

# S. J. McKee Archives



## The dam, Portage La Prairie, Manitoba.

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Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds  
Creator: L.A. Stuckey  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: 3.3  
Item Number: 1-2002.3.3.CPR[94]  
Accession Number: 1-2002  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: August 13, 1977  
Physical Description: 2.5' x 4.75" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

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

### Scope and Content:

Image of the dam in Portage La Prairie, Manitoba. Image was taken along the CPR Carberry Subdivision track.

Notes: [Image shows people fishing at the dam. Two negatives attached].

Name Access: Portage La Prairie, Manitoba

Subject Access: dams  
fishing

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Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

## Images



## Fishing at 10 Mile Dam

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| Part Of:              | Fred McGuinness collection |
| Description Level:    | Item                       |
| Series Number:        | McG 9                      |
| Item Number:          | 20-2009.41                 |
| Accession Number:     | 20-2009                    |
| GMD:                  | graphic                    |
| Date Range:           | 1906?                      |
| Physical Description: | 6.5" x 4.75" (b/w)         |
| Material Details:     | reproduction               |

## History /

### Biographical:

Situated in the R.M. of Whitehead on the Little Saskatchewan River, the 10 Mile Dam was a 14 kilometer transmission line that supplied the city of Brandon with power. The Brandon Electric Light Company built the dam in 1900 and it is considered Manitoba's first hydroelectric power generating station. The dam spanned approximately 80 meters and was constructed from timber and reinforced with clay and stone. The station was decommissioned in 1924.

Alonzo Archibald Rowe (b. 1862, London, ON; d. 22 Oct 1951, Brandon). The Rowes were considered Brandon area pioneers. Alonzo's father, Alonzo L. Rowe, came to Brandon with his family in 1881, where the family had a furniture and undertaker business on the west side of 10th Street between Rosser and Princess Avenues. In 1885, the family began farming west of Brandon and Alonzo Archibald served as a councilor and then a reeve in the R.M. of Whitehead. He returned to Brandon in 1907 and served with the Brandon Police Department until 1910, when he returned to farming, this time in Arrow River. A.A. Rowe returned to Brandon in 1915 to work as a Provincial Licenses Inspector, a position he held until 1938. (Source: Obituary, Brandon Daily Sun 22 Oct 1951)

### Custodial History:

Photograph was in possession of Mrs. Ruby Miles, who passed the image on to Fred McGuinness. McGuinness makes reference to Mrs. Miles and this photograph in his Sunbeams column (Source: F.A. Rosser, "Another interesting chat with a daughter of the plains," Brandon Sun 18 Aug 1981).

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows four fishermen at 10 Mile Dam, also known as the Brandon Dam or Minnedosa River Hydro Plant. The fishermen in the photo are identified as George H. Rowe and his father A.A. Rowe, Dr. Wilfred Bigelow, and Al Collins.

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| Notes:            | Writing on the back of the photograph reads: at Brandon Dam, [right to left] son and father - George H. ROWE, Mr. A.A. ROWE, Dr. BIGELOW, Al COLLINS (dam?, 1906?, George born March 1897); Jerrett's Photo-Services, May 7 1938. |
| Name Access:      | 10 Mile Dam<br>Ten Mile Dam<br>Brandon Dam<br>Minnedosa River Hydro Plant<br>Brandon Electric Light Company<br>Little Saskatchewan River<br>George H. Rowe<br>A.A. Rowe<br>Dr. Bigelow<br>Al Collins                              |
| Subject Access:   | dams<br>Rivers<br>fishing   |
| Storage Location: | RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)   |
| Related Material: | Ruby Miles collection 14-2003   |

## Images

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