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A.E. McKenzie

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions2533>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 9

Item Number: BUPC 9.45

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1950s

Physical Description: 11" x 14" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph is a portrait of A.E. McKenzie.

Notes: Information that accompanied the photograph: Born Wilcox Lake, Ontario, 1870. Died 1964 in Brandon, MB. A long-time member of a number of boards at the College. Played a role in re-establishing Brandon College through Brandon College Inc. and the McKenzie Foundation by donating 90% of the shares in his company to the MB Government to support higher education, specifically Brandon College.

Name Access: A.E. McKenzie

Subject Access: portraits

Storage Range: Oversize drawer 5

Images





A.E. McKenzie Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9550>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1EA14

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: March 16, 1975

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

History /

Biographical:

The original main building (background) was built in 1910, with a tower extension added in 1919.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

A.E. McKenzie Building

Name Access: A.E. McKenzie Building

Crystal Hotel

Subject Access: businesses

agricultural companies

hotels

Brandon business buildings & facilities after 1940

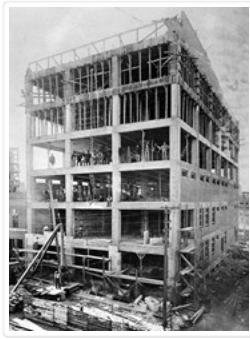
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Location Copy: 1-2002.3.9.41

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

Images





A.E. McKenzie Building Under Construction

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9764>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1K2

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1909 or 1910]

Physical Description: 3 1/2" x 5"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

A.E. McKenzie Building under construction

Notes: From the Brandon Sun.

Name Access: A.E. McKenzie Building

A.E. McKenzie & Co.

Subject Access: businesses

seeds

agricultural companies

Brandon Early Construction Scenes

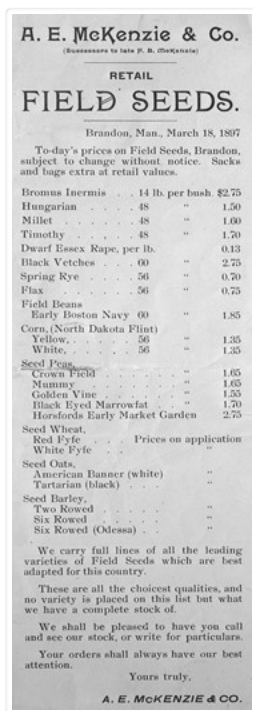
Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Location Copy: 1-2002.3.9.106

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

Images





A.E. McKenzie & Co. Field Seed Prices - Advertisement

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9720>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1HB13

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: March 18, 1897

Physical Description: 3 1/2" x 6"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

A.E. McKenzie & Co.'s field seed prices for March 18, 1897

Name Access: A.E. McKenzie & Co.

Subject Access: advertising

Agriculture

seeds

Brandon Early Business Advertisements

Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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A. E. McKenzie & Co.

(Successors to late F. B. McKenzie)

RETAIL

FIELD SEEDS.

Brandon, Man., March 18, 1897

To-day's prices on Field Seeds, Brandon, subject to change without notice. Sacks and bags extra at retail values.

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| Bromus Inermis | . . . 14 lb. per bush. | \$2.75 |
| Hungarian | 48 | " 1.50 |
| Millet | 48 | " 1.60 |
| Timothy | 48 | " 1.70 |
| Dwarf Essex Rape, per lb. | | 0.13 |
| Black Vetches | . . . 60 | " 2.75 |
| Spring Rye | 56 | " 0.70 |
| Flax | 56 | " 0.75 |
| Field Beans | | |
| Early Boston Navy | 60 | " 1.85 |
| Corn, (North Dakota Flint) | | |
| Yellow, | 56 | " 1.35 |
| White, | 56 | " 1.35 |
| Seed Peas, | | |
| Crown Field | | " 1.65 |
| Mummy | | " 1.65 |
| Golden Vine | | " 1.55 |
| Black Eyed Marrowfat | . . . | " 1.70 |
| Horsfords Early Market Garden | | 2.75 |
| Seed Wheat, | | |
| Red Fyfe | | Prices on application |
| White Fyfe | | " |
| Seed Oats, | | |
| American Banner (white) | | " |
| Tartarian (black) | | " |
| Seed Barley, | | |
| Two Rowed | | " |
| Six Rowed | | " |
| Six Rowed (Odessa) | . . . | " |

We carry full lines of all the leading varieties of Field Seeds which are best adapted for this country.

These are all the choicest qualities, and no variety is placed on this list but what we have a complete stock of.

We shall be pleased to have you call and see our stock, or write for particulars.

Your orders shall always have our best attention.

Yours truly,

A. E. McKENZIE & CO.



A.E. McKenzie Co., Limited, Seedmen

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

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| 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

Images





A.E. McKenzie Family photo

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13952>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.24

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1980s]

Physical Description: 4.25" x 3.5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows a group of nine people surrounding an elderly man, likely A.E. McKenzie, who is wearing a black suit. The group appears to be photographed in residential yard.

Name Access: A.E. McKenzie

Subject Access: family portraits

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

Images



A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. fonds

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4309>

Part Of: RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Company fonds

Description Level: Fonds

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1887-1996; predominantly 1910-1974

Physical Description: 7.47 m of textual records
500 photographs

History /

Biographical:

The A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. originated with the McKenzie family Flour, Grain and Seed business, started by F. B. McKenzie in the early 1880's. When F. B. McKenzie passed away in 1896, his son, Albert Edward McKenzie, assumed control of the company, and renamed it The Brandon Seed House. With its main office and plant in Brandon, Manitoba, the company specialized in the production and sale of field seeds and service exclusively to seed buyers in the prairie provinces and British Columbia. In later years, a complete line of products including garden seeds, lawn grass, and other allied lines was developed for sale across Canada.

In 1906, the company underwent a change of name when A. E. McKenzie determined that the growth of the country demanded a larger seed institute than could be managed by one man. As a result, the company was incorporated under provincial statutes and the federal Joint Stock Companies Act as A. E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd., and new personnel were hired.

Under the Joint Stock Companies Act, A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. was required to elect a Board of Directors of not less than three, and not more than nine individuals. Only shareholders of the company were eligible for election, and election was to take place yearly with each shareholder entitled to as many votes as shares owned in the company. The Act also dictated that the directors were, from time to time, to elect from among themselves, a president of the company. They were also able to appoint and remove all other officers of the company and to create company by-laws. The directors were not obliged to pay any dividend on shares if the company should become insolvent. Under the Act, the stock of the company was deemed a personal estate and was only transferable as such. In addition, the company could acquire, hold, and transfer real estate, and was required to submit annual statements.

A. E. McKenzie was elected President of the newly constituted company. For the remainder of his natural life he remained in this position and supervised the operation of the company. S. A. Bradford, who was given responsibility for various company departments, filled the position of General Manager. H. L. Patmore became the Vice-President, overseeing the nursery business, while W. A. McCracken was put in charge of the warehouse stock, and shipping department. McCracken also supervised the mail order department.

The Company was initially comprised of three divisions: The Brandon Seed House, Brandon Nurseries, and Brandon Greenhouses. Each division was registered under Dominion Patents. Later, the company was divided into Retail Mail Order, Wholesale and Commission Packet Trade divisions. It also undertook some export business.

By registering the divisions of the company under federal legislation affecting trademarks and industrial designs, McKenzie and the Board, were able to register both the company's trademarks and to protect the company's industrial techniques. The company could thus patent the methods and processes of its operations so that no other individual or business could duplicate them.

Located at 30 9th Street, the head office and plant of A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. housed all the facilities and staff of the company, with the exception of the regional sales offices and warehouses. The business of the A. E. McKenzie Co. Ltd. was conducted from a frame warehouse until the current McKenzie building was constructed on the same site after a fire destroyed the original premises. Designed by architect Thomas Sinclair, and built by the Brandon Construction Company, the new building opened in 1911. In time, The A. E. McKenzie Co. Ltd. came to be known as Western Canada's Greatest Seed House.

During the 1930's, before a new building was erected in 1945, the A. E. McKenzie Co. occupied space at five different locations in Brandon, including the Massey Harris Building, the International Harvester Building and the Security Building. The last of these premises was destroyed by fire in 1972. As a result of its proximity to the Security Building, the main McKenzie Building also suffered heavy fire and water damage. A. E. McKenzie Co. Ltd. also utilized a warehouse on the north side of Pacific Avenue alongside the Canadian Pacific Railway tracks between 5th and 6th streets. This building and its contents were destroyed by fire (1946). In May of 1949, the company purchased and erected a Quonset structure on the west side of 15th Street between Rosser and Pacific Avenues.

In 1908, the first branch of the A. E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. was established at Calgary. In the following sixteen years, additional branches were established in Edmonton and Saskatoon (1923), Moose Jaw, Toronto (1934) and Winnipeg (1935). Both the Edmonton and Saskatoon branches were seasonal, operating for a four-month period, March to June inclusive. Business

in the Maritime Provinces of Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick further extended the company's operations by the mid 1940's. In 1946, the company purchased property in Gilbert Plains, Manitoba, 120 miles north of Brandon. This purchase enabled the company to handle larger quantities of Sweet Clover, a popular crop that was grown in the surrounding area. Additional offices were opened in Vancouver and Quebec City in rented premises by the early 1960's.

In the years 1944-1945, the McKenzie Foundation was created. Through the Foundation, arrangements were put in place to transfer shares of the company to the Manitoba Government for the benefit of higher education, specifically Brandon College. In return for this gift, which included 90% of all capital resources of the company together with all of the income earned each year, except for the amount retained annually to ensure sufficient operating capital, the A.E. McKenzie Co. Ltd. received exemption from paying Corporate Tax.

Prior to the establishment of the McKenzie Foundation, in 1945, the National Trust for the benefit of the College held the shares of McKenzie Seeds. On April 7, 1945 the Manitoba Legislature passed legislation whereby A. E. McKenzie retained effective management control of his company, but 1031 shares out of 1145 issued shares were gifted to the Provincial Government. In return, the government agreed that all financial benefits from the shares would go to Brandon College through the A. E. McKenzie Foundation. When Mr. McKenzie passed away in 1964, the primary responsibility of appointing the Board of Directors for McKenzie Seeds passed to the Provincial government.

The remaining 114 shares of the Company were turned over to the Crown on July 16, 1975 in accordance with an agreement between Brandon University, A. E. McKenzie Co. Ltd. and the Manitoba government. The same agreement also turned the McKenzie Foundation over to Brandon University. Therefore, since 1975 the crown has held all shares of the McKenzie Co. through the Province of Manitoba.

A.E. McKenzie died on September 25, 1964 at the age of 94 and was succeeded as President of the company by J. Lasby Lowes. When Mr. Lowes retired in 1968, A. R. Swanson was appointed by the government to fill the position and was responsible for all operations of the company under a Board of Directors comprised mainly of appointees of the government. It has proven impossible to establish a complete list of those individuals who held the positions of President/General Manager of McKenzie Seeds after 1964. A partial account is as follows: Anthony J. Maruca became President of A. E. McKenzie Co. Ltd. in 1972. In 1975, the Board of Directors appointed William Moore General Manager, creating a new position to relieve the President of the company from management of plant operations. At the same time, Pat Kelleher was named new interim President. Following the resignation of Kelleher, William Moore assumed the role of President as well. Moore left the company in the early 1980s. He was later convicted of criminal misconduct as President of the company. Keith Guelpa became President/General Manager in the mid 1980's; Raymond West was his successor.

Beginning in 1969, the A. E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. began phasing out the Field Seed division of their company, including business related to forage crops and cereals. Seed cleaning equipment located in Brandon and the company's Calgary and Toronto cleaning plants was sold. The Company concentrated its resources on the production and sale of vegetable and flower seeds, and lawn and turf grasses. It acted as a wholesaler and conducted business through chain stores, grocery, hardware and general stores.

Late in 1971, A. E. McKenzie Co. Ltd. purchased its largest competition in packaged seeds - Steele Briggs Seed Co. from Maple Leaf Mills Inc. for two million dollars. At the time of the acquisition the company changed its name to A. E. McKenzie Co. - Steele Briggs Seeds, in order to benefit from the favorable reputation held by Steele Briggs Seeds across Canada. In the early 1970s, the acquisition of Brett-Young Seeds Ltd., a Winnipeg company that dealt exclusively in the production and sale of field seed, brought the A. E. McKenzie Co. back into the field seed market.

In 1994 the Manitoba Government sold the A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. to Regal Greetings and Gifts, Canada's largest non-retail mail-order catalogue company, which is owned by MDC Corporation of Toronto.

In 2001, McKenzie Seeds is Canada's leading supplier of packaged seeds and related gardening products. It is divided into a Retail Consumer Products division which features well known seed brands including McKenzie Seeds, Pike Seeds and Thompson & Morgan Seeds from England. As well, this division also carries a complete range of lawn seeds and perishables. It also continues to ship the seed racks invented by A.E. McKenzie to numerous retail stores. The second division, Direct Mail, consists of the McFayden and McConnell catalogues which reach over 500,000 Canadian homes each year.

Custodial History:

Following the sale of the A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. to Regal Greetings and Gifts, the records of McKenzie Seeds and its subsidiaries were retained in the McKenzie Plant on 9th Street. In April of 1997, the records were transferred to the McKee Archives at Brandon University. Because the company was a crown corporation, the records of McKenzie Seeds belonged to the Province of Manitoba and might have been placed in the Provincial Archives. However, Provincial Archivist Gordon Dodds permitted the retention of the records in Brandon at the S. J. McKee Archives. The minutes of the Board of Directors, previously transferred to the Provincial Archives, remain in Winnipeg. Until 1960 these minutes, by-laws of the Company, and the letters patent of incorporation (April 7, 1906) were in the possession of the Company's lawyers, Johnson, Garson, Forrester, Davidson, & Steen.

Scope and Content:

The fonds consists of textual records, photographs and artifacts from A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. The textual records include minutes, documents, financial records, administrative records, by-laws, legal records, catalogues, sales literature, seed packets, newspaper clippings, appraisals, publications, scrapbooks and miscellaneous sections.

In addition, some of the records within the fonds relate to the operations of McKenzie subsidiaries -- Brett-Young Seeds, Steele-Briggs Seeds, Pike & Co. and McFayden Seeds -- and various properties owned by McKenzie Seeds.

Fonds contains approximately 500 photographs. These depict the operations and employees of McKenzie Seeds and the seed industry in general. Artifacts contained in the fonds include blueprints, newspaper clippings, copper printing plates, seed bags and plaques.

Fonds also includes an artificially created series of records dealing with Brandon College Inc., the A.E. McKenzie Foundation, the Brandon Allied Arts Council and the Brandon Board of Trade. These records stand outside the provenance of the McKenzie Seed Co.

Of particular interest within the textual records are the transcripts of various features of the company's history as dictated, researched and recalled by its second President/General Manager, J. Lasby Lowes. The fonds also contains a collection of company catalogue which is almost complete. Outside of the seed industry, the records dealing with both Brandon College Inc. and the McKenzie Foundation are significant records relating to the history of Brandon College/University and the City of Brandon.

Notes: Description written by Christy Henry (2001).

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| Name Access: | A.E. McKenzie |
| | J. Lasby Lowes |
| | Irene Cullen |
| | Joseph Airey |
| | Alan R. Mundie |
| | Sandy Black |
| | Brett-Young Seeds/Sabetha |
| | McFayden Seeds |
| | Steele-Briggs Seed Co |
| | Pike & Co |
| | Davidson & Gowen |
| | Davidson Studio |
| | Frank Gowen |
| | Dean Photo Service |
| | Jerrett's Photo-Art Studio/Jerrett's Photo Service |
| | Crawford Drug Store |
| | Leech Printing Ltd |
| | Eastman Photographic Materials Ltd |
| Subject Access: | Seed Industry |
| | Seed Catalogues |
| | Brandon Business |
| | Seed Photographs |
| | Brandon Photographs |
| | Seed Packets |
| | Agriculture |
| | Women Workers |
| | Labour Relations |
| | A.E. McKenzie |
| | J. Lasby Lowes |
| | A.R. Swanson |
| | William Moore |
| | Anthony J. Maruca |
| | Pat Kelleher |
| | Keith Guelpa |
| | Raymond West |
| | Brett-Young Seeds |
| | Sabetha |
| | Steele Briggs Seed Co |
| | Pike & Co |
| | McFayden Seeds |
| | Seed Marketing Co |
| | Brandon Board of Trade |
| | Brandon Allied Arts Council |
| | McKenzie Foundation |
| | Regal Greetings and Gifts |

Repro Restriction: Because the A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. was a crown corporation, the records in the fonds are subject to the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA).

Storage Location: RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Company fonds

Related Material: Additional records regarding A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. are housed at the Provincial Archives of Manitoba. In order to gain access to these records it is necessary to contact the Archives of Manitoba.

Arrangement:

RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. Fonds

McS 1 Board of Directors

- 1.1 Documents
- 1.2 Minutes/Meetings
- 1.3 Management Consultant Reports
- 1.4 Miscellaneous
- 1.5 Financial Records

McS 2 Office of the President/General Manager

- 2.1 A.E. McKenzie
- 2.2 J. Lasby Lowes
- 2.3 Comptroller
- 2.4 Properties
- 2.5 Marketing
- 2.6 Reference Library
- 2.7 Miscellaneous Publications/Correspondence

McS 3 Acquisitions

- 3.1 Brett-Young Seeds/Sabetha
- 3.2 Steele-Briggs Seed Co.
- 3.3 Pike & Co.
- 3.4 McFayden Seeds

McS 4 Seed Marketing Co.

McS 5 Photographs

- 5.1 McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. Executives
- 5.2 Construction at McKenzie Seed Co. Brandon (two files)
- 5.3 Exterior Photographs of the A. E. McKenzie Co. Building
- 5.4 McKenzie Seed Co. Plant Operations and Workers (2 files)
- 5.5 McKenzie Seed Co. Equipment and Plant - Head Office 1983
- 5.6 McKenzie Seed Co. Field Operations and Workers
- 5.7 McKenzie Seed Co. Strike 1944
- 5.8 Fires at McKenzie Seed Co. 1910, 1945, 1972
- 5.9 McKenzie Seed Co. Centennial Exhibition 1996
- 5.10 Miscellaneous McKenzie Seed Co. Photographs
- 5.11 People Connected to McKenzie Seed Co.
- 5.12 Princess Anne's Visit to McKenzie Seed Co. 1982
- 5.13 Onion Set Production Book
- 5.14 Irene Cullen Photographs - McKenzie Seeds Employee Photos
- 5.15 Josiph Airey Photographs - McKenzie Product Photos
- 5.16 Alan R. Mundie Seed Production Photographs
- 5.17 Steele Robertson/Steele Briggs Seeds Photographs
- 5.18 Seed Packet Display Units Photographs
- 5.19 Product Photographs
- 5.20 Parade Photographs
- 5.21 Oversized Photographs

5.2 Oversized Photographs

- 5.21.1 Drawer #1: Executive Photographs
- 5.21.2 Drawer #2: Office and Equipment/Plant Photographs
- 5.21.3 Drawer #3: Miscellaneous Oversized Photographs
- 5.21.4 Drawer #4: Artifacts

McS 6 Miscellaneous

- 6.1 Centennial Exhibition
- 6.2 Miscellaneous Publications
- 6.3 Scrapbooks

MG 1 A.E. McKenzie Fonds

- 1.1 Brandon College Inc.
- 1.2 McKenzie Foundation
- 1.3 Brandon Allied Arts Council
- 1.4 Brandon Board of Trade
- 1.5 Miscellaneous



A.E. McKenzie Seeds

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

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| 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 (?).

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| 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 |

Images



Albert Edward McKenzie

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4301>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: MG 1 1.7

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1940?-1960?

Physical Description: 39 cm textual records
4 photographs

History /

Biographical:

A.E. McKenzie was born in Wilcox Lake, York County, Ontario in 1870 to F.B. and Maria (Carley) McKenzie. His family came to Manitoba in 1883. He was educated in Brandon, Manitoba and graduated from the Collegiate Institute at age 21. In 1897 he founded the Brandon Seed House. McKenzie was present at the cornerstone-laying ceremony of Brandon College on July 13, 1900. From that moment on, he was very involved in the College, first as an interested businessman, and later as a member of its Board of Directors. In 1902, McKenzie married Laura Bell in Port Arthur. They had two daughters, Marjorie Bell and Kathleen. In 1906 the Brandon Seed House was incorporated and from then on was known as the "A.E. McKenzie Co. Ltd.."

McKenzie became a member of the Brandon College Endowment Committee in 1918. The following year he was on the Finance Committee. By 1925, McKenzie was a member of the Board of Directors. In 1928, he was part of a syndicate that advised the Baptist Union that they were developing an endowment plan to provide continuing financial support to the College and talked the Union into providing \$10 000 towards the accumulated deficit.

In 1931, McKenzie organized the Brandon Board of Trade to help save Brandon College when the Baptists said they could no longer afford to keep the College. After the By-law failed, he helped to organize the Brandon Citizen's Campaign to raise enough money so that the College could open the following year.

When the Baptists withdrew support in 1938, McKenzie was one of the central figures on the Brandon Board of Trade that decided to save the College from closure. A representative delegation from Southwestern Manitoba of over 60 men descended upon Premier Bracken's office to try and convince him to help the College. On June 12, 1938 McKenzie said he would set up a \$100 000 endowment to Brandon College. He subsequently raised this amount to \$300 000. On August 1, 1938 the Board of Trade launched a campaign to raise \$15 000 to match what the government was prepared to offer the College. McKenzie was asked to provide Brandon College with \$3000 personally. In September of 1938, McKenzie upped his endowment once more to \$500 000. The fund raising worked however, and the charter establishing Brandon College Incorporated was assented to on April 17, 1939. On June 6, 1939 a by-law was again presented to the citizens of Brandon, and fortunately it passed.

In 1941, McKenzie received an honorary L.L.D. from the University of Manitoba. The A.E. McKenzie Foundation was created in 1945 by the provincial government, who had assumed 90% of the A.E. McKenzie Co. Ltd. stock.

On September 25, 1964 McKenzie died at the age of 94. He never retired, but worked full time until two weeks before his death. The funeral was held in the J.R.C. Evans Lecture Theatre. The Arts and Library Building at Brandon College was completed in 1960, and is known as the A.E. McKenzie building, in honour of the man who contributed so much time, effort and financial help to the College during a crucial period in its history.

Custodial History:

Records were accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

A.E. McKenzie's records in the Brandon College fonds are very useful from an administrative point of view. Because McKenzie was so involved in Brandon College from the very beginning until his death in 1964, it is easy to understand how the College Administration arrived at decisions. There is correspondence between McKenzie and various regarding College and Board of Director business. There are Brandon College financial statements and letters regarding the A.E. McKenzie Foundation. The records contain newspaper clippings, pamphlets and lists of names of members of various Brandon organizations. As well, McKenzie has letters regarding Building Expansion in the 1940's and minutes of Board of Director meetings. There are also several photographs. One photograph is the 1919 graduation picture of Zoe Hough. Another is tentatively identified as Frances Wolverton, also of the Class of 1919. There are two more photographs of unidentified young women.

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| Name Access: | A.E. McKenzie A.E. McKenzie Foundation Brandon College Zoe Hough Frances Wolverton |
| Subject Access: | Class of 1919 administration board of directors building expansion |
| Storage Location: | MG 1 Brandon College Teaching and Administration 1.7 Albert Edward McKenzie |
| Related Material: | RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Seeds Co. Ltd. fonds |



Brandon College - old and new buildings

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9319>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA7(2)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1962

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Brandon College campus buildings: [(L to R) A.E. McKenzie Building, Evans Theatre, Brandon College Building].

Name Access: Brandon College

A.E. McKenzie Building

Evans Theatre

Subject Access: schools

colleges

auditoriums

theatre buildings

Brandon Schools

Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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Brandon College - old and new buildings

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9324>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA7(4)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1962

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Brandon College campus, [(L to R): A.E. McKenzie Building, Evans Theatre].

Name Access: Brandon College
A.E. McKenzie Building
Evans Theatre

Subject Access: schools
colleges
auditoriums
theatre buildings
Brandon Schools

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Brandon College - old and new buildings

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9325>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA7(5)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1962

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Brandon College campus buildings, [(L to R): Clark Hall, A.E. McKenzie Building, Evans Theatre].

Name Access: Brandon College

Clark Hall

A.E. McKenzie Building

Evans Theatre

Subject Access: schools

colleges

auditoriums

theatre buildings

Brandon Schools

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<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9327>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA7(6)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1962

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Brandon College campus buildings, [(L to R): Evans Theatre, A.E. McKenzie Building, Clark Hall, Brandon College Building].

Name Access: Brandon College

Clark Hall

A.E. McKenzie Building

Evans Theatre

Subject Access: schools

colleges

auditoriums

theatre buildings

Brandon Schools

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Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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Brandon College - old and new buildings

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9328>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA7(7)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1962

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Brandon College campus buildings, [(L to R): Evans Theatre, A.E. McKenzie Building]

Name Access: Brandon College

Evans Theatre

A.E. McKenzie Building

Subject Access: schools

colleges

auditoriums

theatre buildings

Brandon Schools

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Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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Brandon College - old and new buildings

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9329>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA7(8)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1962

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Brandon College campus buildings, [(L to R): Evans Theatre, A.E. McKenzie Building].

Name Access: Brandon College

Evans Theatre

A.E. McKenzie Building

Subject Access: schools

colleges

auditoriums

theatre buildings

Brandon Schools

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Brandon College scenes

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Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA8(5)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1967

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Brandon College campus buildings, [(L to R): Evans Theatre, A.E. McKenzie Building, Clark Hall].

Name Access: Brandon College

Evans Theatre

A.E. McKenzie Building

Clark Hall

Subject Access: schools

colleges

Brandon Schools

Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

Arrangement:

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Brandon College scenes

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9344>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA8(8)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1967

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Brandon College campus, [(L to R) Evans Theatre, A.E. McKenzie Building].

Name Access: Brandon College

Evans Theatre

A.E. McKenzie Building

Subject Access: schools

colleges

Brandon Schools

Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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Brandon University - McMaster Hall construction



<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9353>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA9(1)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: January 21, 1971

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Negative

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

McMaster Hall under construction. [(L to R) A.E. McKenzie Building, Citizens' Science Building, Evans Theatre, McMaster Hall, Main Dining Room].

Name Access: Brandon University

A.E. McKenzie Building

Citizens' Science Building

Evans Theatre

McMaster Hall

Subject Access: schools

universities

Brandon Schools

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Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

Arrangement:

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Brandon University - McMaster Hall Construction

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9354>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: L.A. Stuckey

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1DA9(1a)

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: January 21, 1971

Physical Description: 2 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Material Details: Photograph

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Brandon University [(L to R) A.E. McKenzie Building, Original Science Building, Evans Theatre, McMaster Hall, Main Dining Room]

Notes: Construction of new [Brodie Science Centre].

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Name Access: Brandon University

A.E. McKenzie Building

Original Science Building

Evans Theatre

McMaster Hall

Subject Access: schools

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Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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Clement Block & A.E. McKenzie Building

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9502>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1E22

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1912

Physical Description: 3 1/2" x 5"

Material Details: Negative

History /

Biographical:

Foreground: Clement Block built 1910.

Background: Original 6 storey McKenzie Bldg before upward extension of 1918.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Clement Block & A.E. McKenzie Building

Notes: From Winnipeg Saturday Post June 15, 1912.

Name Access: Clement Block & A.E. McKenzie Building

Subject Access: businesses

drug stores

seeds

Brandon business buildings & facilities before 1940

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Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

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