

# S. J. McKee Archives



### 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 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 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)

**Images** 





## Spafford brothers 1909-1910

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

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:

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 [sic.] 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. 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)

#### **Images**





### Spafford brothers in cowboy costumes

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13759

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.70

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19--]

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 dressed as cowboys in chaps, bandanas, and hats. Harry is standing on the left and is reaching for a bottle resting on a stool. Alvie is standing on the right and is pointing a pistol at his brother. Behind the brothers is the back of train car that reads "leaving Winnipeg."

Notes: Writing on the front of the postcard reads: Early railroad day in wpg, Harry

on left, Alvie on right.

Name Access: Harry Spafford

Alvie Spafford Alva Spafford

Subject Access: portraits

cowboys costumes

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

#### **Images**





## 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:

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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 iackets.

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)

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#### Bertha Leith (nee Clark) fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3613

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Creator: Bertha Clark
Description Level: Sub-series
Series Number: MG 2 2.31
Accession Number: 7-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1925-1929

Physical Description: 24 photographs (b/w)

History / Biographical:

Bertha Miriam Clark was born on Prince Edward Island but attended public and high school in Brandon, MB. She was a member of the Class of 1929 and served as Lady Stick in her final year at Brandon College.

Clark married J. Scott Leith, Brandon College Class of 1928. Scott and Bertha Leith's son James Clark Leith is in the Canadian Who's Who.

Custodial History:

Album was sent to Pat Britton, Brandon University Director of Alumni Relations, by Bertha Leith in April 1991. Britton then transferred it to the McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a small accordian style photograph album (7  $\times$  10.5  $\times$  3.5 cm) created by Bertha Clark during her years at Brandon College. The photographs, which measure 4"  $\times$  2.75", depict numerous people and events.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the 1928-1929 Sickle.

Name Access: Bertha Clark

Ruth Bingham

Professor Richards

Lil Bullman Clark Hall

Brandon College Building

Jean Hitchings Lloyd Bowler

Kay Underwood

Scott Leith

Denis Phillpots

Donald Ritchie

Harold Cairns

Andrew Clark

Isabel Hitchings

A. Foster

Rundle McLachlan

Carl Wickland

Doris Bingham

**Doris Dowling** 

Ella Whitmore

Meta Mischpeter

Vera Ulinder

Josh Thompson

Doris Cochrane

Frank Kerr

Cyril Richards

Thomas Russell Wilkins

Flo Turnbull

Esther Magoon

Hilda Harrison

Doris Ireton

Mrs. Richards

W.L. Wright

Annie Evans Wright

Miss Hatch

Jennie Turnbull

Mrs. MacNeill

Mrs. C.G. Stone

Helen Duncan

Constance Lamontagne

Marian Bulloch

Mabel Craig

Subject Access: Class of 29'

Sports Day 1925

English Club

Graduation Lake Percy

Arts 1929

CPR depot

Brandon College boys 1925-1927

al(l)-bums "cat-chers" Sykes

18th Street Hill Class of 1928 Class of 1929 Class of 1930 Class of 1931

arts faculty outing

Storage Location: MG 2 Brandon College Students

2.31 Bertha Leith (nee Clark)

Related Material: Edward Lloyd Bowler collection (36-1999)