

# S. J. McKee Archives



# Spafford family 1912

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13760

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.71
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1912

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

Material Details: postcard

Physical Condition: Postcard is stained and ripped in the right hand corner. A label is taped

to the front of the postcard. The postcard has been issued.

History / Biographical:

Harry Spafford (b. 22 Oct 1888, d. 10 May 1978) was born in Holmfield, Manitoba. He married lsabella 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 group photograph of some of the members of the Spafford family standing on the front steps of a residence. The four women and four men are dressed in heavy coats and jackets.

Notes: Writing on the front of the postcard reads: Harry Spafford on left, Alvie

Spafford in centre, Alf Spafford on extreme right, about 1910; The back of the postcard is addressed to Mrs. Alva (Francis) Spafford of Bannerman, Manitoba. Alvie Spafford has written at brief note to his wife, Francis. The postmark reads November 23, 1912, Winnipeg, Manitoba. The names Aunt Ida, -- --, Uncle Harry, Alf, and Alva are written in pen at the top of the

postcard.

Name Access: Harry Spafford

Alvie Spafford
Alva Spafford

Alfred Spafford

Subject Access: portraits

cowboys costumes

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

### **Images**





# Harlem in Havana - troop

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14069

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

1952

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:1-2015.139Accession Number:1-2015GMD:graphic

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

History / Biographical:

Date Range:

According to the website www.harleminhavana.com, The Harlem in Havana revue was the largest touring attraction in Royal American Shows' North American traveling carnival exhibition from 1936 to 1967. Amateur and professional performers from Harlem's Cotton Club and Havana's Tropicana Nightclub performed comedy, dance, music, and theatre routines as part of the revue.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a band and dance troop. Centre stage are a couple dressed in white.

Notes: Photograph sent to Fred McGuinness, Premier's Office, Parliament

Building, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, from Harry B. Julius, Tampa, Florida. Photographs possibly sent to McGuinness for consideration for

entertainment for the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee.

Name Access: Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee

Harlem in Havana

Subject Access: entertainers

musical acts

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

Arrangement:

BR #3 envelope, see McG 1.2 file 7

#### **Images**





## Harlem in Havana - duo

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14070

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

 Item Number:
 1-2015.140

 Accession Number:
 1-2015

GMD: graphic Date Range: 1952

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

History / Biographical:

According to the website www.harleminhavana.com, The Harlem in Havana revue was the largest touring attraction in Royal American Shows' North American traveling carnival exhibition from 1936 to 1967. Amateur and professional performers from Harlem's Cotton Club and Havana's Tropicana Nightclub performed comedy, dance, music, and theatre routines as part of the revue.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Harlem in Havana band performing behind a pair of dancers.

Notes: Photograph sent to Fred McGuinness, Premier's Office, Parliament

Building, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, from Harry B. Julius, Tampa, Florida. Photographs possibly sent to McGuinness for consideration for

entertainment for the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee.

Name Access: Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee

Harlem in Havana

Subject Access: entertainers

musical acts

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

Arrangement:

BR #3 envelope, see McG 1.2 file 7

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## Harlem in Havana - duo

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14071

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:1-2015.141Accession Number:1-2015GMD:graphicDate Range:1952

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

History / Biographical:

According to the website www.harleminhavana.com, The Harlem in Havana revue was the largest touring attraction in Royal American Shows' North American traveling carnival exhibition from 1936 to 1967. Amateur and professional performers from Harlem's Cotton Club and Havana's Tropicana Nightclub performed comedy, dance, music, and theatre routines as part of the revue.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Harlem in Havana band performing behind a pair of dancers. A man leaps over his female dance partner who is partially seated in the splits.

Notes: Photograph sent to Fred McGuinness, Premier's Office, Parliament

Building, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, from Harry B. Julius, Tampa, Florida. Photographs possibly sent to McGuinness for consideration for

entertainment for the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee.

Name Access: Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee

Harlem in Havana

Subject Access: entertainers

musical acts

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

Arrangement:

BR #3 envelope, see McG 1.2 file 7

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# Harlem in Havana - troop

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14073

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:1-2015.143Accession Number:1-2015GMD:graphicDate Range:1952

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

Custodial History:

According to the website www.harleminhavana.com, The Harlem in Havana revue was the largest touring attraction in Royal American Shows' North American traveling carnival exhibition from 1936 to 1967. Amateur and professional performers from Harlem's Cotton Club and Havana's Tropicana Nightclub performed comedy, dance, music, and theatre routines as part of the revue.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Harlem in Havana band and dance troop. A pair of drummers are featured at centre stage.

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Name Access: Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee

Harlem in Havana

Subject Access: entertainers

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Arrangement:

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## Harlem in Havana - soloist

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14074



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Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.144

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1952

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

History / Biographical:

According to the website www.harleminhavana.com, The Harlem in Havana revue was the largest touring attraction in Royal American Shows' North American traveling carnival exhibition from 1936 to 1967. Amateur and professional performers from Harlem's Cotton Club and Havana's Tropicana Nightclub performed comedy, dance, music, and theatre routines as part of the revue.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Harlem in Havana band backing up a male soloist wearing tattered clothes.

Notes: Photograph sent to Fred McGuinness, Premier's Office, Parliament

Building, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, from Harry B. Julius, Tampa, Florida. Photographs possibly sent to McGuinness for consideration for

entertainment for the Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee.

Name Access: Saskatchewan Golden Jubilee

Harlem in Havana

Subject Access: entertainers

musical acts

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

Arrangement:

BR #3 envelope, see McG 1.2 file 7

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# Harlem in Havana - piano

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14075

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

1952

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:1-2015.145Accession Number:1-2015GMD:graphic

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

History / Biographical:

Date Range:

According to the website www.harleminhavana.com, The Harlem in Havana revue was the largest touring attraction in Royal American Shows' North American traveling carnival exhibition from 1936 to 1967. Amateur and professional performers from Harlem's Cotton Club and Havana's Tropicana Nightclub performed comedy, dance, music, and theatre routines as part of the revue.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a musician at a keyboard while a female dancer sits atop the piano. The Harlem in Havana band is in the background.

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