

# S. J. McKee Archives



## 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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## Brandon Hardware interior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14308>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.38

Accession Number: 7-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [193-]

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

Material Details: On matting (14" x 12")

History /

Biographical:

Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd. founded in 1882, making it one of Brandon's earliest mercantiles. It was incorporated in 1902, and their location on Rosser Avenue at the corner of 7th Street was constructed in 1903. For a number of years, J.B. Curran was the managing director. The building was destroyed by fire in 1983.

Custodial History:

Katy Singleton was given this photo in her role as Heritage Coordinator for the City of Brandon. She transferred it to the McKee Archives in 2013.

Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the interior of the Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd. looking towards the front of the store from the back.

Name Access: Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd.

Subject Access: commercial buildings

businesses

downtown

Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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## Brandon Hardware interior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14309>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.39

Accession Number: 7-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [193-]

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

Material Details: On matting (14" x 12")

History /

Biographical:

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Custodial History:

Katy Singleton was given this photo in her role as Heritage Coordinator for the City of Brandon. She transferred it to the McKee Archives in 2013.

Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the interior of the Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd. looking towards the back of the store from the front.

Name Access: Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd.

Subject Access: commercial buildings

businesses

downtown

Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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## Yaeger's Furs Dionne quintuplets window display

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14317>



Part Of: Brandon and Area Photograph Collection  
Creator: Brandon Sun Publishing Co.  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: 2  
Item Number: BAPC 2.43  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1934  
Physical Description: 10.25" x 8" (b/w)

#### History /

#### Biographical:

Gustave Bellegro "Gus" Yaeger was born on July 10, 1878 at Genoa, Italy. The son of Swiss parents, he immigrated to the United States, working in West Virginia then North Dakota before arriving in Brandon, MB in 1910. He worked at various jobs before opening Yaeger's Furs, a fur-coat factory and retail store at 602 Rosser Avenue, in 1919.

Yaeger married Sarah Ellen Williams (1883-1966) of Big Rock, Idaho in 1907. They had two children: Karl Williams Yaeger (1908-1975) and Barbara Yaeger (m. H.H. Ricketts).

Gus Yaeger died on March 25, 1942 in Brandon, MB. His son carried on the business after his death before selling it to one of the managers in 1969.

The Dionne quintuplets, born May 28, 1934, were the first quintuplets known to have survived their infancy. They were born just outside Callandar, ON.

#### Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the Yaeger's Furs Dionne quintuplets Christmas window display. The display features five dolls dressed in fur coats and bonnets, a framed photo of Gus Yaeger, a Christmas tree and a cardboard Santa.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the Manitoba Historical Society website ([http://www.mhs.mb.ca/docs/people/yaeger\\_gb.shtml](http://www.mhs.mb.ca/docs/people/yaeger_gb.shtml))

Name Access: Yaeger's Furs  
Gus Yaeger  
Dionne quintuplets

Subject Access: downtown  
window displays  
commercial buildings  
businesses  
quintuplets  
quints

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## Hanbury Manufacturing Company

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14310>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.36

Accession Number: 4-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1900

Physical Description: 8.25" x 6.25" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting (12" x 10")

History /

Biographical:

John Hanbury came to Brandon in January 1882. For the next decade he operated a contracting business, constructing several Brandon buildings including the post office, the Merchants Block, and the General Hospital. In 1892, Hanbury founded the Hanbury Manufacturing Company. The most important industry in Brandon from 1900-1914, Hanbury's employed over 150 men in logging, lumbering and the manufacturing of doors, windows, furniture and other house fixtures.

With offices, a warehouse and lumber mill on either side of Assiniboine Avenue at 6th Street North, Hanbury's relied on timber from northern forests that was moved, raft-like, down river by drivers. Cabinets, furniture and other millwork was sold out of the Hanbury Hardware Co. building on 7th Street and Pacific Avenue. John Hanbury left Brandon in 1910, although his son continued to operate the business until World War I.

Residential buildings were constructed on the company lands on Assiniboine Avenue west of 6th Street North in the late 1920s; the building east of 6th Street was used first as the Christie's School Supplies warehouse (1929-1939) and then by successive woollen mills (1941-1991). A portion of what appears to be the original building currently stands vacant on the site. The hardware building on Pacific Avenue has been primarily used by the Government Liquor Control Commission (1929-1971) and Christie's School Supplies, now Christie's Office Plus (early 1940s – present).

Custodial History:

Photos belonged to Jim Lanigan's family. He donated them to the McKee Archives in January 2017.

#### Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the Hanbury Mfg Co. buildings on Assinboine Avenue - photo is looking northeast

#### Notes:

Jim Lanigan and his siblings believed that Hanbury Manufacturing Company is where their paternal grandfather James Joseph Lanigan worked and learned the glazing trade. James Joseph's father James and brother Albert Daniel may have also worked there. Both Joe and Bert went to work for the CPR in Brandon in 1898. Jim Lanigan could not identify any family members in the group portrait.

#### Name Access:

Hanbury Manufacturing Company

#### Subject Access:

manufacturing

businesses

downtown

#### Storage Location:

BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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## Hanbury Manufacturing Company employees

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14311>

#### Part Of:

RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

#### Description Level:

Item

#### Series Number:

2

#### Item Number:

BAPC 2.37

#### Accession Number:

4-2017

#### GMD:

graphic

#### Date Range:

c. 1900

#### Physical Description:

8.25" x 6.25" (b/w)

#### Material Details:

On matting (12" x 10")

## History /

### Biographical:

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### Custodial History:

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### Scope and Content:

Item is a group portrait of Hanbury Manufacturing Company employees.

#### Notes:

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#### Name Access:

Hanbury Manufacturing Company

#### Subject Access:

manufacturing  
businesses  
downtown

#### Storage Location:

BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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## Smith & Burton, grocers

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14315>

Part Of:	Brandon and Area Photograph Collection
Creator:	Photographer: Wilson & Larkin (Toronto)
Description Level:	Item
Series Number:	2
Item Number:	BAPC 2.41
GMD:	graphic
Date Range:	c. 1906
Physical Description:	6.5" x 4.25" (b/w)
Material Details:	On backing board (7.25" x 5.5")
Physical Condition:	Very poor. Item has been broken in half on a diagonal from top to bottom. Upper right corner is missing. Various tape stains and some tape residue on the bottom left.

### History /

#### Biographical:

Lottie Louisa Currie was born on September 9, 1876 in St. Mary's, Perth, ON, to William and Eleanor Currie. She came to the Brandon area with her family in the 1880s. Currie worked as a bookkeeper and stenographer for Smith & Burton, from at least 1906 until the business ceased operations in 1917.

Currie continued working in bookkeeping and accounts, first for Brandon Gas & Power Co., then for the Manitoba Power Commission. She appears to have retired around 1942. She is not listed as living in Brandon between 1943-1945, but was once again a resident by 1947. Currie was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, a charter member of the Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club and in 1916, she passed her examinations for the St. John's Ambulance Association.

Lottie Louisa Currie died on November 25, 1972 in Brandon, MB.

Smith & Burton, a grocery store that also had mail order and china departments, was founded by E.B. Smith and John Burton in the 1886. It was housed at a few locations in downtown Brandon; their location at 829 Rosser Avenue is the one that mostly likely appears in the photograph.

#### Scope and Content:

Item is a portrait of office employees at Smith & Burton, grocers. Lottie Currie, daughter of William Currie, is shown standing on the left.

Name Access:	Smith & Burton Lottie Currie
Subject Access:	commerical buildings grocers downtown office workers Pioneers
Storage Location:	BAPC photograph drawer
Related Material:	BAPC 5.11 William Currie

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## St. Paul's Presbyterian Church interior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10117>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.4

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1900-1901]

Physical Description: 4" x 6" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, which became St. Paul's United Church, and then Central United Church was located at 327 8th Street in Brandon, MB. The original church was destroyed by fire in 1986.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the interior of the St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Brandon, MB.

Notes: History/Bio information provided by Jim Stettner, Organ Historical Society Database (2022).

Name Access: St. Paul's Presbyterian Church

Subject Access: Church buildings

churches

public buildings

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium under construction

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10144>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.32

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1967

Physical Description: 10" x 8" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

View is looking east southeast. Photograph shows the Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium (WMCA) under construction. There are two signs in the foreground. One lists the names of the architectural firm, the engineers, contractors and subcontractors involved with the project. The other reads: Site of Western Manitoba's 100 Centennial Project New Auditorium

Name Access: Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium

Education Building

Subject Access: public buildings

centennial projects

construction of buildings

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary - exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10133>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.21

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1925

Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)

## History /

### Biographical:

Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary was established in 1923 by Arthur Thompson (b. 1881 - d. May 14, 1957) at 764 13th Street. From approximately 1925-1927, the store was operated by Alexander Thompson at 762 13th Street. The fate of the store from 1929-1935 is unclear. In 1929, Alexander Thompson was a grocer at 748 7th Street and in 1931 a Mrs. A Thompson was a grocer at 802 14th Street. There were two Thompson grocery and confectionary businesses in Brandon in 1933: Thompson's Confectionary at 745 13th Street and Thompson & Co. at 702 12th Street. In 1935, Arthur Thompson appears to have either taken over one of the earlier businesses or reopened his own grocery in its original location at 762 13th Street. He operated his store at this location into the mid-1950s. At some point following Thompson's death the building was bought by Frank Fitzpatrick and used for his upholstery store.

### Custodial History:

Donated by Frank Fitzpatrick.

### Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking northwest at the exterior of Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary.

Notes:	History/Bio information taken from Henderson's Directories (1917-1955) for Brandon, MB.
Name Access:	Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary 13th Street College Avenue
Subject Access:	grocery stores cityscapes businesses stores
Storage Location:	BAPC photograph drawer

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## Brandon Armoury

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10137>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.25

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [after 1937]

Physical Description: 4" x 2.5" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Armoury was built in 1907. The extension on the southside was built in 1937.

Custodial History:

The photograph was donated to the Archives by Cy Kenny in 2005.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking northwest from the east side of 11th Street. It shows the back and east side of the Brandon Armoury, which is located on the at 1116 Victoria Avenue.

Name Access: Brandon Armoury

Victoria Avenue

11th Street

Subject Access: public buildings

armouries

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## HRH the Duke of Connaught visits Brandon

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10126>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.13

Accession Number: 1-2000

GMD: graphic

Date Range: October 24, 1912

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

Material Details: On matting

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a public reception for the Governor General of Canada, HRH the Duke of Connaught during a visit to Brandon, MB. The reception was held on Princess Avenue at City Hall. The photograph is looking southwest from the north side of Princess Avenue. The building in the background is the recently constructed Prince Edward Hotel.

Name Access: Governor General of Canada

HRH the Duke of Connaught

Princess Avenue

Prince Edward Hotel

9th Street

Subject Access: public ceremonies

downtown

cityscapes

Imperialism

royalty

Storage Location: BAPC oversize storage drawer

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## HRH the Duke of Connaught visits Brandon

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10135>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.23

Accession Number: 32-2006

GMD: graphic

Date Range: October 24, 1912

Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)

Physical Condition: There is staining from the top left corner towards the centre of the image.

Custodial History:

Jack Stothard purchased the image at a yard sale, location unknown. He donated it to the Archives in 2006.

### Scope and Content:

Photograph of a public reception for the Governor General of Canada, HRH the Duke of Connaught. The reception was held in front of the Brandon City Hall, which was located at 9th Street and Princess Avenue. The photograph is looking south southeast. A portion of the recently constructed Prince Edward Hotel is visible in the background.

Name Access: Governor General of Canada  
HRH the Duke of Connaught  
Princess Avenue  
Prince Edward Hotel  
9th Street  
City Hall

Subject Access: public ceremonies  
downtown  
cityscapes  
Imperialism  
royalty

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## Fire at the Royal North-West Mounted Police horse barns

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10129>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.16

GMD: graphic

Date Range: September 29, 1919

Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)

Material Details: Copy

Custodial History:

Donated by Ron Brown.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the Royal North-West Mounted Police (RNWMP) horse barns on fire. The barns were located in the Winter Fair Building on the Fair Grounds.

Name Access: Winter Fair Building

Fair grounds

Royal North-West Mounted Police

Subject Access: fires

agricultural buildings

barns

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## Fire at the Royal North-West Mounted Police horse barns

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10130>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.17

GMD: graphic

Date Range: September 29, 1919

Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)

Material Details: Copy

Custodial History:

Donated by Ron Brown.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of spectators gathered to watch the Royal North-West Mounted Police (RNWMP) horse barns on fire. The barns were located in the Winter Fair Building on the Fair Grounds.

Name Access: Winter Fair Building

Fair grounds

Royal North-West Mounted Police

Subject Access: fires

agricultural buildings

barns

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## Fire at the Royal North-West Mounted Police horse barns

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10131>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.18

GMD: graphic

Date Range: September 29, 1919

Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)

Material Details: Copy

Custodial History:

Donated by Ron Brown.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the Royal North-West Mounted Police (RNWMP) horse barns on fire. The barns were located in the Winter Fair Building on the Fair Grounds.

Name Access: Winter Fair Building

Fair grounds

Royal North-West Mounted Police

Subject Access: fires

agricultrual buildings

barns

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## Royal North-West Mounted Police horse barns

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10132>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.20

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1919

Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)

Material Details: Copy

Custodial History:

Donated by Ron Brown.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the Royal North-West Mounted Police (RNWMP) horse barns covered in snow after the fire in 1919.

Name Access: Royal North-West Mounted Police

Subject Access: fires

agricultural buildings

barns

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## Roseneath Consolidated School

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10159>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 4

Item Number: BAPC 4.1

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19--]

Physical Description: 4.25" x 2.5" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the exterior of Roseneath Consolidated School.

Name Access: Roseneath Consolodated School

Minnedosa, MB

Subject Access: school buildings

schools

Education

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## Manitoba Agricultural College

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10161>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: 4  
Item Number: BAPC 4.3  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1911  
Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)  
Custodial History:

Photograph was donated by E. Donaldson.

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Manitoba Agricultural College located at Treesbank, MB. Photograph shows a large barn-like structure comprised of brick and a wooden silo in the side yard. A steam engine is processing a field crop (corn perhaps) that is then being funneled into the silo.

Name Access: Manitoba Agricultural College  
Treesbank, MB  
Subject Access: Education  
agricultural machinery  
agricultural buildings  
Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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## World War I soldiers march down Rosser Avenue

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10125>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: 2  
Item Number: BAPC 2.12  
Accession Number: 24-1999  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: c. 1914

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

Physical Condition: There are two burn holes and many areas where the emulsion layer is gone.

History /

Biographical:

John A. McDonald's was a men's and boyswear store in operation for several decades at 841 Rosser Avenue, Brandon, MB.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of soldiers marching west on Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: John A. McDonald's

Diamond Hall

W.E. Crawford

The Patricia

World War I

First World War

Great War

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: public ceremonies

armed forces

military personnel

parades

downtown

cityscapes

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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