



# S. J. McKee Archives

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## Royal George Hotel

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13712>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.22  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1912  
Physical Description: 9.75" x 7.5" (b/w)  
Physical Condition: photograph is torn and has scotch tape residue

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the exterior of the Royal George Hotel located at 142-6th Street, Brandon. Striped awnings cover the second and third storey windows of the hotel. Dogs roam the sidewalk in front of the hotel. Advertisements cover the fence adjacent to the hotel and include: Fort McMurray town site settlement; Mortgage sale for city property; Starland Theatre featuring Miss Amy Lawrence, Soprano; Sherman Theatre; 15th Annual Horticultural Exhibition

Notes: Date ascertained from 15th Annual Horticultural Exhibition advertisement posted on fence adjacent to hotel. Address obtained from Henderson's Brandon City Directory for 1913.

Name Access: Royal George Hotel  
Starland Theatre  
Sherman Theatre  
Horticultural Exhibition  
6th Street

Subject Access: hotels  
building exteriors  
advertising  
dogs

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

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## Dominion Exhibition Display Building II and midway

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13726>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.36

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1913

Physical Description: 4.5" x 3.75" (b/w)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the midway at the 1913 Dominion Fair. Attractions include California Orange Juice stand and Patterson's Animal Trainer Show. The Dominion Exhibition Display Building II can be seen in the background.

Notes: Photograph appears to be a part of a sequence of photographs, see 20-2009.30 to 20-2009.40

Name Access: Dominion Fair  
Dominion Exhibition  
Dominion Exhibition Display Building II  
Dome Building

Subject Access: fairs  
exhibitions  
building exteriors

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

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## Sewer pipe installation along 700 block of Rosser Avenue

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13736>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.46

Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: ca. 1906  
Physical Description: 6.5" x 4.25" (b/w)  
Material Details: on matting  
Physical Condition: Photographs have been glued to a backing board that has warped over time

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block, along which sewer pipe is being laid. Visible buildings and businesses include: The Fleming Block with Lowes Brothers Clothing and Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company, the Beaubier Block and its Empire Hotel, A.M. Percival (a grocer), the Brandon Hardware Company (600 block), and the Arlington Hotel (500 block) are visible along the north side of the avenue. The Bank of Hamilton Building is on the southeast corner of 8th Street and Rosser Avenue.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 290. Page appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block  
Empire Hotel  
D.W. Beaubier Block  
A.M. Percival  
Brandon Hardware Company  
Arlington Hotel  
Lowes Brothers Clothing

Subject Access: Street scene  
downtown  
grocers  
storefronts  
building exteriors  
sewage  
construction

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

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Coombs & Stewart general store c. 1881



<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13756>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.67  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: c.1881  
Physical Description: 6.5" x 5" (b/w)  
Material Details: on matting  
Physical Condition: Photograph is stained and water damaged. A newspaper clipping about William (Billy) Muir is glued to the top left hand corner of the mat. The image is exfoliated in the right hand corner. The negative has been reverse printed.

#### History /

##### Biographical:

Coombs & Stewart opened the first general store in Brandon in 1881, which was located on 6th Street and Pacific Avenue. According to G.F. Barker (Brandon: A City, 1977, 291), William (Billy) Muir worked at the store until he opened his own grocery store in 1888.

##### Custodial History:

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

##### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Coombs & Stewart general store located on the corner of Pacific Avenue and 6th Street. A group of men pose in front of the wood-framed store.

Notes: Back of photograph reads: One of first stores in Brandon, Coombs...[?]

Name Access: Coombs & Stewart  
Pacific Avenue  
6th Street  
Wm. Muir General Grocer

Subject Access: Pioneers  
general stores  
building exteriors  
store exteriors  
horses  
grocery stores  
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E13

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## William Muir General Grocer building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13757>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.68  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: post-1888  
Physical Description: 4.5" x 7.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: on matting  
Physical Condition: Matting is bent and has a thumbtack hole.

### History /

#### Biographical:

According to G.F. Barker (Brandon: A City, 1977, 291), William (Billy) Muir worked at Coombs & Stewart's on Pacific Avenue until he opened his own grocery store in 1888. The shop was located at 143-6th Street, Brandon, and was demolished for a parking lot in 1952.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the "Wm. Muir General Grocer" building on 6th Street. Two men pose in the doorway of the store. The man on the left is likely William Muir. Barrels are lined on the boardwalk in front of the store. Apples and mason jars can be seen in the shop's windows.

Notes: Front of photograph reads: Sixth Street between Rosser - Princess. Back of photograph reads: Billy Muir's Store, 143 6th Street Brandon - 57 years in business in this location. An address label affixed to the back of the mat reads: Mrs. James Strath, Box 421, Souris, Man.

Name Access: Coombs & Stewart  
Pacific Avenue  
6th Street  
Wm. Muir General Grocer

Subject Access: Pioneers  
general stores  
building exteriors  
store exteriors  
grocery stores  
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940  
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)  
Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E18

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### Queen's Hotel on the corner of 10th Street and Rosser Avenue

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13778>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.89  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1883  
Physical Description: 7.25" x 4.25" (b/w)  
Material Details: on matting  
Physical Condition: Left hand corner of mat is bent. Mock-up instructions are written in pencil at the bottom right hand corner. Portions of the photograph itself are marked with pen.

History /

Biographical:

The Queen's Hotel was located on the corner of Rosser Avenue and Tenth Street (Steen & Boyce, 1882. Brandon, Manitoba, Canada and Her Industries. Steen & Boyce Publishers Printers & Binders, 81.). Therefore this photo appears to display Rosser Avenue looking east. P.E. 11/06/09

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows early Rosser Avenue under construction between 9th Street and 10th Street in the 1880s. Buildings that line the avenue are wood framed and there are wooden boardwalks in front of a few structures. On the north side of Rosser Avenue signs for Fortier & Bucke Commision Agents and Transit House (Hotel) can be seen. On the south side of Rosser Avenue, the Queen's Hotel and Robinson Brothers and Company groceries and dry goods store are open for business. A family appears to be standing on the stoop at the dry goods store. A boy is lounging in the entryway of the Queen's Hotel. A man is standing on a wooden plank that extends across the dirt road of Rosser Avenue between the dry goods store and the commission agents' shop.

Notes: The back of the photograph reads: FRED McGUINNESS

Name Access: Queen's Hotel  
Rosser Avenue  
Fortier & Bucke Commision Agents  
Transit House  
Robinson Brothers and Company

Subject Access: downtown  
construction  
Brandon Street Scenes Before 1940  
hotels  
hardware stores  
street scenes  
store exteriors  
building exteriors  
grocery stores  
general stores  
dry goods

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1C17

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## Race track at Exhibition Grounds, Brandon, Man.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13779>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.90  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: c.1910  
Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (colour)  
Material Details: postcard  
Physical Condition: Postcard has been issued. Corners are worn.

### Scope and Content:

Postcard shows the grandstand and race track located at the Exhibition Grounds (now the site of the Keystone Centre/Westman Communications Place) in the south end of Brandon, Manitoba. The bleachers are filled with people and spectators also line the fence alongside the track. Five harness racers are making their way along the track. An observation tower and possible gazebo for dignitaries is located inside the track.

Notes: The back of the postcard is address to Mrs. Sharpe of Banff, Alberta. A green King George One Cent stamp has been postmarked Sault Ste. Maire, Ont., July 6, 1910. The message reads: Lake Superior, My dear. How are you? Glad you are charmed with B. don't get too fat. Tell Mrs. Coates my state room companion is Miss Rutherford of B. Coll: she got on at Port Arthur. Having a lovely trip. It was hard parting at B. ....Address 14 Deer Park, Toronto. Postcard manufactured by Stedman Bros. Ltd., Brantford, Canada. S.B. 2376. Made in Germany.

Name Access: Brandon Fairgrounds  
Subject Access: fairs  
exhibitions  
Brandon Exhibitions & Facilities  
race tracks  
horse racing

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

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## Tenth Street looking towards CPR Station, Brandon, Man.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13780>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.91

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1917-1919]

Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (colour)

Material Details: postcard

History /

Biographical:

According to Russ Gourluck (Silver Screens on the Prairie, Winnipeg: Great Plains Publications, 2012, 26), the Orpheum Theatre was in operation from 1917 to 1920 when it then became the Willis Theatre.

Scope and Content:

Postcard shows the 100 block of 10th Street facing north. The CPR train station can be seen at the end of 10th Street. The sign for the Rex Cafe is visible on the west side of 10th Street. On the east side of 10th Street, billboards for Campbell & Campbell furniture are visible as well as signs for Pianos and the Orpheum Theatre. Motorists and cyclists share the road. Street car tracks run the length of 10th Street.

Notes: Postcard was manufactured by T.B. [Tichnor Brothers, Inc., 1908-1987] Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Name Access: 10th Street  
CPR Station  
Orpheum Theatre  
Rex Cafe  
Campbell & Campbell  
Brandon Municipal Railway

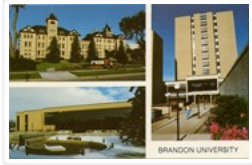
Subject Access: street scenes  
building exteriors  
store exteriors  
automobiles  
Transportation  
street cars  
bicycles

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

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## Brandon University postcard

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13865>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Creator: Photographer: Sandy Black

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.175

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1980s

Physical Description: 5.75" x 3.75" (colour)

Material Details: postcard

Scope and Content:

Postcard is of buildings at Brandon University, including Clark Hall and the Original Building prior to the renovations, McMasater Hall, and the Q.E.II School of Music building.

Notes: Writing on the front of the postcard reads: Brandon University. Back of the postcard reads: (Top Left) Brandon University original building (Administration Center.), Bottom Left) Queen Elizabeth II Music Building, (Right) McMaster Hall Residence; Photo by Sandy Black; Printed in Brandon, Manitoba, Canada, by Leech Printing Ltd.

Name Access: Brandon University  
McMaster Hall  
Clark Hall  
Queen Elizabeth II Music Building  
School of Music

Subject Access: Buildings  
building exteriors  
universities  
Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940

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

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 #1 File 13 Sunbeams

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## Churches of Brandon postcard

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13871>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Published by Christie's Bookstore, Brandon, Man.  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.181  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1910s  
Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (colour)  
Material Details: postcard

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows exterior views of five Brandon churches: Baptist Church, Presbyterian Church, St. Matthew's Church, Catholic Church and Monastery, and Methodist Church.

Notes: Part of "Christie's Brandon Series of Six Colored Picture Postcards of Brandon, Manitoba, The Crown Series, Published by Christie's Bookstore, Brandon, Man." [note: missing sixth postcard]. Writing on the front of the photograph reads: Baptist Church, Presbyterian Church Brandon Man., St. Matthew's Church, Catholic Church and Monastery, Methodist Church.

Name Access: St. Matthew's Church  
St. Augustine's Church  
First Baptist Church  
Presbyterian Church  
Methodist Church

Subject Access: churches  
building exteriors  
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

### Arrangement:

From 20-2009 File 9

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## Brandon College viewbook postcard

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13882>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Printed by Photogelatine Engraving Co. Ltd., Ottawa  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.192  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1920s  
Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: postcard

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a southwestern view of Clark Hall and the Brandon College Original Building. The Citizen Science Building is absent from the campus grounds.

Notes: Part of "Souvenir of Brandon, Manitoba, Canada [viewbook], Printed by Photogelatine Engraving Co. Limited, Ottawa." Dates obtained from the Burchill's Music Store Henderson's Brandon City Directory listings (1927-1929). Writing on the front of the photograph reads: Brandon College, Brandon, Man.

Name Access: Brandon General Hospital

Subject Access: Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940  
hospitals  
building exteriors

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

### Arrangement:

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## Winter Fair Arena viewbook postcard

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13884>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Printed by Photogelatine Engraving Co. Ltd., Ottawa  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.194  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1920s  
Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: postcard

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the exterior of the Winter Fair Arena on 10th Street.

Notes: Part of "Souvenir of Brandon, Manitoba, Canada [viewbook], Printed by Photogelatine Engraving Co. Limited, Ottawa." Dates obtained from the Burchill's Music Store Henderson's Brandon City Directory listings (1927-1929). Writing on the front of the photograph reads: Winter Fair Arena, Brandon, Man.

Name Access: Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba  
Winter Fair Building

Subject Access: fairs  
winter fairs  
street scenes  
building exteriors  
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

### Arrangement:

From 20-2009 photos

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## City Hall and YMCA viewbook postcard

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13885>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Printed by Photogelatine Engraving Co. Ltd., Ottawa  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.195  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1920s  
Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: postcard

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows two separate views. One is of the main entrance of (Old) City Hall on Princess Avenue. The other view shows the ediface of the YMCA building as well as the adjacent St. Paul's United and First United Churches on 8th Street.

Notes: Part of "Souvenir of Brandon, Manitoba, Canada [viewbook], Printed by Photogelatine Engraving Co. Limited, Ottawa." Dates obtained from the Burchill's Music Store Henderson's Brandon City Directory listings (1927-1929). Writing on the front of the photograph reads: City Hall - Brandon, Man; YMCA, St. Paul's United & First Church United, Brandon, Man.

Name Access: YMCA  
St. Paul's United Church  
First United Church  
City Hall  
Old City Hall  
8th Street

Subject Access: Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940  
churches  
building exteriors

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

### Arrangement:

From 20-2009 photos

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## Brandon Fire Station No.2 exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13993>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.63  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1914  
Physical Description: 4.75" x 6.75" (b/w)  
Physical Condition: Photograph was removed from a photo album. Photograph is ripped.

### History /

#### Biographical:

According the 1911 Henderson's Brandon City Directory, the Brandon Fire Department - headquartered at Seventh Street and Princess Avenue - had 16 permanent firemen. For equipment the department had one steamer, two chemicals, two hose wagons, one hose reel, one aerial aldder, one hook and ladder wagon, and 10 horses. The city had 34 electric fire alarm boxes and 114 fire hydrants. The pumping station had a capacity of 3.5 million gallons in 24 hours. By 1914, the Brandon Fire Department had 19 permanent employees on its roster and added 2 more horses as well as an 80 horsepower combination motor truck.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows two horse-drawn fire wagons in front of the Brandon Fire Station No. 2. One wagon has a hose, the other wagon has an extension ladder.

Notes: Writing on the back of photograph reads: Ed Harden, Driver on the left, 1914, 11th McTavish. This picture is the same as the negative in the Lawrence Stuckey collection. Stuckey obtained a copy of the photo from George Lepard, father of Linda Bilkoski (nee Lepard).

Name Access: Brandon Fire Department Ladder Wagon

Brandon Fire Department

Fire Station No. 2

Brandon Fire Department Personnel

Brandon fire halls

Subject Access: Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

Brandon Fire Department Stations & Equipment

horses

fire halls

fire engines

building exteriors

firefighters

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1F12

Arrangement:

McG 4.1 File 27



### Brandon Fire Station No.2 with wooden exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13995>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Photography: J.W. Wilson Co., 143 Queen W., Toronto  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.65  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: [1913]  
Physical Description: 7" x 5" (b/w)  
Material Details: on matting  
Physical Condition: Matting 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 the wooden exterior of Brandon Fire Hall No. 2 before it was covered with a brick veneer. The firemen are standing outside the bay doors which are open and blocked with rope. The hose wagon and ladder wagon are parked inside the building. The harnesses for the horses are suspended from the ceiling.

Notes: Writing on the back of photograph reads: Mrs. Ed Harden. No. 2 Firehall, 600 Block 11th Street, Brandon, Man. This picture is the same as the negative in the Lawrence Stuckey collection. Stuckey obtained a copy of the photo from George Lepard, father of Linda Bilkoski (nee Lepard).

Name Access: Brandon Fire Department  
Fire Station No. 2  
Brandon Fire Department Personnel  
Brandon fire halls

Subject Access: Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940  
Brandon Fire Department Stations & Equipment  
fire halls  
fire engines  
building exteriors  
firefighters

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1F6

Arrangement:  
McG 4.1 File 27

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### Brandon Fire Station No.2

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13996>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Creator: Photographer: Martel's Limited Brandon

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.66

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1913-1919]

Physical Description: 7" x 4.75" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Custodial History:

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

Notes: Photograph shows two horse-drawn fire wagons in front of the Brandon Fire Station No. 2. One wagon has a hose, the other wagon has an extension ladder. Fireman Ed Harden is on the reins of the ladder truck (right). Writing on the back of photograph reads: Contributed by Mrs. Ed Harden. 6th Street North, 11th & McTavish Ave, Fire Hall - now School Bd office.

This picture is the same as the negative in the Lawrence Stuckey collection. Stuckey obtained a copy of the photo from George Lepard, father of Linda Bilkoski (nee Lepard).

Name Access: Brandon Fire Department  
Fire Station No. 2  
Brandon Fire Department Personnel  
Brandon fire halls  
Ed Harden

Subject Access: Brandon Fire Department Ladder Wagon  
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940  
Brandon Fire Department Stations & Equipment  
fire halls  
fire engines  
building exteriors  
firefighters

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1F6

Arrangement:  
McG 4.1 File 27

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## Brandon Fire Department nominal roll

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13997>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Photographer: Clark J. Smith  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9



Item Number: 1-2015.67  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1912  
Physical Description: 5" x 7" (b/w)  
Material Details: reproduction  
Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

According to the 1911 Henderson's Brandon City Directory, the Brandon Fire Department - headquartered at Seventh Street and Princess Avenue - had 16 permanent firemen. For equipment the department had one steamer, two chemicals, two hose wagons, one hose reel, one aerial ladder, one hook and ladder wagon, and 10 horses. The city had 34 electric fire alarm boxes and 114 fire hydrants. The pumping station had a capacity of 3.5 million gallons in 24 hours. By 1913, the Brandon Fire Department had 19 permanent employees on its roster and added 2 more horses as well as an 80 horsepower combination motor truck.

Notes: Photograph shows a pictorial nominal roll of the 18 members of the 1912 Brandon Fire Department. A logo of crossed hoses, axes, ladder, and helmet adorn the centre of the photo. The Cornell Trophy for the Brandon Fire Brigade is pictured at the top centre. Photos of two building fires are featured at the top corners. The Central Fire Hall and No. 2 Fire Hall are pictured at the bottom corners.

Members include: D. McDonald, T. Flowers, E. Harden, J. Adams, J. Daniel, Lt. A. Mowat, T. Calder, A.E. Elborne (secretary), F. Benson, A. Mair?, T. Dunnett, A. Flett, J. Todd, Lt. G. Taylor, M. Watson, A. Thomas [Calder?], Capt. R. Daley, Chief J. Melhuish, Eng. E. Boyes. Also pictured are Mayor J.W. Fleming and Alderman C.B. Coleman (chairman).

Name Access: Brandon Fire Department  
Fire Station No. 2  
Brandon Fire Department Personnel  
Brandon fire halls  
Ed Harden  
Brandon Fire Department Ladder Wagon

Subject Access: Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940  
Brandon Fire Department Stations & Equipment  
fire halls  
fire engines  
building exteriors  
firefighters

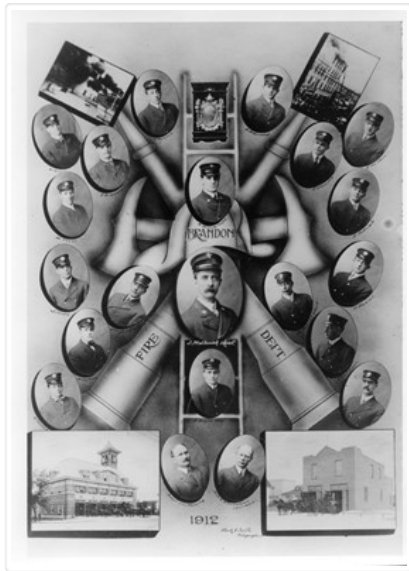
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1F13

Arrangement:  
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## Syndicate Block fire 1916

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13999>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.69  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1916  
Physical Description: 4.25" x 2.5" (b/w)  
Physical Condition: Photograph has hole in bottom right corner

### Custodial History:

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

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the remains of the Syndicate Block after the fire in January 1916. The building is situated on the southwest corner of Seventh Street and Rosser Avenue. Ice from the firefighting process covers the building. The tailor shop J.S. Laughton & Son (701 Rosser Avenue) can be seen on the north side of Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: 7th Street  
Syndicate Block  
J.S. Laughton & Son  
Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: fires  
building exteriors  
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

### Arrangement:

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## Nation & Shewan store window

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14003>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection



Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.73  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1914  
Physical Description: 6.5" x 4.5" (b/w)  
Physical Condition: Top left corner is bent

#### History /

#### Biographical:

Erected in 1889, on the southeast corner of Rosser Avenue and 7th Street at 806 Rosser Avenue, this block was designed by Brandon architect W.H. Shillinglaw. At the time of its construction the structure housed the Nation & Shewan Department Store, one of Brandon's largest and most successful drygoods businesses, owned and operated by Fred Nation and Alexander Shewan.

Major improvements were made to the store and an annex was added in 1910. Some of the renovation additions included, but were not limited to, an updated frontage with new copper sash windows and prismatic glass tops, plate glass windows, new fixtures and carpet. With the renovations the floor space of the business was to be almost doubled. The stock of the business also increased, with the Brandon Weekly Sun reporting that when finished, Nation & Shewan would be a "store of which the citizens of Brandon will be justly proud." The drygoods firm operated until Nation's death 1926, when it became known as A. Shewan Limited. From 1933 to 1944, the business was known as Shewan and Son. Shortly thereafter, the Metropolitan Stores Ltd began operating out of the Nation & Shewan Block.

In 2000, the Town Centre prepared to knock down the Red Apple Building, formerly the Nation & Shewan Block. The demolition was to make way for the new atrium and entrance for the mall, and begin a new period of redevelopment at the downtown shopping centre.

[History/Bio written by Christy Henry (SJ McKee Archives) and Eileen Trott (Daly House Museum), researched by Morganna Maylon, for 2015 photographic exhibition "Gowen's Brandon: Then and Now".]

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a display of women's clothing and accessories in the window at Nation & Shewan. A sign reads: 1914 Spring Opening commences on Wednesday March 25th.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Mrs. E. Harden, 33-10th St., City. According to the Henderson's Brandon City Directories, Catharine "Kate" Harden (nee Chalmers) worked as a cashier at Nation & Shewan from 1913 to 1914.

Name Access: Nation & Shewan  
Kate Harden

Subject Access: building exteriors  
advertising  
Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

#### Arrangement:

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## Residence

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14011>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Printed: AZO [postcards]  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 1-2015.81  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: [1910s]  
Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: postcard  
Physical Condition: Postcard is bent, inked stained, and has emulsion artifacts  
Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a wood-framed bungalow with ornamental woodwork on the porch and roof. The home has a wooden picket fence. A woman and child are seated on one side of the ballustrade and a woman in an overcoat and hat is seated on either side of the ballustrade. Neighbouring homes are also visible.

Subject Access: **street scenes**  
**residences**  
**building exteriors**  
**women**  
**children**

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

Arrangement:

BR #3 Family pictures

## Images

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