

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Central School Grade VIII class

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13748>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.59

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1909-1910

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

Material Details: postcard

History /

Biographical:

Central School was situated on Lorne Avenue between 5th Street and 6th Street.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Postcard is an outdoor class photograph of the 1909-1910 Central School Grade 8 class. The girls are wearing dresses and the boys suits and ties. School principal, Bedford A. Tingley, lays in front of the class.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Grade VIII, Teacher, B.A. Tingely [sic.], Allena Coombs

Name Access: Central School  
Bedford a. Tingley  
Allena Coombs

Subject Access: schools  
class portraits

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

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## Central School Grade VI class

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13750>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.61  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1907-1908  
Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: postcard  
Physical Condition: Postcard has four thumb tack holes in its corners

### History /

#### Biographical:

Central School was situated on Lorne Avenue between 5th Street and 6th Street.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Postcard depicts an outdoor class photograph of the 1907-1908 Central School Grade 6 class. The class is posing outside of the school. The girls are wearing dresses and the boys are wearing suits and ties.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Grade VI, Allena Coombs, 1907-1908.

Name Access: Central School  
Naomi Moore  
Allena Coombs

Subject Access: schools  
class portraits

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

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## Grade V room, Central School

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13909>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Creator: Photographer: R.M. Coleman

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.219

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1930s

Physical Description: 4.5" x 3.5" (b/w)

Physical Condition: Photograph has been cut

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Orma McGuinness, R.M. Coleman, Free Lance Photography, Brandon, Manitoba.

Name Access: Central School

Orma McGuinness

Subject Access: class portraits

schools

Public Schools

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

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #2

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## Central School class

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13751>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.62

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1906-1907

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

Material Details: postcard

Physical Condition: Postcard has two thumb tack holes in its corners, bottom left corner is creased, face of one student is blotted out.

### History /

#### Biographical:

Central School was situated on Lorne Avenue between 5th Street and 6th Street.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Postcard depicts an outdoor class photograph of the 1906-1907 Central School Grade 5? class. The class is posing outside of the school. The girls are wearing dresses and boots. Most of the boys are wearing suits and ties.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Allena Coombs, 1906-1907. All the students' names are listed. The class teacher is identified as Miss [Nettie?] Harrison.

Name Access: Central School  
Allena Coombs

Subject Access: schools  
class portraits

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

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## Park School class photo

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13747>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.58

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c.1920

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

History /

Biographical:

Built 1904, opened 1905, razed September 1978.

Custodial History:

Given to Fred McGuinness by Stewart Tait (1912-1988) of Brandon.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is an outdoor class picture of young students standing on the front steps of what appears to be Park School.

Notes:

Mr. Tait provided Fred McGuinness with a photocopy of the photograph (see McG 1.2, file 19) on which he identified a number of students in his class, including: first/front row - Miss Fleming (fourth from right); second row - Stan Fraser (first from left), Stewart Tait (second on left), Mrs. Ron Relf (nee Stock?) (fourth on left); third row - Ed Bolton (fourth from left), G. Cranston (fifth from left), Ed McGill (offset, above G. Cranston), Mary McGregor, daughter of C.C. McGregor (third from right)

Name Access: Park School

Subject Access: schools

class portraits

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

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## Grade 3 class Park School

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13976>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.47

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1930

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

Physical Condition: Photograph is creased.

### Custodial History:

Photograph sent to Fred McGuinness from Leila McDiarmid Leck of Mission, BC, on 08 Feb 1983 in response to his Park School column (see F.A. Rosser, "Sunbeams – Park School reminiscences from a far away friends, Brandon Sun 25 Jan 1983)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a group of young boys posing for a picture in a school yard. Back row: Doug Barr, Bob Russel, Stan Wilkins, Murray Bowen, Rae McKenzie and Bob Epton. Middle row: Jimp Thompson, doug Jameison, Bill Beaton, Harold Barker and Harry Munroe. Front Row: Ted Tracy, Jim Richardson, Wilkie Collins, Clifford Kitson and Glen Speers.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Photograph is stamped: Crawford's Drug Store Brandon Tru-Tone Finish? Names of boys obtained from correspondence dated 08 Feb 1983 to Fred McGuinness from Leia McDiarmid Leck.

Name Access: Leila McDiarmid

Park School

Subject Access: children

class portraits

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

### Arrangement:

McG RR #1 "diary" (see McG 1.2 File 29)

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## Grade 9 class Park School

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13977>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.48

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1936]

Physical Description: 4.5" x 2.75" (b/w)

Custodial History:

Photograph sent to Fred McGuinness from Leila McDiarmid Leck of Mission, BC, on 08 Feb 1983 in response to his Park School column (see F.A. Rosser, "Sunbeams – Park School reminiscences from a far away friends, Brandon Sun 25 Jan 1983)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a group of co-ed students standing on a sidewalk between two railings. Students have been identified as: Glen Speers, Clifford Kitson, Rae McKenzie, Ellis McLaren, Shirley Lane, Beth (Babs) Kingston, Helen Tackaberry, Mina Collins, Mary Watson, Thelma Brownell, Jean Muirhead [dark head], Mary McDonald, Lorna Lawrence, Leila McDiarmid, Eleanor Wyre [head], Eleanor Sellers, Beth Crawford [head], Margaret Robinson, Florence Roberts, Eileen Muirhead? [head], Beulah Cristal, Marjorie Carruthers, Josephine Hamm [dark head], Dorothy Tinline?, Mary Wgner, Clayton Copp, Bob Epton, Howard Bell, and Anna Roberts in front.

Notes: Signatures of the students are on the back of the photograph. Names of obtained from correspondence dated 08 Feb 1983 to Fred McGuinness from Leila McDiarmid Leck.

Name Access: Leila McDiarmid  
Park School

Subject Access: children  
class portraits

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

Arrangement:

McG RR #1 "diary" (see McG 1.2 File 29)

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## Brandon Collegiate class photo

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13746>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.57

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19--]

Physical Description: 5" x 3.25" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Collegiate was built in 1907 and officially opened in 1908. Architect W.A. Elliott designed the building, which was faced with brick from Wisconsin (order 65,000 bricks). Located at 527 Louise Avenue, it ceased to be Brandon Collegiate Institute (BCI) in the summer of 1974. It was renamed New Era School on the recommendation of Marion Pye, who was a teacher at BCI in its last years. The name "New Era" was also the name of the BCI yearbook.

Custodial History:

Sent to Fred McGuinness from Martin Kavanagh of Brandon.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is an outdoor class picture of Brandon Collegiate Institute students standing on the front steps of the school.

Notes: History/bio information obtained from Lawrence Stuckey descriptions and the Manitoba Historical Society website. The negative for this photograph can be found in McG 1.2 File 19.

Name Access: Brandon Collegiate

Subject Access: schools

class portraits

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

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## Grade 2 class photo, Medicine Hat

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14135>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.204

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1962

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

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a student class photo from a public school in Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Miss Callum, grade 2 - 1962.

Name Access: Medicine Hat

Subject Access: class portraits

Repro Restriction: Subject to Canadian Copyright Law

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

Arrangement:

BR #3 Family photos

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## Class photo, Medicine Hat

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14136>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.205

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1960s]

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

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a student class photo from a public school in Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: left to right, 1) Melinda Giese, Brenda Smith, Joyce Knight, Judith Davidson, Gary Parker, Douglas Gerber, Brian Crandell, Gallagher McGuinness, Kenny Brix, Daniel Meier; 2) Anthony Newman, Donald Sackman, Dennis Beifus, Ken Johnson, Rocky Scherer, Leslie May, Shirley Perry, Judy Wnzel, Judy Martin, Brenda McCormick, Maxine Martins, Miss Bennis; 3) Barry Kurtz, Brian Bertram, Sandra Croissant, Neil Cormier, Teresa Peters, Rick Leask, James Parr, Linda Daniels, Margret Burch, Gordon Ponto

Name Access: Medicine Hat

Subject Access: class portraits

Repro Restriction: Subject to Canadian Copyright Law

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

Arrangement:

BR #3 Family photos

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## Class photo, Medicine Hat

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14137>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Photograph: McCorkle Studios, Medicine Hat, AB  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.206  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: [1960s]  
Physical Description: 7" x 5" (b/w)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a student class photo from a public school in Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Brian Crandell, Clayton Hirsch, Rick Leask.

Name Access: Medicine Hat

Subject Access: class portraits

Repro Restriction: Subject to Canadian Copyright Law

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

### Arrangement:

BR #3 Family photos

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## Wheat City Business College March 1911 photo postcard

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13752>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.63  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1911

Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.25" (b/w)  
Material Details: postcard  
Physical Condition: Postcard has graphite smudge on the top right corner of image

#### History /

#### Biographical:

Wheat City Business College was established in 1904, when J.W. Beveridge and F.E. Werry resigned from the Commercial Department of Brandon College to establish the Wheat City Business College. It was located originally on the top floor of the Commercial Building at 143-10th Street, owned by Hughes and Co. Wheat City Business College continued to operate until the later 1960s. In 1911, the Henderson's Brandon City Directory lists the following teachers on staff: Mamie J. Macdougall, John B. Sample, John H. Snyder, Nettie M. Werry, and F.A. Wood (principal).

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Postcard depicts the 1911 class of the Wheat City Business College. Students include: O. Mutrie, E. Mailey, J.W. Belcher, S. Downey, H.R. Dustan, G. Greaves, D. Burden, C.J. Howey, M. Maddar, A. Mills, E. Ballantyne, E. Lang, A. Binnie, L. Trent, M. Clark, E. Robertson, T. Ortenburg, A. Barnes, W.B. Grainger, V. Sanderson, H. Smith, E. Horror, M. Deacon, J. Smith, S. Gardiner, C.D. McMillan, N. Barss, E.J. Scott, M. McEwen, A. Scott, W. Naser, J. Cope, M. Trotman, J. Jackson, M. Gurr, P. McChesney, A.H. Andrews, M. Agnew, R.N. Truman, L. Cameron, T.C. Taylor, G. McClement, A. Armour, M. Drake, D. Chambers, M. Bourke, W.M. McGregor, Miss. McIlmoyle, J. Tendeck, G. McChesney, J.B. Stephens, O. Thornborough, A. Connor, H. Teale, E. Karr, P. Borland, J. Middleton, M. McIlmoyle, F.A. Wood, Principal D. Chambers, M.I. McGregor, B. McDougall, M. Maxwell, W. Crane, M. Vandeau, A. Lee, A. Hargreaves, H. Gimby, J. English, A. Coombes, H.J. McAnerin, M.C. Green, A.M. McGuinness, A.E. Shingfield, R. Blanshard, C. Goldstone, R. Heyden, Q. Oliver, N. Sterling, E. Cohen, V.E. Potter, H. Bellamy, Miss Pattison, Miss N. Werry, Miss. McQuarrie, J.H. Snyder, Miss M. MacDougall, Mr. J.S. Sample, Miss Lowry, A. Standal, G. Kennedy, C. Stojanoski, J. Elliott, M. Stnark, R. Rewand, J. Mcneill, A. Kirchner, E. Green, E. Barnett, C.H. Howey, W. Main, M. Trew, M. Livingstone, B. Donaldson, A. Miller, J. Irwin, P. Brooks, R. Frank, S.A. Brown, B. Isman, M. Spearin, S. Thorsteinson, Miss Watson, J.A. McDonald, E. Zachary, S. Baglole, C. O'Brien, M. Thompson, F. Bockus, J. Hudama, E. Thompson, F. Shanks, M. Morrison, E. Cookman, ?S. Wedderburn, E. Robinovitch, M. Maskew, C.A. Sharpe, M. Dack, M. Cossar, L. Grassie, I. Porteous, L. Markell, G. Burden, O. Paget, L. Cunningham, H.P. Hilton, F. Neilly, M.C. Feedman, E.F. Dixon

Notes: Back of postcard reads: A HAPPY XMAS./ and A very propersous / NEW YEAR / F.A. Wood [Principal of the Wheat City Business College]. Postcard is addressed to Miss Allena Coombs, Box 628, City, and has a cancelled one cent green King George stamp postmarked December 23, 1911, Brandon, Man.

Name Access: Wheat City Business College  
A.M. McGuinness

Subject Access: schools  
class portraits  
post-secondary education  
colleges

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

Related Material: BAPC 4.28

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## Graduating class Wheat City Business College

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13792>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.101

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1909

Physical Description: 9.75" x 3.5" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting

### Custodial History:

Photograph was in possession of Mrs. Ruby Miles, who passed the image on to Fred McGuinness. McGuinness makes reference to Mrs. Miles and this photograph in his Sunbeams column (Source: F.A. Rosser, "Another interesting chat with a daughter of the plains," Brandon Sun 18 Aug 1981).

### Scope and Content:

Photograph allegedly shows the Wheat City Business College graduating class standing outside a woodframed building in the winter. Affixed to the building are posters/advertisements that read: Happyland, Monday July 30 [1906?]. A banner spelling Happyland in large block letters hangs above the building's door that is numbered 209. Surrounding the banner are the red ensign/Dominion of Canada flags.

The students are wearing long wintercoats with fur collars, some are wearing fur hats. The men appear to have ribbons pinned to their lapels. On the left of the photograph, a group of three female students are sitting in a horse-drawn sleigh and have fur robes on their laps. On the right, a number of students are standing on a horse-drawn sled. Two individuals can be seen holding megaphones, another student is holding a basketball.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: 1909, Tenth Street and Princess. Two yellow labels are affixed to the back of the photograph. one reads: graduating class, Wheat City Business College. The other reads Mrs. K.L. McGregor, 157-4th St.

Name Access: Wheat City Business College

Subject Access: winter

horses

Transportation

class portraits

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

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## Park School postcard

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13745>

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|-----------------------|--|
| Part Of:              | Fred McGuinness collection                   |
| Creator:              | Published for Christie's Book Store, Brandon |
| Description Level:    | Item   |
| Series Number:        | McG 9  |
| Item Number:          | 20-2009.56                                   |
| Accession Number:     | 20-2009                                      |
| GMD:                  | graphic                                      |
| Date Range:           | 1910   |
| Physical Description: | 5.5" x 3.5" (colour)                         |
| Material Details:     | postcard                                     |
| Physical Condition:   | Postcard edges are worn                      |
| Custodial History:    |  |

Donated to Fred McGuinness by Mrs. Marian Gray of Brandon, September 13, 1978.

### Scope and Content:

Postcard shows the West End Park (also known as Stanley Park) and Park School. The school was situated on the southwest corner of Lorne Avenue. A couple of residences surround the school. Walking paths, a park bench, and a gazebo/grandstand can be seen in the park.

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| Notes:            | Front of postcard reads: Published for Christie's Book Store, Brandon, Man., 6350. Back of postcard reads: Canadian Souvenir Post Card, Warwick Brothers & Rutter, Limited, Printers, Toronto. The postcard is addressed to Miss Isabella Heastwell of Broderick, Saskatchewan, and is dated July 14, 1910. |
| Name Access:      | Park School<br>West End Park<br>Lorne Avenue<br>Stanley Park  |
| Subject Access:   | postcards<br>schools<br>parks   |
| Storage Location: | RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)   |

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## Classroom photo, Medicine Hat

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14133>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.202  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: [1960s]  
Physical Description: 7" x 5" (b/w)  
Physical Condition: Photograph has two thumb tack-sized holes  
Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a student class photo from a public school in Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Name Access: Medicine Hat  
Subject Access: class portraits  
Repro Restriction: Subject to Canadian Copyright Law  
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)  
Arrangement:  
BR #3 Family photos

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## School play at Earl Haig

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13950>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.22

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19--]

Physical Description: 3.5" x 2.5" (b/w)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a school stage with a living room set. A dozen students are standing around a possible teacher who is holding a bucket.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Earl Haig 3

Name Access: Earl Haig School

Subject Access: school plays  
school productions

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

### Arrangement:

See McG 4.1 File 51 William R. Morrison correspondence dated 14 January 1985

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## Methodist Mission Sunday School Picnic

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14004>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.74

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1915

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

Material Details: postcard

Physical Condition: Top left corner is bent

### Custodial History:

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

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a large group of men, women and children posing in a park. A man in a WWI Canadian uniform is standing in the back row, left-hand side.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Methodist Mission Sunday School Picnic taken in the Assiboine [sic.] Park. 1st 1915. 1915. Mr. Hugh Connolly Minister, Mr. Fred Denstedt, Teacher. Miss Hornbrook, Bible Class teacher. Mr. John Davies, Choir Leader. Mrs. Foreman in the center in dark dress the oldest member & four babies. Mrs. E. Harden, 33-10th Street N., City.

Name Access: Assiniboine Park

Subject Access: picnics

World War I

churches

church & school people

Churches and Church Life

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

Arrangement:

McG 4.1 File 27

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## Spafford brothers 1909

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13734>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.44  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1909  
Physical Description: 3.25" x 5.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: postcard

### History /

#### Biographical:

Harry Spafford (b. 22 Oct 1888, d. 10 May 1978) was born in Holmfield, Manitoba. He married Isabella Hawking of Ninga in 1914 and the couple moved to Brandon in 1915 where they continued to reside until 1973. Harry worked as a locomotive fireman and then as an engineer with the Canadian Northern Railway (CN). While with CN, he was an active member of the Brotherhood of Local Engineers and Firemen No. 788 of Brandon. He served as an alderman in Brandon from 1928 to 1945. In 1932, Harry ran in the Manitoba by-election for Brandon as an Independent Labour candidate and lost to the Conservative member George Dinsdale. In 1952, Harry ran as a Co-Operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF) member in the provincial election and lost to Conservative party representative Reg Lissaman. Harry Spafford passed away in Burnaby, BC, and is interred in the Ocean View Cemetery. (Source: see obituary in McG 4.1 File 66)

Alva/Alvery/"Alvie" Reddell/Riddell/Ridall Spafford (b. 15 Mar 1891, d. 23 Aug 1985) was born in Enterprise, Manitoba, in the R.M. of Turtle Mountain. In 1911, he married Francis Ethel Harrison (d. 1979) in Killarney and had three children. Alvie farmed in Bannerman from 1902 to 1936, after which he moved to Boissevain to work as a Rawleigh salesman. In 1942, the family moved to Brandon where Alvie worked as a conductor with the CNR until his retirement. Alva Spafford passed away at the age of 94 at the Brandon General Hospital. His funeral was held in Killarney, Manitoba. (Source: Obituary, Brandon Sun, 23 Aug 1985)

#### Scope and Content:

Postcard is a studio portrait of the Spafford brothers. Alvie is seated, Harry is standing.

Notes: Writing on the front of the postcard reads: out of the past, Harry & Alvie Spafford, 1909 Winnipeg. The back of the postcard reads: Harry on left, Alvie on right, in our early, days, Railway.

Name Access: Harry Spafford  
Alvie Spafford

Subject Access: portraits

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

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## Spafford brothers 1909-1910

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13758>

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Part Of:              | Fred McGuinness collection |
| Description Level:    | Item                       |
| Series Number:        | McG 9                      |
| Item Number:          | 20-2009.69                 |
| Accession Number:     | 20-2009                    |
| GMD:                  | graphic                    |
| Date Range:           | 1909-1910                  |
| Physical Description: | 3.25" x 5.5" (b/w)         |
| Material Details:     | postcard                   |

## History /

### Biographical:

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### Scope and Content:

Postcard is a studio portrait of the Spafford brothers. Harry is seated on the left, Alva ("Alvie") is standing with his right arm around his brother.

Notes: Writing on the front of the postcard reads: Harry on left, Harry & Alva Spafford, our early Railroad days in Winnipeg 1909 or 1910.

Name Access: Harry Spafford  
Alvie Spafford  
Alva Spafford

Subject Access: portraits

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

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## Flora Cowan

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

Material Details: reproduction

History /

Biographical:

Mrs. Flora Cowan (1902-1986) was born on July 15, 1902 in Edinburgh, Scotland. She was the daughter of Adam and Helen Cruickshank and immigrated to Brandon with her parents in 1927. She married E.C. Cowan, and they had two children, Franklin and Ruth. From 1953 until Brandon College became Brandon University, she served as the Dean of Women. In 1966 she received the Good Citizenship Award of the Golden Boys of Manitoba. She was a member of the I.O.D.E. and a life-member of the International Peace Garden, and the Provincial Council of Women. From 1954 to 1970 Mrs. Cowan served as a member of the Brandon City Council and was the first woman to be appointed acting mayor. She was also the Chairman of the Board for Fairview Home, Inc. In 1967, Mrs. Cowan received the Trillium Business and Professional Club Woman of the Year Award. She was also a member of several other community committees. The women's residence at Brandon University, Flora Cowan, is named in her honour. In December 1980, Mrs. Cowan finally retired from her many positions. She died in Brandon on September 25, 1986 at the age of 84.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is a portrait of Flora Cowan

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Related Material: Trillium Business and Professional Women's Club records

Arrangement:

From 2009 loose photos, from File 13

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