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Mrs. McVicar, Brandon's first postmistress

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13733>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.43

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1920-1930s]

Physical Description: 3" x 4.75" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

Mrs. McVicar was Brandon's/Grand Valley's first postmistress. Biographical details about Mrs. McVicar can be found in a newspaper clipping [F.A. ROSSER, "Sunbeams – The Birds Dived Down Like Fighters on Gopher," Brandon Sun, September 16, 1978, 3] in McG 4.1 File 67.

Custodial History:

Photograph was brought to Fred McGuinness by Owen Anderson of Cypress River, Manitoba.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is a portrait of Mrs. McVicar sitting outside of her home in Texas.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph consists of greetings and salutations to the unknown recipients. Photograph "finished by Edrington's Studio, Weslaco, Texas."

Name Access: Mrs. McVicar

Subject Access: portraits
postmasters
postmistresses
post offices
Pioneers

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

Images



Mrs. Agnes Chalmers (nee Gilmour)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13981>

Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Item
Series Number:	McG 9
Item Number:	1-2015.52
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	graphic
Date Range:	1882
Physical Description:	6.5" x 9.5" (b/w)
Material Details:	reprint
Physical Condition:	Photograph is bent and torn. Adhesive residue remains on back of photograph.

History /

Biographical:

Agnes Miller Chalmers (nee Gilmour) (b. 13 Oct 1864; d. 10 Nov 1954, Brandon) immigrated to Canada from Scotland with her husband in 1882. The couple settled in Brandon, Manitoba, where they had nine children: Edward Thomas, Catharine "Kate" (a.k.a. Kate Harden), Samuel, John, Agnes, Frederick, twins Lawrence and Ernest, and Edna.

Her husband, Edward (b. 04 Dec 1858, Leith, Scotland; d. 08 Oct 1926, Brandon), worked as a glazier with a number of shops in Brandon, including McDiarmid and Clark, Rat Portage Lumber Company, and Hanbury Manufacturing Company.

Sources: Canada Census 1911, Manitoba Vital Statistics database, Henderson's Brandon City Directories.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows an elderly woman in period dress. The woman is sitting outdoors by a wood-framed building.

Notes: Writing on back photograph reads: ?, Ted Harden, ?, Kate Harden.
Photograph is stamped Crawford's Drug Store, Brandon, Man. [Date range determined from drug store period.]

Name Access: Agnes Chalmers (nee Gilmour)

Subject Access: Pioneers

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

Arrangement:

McG 4.1 File 27

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Mrs. Osmond (of Harding, MB) in her kitchen

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14164>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection
Creator: Photographer: Burton Strange
Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 1-2015.233
Accession Number: 1-2015
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1974
Physical Description: 3.25" x 4.5" (b/w)
Physical Condition: Photograph is stained

History /

Biographical:

Mrs. Hilda Rosa Osmond (nee Bridgeman) was born in Hampshire, England in 1888 to parents Edwin Samuel Bridgeman (b.16 Jul 1852; d. 19 June 1922, Brandon) and Rosa Holkham (b. 26 Mar 1859; d. 27 May 1927, Brandon). Edwin was a sailor and Rosa was a dressmaker.

Following the death of her brother Edwin Frederick Bridgeman (1886-1890), the family immigrated to Canada in 1891. The Bridgeman's took the train to Griswold, Manitoba, and settled near Edwin's brother, Albert Bridgeman, and together they farmed the N 1/2 of 36-12-23. The Bridgeman's had three more children, Ellen Grace (b. 27 Jan 1893; d. 22 Feb 1893), Harry Volantine/Valentine (b. 14 Feb 1894), and Charlie Cuthbert (b. 03 Aug 1896; d. 25 Aug 1901). Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Bridgeman retired in 1913 and moved to Brandon where they lived until their respective deaths. The couple are interred in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery.

Hilda married William Arthur Osmond (b. 1867; d. 26 Oct 1943) of Basingstoke, England, on 31 Jan 1913. They had a daughter Nellie who later married Glen Mossey. The family continued to farm the property on section 36.

Hilda Rosa Osmond passed away in 1980 at the age of 91. She is interred in the Greenwood Cemetery near Harding, Manitoba, where her husband and siblings also rest.

(Sources: England, Births and Christenings, 1538-1975. Salt Lake City, Utah: FamilySearch, 2013 [online]; Findagrave.com; Harding History Committee, Home to Harding 1879-1981 (Brandon: Leech Printing, 1981; Manitoba Vital Statistics Database)

Custodial History:

Photograph given to Fred McGuinness by Burton Strange of Kenton, 25 Nov 1974

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Mrs. Osmond sitting at a kitchen table with a cup of coffee before her.

Notes:	Label accompanying photograph reads: Mrs. Osmond, a resume of the good days over a cup of coffee
Name Access:	Hilda Rosa Osmond Hilda Osmond Harding, Manitoba
Subject Access:	kitchens building interiors Pioneers
Storage Location:	RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)
Arrangement:	McG 4.1 File 49

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Mrs. Osmond (of Harding, MB) with dog and tractor

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14165>

Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Creator:	Photographer: Burton Strange
Description Level:	Item
Series Number:	McG 9
Item Number:	1-2015.234
Accession Number:	1-2015
GMD:	graphic
Date Range:	1974
Physical Description:	3.25" x 4.5" (b/w)
Physical Condition:	Photograph is stained

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Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Mrs. Osmond and her dog in front of her tractor that she purchased in 1947.

Notes:	Label accompanying photograph reads: Mrs. Osmond tractor & dog
Name Access:	Hilda Rosa Osmond Hilda Osmond Harding, Manitoba
Subject Access:	dogs Tractors farming Pioneers
Storage Location:	RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)
Arrangement:	McG 4.1 File 49

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