

S. J. McKee Archives



A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited, Seedmen

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10146>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection
Description Level: Item
Series Number: 2
Item Number: BAPC 2.34
Accession Number: 17-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: c. April 8, 1912
Physical Description: 3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)
Material Details: Postcard

Custodial History:

Postcard was sent to Chuck Wilson's aunt, Mrs. W.M. Wilson in Creelman, SK by the McKenzie Seed Company in 1912. Chuck Wilson found the postcard in some of his aunt's papers in 2009 and mailed it to the McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

Item consists of a colour postcard of the McKenzie Seed Company building located on the west side of the 100 block of 9th Street. The card was sent to Mrs. W.M. Wilson of Creelman, SK to acknowledge her order.

Writing on the front of the card reads: A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited, Seedsmen, Brandon, Man

Name Access: A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited
A.E. McKenzie Seed Company
9th Street
Subject Access: commercial buildings
businesses
Agriculture
downtown
Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer
Related Material: RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Seed Co., Ltd. fonds

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A.E. McKenzie Seeds

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions12405>

Part Of:	RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection
Description Level:	Item
Series Number:	2
Item Number:	BAPC 2.35
Accession Number:	3-2012
GMD:	graphic
Date Range:	[between 1911 and 1913]
Physical Description:	3.5" x 5.5" (b/w)
Material Details:	Postcard
Physical Condition:	Some water damage and staining.

Custodial History:

Postcard was donated to the McKee Archives by Allen Drysdale, archivist at Beautiful Plains Archives in October 2011. Drysdale received the postcard as part of a larger donation to his archives.

Scope and Content:

Item is a colour postcard of the A.E. McKenzie Seed Company in Brandon, MB. The postcard was sent to John Dorset, Elphinstone, MB from his brother Sid (?).

Name Access:	A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited A.E. McKenzie Seed Company 9th Street
Subject Access:	commercial buildings businesses downtown
Storage Location:	BAPC photograph drawer





Brandon Hardware interior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14308>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.38

Accession Number: 7-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [193-]

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

Material Details: On matting (14" x 12")

History /

Biographical:

Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd. founded in 1882, making it one of Brandon's earliest mercantiles. It was incorporated in 1902, and their location on Rosser Avenue at the corner of 7th Street was constructed in 1903. For a number of years, J.B. Curran was the managing director. The building was destroyed by fire in 1983.

Custodial History:

Katy Singleton was given this photo in her role as Heritage Coordinator for the City of Brandon. She transferred it to the McKee Archives in 2013.

Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the interior of the Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd. looking towards the front of the store from the back.

Name Access: Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd.

Subject Access: commercial buildings

businesses

downtown

Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

Images





Brandon Hardware interior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14309>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.39

Accession Number: 7-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [193-]

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

Material Details: On matting (14" x 12")

History /

Biographical:

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Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the interior of the Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd. looking towards the back of the store from the front.

Name Access: Brandon Hardware Co. Ltd.

Subject Access: commercial buildings

businesses

downtown

Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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Curran Park

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14313>



Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection
Description Level: Item
Series Number: 2
Item Number: BAPC 2.40
GMD: graphic
Date Range: c. 1960
Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)
Material Details: On matting (12" x 10")

History /

Biographical:

Curran Park is located at 4100 Grand Valley Rd, Brandon, MB. Originally called Suburban Park, it underwent a formal name change in 1934, in honour of J.P. Curran, a lawyer, civil servant and judge, who died in 1928.

The City of Brandon first set aside \$6000 for the acquisition of a new park in 1911, but the acquisition of appropriate land stalled for a number of years. Finally in 1919, the city was able to acquire a parcel of Crown land the Brandon Industrial School was located on, to establish the park; the land was acquired through a 99-year lease. Suburban Park officially opened in 1921.

The development of the park was gradual. Some of the work was completed as part of the Brandon Parks Board's unemployment relief planning; from 1931-1936, relief workers cleared underbrush, thinned trees, constructed a road and built latrines. In 1933 a refreshment stand was approved and a large cook stove was donated.

The City of Brandon and the Department of Agriculture (in right of the Crown) agreed to terminate the original park lease in March 1965, with the city purchasing the land outright. Curran Park was sold to Gretna businessman Gerald Voth in 2001, and renamed Turtle Crossing.

Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the pool at Curran Park, Brandon, MB.

Notes: History/Bio information was taken from A Cup of Cold Water: Alfred Kirkness and the Brandon Residential School Cemeteries by Anne Lindsay, Clare Cook, and David Cuthbert (Manitoba History journal, Number 78, Summer 2015).

Name Access: Curran Park

Subject Access: swimming
recreation facilities
swimming pools
leisure activities

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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Daly 18th Street overpass

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10139>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.27

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [after 1963]

Physical Description: 5" x 3.5" (b/w)

History /

Biographical:

The overpass is named for Brandon's first mayor, Thomas Mayne Daly, and the street on which the overpass is located. The overpass opened in October 1963.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is an aerial view of the Daly 18th Street Overpass (18th Street Bridge). Visible are a number of commercial and residential buildings in the north end of Brandon, MB. The view is northeast, probably taken from the roof of the old steam plant north of 20th Street and Rosser Avenue.

Name Access: Daly 18th Street Overpass
18th Street Bridge
Kane Equipment Ltd.
International Harvester Company of Canada
Pacific Avenue

Subject Access: northend
bridges
manmade geographic features
cityscapes

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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Fire at the Royal North-West Mounted Police horse barns

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10129>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.16

GMD: graphic

Date Range: September 29, 1919

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

Material Details: Copy

Custodial History:

Donated by Ron Brown.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the Royal North-West Mounted Police (RNWMP) horse barns on fire. The barns were located in the Winter Fair Building on the Fair Grounds.

Name Access: Winter Fair Building

Fair grounds

Royal North-West Mounted Police

Subject Access: fires

agricultrual buildings

barns

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

Images





Fire at the Royal North-West Mounted Police horse barns

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10130>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.17

GMD: graphic

Date Range: September 29, 1919

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

Material Details: Copy

Custodial History:

Donated by Ron Brown.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of spectators gathered to watch the Royal North-West Mounted Police (RNWMP) horse barns on fire. The barns were located in the Winter Fair Building on the Fair Grounds.

Name Access: Winter Fair Building

Fair grounds

Royal North-West Mounted Police

Subject Access: fires

agricultrual buildings

barns

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

Images





Fire at the Royal North-West Mounted Police horse barns

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10131>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.18

GMD: graphic

Date Range: September 29, 1919

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

Material Details: Copy

Custodial History:

Donated by Ron Brown.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the Royal North-West Mounted Police (RNWMP) horse barns on fire. The barns were located in the Winter Fair Building on the Fair Grounds.

Name Access: Winter Fair Building

Fair grounds

Royal North-West Mounted Police

Subject Access: fires

agricultrual buildings

barns

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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Hanbury Manufacturing Company

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14310>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.36

Accession Number: 4-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1900

Physical Description: 8.25" x 6.25" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting (12" x 10")

History /

Biographical:

John Hanbury came to Brandon in January 1882. For the next decade he operated a contracting business, constructing several Brandon buildings including the post office, the Merchants Block, and the General Hospital. In 1892, Hanbury founded the Hanbury Manufacturing Company. The most important industry in Brandon from 1900-1914, Hanbury's employed over 150 men in logging, lumbering and the manufacturing of doors, windows, furniture and other house fixtures.

With offices, a warehouse and lumber mill on either side of Assiniboine Avenue at 6th Street North, Hanbury's relied on timber from northern forests that was moved, raft-like, down river by drivers. Cabinets, furniture and other millwork was sold out of the Hanbury Hardware Co. building on 7th Street and Pacific Avenue. John Hanbury left Brandon in 1910, although his son continued to operate the business until World War I.

Residential buildings were constructed on the company lands on Assiniboine Avenue west of 6th Street North in the late 1920s; the building east of 6th Street was used first as the Christie's School Supplies warehouse (1929-1939) and then by successive woollen mills (1941-1991). A portion of what appears to be the original building currently stands vacant on the site. The hardware building on Pacific Avenue has been primarily used by the Government Liquor Control Commission (1929-1971) and Christie's School Supplies, now Christie's Office Plus (early 1940s – present).

Custodial History:

Photos belonged to Jim Lanigan's family. He donated them to the McKee Archives in January 2017.

Scope and Content:

Item is a photograph of the Hanbury Mfg Co. buildings on Assiniboine Avenue - photo is looking northeast

Notes:

Jim Lanigan and his siblings beleived that Hanbury Manufacturing Company is where their paternal grandfather James Joseph Lanigan worked and learned the glazing trade. James Joseph's father James and brother Albert Daniel may have also worked there. Both Joe and Bert went to work for the CPR in Brandon in 1898. Jim Lanigan could not identify any family members in the group portrait.

Name Access: Hanbury Manufacturing Company

Subject Access: manufacturing

businesses

downtown

Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

Images





Hanbury Manufacturing Company employees

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14311>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.37

Accession Number: 4-2017

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1900

Physical Description: 8.25" x 6.25" (b/w)

Material Details: On matting (12" x 10")

History /

Biographical:

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With offices, a warehouse and lumber mill on either side of Assiniboine Avenue at 6th Street North, Hanbury's relied on timber from northern forests that was moved, raft-like, down river by drivers. Cabinets, furniture and other millwork was sold out of the Hanbury Hardware Co. building on 7th Street and Pacific Avenue. John Hanbury left Brandon in 1910, although his son continued to operate the business until World War I.

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Custodial History:

Photos belonged to Jim Lanigan's family. He donated them to the McKee Archives in January 2017.

Scope and Content:

Item is a group portrait of Hanbury Manufacturing Company employees.

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Name Access: Hanbury Manufacturing Company

Subject Access: manufacturing
 businesses
 downtown
Storage Location: BAPC oversize photograph drawer

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Royal North-West Mounted Police

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10128>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.15

GMD: graphic

Date Range: September 23, 1919

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

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon Armoury is located at the southwest corner of Victoria Avenue and 11th Street.

Custodial History:

Donated by Ron Brown.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is a portrait of the Royal North-West Mounted Police C squadron returned from World War I. The photo was taken at the Brandon Armoury where the squadron was housed before being restationed.

Notes: Information on the photo was taken from G.F. Barker's *Brandon: A City* (p. 200).

Name Access: Brandon Armoury

World War I

First World War

Great War

Royal North-West Mounted Police

Subject Access: police officers

armouries

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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Royal North-West Mounted Police horse barns

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10132>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.20

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1919

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

Material Details: Copy

Custodial History:

Donated by Ron Brown.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the Royal North-West Mounted Police (RNWMP) horse barns covered in snow after the fire in 1919.

Name Access: Royal North-West Mounted Police

Subject Access: fires

agricultural buildings

barns

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

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Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary - exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10133>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2

Item Number: BAPC 2.21

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1925

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

History /

Biographical:

Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary was established in 1923 by Arthur Thompson (b. 1881 - d. May 14, 1957) at 764 13th Street. From approximately 1925-1927, the store was operated by Alexander Thompson at 762 13th Street. The fate of the store from 1929-1935 is unclear. In 1929, Alexander Thompson was a grocer at 748 7th Street and in 1931 a Mrs. A Thompson was a grocer at 802 14th Street. There were two Thompson grocery and confectionary businesses in Brandon in 1933: Thompson's Confectionary at 745 13th Street and Thompson & Co. at 702 12th Street. In 1935, Arthur Thompson appears to have either taken over one of the earlier businesses or reopened his own grocery in its original location at 762 13th Street. He operated his store at this location into the mid-1950s. At some point following Thompson's death the building was bought by Frank Fitzpatrick and used for his upholstery store.

Custodial History:

Donated by Frank Fitzpatrick.

Scope and Content:

Photograph is looking northwest at the exterior of Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary.

Notes:	History/Bio information taken from Henderson's Directories (1917-1955) for Brandon, MB.
Name Access:	Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary 13th Street College Avenue
Subject Access:	grocery stores cityscapes businesses stores
Storage Location:	BAPC photograph drawer

Images



Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary - interior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10134>

Part Of:	RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection
Description Level:	Item
Series Number:	2
Item Number:	BAPC 2.22

GMD: graphic
Date Range: c. 1925
Physical Description: 8" x 10" (b/w)
History /
Biographical:

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Custodial History:

Donated by Frank Fitzpatrick.

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows the interior of Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from Henderson's Directories (1917-1955) for Brandon, MB.

Name Access: Thompson's Groceries and Confectionary
13th Street
College Avenue

Subject Access: grocery stores
businesses
stores
foods
dry goods
produce
canned foods

Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

Images





Wheat City Business College hockey team

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14339>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection
Creator: Photographer: Davidson Studio
Description Level: Item
Series Number: 7
Item Number: BAPC 7.3
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1920
Physical Description: 19" x 15.5" (b/w)
Material Details: On board
Physical Condition: Backing board is warped and has two large tears on the back. There is foxing on the image and board on the front

Custodial History:

Image was donated to the McKee Archives in 2020 by Don Smith, Associate Curator/Manager of the Cornwall Community Museum/SD&G Historical Society and a volunteer with the City of Cornwall's Heritage Cornwall Committee. Smith was asked by a local used bookstore owner to find a home for a box of items they had acquired from the new owner of a Lancaster, ON antique/collectibles operation.

Scope and Content:

Composite portrait of the players, manager and president of the Wheat City Business College hockey team. The name and position/role of each man is written in the bottom right corner of their portrait.

Name Access: Wheat City Business College
C. Stewart
C.A. Stewart
B. Bailey
L. Crawford
F. Wood
W.J. Lee
W.A. Dodd
Subject Access: sports
Hockey
Storage Location: BAPC oversize storage drawer

Images



