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William D. Sands, owner of Sands Farm and Home Center located at 107 East 6th Street in Rolla, Mo. loaned the images for reproduction as accession SHSMO-RA1528 on 22 May 2011.

BIOGRAPHY

William D. Sands has owned and operated Sands Farm and Home Center at 107 East 6th Street in Rolla since 1980. Several generations of the Sands family in the Rolla area include William's father, Donald C. Sands, a Rolla postman from the 1930s to the 1970s, and his uncle, Charles R. Sands, postmaster of Rolla. Another uncle, Robert, was Phelps County Collector. William's grandfather, Charles Sands, sold railroad ties. The building housing the current Sands establishment was built as a blacksmith shop about 1900. It housed Schendel's Feed & Livestock Supply, operated by Dr. Samuel A. Schendel, from the 1940s to the early 1970s, and the Cowan Seed Company from about 1972 to 1980.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection consists of three black and white photographs loaned for copying. Two images show the historic building that now houses Sands Farm and Home Center at 107 East 6th Street in Rolla. The earliest image, circa 1900, shows two unidentified workmen in front of the blacksmith shop. The second image is a "real photo" postcard, circa 1908, also featuring the blacksmith shop. It shows one of the same workmen from the earlier view, two unknown men, and an extremely tall man in an apron. The tall man is thought to be Joseph Loughridge of Rolla, said to have been seven feet, four inches in height. Loughridge died June 26 1929 in a shooting altercation with a Rolla deputy marshal who was later charged with murder.

The third photograph is a birds-eye view of Rolla, circa 1930, showing downtown Rolla from the railroad tracks looking southwest along West 7th Street. This photograph is attributed to I. J. Baumgardner, a Rolla photographer active from 1912 to 1941.

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Blacksmith shop, c1900



Blacksmith shop, c1908

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Birds-eye view of downtown Rolla, c1930s