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Aerial view: Brandon College and downtown east

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions597>

Part Of: Aerial views and campus photographs

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.1

Item Number: 2.1.5

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. spring 1963

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

Scope and Content:

View is east southeast from approximately 22nd Street between Princess and Louise Avenues. Photograph shows: Brandon College, Stanley Park, Park School, Prince Edward Hotel, First Baptist Church, First Presbyterian Church, Wheat City Arena, First Church United, St. Paul's, Central United Church.

Images





Aerial view: Brandon College campus

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8056>

Part Of: Aerial views and campus photographs

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.1

Item Number: 2.1.125

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1963

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

Scope and Content:

View is northeast from approximately the southwest corner of Victoria Avenue and 22nd Street to the Assiniboine River near 1st Street. Photograph shows the College campus, Kinsmen Stadium, residential blocks, downtown and the railway tracks.

Images





Aerial view: Brandon College from 23rd Street

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions602>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.1

Item Number: BUPC 2.1.9

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1963-1966]

Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Image is looking east northeast from approximately the 300 block of 23rd Street between Lorne and Louise Avenues. Photograph shows the Brandon College campus after the opening of the original Music Building in 1963, but before the construction of the Education Building in 1966. A number of house on the 300 blocks of 22nd and 21st Streets are visible in the foreground, with the A.E. McKenzie Seed Co., the Prince Edward Hotel and various grain elevators on the horizon.

Subject Access: aerial photographs
campus photographs
campus buildings
Brandon streets
Grain elevators

Images





Aerial view: Brandon College looking east

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions617>

Part Of: Aerial views and campus photographs

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.1

Item Number: 2.1.25

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1963

Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

View is east from approximately 22nd Street between Lorne and Louise Avenues. Photograph shows: Darrach Hall, Flora Cowan Hall and the Citizens' Science Building, as well as a number of homes in the area.

Images





Aerial view: Brandon College tree planting

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions604>

Part Of: Aerial views and campus photographs

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.1

Item Number: 2.1.11

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1964

Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

View is east northeast from approximately 22nd Street between Lorne and Louise Avenues.

Photograph shows: Brandon College (before planting of trees in quadrangle and before the Education Building), McKenzie Seeds, Prince Edward Hotel, Central United (St. Paul's) Church, St. Augustine's Church.

Images





Aerial view - Brandon University campus

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions7991>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph collection
Creator: Photograph commissioned by Brandon University and taken by Yourview Aerial Scenics Ltd.

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 2.1
Item Number: BUPC 2.1.57
GMD: graphic
Date Range: c. 2000
Physical Description: 6" x 4" (colour)

Scope and Content:

View is west from approximately 17th Street between Lorne and Louise Avenues. Photograph shows a portion of the Brandon University campus (excluding the Education Building and anything north of it), as well as surrounding residential blocks from approximately 17th Street to 22nd Street.

Subject Access: aerial photographs
campus photographs
campus buildings
Brandon streets

Images





Aerial view: Brandon University campus

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8057>

Part Of: Aerial views and campus photographs

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 2.1

Item Number: 2.1.126

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1967

Physical Description: 10" x 8" (colour)

Scope and Content:

View is southeast from north of the corner of Princess Avenue and 22nd Street to approximately Brandon Avenue. Photograph shows the University campus, Kinsmen Stadium, Earl Oxford School, and residential blocks. Brandon Collegiate Institute (BCI) is visible in the upper left corner.

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Clarence B. Spurr interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14453>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH053.Spu

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: October 28, 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:59:55]

History /

Biographical:

Clarence Benjamin Graham? Spurr, was born in on February 13, 1891 in Bancroft, Ontario. Spurr began working for the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1914 as a station agent at Rocanville, SK and spent many years as an agent in various communities in Saskatchewan and Manitoba before retiring in 1955. In 1923, he married Elizabeth Wallace Lindsay (1893-1979) and they raised three children, sons Ewart and Delbert and adopted niece Verna Spurr. Clarence and Elizabeth moved to Brandon, MB following his retirement. Spurr joined the Canadian military in 1915, and was initially sent to Camp Hughes. A signaler and runner, he spent 1916-1918 overseas. Clarence Spurr died on December 21, 1982 in Brandon, MB. He is buried at Brandon Municipal Cemetery.

Custodial History:

As part of the Westman Oral History Collection, this collection was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. The original tapes from the Westman Oral History project were deposited in the Brandon Public Library. Copies of these originals were made by Margaret Pollex of the Brandon University Language Lab at the request of Eileen McFadden, University Archivist in the early 1990s. These copies compose the collection held in the McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Clarence B.G. Spurr about his experiences during World War I. Spurr discusses and reminisces about details of the Great War and some of the major turning points within it from Vimy Ridge, Lamont, Mons, Neuville-Saint-Vaast and the Armistice that ended the war on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day in November from the perspective of a Canadian soldier. Interviewer is Delbert Spurr.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and Spurr's obituary. Transcript by Whitney Hodgins (2017). Description by Christy Henry.

Access Restriction: Content Warning: Some of the material discussed in the interview is sensitive in nature, dealing with the war and some of the gruesome acts that go with it. Listener discretion is advised.

Language Note: English

Audio Tracks


Documents


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Westman Oral History Collection
Interview Date: 1980-10-28
Interviewer: Clarence B.G. Spurr
Interviewee: Delbert Spurr
Location: Brandon, Manitoba
Transcript: Whitney Hodgins
Date Transcribed: September 24, 2017
Recording Format: Digital MP3
Length of Recording: 00:20:00

Beginning of Tape Side A
Question: When did you start decide to enter deaf life...
Answer: I did not enter at the opening of the war on account of waiting to get started working on the CPR. At which time my memory it would carry on...
...into the army. I remember now, "right" after entering we were in Camp Hughes for this, for the summer until harvest time. At which time...
...with... we went out and helped farmers in the Saskatchewan in the harvest...
...into... and at the army and the riding with the...
...while our our harvest leave continued, after which we stayed in camp until November, expecting to go overseas at last, but instead we were moved to Regina where we stayed in the winter for building up from...
...winter and moved until March. In March we were sent back to our unit around the North Route unit arriving in Ottawa early in the morning and marched up the main street to the parliament buildings and they then back

OH053_Spurr_transcript.pdf

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Correspondence 22-23

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5983>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Description Level: File
Series Number: MG 3 1.14.1
File Number: 1037
GMD: textual records
Date Range: July 1985-Feb. 1986
Physical Description: 1 file
Scope and Content:
File consists of correspondence organized by date written (ie 22nd-23rd of a particular month)
Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
MG 3 Brandon University Teaching and Administration
1.14.1 W. Leland Clark - political career
Box 43



Earle Forshaw collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13684>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 13-2013
GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1900-1918
Physical Description: 2 folios/books
3 photographs
Material Details: photographs are colour reproductions produced circa 2010
History /
Biographical:

EARLE PHILIP FORSHAW

Earle Forshaw was born in Brandon, Manitoba, on 26 September 1927. His mother, Maud Ethel Forshaw née Hicklings/Hickling (b. 07 April 1901 – d. 26 October 1927) died one month after Earle's birth at the age of 26 years. His father, Arthur Hugh Forshaw, married Gertrude Ethel Fallis two years later and the family would move to Winnipeg in 1932/33.

In 1944, Earle Forshaw graduated from Gordon Bell High School in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He worked as a meatpacker with Swift Canada, a subsidiary of Swift Meatpacking Company, Chicago. Earle remained with the company until his retirement in 1984, by which time he was a branch manager of the Swift branch in Ottawa, Ontario. Earle moved back to Manitoba in 1985, first living in Winnipeg before settling in the resort community of Matlock, situated in the southernmost part of the Village of Dunnottar on the southwestern shore of Lake Winnipeg.

Earle Forshaw was married three times. He married Elizabeth "Betty" Anne Hamilton on 05 May 1951 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. They had one son, Tom. The Winnipeg Free Press published the couple's divorce decree on 21 December 1970. Earle married Margaret Clara Veale née Cousins (b. 19 August 1928, Winnipeg – d. 10 September 1998) that same year.

They would remain married until Margaret's cancer-related death in 1998. The following year, Earle married Joyce Wilson née Mutton in Ontario on 28 December 1999. They currently reside in Matlock, Manitoba.

Like his father and grandfather, Earle Philip Forshaw is a Free Mason. He received a 33rd degree membership in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Right (honorary degree), a position he has held for more than 50 years. Earle has received two medals from the Free Mason's for his half century of service to the society. Earle is also a Shriner and a member of the Royal Order of Scotland.

ARTHUR HUGH FORSHAW

Arthur Hugh "Hughie" Forshaw (b. 09 July 1899, Lancashire, England – d. 02 June 1976, Winnipeg) enlisted with the Canadian Expeditionary Force Overseas 181st Battalion on 21 March 1916 in Brandon, Manitoba. Although he claimed to be 18 years old at the time of enlistment,* his attestation papers stated he was not to head overseas until he was 19 years of age.

*It appears Pte. Forshaw may have lied about his age when he enlisted. According to the Lancashire Anglican Parish Registers (Preston, England), Arthur Hugh Forshaw was born 09 July 1899 in the Skelmersdale Parish in Lancashire, England, not on 02 June 1898 as stated on his attestation papers.

At the time of enlistment, Hugh lived with his family in Brandon, Manitoba, residing at 126 – 22nd Street. The 1916 Canadian Census lists his father, John, as a carpenter who had immigrated to Canada in 1905. Arthur and his mother, Sarah Forshaw née Edden, immigrated the following year and the Forshaw's would have at least three more children, Rohda/Rhoda Elizabeth (b. 27 June 1908), Phylip/Philip Roy (b. 24 January 1911), and Irene Margaret (b. 1916).

After the war, Henderson's Brandon City Directories list Arthur Hugh as a clerk at the Union Bank of Canada in Brandon. By 1925, Hugh was working as a clerk with Imperial Oil. According to his obituary, he would remain with the company for 37 years; he was a supervisor before retiring in 1960.

Hugh married Maud Ethel Hickling (b. 07 April 1901 – d. 26 October 1927) in Brandon, Manitoba on 22 November 1922. The couple had two sons, John "Jack" Hugh (b. 05 May 1923, Brandon – d. 17 May 1962, Winnipeg) and Earle Phillip, (b. 26 September 1927, Brandon). A month after Earle's birth, Maud passed away at the age of 26 and was interred in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery.

Hugh remarried on 10 August 1929 to Gertrude Ethel Fallis (b. 14 July 1908, R.M. Glenwood – d. 04 July 1994, Winnipeg) in Glenwood, Manitoba. The family moved to Winnipeg in 1933, where Hugh and his wife settled.

Hugh, like his father John, was a member of the Free Mason's society and became a 32nd degree mason. He was a member of the Capitol Lodge AF and AM GRM No.136 and the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Right of Free Masonry Khartum Shrine Temple. He was also one of the five original members of the Khartum Shrine Orchestra.

Arthur "Hughie" Hugh Forshaw passed away on 02 June 1976 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, at the age of 76 years. He is interred alongside his second wife Gertrude in the Thomson in the Park Cemetery, Winnipeg.

Custodial History:

Records in this collection were in the possession of Earle and Joyce Forshaw before they were submitted to local historian Jack Stothard. Stothard, in turn, donated the materials to the SJ McKee Archives in 2012. The Archives accessioned the records in 2013.

Scope and Content:

The collection consists of two books/folios and three photographs (copies). The two folios/books are pictorial works about early Brandon, Manitoba. One book, *The Illustrated Souvenir of Brandon*, is published by W.W. Warner (Brandon, Manitoba).

The second folio/book, *Brandon Manitoba: The Wheat City*, is published by Christies Bookstore, [circa 1907]. Photographs in this folio/book include: Rosser Avenue [facing east]; Brandon College and Lorne Avenue; Manitoba Winter Fair Building; the Armoury; Scene on 13th Street Residence Section; Young Men's Christian Association; Canadian Northern Hotel and Station; Banks of Brandon (The Merchant's Bank of Canada, Bank of Montreal, The Bank of British North America, Bank of Hamilton with Frank Gowen's photography studio and Fleming's Drugs); Assiniboine River; West End Park and Park School; Alexandra School, Collegiate Institute, The Convent [St. Michael's Academy], Central School, Park School; Brandon Hospital and Nurses' Home; Residential Brandon Looking West; Residence of W.G.A. Watson, Residence of Robert Kerr, Brandon Club, Residence of William Ferguson, Residence of E.L. Christie; Baptist Church, Methodist Church, St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, St. Mary's Church, St. Augustine's Church; John E. Smith Block, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Cecil Hotel, The Sun, Corner of 10th Street and Rosser Avenue; Rosser Avenue from the Post Office [facing east], Union Bank of Canada; City Hall; Experimental Farm, Brandon [facing north]; Experimental Farm Brandon [facing south]; Fourth Proceeding Threshing Wheat by Electric Power on Farm of G.A. Patterson, Near Brandon; Farm Scenes Near Brandon: First Proceeding in Farming in the Canadian North West – Plowing, Second Proceeding – Sowing Wheat, Third Proceeding – Reaping, Field of Wheat Near Brandon, Ready for Threshing, \$5 Bushels to the Acre; and Court House

The three colour photocopies are reproductions of photographs of the City of Brandon's 181st Battalion Band circa 1916 – 1917. Earle Forshaw's father, Arthur Forshaw (#865277), was a bandsman who played both the violin and trumpet with the 181st Battalion and is pictured in each of the photographs.

The photograph (13-2013.1) is of an 11-member chamber group featuring a female cellist and female vocalist. A.H. Forshaw is on the left-hand side of the back row wearing a military uniform with Canadian general service collar badges and holding a violin under his arm.

The photograph (13-2013.2) is of the 23-member 181st Battalion band. All the members are in uniform and sporting the 181st Battalion Cap badge. A.H. Forshaw is standing second from the right in the second row and holding a trumpet.

The photograph (13-2013.3) is of the 181st Battalion band at the Brandon Exposition in 1916 at the Summer Fair Grounds and grandstand.

Notes:	<p>Information in the history/biography was taken from the finding aid course assignment completed by Chris van Meijl for the Brandon University History Department's 54:437 Historical Methods and Historiography course (2013); Manitoba Vital Statistics Database; Canadian Expeditionary Force Attestation Papers for Arthur Forshaw (#865277); Canada 1916 Census; Henderson's Brandon City Directories from 1911 to 1933; City of Brandon GIS: Cemetery Map; FindaGrave.com; Lancashire Anglican Parish Registers. Preston, England: Lancashire Archives (ancestry.ca); Winnipeg Free Press (09 May 1951 [Earle]; 18 May 1962, 19 May 1962 [John Hugh Forshaw]; 03 June 1976 [Arthur Hugh Forshaw]; 12 September 1998 [Earle widower]; 15 January 2000 [Earle marriage])</p> <p>Phylip Forshaw's birth is registered under "Philip Roy Fershaw" in the Manitoba Vital Statistics Database. Maud Ethel Hicklings [sic.] death is registered in Manitoba Vital Statistics Database but her tombstone in the Brandon Municipal Cemetery reads "Hickling." Rohda [sic.] Elizabeth Forshaw's birth is registered in the Manitoba Vital Statistics Database and her name is spelled as such in the 1916 Canadian Census, however, the Winnipeg Free Press obituary (03 June 1976) for Arthur Hugh Forshaw spells her name "Rhoda."</p> <p>The Brandon Manitoba: The Wheat City, published by Christies Bookstore is assigned a publication date of 1907 based on the construction of the Brandon Collegiate Institute</p> <p>Description by Suyoko Tsukamoto</p>
Accruals:	closed
Finding Aid:	none
Location Original:	Original photographs were retained by Earle Forshaw
Storage Location:	<p>New oversize drawer 2 (photos)</p> <p>Brandon, Manitoba: The Wheat City (Rare Books)</p> <p>Illustrated Souvenir of Brandon (Reading Room Library shelves)</p>
Related Material:	<p>Gerry Beaubier collection</p> <p>Alf Fowler collection</p> <p>Fred McGuinness collection</p> <p>Rare Books FC3399.B73I5</p>



Ethel Allen interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14578>

Part Of:	Westman Oral History collection
Description Level:	Item
Item Number:	OH181.All
Accession Number:	35-1998
GMD:	sound recordings
Date Range:	November 22, 1982
Physical Description:	1 audio cassette [00:10:00]

Biographical:

Ethel Elizabeth Mary Allen (nee Baker) was born on June 30, 1915 on Springhill Farm in the RM of Rosedale. She attended Springhill School and Neepawa Collegiate. An accomplished pianist, she formed a band with her brothers and together they played many dances. Ethel married William Allen (1902-1964) in June 1938 and together they had one son, Larry. Following the marriage, the couple lived in the residence at Howden elevator where Bill was the elevator agent for the Ogilvie company. Ethel helped Bill with bookkeeping. When Bill died, Ethel moved to Neepawa, where she worked for the Osborone Senior Citizens Home for a number of years. A long time member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Naomi Chapter No. 11, Ethel enjoyed curling, sewing and travel. Ethel Allen died on May 14, 2001 in Neepawa, MB. She is buried at Riverside Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Ethel Allen about the history of the Potter-Baker Centennial Farm. Interviewer is Isabelle Heeney.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and the local history "The Beautiful Plains Story, 1983-2008." Transcript by Sarah Gerdis-Filipchuk (2023). Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

Audio Tracks

Documents

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Joanne Titus interview



<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14644>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH273.Tit

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 19, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:15:00]

History /

Biographical:

Ada Joanne Titus (nee Graham) was born on January 24, 1940 in Wellwood, MB. Joanne married John (Jack) Sidney Titus (1918-1995) on October 7, 1961 in Wellwood. They had two children together - Michelle and Vonn - and also raised Jack's three children from his first marriage, Gerry, Karen and Kim. Jack served the Wellwood community as grocer and postmaster for 30 years, retiring in 1982. His father was postmaster before him. Joanne was a teacher, who began her career at Dempsey school, continued to Wellwood and Brookdale, and then spent 23 years at RJ Waugh School in Carberry. She retired in 1999. Joanne enjoyed travel, music and dance, and was a member of the Spud City Cloggers. She was an active community member within the Presbyterian Church, Guild and Choir, Wellwood Community Club, Trans Canada Trail, and the Carberry Public Library. Joanne Titus died on September 28, 2016 in Medicine Hat, AB.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

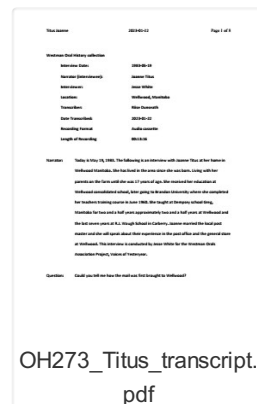
Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Joanne Titus about the history and closing of Wellwood Post Office. Interviewer is Jessie Whyte.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and the obituaries for Jack and Joanne Titus. The records list Joanne's birthdate as January 24, 1940. The obituary lists only the year as 1941. Transcript by Riise Dunseath (2023). Description by Christy Henry.


Language Note: English


Audio Tracks

Documents



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Pestyk brothers

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10194>

Part Of: RG 12 Brandon and Area Photograph Collection
Creator: Photo - R. Constible
Description Level: Item
Series Number: 5
Item Number: BAPC 5.8
GMD: graphic
Date Range: [196-?]
Physical Description: 10" x 8" (b/w)
Material Details: On matting

History /

Biographical:

The Pestyk brothers and the Tackaberry brothers, both immigrant families, cornered the market on custom made skates for professional hockey players in North America in the middle of the twentieth century. In 1937, following George Tackaberry's death, his widow sold his boot patent to C.C.M. (Canadian Cycle and Motor Company Limited). CCM used the design and name for its elite C.C.M. skate, known as Tacks. The Pestyk brothers lived north of Princess Avenue on 22nd Street in Brandon, MB. The Tackaberry brothers lived on 15th Street in Brandon, MB.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the Pestyk brothers in their workshop examining a boot mold with the name G. Gover written on it.

Name Access: Pestyk
Tackaberry
Subject Access: Hockey
Artisan
Storage Location: BAPC photograph drawer

Images



Snye River

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9860>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds



Description Level: Item
Series Number: 3.1
Item Number: 1-2002.3.1N3
Accession Number: 1-2002
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1913
Physical Description: 3 1/2" x 5"
Material Details: Negative

History /

Biographical:

The Snje was a former channel (oxbow lake) of the Assiniboine River. It was located south of the Assiniboine between about 14th and 24th Streets, and during high water in the spring it carried overflow. For many years it was used as a log storage area for Hanbury's Mill. I remember there being bridges over it at 18th & 22nd Streets. It was dammed with a one way flipper valve at 14th Street that allowed water to flow out to the river, but prevented river water backing into it. Water within the Snje became stagnant in summer and formed a breeding area for mosquitoes. It was deemed a health hazard and the river was gradually filled in. LAS.

Custodial History:

For custodial history see the collection level description of the Lawrence Stuckey collection.

Scope and Content:

Snje River

Notes: [This negative was produced using a previous published image. P.E. 22/07/09]

Additional historical information provided by the Fred McGuinness collection (20-2009).

Name Access: Snje River

Subject Access: natural waterways

Rivers

Brandon Miscellaneous History

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Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

Images

