

# S. J. McKee Archives



## United Commercial Travelers Ladies Auxiliary #112 collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13614

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 1-2013

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: October 30, 1937 – October 2006

Physical Description: 51cm of textual records

141 photographs

6 artifacts

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Ladies Auxiliary #112 of the United Commercial Travelers of America received its charter on October 30, 1937 at their first meeting, which took place in the Rose Room of the Prince Edward Hotel in Brandon, Manitoba. At this time the membership of the Ladies Auxiliary #112 consisted of 27 Sisters. Brother Ernie Tatton, Grand Counselor at the time, presented the Ladies Auxiliary with their Bible in May 1938. Winnipeg Auxiliary #48 gave the Brandon Auxiliary their Bible Book Mark and Saskatoon Auxiliary #23 gave them their gavel.

Initial meetings were held in the Rose Room of the Prince Edward Hotel on Saturday evenings, when the Brothers would meet after their weekly travels. Meetings were then moved to the Kelly Block on 8th Street. Here the Sisters would meet downstairs and the Brothers upstairs. Meetings were usually followed by dancing, singing, and lunch downstairs. Meetings were held in the Masonic Temple, the Knights of Columbus Hall, the Orange Hall, the Oddfellows Hall, and eventually in the UCT Hall. Throughout all the location changes, a social hour was still held with the Brothers.

The Brandon Auxiliary always performed the ritualistic and floor drill work. Originally, patrols only joined the Officers when Brandon Auxiliary was hosting a Grand Session. Patrols, with matching outfits, soon became a part of the floor work at every meeting. Officers were required to wear the proper attire. Capes were introduced in 1940 and white shoes, stockings, and dresses in 1941. Membership swelled over the years and 50 years after being inaugurated the Brandon Auxiliary could claim 136 Sisters.

The Brandon Ladies Auxiliary #112 was always very active within the larger community, especially with fundraising and charitable donation. Initially the Brandon Auxiliary supported the Red Cross by sewing and knitting. The Brandon Auxiliary also supported the Canadian Cancer Society at this time by making dressings. Rummage sales and teas were used to fundraise at the time. Teas were used in conjunction with the wives of the Steam Plant to purchase equipment for the first school in Brandon that taught developmentally delayed children. The Brandon Auxiliary also did fundraising teas, Walk-a-thons, bazaars, and raffles for the Camroc workshop, which was built for older handicapped students.

Bingo games were used to raise funds as well. Other projects of the Brandon Ladies Auxiliary include:

- 1. Builders of Women provides help to needy girls and women and gives a scholarship out at the Festival of the Arts. In 1969 the Ladies Auxiliary refurnished the third floor of the YWCA.
- 2. Cancer assistance with the annual canvas, ride and run events, putting on an event with a speaker and film, and a survey of sisters who had their annual pap test.
- 3. Handicapped Children purchase of equipment for the handicapped classes at George Fitton School and the COR Enterprises (formerly Camroc) workshop. One sister was a volunteer for their swimming and bowling classes, among other things.
- 4. The Three Benevolent Funds
- 5. May E. Tisdale Educational Fund donated to this fund every year, usually in memory of deceased sisters.
- 6. Brandon General Hospital Special Equipment Fund every year a sum was included in the Ladies Auxiliary budget to purchase special equipment for the Brandon Hospital.

Civic Service donations included the Mental Health Centre Christmas gifts, three Christmas hampers for needy families, Canadian Diabetes Association, Manitoba Heart Fund, and Brandon Figure Skating Club.

In 1962, the Auxiliary's 25th birthday, their first Dessert Party and Bake Sale was held. This had the stated objectives of growing and working together as a group and raising money for the organization. This became an annual event. Sisters who had attended for 25 years were honoured at the Auxiliary's 36th birthday celebration. Every birthday after that, sisters who had attended for 25 years were guests at the dinner and presented with a corsage and a gift. Sick and bereaved were also remembered at these functions. In the 1980s the Ladies Auxiliary continued to support the UCT Brandon Council #448 in the Annual Travellers Day Parade, Grand Sessions, and other functions.

In the early 1990s the United Commercial Travelers voted to allow women to join the Councils. This marked the beginning of the end for the Auxiliaries. However, ladies who had no connection to a Council could join an Auxiliary now whereas before only a wife, sister, or granddaughter of a Council member could join.

The final Grand Auxiliary Sessions were held in Brandon in May 2003. By this point only three auxiliaries were still active across Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta and all had difficulty recruiting new members. Most of the membership at this time was elderly and unable to take office or work at teas and other such events. Calgary and Regina's Auxiliaries were down to less than twelve members. Brandon still had more than 90 on the membership roll but only about 20 attended meetings regularly and it was becoming difficult to fill Officer positions.

The final Dessert and Bake Sale was held in October 2002 and was the 40th such event. With the demise of the Grand Auxiliary in 2003, it was decided that Brandon would continue to operate; however, after a year it was decided that Brandon would no longer operate as a formal auxiliary. Monthly luncheons would now be held with December being a Christmas Party supper. The last formal meeting was held in the Parkview Seniors complex on March 22, 2004.

The money in the Grand Auxiliary's account was distributed to the three remaining auxiliaries based on how much had been contributed over the preceding ten years. Brandon received \$2,500 and had about \$5,000 in their account. When formal meetings were discontinued it was decided to donate \$5,000 to the "A Bed for You, A Bed for Me" campaign of the Brandon General Hospital. Approximately \$1,100 was given to their Chairs from Mentally Challenged and Builders of Women to use as they pleased.

All members on the membership roll were contacted and asked if they wished to remain members. Several decided not to but 50 members remained. Each member under 80 paid a \$5 membership fee in April or October. Beginning in 2004, \$1 was collected from every member that attended a luncheon to pay for stamps and cards sent to those who were ill, lost a loved one, turned 80, etc. Fundraising is limited to selling Riverview Curling Club Lottery Calendars for which the Ladies Auxiliary #112 received \$4. In 2005 \$128 was collected and \$25 donated to five different charities.

In 2006, sisters of the Auxiliary still worked at the Fairview Daffodil Tea for Cancer, put on the January birthday party at Hillcrest Place, worked the Big Craft Sale at the Keystone Centre in October, worked with the Salvation Army Kettles at Christmas, and sold carnatons for multiple sclerosis and daffodils for the Cancer Society. Luncheons held averaged about 20 members and 25 at Christmas.

#### Custodial History:

Records were created and collected by the members of the Brandon United Commercial Travelers Ladies Auxiliary #112. The collection was donated to the S.J. McKee Archives in March 2007.

#### Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records that document the origin, activities, and ultimately the disbandment of the Brandon Ladies Auxiliary #112 of the Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America. These records were created and accumulated during the nearly 70 year existence of the UCT Ladies Auxiliary #112.

The collection consists of the minutes of their meetings from November 1939 to November 1991, photographs of the members, and sign-in books from October 1937 to March 1991. It also contains the account ledger from April 1972 to March 1997. Several scrapbooks containing photographs and newspaper clippings related to the activities and members of the Ladies Auxiliary and the United Commercial Travelers, spanning the nearly 70 lifespan of the organization, are also included in the collection.

Both the United Commercial Travelers Council #448 and the United Commercial Travelers Ladies Auxiliary #112 were very active in raising funds for various charitable organizations. Money was raised for the Brandon General Hospital, as well as for George Fitton School to assist with their special education program. Organizations such as the Red Cross, the Canadian Cancer Society, special needs organizations, United Way, the Multiple Sclerosis Society, and several other organizations all received the benefits of UCT fundraising. Scholarships were also given out. Teas, dessert and bake sales, sewing and knitting, rummage sales, Walk-a-thons, bazaars, and raffles were all used to raise money for charitable donations.

Collection also contains various artifacts including a gavel, the original charter of the Ladies Auxiliary #112, nomination balls, officer's badges, a Bible, and the cloth used for the draping of a deceased member's charter. Also included is a handbook detailing the rituals carried out by the United Commercial Travelers of America.

Notes: History/biographical information provided by Sister Bernice Nerbas of the

UCT Ladies Auxiliary #112. Copies of their history are found in the collection. Description by Joseph Dauphinais (October 2013).

Name Access: The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America (UCT)

The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America (UCT) Ladies

Auxiliary

The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America #448
The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America Ladies

The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America Auxiliary #112

UCT

UCT Ladies Auxiliary #112

Jessie Tatton

Florence Offer

Bertha Baker

Wilma Martin

Hattie Moffat

Isabelle Driver

Belle Driver

Rose Woodlock

Kay Quinn

Blanche Macleay

Diane Finch

Jean Williamson

Anne Larkins

**Doris Gromb** 

Helen Cook

Mae MacEdwards

Heidi Cleuett

Flora Francis

Gladys Quinn

Janet MacLeod

Myrtle Cook

Lillian Hare

Margaret Geiler

Alice Cosgrove

Phyllis Clark

Charlotte Kellie

**Dot MacKay** 

Audrey Campbell

Jean Chrisp

Patricia Brooking

Pat Brooking

Patricia Scott

Jaye Little

lva Brynelson

Marilyn Johnston

Doris Stanzeleit

Mildred Darvill

Bernice Keown

Myrtle Kardash

Linda Koshowski

Vonnie Coates

Carole Mann

Anne Dunwald

Brenda Loll

Aileen Smalley

Phyllis Elliott

Donna Thompson

Elfriede Verstock

Freddie Verstock

Heather Bernhardt

Linda Garson

Kathleen Heppner

Lois Osudar

Ricki Woods

Bernice Nerbas

Subject Access: Wanten's Organizations

charitable organizations

Storage Location: 2013 accessions

Related Material: The Order of the United Commercial Travelers of America (UCT) fonds

(5-2008), 4 photographs in the CKX fonds (11-2010.U5, 11-2010.U6a,

11-2010.U6b, 11-2010.U6c), Jack Stothard collection (4-2013)



## Horse and buggies travelling on Rosser Avenue

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13699

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.9
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: [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

History / Biographical:

Photograph of possible Dakota from Sioux Valley in Brandon for the summer fair.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block. Businesses visible in the Fleming Block include: Lowes Brothers Clothing, Robert Hall [Insurance Broker], Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company. Businesses visible in the Beaubier Block include the Empire Hotel. Businesses east of the Empire Hotel are grocer A.M. Percival and the Brandon Hardware Company. A number of Aboriginal peoples are driving horse and buggies west along Rosser Avenue as spectators look on.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 294 July 1906. One

photograph (20-2009.10) is glued below and two others are glued on the

reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block

Lowes Brothers Clothing

Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company

**Empire Hotel** 

D.W. Beaubier Block

A.M. Percival

Brandon Hardware Company

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: Street scene

Transportation downtown

grocers storefronts dogs

Aboriginals
First Nations
horses
buggies

insurance agents

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

#### **Images**





### Horseback riders on Rosser Avenue

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13700

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.10Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate Range:[1906]

Physical Description: 7" x 4.5" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photographs have been glued to a backing board that has warped over

time

History / Biographical:

Photograph of possible Dakota from Sioux Valley in Brandon for the summer fair.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block. Businesses visible in the Fleming Block include: Lowes Brothers Clothing, Robert Hall [Insurance Broker], Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company. Businesses visible in the Beaubier Block include the Empire Hotel. Businesses east of the Empire Hotel are grocer A.M. Percival and the Brandon Hardware Company. A number of Aboriginal peoples are travelling on horseback west along Rosser Avenue as spectators look on.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 293. One

photograph (20-2009.9) is glued above and two others are glued on the

reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block

Lowes Brothers Clothing

Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company

**Empire Hotel** 

D.W. Beaubier Block

A.M. Percival

Brandon Hardware Company

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: Street scene

Transportation

downtown

grocers

storefronts

Aboriginals

First Nations

horses

insurance agents

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

### **Images**



Horse and carriages travelling on Rosser Avenue



### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13702

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.12
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: [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

History / Biographical:

Photograph of possible Dakota from Sioux Valley in Brandon for the summer fair.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block. Businesses visible in the Fleming Block include: Lowes Brothers Clothing, Robert Hall [Insurance Broker], Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company. Businesses visible in the Beaubier Block include the Empire Hotel. Businesses east of the Empire Hotel are grocer A.M. Percival and the Brandon Hardware Company. A number of Aboriginal peoples are driving horse and carriages west along Rosser Avenue as spectators look on.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 295 July 1906. One

photograph (20-2009.11) is glued above and two others are glued on the

reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo album.

Name Access: Fleming Block

Lowes Brothers Clothing

Manitoba Farmers Hedge and Wire Fence Company

**Empire Hotel** 

D.W. Beaubier Block

A.M. Percival

**Brandon Hardware Company** 

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: Street scene

Transportation

downtown grocers

storefronts

dogs

Aboriginals First Nations

horses

insurance agents

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

**Images** 





## Interior of Cafe Aagaard

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13732

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.42 Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1903-1923]

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

Material Details: postcard

History / Biographical:

Opened 1903. Closed 1923. Building became the Oak Theatre ca. 1930. Reopened as Towne Cinema ca. 1980 after being closed for many years. The building has since been demolished.

Scope and Content:

Postcard shows the interior of the lunch counter and cashier register at Cafe Aagaard located at 29-8th Street Brandon.

Notes: Writing on the front of the postcard reads: Lunch Counter Cafe Aagaard,

29 Eigth St., Brandon, Man. The back of the postcard reads: Cafe Aagaard, Largest, Oldest and Best in Brandon. The postcard is

addressed to Mrs. K.L. McGregor, 157-4th St.

Name Access: Aagaard's

Cafe Aagaard

8th Street

Subject Access: restaurants

lunch counters building interiors store interiors restaurant interiors

cafes

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1E9





# 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: 20-200

Item Number:20-2009.67Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate 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

#### **Images**





### 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

### **Images**





# Horse and buggies travelling east on Rosser Avenue

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13769

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.80Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate Range:[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

History / Biographical:

Photograph of possible Dakota from Sioux Valley in Brandon for the summer fair.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows street view of north side of Rosser Avenue, primarily the 700 block. Businesses visible in the Beaubier Block include the Empire Hotel. Businesses east of the Empire Hotel are grocer A.M. Percival, the Brandon Hardware Company, and the Arlington Hotel. A number of Aboriginal peoples are driving horse and buggies east along Rosser Avenue as large numbers of spectators look on.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph matting reads: 298. One

photograph (20-2009.79) is glued above, another (20-2009.81) adjacent. One other is glued on the reverse side. Page appears to be from a photo

album.

Name Access: Empire Hotel

D.W. Beaubier Block

A.M. Percival

**Brandon Hardware Company** 

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: Street scene

Transportation

downtown

grocers

storefronts

dogs

Aboriginals

First Nations

horses

buggies

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

#### **Images**



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 Commission 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)

### **Images**





### 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:20-2009.90Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate 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  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{B}}.$ 

......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)

#### **Images**





### Early scene of Rosser Avenue facing west

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13782

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Creator: Photographer: I. Bennetto & Co. (Winnipeg)

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.93Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphic

Date Range: c.1882

Physical Description: 9.25" x 6.26" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Photograph mat is bent. Emulsion problems with image.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Rosser Avenue in its incipient stages. Canvas tents are mixed amongst wooden structures. The James Smart Hardware store, Winter & O'Neail Groceries & Provisions, and the law office of F.G.A. Henderson in the Molesworth Block can be seen on the north side of Rosser Avenue. A street sign designating 6th Street can be seen below the Winter & O'Neail sign. A horse and buggie is traveling down the dirt track that is Rosser Avenue. Groups of men can be seen congregating outside some of the local businesses.

Notes: Front of photograph reads: Rosser Avenue, Brandon 1882-1883, from

east of Six Street. Back of photograph is stamped: I. Bennetto & Co.,

Photographers, Opposite Post-Office, Winnipeg, Man.

Name Access: James Smart Hardware store

Winter & O'Neail Groceries and Provisions

F.G.A. Henderson Law Office

Molesworth Block

Rosser Avenue

Subject Access: downtown

hardware stores

Pioneers dry goods

street scenes

Brandon Street Scenes Before 1940

grocery stores

lawyers

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

**Images** 





### Stores near the corner of Rosser Avenue and 6th Street

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13783

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.94Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate Range:1881-1882

Physical Description: 9.25" x 6.25" (b/w)

Material Details: on matting

Physical Condition: Corners of photograph mat are bent. Picture is cracked.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows an early view of Brandon's 6th Street in the 1880s. The Winter & O'Neail Groceries & Provisions and James Smart Hardware storefronts have been photographed. A street sign designating 6th Street can be seen below the Winter & O'Neail sign. A horse and cart is parked in front of the grocery store. A number of men wearing hats and jackets are standing along the boardwalk while posing for the picture. Lumber/timber saws are displayed in teh windows of the hardware store.

Notes: Front of photograph reads: 6th Street, Brandon, Manitoba, 1881-1882,

Entrance [to Winter & O'Neail] corner of Rosser Ave & 6th Street.

Name Access: James Smart Hardware store

Winter & O'Neail Groceries and Provisions

6th Street

Subject Access: downtown

hardware stores

Pioneers dry goods street scenes

Brandon Street Scenes Before 1940

grocery stores

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

#### **Images**





## Intersection of Rosser Avenue and 8th Street facing west

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13786

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection
Creator: Photographer: Brandon Sun

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.97

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19--]

Physical Description: 8.5" x 5.25" (b/w)

Material Details: reproduction

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the 800 block of Rosser Avenue facing west. On the south side of Rosser Avenue the Nation Block, Christie's Bookstore, and Reesor's Clock can be seen. A number of horse and buggies/carriages are travelling along Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: Rosser Avenue

Reesor's Jewellery

Reesor's clock

Subject Access: downtown

street scenes

Brandon Street Scenes Before 1940

Transportation

horses buggies

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

### **Images**





### Portrait of two women in winter dress c.1910

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13790

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9
Item Number: 20-2009.25
Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1910

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

Material Details: postcard

Physical Condition: Postcard is ripped and worn.

Scope and Content:

Postcard is a studio portait of two women dressed for winter. The woman on the left is standing and is wearing a long winter coat, a while fur stole muffler. The woman on the right is seated in a wicker chair. She is wearing a three-quarter length winter coat with a black fur collar and trim and muffler.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Harry Finnegan Nov. 16 1910, Zella Russel...,

Nov. 27 19...

Subject Access: portraits

winter women

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

#### **Images**





### Brandon Wheat Market at Pacific Avenue and 10th Street

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13795

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.104

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1885

Physical Description: 9.25" x 7.25" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting

Physical Condition: Photograph is creased and scratched

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Brandon Wheat Market along Pacific Avenue on November 30, 1885. Farmers can be seen driving wagon teams loaded with bags of grain in line on Pacific Avenue from 10 Street to at least 7th Street. On the north side of Pacific Avenue the CPR Land Office and grain elevators are pictured. On the south side of Pacific Avenue, the general merchant/hardware store Bower, Blackburn, Mundell & Porter is situated on the corner of Pacific Avenue and 10th Street. A 10th Street sign is affixed to the merchants' store. On the east side of the general store, Edie House, the Grand View Hotel, and a Farmers' boarding and lodging house can be seen. Most of the buildings appear to be woodframed except for the Grand View, which is constructed of brick. Sidewalks appear to be in place on the south side of Pacific and snow dusts the streets. A baby swathed in winter clothing sits in a pram/baby carriage in front of the general store.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph reads: November 30th, 1885,

Brandon Wheat Market

Name Access: Bower, Blackburn, Mundell, & Porter

Edie House

Grand View Hotel
Pacific Avenue
10th Street

**CPR Land Office** 

Brandon Wheat Market

Subject Access: horses

wagons

Transportation street scenes

hotels markets

Grain elevators downtown

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

store exteriors

winter

general stores hardware stores

children

Storage Location: McGuinness oversize storage drawer (1-2015)
Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1C3

### **Images**





# E.E. Lehigh Ltd.

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13796

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection
Creator: Photograph: C.J. Smith

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.105
Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1929-1931]

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.5" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting

History / Biographical:

The 1901 Canadian Census places the Lehigh family near Brockville, Ontario, where Everett E. Lehigh (b. 19 May 1881) was farming with his widowed father Solon (b. 20 Aug 1849) and younger sister, Edna (b. 08 Feb 1884). The findagrave.com genealogical website identifies a Mary Wickware as marrying Everett E. Lehigh in Alqonquin, Ontario, on 04 April 1905.

E.E. Lehigh appears in the Henderson's Brandon City Directories in 1919. By 1923, he was Vice-President of Motors Ltd., which had its shop on 151-7th Street. By 1925, Lehigh had taken over the garage, renaming it Lehigh Motors, which became the sole agent for McLaughlin Motor Cars. By 1927, Lehigh Motors had opened a second branch on 12th Street and Princess Avenue, which was formerly the Brandon Auto Garage. Lehigh had become the exclusive dealer for McLaughlin-Buick, Pontiac, and Oldsmobile motor cars.

It appears Lehigh moved his business, E.E. Lehigh Ltd., to 799 Pacific Avenue by 1929. By then, Lehigh had a head office in Winnipeg at 640 Portage Avenue where he served as president and was the provincial distributor for Rugby trucks and Durant cars. Although E.E. Lehigh had a residence in Brandon (325 - 14th Street), Mr. S.G. Cunningham was listed as the Brandon representative for Lehigh Motors Ltd. in the Henderson Directories. By 1931, E.E. Lehigh Ltd. had moved once again, this time to 151-153 - 9th Street.

E.E. Lehigh disappears from the Henderson's Brandon City Directory by 1933 and a Mrs. E.E. Lehigh (possibly Mary (Wickware) Lehigh, d.21 July 1943) is listed under the 14th Street residence. The 9th Street garage address is divided between Munns Taxi (151-9th Street) and Wheat City Auto Wreckers (153-9th Street.)

#### 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 shows a group portrait of 33 individuals standing and seated in front of the business E.E. Lehigh Ltd., Brandon. The storefront window has a sign that reads: Durant Motor Cars, E.E. Lehigh Ltd., Brandon. The door to the business has Lehigh Motors stencilled on the window. The men are wearing jackets and ties, and there are three women, possibly clerical staff, wearing 1920s era dresses. The elderly man seated in the centre of the photograph, wearing a long-sleeved white dress shirt might be Everett E. Lehigh.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph is embossed: C.J. Smith

Name Access: E.E. Lehigh
Subject Access: garages
Transportation

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

store exteriors

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

Related Material: Ruby Miles collection 14-2003

#### **Images**





### Interior of Hanbury Mill

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13797

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.106

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1924

Physical Description: 8" x 6" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting

Physical Condition: Photograph is scratched

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 (Brandon Sun 14 September 1978).

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the interior of the Hanbury Manufacturing Co. Mill. Men identified in the photograph include: Mr. Tom McKenzie (right), Elden Darrow, and Jack Silliker.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Mrs. R. Miles. Provenience

and identifications obtained from Lawrence Stuckey collection.

Name Access: Hanbury Manufacturing Co.

Tom McKenzie Eldon Darrow Jack Silliker

Subject Access: manufactured products

mills

saw mills

forest products

logs

lumber

Brandon Industries store interiors building interiors

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

logging lumbering

lumber manufacturing

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1H11

Ruby Miles collection 14-2003, File 2

### **Images**





## Rosser Avenue, north side 900 block

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13799

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.108Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphicDate Range:1882

Physical Description: 7.25" x 4.25" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting

Physical Condition: Photograph has pen markings and publishing mark-up notes on front and

back of matting

#### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the north side of the 900-block of Rosser Avenue, facing west from 9th Street. All the shops appear to be woodframed buildings; the sidewalk has yet to be installed and wooden planks have been laid down in front of the shops. Visible storefronts include: (left to right): Leask & Rose, general merchants (at the 11th Street intersect); Fortier & Bucke - Manufacturers' Agents and CPR Express Co.; The New Era - real estate office; Imperial Bank of Canada; Durand & Macdonald Law Office, T.D. McLean - jeweller; Deacon & Hooper - grocers; and J. Barker Vosburgh - Surgeon & Dentist. The building in the foreground has Rosser Avenue and 9th Street street signs affixed above the entrance to the building. A chuckwagon is parked in front of Fortier & Bucke.

Notes: Writing on the front of the photograph reads: Brandon.

Name Access: Rosser Avenue

Leask & Rose

Fortier & Bucke Commision Agents

The New Era

Imperial Bank of Canada

T.D. McLean

W.A. McDonald soliciter

J. Barker Vosburgh

Deacon & Hooper

9th Street

Subject Access: Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

store exteriors

street scenes

jewellers

jewelry stores

jewelry stores

signs and signboards

grocery stores

general stores

banks

surgeons

dentists

lawyers

grocery trade

hardware stores

wagons

Storage Location: McGuinness oversize storage drawer (1-2015)
Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1C18

### **Images**





## West End Millinery & Dry Goods

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13815

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number:20-2009.125Accession Number:20-2009GMD:graphic

Date Range: 1922
Physical Description: 5" x 7

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

Material Details: reproduction

Physical Condition: Photograph is overexposed

History / Biographical:

The West End Millinery & Dry Goods shop appears in the 1914 Henderson's Brandon City Directory. The store was located in the Avenue Block at 1124 Rosser Avenue. Mrs. A. Barker was listed as the proprietor and milliner. By 1917, Mr. A.F. [Arthur Fred] Barker became the proprietor and Mrs. Barker remained the milliner. By 1919, the shop moved to 130-10th Street, across from the Strand Threatre, where it remained until c.1933.

Custodial History:

Donated to Fred McGuinness by G. Baldock in 1971

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the store interior of West End Millinery & Dry Goods located on 130-10th Street. Coats are hanging from a rack, clothing is displayed on dress forms as well as on wooden tables that are lined up in the centre of the shop. The store's tin ceiling, light fixtures, and hardwood floors are visible.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Part of West End Millinery &

Dry Goods 10th St across from Strand Theatre, 1922

Name Access: West End Millinery & Dry Goods

10th Street

Subject Access: clothing

store interiors

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

milliners dry goods

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

#### **Images**





## West End Millinery & Dry Goods

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13816

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.126

Accession Number: 20-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1922

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

Material Details: reproduction

Physical Condition: Photograph is overexposed

History / Biographical:

The West End Millinery & Dry Goods shop appears in the 1914 Henderson's Brandon City Directory. The store was located in the Avenue Block at 1124 Rosser Avenue. Mrs. A. Barker was listed as the proprietor and milliner. By 1917, Mr. A.F. [Arthur Fred] Barker became the proprietor and Mrs. Barker remained the milliner. By 1919, the shop moved to 130-10th Street, across from the Strand Threatre, where it remained until c.1933.

Custodial History:

Donated to Fred McGuinness by G. Baldock in 1971

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the store interior of West End Millinery & Dry Goods located on 130-10th Street. A shelving unit lines the wall and is filled with boxes, bolts of cloth, and yarns. Displays can be seen on the top of the shelves as well as on wooden tables that are lined up in the centre of the shop. The store's tin ceiling, light fixtures, panelling, radiators, and hardwood floors are visible.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: 1/2 of West End Millinery &

Dry Goods, 10th St across from Strand Theatre, 1922

Name Access: West End Millinery & Dry Goods

10th Street

Subject Access: clothing

store interiors

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

milliners dry goods

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

Arrangement:

From 2009 loose photos

#### **Images**

