

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Fred McGuinness Ltd. business correspondence

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13658>

Other Title Info: Title based on the contents of the subseries

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: McG 1.3

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: textual records

Date Range: c. 1988 - 2010

Physical Description: Approximately 6 cm of textual records

### History /

#### Biographical:

See collection level description for history/biography information on Frederick George McGuinness.

#### Custodial History:

Accession 1-2015 contains records created and collected over the course of McGuinness' career as a newspaper journalist and freelance writer. The Estate of Fred McGuinness donated the materials to the SJ McKee Archives circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

#### Scope and Content:

Subseries consists of records related to the business workings of Fred McGuinness Ltd. It includes financial statements prepared for Fred McGuinness Ltd. and information on insurance coverage.

Notes: In the file level inventories, square brackets at end of file names reference the original location of the file in the unprocessed Fred McGuinness collection. The original location is also noted on the front of each file folder

Accruals: Closed

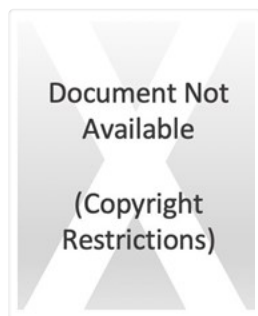
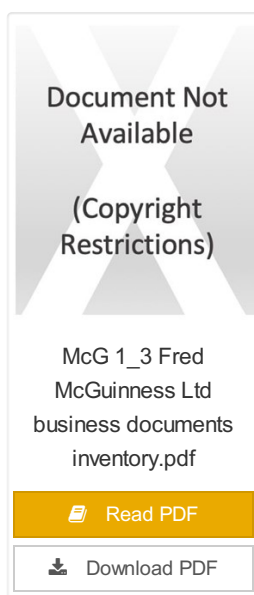
Finding Aid: File level inventory is available

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Related Material: Statements on royalty earnings for McGuinness' monograph Manitoba: The Province & The People are located in the Correspondence subseries (McG 1.2). Invoicing for McGuinness' work on the Chronicle of Canada is located with that monograph subseries (5.7)

#### Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Subseries has been re-arranged according to publication period.



### The Wheat City: A Pictorial History of Brandon monograph

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13676>

Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 5.6
Accession Number:	1-2015 [formerly 6-2008 and 20-2009 and unprocessed Fred McGuinness collection]
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1987 - 1988
Physical Description:	Approximately 6 cm of textual records
History / Biographical:	

These records were produced between 1987 and 1988, the researching and writing period for *The Wheat City: A Pictorial History of Brandon* monograph. Published in 1988 by Western Producer Books (Saskatoon, Saskatchewan), *The Wheat City* is a 117-page soft cover book, containing black and white images.

Western Producer Books pitched the book's concept to Fred McGuinness in the fall of 1987. This book was part of the publisher's "city series" which focused on smaller cities such as Medicine Hat and Prince Albert. It was estimated that the book would contain a 6,000-word introduction followed by approximately 80 archival photographs of Brandon spanning from early settlement to the late 1950s/early 1960s.

Brandon University history major Pam Svistovski worked as McGuinness' research assistant and McGuinness obtained images for the book from his own personal collection, the Brandon Sun, Lawrence Stuckey, the Archives of Manitoba, and the Western Pictorial Index.

#### Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness during the writing phase of the monograph *The Wheat City*. The materials were donated to the SJ McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

#### Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of textual records and photographs created and collected during the production of the monograph *The Wheat City*. It includes correspondence, newspapers articles, drafts and black and white photographs from the Archives of Manitoba, Western Canada Pictorial Index, and *Illustrated Souvenir of Brandon*.

#### Notes:

Information in the history/biography was obtained from *The Wheat City*'s acknowledgements and a letter to Mr. Fred McGuinness from Western Producer Books, dated September 24, 1987 (McG 5.6, File 11)

Where known, archival reference numbers for photographs obtained from the Archives of Manitoba and the Western Canada Pictorial Index and considered/used in *The Wheat City* have been provided in the item level description

#### Accruals:

Closed

#### Repro Restriction:

Images published in the monograph and stored in files copyright protected by their respective organizations

#### Finding Aid:

A file level inventory is available

#### Storage Location:

2015 accessions

#### Related Material:

Clarence Hopkin collection

Lawrence Stuckey collection

Jack Stothard collection

Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible research materials pertaining to this monograph may be found in the Fred McGuinness collection subseries: Correspondence (McG 1.2), Brandon Sun (McG 2.2) Miscellaneous freelance (McG 3.2), Local history research (McG 4.1), Manitoba: The Province & The People (McG 5.4), and Manitoba Enterprise (McG 5.5)

#### Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Subseries has been re-arranged according to picture sources

## Documents

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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

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## 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 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 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

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## City of Brandon's parade float, 1927, Canada's Diamond anniversary

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13741>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.52

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1927

Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.25" (b/w)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the City of Brandon parade float pulled by two clydesdale horses. The parade is in honour of the diamond anniversary of Canada's Confederation. The float is decorated with wheat sheaves, the city's coat of arms, and the words "education" and "health" adorn a pergola or arbour in the centre of the float. Seven people are on the float and appear to be in costume. An Aboriginal man is dressed in full regalia, one man appears to be in academic robes, another dressed as a farmer. One woman appears to be dressed like a nurse while another may be wearing a pioneer costume.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Brandon City's foat in 1927, Celebrating 60 years of Confederation, The lady in white is Miss Ann Camahan who was on the city staff for a number of years and now resides in Victoria. She is my husbands [sic.] sister.

Subject Access: parades  
Transportation  
parade floats  
horses  
Confederation  
anniversaries  
Diamond anniversary

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

### Images

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## Park School postcard

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13745>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
Creator: Published for Christie's Book Store, Brandon  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: McG 9  
Item Number: 20-2009.56  
Accession Number: 20-2009  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1910  
Physical Description: 5.5" x 3.5" (colour)  
Material Details: postcard  
Physical Condition: Postcard edges are worn  
Custodial History:

Donated to Fred McGuinness by Mrs. Marian Gray of Brandon, September 13, 1978.

### Scope and Content:

Postcard shows the West End Park (also known as Stanley Park) and Park School. The school was situated on the southwest corner of Lorne Avenue. A couple of residences surround the school. Walking paths, a park bench, and a gazebo/grandstand can be seen in the park.

Notes: Front of postcard reads: Published for Christie's Book Store, Brandon, Man., 6350. Back of postcard reads: Canadian Souvenir Post Card, Warwick Brothers & Rutter, Limited, Printers, Toronto. The postcard is addressed to Miss Isabella Heastwell of Broderick, Saskatchewan, and is dated July 14, 1910.

Name Access: Park School  
West End Park  
Lorne Avenue  
Stanley Park

Subject Access: postcards  
schools  
parks

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

## Images

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## Brandon Collegiate class photo

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13746>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.57

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19--]

Physical Description: 5" x 3.25" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Collegiate was built in 1907 and officially opened in 1908. Architect W.A. Elliott designed the building, which was faced with brick from Wisconsin (order 65,000 bricks). Located at 527 Louise Avenue, it ceased to be Brandon Collegiate Institute (BCI) in the summer of 1974. It was renamed New Era School on the recommendation of Marion Pye, who was a teacher at BCI in its last years. The name "New Era" was also the name of the BCI yearbook.

Custodial History:

Sent to Fred McGuinness from Martin Kavanagh of Brandon.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is an outdoor class picture of Brandon Collegiate Institute students standing on the front steps of the school.

Notes: History/bio information obtained from Lawrence Stuckey descriptions and the Manitoba Historical Society website. The negative for this photograph can be found in McG 1.2 File 19.

Name Access: Brandon Collegiate

Subject Access: schools

class portraits

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

### Images

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## Park School class photo

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13747>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.58

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c.1920

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

History /

Biographical:

Built 1904, opened 1905, razed September 1978.

Custodial History:

Given to Fred McGuinness by Stewart Tait (1912-1988) of Brandon.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is an outdoor class picture of young students standing on the front steps of what appears to be Park School.

Notes:

Mr. Tait provided Fred McGuinness with a photocopy of the photograph (see McG 1.2, file 19) on which he identified a number of students in his class, including: first/front row - Miss Fleming (fourth from right); second row - Stan Fraser (first from left), Stewart Tait (second on left), Mrs. Ron Relf (nee Stock?) (fourth on left); third row - Ed Bolton (fourth from left), G. Cranston (fifth from left), Ed McGill (offset, above G. Cranston), Mary McGregor, daughter of C.C. McGregor (third from right)

Name Access: Park School

Subject Access: schools

class portraits

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

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## Central School Grade VIII class

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13748>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.59

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1909-1910

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

Material Details: postcard

History /

Biographical:

Central School was situated on Lorne Avenue between 5th Street and 6th Street.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Postcard is an outdoor class photograph of the 1909-1910 Central School Grade 8 class. The girls are wearing dresses and the boys suits and ties. School principal, Bedford A. Tingley, lays in front of the class.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Grade VIII, Teacher, B.A. Tingely [sic.], Allena Coombs

Name Access: Central School  
Bedford a. Tingley  
Allena Coombs

Subject Access: schools  
class portraits

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

## Images

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## Central School Grade VII class

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13749>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.60

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1908-1909

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

Material Details: postcard

Physical Condition: Postcard has four thumb tack holes in its corners

### History /

#### Biographical:

Central School was situated on Lorne Avenue between 5th Street and 6th Street.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Postcard depicts an outdoor class picture of the 1908-1909 Central School Grade 7 class.

The class is posing outside of the school. The girls are wearing dresses and bows in their hair.

The boys are wearing suits and ties. Teacher Naomi Moore stands to the right of the class.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Grade VII, Teacher, Naomi Moore, Allena Coombs, 1908-1909.

Name Access: Central School

Naomi Moore

Allena Coombs

Subject Access: schools

class portraits

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

## Images

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## Central School Grade VI class

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13750>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.61

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1907-1908

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

Material Details: postcard

Physical Condition: Postcard has four thumb tack holes in its corners

### History /

#### Biographical:

Central School was situated on Lorne Avenue between 5th Street and 6th Street.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Postcard depicts an outdoor class photograph of the 1907-1908 Central School Grade 6 class. The class is posing outside of the school. The girls are wearing dresses and the boys are wearing suits and ties.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Grade VI, Allena Coombs, 1907-1908.

Name Access: Central School

Naomi Moore

Allena Coombs

Subject Access: schools

class portraits

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

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## Central School class

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13751>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.62

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1906-1907

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

Material Details: postcard

Physical Condition: Postcard has two thumb tack holes in its corners, bottom left corner is creased, face of one student is blotted out.

### History /

#### Biographical:

Central School was situated on Lorne Avenue between 5th Street and 6th Street.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Postcard depicts an outdoor class photograph of the 1906-1907 Central School Grade 5? class. The class is posing outside of the school. The girls are wearing dresses and boots. Most of the boys are wearing suits and ties.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Allena Coombs, 1906-1907. All the students' names are listed. The class teacher is identified as Miss [Nettie?] Harrison.

Name Access: Central School  
Allena Coombs

Subject Access: schools  
class portraits

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

## Images

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## 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:

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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 [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)

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## 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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### Scope and Content:

Postcard is a group photograph of some of the members of the Spafford family standing on the front steps of a residence. The four women and four men are dressed in heavy coats and jackets.

#### Notes:

Writing on the front of the postcard reads: Harry Spafford on left, Alvie Spafford in centre, Alf Spafford on extreme right, about 1910; The back of the postcard is addressed to Mrs. Alva (Francis) Spafford of Bannerman, Manitoba. Alvie Spafford has written a 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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## O-Pee-Chee Chewing Gum truck

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13785>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection  
 Creator: Photographer: Davidson and Gowen, Brandon  
 Description Level: Item  
 Series Number: McG 9  
 Item Number: 20-2009.96  
 Accession Number: 20-2009  
 GMD: graphic  
 Date Range: 1913  
 Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.5" (b/w)

### 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 a truck advertising O-Pee-Chee Chewing Gum parked in front of Brandon College's Clark Hall. The truck has been identified in the Stuckey collection as a Ford "Model T" delivery wagon. Its windshield is covered with a large advertisement that says, "Equipped with Dunlop Traction Tread Tires." Its license plate reads 1913 #2945. The truck is facing south on 18th Street. A middle-aged man is standing in front of the wagon; a box of gum rests on the truck's right fender. The driver, sporting a gadsby cap and tie, is propping up a box of gum on the driver's side door. Three young men, wearing suits, ties, and gadsby caps, are standing behind the wagon while holding open boxes of chewing gum.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Mrs. R. Miles. The photograph is stamped Davidson & Gowen, Photographers, Brandon, Man.

Name Access: Brandon College  
O-Pee-Chee Chewing Gum  
Davidson & Gowen Photographers  
18th Street

Subject Access: universities  
colleges  
advertising  
Trucks  
Transportation  
delivery services

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

Related Material: Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1L7  
Ruby Miles collection 14-2003, File 2

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### Gilmore Advertising Company wagon

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13787>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Creator: Photographer: Davidson and Gowen, Brandon

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.98

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1913

Physical Description: 9.5" x 7.25" (b/w)

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 a wagon displaying advertisements for Taylor's Infants-Delight Toilet Soap and Dyson's Red Cross Baking Powder. The Gilmore Advertising Company appears to be responsible for the advertising and the wagon is numbered "No.3". The horsedrawn wagon is facing north on 18th Street and is parked in front of Brandon College's Original Building. An elderly man is seated at the reigns of the wagon and another man is seated at the rear. Standing to the left of the wagon is a man holding a can of Dyson's baking powder. Standing to the right of the wagon is a young man holding a cardboard ad of an infant holding a bar of soap in a wash basin.

Notes:	Writing on the back of the photograph reads: Mrs. R. Miles. Cover shot. The photograph is stamped Davidson & Gowen, Photographers, Brandon, Man. Note: The two men standing in the photograph appear to be in another photograph where they are advertising O-Pee-Chee gum (see 20-2009.96).
Name Access:	Brandon College Davidson & Gowen Photographers 18th Street Gilmore Advertising Company Taylor's Infants-Delight Toilet Soap Dyson's Red Cross Baking Powder
Subject Access:	universities colleges advertising Trucks Transportation delivery services wagons
Storage Location:	RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)
Related Material:	Lawrence Stuckey collection 1-2002.3.1L5 Ruby Miles collection 14-2003, File 2

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## 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 portrait of two women dressed for winter. The woman on the left is standing and is wearing a long winter coat, a white 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)

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## Graduating class Wheat City Business College

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13792>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.101

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1909

Physical Description: 9.75" x 3.5" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting

### 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 allegedly shows the Wheat City Business College graduating class standing outside a woodframed building in the winter. Affixed to the building are posters/advertisements that read: Happyland, Monday July 30 [1906?]. A banner spelling Happyland in large block letters hangs above the building's door that is numbered 209. Surrounding the banner are the red ensign/Dominion of Canada flags.

The students are wearing long wintercoats with fur collars, some are wearing fur hats. The men appear to have ribbons pinned to their lapels. On the left of the photograph, a group of three female students are sitting in a horse-drawn sleigh and have fur robes on their laps. On the right, a number of students are standing on a horse-drawn sled. Two individuals can be seen holding megaphones, another student is holding a basketball.

Notes: Writing on the back of the photograph reads: 1909, Tenth Street and Princess. Two yellow labels are affixed to the back of the photograph. one reads: graduating class, Wheat City Business College. The other reads Mrs. K.L. McGregor, 157-4th St.

Name Access: Wheat City Business College

Subject Access: winter

horses

Transportation

class portraits

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

Related Material: Ruby Miles collection 14-2003

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## 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: Novemeber 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

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