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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)

Images



Billy Muir's car c.1910

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13754>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.65

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c.1910

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

Material Details: postcard

History /

Biographical:

William "Billy" Muir came to Brandon in 1881 where he worked at the Coombs & Stewart general store. He became the proprietor of Brandon's first grocery store located on 138-6th Street. The building was demolished in 1952 (see Brandon Daily Sun 04 September 1952). According to correspondence in the McGuinness collection (see McG 1.2 File 22), Dr. Matheson brought the first car to Brandon, which he later sold to Muir. A note in McGuinness' papers (see McG 1.2 File 53) identifies the first motor car as a Hupmobile, which was purported to have arrived in Brandon in 1905. The Hupp Motor Car Company, however, is reported to have manufactured Hupmobiles between 1909 and 1940. Mrs. (Jessie) R.M. Coombs was Allena Strath's (nee Coombs) mother.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Postcard shows a woman, identified as Mrs. (Jessie) Robert M. Coombs, seated behind the wheel of a motor car.

Notes: Back of postcard reads: Mother Mrs. R. [Robert] M. Coombs in Billy Muir's car, Brandon around 1908

Name Access: Billy Muir

William Muir

Mrs. Robert M. Coombs

Jessie Coombs

Wm. Muir General Grocer

Subject Access: Transportation
 cars
 automobiles
 motor cars
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Images



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

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 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)

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:	20-2009.108
Accession Number:	20-2009
GMD:	graphic
Date 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





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:
McG 4.1 File 27

Images





Strathcona Block, H.Lamontagne & Co.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14255>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection
Creator: Photographer: Frank Gowen, Brandon
Description Level: Item
Series Number: 3-1997.1
Item Number: 3-1997.1.64
Accession Number: 3-1997
Other Numbers: Hughes #64
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1905
Physical Description: 7.5" x 9.5" (b/w)
Material Details: on matting
Physical Condition: Mat is water stained, emulsive side is stained

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the recently constructed Strathcona Block. H. Lamontagne & Co. Ltd., Wholesale, occupies the ground floor. Scaffolding is suspended from the north side of the building. Buildings have yet to be erected to the north and south sides of the Strathcona Block.

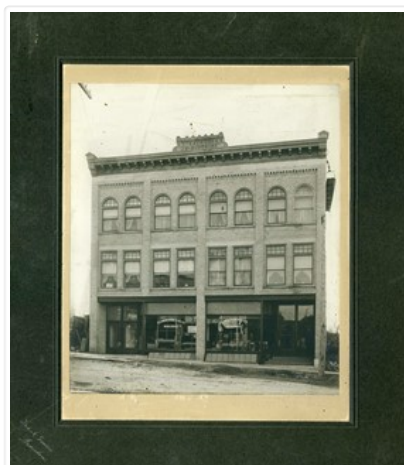
Notes: Back of photograph is stamped: Hughes & Co. Ltd., 1009 Princess Ave., Brandon, Man.

Name Access: Strathcona Block
H. Lamontagne & Co.

Subject Access: Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940
street scenes
portraits

Storage Location: Hughes oversize drawer

Images





Curtis block - Baldur, MB

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14401>

Part Of: James Wall collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: Box 2

Item Number: 12-2004.8

Accession Number: 12-2004

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1900-1904]

Physical Description: 5.6" x 4" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting (7.5" x 5.6")

Physical Condition: good

History /

Biographical:

The Curtis Block was built in 1900, possibly by Fred Stevens.

Custodial History:

See collection level description for the James Douglas Wall collection.

Scope and Content:

Image of the Curtis Block in Baldur, MB. The Victoria Hall, for public performances, was located on the upper floor. A group of men, one holding a hockey stick, and a dog are standing in front of the street entrance to the building.

Subject Access: rural images

Storage Location: 2004 accessions

Images





Fowler block - Baldur, MB

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14402>

Part Of: James Wall collection
Description Level: Item
Series Number: Box 2
Item Number: 12-2004.9
Accession Number: 12-2004
GMD: graphic
Date Range: [1900-1904]
Physical Description: 5.5" x 4" (b/w)
Material Details: On matting (6.4" x 4.25")
Physical Condition: good

History /

Biographical:

The Fowler Block in Baldur, MB was built in 1899 by Alex Fowler.

Custodial History:

See collection level description for the James Douglas Wall collection.

Scope and Content:

Image of the Fowler Block in Baldur, MB. On the left is a shoe and harness shop owned and operated by the Fowlers from 1899-1978. On the right is J. Smith & Co. Merchants, a grocery and dry goods store. As of 2000, a grocery store still occupied the premises. Men are standing in front of the entrance to the two stores.

Subject Access: rural images
Storage Location: 2004 accessions

Images



Nation & Shewan block

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions6448>

Part Of: Alf Fowler collection
Creator: Davidson & Gowen
Description Level: Item
Item Number: 6-1999.23
Accession Number: 6-1999
GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1912

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

History /

Biographical:

Erected in 1889, at 806 Rosser Avenue (the southeast corner of Rosser Avenue and 7th Street), the building was designed by Brandon architect W.H. Shillinglaw. At the time of its construction the structure housed the Nation Department Store, which became Nation & Shewan Department Store in 1894. One of Brandon's largest and most successful drygoods businesses, the venture was owned and operated by Fred Nation and Alexander Shewan.

Built adjacent to an existing three storey brick building known as the A.D. Rankin Block (built sometime between 1885 and 1888), this smaller building was eventually absorbed by the Nation and Shewan Block after 1897, when Rankin Drygoods moved into the newly constructed Syndicate Block located farther east down Rosser Ave. Later, the Rankin Block became known as Nation Chambers. These two structures comprised what was known as the Nation and Shewan Block.

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 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 what was then known as the Red Apple Building, the former 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.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of the Alf Fowler collection for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photo shows the front of the Nation & Shewan Block, which was located in the 800 block of Rosser Avenue on the southside.

Storage Range: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript collection - photograph storage drawer

Images





Victorian row housing block, Brandon, Manitoba

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8371>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3-1997.1

Item Number: 3-1997.1.2

Accession Number: 3-1997

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1900s]

Physical Description: 7 3/4" x 10" (b/w)

Physical Condition: good

Scope and Content:

Photograph of an Victorian row housing block - possibly 7th Street 300-block, Brandon, Manitoba.

Notes: Writing on back of photograph reads: City 1295, Hughes Est.

Subject Access: residences

residential streets

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images





The Brown Block, Brandon, Manitoba

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8383>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3-1997.1

Item Number: 3-1997.1.11

Accession Number: 3-1997

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1959

Physical Description: 8 " x 10" (b/w)

Physical Condition: good

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the east side of 10th Street, Brandon, Manitoba, between Rosser and Princess Avenues. Businesses visible in the Brown Block include (from north to south): Singer, Pittsburgh Paint & Glass, O. Stark & Son, Elna Sewing Centre, and Canadian Pacific Telegraphs. The Prince Edward Hotel is visible in the background.

Name Access: Brown Block

Singer

Pittsburgh Paint & Glass

O. Stark & Son

Elna Sewing Centre

Canadian Pacific Telegraphs

Prince Edward Hotel

10th Street

Subject Access: downtowns

street scenes

Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940

building exteriors

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images





100-block 10th Street, Brandon, Manitoba

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8391>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3-1997.1

Item Number: 3-1997.1.18

Accession Number: 3-1997

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1962

Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)

Physical Condition: good

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the west side of the 100-block of 10th Street facing northwest. Visible businesses include: Bottomley's Furniture, Recreation Bowling & Billiards, Fashion Fabrics, Brandon News & Record Shop, Bass' Storkland, Beneficial Finance Co., and the Kresge Store. The Johnny Smith Block is visible in the background.

Name Access: Bottomley's Furniture Store

Recreation Bowling and Billiards

Fashion Fabrics

Brandon News & Record Shop

Bass Storkland

Beneficial Finance Co.

Kresge Store

Subject Access: downtowns

street scenes

Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940

building exteriors

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images



100-block 10th Street, facing southwest

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8406>



Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3-1997.1

Item Number: 3-1997.1.28

Accession Number: 3-1997

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1950s

Physical Description: 10" x 8" (b/w)

Physical Condition: good

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the west side of 10th Street between Rosser and Princess Avenues. Visible businesses include: Brandon News & Record Shop, Fashion Fabrics, Recreation Bowling & Billiards, Bottomley's, Barry Neill Men's Wear, Simpsons-Sears. Painted on the north face of the Strathcona Block are two advertisements, one for Sutherland and Robertson [Grocery] and the other for Boyd Electric Co. Ltd. Union Jack flags hang from some businesses and light standards.

Name Access: 10th Street

Brandon News & Record Shop

Fashion Fabrics

Recreation Bowling and Billiards

Bottomley's

Barry Neill Men's Wear

Simpsons-Sears Ltd.

Sutherland and Robertson

Boyd Electric Co. Ltd.

Strathcona Block

Subject Access: downtowns

street scenes

Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940

building exteriors

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images





100-block 10th Street, facing southwest (2)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8407>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3-1997.1

Item Number: 3-1997.1.29

Accession Number: 3-1997

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1950

Physical Description: 8 " x 10" (b/w)

Physical Condition: good

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the west side of 10th Street between Rosser and Princess Avenues.

Visible businesses include: Recreation Bowling & Billiards, Bottomley's, Barry Neill Men's Wear, Simpsons-Sears, Allied Hardware Stores, Box Brothers Hardware, Doig's. Painted on the north face of the Strathcona Block are two advertisements, one for Sutherland and Robertson [Grocery] and the other for Boyd Electric Co. Ltd.

Name Access: 10th Street

Recreation Bowling and Billiards

Bottomley's

Barry Neill Men's Wear

Simpsons-Sears Ltd.

Sutherland and Robertson

Boyd Electric Co. Ltd.

Strathcona Block

Box Brothers Hardware

Doig's

Allied Hardware

Alexandra Block

Subject Access: downtowns

street scenes

Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940

building exteriors

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images





100-block 10th Street, facing west (3)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8408>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection
Creator: Photographer: R.M. Coleman
Description Level: Item
Series Number: 3-1997.1
Item Number: 3-1997.1.30
Accession Number: 3-1997
GMD: graphic
Date Range: c. 1955
Physical Description: 8 " x 5" (b/w)
Physical Condition: good

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the west side of 10th Street between Rosser and Princess Avenues in the winter. Visible businesses include: Bottomley's, Simpsons-Sears, Lionel Electric, Allied Hardware Stores, Box Brothers Hardware, Doig's. Painted on the north face of the Strathcona Block are two advertisements, one for Sutherland and Robertson [Grocery] and the other for Boyd Electric Co. Ltd.

Name Access: 10th Street
Bottomley's
Simpsons-Sears Ltd.
Lionel Electric
Sutherland and Robertson
Boyd Electric Co. Ltd.
Strathcona Block
Box Brothers Hardware
Doig's
Allied Hardware
Alexandra Block

Subject Access: downtowns
street scenes
Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940
building exteriors
winter

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images





Strathcona Block, Brandon, Manitoba

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8410>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection

Creator: Photographer: R.M. Coleman

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3-1997.1

Item Number: 3-1997.1.32

Accession Number: 3-1997

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c.1950

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

Physical Condition: good

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the Strathcona Block on the west side of 10th Street in the 100-block. Simpsons-Sears and Lionel Electric are the ground floor shops.

Name Access: Strathcona Block

Simpsons-Sears Ltd.

Lionel Electric

Subject Access: downtowns

street scenes

Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940

building exteriors

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images



West side 200-block 10th Street, south of Princess Avenue,



Brandon, Manitoba

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8416>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3-1997.1

Item Number: 3-1997.1.38

Accession Number: 3-1997

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1955

Physical Description: 10" x 8" (b/w)

Physical Condition: good

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the west side of the 200-block on 10th Street. Visible businesses include: Chamber of Commerce Tourist Information, Dominion Tire & Radio Co., Bonnie's Bonnet Shop, Steve's Grill, Wally's Taxi, and Western Motors Ltd. The painted advertisement for Doig, Rankin and Robertson is visible on the Alexandra Block. Christmas ornaments are displayed from light standards and include Santa Claus and a Christmas elf.

Name Access: Chamber of Commerce
Dominion Tire & Radio Co.
Bonnie's Bonnet Shop
Steve's Grill
Wally's Taxi
Western Motors
10th Street

Subject Access: downtowns
street scenes
Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940
building exteriors
winter
garages
taxi
restaurants
Christmas

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images





West side 200-block 10th Street facing south from Princess Avenue, Brandon, Manitoba

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8417>

Part Of: Joseph H. Hughes collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3-1997.1

Item Number: 3-1997.1.39

Accession Number: 3-1997

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c.1955

Physical Description: 10" x 8" (b/w)

Physical Condition: good

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the west side of the 200-block on 10th Street. Visible businesses include: Chamber of Commerce Tourist Information, Dominion Tire & Radio Co., Steve's Grill, Wally's Taxi, and the garage entrances to Western Motors Ltd. A Santa Claus Christmas ornament is displayed from a light standard.

Name Access: Chamber of Commerce
Dominion Tire & Radio Co.
Steve's Grill
Wally's Taxi
Western Motors
10th Street

Subject Access: downtowns
street scenes
Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940
building exteriors
winter
garages
taxi
restaurants
Christmas

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images





200 block 8th street

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8644>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: Lawrence Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.9

Item Number: 1-2002.3.9.22

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1966

Physical Description: 4.5" x 3.25" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking northeast and shows the east side of the 200 block of 8th Street. Visible are First Church United, the YMCA under construction and the Beaubier Hotel.

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Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

Images

