neepawa)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13458>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: R  
Item Number: 11-2010.R40b  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)

Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of the Rutledge Garage with two men and a car.

Name Access: CKX  
Rutledge Garage

Subject Access: businesses  
cars  
building exteriors  
persons  
business and professional people  
garages

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Bert's Central Automat

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11418>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 11-2010.B27  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of the exterior of Bert's Central Automat. The sign on the building says Inglis Laundry and Dry Cleaning.

Name Access: CKX  
Bert's Central Automat  
Inglis Laundry and Dry Cleaning  
Subject Access: Buildings  
commercial buildings  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images

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## Bell Lumber (Neepawa)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11419>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 11-2010.B28  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of the exterior of Bell Lumber (Neepawa).

Name Access: CKX  
Neepawa, Manitoba  
Subject Access: Buildings  
commercial buildings  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Brandon Auto Electric exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11606>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 11-2010.B124  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1967  
Physical Description: 1.5" x 1" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of the exterior of Brandon Auto Electric.

Name Access: CKX Television  
Brandon Auto Electric  
Subject Access: commercial buildings  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Murray's Garage (Neepawa) - exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14337>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: M  
Item Number: 11-2010.M7a  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1954  
Material Details: Negative

## History /

### Biographical:

Murray's Garage opened in 1932 by Melvin Earl Murray. The business was later renamed Murray's of Neepawa in 1964.

### Custodial History:

See Fonds level description for custodial history

### Scope and Content:

Murray's Garage opened in 1932 by Melvin Earl Murray. Before it's opening in 1932 the building was used as a truck and storage facility, the business opened for automotive sales after Earl Murray had recieved a contract by General Motors in 1932. The first sale of a vehicle occurred in 1933 when a customer from Winnipeg bought a Pontiac vehicle. During the first few years of operation Earl Murray served as the Office Manager, Parts Manager, and Salesman. In 1934 an additional contract with the International Harvester Co. giving license to the additional sale of farm equipment. This new expansion resulted in the hiring of other staff to handle Parts and Service while the sales of the farm machinery remained Earl's responsibility.

The business aquired many contracts over the course of its existence as such new propoerties were aquired to allow for this expansions and new additions were added to the original building. When the new addition was near completion an explosion occured which resulted in 100% loss of the original building as well as all the contents it enclosed. Luckily, the fire department was able to save most of the new addition. A sizable loan was required for the buisness to rebuild after this disaster. Once the business was open again, car sales, need for parts, and service volume increased resulting in the complete recovery of the buisness.

In 1940 due to the war the purchase of new vehicles was limited to emergency service, it was at this time that General Motors added the Cheverolet-Oldsmobile to their contracts. Shortly after this a tornado hit the building causing substantial damage however it was soon repaired and business resumed.

Earl's son, Gerald, had worked in the business since his return from the war in 1945. He schooled in in Flint Michigan at a General Motors Business Institute to assist his father with the business. In 1960 Gerald took a course in Detroit Michigan in a Post Graduate School of Modern Merchandising and Management. After his completion of this course Gerald moved back to Neepawa and took of the position of Sales Manager at his fathers garage. The business was later renamed Murray's of Neepawa in 1964 when Earl handed the keys to the business over to his son Gerald.

Notes:	Description by Jillian Combs. Information from Manitoba Hisotrical Society,
Name Access:	D.R. MacKay
Subject Access:	building exteriors downtown Neepawa
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Storage Location:	CKX fonds - 2010 accessions
Related Material:	D.R. MacKay fonds, Brandon College fonds, Brandon University fonds

### Arrangement:

Original order maintained. Series arranged alphabetically by letter (A-Z) but negatives not alphabetical within each series.

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## Murray's Garage (Neepawa) - exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14338>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: M  
Item Number: 11-2010.M7a  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1954  
Material Details: Negative

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### Custodial History:

See Fonds level description for custodial history

### Scope and Content:

Image is of Murray's Garage exterior view. The photo was taken from across the street. There are a series of signs on the building "Firestone" on the peak of the building, "Murray's used cars" on the roof, and "Murrays Pontiac, Buick, GMC, Trucks" down the front of the building above the main entrance. Murray's Garage appears to be next to a Texaco station.

Notes: Description by Jillian Combs. Information from Manitoba Hisotrical Society

Name Access: Neepawa

Subject Access: building exteriors  
downtown  
Rural

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### Arrangement:

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## Souris sponsors - Murray's Garage

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13176>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: S  
Item Number: 11-2010.S75  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1968  
Physical Description: 1.5" x 1.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of Murray's Garage building.

Name Access: CKX  
Murray's Garage

Subject Access: building exteriors  
businesses  
cars  
automobile dealerships  
service stations  
signs and signboards

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Walter Weir in Birtle

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12832>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: W  
Item Number: 11-2010.W35b  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1969  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Portrait of a man.

Name Access: CKX  
Walter Weir  
Subject Access: persons  
Portrait  
building interiors  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Buckmire's Tin Shop

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11526>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 11-2010.B88  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of Buckmire's Tin Shop.

Name Access: CKX  
Buckmire's Tin Shop  
Subject Access: businesses  
commercial buildings  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Butler buildings

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11541>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 11-2010.B92a  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative  
Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

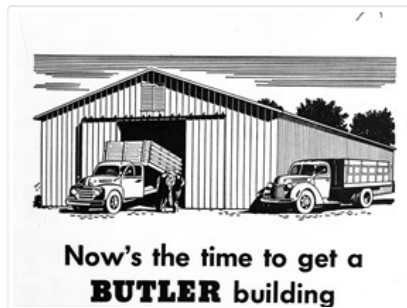
### Scope and Content:

Image is an advertisement for Butler Buildings, which reads: "Now's the time to get a Butler building".

Name Access: CKX  
Butler Buildings  
Subject Access: advertising  
commercial buildings  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Butler buildings

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions11546>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: 11-2010.B92b  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 4" x 5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative  
Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Image is an advertisement for Butler buildings.

Name Access: CKX  
Butler Buildings  
Subject Access: advertising  
commercial buildings  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images

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## Radio Electric (Birtle)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13367>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: R  
Item Number: 11-2010.R90b  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: September 1963  
Physical Description: 2.5" x 2.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of a man fixing electronic equipment.

Name Access: CKX  
Radio Electric  
Subject Access: building interiors  
businesses  
electronics  
employees

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images

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## Walter Weir in Birtle

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12831>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: W  
Item Number: 11-2010.W35c  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1969  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of a group of people.

Name Access: CKX  
Walter Weir

Subject Access: persons  
business and professional people  
building interiors

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images

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## Walter Weir in Birtle

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12833>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: W  
Item Number: 11-2010.W35a  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1969  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of a man being interviewed.

Name Access: CKX  
Walter Weir

Subject Access: persons  
interviews  
building interiors  
ckx staff

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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