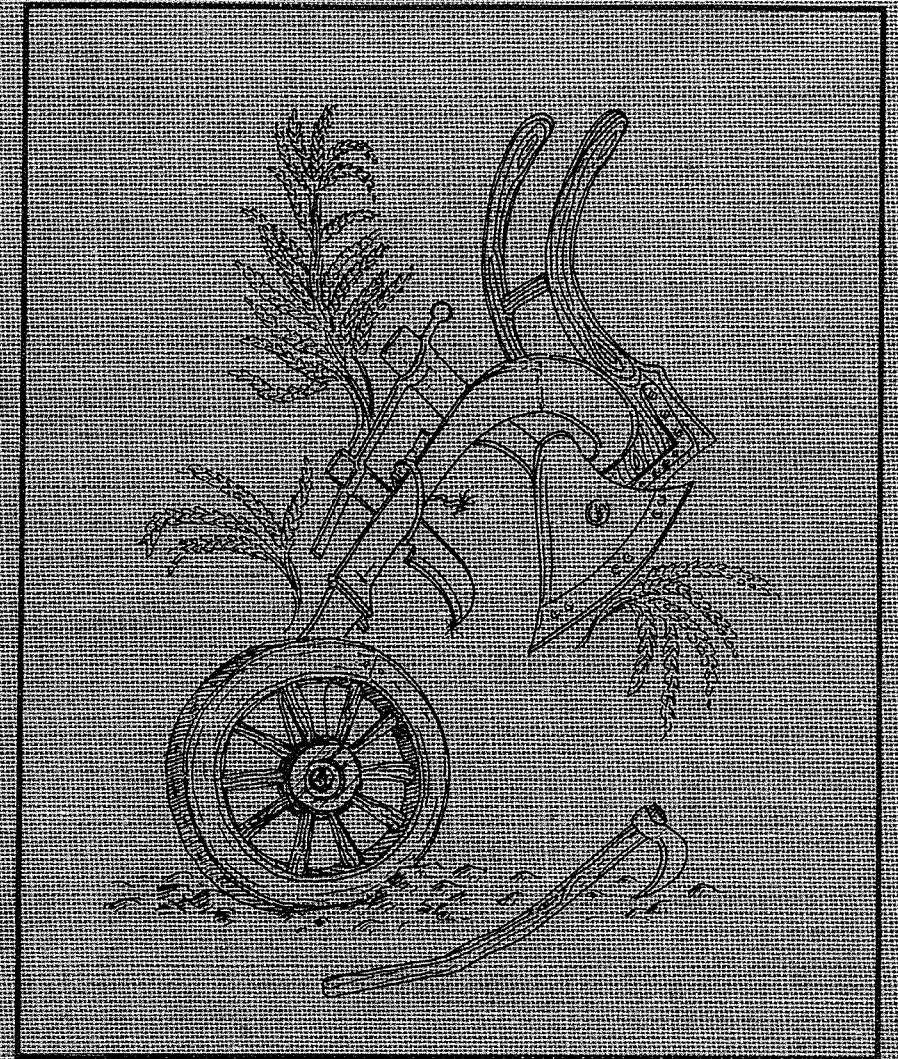


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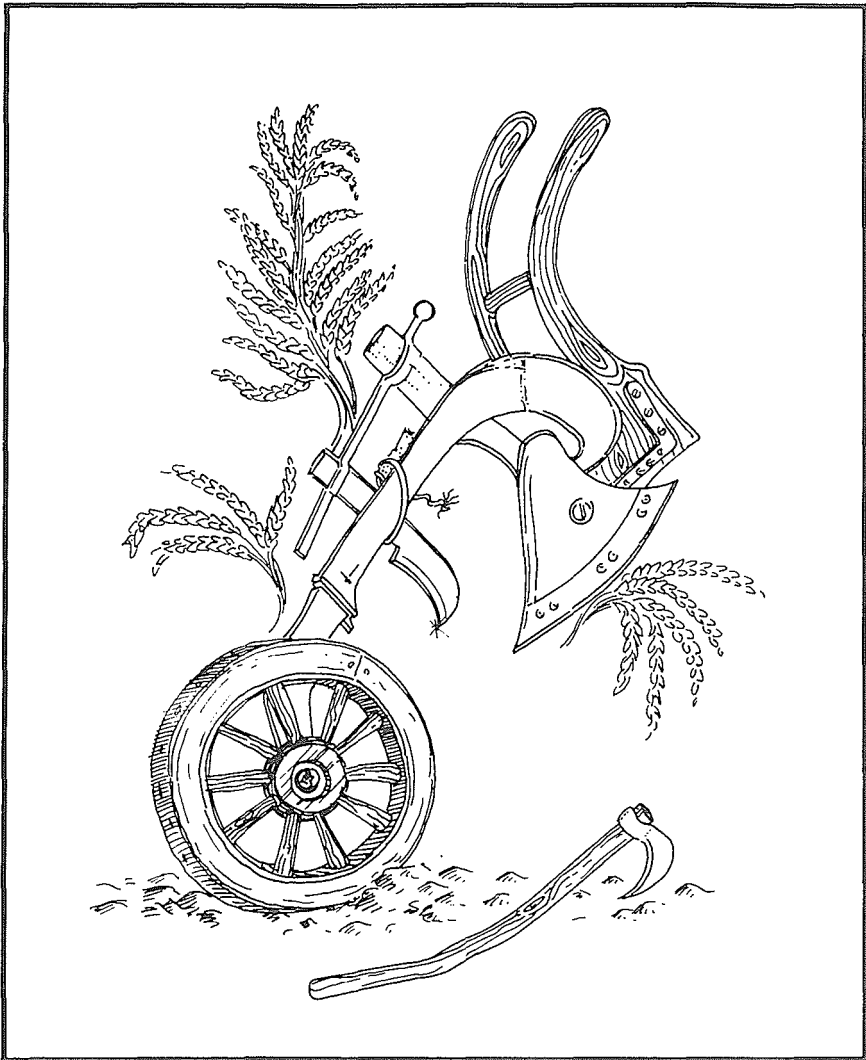
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PREFACE

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth . . .”

And so began the printed word of history.

With this book, we too, continue the story of life — the story of the men, women, and children of Glenora and its surrounding district.

To chronicle the events of the past is an enormous undertaking. Time passes all too quickly, and one forgets. One forgets about the many feelings and thoughts of the once important things. One forgets about the pictures, once loved and cherished, as they are destroyed or lost. One forgets about the problems, despairs, hopes, and triumphs, as time marches ceaselessly on.

But, perhaps through this medium, we can in one small way, record forever a glimpse of our past. We hope to show that history is something you will experience every day, that it's something you will remember always, and like the faith upon which our foundations are built, that it touches us all.

To the people whose dreams created the stimulus for this book, to the people who took the time to write family and area histories, and to those who assembled this wealth of material, we owe a debt and a responsibility — a responsibility to report and record what's happening now for our children and our children's children.

For now, we leave to our descendants these printed words. May they too, pause and reflect, as we have done.

“Fix your eyes on the greatness of your country as you have it before you day by day, fall in love with her, and when you feel her great, remember that her greatness was won by men and women with courage, with knowledge of their duty, and with a sense of honour in action, who, even if they failed in some venture, would persevere, and would fight, through all adversity.”

Barry Moore

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Early Settlement

Most of the early settlers came to the area via Emerson. From Emerson the trip to Pilot Mound had to be made; on foot, by ox team, or with horse and wagon. Arriving at Emerson or any other dispersing point, immigration sheds were ready for those pioneers who must stay over night or wait until arrangements could be made for them to travel to their new home.

In the early spring crossing waterways was one of the most serious hazards. If the ice was gone rafts were made for humans and goods, while animals must swim.

The story is told of one family, crossing the Pembina, who took their wagon apart and placed the pieces across an ice jam in order to get their family and goods to the other side. Our pioneers proved themselves not only brave but also ingenious.

As soon as settlers located they had to travel to Deloraine or Morden, a distance of sixty to seventy miles, to register their claim.

A house was the first requirement, usually a sod shanty for temporary shelter but sometime served for a number of years. Their permanent homes put up by "building bees". Most of these homes were log, the corners dove-tailed and interlocked by notching on an angle. Wooden pegs were used as nails to make them secure. These pegs were eight to ten inches long and were made of spruce or pine. The cracks between the logs were plastered with lime and clay, then whitewashed.

The home furnishings were simple. Beds with slats and a straw-filled mattress, while children often slept in trundle beds, a sort of



drawer, which could be pushed under the bedstead in the daytime in order to make more space in the small home.

Chairs, benches, tables and cupboards were mostly homemade.

House fires were quite common in these early homes as few people built chimneys adequate to withstand the winter fires which were stoked too diligently.

Several saw mills were built along the Pembina River and Rock Lake. In 1879 a saw and grist mill was built by James Preston on 13-3-12, a store too was built at this location. During 1881 the mills were burned down, later rebuilt but only operated for a short time as Mr. Preston had the misfortune of having his arm cut off by the saw.

In 1882 Blain and Reid built a flour mill on 20-3-13. A saw mill was also built at this site. The site was chosen because of a stream which made water available to produce steam for powering the machinery. Wm. Porter worked on this site cutting cordwood as fuel for steam. Jim Chester, of Baldur, then a young man, worked at the mill. He had a serious accident one day when a belt slipped off and in reaching to recover it, beneath the main belt, he was caught and drawn through a slit which threw him up against a wall. He was knocked unconscious, and remained in this condition for about twenty-four hours.

Walsh Brothers had five oxen which were used to draw logs from the surrounding area to be sawn up for building purposes.

A store, boarding house and a number of dwellings soon sprang up as workers moved to the site. Cellar holes and old litter may still be found in this area.



In 1885 both mills were burned to the ground. The store and an Indian shanty remained on the site for a number of years. Mr. E. Crayston bought the store when he brought his family first to Manitoba, later moving it to NE 20-3-13.

Preston Brothers and Herman Davis opened the first lime kiln at the west end of Rock Lake. It was here that many pioneers purchased lime to plaster their log houses and whitewash the interiors to make them lighter and cleaner.

Marringhurst History

by Lloyd Nelson

In 1874 the Mennonites came and settled in the Red River valley. In 1875 the Icelanders came and settled on the shores of Lake Winnipeg. In 1879 the first settlers came from Ontario, crossed the Pembina river and settled in Marringhurst.

The first log school was built in 1882.

The present school was built in 1892.

The school nearly burned down in an 1895 fire. The fire started on section 30-4-14 near where the town of Belmont now stands. It was lit by Walter Barr, aged fifteen years. He told me of the incident in 1966.

His father sent him out with a team and walking plow to fireguard a straw pile and then burn it. He plowed a number of furrows and then set fire to the pile leaving the team and plow back away, intending to plow some more while the pile burned. Before he got back to his team the fire had jumped the fireguard onto section 29 (school section) with its tall dry grass and it was away. It burned until it reached the Pembina river on the northeast of Marringhurst and to the muskeg south of the school.

A. J. Kenney bought his first steam traction engine that year. His machine and threshing crew were working on the farm directly south of the school and were able to save the school, although the northwest corner was singed and blackened. There was siding on the buildings in those days. William Galloway, who lived northwest of the school had just finished threshing and two bins of his grain was burned. His neighbor J. J. Elsey, to the northwest had threshed 200 bushels of oats in the forenoon. They could see the smoke so began fireguarding their wheat stacks. They plowed 30 and 40 furrows before the fire swept over the plowing. They lost all their wheat. The Elsey farm was what most of us know as the Davidson place, now owned by Lucien Major.

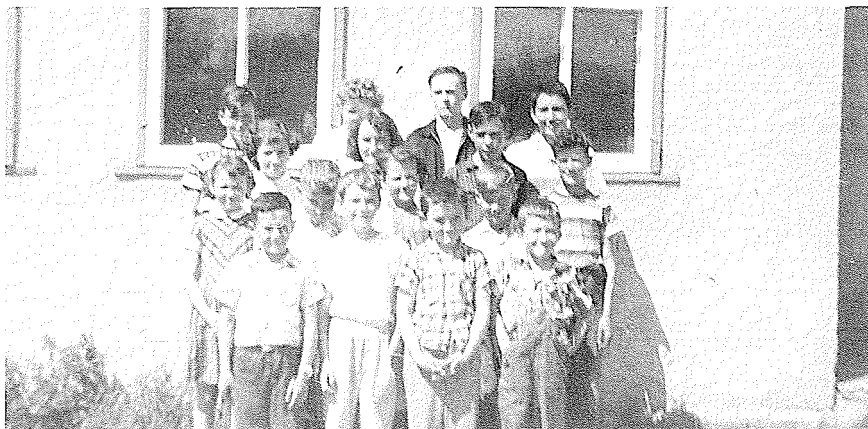
North of the school about two miles on the SE 6-4-12, lived Cornelius Baird and family. North of him on the NE ¼ lived Andrew Gibson a bachelor. He had Mr. and Mrs. Bert Soare working for him. They were all fighting fire. Bert had a team and plow fire guarding the haystacks. He singled the horses from the plow and turned them loose.

His clothes were singeing when he reached the house. He jumped in the rain barrel at the corner of the house. The fire soon passed and they started to find out where everyone was. Great was the excitement when there was no trace of Diana Baird! But it was not long before she came galloping in on horseback. She had caught one of the horses Bert had turned loose and climbed on its back. The other horse was burned.

Walter Barr said he was brought before John Clark, J.P. of Baldur, Manitoba and fined \$15.00. He received a stern warning from Mr. Clark who said, "If you were not so young I would send you to jail." The fear of fire remained with him through the rest of his life.

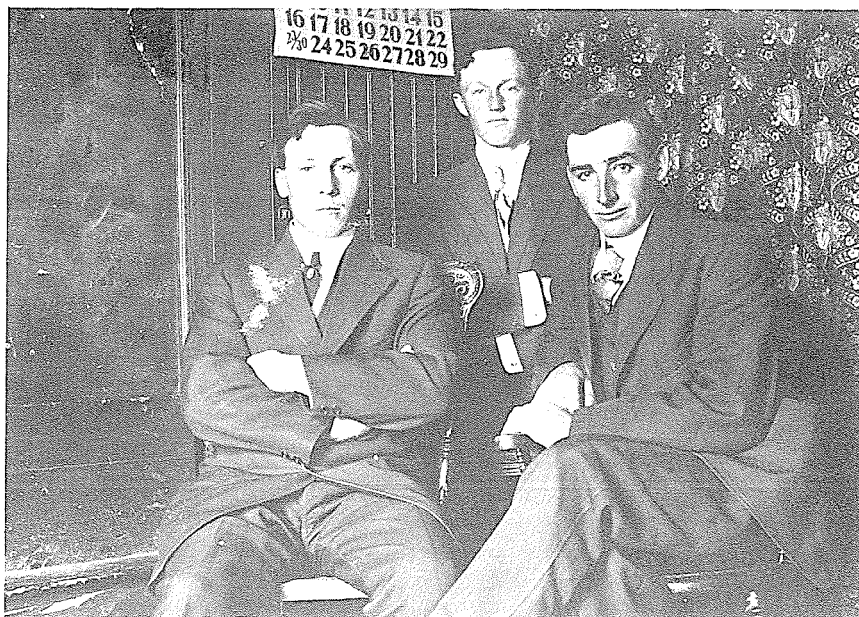
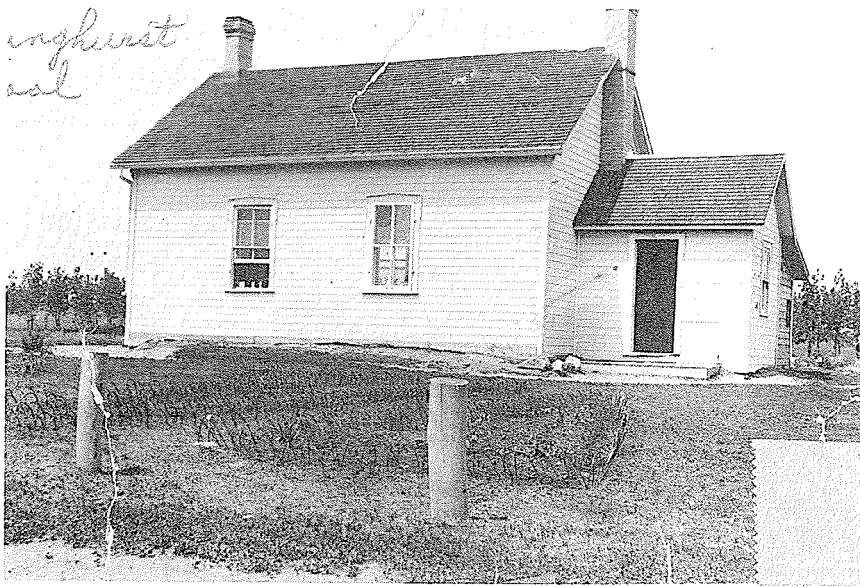
Marringhurst District

It is said that "Marringhurst" means "beautiful woods" but no one can say how or why this name was chosen for the district. It does seem like a fitting name for the area, which of course had more bush then. The first settlers were Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson and sons Richard and James, and daughter Louise. They crossed the Pembina River a mile east of Rock Lake and settled on their homestead on SW $\frac{1}{2}$ 21-3-12 in 1879. The next group to arrive was Jacob and John Nelson and Murdock McQuarrie and their families. After this others to arrive included John Baird, David Bentley, Wm. Clegg, W. Cressard, Jimmy and Cornelius Baird, (Neil) John Montague, Randle and Blackford Dunn, John Cummings, Henry Elsey, William Galloway, John Grey, James Greaves, Andrew Gibson, Alex and Dan McWilliams, Philip Morden,



Marringhurst Class '59

Back: Ken Wilson, Elaine Nelson, Ian Davidson, Lloyd Goethals.
3rd: Pam Loewen, Pat Goethals, Mike Davidson, Bob Wilson. 2nd:
Bernice Wilson, Gord Nelson, Dorothy Wilson, Leigh Nelson. 1st: Lyle
Williams, Philip Major, Brian Goethals, Robert Loewen.



Marrinhurst Debating Society
Reg Galloway, Mr. Cressy (teacher), Frank Nelson. Missing from picture:
Ralph Wilson.



Marringhurst group at Mrs. Conrad's. Back row: Mrs. Jack Nelson, Mary Robinson, Mrs. P. Davidson, Mrs. W. Robinson, Mrs. Wardell, Ruth Robinson, Mrs. F. Nelson, Nelson boy, Mrs. Cruikshank, Mrs. Andries, Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Mrs. L. Robinson, Mrs. Conrad. Centre, sitting down: Mrs. Harvey Wilson, Mrs. George Wilson, Helen Nelson, Fleurette Trottier, Mrs. Campbell, Germaine Andries, Mrs. McQuarrie. Front row: Vic Nelson, Mrs. Mark Nelson, Mrs. Nestor Cooper, Zelma Cooper.

James Standing, James Cruikshanks, William Webb, William and Robert Robinson and the Sansoms. The first Post Office was at the John Wilson home. The McQuarries log house became the social centre of the district and church services were conducted there until the erection of the school. The first project of the settlers was the building of a bridge across the Pembina River in the winter of 1879-80, which was supervised by Richard Wilson and all help was volunteer.

The next big need was a school and this was built in 1882. There was a big scare at Marringhurst when American Indians fought Custer. Rumors were heard that Indians were killing a few white men. A meeting was called in the school to discuss armaments and what ammunition there was. Jimmy Baird had an Enfield muzzle loader and an Enfield smooth bore Vintage 1812. Dick Wilson had a double barrel muzzle loader. John Galloway also had a smooth bore muzzle loader. John Nelson had a gun and Jim Wilson could supply several guns. William Galloway was elected as Captain and Andy Gibson was runner to get help.



SKATING RINK

An open air rink across from the school was the scene of many happy times, providing the students with a popular place to spend their free time out of school. Many fancy dressed Carnivals were held as well as rip-roaring hockey games and plenty of family skating.

MARRINGHURST RED CROSS WORK

As in most other districts the ladies were kept busy doing sewing, knitting and quilting during the war years.

MARRINGHURST DEBATING SOCIETY

A Debating Society was very active in many districts and Marringhurst was not behind in any of them. They visited and debated with neighbouring societies for many years.

MARRINGHURST POST OFFICE

The first Post Office in Marringhurst was kept by Murdock McQuarrie, 1881-1884 on the NW¼ 19-3-12, which is known as the McWilliams farm.

The second Post Office was run by John Wilson in 1884 at the top of the Pembina hill. The farm is situated on the SW¼ 21-3-12 and is still in the Wilson family.

The third Post Office was kept by William Walker in 1885 followed by David Bentley in the same house in 1896. This was on the south of 30-3-12, now D. Klassen.

The fourth Post Office was taken over by V. L. Cooper on the SW ¼ 32-3-12 in 1903 until rural mail began in 1916.

The names of the rural mail drivers are: V. L. Cooper, Jack Burns, Edgar Preston, John Craig, Rannie Wilson, Billy King, Mat McLeod and Jim McCoy.

MARRINGHURST SCHOOL

Marringhurst school was organized in the winter of 1881-1882 with D. Bentley, William Galloway and John Wilson as trustees. James Butchart was the first teacher followed by George Standing then Chris Lawrence. The books show an entry to the effect that on March 17, 1885 J. J. Elsey received \$100 for lighting fires. He had been one of the first pupils to attend the old log school.

The first scholars at Marringhurst were: Diana Baird, Maude Kenney, Bertha Galloway, Clara Galloway, Minnie King, Annie Morden, Franklin Pierson, Emery Galloway, Norman Galloway, Bertie Elsey, William Baird, John Elsey, Charles Elsey, William King, Alex King, Albert Corkish, Alfred Galloway, and Alonzo Kenney.

Mr. D. A. Stewart of Pilot Mound was the first school inspector.

In 1892 a new school was built which is still kept in fine condition and is a part of Marringhurst Pioneer Park, a pleasant picnic spot for many.

Teachers:

Mr. Butchart - 1882
George Standing
C.G. Lawrence - 1887
Mr. Deardon - 1890
Mr. Hartley - 1891 (\$400 per annum)
George B. Brown - 1892, present school
built for \$700 by Wm. Butchart
Miss Libby White
Mary Bradshaw - 1893 (salary \$480)
Thomas Hicks
Mr. A. F. Anderson
Mr. A. White
Mary Bradshaw
John A. McDonald
V. L. Cooper - 1900-1906 (salary \$480
per annum)
Miss M. C. Jillett
Eva Hodgins
Mr. Law
G. R. McKersie
Leah Embury
Tena Hansen (Mrs. Frank Nelson)
Cynthia Chisholm (Mrs. Agar)
Vivian Durden
Margaret Ellis

Miss E. M. Thorn
Olive Irwin
Miss E. M. Reid
Mr. F. W. Balfour
Emma Thomas
May Pollock
Kay Kirkland
Mary Hazelwood
Marjorie Scott
Alice Ferris
Doreen Hutton (Mrs. Bill Davidson)
Olive Berg (Mrs. Ross Preston)
Olive Shuttleworth
Alice Tomlin
Mary Striemer
Marie Griener
School closed 1948-1955. Students attended Glenora School for these years.
Doreen (Hutton) Davidson, 1955-1959
Elsie Lumgair
Mrs. Sadie Preston Mrs. Evelyn Jones
1967 school closed and students taken to Pilot Mound.
Last trustees were: Vic Nelson, Frank Wilson, Jim Wilson, secretary-treasurer, Wes Nelson.

The school was also used as a Methodist Church until 1925, then United Church until 1967. Also a Ladies Aid group were active for approximately 30 years, before they joined with Pilot Mound units of the U.C.W., as did the church. The Marringhurst Ladies Community Club was formed in 1962 and are an active group of local ladies who do those things needing done in a small farming district.

Boer and First World War

WILLIAM ACORN

William was injured in the mustard gas attack by the Germans in 1918 and was returned home but passed away in the Ninette Sanitorium.

DAVID EDGAR BALLANTINE

David was born August 19, 1890, in Darling Township, Lanark County, Ontario. He lived for three years at Desbarats, Ontario and came to the Glenora district in 1905. He enlisted February 2, 1915 in the 45th Battalion and was drafted to the 5th Battalion Second Brigade in Belgium in July 1915. He was wounded Easter Monday 1916 at Hill 60, Ypres Salient, Belgium. He was invalided to England and late in 1916 he was transferred to the Canadian Army Service Corps.

Late in 1919 he bought the NE 3-4-13 from William Gray through the Soldier Settlement Board. From 1928 to 1931 he worked as Field Supervisor for this same board. During World War 2 he was a house operator at the Cordite Plant east of Winnipeg for 4½ years. In 1947 and 1948 he was timekeeper for Russell Kenney, Highway Contractor in Saskatchewan. From August 1948 to October 1960 he was Battery Operator for the Continental Oil Company in the Leduc, Woodbend area, twenty miles out of Edmonton. Dave passed away in Edmonton Hospital on November 5, 1973.

HENRY CARROLL

Henry was born at Belleville, Ontario. He married Carrie Kenney in 1906. They had one adopted son Gordon. He enlisted with the 222nd at Baldur, but after an injury he was discharged. He later ran a store in Glenora where he passed away at an early age.

RICHARD JOSEPH COLLINS

Richard was born in London, England, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Collins. He enlisted in London on May 15, 1901. He served in South Africa where he was cited with the Queen's South African Medal;

this being the Boer War. On November 20, 1912 he married Mary Grace Foy at Baldur. He passed on at his home in Glenora in 1948 and was laid to rest in Marrinhurst Cemetery.

WALTER RUTHVEN COOPER

Walter was born at La Riviere on November 11, 1899, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Cooper. He enlisted May 1st, 1916 in Winnipeg in the 203rd Battalion and trained at Camp Hughes. He was sent overseas that fall and was stationed at Folktone, Seaforth, Bramshott, and Kimmel Park, North Wales. He was in France for 7 months but was returned to England because he was under age 19. He was transferred to the Young Soldiers Battery in England until the end of the war returning to Canada in December 1918.

In 1927 he married Edith Day of Baldur and their family is Doreen, Vernon, Wenna, Claire and Linda. He farmed across from Marrinhurst school and continues to live on the farm.

WILLIAM COLDRON

William was born at Brant Broughton, Lincolnshire, England on July 18, 1880. He received his education in England, then went to the Boer War in South Africa in the year 1900. In 1901 while in Africa he found an ostrich egg which he packed in oats and sent to his parents in England. His Father had an iron shop where seventeen cripples worked for him and they made an iron stand for the egg. This egg was brought to Canada by Mr. John Brinkworth about 1912. Freda Brown still has this egg which is 79 years old now.

He came to Canada in 1903 and worked around Winnipeg for a while, then came to Belmont and later to Baldur. He married Rachel Clark on October 19, 1910 and they settled on his farm, the NW¼ 31-3-13. He joined up in the Fort Garry Regiment in 1917 during the First World War and went to England. He came back in January 1919. He farmed until 1942, then went to Winnipeg and worked in the Burns Packing House until 1949 when they came back and lived one mile west of Glenora on the farm known as the Jack Croften farm. He was a great gardener and really enjoyed it and was very active until his death at the age of 86 years, on January 29, 1966. He left to mourn his wife, daughters Freda Brown and Mary Macklin and one son Fred.

JOHN CROFTON

John (Jack) was born in Ireland. While serving in the Boer War in South Africa he met and married a native woman. They had twin sons who died shortly after their birth as did their mother. Following the war John came to Canada in 1902 and farmed one mile west of Glenora. He died in 1948 and was laid to rest in Marrinhurst Cemetery.

CHARLES CUTHBERT

Charles enlisted in 1914 in the 22nd Battalion and served in France as a sniper.

SYDNEY JOHN CUTHBERT

Sydney was born in East Sutton, Kent, England, the son of Charles and Eliza (Wickens) Cuthbert. Syd enlisted in Brandon, training there and then being sent to England.

He married Emily Louise Brinkworth November 15, 1920. They had two sons Jack and Leonard. They farmed west of Glenora. Syd passed away and was laid to rest in Baldur Cemetery, in April 1968. He was a life member of Baldur Branch, Royal Canadian Legion.

PETER DAVIDSON

Peter was born in Scotland at Perth. He spent some years in the Imperial Forces in Scotland. Shortly after his marriage in Perth to Margaret Ellington Brown he came to Canada, settling in Winnipeg where he was in the hotel business. On the outbreak of World War I he enlisted with the 90th Winnipeg Rifles (Little Black Devils) and went overseas in 1915, serving in France and Flanders with the 8th Battalion. He was on active service three years. On his return to Canada he farmed with his wife and their one son Bill in Glenora, Marrinhurst district, where he resided until his death in 1940 at the age of 64 years.

CHARLES EMBURY

Charles was in the Army Service Corps and was injured by a gas shell. He returned home and passed away in Ninette Sanitorium. He had served in the Boer War also and was in France in World War I.

DONALD HAIG FRASER

Donald was born August 18, 1899 at Glenora. He was the son of Gregor and Anna Fraser. He enlisted in Saskatoon April 27, 1917, trained with the Duval Draft P.P.C.L.I. He served one year in England with the 16th Canadian Scottish Regiment and was fatally wounded the first day in the battle of Bourlon Wood, September 27, 1918.

EMORY NELSON GALLOWAY

Emory was born at Creemore, Ontario in 1880, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Galloway. They later moved to Manitoba in the Marrinhurst district. He enlisted in Winnipeg with the Fort Garry Horse and was enroute to Capetown when the war terminated, however he put in some time in Capetown. He married and had one son Norman. He is now deceased. He served during the Boer War years.

STANLEY ADAIR GALLOWAY

Stan was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Galloway and was born on their farm on December 29, 1894. He was educated at nearby Marrinhurst school also. He enlisted at Souris with the 45th Battalion, which was moved to Winnipeg. He went overseas in the fall of 1916. There his Battalion was transferred to the 29th Regiment of the Second Division. He saw a good deal of action and took part in the Battle of Amiens. He was with the occupation forces in Bonn, Saxony for six weeks. The Germans told him he spoke Duchesse (German) Gutt (good). He was an excellent marksman and was also on the "Champion Tug-of-War Team" for all Canadian Forces for two years. He spent his leaves in London and in Belfast he found the Irish to believe in fairies, leprechauns and dreams.

In 1935 he married Nancy Johnston and they had two children Bill and Mona. He was living at Courtney, B.C. at the time of his death.

FRANK GARRETT

Frank was born on November 19, 1900, at Bushey Paddock Lodge, England. He enlisted with the R.A.F. in England on October 8, 1918, serving there until going to France as a transport driver in 1919, then to Belgium and Germany. In January 1920 he received his discharge. In 1921 he came to Canada and was employed with Chas. Hamilton at Baldur. Then in 1941 he went to Flin Flon to work for H. B. Mining and Smelting. He retired to Glenora to live with his brother Bill in 1966. He lives alone now and has enjoyment from his garden and visits of his many friends. He is a member of Baldur Legion.

WILLIAM GARRETT

Bill was born October 7, 1893 at Eastbourne, Sussex, England and came to Canada in April, 1914. He went to Baldur and worked for Chas. Hamilton.

Bill joined the 222nd Regiment and trained at Camp Hughes and Bay of Fundy for two weeks. Then went to St. John to board ship for England and on to France where he was transferred to the 8th Battalion, Little Black Devils. He landed at Hanie then on to De Bois, and Vimy Ridge and over the top on April 19, 1916. He was a runner and his duty was to help those who were shellshocked. After they were ordered a rest they returned to Arlsou on April 28 and took over the Hindenburg Line, which was a mess. In 1918 they topped Hill 70. Their return was on foot, mostly by dark of night, but on September 2nd Bill was wounded and taken back to England where he saw his parents. He returned to Canada in 1918 and received his discharge in 1919, going back to his former job. In 1920 he bought his own farm at Glenora. In 1968 he sold the farm and bought a house in Glenora. He passed away after a lengthy illness in 1971 and was laid to rest in Baldur Cemetery. He was a member of Baldur Legion.

PERCY HARRISON

Percy was born at Holland, Manitoba, on August 20, 1895. He enlisted at Winnipeg with the 34th Fort Garry Horse Regiment, May 9, 1918. He trained in Winnipeg and at Shorecliff, England and France where he was in the "Standing Army" until March 1919.

He married Ida McSorley of Brandon on July 12, 1933. They had one son Grant of Glenora. Percy farmed at Glenora for several years prior to his death in 1967.

CLARENCE KENNEY

Clarence was born at Pilot Mound and resided at Dry River. He enlisted at Baldur, took his training at Shilo and served overseas in France at Vimy Ridge and in England.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenney had three children, Rennie, Ray and Reg.

FRED KENNEY

Fred was born at Pilot Mound, the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Kenney of the Dry River district. He enlisted at Baldur, training there and at Camp Shilo and Epsom Downs, England. He was wounded at Vimy Ridge and was returned home.

He married Jessie Ballantine of Glenora. They had five children, Mabel, Fred, Doreen, and twins Lillian and Ruth. Fred passed away at Prince Albert in 1966.

JOSEPH NORMAN KENNEY

Norman was born at Pilot Mound in 1893, the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Kenney of Dry River district. He enlisted and trained at Baldur and at Fackstow, England. He spent two years and ten months in France, in Canadian Headquarters on General Staff, as a driver.

Norman married May Lee of Swan Lake and they had five children, Ralph, Oliver, Nellie, Beatrice and Eileen.

GEORGE PERVIS KENNEY

George was the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kenney of Dry River. He was in the services during World War I.

RUSSELL AMBROWS KENNEY

Russell was born at Pilot Mound, Manitoba, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kenney of Dry River. He received a Military Medal for meritorious service. He was married and had one daughter, Bessie.

HARRY LANDERS

Harry grew up in England and came to Canada in 1912. He lived near Glenora on a farm close to Fisher Lake, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 3-4-13, for several

years. He enlisted in the 22nd Battalion in 1916 and was sent overseas in the fall of 1916. He was badly wounded but recovered and was sent to the line again and was killed in action the day the war ended, November 11, 1918.

WILLIAM ANTON LUNDGREN

Bill was born at Inkater, North Dakota, on August 12, 1895. He was eldest of the family of three of Carl and Caroline Lundgren. The family came to Canada in 1903 and settled on a farm in the Glenora district of Southern Manitoba. He spent his entire youth on the home farm until he joined the Armed Forces. He went overseas in 1918 and returned at the conclusion of the war. Bill passed away on March 4, 1970 and was laid to rest in Baldur Cemetery. Besides his wife he left to mourn three nieces and two nephews.

HAROLD FRANK MACKLIN

Harold was born at Cypress River, September 29, 1895, the son of William and Susan Macklin. He enlisted at Baldur in 1916, received his training at Camp Hughes. He served abroad in England, France, and Germany. He was a life member of Baldur Legion.

On February 10, 1926 he married Leorinda Olive Odell. They had two daughters: Muriel Irene Wickens, Glenora; and Ruby Eileen Ironside of Rapid City.

Harold passed away in Deere Lodge on January 28, 1955 and is buried in Baldur Cemetery.

COLIN MacNEE SR.

Colin came from Pollock Shaws, Glasgow, Scotland in 1912 at the age of 18 years. He worked as a farm hand until he joined the 181st Battalion in Brandon in March 1916. He married Belle Ballantine in Winnipeg July 10, 1916. He went overseas and into the 44th Battalion in April, 1917 in France. He returned to Canada in August 1919 and bought the William Gray farm. They farmed there until 1942 when he rented the farm to a neighbour and moved to Winnipeg, where he worked in the Cordite Plant, then at the Greyhound bus depot. He passed away February 13, 1962 at Deere Lodge Hospital and was laid to rest in Brookside Cemetery, Winnipeg.

JESSE HAROLD McFADDEN

Jesse grew up at Stockton, Manitoba and entered the ministry. He served in this field at Killarney and Glenora before enlisting in the army. He was killed in action.

CLARENCE McLAREN

Clarence was born August 4, 1897 in the Wigton district. He joined the First Battalion January 9, 1918 at Brandon and went overseas in March. He was sent to France where he joined the 27th Battalion in July, serving there until the war ended. He then went to Germany until 1919. He farmed in the Wigton district. Mrs. McLaren passed away in 1970 just as they were preparing to retire to Glenora. Clarence lived in Glenora where he married a widow Mabel Orr. He is now living at the Care Home in Pilot Mound.

WILLIAM HENRY ODELL

Henry was born near Cavalier, North Dakota on November 6, 1890, the fourth son in a family of ten of Philo and Leorinda Odell. The family came to Canada in 1902 and settled in the Glenora district. Henry travelled to western Canada, taking up a homestead at Camrose, Alberta in 1913, which he sold in 1914. On the outbreak of the war he enlisted in the 222nd Battalion. He went overseas in the fall of 1916 and was transferred to the 46th Battalion Saskatchewan Regiment. He was sent to France in 1917 where he was severely wounded in August. After his recovery he returned to the front and went through some heavy fighting at Vimy Ridge and other places. As a Lance Corporal he made the supreme sacrifice at Passchendaele, on October 26, 1917. A memorial service was held in Baldur. Henry has no known grave but his name is engraved on the Menins Gate Memorial in France among the 7,000 of the 18,000 Canadian heroes whose graves are unknown.

FRANCIS S. PIERSON

Frank joined the 45th Battalion in February 1915 at Souris, Manitoba. He was sent overseas in March 1916 and was drafted to the Canadian Mounted Rifles in late July. He was killed on the Somme, France September 15, 1916. His name is on the Vimy Memorial among the Canadian heroes who lie in unknown graves.

WILLIAM JOHN ROWLEY

Bill served first in the Boer War in South Africa.

He enlisted in Winnipeg April 19, 1916 for his second term of service to his country, receiving his training at Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie. He served with the 11th C.R.T. in France for one and a half years. He received his discharge on April 25th, 1919.

Bill was born at Ipswich, England, on April 5th, 1878. He married Bertha Thorkelson on April 6th, 1909. They had eight children: Jack, Eva E. M. Durant, Victor R., Douglas, Edith Collins, Bruce, Frank S., and Joan Quaife. He passed away July 8, 1958.

FRANCIS WILLIAM SIMPSON

Frank was born in Toronto on April 22nd, 1895 and came west with his family in 1897, settling at Waskada, Manitoba and moving to Glenora in 1912. He served with the Armed Forces going overseas in 1918 and returning in 1919. He was a life member of Baldur Legion. He farmed successfully for many years and served on school and church boards. He passed away on May 17th, 1966 and was laid to rest in Baldur Cemetery beside his son George Andrew who predeceased him on January 9th, 1966. Besides his wife Pearl (Lawrence) he left to mourn: a daughter, Mrs. Ralph Ballantine (Jean) and four grandchildren: Murray, Vicki, Grant, and Ross Ballantine.

OLIVER SOLE

Oliver was born at Colfax, North Dakota, moving to Glenora with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sole. He enlisted with the 107th in Winnipeg in February 1916 took some training there and at Camp Hughes. He served as a Lance Corporal in the Machine Gun Section, being sent to France where he was killed in action on August 10, 1918.

CLARENCE STANDING

Clarence was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Standing and was born at Marrinhurst in 1894. He was starting to farm when the war broke out and he enlisted in Brandon. He went overseas with the 46th Battalion in 1916. He was killed October 26th, 1917 at Passchendaele, Belgium, and is buried in the British Cemetery there.

WILLIAM SUITOR

William was a resident of the Glenora district. He enlisted for service at the time of the Boer War and was killed in action in South Africa.

JOHN THOMAS

John was born at Swansea, Wales on February 14th, 1891. He came to Canada in September 1901 and lived in the Wigton district. He enlisted in the First Depot, Brandon, Manitoba in May 1917, taking his training there and in Winnipeg before going to England. He was with the 18th Reserve Battalion serving some months in France following the Armistice. He received his discharge in August 1919. He returned to Canada in 1920 and again took up farming. On December 1st, 1926 he married Blanche Preston, they had two sons: John E. (Jack) and Keith (deceased March 23rd, 1967). John passed away March 16th, 1967 and is buried in Baldur Cemetery.

FELIX GUY TURNER

Felix was born at Glenora in 1893. He served overseas with the 109th Regiment, 8th Battalion. He received his discharge in 1919. He worked as a bookkeeper with Wetlaws and Searl Grain Co. until 1931 then until 1960 he was with the Accounts Branch of the Department of Mines and Natural Resources. He passed away in February, 1960.

SILAS WARDELL

Silas was born at Barrie, Ontario. He enlisted at Winnipeg in October 1914, in the 27th Battalion, 6th Brigade, C.E.F. He went overseas in May 1915 and to France in September 1915 and returned to Canada in 1919. He, Mrs. Wardell and their son Howard farmed in the Zephyr district for many years. He passed away in 1969 at the age of 88.

WILLIAM BYRON WILSON

Bill was born at Marringhurst, son of James and Mary Etta Wilson, November 18th, 1896. He took his schooling at Marringhurst and trained as a harnessmaker with G. W. Brisbin. He enlisted with the 79th Battalion and trained in Brandon. He was severely wounded while serving with the 43rd Scottish Highlanders and spent six months recuperating at Stobhill, Glasgow. On his return from overseas he spent three years in Pilot Mound. In 1922 he went to Bounty, Saskatchewan buying grain for a number of years; later running a store. Due to ill health he returned to Manitoba in 1952 and settled in Crystal City. He was married and had two sons: Dwayne and Jerry. Bill passed away on December 9, 1960, at his home in Crystal City.

SAMUEL WOODS

Sam was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Woods of the Marringhurst district. He served his country and was killed overseas in action.

World War II — 1939-1945

STEPHEN T. ANTONIUS

Steve enlisted at Portage la Prairie, took his training at Barriefield and London, Ontario, and was stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky, U.S.A. He married Lois Pink of Pierson and they have three children: Patsy, Barry and Tim. He operated the Glenora Garage for 4 years before going to Winnipeg where he owned and operated A.N.C. Aluminum Co. He is now retired there.

LORNE APPERLEY

Lorne was born at Dry River, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Apperley. He enlisted with the R.C.A.F. in Winnipeg in July 1942. He trained at Brandon, Saskatoon, Regina and Winnipeg where he received his wings. He is married and has a family.

REBECCA PEARL APPERLEY

Pearl was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Apperley of Dry River district. She enlisted with the R.C.A.F. in September 1942. She served as a Meteorological Observer at the University of Toronto. She trained for the First Precision Drill Team and took part in Victory Loan Campaigns from Ottawa to the west coast. She married Wesley Cook and has four children.

ROYDEN JOHN BATEMAN

Roy was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Bateman of the Wigton district. He enlisted in Winnipeg, trained there, St. Thomas and Brandon. He married Dorothy Morgan of Carman on February 16, 1943, they have a son Lorne and a daughter Roberta. They farmed and ran a trucking business. They now live in Baldur.

GEORGE CAPON

George was born at Dry River and enlisted and trained at Shilo before serving overseas. He married Fleurette Trottier in 1946 and they have four children: Sharon, Arlen, Rodney, and Ashlye. They live at Belmont.

EDMUND J. CHOQUETTE

Pte. E. J. Choquette, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Choquette, was born at Mariapolis, Manitoba. He enlisted in the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders in 1941. He was killed in France on October 28, 1944.

THADDIE CHOQUETTE

Pte. Thaddie Choquette, son of W. L. Choquette was born at Mariapolis, Manitoba. He enlisted in the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders in 1939 and trained at Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie and was sent overseas in 1941. He was killed in action in France on August 28, 1944.

JAMES HENRY COLLINS

Jim was the son of Richard and Grace Collins, born at Glenora. He enlisted with the 18th Armoured Car Regiment in June 1941 at the age of 19. He took basic training in Shilo and Debert, Nova Scotia where he was accidentally shot in the head while on guard duty on July 15, 1942. He received his discharge that year. In 1945 he married Aileen Larsen. They have four daughters and three sons and live in Edmonton.

MICHAEL EDWARD COLLINS

Mick was born at Glenora, the son of Richard and Grace Collins. He enlisted with the 18th Armoured Car Regiment in June 1941 at the age of 17. Took basic training in Manitoba, Ontario, B.C. and Nova Scotia. He arrived in England September 1942, spent a year and a half in many parts of England on advanced training. The Regiment's name was changed to 12th Manitoba Dragoons. Mick was the driver of a 14-ton Armoured vehicle with five crew members, being the scout troops for the fourth Armoured Division in the liberation of France, Belgium and Holland in the summer of 1944. They were the first troops to enter many of the port cities in Belgium and Holland and were the first of many troops to enter Germany in the spring of 1945. He spent most of the time in the army of occupation before arriving home in December 1945 and received his discharge in January 1946. He married Enid Nelson on October 11, 1947, they had three children: Mark, Richard and Connie. Mick worked for the R.M. of Argyle on Road Maintenance Crew and was foreman when ill health forced him to quit work. Mick passed away at Baldur Hospital on July 26th, 1980 and was laid to rest in Baldur Cemetery.

OWEN RICHARD COLLINS

Owen was born at Glenora, the son of Richard and Grace Collins. He enlisted with the R.C.A.F. at Winnipeg in October 1940. He started in the aircrew in October 1941 and graduated as an air gunner from Macdonald, Manitoba, receiving his Commission at the same time as his graduation in May 1943. He went overseas as a Flying Officer in October 1943 and flew many missions over Europe. He was reported missing over France in June 1944 and was with the underground until September 1944 when he arrived safely back in England. He arrived back in Canada in December 1944. He married Joyce Krawchuck and they had three daughters: Sharon, Linda and Melrose, and a son Larry who was killed in Vietnam. Owen passed away in Winnipeg in 1957.

LEONARD DANIEL CONRAD

Leonard was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Conrad of Marringhurst District. He joined the Royal Canadian Volunteer Reserve at Chippawa, Winnipeg, October 1942, as Ships Cook. He was stationed there for four months then to Nadin, B.C. for four months where he joined H.M.S. Puncher aircraft carrier. He sailed south, stopped at San Francisco and San Diego, then through the Panama Canal, stopping in South America then up to New Orleans, 80 miles up the Mississippi. There they loaded four motor torpedo boats on the flight deck to be taken to New York. There they loaded aircraft to be taken to Liverpool, England. Another trip was made back to New York for a load of aircraft to be taken to

Glasgow, Scotland. From there they made home base on the Shetland Isles, patrolling the coast around to the north of Russia, crossing the Arctic Circle, becoming a member of the Bluenose. He was on ship there until the war ended. He married Aline Chateau of Cardinal in July 1942. They had four children: Dave, Barbara, Edith and Richard. After his return home he went back to his job as grain buyer at Cardinal until his health forced him to change jobs and he moved to Oak Point and worked at St. Laurent as bookkeeper. He was retired and living in Oak Point at the time of his death on June 14, 1978.

ERNEST N. DELORME

Ernie was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Delorme of Dry River. He enlisted at Winnipeg in December 1942 and trained at Victoria and Prince Rupert, B.C. and overseas in England. He joined the Pacific Force in 1945 and received his discharge in March 1946. He married Imelda Dupries of St. Jean in November 1946. They farm at St. Alphonse.

RITA WILMA DELORME

Rita was the daughter of Thomas and Alma Delorme of Dry River. She was born at Pilot Mound. She enlisted with the R.C.A.F. in Winnipeg and trained in Ontario. In 1947 she married Lloyd Hannah and lived in North Dakota. She passed away in 1961 at the age of 37.

SYDNEY HEAVER

Sid was born at his farmhome near Glenora, the son of Herbert and Catherine Heaver, in 1913. He farmed and worked at several jobs before joining the army in October 1942 at Winnipeg. He trained at Victoria, Prince Rupert, B.C. and Woodstock, Ontario before going overseas to England in December 1943. Later he went on to France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. He arrived back in Canada in November 1945 and received his discharge in January 1946. He married Norma Kay on February 18, 1946 and they lived on the farm and had two sons: Barry and Grant. He is retired and lives with Barry on the farm.

JOHN HILDEBRAND

John was raised by the Loewens in the Glenora district. He enlisted in November 1943 and served overseas with the Lake Superior Regiment, Fourth Division. He served in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. He returned home in April, 1946.

SIGURDUR JOEL

Sig was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Joel. The family lived near Glenora for some time. He enlisted in Winnipeg, training in Brandon, St.

Thomas and Trenton, Ontario. He went overseas and was stationed at Craft and Leming, Yorkshire, England. He was mentioned in Dispatch for Distinguished Service. In September 1946 he married Wilhamena Kynoch of Glenora in Winnipeg. They have two daughters: Bonnie and Arlene and all live in Winnipeg. Sig worked at Armco Steel as a welder until his retirement.

HAZEL KENNEY

Hazel was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conway Kenney of Marrinhurst. She spent some time in the Armed Forces in Canada.

SYBREN KOLDYK

Sybre Koldyk was born in Friesland, Holland in the town of Wiedom on May 29, 1924. He spent his school years at Dunrea. In 1942 he enlisted in the army, going overseas in 1943 he then transferred to the Dutch Navy. He returned home in 1945 and settled on a farm south of Baldur where he resided until his death in 1950 following a highway accident.

JAMES KYNOCH

Jim was born at Glenora on April 8, 1919, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Kynoch. He enlisted in Winnipeg with the Artillery on June 28, 1941 and trained at Portage la Prairie and Red Deer, Alberta. He went overseas in 1942 and served in England, Italy, Holland and Germany. He served in Sicily with the First Division Troop and took part in the invasion of Italy. He was made a lance-corporal. He went to France in March, 1945, and joined the First Canadian Army for the drive into Germany. He was made a full Corporal in July 1945 and returned home that fall. In 1965 he married Mildred Sterling, they live in Glenora.

WILLIAM JOHN KYNOCH

Bill was born at Glenora on March 5, 1921, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Kynoch. He enlisted in Winnipeg on June 14, 1941 with the 8th L.A.A. Regiment R.C.A. 70th Battery. He trained at Camp Shilo, Manitoba, Debert, Nova Scotia, and Sussex, New Brunswick. Going overseas on the Capetown Castle August 8, 1942, arriving at Liverpool on August 18. Took further training in England at Colchester, Borden, Dunley Hill, Surrey and Essex. He was on active service in England, France, Belgium, Germany, and Holland. He carried the rank of Lance Sergeant. Christmas 1942 was spent on Borden Sites, England. After V.E. day, he signed up for active service in Japan and came home on the Queen Mary July 14, 1945 for a month's leave during which time Victory in Japan was declared. He received his discharge in November 1945. He married Doris Ballantine in October 1949 and they farm at Glenora. They had seven children, four girls and three boys.

DAVID LOEWEN

Dave enlisted November 11, 1943. He served overseas with the Lake Superior Regiment, Fourth Division, in the United Kingdom, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. His basic and advanced were taken at the west coast and special training in Gas at Suffield, Alberta. He returned home in April 1946. He married Lenore Warkentin and they have two boys and a girl. Dave has worked for Westeel (now Westeel Rosco) for 27 years, lives in Winnipeg.

COLIN DUNCAN MacNEE

Colin was born at Marrinhurst on July 22nd, 1917 and attended both Marrinhurst and Glenora schools. He joined the Canadian Artillery in November 1940, trained in Canada and went overseas in 1941. He landed in Normandy June 6, D-day with the Third Division in 1944 and served in France, Belgium and Germany. He was a dispatch rider and was mentioned in dispatches in the London Gazette and was awarded the Oak Leaf. He returned home and received his discharge in 1946. He rejoined the Canadian Artillery in May 1950 and served in Japan and Korea with the United Nations Forces. He got his retirement discharge in February 1962. He has nine medals and his Oak Leaf. He then worked in Winnipeg until illness forced him to quit work. He passed away on September 2, 1978 at Deere Lodge Hospital and was laid to rest in Brookside Cemetery.

DOUGLAS R. McELROY

Doug was born at Morden, Manitoba where he took his schooling and lived until moving to Glenora district in 1941. He enlisted in the Royal Canadian Artillery in 1942 and took his basic training at Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg, then at Shilo and Kingston, Ontario. After being hospitalized with double pneumonia he was declared as not fit for overseas duty. He then was sent to Port Albany on the west coast of Vancouver Island, lookout place for the Japs. From there he went to Victoria, Vancouver, and Duncan, B.C. He served as Driver for the Major-General. He received his discharge in 1946. He farmed with his Dad and brother. In 1948 he married Viola Douglas of Crandall and they have two children: Don and Shannon. In 1956 they moved to work at Flin Flon and are there at the present time.

DAVID MURRAY

Dave was born in Scotland, the son of James and Annie Murray. He married Lena Ballantine on December 22, 1937. They farmed at Glenora until ill health forced him to move to Winnipeg. He enlisted with the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps in June 1942. As a Sergeant he retired in 1965. He also worked as Equipment Operator at the

C.N.R. until his retirement. They have two children: Jeannette and Jim, and reside at 343 Lock St., Winnipeg.

RAYMOND NELSON

Raymond was born at Dry River, the son of J. W. and Alma Nelson. He enlisted at Winnipeg in 1940, training in Saskatchewan. He served overseas in the United Kingdom, Africa, Italy and North West Europe with the P.P.C.L.I. and was discharged with the rank of Sergeant. He married Velma Driver in August 1951. He presently resides at Inez, Kentucky, U.S.A.

EDGAR PHILO ODELL

Edgar was born at Glenora, the son of Philo and Emma Odell. He enlisted at Winnipeg in 1944, trained at Fort Osborne and Shilo. He was a Cadet from 1943 until he joined the Infantry. He married Emily Bjola of Winnipeg on May 12, 1945. They have three children and live in Winnipeg.

JACK ODELL

Jack was born at Pilot Mound, the son of Philo and Emma Odell of Glenora. He enlisted in Brandon and trained at Shilo and Debert, Nova Scotia. He served overseas in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. He married Anna Frederickson on August 31, 1946 and they have seven children. They reside in Winnipeg.

GEORGE ROBERTS

Joe was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roberts who farmed at Glenora. He spent two years in the Canadian Service. After this he went out west where he married a widow with two children. He spent his retirement years in Vancouver where he passed away.

JAMES ROBINSON

Jim was born in 1912, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Robinson of Glenora. He enlisted with the R.C.A.F. and served overseas where he met his wife Betty. After the war and his return to Canada he received his discharge. They lived at Selkirk where he worked at the Manitoba Rolling Mills for 18 years. They had a daughter Peggy and a foster daughter Janice. Jim passed away on March 19, 1974, at Selkirk. He was a member of the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans Association and the Canadian Legion.

LYAL ROBINSON

Lyal was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Robinson of Dry River, where he was born. He enlisted at Winnipeg, trained at Brandon and

was stationed at Goose Bay and Halifax with the R.C.A.F. He married Evelyn Spearman on June 12, 1941 and they have two daughters: Gail and Donna. They reside in Brandon.

BRUCE ROWLEY

Bruce was the son of William and Bertha Rowley of Glenora. He served with the Canadian Army. He was discharged because of a knee injury. He married Leona Kriewaldt and they had four children. They presently reside at Kamloops, B.C.

DOUG ROWLEY

Doug was the son of William and Bertha Rowley of Glenora. He served five years with the R.C.A.F. He married Marie Choquette and they had seven children. They lived at Glenora for several years before going to Nipigon, Ontario. They presently reside at Westbank, B.C.

FRANK ROWLEY

Frank was the son of William and Bertha Rowley of Glenora. He served with the R.C.A.F. He married and they had two boys and one girl. He resides in Winnipeg.

WILLIAM JOHN SANSOM

William was the son of John and Margaret Sansom and was born at Marrinhurst. He enlisted on June 10, 1940 at Winnipeg, trained at Borden, Hamilton, Sussex and Truro. He was overseas in England and Europe. He married in November 1947 and they have a son and a daughter. They reside in Winnipeg.

JAMES SIMPSON

Jim was the son of Robert and Elizabeth Simpson who farmed southeast of Glenora. Jim was in the Canadian Army and served in Canada towards the end of the war. After he received his discharge he married Betty Jones of Manitou and they lived and farmed with his parents until they moved to Pipestone in 1949. He worked with the Hydro gang for a couple of years, then they also moved to Pipestone to farm with his parents. He now resides in Brandon.

JOHN ROBERT SUTTON

I was born at Wakopa, Manitoba on December 21, 1910. I moved to Roland, attended school there, and we moved to Glenora in 1919. After leaving school I started working with the Canadian National Railway, Maintenance Department. I joined the Army on February 3, 1943, took my basic training at Portage la Prairie and took advanced infantry at Camp Ipawash, Ontario. From there I went to the Royal Canadian

Engineers at Petawawa, Ontario. In December 1943 I left for England. I then served in France, Belgium, and Holland, returning to Canada on January 26, 1946. I received my discharge on March 26, 1946. I was then employed as a Car Foreman of the Car Shop at Symington Yard, Winnipeg, Manitoba. I was married in 1941 to Lila Wilhelmina Drysdale of Brandon and we have three sons. I am now retired and live in Winnipeg.

ROBERT ALBERT SUTTON

Bert was born at Wakopa, Manitoba January 26, 1916. He moved to Roland with his parents in 1917, then from there to Glenora in 1919. He spent his childhood here, and also his school years. He signed up June 28, 1941, put his training in at Portage la Prairie, Manitoba and Red Deer, Alberta. He was sent overseas in 1942 and landed at Scotland. From there he was sent to Sicily and Italy, then back to France and Holland. He was sent back to England where he embarked for home, arriving in December 1945. After that he worked for the C.N.R. until 1977. He is retired and lives in Glenora.

RUSSELL RICHARD SUTTON

Russ was born at Glenora June 13, 1926, attended Glenora School. On leaving school he worked for the C.N.R. He joined the Army in 1944, trained in Winnipeg and Shilo. The war ended before he was able to be sent overseas. He got his discharge in 1946. He has worked for the railway ever since, mostly at Glenora. In the summer he works with the extra gang. He is married and lives and works at Neepawa, Manitoba.

FRANK WILSON

Frank was born January 28, 1919, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilson of Marringhurst. He enlisted at Winnipeg with the R.A.F. Squadron 407, in 1940. He spent most of his service life in England, where he worked with the Ground Crew as a Mechanic. After his return home he helped on the family farm until taking over in 1957. He married Beryl Carr, a widow with one son Harold. They have one son Doug. He is an active member of Pilot Mound Legion.

MARY EDNA WILSON (Mrs. Fred Corneille)

Mary was born April 17, 1917, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilson of Marringhurst. She enlisted at Winnipeg in June, 1943 with H.M.S. Chippewa. That year she went to Stadacona at Halifax, then at Cornwallis at Annapolis, Nova Scotia. She was a Navy nurse. In June 1947 Mary went to Victoria where she was teaching until 1955. She married Fred Corneille, a widower with one son Rory. Mary is a very artistic painter and lives in Victoria.

Korean War — 1950-1953

VERNON LANSDOWNE COOPER

Vernon was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cooper of Marringhurst. He enlisted with the Princess Patricia Canadian Light Infantry and served in the war from 1950-1953. Corporal Cooper completed all his jumps as paratrooper with the Princess Pats. After the war he went to Saskatchewan and drove a truck on road construction. He now does Carpenter work and lives at Kindersley, Saskatchewan.

COLIN DUNCAN MacNEE

Colin served with the United Nations Forces in Japan and Korea. His complete army record is covered in the second war section.

Vietnam War

LARRY COLLINS

Larry was the son of Owen and Joyce Collins and was born at Glenora. They later lived in Winnipeg. He enlisted at Fargo, North Dakota and trained at Fort Lewis and Washington. He gave his life in Vietnam in 1969. He was twice awarded the Purple Heart as well as many other medals including the Bronze Star of Heroism.

Peacetime Army

ELWIN WALTER BALLANTINE

Elwin was born at Glenora in 1942, the son of Walter and Elizabeth. He enlisted in Winnipeg in September 1961 and trained at Edmonton and Kingston and was stationed at Victoria and Calgary. He married Gail Breault in April 1966 and they have three daughters. They reside in Winnipeg where he is employed as a truck driver with Paul's Hauling.

WESLEY DALE BOULET

Wesley was born at Glenora in 1947, the son of Alphonse and Mabel. He enlisted at Kingston and was stationed at Carp, Ontario and Val Cartier, Quebec. The regiment Wes was with drove to Winnipeg to provide communication systems for the PanAm Games in 1967. In 1970 Wes married Janet Thorne in Newfoundland. They have three children and live in Winnipeg where he is employed as an Electronic Technologist.

MERLE B. BRINKWORTH

I enlisted in the R.C.A.F. at Brandon on July 25, 1951. I received my basic training at St. Jean, Quebec and trade training at Aylmer, Ontario. Then I was transferred to Greenwood, Nova Scotia in November 1951; transferred again in 1953 to Fighter Wing at Zweibrucken, Germany where I spent two years and returned to Hamilton, Ontario in 1955. I was transferred again in 1959 to the Radar Squadron at Seven Islands, Quebec and stayed there until 1964 when I was transferred to another Radar Squadron at Sudbury, Ontario. I took my discharge from the Armed Forces at Sudbury in 1966 after 15 years of service life. Corporal M. B. Brinkworth, No. 38068, received the Canadian Forces Decoration in 1963, and the Long Service Medal.

LEWIS CHARETTE

Lewis was born at Greenway and lived in the Zephyr district, the son of Archie and Florence Charette. He enlisted at Winnipeg in 1951 and served with the R.C.A.F. until 1956. He trained at St. Johns and Camp Borden and was stationed at Summerside, P.E.I., Rivers, Manitoba and Cold Lake, Alberta.

LLOYD MARK GOETHALS

Lloyd was born at Swan Lake, the son of Kelly and Blanche. He enlisted at St. Jean, Quebec and was stationed at St. Jean, Kingston, Winnipeg, P.E.I. and Edmonton. He took Air Force Officer training and received his Bachelor Degree in Engineering in 1967 then flew with the Air Force out of Winnipeg. He is now with the Military Reserves in Winnipeg. He is married.

FRANKLIN EARL PIERSON

Frank was born in Glenora, the son of Doug and Jean Pierson. He enlisted at Winnipeg in January 1951 and trained at Kingston, Ontario and Chilliwack, B.C. and was stationed at Fort Churchill, Val Cartier, Quebec, Borden, Ontario, Alert, N.W.T. and overseas at Soest, Germany. He presently resides at Portage la Prairie and has retired from the service.

WILLIAM FREDERICK WRIGHT

Bill was born at Dauphin General Hospital, the son of John and Etie Wright of Glenora. He served briefly at Calgary and Camp Borden with the Princess Pats. He is married with four children and resides in Winnipeg.

Churches of the Area

During the early 1880s services were held in the settlers' homes. Preachers from other districts visited at uncertain periods. Anglican, Presbyterian, and Methodist churches were represented and all held services at various times at the farm of G. H. McWilliams of Marringhurst. Mr. W. Watson represented the Anglican Church. Services were also conducted at the farm of Jos Stevens 16-4-13 and at Excelsior School. The Presbyterians were represented by Rev. J. Cairns 22-4-13. A manse was donated by Mr. R. S. Thompson at the SE corner of 35-3-13.

The Anglican adherents planned to build a church and land was obtained on the extreme east of 24-3-13 taking in a small adjacent portion of each quarter. Here the church was built in the southeast corner with space to the north and west used as a cemetery for the parishioners who passed away. The church was built in 1889 by George Stewart of Dry River and was plastered the following year by Mr. J. Stevens. Rev. A. D. Wood was one of the first ministers to preach in this church. The first couple to be married in this church was Esther Charlotte Edwards and Alex Brown. Anglican ministers resided in Pilot Mound and travelled by horse and buggy stopping overnight with members of the parish, one such place was that of Mr. and Mrs. W. Webb.

The Anglican church was moved to Glenora in 1926. The first couple to be married at this new site was Laura Brown and Russell McDonald.



St. George's Church, Glenora. Rev. Adams, minister.



Mrs. Odell and Mrs. Pearson receiving life membership in W.A.



Anglican Church on the Marringhurst prairie.

For many years Mr. Lumbers worked at keeping the church in good repair, made new furnishing and took care of general upkeep. In 1963 the church was badly damaged by fire but was repaired, the ceiling was lowered, the furnishing refinished and all repainted.

Ministers over the years were: J. R. Kennedy, W. Eldridge, G. Adams, L. F. Wilmot, W. A. Cross, A. J. Salmon, Rev. Noonan, Archdeacon Horsefield, H. Oldfield, and W. Gregory.

The W.A. was formed in 1923, re-organized in 1929 with Mrs. Una Odell as President, an office she still holds. There was a J.A. for young girls. Also a Sunday School from the community has been in operation for forty years. Let us continue to carry on in the "Faith of our Fathers".

Pastor for the Methodist church in the 1880s was Rev. J. Hoskins. In 1927 after church union was formed between Methodist and Presbyterian services were held in the Glenora School with the resident minister at Baldur. About 1960 the United Church services were held in the Anglican Church which continued until 1968 when, because of poor attendance, we closed our books and Baldur became our church center.

In 1927 Mrs. Ferguson of Pilot Mound came to Glenora and organized the Ladies Aid. The enrollment at that time was twenty-one. Their aim at the time was to build a church but because of depression during the 1930s this aim never materialized. However the proceeds from many money-making enterprises helped fund the minister's salary, helped with the Sunday School, the manse in Baldur, picnics, remembering the sick and also helping with the Rock Lake United Church Camp.

In about 1960 the United Church started using the Anglican church for their services. These continued until 1968 when it was decided to close the church in Glenora.

The Ladies Aid, which had now been renamed the United Church Women, continued until 1971 when they closed their books. The funds on hand were divided equally between Baldur United Church and the Rock Lake United Church Camp.

Some of our pastors over the years were: Rev. J. Bell, J. Hoskins, W. P. Goard, W. G. Wilson (1889, Baldur church built), Oliver Darwin (manse built), Hamilton Wible, J. H. Joclyn, I. B. Wilson, H. J. Miller (1898). Present Baldur United Church was built 1904. Rev. F. A. Buckley, E. J. Hopper, D. R. Patterson, J. E. Lane, Harry Dodds, W. E. Bowman, G. H. Lood, Rev. Curtis (1st United), Moses Nixon, Dr. B. W. Allison, J. F. Palmer, E. P. Johnson, M. Lake, Rev. Gostonyi, F. Markowski, B. Pierce, A. Armstrong, L. Hutton, Mr. Walker and Marilyn Rushton are pastors we have had since 1904 until the present time.



Anglican Church J.A.

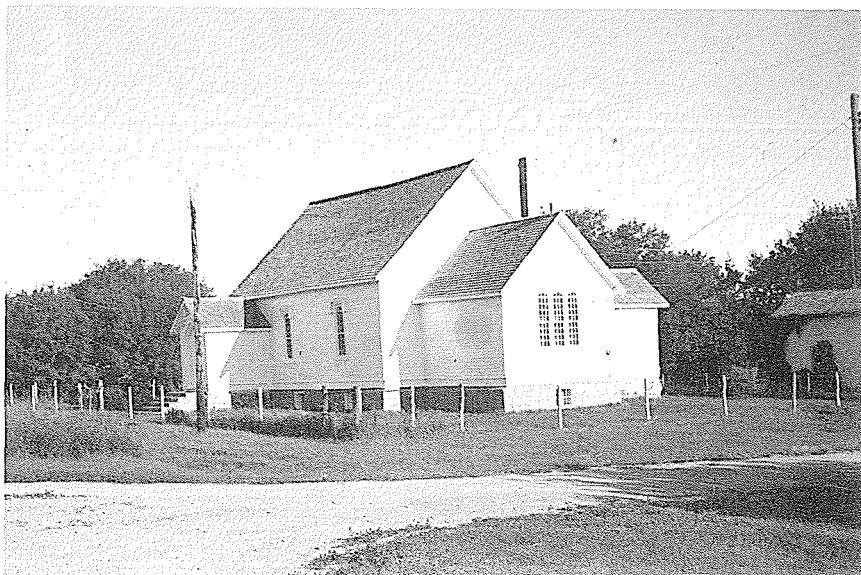
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN GLENORA

The Roman Catholic people of Glenora and district belonged to the parish of Mariapolis. The church was built in 1905. Poor roads and long distances made it very difficult for them to attend church. In 1955 a Catholic Mission was opened at Glenora. The priest, Fr. Fontaine came from Mariapolis to say the Holy Mass. Each Sunday one family helped to pay his travelling expenses.

During the summer holidays the children received Catechism lesson in preparation for first communion and Confirmation. Sometimes our local girls would help teach but mostly the nuns came to teach. The parishioner took turns driving the sisters back and forth. One day the driver's car was away and having only a $\frac{3}{4}$ ton truck sent his wife to explain matters. One of the sisters clapped her hands and exclaimed, "Oh, a camion, that would be fun." It turned out to be more fun than she had anticipated as the old truck stopped halfway there. The Sisters were praying to St. Christopher while the driver had his head under the hood doing his own brand of praying.

Running out of gas when you're out with your best girl is quite common but when you are out with two nuns it's something else. After walking to the nearest farm for a pail of gas the old truck became mobile again.

Confirmation was held in Glenora hall in 1960. Bishop Maurice Beaudoux officiated, Fr. Fontaine prepared the children. At noon he would take them to Rock Lake for a picnic and later swimming. Fr. Fontaine was transferred and Fr. Dugree took his place.

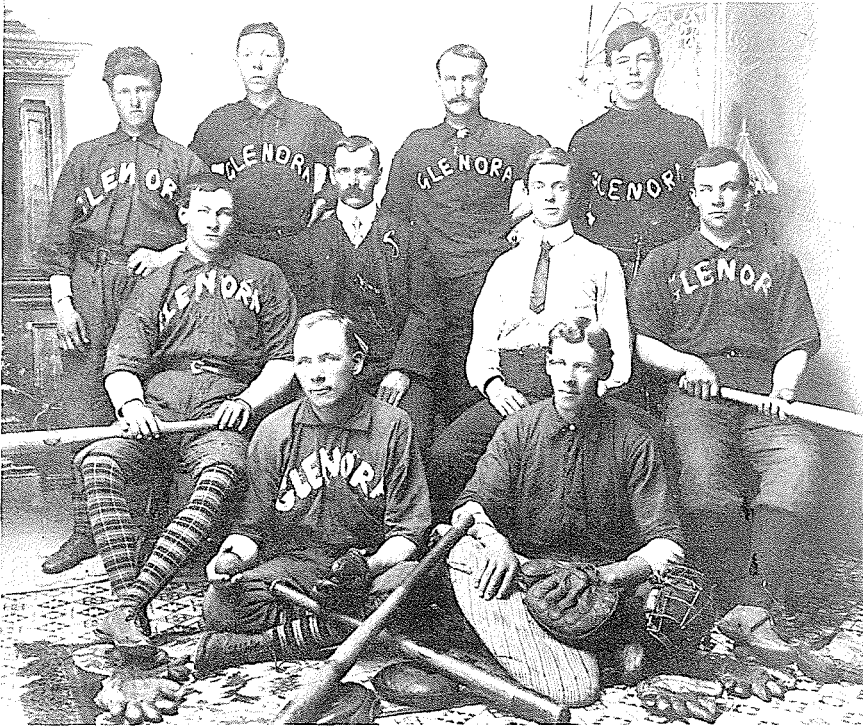


St. George's Church, Glenora.

During the summer Mass was celebrated in the Community hall. Often tourists camping at Rock Lake attended but in winter church service was held in the school. Members of the United Church held service in the school immediately after we did. There were many times when we kept them waiting even though we tried to hurry things up after the Mass was finished.

Fr. Dugre remained about two years. A short little Italian priest, Fr. Cremonaisie followed him. He stayed for a short time and to the regret of many, the Mission was closed. Some thought the classroom atmosphere was too distracting for a church service. Roads were good now and once you got in your car, a few more miles is nothing. Whatever the reasons at the time it seemed to be the right solution. Baldur members have their own Catholic Church now and several from Glenora attend service there while others still attend in Mariapolis.

Sports



Glenora Ball Team

Back row, l to r: Lister Ross, Chris Lawrence, H. Davidson, Reg Fraser.
Middle row: Levi Odel, Billie Gray, Bill Fowler, Pete Odell. Front row: Sam Odell, Ted Tisdale.

Agriculture

Methods of Farming:

The first settlers used oxen in breaking up the first prairie sod. The grain was then broadcast on the field and harrowed to cover the seed. Mr. Brown mentioned the Gatling gun seeding machine which broadcast the grain from the back of a wagon box, working on the same principle as a hand bow lawn seeder.

James McLellan purchased the first steam outfit, a J.C. Case in 1888.

The Lawrence Bros. purchased the first binder, a Harris wire binder. The straw was dangerous to feed to cattle as bits of wire sometimes were fed in the straw.

The first mower in the district was a Massey-Harris, Brantford pattern, bought by Sam King in 1895.

Joseph Crayston had one of the first strawblowers, a Jones, in the Glenora district. This machine was not too successful and in 1902 he bought a Cyclone Blower.

Philo Odell purchased a Waterloo outfit in 1905 and in 1911 bought a 30 H.P. engine and a 40-62 separator, one of the largest outfits in the district with a ten furrow engine gang.

Noble and George Lawrence broke land in 1881, sowing it to grain. That fall Noble walked to Pilot Mound and came home with a scythe, cradle and two hand rakes to harvest his crop. They hired Robert McKnight, 33-3-13, to do the cutting while Noble and George raked, bound and stooked the grain.

The threshing later was done by horse power. Robert and George McKnight, early settlers on 33-3-13 (now owned by Andy Van Damme) owned a horse power outfit and threshed for many early settlers until the steam outfits arrived in 1885. The first steam outfit was brought in by John Montague in 1885. The late Billy Price of Baldur was engineer.

A vast amount of grain had to be threshed and the argument was, who would be threshed first? Montague laid out the route to be taken. One farmer objected to the route the thresher intended to take and said if they took that route they wouldn't do much business. One night when the machine was left near the Noble Lawrence farm on the road allowance, it was set on fire and in the morning all that was left was a pile of iron and ashes.

A brother of this dissatisfied farmer admitted his brother's guilt in burning the separator while on his death bed some years later.

After the steam outfits, gasoline portable engines were used, followed by power tractors and separators.

Many harvesting hands were needed to thresh the crop. After cutting the crop with the binder, sheaves had to be stooked and when the weather and the drying condition permitted, the stooks were drawn on racks with horses to the separator. The sheaves were then fed into the separator where the grain was separated from the straw.

The grain was elevated into wagon boxes to be drawn away to store in bins until it was sold.

The men worked hard, encouraged by the women who prepared meals, carried lunch, did the chores and chased the cows out of the neighbors' crop.

The combines and swathers were introduced in the 1940s, replacing the threshing machine and eliminating the need of large harvesting gangs.

Field sprayer and various insecticides play a great role in modern weed control. Caterpillar tractor used in clearing land enables farmers to



Stack threshing at Glenora.

clear large areas of treed land and better varieties of grain result in larger crop yields and better grades of grain.

The first wheat grown locally was Red Fyfe, also Preston and White Fyfe were tried by some farmers. Marquis wheat was grown in 1911 or 1912 for the first time. This was used up until about 1935-1936 when rust resistant varieties were introduced.

Glenora is situated in three different soil classifications:

Marringhurst (soil gravely and sandy outwash)

The Marringhurst soils were developed on gravel and sandy outwash and generally prairie grass vegetation. The surface or "A" horizon is black, coarse, sandy loam or clay loam with feeble structure. The black organic matter tends to separate readily from the mineral matter if exposed to the wind. Below this is a lime carbonate accumulation horizon, generally whitish gray in color and with a tendency to be cemented when dry.

The topography of the Marringhurst soil area is usually smooth and level to slightly undulating, and although the surface may be well to excessively drained, the substrata (especially the sandy texture) may show the effects of fluctuating ground water. The light textured outwash plain on which the Marringhurst soils are formed is located adjacent to Rock Lake and the Pembina channel. It is below the general level of the surrounding terrain and forms a natural reservoir or storage basin for precipitation which percolates through the coarse textured deposit and for the run off derived from the encircling moranic hills. Where the Marringhurst plain is adjacent to the Pembina channel, springs emerge

and feed into Rock Lake. Hence the amount of water in the substrata of the Marringhurst soils is controlled by seasonal precipitation and the outflowing of the spring water. The Marringhurst soils are best suited to stock raising or grazing. The deep phase soils can be used for general agriculture if carefully farmed but the normal and shallow phase soils are not suitable to continuous arable culture.

Pembina Clay Loam

The Pembina soils are developed on grey-buff boulder till, more or less intermixed with shale. Prior to settlement these soils were under woods of oak and poplar.

Except where the topography is somewhat rougher than average, the normal Pembina soils are suited to mixed farming and grain production. However on many of the slopes an excessive amount of clearing has taken place, especially in the rougher portion, so that erosion by water is becoming serious. The adoption of contour farming, the growing of grass and legume mixtures in rotation; the use of trees for shelter belts or as buffer strips on the contours and the use of other conservation practices are required to prevent the soils on the rolling and hilly portions from being further injured by erosion. While the typical Pembina soils are generally good agriculture lands, inferior soils and shallow phase members occur on the sharper knolls. In some portion the topography is too rough for general arable culture.

Cattle:

Each family of the first settlers, as they moved to their homestead, brought in a cow or cows of various breeds to supply the family with milk. The first purebred herd was shorthorns owned by Dick Wilson, of Marringhurst in 1898.

Rock Lake

Rock Lake is one of a chain of lakes situated in the Pembina Valley. It has an ancient and colorful history that covers more than two centuries and various names.

It is thought that La Verendrye and his sons passed very close to Rock Lake on their journey to the Mandans in 1738. In their report it was spoken of as Pike Lake. This was an appropriate name for a lake that still has plenty of good pike.

In 1785 Peter Pond named the lake Rib Lake, and the river, Rib River. This name is Indian in origin; and is an English translation of the original name for the chain of lakes, namely, Pelican, Rock and Swan Lakes. These lakes curve across the landscape of Southern Manitoba like the flat rib of a buffalo, accordingly the name seemed to fit.

The name "Rock Lake" came from a letter written by Father

Belcourt. It was described in his letter, as the "Lake of the Rocks". This name became permanent when the Dominion land surveyors, John and William Otty and Walter Beatty, placed Rock Lake on the Townships map. This took place in 1872.

Rock Lake and the surrounding countryside provided food and shelter for many explorers, both French and English and Metis traders and trappers. The shores provided wonderful sunny camping grounds.

Years before the white men, the lake was the home of the Mound Building Indians. They used the north shore for their winter quarters. Their mounds dot the northern plains above the lake. There are fourteen of these mounds and they are among the oldest known works of man on the prairies. Quite recently these mounds were explored by the historical society of Manitoba. An archaeologist, Dr. MacNeish was the most recent one to do any research. He claimed there were Indians here over 2000 years ago but not the type of Indian we know.

During the 20th century, Rock Lake has become a vacation spot for many Manitobans and American visitors. Mr. Cavers had a place at the east end of the lake and ran a thriving resort for many years. This still is a beautiful area for campers to spend the summer months. Mr. Joe Morrison started a vacation resort around 1908 which was situated about one mile from Cavers. In 1912 he sold out to Joe Avery, this stayed in the Avery family until 1980. The Christian Enrichment Family Camp took over and it continues to be a busy area with family camping. The Levi Odell campground, west of Avery's was always a well maintained area. The tourists enjoyed a visit with Mr. Odell and found his hobbies very interesting. Mr. Ostroskie took over the land and Mr. Odell moved to Glenora. The property now is divided into lots and is being sold to private individuals. In between Averys and Mr. Odell, the United Church Camp operate a very successful summer church camp for the young people.

Still farther west Mr. Claude Crayston has a camp ground which is south of their farm home. This is a popular spot for people to go to fish, swim or camp.

In 1957 the government established a nice park and camp grounds near the east end. Over on the southwest end Mr. Salfrais had a resort. This was later sold to Mr. Friesen who still operates it.

An attraction at the lake is the Rock Lake Gun Club. It is owned and operated by the surrounding districts and towns. It is the oldest Gun Club in Manitoba and except for a few years during the war, it has run continually.

It was started in 1912 by Mr Joe Avery. The Gun Club grew until the Manitoba Championships were held there for a good many years. Three of the local members have since been named to the Manitoba Trapshooters Hall of Honor. Those three being Mr. Joe Avery, Mr. Jeff Avery and Mr. Claude Crayston.

Glenora Women's Institute

The local Institute was organized on May 2nd, 1955. Mrs. Christina Black was in attendance to help organize another Intitute for Manitou District of which she was President. Only fourteen members joined the first summer but later this increased to as many as twenty-two members.

We attended District Conventions and Board meetings. A few members attended the Provincial Convention.

Many donations were made to hospitals in the form of food, clothing, toys, quilts, towels and a chair. Several articles have been bought for the rink and hall in town.

Cards were always sent to the sick and parcels to sick members. Visits were also made to sick and shut-ins.

Each year several scholarships are awarded to students in Glenora school.

For several years we sponsored a child in Hong Kong along with other Institutes.

We sponsored Teen dances for the young people. Whist Drives and



Women's Institute.

films and slides were popular. The Valentine Social and the School picnic were a yearly event.

Some of our members have donated their eyes to the Eye Bank.

Each year we also sent money to the Cancer Fund, paid Institute fees, and fees for convention costs as well as numerous other donations.

To make money many quilts were made and sold or raffled. Other means were Bingo, Variety Concerts, catering to Weddings and at auction sales.

Meetings were interesting, educational and a lot of fun for everyone. Several interesting demonstrations, speakers, films and reports were given.

However it seems all good things must come to an end and when membership got smaller and we could no longer do the things necessary to operate an Institute properly we decided to disband but to carry on with a Community Club. The final meeting was held with much regret on March 3rd, 1965 to dissolve the local W.I.

Glenora Community Booster Club

The Glenora Community Booster Club was organized on March 3rd, 1965. This new club is run very much like the W.I. was, continuing with monthly meetings. We continue to send cards and parcels and visit the sick and shut-ins. Also scholarships, school picnics, teen dances, bridal showers, lunches after funerals, and the Christmas concert are still taken care of. Also more donations have been made to Baldur Hospital, including a T.V. We have bought and collected labels for the hall and rink kitchens. We sponsored the skating rink for many years and repaired the walls and helped the newly formed Rink Committee with expense of lights and hydro and flooding. We replaced the Christmas lights in town, taking down the strings and applying them in decorative shapes to the hydro poles. Money has been donated to various projects, some being Church repair, Lions Telethon, guitars for the school.

Finances are still from catering to weddings and lunches, raffles, quilt sales, and donations.

Various demonstrations, speakers, films, slides, contests and general business continue to make our meetings interesting.

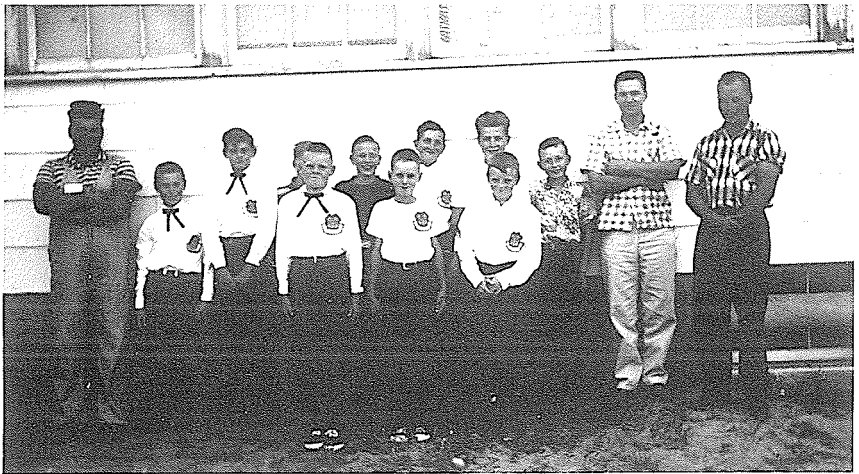
In Centennial year we made two quilts, one depicting a map of the farms in the district with original owners and one with 1970 owners.

Since 1975 we have been having a Dinner and Get-together for Senior Citizens who live or have lived here, having this in December each year.

This book is one of our big projects and we sincerely hope it is a success and everyone enjoys reading it and that it will become one of your family treasures, to be passed on to future members.

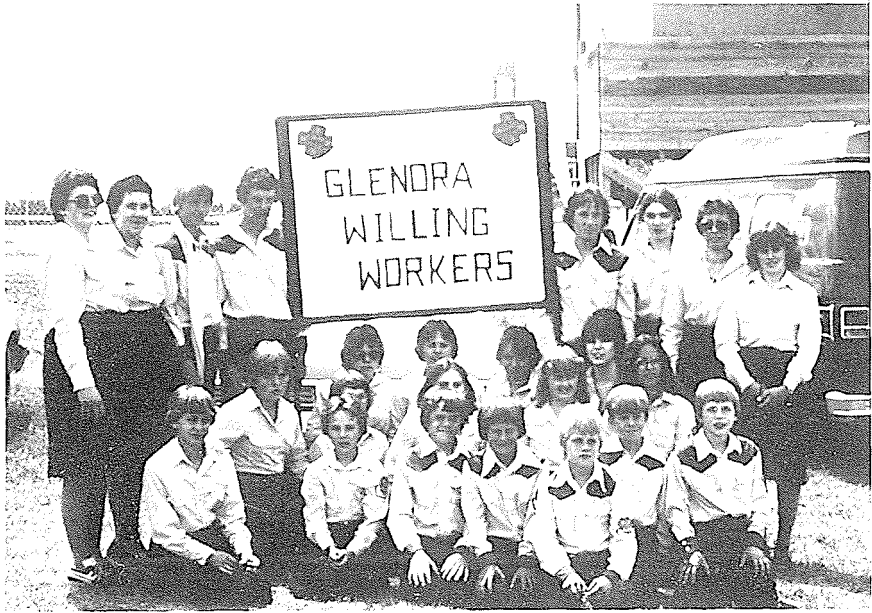
4-H in Glenora

As early as 1947, a Boys and Girls club was active in Glenora. No records are available but the club was active for a few years. Then in 1960 two 4-H clubs were organized, a Home Ec. Club, Glenora Willing Workers with eight members and two leaders, Doris Kynoch and Miss McLean. A Garden Club with 11 members and two leaders, Marcel DeMaertelaere and Maurice Sierens. The latter operated until 1956 but the Home Ec. Club is still very active. Projects taken over the years have been Clothing, Handicrafts, Home Design, Foods, Self Determined, Junior Leader, Babysitting, Photography, Woodworking, Mechanics, Snowmobile and Garden. Members take part in many activities besides actual project work, such as Camp, Conferences, Communications (Public Speaking, Demonstrations, Skits), Trips, Hosting visitors, Tours, Rallies and many more things. Through these fun things they meet others and gain alot of experience to help them in later years. Many volunteer leaders have been responsible for keeping 4-H going locally. Some have received a five year Leadership Certificate, these are Beatrice Major, Elizabeth Ballantine, Faye Lundgren, Angelle Lebeau, Bob Avery and John Sutton. Receiving 10 year certificates have been Anne Crayston, Evelyn Odell, Gwen Sutton, and Clara Major. One Leader Doris Kynoch received a 15 year certificate before taking on the job of 4-H Program Assistant for the Ag. Rep. area. Two members Marla Wickens and Cindy Kynoch completed 9 years and one member Beth



Glenora 4-H

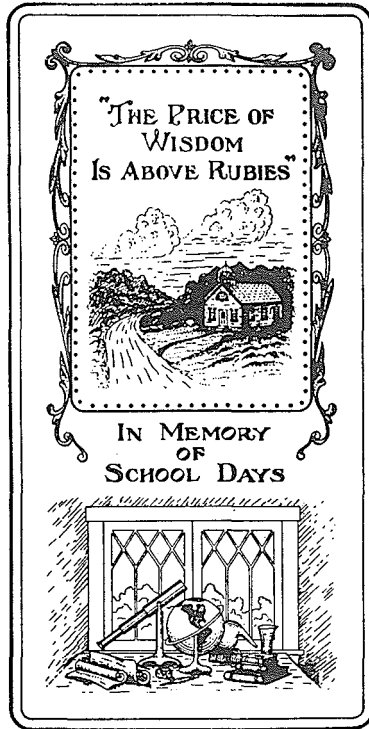
Back: Maurice Sierens, leader, Mark Collin, Raymond Van Damme, Murray Ballentine, Leslie Simpson, Wes Boulet, Marcel DeMaertelaere. Front: Terry Wickens, Danny Rowley, Glen Porter, David Van Damme.



Major completed 10 years. The Club has done well in competitions, winning the trophy for curling more than once. Glenda Lebeau won the Gold Watch Award. Members have been chosen for trips to various places. In 1979 they were Parade Reserve Champions and were Champions in 1980. They have won Champion and Red Ribbons for displays as a club and individually and several girls placed high in demonstrations. In 1979 they put Welcome Signs at the east and west entrances to town. We are proud of 4-H in Glenora.

Glenora School District No. 736

The Glenora school district was formed in April of 1892. T. L. Lawrence suggested it and offered to canvas the southern part. Alex Brown agreed to canvas the northern part as far as Exelsior. A meeting was held at the Lawrence home and it was decided to build a school on the N.E. of 27-3-13 which was the North-east corner of his farm and the centre of the population at the time. The first secretary-treasurer was Arthur Burnett and the trustees were T. L. Lawrence and Sam King. The first teacher was Miss Minnie Irvine of Pilot Mound, and the pupils were the four King children — Minnie, Alex, William and Charlie, Jim Cayers, Sunny Fox and Mary Lawrence. The second teacher was Miss Lily Embury (Mrs. J. Elsey). She boarded at the Presbyterian Manse,



GLENORA SCHOOL

District No. 736

Glenora, Manitoba

1922

JEAN RUSSELL, Teacher

PUPILS

Cecil Laurence	Edmund Crayston
Lloyd Kay	Jack Sutton
Winnie Collins	Albert Macklin
Violet Carlson	Lena Odell
Bert Sutton	Myrtle Carlson
Ruth Fraser	Anna Fraser
Gladys Collins	Ethel Lawrence
Isabelle Robinson	Sydney Sutton
Jacky King	James Simpson
Herbie Carlson	Edwin Laurence
Mary Robinson	Gordon Roberts
Marguerite Sutton	Hazel McWilliams
Norma Kay	Gertrude Fraser
Patricia King	Harold Stiver
James Robinson	Joe Morris
Victor McWilliams	Herbert Macklin
Freddie Macklin	Bennie Brown
James Morris	Belle Simpson
George Crayston	Hazel Crayston
John Robinson	Jack Crayston
Nellie Brown	Fred Porter
Earl Robinson	George Porter
Claude Crayston	Barclay Johnson

one mile east of the school. Many happy evenings were spent in this schoolhouse — socials, concerts, debates, games, spelling matches, revival meetings, and church services. The school burned down in 1910 and a temporary school was built in the town, replaced two years later by a large one-room school built by Oliver and Roger Brown of Belmont. Misfortune again struck, burning this school in early 1946. Temporary facilities were set up in the Community Hall and used until the new one-room school was ready in the late fall of 1947. The fifties saw many changes within the school. During the time Marringhurst school was temporarily closed, both students and teacher came to Glenora. Zephyr school was closed permanently and some families came here, some later went to Marringhurst when it reopened. In 1959 Wigton and Excelsior school districts consolidated with Glenora and the new schoolhouse from Wigton was moved here and joined onto the south end and is used for Grades 5-8, creating the need for two teachers. In 1973 we were granted a Kindergarten teacher for May and June, this is held in the basement of the Junior room. We have had to fight hard to keep our school here and feel fortunate in having had some very good and dedicated teachers. The high-school students are bussed to Pilot Mound or Baldur.

TEACHERS, TRUSTEES AND CHAIRMEN

1892-1893 — Minnie Irvine
1893-1896 — Lillian Embury
1896-1897 — Adelaide Fraser
1897-1898 — Miss L. Hanford
1898-1899 — Miss E. L. Garrioch
1899-1900 — Miss Perrin
1900-1901 — Hamilton Laing
1901-1902 — Miss Kate Rankin
1902-1903 — D. A. Ross
1903-1904 — Edward Little
1904-1905 — Daisy Leary
1905-1906 — Herbert McIntosh
1906-1907 — Alfred Grant
1907-1908 — A. M. Lindsay
1908-1909 — W. F. Tisdale
1909-1910 — Duncan Cameron
1910-1911 — O. R. Kennedy

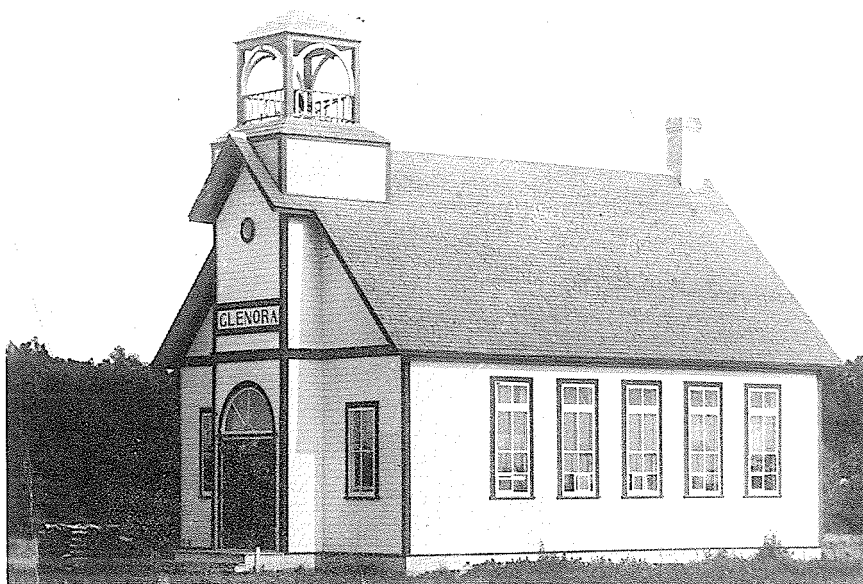
Trustees: C. Lundgren, A. Erickson, Wm. Lawrence

School burned 1919 on January 10



Glenora School

From left to right: Henry Odell, Ira Odell, Philo Odell, Wm. Lawrence, Arthur Ralston, Willie Vincent, Levi Odell, Gertie Lawrence, George Lawrence, Beatrice Lawrence, Miss K. Rankin (teacher), Pearl Lawrence, Gertie Fraser, Jean Fraser.



1912-1946.

- 1910 G. R. McKersie (15 days school in March)
- 1910 (Aug) — Blair Hoar
- 1911 Jessie Andrews
- 1912 Robert Stewart
- Sec. G. Graham, trustees Alex Brown, Wm. Lawrence
- 1912 (Aug.) — A. M. Lindsay
- 1913 William Taylor
- 1914-1915 — Pearl Dalzell
- Sec. G. C. Simpson, trustees Sam Odell and Wm. Lawrence
- 1916 L. L. Riddell
- Sec. A. M. Lindsay, trustees G. Simpson, W. Lawrence, B. Fraser
- 1916 (Aug). — Ida Oughton
- 1917 (school under quarantine - diptheria)
- 1917 (Aug.) — Helen Spackman
- 1918 Linnie Wilson (salary \$750, 169 days)
- 1918 (Nov.) — School closed due to flu.
- 1919 Isabelle May (closed for flu in March)
- 1920 E. Jenkins, Trustees B. Fraser, R. Collins, W. Robinson
- 1921 Jean Russell (Mrs. D. Pierson) attendance - 46.
- 1922 Norman Gorrell, Trustees B. Fraser, J. Crayston,
C. G. Lawrence.
- 1923 Una Wallace (Mrs. Ira Odell) attendance - 25.
- 1924-1925 — Una Wallace - attendance 30.
- 1925-1926 — Ellen Hibbert



Field Day Parades, 1948. Teacher Miss Douglas.

- 1926-1928 — Wilmet Foley, Trustees - Mrs. Kay, R. Pottruff, B. Fraser.
- 1928-1929 — Kaye Emerson, Trustees - Mrs. Kay, W. Simpson, R. Pottruff
- 1929-1930 — Rossie McMunn - Attendance 30.
- 1930-1935 — Belle Cameron. School closed November/December due to Scarlet Fever.



Going to Field Day with Tope Odell and Miss Sterling.

- 1935-1937 — Thelma Brown. (Thelma Forbes, Provincial Member of Parliament)
- 1937-1938 — Doris Kirk
- 1938-1941 — Anne Inglis (Mrs. Claude Grayston)
- 1941-1942 — May Pollock
- 1942-1943 — Cliffie Woodworth (Mrs. Charlie Day)
- 1943-1946 — Mildred Sterling (Mrs. Jim Kynoch) School burned in 1946.
- 1946-1947 — Irma Honey (Taught all year in the hall waiting on the the new school.
- 1947-1948 — Viola Douglas (Mrs. Doug McElroy). A nice new school.
- 1948-1949 — Audrey Lowry (Mrs. Bob Hayne)
- 1949-1950 — Margaret Goodman
- 1950-1953 — Donna Douglas
- 1953-1955 — Doreen Davidson (Mrs. Bill Davidson)
- 1955-1956 — Helen Bates
- 1956-1957 — Edith Holm (Mrs. Grant Harrison)
- 1957-1963 — Edna Towns (Mrs. Forster). Sec.-treas. - J. P. McElroy, Chairman - W. N. Ballantine, Trustees - Mrs. Ira Odell, Mrs. C. Crayston.
- 1963-1964 — Marie Young (Mrs. Keith Young) Sec. - Mrs. Ira Odell, Chairman - D. Pierson, Trustees - Mrs. C. Crayston, E. Lundgren, W. N. Ballantine, J. Thomas.
- 1964-1968 — Bernice McLaren (Mrs. Duncan McLaren) Chairman - D. Pierson, Sec. - Mrs. Ira Odell, Trustees - Mrs. C. Crayston, W. N. Ballantine.
- 1968-1969 — Marge Norrie (Mrs. Ken Norrie). Sec. - Mrs. I. Odell, Chairman - W. N. Ballantine, Trustees - H. Comber, S. Heaver, R. Lebeau, Mrs. C. Crayston.
- 1969-1971 — Mrs. McCullough, Sec. - Mrs. I. Odell, Chairman - W. Ballantine, H. Comber, S. Heaver, R. Lebeau, Mrs. C. Crayston, Grant Harrison.
- 1971-1975 — Mrs. Christena Black.
- 1975-1976 — Mrs. J. Robidoux.
- 1976-1980 — Miss Grace Lazaruk.
- Grades V-VIII -
- 1969-1960
- 1960-1962 — Donna McLean
- 1962-1965 — Mrs. J. Weedmark.
- 1965-1966 — Mrs. Palmer.
- 1966-1968 — James Dewart.
- 1968-1969 — Miss Elsie Tkachuk
- 1969-1971 — Miss Sheila Macklin - Mrs. Sheila Dearsley.
- 1971-1980 — Barry Moore

GLENORA KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten was started in a new fashion at Glenora School in the spring of 1973. Instead of having the kindergarten students as an integral part of the Grades One to Four class, they acquired their own room and their own teacher.

The following have been the various kindergarten teachers since 1973. 1973 — Miss Lynne Decosse; 1974 — Miss Rennie Lumb; 1975 — Miss Lori McPhail; 1976 — Miss Aline Montagnion; 1977 — Mrs. Lori Healey; 1978 — Mrs. Joyce Dugan; 1979 — Miss Jacquie O'Brien-Moran; 1980 — Miss Debbie Wright.

TEACHERS BRIEF HISTORIES

A. M. LINDSAY (Arthur)

He left Bolton, Ontario in 1907 and came to Winnipeg on a Loyalist train as a school teacher having the option to teach at Balcarres, Saskatchewan or Glenora. He taught here for three years and acted as bookkeeper for the general store owned by Malone and Robertson and managed by J. McMillan. Arthur purchased the store in 1911. He married Gertrude Lawrence on October 25, 1911 and operated the store without a holiday for 25 years. He acted as secretary-treasurer of the Glenora school for 30 years, sealed boxcars for the C.N.R., filed income tax returns, sold fire insurance, was payor for the U.G.G. elevator and later for the Manitoba Wheat Pool.

LILY EMBURY (MRS. JAKE ELSEY)

Lily was the second teacher of the Glenora School, becoming teacher after Minnie Irving in 1894, and teaching until 1896. Another teacher was Miss Garrioch who died on April 4, 1970, aged 92 years. Lily married Jake Elsey and they lived on the Davidson farm. While teaching she boarded at the Presbyterian manse for one year. This manse was built on the corner of William Robinson's farm, one mile east of the school, which was on the N.E. corner of the Zephyr farm, one mile east of town. Lily boarded with Mrs. T. W. Lawrence during the second year.

UNA WALLACE

I was born at Stanton-by-Dale, Derbyshire England. I came to Canada at the age of ten and finished my education at Miami, Manitoba. I attended normal school in 1922-1923 and I taught at Glenora in 1923-1925. I boarded with Mr. and Mrs. Scott on the Zephyr farm and moved into Glenora with them. In 1924-1925 I boarded with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lumbers. I taught Sunday school, sang in the choir at the schoolhouse, when at that time the schoolhouse was full of friends and neighbours. In 1928 I married Ira Odell and lived on the Odell farmstead for 15 years. In 1943 we moved to the C. Lawrence farm, 27-3-13, where I still reside with my two sons, Wallace and Kenneth and his family. As we prepare this it is pleasant to recall these events and to be thankful to be living and taking an interest and active part in the Glenora Community today.

JEAN P. RUSSELL

Jean was born near Napanee, Ontario but came to Barnsley, Manitoba with her family in 1901, so she could claim to be a Manitoban having lived here ever since. She went to Forest and Carman schools and took her Normal training at Portage la Prairie and Winnipeg. She married Doug Pierson and they farmed and raised their family of five at Glenora. They retired to Belmont where she still lives an active life.

ANNE INGLIS (MRS. CLAUDE CRAYSTON)

Anne was born in Ryerson district at Oak Lake, Manitoba. She started school at Ryerson with Miss J. Russell as one of her first teachers. Later she attended school in Oak Lake and there also attained her high school. She took Normal Training at Brandon and came to teach in Glenora in 1938 and taught here for three years.

IRMA HONEY

Irma came to us from Binscarth, taught one year and went back to University.

VIOLA DOUGLAS (MRS. DOUG McELROY)

Viola came from Crandall, Manitoba and taught at Glenora for one year 1947-1948, starting in the hall and then the new school when it was completed.

AUDREY LOWRY (MRS. BOB HAYNE)

Audrey came from Darlingford, Manitoba to teach here. She, like Vi, and Irma, boarded with Mrs. Douglas at the elevator house. She and her family live at Carman, Manitoba.

DOREEN DAVIDSON (MRS. BILL DAVIDSON)

Doreen taught here from 1953-1955 while Marrinhurst school was closed. She also brought her two boys, Michael and Ian, with her. Others from there attending at this time were Ken Williams and Elaine Nelson. Doreen later taught in St. James for several years. They are both retired and live in Winnipeg.

EDITH L. HOLM (MRS. GRANT HARRISON)

In 1956-1957, the teacher was Edith Holm who came from Husavick, Manitoba and had just graduated from Normal School in 1956. Glenora was still a one-room school. There were 33 pupils attending, two of which were taking Grade 9 correspondence and Grade 10 correspondence. Those passing Grade 8 were Ronald Swayzie, Edith Rowley, Anita Ballantine, and Carol Miller. Those beginning grade I were Danny Rowley, Melody Boulet, Murray Ballantine, Jimmy Thompson and Donnie McElroy.

EDNA FORSTER (FORMERLY MRS. TOWNS)

I accepted the position of teacher of Glenora school in 1957 when it was a one-room school with a pupil population of over 30 in grades 1 to 9 and one grade 10 correspondence pupil. This school certainly was a challenge as there was only the wax duplicator, necessitating working by pen until very late when setting tests or exams, and also correcting and marking.

I had graduated from Brandon Normal School in 1915 and found I could make good use of the 8 or 9 years of experience and the good teaching given by those excellent teachers: Mr. J. B. Hales, Mr. Beer, Miss Reid and Miss Mathieson. Glenora people were kind and helpful, always ready with a word of praise, not criticism. If it was, it would be constructive and this with the help of Mrs. Clark (where I had light house-keeping rooms) made life quite pleasant. Mr. Lockhart, the inspector, was always kind and understanding also.

Many things, some sad and others happy, occurred during my six years of teaching spent there, among which was the loss of my husband, R. Towns and my remarriage to Dr. James Forster of Banff, the con-

solidation of our school with Wigton which was added to our school, the hiring of another teacher, the additions of a duplicator, swings, teeters, merry-go-rounds, and slides, and the use of skating ice area which was enjoyed by the children. My thoughts often turn to those fine children, now mostly in homes of their own. I love to meet and talk with them and love to hear of their success and grieve to hear of the sorrows which occur in this and other districts.

Mrs. Forster passed away at Killarney in December of 1979.

MISS GWEN McLEAN

Gwen came from Kaleida, Manitoba to teach grades 5-8. She boarded at Piersons in town. After she left here, she took more teacher-training and continued teaching. She is now at Manitou.

MRS. BERNICE McLAREN

I was born at Glenboro, Manitoba and taught at Glenora, grades I to IV from 1964 to 1968. We now farm in the Baldur district.

JAMES DEWART

I was raised in the Stockton district, being born in 1947 at Glenboro on July 13. I received my elementary education at Stockton under much the same conditions as the school in Glenora. I proceeded to Glenboro to take my high school education which I completed in 1965. In 1965-1966 I took my teacher training at Brandon College. My first teaching position was Glenora and I was fresh out of University. I taught here for two years, probably two of the most enjoyable years that I have spent.

The friendly atmosphere of the small southwestern town immediately made me feel at home, and one could not help but mix in with the people. Being from a quickly dying town myself, (Stockton) I could easily recognize the stages through which a town passes before its downfall. I am very pleased to say that Glenora displays few of these stages economically or socially.

Glenora, as surprising as it may seem for a small town, has as fine a social life to offer as has any other larger town nearby. I much enjoyed the dances and concerts which are annual events. The (first) fight to retain the school exemplified to me the strength of the town to keep the town on its feet; after all, after the school is gone what then is there to bind the community?

I enjoy working for a community that can work together. Being one of the few men teachers, I can probably not act as spokesman for all

teachers but in my capacity, I would like to say that my teaching days at Glenora were highly successful for me.

As for my students, being my first, they represent a fine group of Canadians with big futures. They all worked exceptionally hard for me while I taught at Glenora and we all had a good time working together. I must admit at some time or other I found myself short of the facilities which larger schools could offer but the spirit of "make do with what you have, and invent the rest" never left us at a loss.

My stay at Glenora has not only helped me in my teaching capacity but is really a second home for me. I still visit Glenora as often as I can to see the many friends I have made while there. Since my stay there, I took further education at Brandon University before coming to teach at St. Jean, Manitoba.

BARRY MOORE

In September 1971, I started my second year of teaching, and my first as teacher of Grades 5 to 8 at Glenora School. Teaching four grades with the expected requirements of today's curricula was no easy task, as I was soon to realize. But teaching was something I had always wanted to do, and this was certainly it.

I was born at Carman on December 28, 1951, and I am the eldest, (or possibly second eldest) of six in our family. This may seem odd, but I have a twin brother, and my mother can't decide which of us was born first.

I grew up on a farm at Treherne and attended a small rural school for two years, and then completed elementary and high school education in Treherne. I then attended Teachers' Training at the University of Manitoba, and from there, received my teaching certificate, in the spring of 1970.

I was hired by Tiger Hills School Division and taught the 1970-1971 term at Glenboro, before coming to Glenora to teach. During this time, and in successive years, I continued my university training, which culminated in a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Manitoba in 1976.

I have often been asked if a small school, such as the size of Glenora, can be viable today, without some of the amenities common to larger schools. It is my opinion that such a school has been important in the past, that it is important today, and that it will continue to be important in the future. I hope that Glenora School continues to show this to be so.

GRACE LAZARUK

I was brought up near a small community called Caliento, Manitoba, and lived on the farm throughout my school days. I am the youngest of five children.

I attended grades one to six at a small school near our home. Grades seven through twelve were attended at Shevchenko School at Vita, Manitoba.

I worked for one year after grade twelve, and then decided to further my education. I attended the University of Manitoba and received my Teachers' Training there.

I started teaching in Glenora in 1976 which was my first teaching position and which still is. I have found my five years at Glenora quite satisfying and rewarding.

CHRISTENA BLACK 1971-1975

I was born Christena McQuarrie and took my elementary schooling in the Dry River School, and my 9, 10, and 11 in Pilot Mound, having to leave home and take board and room in town. My grade 12 I took in Morden, and in 1932 I graduated with a First Class Teaching Certificate from the Winnipeg Normal School. My first school was Rosehill near Baldur and my starting salary was \$750.00 per year. I taught there three years, then went to Two Creeks School situated between Elkhorn and Miniota. Conditions were getting worse, as teachers were so plentiful (there were anywhere from 20-50 applications for every position). Naturally wages slumped so I taught for as low as \$500.00 a year. Then in 1941 I married George Black and left the teaching profession. However in 1966 when there was then a great scarcity of teachers, the trustees from Londesboro persuaded me to return to teaching at their country school in September 1966. I had to work very hard that first year to accustom myself to the new curriculum. I taught there for five years until the trustees were forced to close their school by the Tiger Hills District, as this was the last remaining one-room school in the area. Mr. Yarish (the Superintendent) asked me to take over in Glenora as Grade I-IV teacher and principal from September 1971 and I taught there until I retired in 1975. I always enjoyed teaching and felt it was a very rewarding profession. It is so gratifying to hear how each individual pupil is doing, and one never loses interest in their welfare.

SHEILA DEARSLEY 1969-1971

I was born and raised in the Glenora district and attended Glenora school for 8 years. I graduated from High School in Baldur and I received my education degree from the University of Manitoba. During the teachers training period I "practise taught" at Glenora for one month under Mr. Jim Dewart. After graduating, I taught Physical Education at Selkirk for one year. In September of 1969 I returned to Glenora to teach grades 5-8 and to act as principal in the two-room school. I certainly enjoyed returning to my old school and my hometown. The students had quite a few adjustments through the year learning to call me "Miss Macklin" instead of Sheila as they mostly knew me - and then to call me Mrs. Dearsley. The students were great, as was the entire community in helping me whenever they could. Each school year I was in Glenora the students and myself went on a bus trip to Winnipeg. We held a walk-a-thon in order to raise money to pay the costs of the trip. The first year we visited the Planetarium and the second year we went to the Shrine Circus. I remember the first year as we were driving into Winnipeg, one of my grade five students asked me when we would see the traffic jam. The Christmas concert was always exciting, requiring a lot of time and work by both teacher and students, but always rewarding, providing fun and entertainment. Santa's presence was the climax of the evening. The years I spent in Glenora School teaching were very rewarding and enjoyable.

Wigton District

The original settlers came chiefly from Ontario and England in 1879-1880. They included William and John Clark, Jas McClellan, Kelso Macey, Thos Sexsmith, Webb Bros. and Fred Stevens, Jas McNabb and Houston.

The name of the district was given by Jas McClellan in memory of his birth place in the south west of Scotland.

The first school was held at Thos Babington's home, Mr. Babington being the teacher. McClellan's home was the community centre, having an oak floor which was sawn at Walsh's mill at Rock Lake making a perfect place for the young people to dance to merry tunes of the old time fiddlers: Tony Montroy, Dan Ferguson and McLeod.

In 1882 the first school house was erected by the settlers. It was built of logs. The carpenters were W. MacCorquadale, Sheffield, Bell and Huffman.



Back row: Albert Sole, Russell Preston. Seated front: Earl Preston, Oliver Sole. About 1915.

The first trustees were Jas McClellan, M. Rankin, and Scott Houston with Wm. Reid as secretary-treasurer.

The first religious services were held by Mr. H. Cairns, the Presbyterian minister.

In 1903 the log school was sold to Joe Crayston and a larger, more modern school was built on the same site serving the people of the district for fifty-three years as a school and a community centre for picnics, concerts, dances and church services.

The old Indian trail passed by the school site and it is still visible in places. The Indians used this trail on their travels to the U.S.A. and

back. In many fields numerous buffalo bones, spear heads, arrow heads and other artifacts may be found.

In 1956 the school was replaced by a new school which operated until December 1957 when it was forced to close due to lack of pupils.

In 1960 the district consolidated with Glenora and Wigton's school was moved to Glenora to become part of a two-roomed school in Glenora.

WIGTON SCHOOL TEACHERS

Chris Lawrence	Glenora		
Mrs. Richardson			
Fred Stevens			
D. A. Ross			
Jack Tisdale	Glenora		
A. E. Buttress			
Grace Van Alstyne			
Lina Publow			
Maude Playfair	Baldur		
Emma Stewart			
Bert McGregor			
Annie Fraser	Pilot Mound	\$550.00	1911
Ada Bolton and			
Bessie Kelso	Baldur	545.00	1913
Lillabelle McEwan	Elgin	600.00	1915
Belle Smith	Cypress	600.00	1916
A. E. Buttress	Baldur	700.00	1917-1918
Laura Banks and	Sanford		
Edna Bowman	Arden		1919
Frank Privat	Killarney	840.00	1920
March 15th. Stewart and Velma Clark were lost in a blizzard.			
S. Oliver	Baldur	997.00	1920
Carrie Lyall and	Glenboro		
Elda Burr	Killarney	1921-1922	1000.00
Bessie Halliday	Minto	900.00	1923
Nellie Hamblin	Dominion City	850.00	1924
Annie Easterby	Dominion City	742.00	1925
Edith Thompson	Oak Lake	742.50	1926
Florence Hicks	Killarney		1928
Clara Bell	Brandon	750.00	1929
Hannah Balfour	Manitou	784.00	1930-1932
Nelson Hawn	Baldur	470.00	1935-1937
K. L. Mayhew	Wawanesa		1938-1939
			(2 months
			Miss Moore)

Lional Clench	Ninette		1939-1940
Inga Bjornson			1940
Ellen Beatty	Neelin	428.55	1941
Ruth Lowe	Cartwright	627.00	1942
Norah Boyle	Stonewall	744.00	1944
Carl Wanless	Belmont	950.00	1946
Lenore Warkentine			1947
Phyllis Lundgren	Glenora		1948
Katherine Klassen			1949
Raymond Boyd		1000.00	1950
Mildred Van Damme	Glenora	18-2400.00	1950-1954
Ruth McKay			1955
Miss Pawlick		2600.00	1956
Ella Cooney			1957
(until end of December)			

Zephyr School District No. 1384

Zephyr was formed later than most others in the area and so has the largest number in the municipality and was probably the last to be formed. In 1906 a by-law signed by Reeve James Strang and secretary-treasurer John Harrower changed the boundaries of Glenora, Marrinhurst, Excelsior and Dry River to form a new school district. At first it was called Cuthbert, the same year changed to New Ireland. In 1907 the school opened with the name of Zephyr. This school was built on NW¼ 7-4-12. It was a very small district and sometimes had a low enrollment, and was closed from 1923-1926. However at times had as many as 30 attending classes and some students took Grade 10 by correspondence. This school was operated for more than 40 years but with decreased enrollments was forced to close in the early 1950s. The pupils then went to Marrinhurst, Glenora and Mariapolis. The schoolhouse was sold to Remi DeRuyck and the barn to Alex Graham. It still stands in the same spot and is used for a granary. No records of enrollments, teachers or trustees have been found.

Dry River School District

This is a list of the teachers and trustees from 1885 to June 1958 when it closed and consolidated with Mariapolis. The school was sold to Albert Desrochers and moved to a farm north of Glenora where his son used it as a house, and is presently lived in by the Wolfgang Damm family.



Dry River School and pupils.

1885, 1886, 1887 — Miss Thring. Trustees — Alex McQuarrie, W. A. Robinson, D. Bentley.

1888 — Miss Wright. Trustees — Alex McQuarrie, W. A. Robinson, D. Bentley.

1889, 1890, 1891 — Miss Armstrong. Trustees — Jas. Wright, Alex McQuarrie, D. Bentley.

1892 — Miss Mary Fraser. Trustees — W. A. Robinson, Wm. Craik, Alex McQuarrie.

1893 — W. A. Cluff until February.

1893, 1894, 1895 — Mr. Houston until end of 1895. Trustees — Peter Stemler, W. A. Robinson, Wm. Craik, Alfred Eason, John Elson.

1896 — Mary Richardson until February.

1896, 1897 — Miss Grant, until the end of July. Trustees — Peter Stemler, John Elson, Alfred Eason.

1897 — Miss Playfair until December.

1898, 1899 and 1900 — Mr. A. D. Sproule until June. Trustees — John Elson, Alfred Eason, Peter Stemler, Wm. Craik.

1900, 1901 — Miss Mary Richardson until December. Trustees — Alfred Eason, Wm. Craik, John Elson, Wm. Apperley.

1901 — Miss Gillespie, until March.

1902 and 1903 — Miss Clark to end of June. Trustees — George Stewart, Wm. Apperley, Alfred Eason, Wm. Craik.

1903 and 1904 — Sidney Clarq to end of June. Trustees as last year.

1904 — Miss M. McReary to end of year.
 1905 — Miss Gardiner. Trustees Wm. Craik, Wm. Apperley.
 1906 — Miss Stedman for a short time.
 1906, 1907 — Miss Staples. Trustees — T. Graham, Wm. Apperley, Wm. Craik.
 1908 — Walter Tisdale to end of June. Wm. Craik, T. Graham, Wm. Apperley.
 1908, 1909 — H. W. Hall. Trustees — L. Robinson, Wm. Craik, T. Graham.
 1909, 1910 — W. Tisdale to March, then Miss T. Hansen to June. Trustees — James Potruff, L. Robinson, A. McQuarrie.
 1910, 1911 — Mr. R. Yeo. Trustees — James Potruff, L. Robinson, A. McQuarrie.
 1911, 1912 — H. E. Harris. Trustees — L. Robinson, A. McQuarrie, Pete Stemler.
 1912-1913 — Mr. Smith. Trustees — L. Robinson, A. McQuarrie, Pete Stemler.
 1913-1915 — Miss Eva Harrison. Trustees — L. Robinson, A. McQuarrie, Pete Stemler.
 1915 — R. G. Askin. Trustees — S. Robinson, Pete Stemler, L. Robinson.
 1916 — Miss Sedore, then A. M. Pettem. Trustees — same as last year.
 1917-1918 — Miss H. Patterson. Trustees — A. McQuarrie, Pete Stemler, S. Robinson.
 1918-1919 — Miss N. Thomas. Trustees — T. Graham, Archie McQuarrie, Pete Stemler.
 1919-1920 — Miss J. Keith. Trustees — T. Graham, Archie McQuarrie, S. Robinson.
 1920-1921 — Miss Jardine, Miss Fraser, Miss Thomas. Same trustees.
 1921-1923 — Miss Helem. Trustees — Alex and Archie McQuarrie, S. Robinson, P. Toutant.
 1923 — Miss Greenway and Miss Jardine.
 1923-1924 — Mr. C. G. Williamson. Trustees — Alex McQuarrie, P. Toutant, Archie McQuarrie.
 1924 — Miss Fraser. Trustees Mark Nelson, Alex and Archie McQuarrie.
 1925 — Miss D. Robinson. Trustees — Mark Nelson, Alex & Archie McQuarrie.
 1926-1927 — Miss M. B. Goodwin. Trustees: Mark Nelson, Alex and Archie McQuarrie.
 1927 — J. Forbes. Trustees — Ed Apperley, Alex and Archie McQuarrie.

1928 — Miss McRae. Trustees — A. Ballegeer, Ed Apperley, A. McQuarrie.

1928-1930 — Grace Graham. Trustees — A. Ballegeer, James Collins, A. McQuarrie, T. Graham.

1930-1933 — Rose Murphy. Trustees — A. Ballegeer, James Collins, Paul Mestdagh, T. Graham.

1933-1939 — Juliette Lussier. Trustees — T. Graham, Mrs. Mark Nelson, Paul Mestdagh, Alphonse Boulet.

1939-1940 — Marie Hybreck. Trustees — T. Graham, A. Boulet, Paul Mestdagh.

1940-1944 — Miss Conrad. Trustees — T. Graham, A. Boulet, Paul Mestdagh, A. Morin.

1944-1945 — Mrs. Rosaire Lussier. Trustees — A. Boulet, A. Morin, A. Sierens.

1945-1946 — Miss Alice Del. Trustees — A. Boulet, A. Morin, A. Sierens.

1946-1948 — Miss Denise Chevalier. Trustees — A. Boulet, Conrad Beaulac, A. Sierens.

1949 — Miss Allerie. Trustees — A. Sierens, A. Boulet, Conrad Beaulac.

1949-1953 — Toni Lussier. Trustees — Albert Desrochers, A. Boulet, Conrad Beaulac, Maurice DeVleiger.

1953-1955 — Mrs. Toni Landry. Trustees — M. DeVleiger, A. Desrochers, C. Beaulac.

1955-1956 — Lorette Desrochers. Trustees — M. DeVleiger, A. Desrochers, Laurent Sierens.

1956-1958 — Joan Forester. Trustees — M. DeVleiger, Wilfred Boulet, L. Siemens.

DRY RIVER POST OFFICE

The Post Office was opened in 1884 in the home of George Stewart, then moved to A. Easons. In 1904 it was taken over by Wm. Craik, then Stewart Robinson who had it until his death in 1948. It closed that year and the north part of the district is served by Mariapolis and the south by rural mail from Pilot Mound.

CHURCH IN DRY RIVER

The first church services were held in the school by Rev. H. Cairns, Presbyterian. Church was held here many years, as well as Sunday School. Some of the Ministers: Revs. Hunter, Ashcroft, McLean, Turnbull, Little, and Morrison. The church closed about 1920.

From Ballyduff to Excelsior

Ballyduff is the original name of the district later known as Excelsior. It began in 1880 with the arrival of Jim and Joe Craig and their mother, (the first white woman in that district), the three Babington brothers, Ben Gerolomy, Parker Follis, William Tisdale, Samuel Rowe, Mr. Hammond, Mark Sexsmith and John Cairns. Some of these names had already appeared in other districts. Later came the Stratfords, Bells, Johnsons, and Jacksons.

Mrs. Craig seems to have provided a home that was the hub of community activities. She was the chief nurse of the settlement and the first religious services were held in her home, conducted by John Cairns.

After getting settled the pioneers' first concern was to build a school and in 1883, Mike Babington started Ballyduff school in a log shanty on his homestead on 28-4-13. This school operated until 1885, when it was declared unfit by the superintendent of Education. Nothing daunted, the pioneers reorganized the school district, choosing the name of Excelsior, built a new building which was ready for classes by the summer of 1885. William Babington was the first teacher. Mr. Chancey taught in 1887. In 1888 Peter Sinclair was teaching until 1893, then Alex Brown of Glenora became teacher.

When the district of Greenway was started, the Excelsior district reorganized, and another school was built in 1897 on SE 21-4-13 at the cost of \$620. Trustees were: J. B. Craig, G. Sampson, P. A. Sinclair. The building, one of the oldest schools in southwest Manitoba, served



Excelsior School children in 1941.

the district until consolidation in 1960, and was bought and moved away from its old site by Mr. E. Comber.

The early settlers usually found an abundance of timber for fuel and buildings. When a house was to be built, a bee was formed, and new settlers got a change to meet their neighbours. Many a life-long friendship started this way. The bottom of the house was built of oak logs, hewn by hand with a broad axe. Sometimes these logs were drawn from the mill at Rock Lake. It was important to have four good "corner men" whose job would be to "dove tail" the corners of the logs. This was done in the following way: Once the walls were up it would be plastered with clay and lime and the interior would be whitewashed. The roofs were of sod, the first layer being of small limbs with sod placed on shingle style. During heavy rains, the roof would leak and articles had to be covered to prevent damage. These houses could be very cold and one old timer said the bread dough had to be wrapped as carefully as the baby to keep it warm and rising. Yeast was made from hops, picked and dried in the summer. Much of the furniture was homemade. Three-legged stools, poplar pole beds and straw mattresses were common.

The menu in the first winter was generally pretty uninspiring. Salt meat (usually pork, brought with them in barrels) and bannock appeared with dismal regularity in some houses. I read of one family whose first taste of fresh meat in months was a roast from a bear which the Indians had helped the men to shoot.

This is a song that was No. 1 on the hit parade on the Prairies in the 1870s. Probably many of the local pioneers could match it.

"I'm looking rather seedy now while holding down my claim,
And my victuals are not always served the best,
And the mice play shyly round me as I nestle down to rest
In my little old sod shanty in the west.
Oh the hinges are of leather and the windows have no glass,
While the board roof lets the howling blizzard in
And I hear the hungry coyote as he slinks up thro' the grass
Round the little old sod shanty on my claim."

EXCELSIOR TEACHERS

M. McDonald, Miss Renick, Dot Mowat, J. Richardson, Pearl Roberts, Lois Tisdale, Jean Reekie, E. Wareham, B. Johnson, S. Fehr, T. Syms, Enid Nelson, K. Madill, Ruth Mabon, Alex Brown, S. Johnson, Neta Frezin, B. Cullen, B. Phillips, E. Bint, Mildred Van Damme, G. Hutchings, Edna Hildebrand, Irene Waldie, M. Dubennan, H. Martins.

THE STORES

The first store was built near the flourmill which Blaine and Reid built in 1882 on the south east $\frac{1}{4}$ of 20-3-13. The name Glenora was given to this mill as a compliment to the Ogilvie Company, whose flour was marked "Glenora Patent". A sawmill was built in the same year by Walsh and Sons. Both mills burnt down in 1885. The store nearby was closed and later used as a home for the Crayston family who reached the district in 1890. This was the first store in the district and was managed by Thomas Rogers.

Another store was built by Charles Graham in 1892 at NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 28-2-13. In 1896 he moved this building to Baldur.

Another store was built about 1880 and was run by a man named Asher on the farm of Michael and William Little. There were no more stores built until 1901 when an American A.M. Ralston, built in Glenora. He sold the stock to Malone and Robertson in 1908 and returned to his farm at Petersburg, North Dakota. The store was managed by J. MacMillan and A. M. Lindsay served as bookkeeper until 1911 when he purchased the stock.

In 1912 he purchased the store and the two lots and operated it until 1944. He sold it to Gordon and Velma Hainstock. They sold to August and Mary Janke in 1946. Once more it changed hands in July 1949 when Walter and Elizabeth Ballantine bought it and ran it until 1972, when it was closed due to illness. The living quarters were part of the store. A new house was built in 1978 and the store torn down in 1979.

About 1911 Henry Carroll went around the countrysides with a peddling wagon drawn by one horse. It was something like Watkins, Rawleighs, etc. On his wagon was painted "Try Tylers Tea", "Use the Best and the Cheapest". He peddled his goods for a short time and also had a small store on the John Nelson farm in Marringhurst district. He also trapped and later moved to Glenora and had a store where Brinkworths are now. He sold groceries and dry goods, also in 1919 sold Imperial Bulk Fuel. His wife had a big henhouse about where Wilf Gordon now lives. She had 600 hens and shipped 90 dozen eggs a week to Winnipeg. In 1922 John Campbell operated a store where Charlie Balkham now lives. He had it for about five years then Alf Leslie purchased it in 1927 and besides groceries he also sold Massey Harris machinery. Then in 1931 he sold out to Bill Macklin. Bill only used this building a short time then moved across the street to the east where Henry Carroll had the store. Bill was a good business man. In the dirty thirties when money was scarce he would take chicken, turkeys, beef and pork on his customers store bill. He served the community until 1946. They also sold Imperial Bulk Fuel. Mick and Owen Collins

bought the business and added a lunch counter which was a welcome addition to our town. They also took over the Post Office from brother Jim. They had the Red and White store until 1948 when they sold out to Gordon and Velma Hainstock. Then Gordon sold to George and Ida Wilson in May, 1949. They dropped the Red and White and ran it as a private store. The lunch counter was closed before Collins sold. Wilsons ran the store for sixteen years and also farmed. In 1965 George's health began to fail and they sold to Merle and Marlene Brinkworth. In 1967 they built a new store and used the old store for living quarters. Then in 1971 they purchased a new house and tore the old store down.

BLACKSMITH SHOPS

Ed Ford was the first Blacksmith at Glenora. He came in 1908 and his shop was where Brinkworth's old store was. Besides shoeing horses he sold Implements and fixed up a few cars. Up near the roof of his shop were rows of nails covered with horses shoes. The roof was black with smoke from the forge. He was there until about 1912.

In 1913 Yab Nicoland came here from Clearwater and built a log building east of the old school in Pierson's bush, where he did blacksmith work. He later moved a building up where McLarens garage now is, and worked there. He was there until about 1916 when he moved to Avonlea, Saskatchewan.

In the early twenties Billy King moved into Glenora with his father and did some smithing as well as hauling dray from the C.N.R. station with an old team of horses for many years. He was there through the thirties and forties and also had a small livery barn.

MACHINE DEALERS

In the year 1915-1916 Reg Galloway and T. L. Lawrence and son Chris were the McCormick Deering Dealers. They were situated in the store part of the Ed Ford building.

GARAGES

Fred Potruff had a garage in the years 1921-1923 in the big oil shed which A. M. Lindsay bought later for bulk fuel. Mr. Potruff was situated about where the curling rink is now. Then in 1930 Bud Anderson built a garage about where Earl Preston's garage is. When it was first built they held dances in it. He was here about a year, then sold the building to Mr. Swainson from Baldur and he moved it there to use as a blacksmith shop. About 1940 Henry Olson moved into Glenora and had a small garage in about the same area. He operated there until 1944



when he sold his house to Pete Odell and his garage sat idle until Norman Greene bought it in 1946 and worked there for a short time then purchased lots on the corner across from the hardware and built a new garage. He did garage work there until he sold out to Jack Clark in 1948. Then in 1952 Steve Antonius purchased the garage and was also Oliver agent until taking a job in 1954 in Winnipeg. Ewart Southam rented the building in 1955 and employed Dick Reimer to repair his bulldozers and served the public. Then in 1956, Alphonse Boulet and family moved here from Pilot Mound and rented the garage from Mr. Antonius. He served the public until 1962 when he accepted a mechanic job with R. N. Ramage and Sons at Baldur. Alphonse worked there until his death in 1979. The garage was vacant until 1968 when Clarence McLaren bought it for private use.

POOL ROOM

In 1937 Bert Brown built a pool room, with two tables and sold confectionary. Then in 1938 he started selling Anglo Bulk Fuel. He operated this business until 1946 when ill health forced him to close his shop. In 1952 Lloyd Nelson bought the building and moved it to the Marrinhurst district.

HARDWARE

In 1937 Ab Macklin purchased a small building from Alf Leslie. He moved it onto the corner lots just east of Bert Brown's Pool Room. He built an addition on the back and started a filling station and sold International-Harvester parts and gradually expanded his business to a thriving hardware. With the coming of the Hydro to the farms in 1949 his business boomed. He built a new store in 1958 and sold in 1960 to M. VanDamme. It is now known as Glenora Hardware and was owned and operated by Jim and Mildred Kynoch until ill health forced a change, and at the end of 1980 Mildred's daughter Faye Lundgren bought the business.

STOCKYARDS

In about 1915 livestock was picked up from Glenora, Greenway and Neelin and shipped on the C.N.R. to Winnipeg. Wm. Coldron of Glenora and Mr. Bramwell from Neelin were buyers. They were paid so much a pound commission. In 1917 Mr. Coldron went to war but after his return, he bought cattle for a few more years. Then a man by the name of French bought cattle for a short time. Harry Strang from Greenway took over in 1921 and bought livestock in the district until 1929. Then Mr. Webber took over and shipped for the Co-Op. Elwood Baird from Pilot Mound took over at the start of the 1930s and well into the 1940s. By this time transportation had greatly improved and farmers started shipping on the transfers and selling to the packers, with a few still being sold to travelling or local buyers. In the early days, the Stockyards brought more money into the community than the Elevator did. Several transfers served the area to haul livestock to Winnipeg after the closure of the stockyards about 1950, it was sold in 1955.

Some of the transfers serving the area have been: Stephens and Hedley, Gemmill and Skardal, Bray, Collins, McKay, Miranda, Desrochers and some buyers had their own trucks as did Quintaine.

SHOE REPAIRS

Philo Odell moved into Glenora from his farm in 1938 and repaired shoes, and mended harnesses. They moved to Winnipeg in 1942.

C.N.R. STATION

Stuart Hicks was our only station agent. Coming in 1929 he was here for three years. Many cans of cream and crates of eggs made their way to market on the old C.N.R. Wakapa. The station unfortunately burned on a windy winter day in 1959.

MOVIES IN TOWN

In the early twenties Silent Movies were held in the school once a week. Hand operated and soundless, they were the highlight of the week. Cost of admission was 25-35¢. Charlie Chaplin was one of the main characters of the time. Then in the late forties, movies again came to town on a weekly basis. This was a real treat, as of course T.V. was unheard of yet. They were held in the Community Hall and many nights there was standing room only. Several different people operated the shows and travelled to as many as six towns to show the same film in the week.

SKATING RINK

Charlie Carlson started the first skating rink of poles and straw in 1923, using gas lanterns for light. Season tickets were \$2.00. Then another outdoor rink was built in about 1926. Many carnivals, hockey games and family skating took place here. After the war a new outdoor rink was built at the present site. Again many rip-roaring hockey games took place. It is still used by the students and family skating.

COMMUNITY HALL

In 1931 a small one-room hall was built which was a boon to community activities. With the additions to the ends and both sides, we now have a roomy modern hall to serve the needs of our small community.

BARBER SHOP

Norman McGillvray operated a barbershop for a short time in the Henry Carroll store building. Even after that one could always get a haircut in town as several men did the job quite well and for a small price.

CURLING RINK

The original rink was built in the north-east corner of town in about 1927, it was small but very busy. Then in 1949 a new rink with one sheet of ice was built at the present site. It was decided a few years later to enlarge and put in two sheets of ice and an upstairs kitchen. How did we ever get along without it? Many good curlers have come out of Glenora district. Of course as in any rink the best curling is done from the stands.

(1939)
Personnel of Rinks

R. Pottruff	W. J. Macklin	J. Robinson	H. Pottruff
W. R. Simpson	D. Pierson	H. Comber	E. Simpson
F. Cuthbert	S. Odell	Win Cuthbert	U. Collins
C. Douglas	A. Macklin	J. Cuthbert	Mrs. Douglas
D. E. Ballantine	Vic Rowley	H. Collins	R. VanDamme
A. Douglas	Geo Porter	R. Sutton	Ida Porter
G. Brinkworth	B. Sutton	Nan Sutton	Olive Odell
J. Hainstock	N. Major	F. Rowley	Mr. VanDamme
R. Galloway	S. Delorme	Leo Conrad	L. Conrad
S. Cuthbert	D. Rowley	W. Lundgren	Lu Cuthbert
F. Garrett	J. Oliver	Ann Lindsay	Hazel Brown
D. Mckenzie	F. Macklin	R. Smith	Nell Macklin
W. Garrett	J. Collins	M. Coldron	Joe VanDamme
H. Wickens	B. Brown	Vic Hardy	W. King
W. Kay	E. Robinson	Len Cuthbert	Herb Macklin
E. Cuthbert	Mic Collins	D. Lindsay	J. Choquette

C. Rink — 1962

SKIPS	THIRDS	SECONDS	LEADS
K. Goethals	Bill Kynoch	C. Crayston	Paul DeMaertelaere
Ken Odell	Harry Comber	G. DeMaertelaere	Philip VanDamme
Vic Rowley	Ron Brinkworth	Gordon Kynoch	Blanche Goethals
Ken McElroy	Enid Collins	Edith Harrison	Alan Tosh
Bill Collins	Ray Schuerbeke	Edna Williams	Ida Wilson
Jack Cuthbert	Win Cuthbert	Ross Denbow	Lou Cuthbert
Len Cuthbert	Olive Cuthbert	Maudie Comber	Vic Nelson
Mel Brinkworth	Mildred VanDamme	Fred Macklin	Andy Kynoch
Marcel VanDamme	Russ Sutton	Alfred Rowley	Joe Koldyk
Mick Collins	Grant Harrison	Bob Avery	Joan Kynoch
Remi VanDamme	Walt Parsonage	Joyce McElroy	David VanDamme
M. DeMaertelaere	Ray Balkham	Mary Macklin	Mert Nelson
Mel McElroy	Ted Porter	Edith Rowley	Mark Collins

GLENORA BONSPIEL

A bonspiel in town is a grand affair
Providing the weather is fine.
For old and young both, it's a pepup event
It's curling and courting combined.

'Tis the first sign of spring, it can't help but be,
For a warm spell has left a great scar,
If you don't mind your step you'll sit on your seat,
And you'll have what to other you are.

Mick Collins our rink caretaker
He has given all his time to that fun.
When the rink starts its thawing and dripping
The tears down his cheeks they do run.

Our town mayor Casey, a curling rink fixture
He'll play with women and men
Like Churchill of England, he'll never give up,
When he's down, he will score an eight end.

Now we'll take this rock out, says Reggie to Bill
In a voice both coaxing and sweet
But Bill missed the broom and Reg dropped a remark,
He must have picked up on the street.

Now Paddy started curling, he wants to skip rink
But he says they just make him first sub.
If they don't do it different next time there's a spiel
He'll transfer to some other club.

Frank curled Cliff in the club tuther night
The game seemed to create quite a thrill
When someone asked Cliff who he thought would win
His opponent said, "Oh, I think Frank will."

Old Tope is our inside curler
He loves both his foes and his friends
He knows the inturn and out-turn,
And when it's time to change ends.

Harry Wickens the inside opponent
He'll have his own way no doubt
His pipe makes a fog like a brick yard
In a short time he'll smoke you out.

Paul sweeps with his broom
And he hums a nice tune rat-a-tat-eta
But he met his mistake in the final event
And he was too many for Pa.

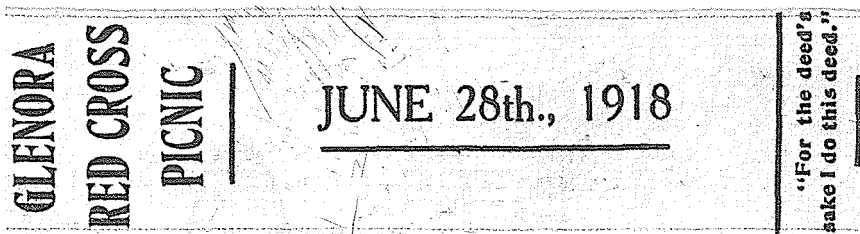
Now the bonspiel is over and when prizes come out
There's some of us will be missed
If we're not spared for another spiel
We have had a good time in this.

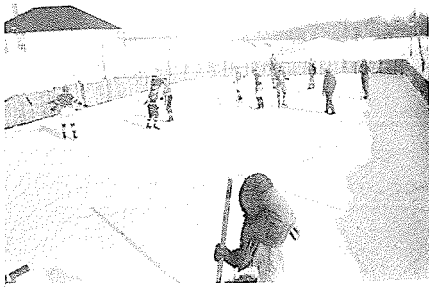
BULK FUEL BUSINESS

A. M. Lindsay started selling Bulk oil in 1918. Jack Brinkworth Sr. sold fuel for the Co-op, later taken over by Charlie Lumber, with the shed being over near the last one used in town. Henry Carroll sold for Imperial as did Bill Macklin, Gordon Hainstock, Collins Bros. George Wilson and Tope Odell. Mr. Lindsay sold Prairie City and North Star. Bert Brown sold Anglo. August Janke sold B.A. and was taken over by Walter Ballantine who later sold Anglo - which changed to Royalite and then to Gulf. Today we have no agent in town but are capably served by agents of our choice in towns closeby.

RED CROSS WORK IN WARTIME

As in all communities Glenora was very active with Red Cross work. Packing boxes of food and clothing for soldiers and making quilts and doing alot of sewing. As the ribbon here indicates picnics were held during the first world war. We still continue to support the Red Cross with donations every spring.





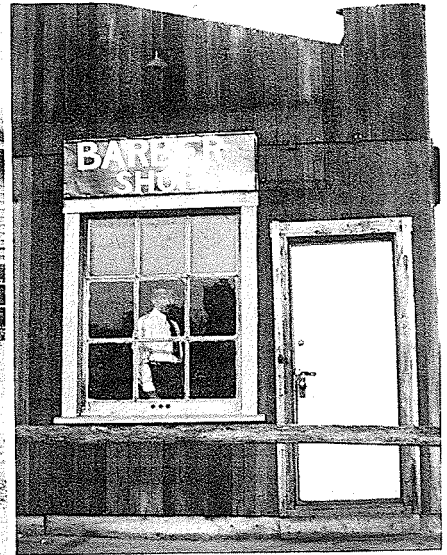
1948, Glenora open air rink.



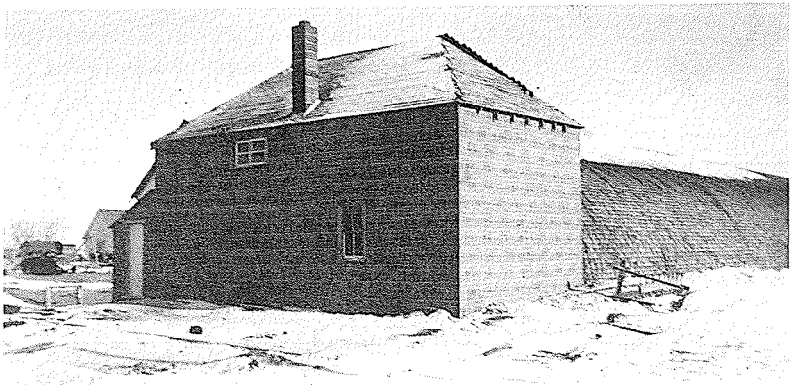
1948, Glenora open air rink.



Bill Macklin's store.



Glenora's barber shop.



1955, Glenora Curling Rink.

MANITOBA POOL ELEVATOR — GLENORA

The elevator was built in 1927 with a capacity of 32,000 bushels. The annex was built in 1952, having a capacity of 45,000 bushels. All facilities: elevator, annex, house, etc. cost \$41,000. (the replacement value of course would be much higher than this). The living quarters were at first in the north-west corner of the elevator until a comfortable bungalow was built about 1943.

Total bushels handled up to July 31, 1969 were 5,835,000 bushels.

Following are the agents since the association was formed until its closure in 1978: 1927-1928 — W. P. Waters; 1929-1950 — C. C. Douglas; 1950-1952 — F. W. McIntosh; 1953-1958 — D. P. Miller; 1958-1962 — R. N. Denbow; 1962-1973 — W. B. Gordon; 1973-1975 — Denis Magwood; 1975-1978 — Claire Lobreau.

The original directors: Bruce Fraser - President; J. E. Brinkworth — Vice; J. M. Cruikshank — Secretary; P. T. Cuthbert, Silas Wardell, N. Galloway, Frank Nelson.

The final directors: Wesley Nelson, Jim Kynoch, John Thomas, Grant Harrison, Ralph Ballantine, Roger Lebeau, Robert Lundgren.

Much to the disapproval of all area farmers and after many attempts on their part to persuade the powers that be, to leave us our elevator, it was closed at the end of 1978. The elevator, annex, coal sheds were sold to Desrochers farms and the house to Tony and Renée Bisson. Unfortunately the Desrochers suffered a big loss in December 1980 when fire destroyed the elevator and contents of their crop for that year plus the annex and sheds. This certainly has left an empty spot in our small town, and one not easily replaced.

GLENORA POST OFFICE AND MAIL HAULING

The first Post Office was opened in 1881 about a mile south of Glenora, on the south half of 28-3-13. It was operated by Mrs. Thomas Feeley. The mail was hauled from Pilot Mound with an ox-cart. The Feeleys left this area in 1887.

The Post Office was then operated by M. Little on the same section, closer to town for two years, and then the farm and Post Office were transferred to George Graham and family.

In 1903 the Post Office moved again to the South East quarter of 36-3-13 and was run by Mr Gregory Fraser, with the mail hauled by Mr. Jack Craig from Pilot Mound.

In 1909 Mrs. Charlie Lumbers became Postmistress and moved the office to her residence in Glenora. At this time the mail was coming on the train, but this did not prove too satisfactory, as the train only came

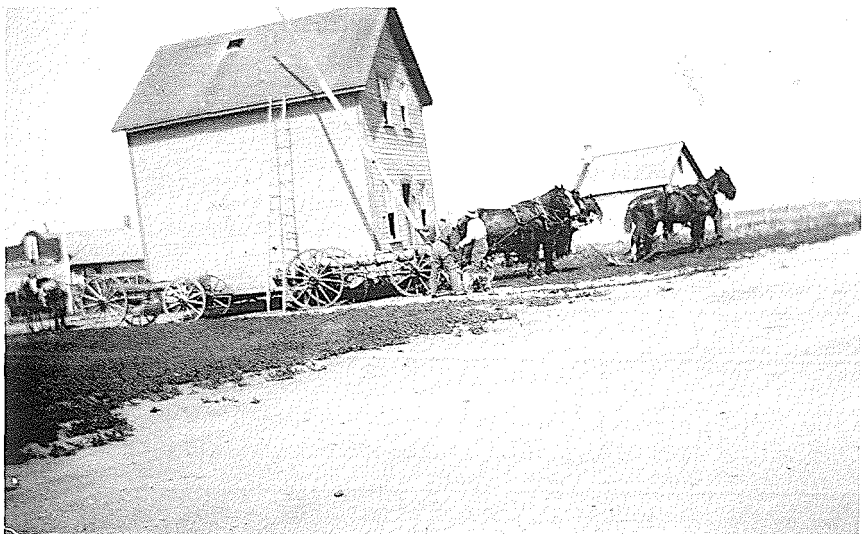


Mr. Matt McLeod driving mail from Pilot Mound with team of mules.

once a week. This was changed again when Mr. King from Neelin hauled it from Greenway to Glenora as well as Neelin.

About 1947 Jim Collins took over the Post Office and moved to their house, presently owned by Ross and Olive Preston of Winnipeg and used as a summer home.

It was later moved to Collins Bros. Store and run by Mick and



The old post office on the move to the east of town.

Owen until 1948 when they sold their business to Gordon Hainstock and the Post Office changed hands with the store. At this time the mail was hauled from Greenway by Fred Coldron, he also hauled it from Baldur when the system changed again.

The mail was rerouted to Pilot Mound and hauled by William King of Pilot Mound. Also the home of Mat McLeod who later hauled it with a team of mules.

In 1949 the Post Office again followed the store when it was sold to George Wilson. Mrs. Ida Wilson became Postmistress and in 1962 George took over the mail hauling contract also.

In 1965 Merle and Marlene Brinkworth bought the store and the Post Office was transferred to Marlene and mail hauling to Merle. He hauled from Baldur three times a week until the system was changed again in the spring of 1976, at that time and since, the mail is hauled daily by Government truck.

June 1st 1981 Glenora Post Office celebrated its 100th birthday.

Family History

ED. ANTHONY

It is presumed by the writer that Ed Anthony came to Manitoba from Ontario in the 1890s. After working as a farm labourer for a number of years, one of these farmers being Cornocks at Greenway, he bought the S.W. 31-3-13 and S.E. 36-3-14.

In 1905 Ed married Margaret McLellan and they farmed at this location until 1913.

During this time five children were born namely: Richard, Harold, Madeline, Lorne and Florence.

In 1913 Ed sold the farm and the family moved to Saskatchewan to homestead at Kincaid where another daughter, Velma, was born. Ed farmed in this location until he passed away in 1925. After Ed passed away the family moved to Meyronne and finally settled in the Horse Creek district near Mankota.

During this time all the children except Richard married and lived in the area.

Margaret Anthony passed away in the late 1940s. In later years Lorne, Florence and Madeline passed away. At the time of writing, 1981, Richard resides at Lafleche, Harold at Mankota and Velma at Moose Jaw.

THE WILLIAM APPERLEY FAMILY

Mr. William Apperley came to Manitoba from Alliston, Ontario in 1882. He came to his uncle's, Mr. Galloway at Marrinhurst and helped him put his crop in and then they built a log house on the Apperley homestead, N.E. ¼ 32-4-12. He went back east that fall and brought his family up the next spring. Three girls were born in Ontario, Minnie, Golda and Gertrude. Cora, Edway, Frank and Irene were born in the Dry River district and went to school there. Minnie died when she was 7. Golda married Mr. Couch. Gertrude married William Herrick. Cora became Mrs. Clarkson. Ed married and lived in the area. Frank died in 1926. Irene became Mrs. Webster. Mr. and Mrs. Apperley retired and moved to Winnipeg in 1921. In 1929 they came back to the country and he died in 1929 and she in 1932.

THE EDWAY APPERLEY FAMILY

Ed married Pearl Freedy in 1913. Their first child, Cora, died in her first year. Pearl was in the Air Force and then took up teaching. She married Wes Cook and has four children and lives in Toronto.

Lorne also was in the Air Force, then worked with C.P. Airways in Calgary and married there. They returned to live in the area and then moved to Carman. They have ten children. Mr. and Mrs. Apperley celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary. He has passed away and she resides in Prairie View Lodge, Pilot Mound.

Graydon married Ruth McLaren of Glenora area and farms the homeplace.

THE OCTAVE ANDRIES FAMILY

Octave and Susie (nee Nierinck) farmed in the Dry River district, and later in the Marrinhurst district. They had three girls: Germaine, Irene and Lorraine and a boy Alex. From here they went to Winnipeg where they lived until their passing. Germaine married John Bonnot and they also farmed in the Marrinhurst and Zephyr districts, and later also moved to Winnipeg where they still reside.

THE AVERY FAMILY **S.W. 14-3-13**

Joe Avery came from Port Perry, Ontario with his parents in 1880. They settled on the Little Prairie where Joe and his brother Bill did carpenter work. In 1901 he married Annie Boulet from Dunrea. They had three children, Archie and Norman who passed away in infancy and Jeffrey.

In 1912 the family moved to the north shore of Rock Lake to take over the Summer Resort started by Mr. Joe Morrison.

In the early years many settlers travelled to Rock Lake for fish to help their food supply. In 1928 the first of many pioneer picnics was held at the lake, bringing together many friends. This was held June 15th each year and was to celebrate the settlement of the district which had been in 1878. Pilot Mound, Clearwater, Crystal City, Glenora and Mather took part. One year two airplanes from North-Western Airways carried up passengers all afternoon. Baseball tournaments took place and many dances were held. Numerous tasty meals were served during the 1920s. The original dining-room and kitchen was replaced by a new hotel in 1929.

Jeff married Elsie Moore from Mather in 1923 and they helped out at the Resort until 1928 when they moved to a farm in the Crystal River district. They had two boys Bill and Bob. In 1950 Annie Avery passed away at which time Jeff and the family returned to Rock Lake to assist Joe Avery. It was in 1952 that Bill married Neita McKay and they moved to the farm. Bob and Evelyn Ward were married in 1954, staying on to work at the Resort. They have three children, Karen, Paul and

Michelle, this making the fourth generation to live at the Resort.

In 1980 the Resort changed out of the hands of the Averys to become a Church camp. Jeff and Elsie have since moved to Brandon. Bob and Evelyn are currently building a new home on the North-East corner of Rock Lake.

BALKHAM FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Balkham with their three children Peggy, Charles, and John arrived in Winnipeg from Kent, England in 1913. Unable to find a job at the time he contacted Mr. Alf. Marshal, section foreman on C.N.R. at Glenora. Mr. Marshal was in need of a man at this time so the family came to Glenora.



Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Balkham.

Wm. Balkham worked on the section, renting a house from T. L. Lawrence which he later bought and is still the home of his son Charles. The wages paid to Mr. Balkham was two dollars a day.

In 1921 Wm. Balkham, his wife and John, his son, moved to Horton, Manitoba to be foreman on the section. In 1923 they moved to California where John still resides.

Peggy Balkham went to Winnipeg where she married Percy Gregg. They still reside there.

Charles Balkham worked on the farm for Joe Crayston in 1921-1923 and in 1923 started farming for himself on S.E. ¼ 20-3-13. He married Lena Odell in 1927 and they farmed here until 1930. Twin girls were born while on the farm, Nancy and Helen.

While Charlie farmed, his house in Glenora was rented. Mr. Norman Gorrell, a school teacher, had it rented for a short time. In 1922 Mr. Campbell operated a store in this house until 1927 when the store was taken over by Alf Leslie Jr. In 1930 Alf Leslie sold it to Bill Macklin who moved the store goods across the street to the old Henry Carrol store.

Charlie, Lena and girls moved into the Balkham house in 1930 and Charlie went back to work for Joe Crayston for the next three years. He also worked for Lloyd Nelson for a number of years. Their son Stanley was born in 1932 and Raymond in 1937.

In 1943 the family moved to Homefield, where he worked in the Harrison Flour Mill. They returned to Glenora in 1944. Charlie worked for Claude Crayston also on the Hydro when the lines were put through for rural hydro power.

Their children are all married: Helen (Mrs. Don Mathieu), Sioux Narrows, Nancy (Mrs. Ken Bridal), Calgary, has four children; Calvin, Margaret, David and Kelly. Stanley, also in Calgary has five children: Neil, Leith, Shannon, Dean and Carrie. Raymond, Glenora has three children: Cheri, Harvey and Tammy.

In 1959 Charlie took the job of making ice for Glenora Curling Rink, and was also caretaker for many years. During the last few he is unable to do the work of flooding the ice but is always there to give a helping hand.

THE ROBERT BALLANTINE FAMILY

Bob and Margaret Ballantine lived at Lanark County, Ontario. Margaret died in 1901 at the age of 49 and Bob in 1922 at the age of 83. Son Bob came to his uncle Archie Ballantines, north of Pilot Mound. From there, he bought at Glenora, N ½ 1-4-13 for his dad and other family members to come to in 1905. He then went to Elgin to work for another uncle, Duncan Ballantine. From there he took a homestead at Laverna, Saskatchewan where he farmed until his retirement to Edmon-

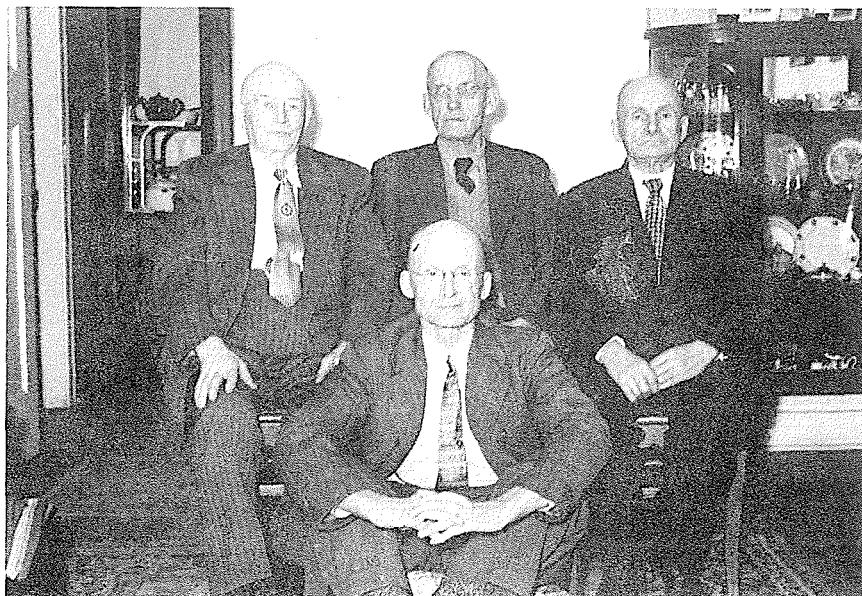


James Hector Ballantine, 1916.

ton, where he passed away. Jane married John Peterbough, a carpenter at Dauphin. They had two girls Elma (Mrs. Earl Mahan), Fern, single and Orville, married overseas. Jane passed away May 12, 1973. Willie worked on the family farm until going in 1912, to take up a homestead near Edmonton where he is now retired. Hannah married Henry Beaton and farmed at Kitscoty, Alberta. Dave farmed at home before going to War in 1915. He returned in 1919 to buy and work his own farm until his brother Hector died accidentally in 1924. Then he ran the family farm until selling it to Mr. Lebeau in 1927.

Kate had worked in Winnipeg until coming home to help her dad in 1915. She had her own house built in Glenora in 1927 where she lived for a few years. She worked for the Breault brothers and their father at Greenway for 17 years, then retired to her house in Glenora. She was an avid gardener and even after arthritis slowed her down, she still tried to garden. She belonged to the W.I. and later to the Booster Club and really enjoyed getting out to meetings when the weather was good. Asthma kept her a shut-in during the winter. She was always ready for company and a cup of tea. Aunt Kate as she was known to all was sadly missed. She spent her last few years in Baldur Hospital and Brandon Personal Care Home and passed away May 14, 1975 at the age of 90. Beulah married Tope (Steve) Odell of Glenora in 1924 and they worked out west several years. Their only son died in infancy in 1929. Coming back to Glenora he drove a truck and sold Bulk Oil. He retired in 1974 after serving the area for Imperial Oil for 25 years. A daughter Glenice was born in 1937, now Mrs. Len Frank. She is a hairdresser in Winnipeg.

Tope passed away in May 1978 and Beulah lives in her house in Glenora. Two members of the family were married in Ontario. Mary was Mrs. Reed, and did not come west. Duncan, his wife and family came to Marringhurst to farm and have a report in this book.



Three Ballantine Bros. at Edmonton in 1955. Left to right: Bob, a friend, Willie and Dave on floor.



Tope (Steve) Beulah and daughter Glenice, 1974.

DUNCAN AND ISABELLE BALLANTINE (Rintoule)

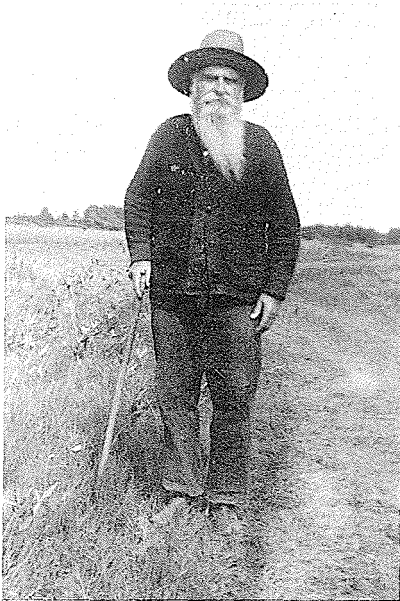
Duncan came to Manitoba from Herrons Mills, Ontario settling in Marrinhurst district in 1906. He moved his family in the spring of 1907. There were five girls and one boy who came from Ontario. There were two more boys and one girl born in Manitoba.

Duncans' wife Isabelle was loved by everyone and took part in all community activities. She was deceased in April 1933 at 55 years of age. Duncan was deceased in October 1944 at age 72 years.

Their family: Belle, Margaret, Robert, Jessie, Olive, Ruth, Walter, Ralph and Lena.

Belle married Colin MacNee in 1916. Colin enlisted in the Army and served from 1916 to 1919. Returning in 1920 he took up farming in Glenora district. They had one son, Colin Jr. who got his schooling in Glenora and Marrinhurst. He also enlisted in the Army and served from 1940 to 1965, then worked for Manitoba Public works until retirement in February 1978. Deceased September 1978. Belle deceased May 1971 and Colin Sr. in February 1962.

Margaret married James Wright, a railroad foreman in Greenway, Rosebank and Emerson. He died in 1948 in Emerson after a lengthy illness. They had four sons: James Jr. who enlisted in 1940 and was killed in action in Germany. Earl a retired railroad employee lives in Lorette.



Robert Ballantine.



Kate Ballantine.



Ballantines, 1969.
Olive, Maggie, Belle, Ruth, Jessie, Lena.
Bob, Walter, Ralph.



Walter & Elizabeth Ballantine and family.
Della, Charlotte, Elwin, Anita, Doris, Kay.

Earl also enlisted in World War 2. Howard also a retired railroad employee and also enlisted in World War 2, now lives in Emerson. Ralph, a customs officer lives in Emerson.

Robert moved to Shipman, Saskatchewan in 1925 and homesteaded, married Florence Cowan then moved to Manville, Alberta where he farmed until 1965 when he was employed at Manville Hospital until his retirement in 1970. They have one daughter, Linda. Florence deceased in April 1980.

Jessie married Fred Kenny, farming on the Head farm from 1920 to 1927. They then moved to Shipman, Saskatchewan in 1928 where Fred owned a general store. They have a family of one son and four daughters: Fred Jr. in Quesnel, B.C., Mabel in Prince Albert, Doreen at present in North Battleford, Lillian and Ruth, twins in Alberta. Fred Sr. died in March 1966. Jessie lives in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan.

Olive, when employed in Alberta, married Richard (Dick) Evans at Kitscoty, farming there until Dick's death in 1958. They have three sons and three daughters. Two sons have taken over the farm with mixed farming. Olive has remained with her families.

Ruth remained single and cared for her father and farmed with Ralph until her father's death. She is at present living in Winnipeg with her youngest sister, Lena.

Ralph married Jean Simpson in 1947 and remained on the home farm for a while until moving to the Wardell farm. They had four children: Murray, now in Ottawa, Vicki in Toronto, Grant at home and Ross in Pilot Mound. Jean deceased in May, 1971. Ralph remarried in 1973 to Alice Robinson. Ralph and Alice enjoy their winters in Mesa, Arizona.

Lena married Dave Murray, moved to Winnipeg where Dave was employed by the C.N.R. and in the reserve Army. Lena had different forms of employment through the years. They are both retired now. They have one daughter and one son: Jeanette and James D.

Walter married Elizabeth Conrad in 1931 and they have a family of six: Doris, Charlotte, Della, Elwin, Anita and Kay. After working for Reg Galloway on N $\frac{1}{2}$ 30-3-12 for five years he bought N.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ 26-3-13 in 1937 and farmed there until 1949.

Walter bought the Lindsay store from Aug Janke in 1949. Walter is still doing some trucking and also drove a school bus for 12 years. He built a new home in 1978 and dismantled the old store with my great regret as it was an old landmark. Family all married and moved out of district except Doris who is still on the farm.

Doris and Willie (her husband) bought the farm and had a family of seven children. (History elsewhere in the book.)

Charlotte (Mrs. Balkham) and family, Neil, Leith, Shannon and Dean live in Fort McLeod, Alberta. Neil served as a Queens' Guard in

London, England for three years then returned home. At present he is employed as a Correctional Officer in Calgary. Leith is also employed in Calgary. Shannon is in University at present. Dean is a student in Fort McLeod.

Della (Mrs. Harold Reimer) lives at Oak Bluff with a family of four girls and one boy: Sherry, Carolyn, Valarie, Blaine and Katherine, (Kass). Della and Val are employed at McLeods Wholesale in Winnipeg as secretaries. Sherry is in a Printers Office, Carolyn at Powell Equipment, Blaine in an Auto body shop and Kass is still in school. Harold has fallen in father-in-laws' tracks as a truck driver.

Elwin and wife Gail (Breault) live in Winnipeg and have three girls, Kristine, and Heather, school age and Nancy, not school age. No truck drivers in this family so far. Elwin is driving a truck for Paul's hauling for about 12 years has also fallen in Walter's tracks. Gail is a loving mother and homemaker.

Anita, Mrs. Fred Garbett, lives in Coquitlam, B.C. Both are Bank of Commerce employees. Her two children are still students and part-time employed.

Kay, Mrs. Barry McGill lives in Winnipeg. Barry is a night Patrol Guard and Kay has been employed in Great West Life for nearly 20 years now. Michael and Shawna, their family, still in school with Michael taking shots at hockey.

They say you will find one bad weed in each family and "Guess who was ours." Well from day one to 18th year she was just like a shot in mid air and you never knew what she was up to, our dear little Anita. Size of an ant and as quick as one but she says not anymore after thirty some years.

THE RALPH BALLANTINE FARM

Cornelius Baird homesteaded SE 6-4-12 in 1879 and later his son, John Baird farmed the land. In 1906, Duncan Ballantine bought this land. He and his wife Isabella with their children: Belle, Maggie, Bob, Jessie, Olive and Ruth journeyed from Desbarat, Ontario to make their home here. Walter, Ralph, and Lena were born in their Manitoba home.

The NW 6-4-13 was homesteaded by Wm. Morden in 1879 and later by Lem Pierson and Andy Gibson. Duncan Ballantine bought this quarter and later the marsh quarter.

The family lived together until their mother died in 1933 and their father in 1944. Ralph and Ruth continued to farm together until he married Jean Simpson of Glenora. He bought S½ 7-4-12 in 1946. This land was homesteaded by Pat Doherty. In 1919 Silas and Agnes Wardell bought the S½ 7-4-12 and farmed it until 1941. His son Howard continued to farm with his wife Marjorie (Cudmore) until 1945.

John and Germaine Bonnet rented the farm until Ralph took over in 1947.

Ralph and Jean had four children: Murray, Vickie, Grant and Ross. Jean passed away in 1971.

Jim Kynoch farmed the old farm for a few years and Ruth remained on the farm.

Murray is employed in Ottawa, Vickie in Winnipeg, Grant and Ross in Pilot Mound.

Ralph married Alice Robinson in 1973. Alice's son Bill and his wife Maureen live in Abbotsford, B.C.

MR. AND MRS. HERMIDAS BARSALOU

Hermidas married Sylvia Pattyn and they farmed on 8-4-12 for many years. Their family was: Leo married Therese Fraser. Rene also married. Therese married Fermin Walley. Lawrence married Lillian Pantel. Denis married Lillian Ringrose and continued on the family farm.

SYDNEY BATEMAN FAMILY

Sydney Hollingworth Bateman was the fourth son of Arthur and Ellen Ann Bateman who came west from Maple, Ontario the summer of 1892, arriving in Glenboro by train.

The four sons started out for Thomas Badger's farm one mile east of Victoria church, better known as "The Stone Church". However for reasons now unknown, only got to Elliott's farm, by the present Glenboro cemetery, by nightfall. The following morning they finished the journey of nine or ten miles. Mr. Badger, who was Mrs. Bateman's brother, and being a bachelor, was glad of a cook and had lots of room for the boys. Batemans stayed until Mr. Badger was being married.

At that time Batemans moved in to Baldur to the house now occupied by Tom and Vera Jensen which was across the street on Earl Johnson's lot. After two years, they moved to the location on Government Road and built the house which is still the home of Mildred Bateman who was born in Manitoba.

At the age of fourteen Sydney started working as a farm hand at ten dollars a month plus two dollars if the crop was good, which it was not. When he was nineteen he rented the first of several farms. He finally purchased N ½ 26-3-14 and moved the family there on October 12th, 1914.

Sydney married Elizabeth McNee of Baldur, a daughter of A. E. Cramer, one mile east of Baldur April 10th, 1912. They farmed across

the road until buying the farm. Three children were born to this couple: Royden John, Margaret Elizabeth, Albert Ernest.

They received their education at Connought and Wigton schools. The family attended the United Church in Glenora until the United Church ceased holding services, then returned to Baldur United.

Lily (Elizabeth) was President of Glenora United Church Ladies Aid for 18 years. Also Secretary of the Glenora Poultry Pool for many years as this was the only outlet for poultry in the early thirties.

Lily Bateman was also a diligent worker in the Red Cross, Baldur Hospital Aid or any community work where she was needed.

Sydney passed away August 7th, 1952, after which Albert and his mother moved to Baldur. Mrs. Bateman had a new house built where Albert now lives. Mrs. Bateman returned to the farm for several summers. She moved in to Baldur Manor on its opening. She passed away in the Baldur Hospital May 28th, 1973. Sydney and Lily are both buried in Baldur Cemetery. A large picture was presented to the Manor in her memory by her family.

Margaret married Nelson Hawn of Baldur. They reside in Kempville, Ontario and have no family.

Albert married Della Patrick and reside in Baldur. They have two sons, Glayne and Rhean - married to Valerie Koldyk of Baldur. Albert farms two miles south of Baldur.

Royden married Dorothy Morgan of Homewood. They have two children: Lorne Royden who married Elaine Platt of Pilot Mound. They have four boys: Aaron Royden, Jeffery Charles, Curtis Lorne, Kirby Jay of Winnipeg.

Daughter Roberta Dorothy married Renwick John Cuthbertson. They have three of a family, Crystal Lee, Cory Lynn, Robin Scott Renwick of Westdale, Winnipeg.

Sydney and Lily's farm was sold to Albert Bateman who in turn sold it to Herb Reimer in August 1977.

After the war was over, Royden and Dorothy returned to the farm S½ 35-3-14. North half purchased in 1944 and farmed until September 1978 at which time it was sold to Dennis Warkentine. Roy and Dorothy moving to Baldur.

A passing footnote: 35-3-14 in earlier time was known as the "Spring Brook" farm according to other earlier settlers now long gone.

WILLIAM BELL FAMILY

William and Bertha Bell immigrated to Canada from London, England in May 1907 with three children, Emma, Sarah and Charles.

The trip by boat, took approximately 13 days. Landing in Montreal, then travelling on to Winnipeg and Baldur. The family resided in

Baldur until 1909. They moved to the Glenora district and farmed for a short time then William took a job with the railroad. During these years five more children were born: Florence (Daisy), Edith, William (Bill), Clara and Edward.

During the 1920s the Bell family moved to Holmfield where George, Rose and Marge were born. William passed away in Holmfield in 1934. Bertha moved to Winnipeg where she resided until her death in 1959.

Bertha and William had eleven children, ten of whom are still living. There are 46 grandchildren.

GEORGE BLACK FAMILY

George and Christena farmed the McQuarrie farm for 28 years, making this farm in the hands of the same family for 92 years. They had one son Barry, born at Elkhorn in 1945 and a daughter Darlene, born here in 1946. Barry married Marilyn Wanless in 1972 and lived at Belmont. After a lengthy illness Marilyn passed away in 1978. Barry still resides there. Darlene married Brian Bowden in 1966, they have a girl Marnie, born in 1969 and a boy Trevor, born in 1971 and reside in Winnipeg. After the family was grown up Christena took up teaching again and taught at Lonsboro from 1966-1971. Then she taught at Glenora from 1971-1975. They retired from farming in 1973 and moved to Pilot Mound and reside there today. They sold the farm to Donald Desrochers, son of Celeste and Juliette Desrochers of the Greenway area.

THE BOULET RESIDENCE

by Mabel

In 1956 Alphonse and I moved to Glenora from Pilot Mound. We bought a house from Mary Robinson, who is now living in Winnipeg. This house was first owned by Ab and Nell Macklin and was on part of section 33-3-13 where they lived before moving to Glenora. From there the house was moved to north of Glenora to Mrs. Esther Brown's farm (sec. 4). Mrs. Brown then sold the house to Norman Green and he moved it on to a lot in Glenora. Later it was sold to Jack Clark who in turn sold it to Mary Robinson prior to our move to Glenora. Mr. and Mrs. Swayze and family had rented the house after Greens had left Glenora.

Alphonse and I (Mabel), with our four children: Leo, Wes, Melody and Cliff lived in this little house for three years. It consisted of a kitchen and living-room downstairs and two make shift bedrooms upstairs. In 1959 we bought the house next door, which was only partly finished and owned by Doug Rowley, at this time living in Ontario. To the best of my



The Boulet Family. Standing, l to r: Wes, Alphonse and Melody. Seated, l to r: Leo, Carmen, Mabel and Cliff.



knowledge Doug Rowley had bought a parcel of land from Doug Pier-son in 1949 and built this house for himself and family. After Doug moved to Ontario Steve Antonius rented the house. The next tenant was Alfred (Bunny) Thomson and wife Marge. In the fall of 1958 Bunny, Marge and four children moved to The Pas, Manitoba. Then in the spring of 1959 Alphonse and I bought this house. After doing some carpenter work with the help of Art Weiss we moved into our home in June. Then came the process of tearing down the little old house we had lived in for the past three years. The two boys, Leo and Wes, helped Art Weiss take the old house down.

In 1964 we were blessed with a second daughter, Carmen Anne. The other children often teased their dad about being so excited at this time. Coming to the hospital, in the evening to visit me in the evening, when he got to the end of the driveway he felt a jerk on the car. He had forgotten to unplug the car.

In 1979 Alphonse passed away. He had been a mechanic for forty years. The last 17½ he had worked for R. Ramage in the John Deere garage in Baldur.

Our family received most of their schooling in Glenora and Baldur.

Leo while attending Baldur High brought home the trophy and honors from the Track and Field Meet. As he was named "Top Male Athlete" of Tiger Hills School Division for 1963. Leo also set a record high jump of 5 feet 4 inches, also winning the triple jump and won second in the 100 and the 220 yard dashes.

Leo married Jean Moroz of Oak Bluff. They have one son, Trevor.

Wes Boulet was an athlete also and captured the highest individual award to be named "Top Male Athlete" for Tiger Hills Division in 1964. He also received a trophy and crest for his achievement.

Wes married Janet Thorne from Norman's Cove, Newfoundland. They have a son, Jason and two daughters, Michelle and Nicole.

Melody (Boulet) Martens, when at Baldur High in Grade IX received a certificate award for the highest average in the Tiger Hills Division in the year 1964-1965.

Melody married a former schoolmate, Rene Martens and they live on a farm five miles south of Baldur. They have two children, Tammy and Patrick.

Cliff married Marge Budniak from Meleb, Manitoba. They have two sons, Jimmy and Greg.

The boys all work and live in Winnipeg.

Carmen is attending school in Baldur, travelling by bus.

ALPHONSE BOULET FARM

Alphonse Boulet married Cordelia Morin in 1907 living at Cypress River until 1920 when they came to the Dry River district settling on the E½ 22-4-12. They had eight girls and ten boys. Gerald died in infancy, twins Joseph and Mary died at birth, Alex also died while an infant. Rose married Ulderich Boudier, Antoine (dec.), Marie-Anne married Jerome De Vlioger, Thorfield (dec.), Leo married Margaret Wood and farms at Baldur, Gerald met with a fatal accident while a small child, Blanche married Paul Morin of Mariapolis, Aurelie married Aurel Desrochers of Mariapolis, Aime married Lillian Desrochers and farm at Baldur, Ovila married Orise Trottier and farm in Dry River area, Wilfred married Angele Beaulic, also farm in this area, Therese married Michael Bourdeauhui of Bruxelles, Irene (dec.), Juliette married Robert Delichte of Swan Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Boulet retired to Mariapolis in 1953. Wilfred and Angelle took over the family farm. They have two daughters: Paulette (Boulet) Dekonick, Winnipeg and Giselle (Boulet) Charette. Tom and Giselle now have the family farm, 1980 and Wilfred's built a new home on 15-4-12.

JACK BOLACK FARM (KAY FARM)

Jack Bolack and Claudia Crayston were married in 1968. They lived in a trailer on her parents' farm south west of Glenora until 1971 when they bought a house and built a farmstead on the same section 20-3-13 a little farther west.

In the spring of 1973 Jack Bolack and Greg Crayston bought the W½ of 32-3-13 from Lloyd and Hilda Kay. Lloyd and Hilda moved to Carman to retire. Jack and Claudia moved to the farm in the fall. They have three boys: Robbie born in 1969, Todd born in 1971 and Rodney born in 1974.

The SW¼ of the farm was homesteaded in 1883 by W. Little. In 1892 the Nelson Prestons rented this farm. The house was N.W. of the present site, at the back of the quarter. Earl Preston was born there.

William Macklin bought the farm in 1902-1903 from Thomas Lawrence. Their house was built in the present yard but on the south side. In 1910 or 1911 they sold the farm to Tom Kay. Mr. Kay himself never lived on the farm. He caught pneumonia while digging the basement for the house and passed away. Carpenters built the house and Mrs. Kay and the family: Waldo, Dora, (Mrs. Ralph Brinkworth), Claude, Norman (Mrs. Sid Heaven, dec.), and Lloyd lived there until about 1945 when they had a sale. Lloyd then took over the farm and continued farming until he sold the farm in 1973.



Back: Claudia, Jack. Front: Todd, Rob, Rod.

Mrs. McKnight was the first owner of the N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ 32-3-13. In 1929 Bert Heaver bought this quarter from a mortgage Co. Holden, Tanberg, and Olsons lived on this land at different times but did not farm it. Lloyd bought this land from Heaver and did quite a bit of the breaking on it, selling to Jack and Greg with the home quarter.

Jack and Claudia also bought the S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of the section (Leslie Simpson farm) about 1977 from Helen Penn, Leslie and Elda's oldest child.

JOHN EDWARD BRINKWORTH 1871-1952

During the years following the announcement of free homesteads in the Canadian Northwest by the Canadian Government settlers from many lands came to make their homes in this great lone land. Among them was a young couple from England, John and Mary Anne Brinkworth in the year 1890.

They came to Manitoba and homesteaded on section 36, township 3, range 14, four miles west of the village of Glenora or nine miles south

of Baldur. In the following years he built a large frame house, barn, and other buildings and acquired the remaining three quarters of the same section.

Five children were born in this family. Emily Louise was born in 1898, George Henry in 1900, Ralph Edward in 1904, and John William in 1906. Louise married Syd Cuthbert and two sons, John William and Leonard Charles were born in the Cuthbert home. The eldest son John married Olive Odell and their son Allen married Laurie Desrochers. George Henry married Sarah Edith Lawrence on November 17, 1926. Their eldest son Percy William married Edith Woods and three children came to bless that home, Mitchell, Lana and Edward. Melba Mary has a daughter Wendy, and Ronald George married Angie Lafreniere. Two sons and a daughter are growing up in that home, Monty, Martin and Lisa.

Ralph Edward married Dora Kay in 1924. Their children are Lloyd, Audrey (Mrs. Lindsay Webb, now deceased) and Clifford who married Norma Elliott. They have two sons. Audrey had two girls and a boy. John William married Gertrude Fraser in 1930 and five children were born in that home: Marjorie, Merle, Melvin, Lois and Donald. Marjorie married Skuli Johnson, Merle married Marlene Sterling, Melvin is unmarried, Lois married Cliff Reykdal and Donald married Gwen Swazie.

Mrs. Brinkworth passed away May 17, 1940 aged 70 years two weeks and five days. A few years later Mr. Brinkworth married Mrs. Mary Houston who lived only a few years. Mr. Brinkworth went back to England in 1951 and passed away at Southampton on September 9, 1952 and was laid to rest at Selsly, Gloucestershire, England aged 81 years and 22 days.

Emily Louise Cuthbert passed away January 20, 1978, aged 80 years 4 months and 27 days. John William Brinkworth passed away Tuesday, April 23, 1974, aged 68 years. Ralph Edward Brinkworth passed away in 1978.

By their long years of heavy labor and good citizenship Mr. and Mrs. Brinkworth set a splendid example of being good Canadians, and they will long be remembered. May they rest in peace.

FREDA AND BEN BROWN NE 29-3-13

Section 29-3-13 was first called "The School Section". It was all bush land, and many early settlers went to the school section for their logs and wood. George Graham in 1908, bought the NE¼ of 29-3-13 and he had it for two years. In 1910 he sold it to Jack Crofton, who came from England.

Jack Crofton built a house and barn on it, and Jack worked on the C.N.R. tracks at Glenora for many years. Cecil Crofton who was Jack's brother came from England a few years later and made his home with Jack and worked out around Glenora, then he got sick and on May 10th, 1923 in his 49th year, he passed away and was buried in the Marrinhurst Cemetery. In the early forties Bill Gallagher started staying the winters with Jack and when Jack got sick, Bill Gallagher bought the farm from Jack Crofton in 1946.

On January 30th, 1948 Jack passed away and was buried in Marrinhurst Cemetery beside his brother Cecil. In September, 1949, Bill Gallagher sold his farm to Freda and Ben. At that time, there were only about 25 acres broken, now we have about 100 acres broken for crop.

In October, 1949, Freda's parents, Rachel and William Coldron moved from Winnipeg to live in the house and their son Fred Coldron farmed the land until 1954. Melvin Brinkworth rented it and he still has it rented in 1980.

In May of 1965 Freda and Ben moved from Calgary and bought a house at Morden and had it moved in the same yard as the little house was.

Freda's Dad passed away on January 29th, 1966 and her Mother lived alone until August 30, 1972. She moved away and on September 3rd, 1972 Bill Gallagher moved back to the little house and stayed until February, 1976. He got sick and went to Baldur Hospital. He passed away March 8th, 1980. Freda's Mother passed away November 30th, 1976.

Freda and Ben were both born at Glenora. Freda went to Wigton School and Ben went to Glenora School. They got married in the fall of 1928 and lived on the farm of Browns until 1938. We had one daughter born in 1929, named Lois. She went to Glenora School for three years. We had a sale in the fall of 1938 and moved to Franklin and had a garage, hardware and were agent for Imperial Oil. We stayed there until 1943 and January of 1944 we moved to Neelin and had a general store there for 10 years, then sold it and started up a filling station and an Electric Shop. We left Neelin in 1963 and moved to Inderby, B.C. We moved back to our farm in 1965 and Ben got his Electrician's Licence and we still are there.

Our daughter married Bryan Porter from Killarney in 1947. They had two children, a girl, Myrna and a son Hughie. They all live at Calgary.



Bert, Hazel, Russell, Laura, George and Hilda, Minnie and Ernie, Freda and Ben, Abe and Nell, Mrs. Esther Brown (seated).

BROWN FAMILY FARM

Our father, Alex Brown homesteaded one mile north of Glenora on S½ 4-4-13 in 1890. He and his brother, Roger built a log house there in the fall of 1890. He worked for different farmers in the district until he taught Crystal River school, south of Rock Lake in 1893.

December 2nd, 1893 he married Esther Edwards from Cardiff, Wales. The marriage took place at the Anglican church in Marringhurst, theirs being the first wedding in this church. Making their home on his farm at Glenora where Minnie was born January 11th., 1895.

The following year February 1896, mother, father and Minnie returned to England for one year renting the farm to his brothers Frank and Roger. While in England, Hilda was born April 3rd., 1897. They returned to Canada in June and worked for William Cavers at Rock Lake then later working for Douglas Cavers. Bert was born here November 15th., 1898. One year was spent at George Landerkin's farm, returning to the homestead the fall of 1900.

April 15th, 1901 Laura was born. While small, they found she could not hear, she was sent to the school for the deaf in Winnipeg for ten years where she learned to read and write.

In the spring of 1901 Dad and Uncle Frank built the bridge on the narrows at Fisher Lake, which is still on the road used today.

Mother did a great deal of maternity nursing around the district. Many times the roads were bad and the Doctor was unable to come until



Alex, Minnie, Esther, Hilda Brown. Taken 1898.



Mr. Alex Brown.



Mrs. Esther Brown.

the next day so she would be all alone. Our nearest hospital was Morden.

Dad sold a lot of wood off the farm. Wood teams came from as far away as North Dakota, loaded up their wood on the sleighs and stayed all night, leaving for home early in the morning. Three small fields were broken for grain on the farm besides plenty of pasture for the cattle and sheep. Jim was born here March 26th., 1905.

Mrs. Milton Mackie and boys moved to this farm the spring of 1905, Mother and Dad and family moved to Glenora where Dad worked on the C.N.R. until fall. They then moved to 3-4-13 where there was a small house which Dad later replaced with a new two storey house in 1907. During this summer John Collins and family moved to this homestead to reside in the log house. During the winter of 1908 the house burned to the ground.

Minnie and Ernest Comber, from Red Hill, Surrey, England, were married in the Marrinhurst Church December 12th., 1918.

About 1916 Bob, Bill, and Archie MacKie built a small log house near the road to use during wood cutting in the winter. Sam King and his son Billy built another log house near them about the same time where they lived until moving to Glenora in 1920.

Ernie and Minnie built a small house the fall of 1919, living in it until the fall of 1921 when they moved to Belmont. In 1923 they moved back to the farm NW 3-4-13 where they remained until they bought and moved to SW ¼ 2-4-13. Their son Harry was born while they lived at Belmont.

It was a great sadness for our family when our brother Jim passed away at Brandon Hospital with typhoid fever, May 23rd., 1921, at the age of 17 years.

Dad taught Excelsior school for the second time for the 1920-1921 term.

Hilda trained for three years at Morden Hospital graduating as an R.N. in March of 1922.

Our family moved back to the homestead late in the fall, in July of 1923.

On July 1927, Laura married Russell McDonald of Belmont. This was the first wedding in the Anglican church after it had been moved from Marrinhurst. This was an unusual wedding service as both Laura and Russell were deaf.

Ben married Freda Coldron December 1st., 1928 and they made their home on 3-4-13.

Hilda married George McWilliams of Marrinhurst, October 3rd, 1929. They lived on his father's farm 19-3-12.

Bert married Hazel McWilliams on October 12th., 1932 and settled on 3-4-13. They moved to Glenora in the fall of 1937 where they ran a

poolroom and a fuel business. They also built a house where Bert passed away in 1961. Hazel stayed in Glenora for a number of years, later moving to Belmont. She passed away in November 1978.

Nellie married Albert Macklin October 27th., 1934 and moved to 33-3-13 where Ab had built a house. Three years later we moved to Glenora and started a hardware store. During 1958 we built a new hardware store and in 1960 we sold to Mildred and Marcel Van Damme moving to Pilot Mound where we still reside.

Fred and Ab lived in a small house on the extreme south of the farm from the winter of 1932 until October 1934. Dad and mother lived in this spot for the summer of 1936. In the fall they moved to the house across the road vacated by Bert and Hazel.

Ben and Freda moved to 4-4-13 in May 1936 and lived here until 1938 when Mother and Dad moved back again. They celebrated their 50th. anniversary there with a family gathering. In the fall of 1944 Dad taught school for the third time at Excelsior, owing to a shortage of teachers. In the fall of 1947, Dad and Mother retired to Glenora. Here they celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary December 2nd, 1948, with family and friends. Dad passed away in March of 1949 at the age of 80 years.

Mother lived on in Glenora passing her time quilting. She lived to the age of 94, passing away in November 1964.

Harry and Maudie Comber have owned and operated 4-4-13 since the summer of 1959. Harry is a grandson of Alex Brown. This farm has been in the Brown family for 90 years.

BROWN-SCHEUREBEKE THE WEST ½ of 3-4-13

On the NW¼ of 3-4-13, Alex and Esther Brown bought it from the C.P.R. in the year of 1900. Alex and Esther put buildings on it and moved there in the fall of 1905 with their family of Minnie, Hilda, Bert, Laura and Jim. Ben was born there in August of 1908 and Nellie was born there in January 1912. The Browns had a lot of happy memories such as watching the trains go by. They raised large flocks of sheep; for awhile they shipped a carload of lambs at a time.

They also had dances at their place for the Red Cross. Their mother, Esther, would put wax on the floor, and she put wool socks on the kids and they polished the floor for the dances. By the creek that ran through their farm there were lots of Black Currants, Cranberries and Dew Berries.

They had sad times there and their son passed away at the age of 17 in Brandon Hospital, May 23rd., 1921.

Alex and Esther rented the farm to their daughter Minnie and her

husband Ernie Comber for 3 years, 1924-1927. Then Ben took over the farm in the fall of 1928. Ben married Freda Coldron and their daughter Lois was born there in 1929. They stayed there until the spring of 1930, they moved to Belmont for the summer and to SE ¼ 9-4-13. They stayed there until 1936. They moved to Fisher Lake, 4-4-13 until September, 1938, they had a sale and moved to Franklin and had a hardware and garage.

Bert Brown bought S.W. ¼ of 3-4-13 in the year of 1929. Before that, Harry Lander had it from 1911 to 1919. Nicklins lived there in 1919.

In 1920 Bruce Fraser bought it and nobody lived there until 1928 when Mrs. Fraser moved a little house there, and lived there until 1929 when Bert Brown got it. Bert built buildings on it beside the road in 1931, left in the year of 1936. He married Hazel McWilliams in 1934. They came back in 1937, had a sale and moved to Glenora. Alex and Esther moved there until the fall of 1938. Then Mr. and Mrs. D. Burly moved there, bought it, later on sold it to Raymond Schuerebeke in 1944.

Raymond bought the ½ section, put up nice buildings and planted trees. Raymond passed away January 11th, 1981. Now his only son, Rick and family have it.

THE CAVERS FAMILY

James Cavers who was born in Scotland came with his parents and their family of five, at the age of six, to settle in San Drillia, Ontario. They lived near the area where the famous Donnelly desperadoes carried out their inhuman acts.

The family came to Rock Lake in 1880 when Jim Jr. was four, Doug 10, Jack and William being older. The first night, they put up their tent on the south side of Rock Lake on what became known as the "Hog's Back" and where later Mr. Cavers built a house.

At this time, Indians were often in the neighborhood and the Cavers learned enough of their language to be able to talk with them.

When horse thieves stole horses from Jack Campbell, 24-3-13, one of the horses refused to cross the Dempster Bridge, the man was so angry he shot the horse. Mr. Cavers heard the shot and went to investigate but by that time the horse thieves had made their getaway.

James Cavers Sr. took a walk around the lake each year. In 1912 when taking this walk, he passed away in the lake bush west of the old mill site. Alf Holden, ploughing for Ed Crayston, had told Mr. Cavers where he could find a spring to get a drink and was the last person to see him alive.

Bill Cavers continued to live south of the lake. Jack Cavers moved

to U.S.A. Doug built at the N.E. end of the lake. Here he had a park used for picnics, baseball and also revival meetings were held there. Doug moved a small house to Glenora in early 1950s and located it west of the hall. After a few years he bought a small house from Mr. Tucker on a lot between Ballantine's and Wilson's. Doug lived there until he had to go to a nursing home in Killarney.

James Cavers Jr. married and had three sons: Doug, Bert, and Art. They lived for a few years at the coast, later they moved to Dauphin to the Listowel district, then back to the Rock Lake area. Doug married and lived in Clearwater with his family. Art passed away a few years ago while living in Winnipeg. Bert lives in his home, which was his Uncle Doug's, at the east end of the lake. He has a trailer camp which is very busy during summer fishing. He rents his land E. ½ 14-3-13 and SW ¼ 13-3-13.

STANLEY CHARETTE FARM

Archie (Joseph Arthur) Charette purchased SE 24-4-13 from the Soldier Settlement Board on his return from action in World War I. He married Frances Jewel and they had ten children: Bert, Gertrude, Fred (dec.), Beatrice, David, Stanley, Lewis, Alex, Olive and Duncan.

Archie and his son cleared most of the land on this quarter until his early death in 1942. Frances continued farming with the help of her family until 1952 when Stanley married Gloria Hutchinson. Together they have farmed this land since that time.

They have three children: Judy-Anne married Donald Hurd and resides in Toronto, Ontario; Thomas Stanley married Gisele Boulet, they farm in the Mariapolis district; Brian Stewart is manager of the United Grain Growers elevator in Rathwell. He is married to Cindy Kynoch of Glenora.

CHOQUETTE FAMILY

In November of 1932, Wilfred Choquette moved to Glenora. In December of the same year his wife Deline (La-pierre) passed away. Their family consisted of ten children, Beatrice, Adrien, Adrienne, Gerard, Thaddie, Edmond, Jeanne, Rita, Marie, and Romeo. They resided in Glenora for six years. Wilfred moved to Winnipeg and died in 1944.

Beatrice went to Saskatchewan to work and there she married Harvey Lepine. They had five children. She currently resides in Naicom, Saskatchewan.

Adrien worked in the bush camps, then later settled in Winnipeg, where he still lives.

Gerard married Freda Colruss and they had three boys and one girl. He held a job as an Engineer. In 1976 he passed away.

Adrienne married James Porter and made their home in Glenora. They had two boys and one girl, Annie, Thaddie and Glen. Adrienne passed away December 24, 1959.

Thaddie worked for Mr. Crayston, later joining the Army with the Queens Own Cameron Highlanders. He was killed in action overseas.

Edmond also joined the regiment of Queens Own and was killed in action also.

Jeanne married and moved to Nipigon, Ontario. She had three boys and two girls.

Rita married Vic Rowley.

Marie married Doug Rowley.

Romeo married Isabelle Hautlet. They had three boys and one girl. They live in Winnipeg where they both work.

EWEN CLARK

Ewen was a bachelor and worked in the area from Glenora to Mariapolis for a great many years. Some of the places he worked were Frank Cuthberts, Alex Graham, Archie McQuarrie, and Arthur Lombard where he was employed as a horseman. He loved horses and was always eager to help with them. Ewen died in October 1955.

JACK CLARK JR.

Jack Clark Jr. was born in England in 1877, coming to Canada in 1880. The family settled in the Wigton district. John lived there for sixty seven years. In 1903 he married Nellie Cornet Reid. There were two children, Stewart born in 1907, deceased in 1927; Velma born in 1910, now living at Maryfield, Saskatchewan.

WILLIAM REID

The William Reid family came from Kincardine, Ontario in 1880 to the Wigton and Glenora districts. The family consisted of three boys and two girls. William married Sarah Clark in 1903, moving later to Wadena, Saskatchewan. Grace married Dan Rankin in 1897 and lived at Kylemore, Saskatchewan. Ambrose married Olive Elliot in 1911, and he also lived at Wadena. Charles wed Agnes Lamb in 1913, he lived at Cremona, Alberta.

HERBERT CLARK

Herb Clark married Bessie Kelso in 1917. Bessie passed away at the birth of their daughter, Louise, in March 1919. Louise was raised by Sarah Reid (Herb's sister). Herb later married Clarice Aleda Sole in Pilot Mound, October 22nd., 1924 and moved to a farm in Wadena, Saskatchewan. January 10th., 1927, a daughter, Olive Lorraine was born. In October 1928 they sold their effects and in December returned to Glenora, living with the Soles for the winter. In the spring of 1929 they moved to the Zephyr farm, 27-3-13. They farmed there for two years then moved back to the Baldur area, to the farm beside Excelsior School, known as the Poole farm, SE 21-4-13. Lorraine attended Excelsior school. They moved to different farms but remained in the Baldur area. They retired to the town of Baldur in 1964. Clarice cooked in the Baldur hospital for a number of years until sickness caused her to resign. Clarice passed away in 1970 and Herb in 1972. Lorraine married John Dagleish and resides between Belmont and Glenboro. They have three boys: Doug and wife Iris live in Okanagan, Ken and wife Judy farm at Glenboro and Greg lives at home with his parents.



Herbert and Clarica Clark.

RICHARD COLLINS FAMILY

Richard Joseph Collins was born in London, England May 8th., 1877, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Collins. He enlisted in London May 1901 and served in the South African Boer War where he was cited with the Queen's South African Medal. He came to Canada in 1909, preceded by his brother Jack. They both worked on the C.N.R. section between Glenora and Greenway. Mary Grace Foy came to Canada in 1912 and married Richard Collins November 20th, 1912. They lived on what is known as the Ross Place 4-4-13 for more than a year where their first child, Gladys was born. They moved to Glenora in 1914, building a home where the other children were born and received their education.

Their family consisted of seven children:

Owen married Joyce Krawchuk. They had four children: Sharon of Winnipeg, Linda of Winnipeg, Melrose of Neepawa and Larry who lost his life in Vietnam. Owen passed away in 1957 in Winnipeg.

Michael married Enid Nelson. They have three children: Mark of Baldur, Richard in the Air Force and Connie Blixhavn of Killarney.

James was married to Edith Rowley in 1938. They had one son William. Edith passed away early in 1941. James remarried in 1945 to Aileen Larson. They have four daughters and two sons.

Owen, James and Michael served with the armed forces during the second world war. After discharge from the services Owen and Michael bought the Bill Macklin store in Glenora reselling to Gordon Hainstock in 1948. Owen and Joyce moved to Winnipeg where Owen drove a bus until his death in 1957. Michael remained in Glenora and worked for the municipality, moving with his family to Baldur in 1968.

James returned to Glenora for a couple of years and was post-master. In 1947 he moved to Edmonton where he still resides.

Gladys married Herb Ingram of Pilot Mound. They have lived in Winnipeg for nearly forty years. They have two daughters: Margaret White of Trenton, Ontario and Doreen Morgan of Winnipeg, also five grandchildren.

Winnifred married Frank Cuthbert in 1935. They lived on the farm 8-4-13 until 1967 when Frank retired to Baldur. The farm is presently owned by Leon Martens. Frank and Winnie had no children but raised a nephew, William Collins, eldest son of Jim Collins, until his death in 1964.

Hilda married Lloyd Kay. They have one daughter Janet Richardson of Winnipeg. Lloyd and Hilda farmed on his father's farm, 32-3-13 until 1973 when they sold the farm to Jack Bolack and moved to Carman.

Una was married to Percy Landless of Winnipeg. They have five children: Barbara, Edward, Richard and Kenneth of Winnipeg and Donna Bibeau of Black Diamond of Alberta.

THE "CLARK"HOUSE

He who loves an old house
Never loves in vain;
How can an old house
Used to sun and rain.
To lilac and larkspur
And a maple above,
Ever fail to answer
The heart that gives it love?

Old House, stanza 1
Isabel Feske Conant
1874-?

Built in 1916 by Fred Wietzel for Mrs. Sammy (Christina) Roberts and her three children — Gordon, Pearl and George (Joe), this is the second oldest home remaining in Glenora. Mrs. Roberts died in 1919, and her three children continued to live there with a housekeeper, Mrs. Clark, until 1920.

During the next five years, the house was rented from the Roberts' estate by John Tanberg, a carpenter; Fred Potruff, a garagemen and farmer; Lorne Scott, a farmer; and Norman Gorrell, a teacher.

In 1925 Alf. Leslie Sr. bought the place and lived there in retirement until 1941.

Renters who occupied the house in the early 1940s were Mr.



Hayward, who worked on the railroad; Remie Van Damme (about 1942); and Jim Collins, who had a Post Office in the back shed for a couple years.

About 1946, Walter Clark, a farmer, bought the place with the intention of moving the house to his farm. Instead, his cousin Jack bought the place from him, and Jack and his wife Nellie lived there in retirement.

In the ensuing years, some teachers lived there - Mrs. Towns, who later became Mrs. Forster; Marie Young, whose husband was Keith; and Bernice McLaren with husband Duncan.

Mr. N. Earl Preston, a retired farmer, bought the home in 1964. He and his wife Bertha lived there together until Mrs. Preston died. Earl continued to live there alone until he bought another place in 1976.

There is a story of a fire starting at the north-east corner of the back shed one time when Earl was not at home. Several inhabitants of Glenora saw the fire and extinguished it. No serious damage was done.

The house was vacant for about a year until Ross and Olive Preston (no relation), bought it in 1977. It is the intention of these present owners to maintain this historic home while using it as a summer home and country retreat.

Pearl Roberts, one of the original inhabitants, visited the house in July of 1980, and was delighted to see her name still inscribed in the cement of the original foundation.

WM. CLARK FAMILY

Wm. and Mary Clark and their three children (Hannah 8 years, Jack 3 years, and Sarah 1 year) came to Canada from England on July 12, 1880. They came from Emerson with oxen and wagon loaded with their supplies, clothes and belongings. Mrs. Mary Clark was said to be the third white woman to cross the Pembina River. They landed on the NW¼ of 12-4-14 for their homestead. They lived in a tent until they got a log house built. This farm was in the Wigton district. They started school classes in a home in 1880 and the first Wigton school was built in 1882. Wm. Clark was on the school board for a number of years.

Wm. would go to Emerson for supplies as I recall hearing them talk about these trips. It would take about a week. Mrs. Clark walked to a store known as Ashers store about 2 miles south and 1½ miles west. She carried a 50 lb. bag of flour back and had to wade the creek.

The Clarks had five more children: Willie born 1883, Joe born 1885, Rachel born 1887, Harry born 1889, Herb born 1891.

The trail from Rock Lake and Glenora area went right through their yard and Mrs. Clark was noted for always having a cup of tea and a slice of homemade bread for both white people and Indians that dropped in.



Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clark.

They had many hardships to contend with. They lost the roof off their log house in a high wind, also lost buildings in a fire and had to live in a basement for a while.

Wm. and Mary Clark never left that section. Mary Clark passed away in 1928 and Wm. Clark passed away in 1932.

THE COLDRON FAMILY

Wm. Coldron was born at Brant Broughton, England on July 18, 1880. He was in the Boer War in Africa and while there he got an ostrich egg and took it back to England. His father and brothers were in Wrought Iron business. They made a frame for the egg and sent it to William with Mr. Brinkworth packed in oats. His daughter Freda Brown still has it.

William came to Canada in 1908. He worked on farms in the Baldur and Belmont areas until he married Rachel Clark on October 19, 1910. They started farming on the NW¼ of 31-3-13.

In 1917 William joined the Fort Garry Horse and went overseas returning in January 1919. Wm. and Rachel started a beef ring in 1920 and operated it for approximately 23 years. There were 24 shares to the beef ring. He would butcher beef about 4 or 5 o'clock on Friday afternoon and get up at 2 a.m. Saturday and have the beef cut, weighed and in bags with shareholders names on bags ready for them at 5 a.m.

They bought the SW¼ of the same section and moved there about 1924. Wm. was a cattle buyer for a number of years and also did local butchering for people in surrounding districts.

Wm. and Rachel Coldron had three children: Freda born October 12, 1911; Fred born November 6, 1915; Mary born December 21, 1919. They farmed until 1943 when Wm. and Rachel went to Winnipeg. Wm. worked for Burns Packers and Rachel for Gardiners funeral home. In 1949 they moved back to Glenora to the farm formerly owned by



Rachael and Wm. Coldron.

Jack Crofton and now owned by their daughter Freda Brown. They lived there until Wm. passed away in January 1966.

Rachel continued living there until she was not able to live alone. She lived with her children for a while and then Baldur Lodge and then Pilot Mound Lodge. She passed away in Baldur Hospital in November 1976. Rachel was born and raised in the Wigton district and lived most of her life in Wigton and Glenora districts and was always willing to help friends and neighbours in time of need. Freda married Ben Brown in 1928 and they had one daughter Lois.

Fred started farming the home farm. In 1948 Fred hauled the mail from Greenway to Glenora. The mail was changed to Pilot Mound. Fred had a sale and went to Alberta to work for a couple of years returning to work the home farm again. He also hauled mail from Baldur to Glenora and hauled cream to Belmont Creamery. He then worked at the hotel in Crystal City. He married Elaine Jason November 21, 1959. They moved to Pilot Mound and worked in the Hotel there. They had a baby girl, Gale born March 18, 1962. They moved to Winnipeg where Fred worked at the Winter Club until his death in December 1977. His wife Elaine and Gale are still living in Winnipeg.

Mary married Fred Macklin in April 1941. They had three children: a son Milton born May 1945 and twin girls Sheila and Shirley born in August 1949.

COMBER HISTORY

HISTORY OF S.W. QUARTER OF 2-4-13

Sam King obtained this land as a homestead in 1890. He had to put a team of oxen up to cover the mortgage but unfortunately he lost it all. It was then owned by a Northern Trust Company until Ernie and Minnie Comber bought the land in 1926. They moved onto this farm in the spring of 1927. Ernie and Minnie had one son Henry James, better known as "Harry". Harry received his education at Glenora school. Ernie farmed the land until 1958. At this time their son Harry started renting it until 1962 when Harry and Maudie bought the farm and are the present owners. (November 1980)

HISTORY OF S.E. QUARTER OF 3-4-13

This land was Chris Lawrences' pre-emption. He bought this farm in 1881 and had it until McGillivray Bros. bought it from him in 1920. They broke up the land with an old steamer and Ernie Comber worked for them until 1926 when Lawrence had to take the land back. Desrochers then rented it for 2 years from the original owner. Then in



Ernie and Minnie Comber, 60th wedding anniversary, 1918-1978.

1930 Ernie Comber rented from Chris Lawrence until Chris' death in 1932. His son Edwin then inherited the farm and Ernie Comber rented from him until 1942 when he purchased it. He farmed it until 1958 when his son Harry then rented it. Harry bought this land in 1962 and is the present owner. (November 1980)

ERNIE AND MINNIE COMBER

Ernie and Minnie Comber were married on December 12th., 1918 in the Glenora Anglican Church then situated in the Marringhurst district. They had one son Harry. Ernie and Minnie farmed for many years and the latter years retired to town but would always return to the farm through the summer. They lived to celebrate their Diamond wedding anniversary on December 12th., of 1978. Ernie passed away on October 26th., 1979 and Minnie is still living in town, keeping herself busy with her garden and home.

by Maudie Comber

HENRY JAMES COMBER HISTORY OF N.E. QUARTER OF 9-4-13

The first person to have this land was a Mr. Knowlton of Toronto who had bought it just for speculating. In May of 1899 Alex and Esther

Brown got this land as a pre-emption. A house was erected on the North side of the marsh but it burned down. Later on a house was built on the south side of the marsh which is still there. Three of their seven children lived there. They were Ben, Hilda and Nell. Nell attended Excelsior school for 1 year. In the fall of 1930 Ben and Freda Brown moved onto the land and farmed there until 1936. They had one daughter Lois. Shortly after this Ducte and Madeline Burley rented it. They had two children, Raymond and Rosalee. Then in 1939 Harry Comber, grandson of Alex Brown bought this land and has lived there ever since. The Marsh on this land is known as "Banana Belt Lake". (November 1980)

The only part of the old Indian trail known to be undisturbed between Deloraine and Portage crosses the north part of this quarter.

HARRY JAMES COMBER

Harry married Maudie Campbell of Clearwater on October 5th, 1946. They had 3 children, Lorraine, Judy and Bradley. (Bradley was a twin but his brother only lived three days.) They received their elementary education in Glenora school and Baldur High except for Brad who is attending Pilot Mound. Lorraine is a supervisor in the Royal Bank at Brandon and Judy married Bob Borus (formerly of Baldur) on July 9th, 1977. Judy is on Personnel with Investors Syndicate in Winnipeg. Brad is in Grade eleven OEC at Pilot Mound. He enjoys hunting, driving his truck and mechanics.

by Maudie Comber



Harry, Maudie, Lorraine, Judy (Borus) and Bradley Comber.

JACOB AND CELINA CONRAD (FRASER)

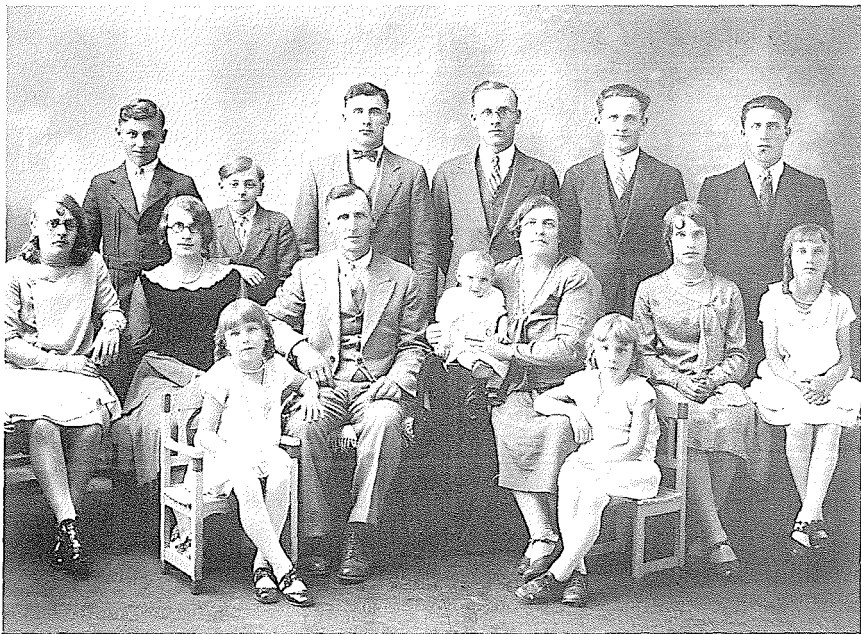
Jacob (Jake) Conrad came to Manitoba from Trout Creek, Ontario in 1904 on an excursion for harvesting. He landed in Swan Lake and worked for one year at Auguste Vermieres. In 1905 he worked at Simon Frasers'. On April 23rd 1906 he married Celina Fraser and farmed on the NE¼ 27-5-11 Swan Lake. Four children were born on this farm: Tim, Mamie, William and Leo.

In 1912 Jake sold the farm to Joe Lafreniere and moved to Marringhurst district on East ½ of 25-3-13, Argyle municipality. They lived there until 1959.

Nine more children were born here: Elizabeth, Leonard, Aylmer, Beatrice, Lorenzo, Loretta, Ruby, Mabel and Joan. Celina deceased in January 1959 and Jake in March 1970.

Tim married Antoinette Lavoie, and was employed by U.G.G. as grain buyer until his retirement in 1976. They have a family of four sons and one daughter.

Willie married Caroline Boulet and moved to Somerset as a shoemaker from 1934 to 1952. With a family of four: Donald, Doreen, Muriel and Robert, they moved to St. Boniface in 1952. Willie deceased June 1980.



Alymer, Lorenzo, William, Timothy, Leonard, Leo, Elizabeth, Mamie, Mrs. Conrad and Joan, Beatrice, Loretta, Ruby and Mabel.

Mamie, a school teacher married Louis Barrie and moved to Vancouver. They had a family of five: Gloria, Gerald, Louise, Norman and Terry. Both boys were killed accidentally. Mamie deceased in August 1978 and Louis in October of the same year.

Leo lived at farm home; deceased January 1940.

Elizabeth married Walter Ballantine. They have a family of six: Doris, Charlotte, Della, Elwin, Anita and Kay.

Leonard married Aline Chateau and lived in Cardinal. Enlisting in the Navy in 1943 he served until the end of World War 2. They had a family of two boys and two girls. They moved to Oak Point in approximately 1957 where he was employed as administrator for the municipality. His children, Dave, Edith and Richard are in Ontario and Barbara is in Winnipeg. Leonard deceased June 1978.

Aylmer married Beatrice Mallott in December 1944. He was a grain buyer for some years in Manitoba. With a family of three, Judy, Connie and Gary moved to Kitimat, B.C. and was employed by Alcan smelters until deceased in August 1973.

Beatrice married Saul Delorme and had a family of two boys, Conrad and Lyall. Bea has been employed by Dr. Cohoe for quite some time in Pilot Mound. Saul deceased in 1977. Saul was a mechanic.

Lorenzo married Elizabeth (Betty) Boulet in November 1944. They have one son Roger who gives his time and knowledge to helping and caring for underprivileged children and adults.

Loretta married Don McGillivary in February 1953, has a family of four: Lavona, Kevin, Gerald and Glen. She now resides in Baldur. Don deceased May 25, 1973.

Ruby married Benson Dixon in November 1942. They had one daughter, Beverly. They lived some years in California. Benson deceased in July 1976 after moving back to Canada.

Mabel married Alphonse Boulet in July 1943. They had a family of five: Leo, Wesley, Melody, Clifford and Carmen. Alphonse, a mechanic, deceased in November 1979.

Joan married George Boulet in November 1947. They had two girls, Simonne and Monique. George is a mechanic and Joan is Postmistress in Dunrea.

COOPER FARM NW¼ 31-3-12

This quarter changed hand many times:

Robert Johnson bought it from James Galloway for ninety dollars in December 1881. The following year Johnson sold it to John Wilson for nine hundred and sixty dollars. Immediately it was sold to Joseph Merry for one thousand dollars who in turn sold to Edward Gurney at the same price.

In 1902 homestead rights were granted by Edward VII to Alonzo James Kenney. Again in 1904 Kenney sold to W. A. Donalds and J. M. Fraser for one thousand dollars, who in turn sold it to Ambrose Kenney for the same price. A year later Ambrose sold it to Wm. McKinnon for eighteen hundred and he sold it two months later for eleven hundred to Robert J. McKay. McKay resold it in 1909 to Lyon Elliot Snell for twenty five hundred dollars. It went then to the Northern Trust Company and back to McKay who rented it to V.L. Cooper who received three crops as payment for breaking some of the land.

In 1916 McKay sold to Vivian Lansdowne Cooper for twenty-five hundred dollars. V. L. Cooper farmed it until it was taken over by his son, Alfred. In 1974 it was sold to James Kynoch by the Alf. Cooper estate.

WALTER COOPER FARM

Mr. John Nelson homesteaded SW¼ 32-3-12 in 1879. In 1903 J. W. Nelson bought the land for two thousand dollars.

In 1910 he sold it to John Shelsonooof, Velma, Quebec and Mr. Bentley lived in the buildings. The house was then used as a post-office after picking the mail up at Glenora where it had come by courier.

Mr. V. L. Cooper taught school from 1902-1908 in Marrinhurst. He moved from Snowflake with his wife Elizabeth and son Walter in 1902. Harold and Alfred (twins), Jessie, Ethel, Nestor, Grace and Stanley were all born in the old farm house and received their education at Marrinhurst school.

Walter bought the NW½ 29-3-12 in 1919 from John Nelson. In 1927 he married Edith Day. They built a new house on the farm which Walter landscaped as time went along. They had five children: Doreen, Vernon, Wenna, Clare and Linda.

Walter was a school trustee at Marrinhurst for thirty years. He is now semi-retired passing his time in the antique business.

JOSEPH AND EDMUND CRAYSTON

Edmund Crayston came to Manitoba in 1884, homesteading on SW 30-3-13. At that time the remains of buffalo pound were still in evidence on the east side of this quarter. In more recent years, a great many arrow heads, scrapers, knives and other Indian artifacts have been found in this area.

This quarter has passed through a number of owners during the years: Bergs, John Thomas, John Olson, Walter Clark and is now owned by Lucien Major.

Edmund brought his two older sons to Manitoba in 1888, making

their home at the store that was used at the time when the lumber and flour mills were operating.

One day when Jack, 15, was left alone in the store, he was upstairs looking out the window when he heard a step on the stairs behind him. He turned and saw an Indian standing there. Frightened, he grabbed an old gun which hung on the wall and pointed it at the Indian. The Indian looked at him and said, "No load".

In about 1890 Edmund's wife Amelia and the two younger sons, Tom and Joe came to Glenora. They settled on NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 21-3-13 where they built a large frame house. This quarter had been bought by Amelia Crayston through her brother, John Montague in 1881.

Edmund Crayston bought Walsh $\frac{1}{2}$ of 20-3-13, Little $\frac{1}{4}$ SE 20-3-13 and Mary Dakota NE $\frac{1}{4}$ also. Later he bought the land which had been homesteaded by Blashill and Randall Dunn. Randall Dunn built a house on the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 16-3-13 where the cellar hole may still be seen on the edge of the lake bush. The Dunn brothers returned to Ontario.

Joe Crayston bought W $\frac{1}{2}$ 6-4-13 from his Uncle John Montague in 1903. He built a frame house on this farm and in 1905 he married Alice Maude Leslie. Their daughter Hazel was born on this farm. In 1907 or 1908 they moved to NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 20-3-13 to the house vacated by Jack Craystons which they had built earlier. Joe and Maude added a large kitchen and two bedrooms to this house. Their son, Claude was born here.

In 1912 Joe bought W $\frac{1}{2}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of 29-3-13 again from his Uncle Montague. Besides farming, Joe was an agent for the Case Company for a number of years.

Joe's father and his brother Tom met a tragic death when their home burned in 1920 taking both their lives.

The home quarter on 21-3-13 was inherited by Joe Crayston and he farmed it until his death in 1937. Maude Crayston remained on the farm with her son, Claude until 1947 when she moved to the McWilliam's house in Glenora. She passed away in 1967.

JOSEPH CLAUDE CRAYSTON

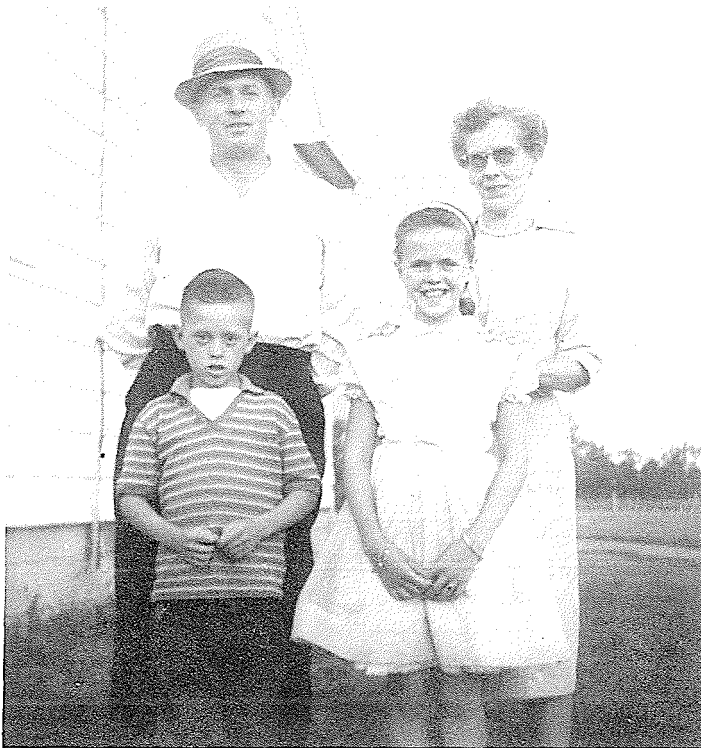
Claude was born on N $\frac{1}{2}$ of 20-3-13, the son of Joe and Maude Crayston. He received his education at Glenora and took over his father's farm which he continues to farm.

In about 1949, he and Lundgren Bros. bought NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 21-3-13, Claude taking the west half. This quarter was known as the Sam Odell place. Claude bought the Olson quarter SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 30-3-13 in about 1950.

During the 1880s Rankins owned E $\frac{1}{2}$ 30-3-13. A road cut across their land coming out just north of the slough, crossing the road and going SE across 29-3-13. It continued in a SE direction, crossing 20-3-13,



Myrtle Leslie, Mrs. Joe Crayston and Hazel.



Claude, Anne, Claudia and Greg Crayston, 1962.

ending up at the old mill. This was known as the Rankin Road and sections of it are still in use today. Also part of a buffalo trail is in evidence on 20-3-13 which was probably made by animals going to Rock Lake for water.

At the death of Claude's aunt, Mrs. Ed. Crayston, he was willed SW 20-3-13 and NW ¼ of 16-3-13. Claude had always farmed this land for his Aunt Elizabeth. In 1974 Claude and Greg bought the SE ¼ 20-3-13 from George and Mary Crayston.

Claude married Anne Inglis of Oak Lake in 1947. They have two children: Claudia Anne married to Jack Bolack of Baldur and they have three boys Rob, Todd and Rodney. Gregory Crayston took his education in Glenora and Baldur and since that time has been farming with his father. Greg and Jack bought the Kay farm in 1973 W ½ 32-3-13.

Claude has always been interested in antiques and over the years has collected a variety of items covering many facets of pioneer life. For the past number of years he has had a small museum which has been visited by a considerable number of people.

GEORGE KENNY CRAYSTON

My grandfather, Edmund Crayston, born in Dunnville, Ontario came to the Glenora district from Erie, Elk County, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. in 1884. He homesteaded on 30-3-13 doing his homesteaded duties, then returning east each year. In 1887 he brought his two eldest sons, Edmund Walter and John Talbot to Manitoba and settled on 20-3-13 in the buildings that had been used at the site of the Glenora Flour Mill, situated on the north side of Rock Lake. In early times the area east of the Old Mill was known as "Little Prairie". There are still many signs of the settlement at this site, such as basement excavations, remnants of old buildings, as well as what has been established as an Indian burial mound. Rumors I have heard were that the C.N.R. wanted to bring the steel to this site but Grandpa objected and others were anxious for another site. The original Old Mill store was later moved by Joseph Crayston to a site close to the present home of Claude Crayston NE ¼ 20-3-13 where it still exists, after having been used for many years as a granary.

Grandpa brought his wife, Amelia (Montague) Crayston and his youngest sons, Thomas William and Joseph Isaac to Manitoba in 1891. He built a beautiful, large home on the NW corner of 21-3-13 and lived there with his wife and son Thomas. Amelia's many talents included music, painting in oils (I still have her palette and some color tubes), also she made colorful birds, mounted them and placed them in glass domes. She passed away November 1910 and is buried in Pilot Mound cemetery.

Grandpa and Uncle Tom perished in a disastrous fire on December 20th., 1920, which destroyed the entire home dwelling and took their lives while they slept. They are buried at Pilot Mound. Grandpa was 78 years and Tom was 47 years.

Edmund Walter Crayston left Glenora for Winnipeg where he later became an architect. He married Elizabeth Adair. They had no family.

John Talbot Crayston, my father, married Lillian Maud Clark in Winnipeg. They resided in Winnipeg and on the farm SE 20-3-13 during 1921-1922 and again from 1932 until the time of his death, at 65 in December 1937. During dad's later years on the farm, he traded a great deal of wood from the Rock Lake bush to farmers from Cartwright, Mather and as far south as the U.S. border in exchange for cattle, horses, pigs, chickens and an assortment of farm machinery. After father's death, mother moved back to Winnipeg renting the farm to Dave Murray, John Doherty and Leslie Simpson. She passed away in 1969 at the age of 90 years.

They had one daughter, Mary Amelia who died in infancy and three boys, who spent most of their holidays on their Grandpa's farm: John Montague, Edmund George and George Kenny. I latterly worked the family farm for eight or nine years until 1972 as a part-time operator. It is now owned by Claude and Greg Crayston.

JOHN CUMMING

John Cummings homesteaded on 18-3-12 in 1882. He built a house about the middle of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ east of the Sansom buildings. He later moved to N 22-3-13, now owned by Lundgrens. After this he moved to the Neelin district where he made a permanent home and raised his family.

Roy Brown, in one of his books, tells the story of Captain John Cummings of Rock Lake bringing the S.S. Marquette from Fort Ellice to Brandon, via the Assiniboine River. During one trip he had distinguished personnel, the Marquis of Lorne and Princess Louise. In tribute to the honored couple he named two of the lakes that form the chain from Ninette to Rock Lake, Lake Lorne and Lake Louise.

CHARLES CUTHBERT

Charles Cuthbert came to Canada in 1908, from Kent, England bringing his two eldest sons, Charles and Phillip (Tom) to what was known as Glendening Valley. Charles Sr. returned to England and brought his other three sons to Canada in 1910, Ernie, Frank and Sydney. He then returned to England leaving his sons to make their way in Canada. After a few years they moved from west of Neelin to 5-4-13, the farm presently owned by John Thomas.

Syd married Lou Brinkworth. They moved to their farm 36-3-14 in 1926. They had two sons Jack and Leonard. Jack married Olive Odell and they have one son Allan who is married to Laurie Desrochers. Allan and Laurie presently live in a trailer on his parents' farm.

Tom married Goldie Preston and they lived on 6-4-13, later moving to the Peace River.

Charlie, Frank, and Ernie built a home on 8-4-13. Charlie was a carpenter and he married Kathleen Sommer. They lived on 9-4-13 for a short time. They had two sons, Morris and Brian. The family moved to Saskatoon where Kathleen and Morris still reside. Brian resides in Regina.

Frank and Ernie continued to farm 8-4-13 and also bought the Ross Place 4-4-13. Ernie never married. He passed away in 1945.

Frank married Winnifred Collins in 1935, continuing farming until 1967 when they retired to Baldur. Frank passed away August 1st., 1973. Winnie resides in Baldur.

PETER DAVIDSON FAMILY

Peter Davidson married Margaret Brown in Scotland before coming to Canada. They were living in Winnipeg, where their only child, William (Bill) was born. Peter served in World War I. After his return, he bought SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 36-3-13 in 1919 through the Soldier Settlement Board. He farmed until the time of his death in July 1940. Bill continued to farm with his mother.

Bill met and married Doreen Hutton of Oak Lake, a teacher. They built a new duplex house and his mother shared it with them. They had two sons, Ian and Michael. Doreen resumed her teaching career at Marrinhurst and later Glenora schools. While the boys were still in school, they sold the farm to Lucien Major and the family moved to Winnipeg. Doreen continued her teaching career until her retirement. Bill worked with a grocery wholesaler and at the Misericordia Hospital.

Mrs. Davidson also moved to Winnipeg and resided there until her death in 1967 when she was brought back to Pilot Mound for burial.



Mrs. Pete Davidson of Glenora and Marrinhurst district.

Bill and Doreen were both gifted musically. She played the piano and gave lessons for many years. Bill played saxophone with the Royal Canadians Orchestra as well as being able to play other instruments. They are both retired and live in Winnipeg. Ian and Michael also reside in the city.

HERMAN DAVIS

Herman came here from Ontario and worked in the Lime Kiln and took a homestead in Rosehill district and then gave it up. He farmed in the Marringhurst district and also worked for others around. He had his hand taken off, by feeding a hand fed threshing machine and had to use a hook to chop wood. Even with this handicap, he could cut four cords of wood in a day, which was a good load of wood, a cord being 8 feet long, 4 feet wide and 4 feet high.

He married Margaret McEwen and they had two boys, Arthur and Henry. They moved to Monkman, Manitoba. It is believed that son Arthur still lives there.

THE LEON DE BOES FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Leon De Boes came to Canada from Ertvelde, Belgium. They came to farm in the Dry River area in 1941. In 1951 they moved to Brantford, Ontario. Their family was, Leontine who married Joe Mueller. He came from overseas after the war. They have two boys René and Gerry, all live at Brantford. Annie married August Martens, farmed at the Glenora, and now lives at Baldur. Leona and Simone are twins and live at home. A son Leon and wife Mary Jane live at Brantford and their family is Eddie, Sandra and Amber. Mrs. DeBoes passed away but he is still with the girls.

REMI DE RUYCK FAMILY

Remi and Jeanne DeRuyck came to farm in the Dry River District in 1961. They raised a family of six, two boys and four girls: Denise, Valere, Doris, Leonard, Diane and Audrey. Valere and his wife took over the family farm and his mother and dad moved to Mariapolis.

JOHN DOHERTY

John (Paddy) Doherty came to Canada in 1926. He was born in Enniskillen, Ireland and as a young man was a streetcar conductor in Glasgow, Scotland.

Arriving in Manitoba, he took a job as a farm hand. For a number of years he worked for the Mooney family at Wawanesa, knowing Nellie McClung quite well.

In 1937 Paddy came to harvest for Claude. The first morning at breakfast the cook had an extra egg so asked Paddy if he could eat it? Paddy replied, "Sure Faith and I could eat the hen that layed it too."

In the 1940s Paddy rented George Crayston's farm and farmed

there until about 1956 when he moved into Glenora. He bought the Bill Fredrickson' house and lived there until his death in 1961.

Paddy was a bachelor who was fond of children. He left his money to be spent on some extra supplies to help in the school. Maps, books of knowledge, swings and a number of smaller articles were purchased.

JOSEPH DELORME FAMILY

Mr. Joseph Delorme Sr. was born in the United States and came to Manitoba at about the age of 20. In 1890 he married Sarah Lilley from near Winnipeg. Their first child died in infancy, the second was a girl Laura. Tommy was born in 1896 and Bill in 1898. Dave was born in 1901 and Frank in 1902. Eva was born in 1904 and Saul in 1906. Another son Harry also died in infancy. Joe was born in 1912. They first homesteaded north of Pilot Mound, then lived in the Pembina Valley for sometime before moving to their permanent home in a secluded spot in the Dry River hills.

Joe worked out for several farmers in the district. He passed away on November 5, 1919 and his wife lived in this home and raised her family. Laura married Jim Bone, lived at Elphinstone and had one son. She passed away in 1964, one month after Jim. Tommy married and farmed near home. Bill married and lived in the area. Dave married Esther Chasse, a sister of Tom's wife. They had a family of ten: Irene, Irven, William, Guy (who was unfortunately killed in a car accident after he was married), Gordon, Elwood, Leslie, Joyce, Doreen and Lloyd. They are all married and live in Alberta. Mr. and Mrs. Delorme moved to Calgary and live there now. Frank lives alone at Dry River and has worked for many farmers and done much garage work. He is retired. Eva married Bill Duguid of Alberta and lives in Edmonton, one daughter Bonnie Jean. Saul married Beatrice Conrad and they had two boys: Conrad in 1943 and Lyall in 1944. They lived in Pilot Mound and he did garage work and they ran the City Café for some years. Conrad and wife Pat have three children, twins Karen and Kelly, and Lori-Lee. They live at Calgary where he works for oil drilling. Lyall and wife Connie live outside Calgary, with son Tyler and daughter Misten. Lyall drives his own semi. Joe remained at home with his Mother and worked out doing garage work and made a living with his musical talents. He gave music lessons to a great many students and played for many dances, right up to the time of his illness and untimely death in 1979. His mother had lived with him until her passing in 1961 aged 89. The whole Delorme family were natural musicians and could all play at least one instrument and some many, and no need of music sheets.

TOMMY DELORME FAMILY

Tommy married Alma Chasse on April 9, 1918. He joined the army and went overseas in June 1918 to England. He returned home the next year. Their family was: Alvin, married; Helen Pierson of Glenora, grader operator at Belmont, 3 children. Ernie married Imelda Dupuis of St Jean, farms at St. Alphonse, 5 children. Leona married Dave Pruden, 3 children, remarried to Walter Jans, 3 more children, lives at Condor, Alberta. Rita married Lloyd Hannah and lived in North Dakota until her death at the age of 37 in 1961. Edwin (Teddy) married and lives on the homeplace. Mildred married Leo Dunne, a backhoe contractor at Brooks, Alberta, 5 children. Eleanor married Leroy Harmon of Petersburg, North Dakota, backhoe, bulldozer operator near Brooks, Alberta, 2 children. Velma married Allan Dunne, farms at Fort Macleod, Alberta, 2 children. Leonard married, operates backhoe, bulldozer at Brooks, Alberta, one boy.

Alma passed away in 1978 after several years of failing health. Tommy went into Prairie View Lodge in Pilot Mound in 1979 until he had to be taken to Morden Hospital for operations. He is back in Prairie View Personal Care Home and makes the best of his blindness and being confined to his wheelchair. He still likes his music in spite of his condition.

WILLIAM DELORME FAMILY

Bill married Minnie Mondor and they lived and worked in the Dry River district for several years. Their daughter Pat is married to Ivan Hunter and lives in Winnipeg, 4 children. Their son died at the age of 2½. Bill worked on the C.P.R. track at Pilot Mound until his retirement. He is well known in music circles for his excellent violin playing and has won many fiddling contests near and far.

IN MEMORY OF JOSEPH DELORME

Joseph Russell Delorme: (This is some of the life story of Joe Delorme, as he told it to me in April of 1977. I was writing a biography for an English assignment at school and after one of my music lessons Mr. Delorme told me about himself . . . in his own words. Shelley Geirnaert).

"I was born in the Dry River District on May 11, 1914. There was eight of us in our family — I was the youngest. I had five brothers - Tommy, Bill, Dave, Frank, Saul, and two sisters - Laura and Eva and I was the youngest of all. I have always been a bachelor, but I took care of my mother who lived with me until she died when she was 89 years old."

"I was born in a musical family — there was always music in our house when I was growing up; everybody played some instruments. My father played the violin - his name was Joseph Delorme too. But he died when I was only five so I can hardly remember him. My brother Bill is known all over Manitoba as one of the best old-time fiddlers."

"I never had a music teacher - my ears would hear something and my fingers would be able to play it. And I was always hearing my music - my family was always getting together and playing some music and they let me play with them when I was pretty young."

"When I was four years old I saw my very first airplane at Rock Lake and I have never forgotten that - that was in 1918."

"I went to school in Dry River and to Mariapolis school for one year in 1930... I was never naughty at school and I never got the strap."

"I learned to play the organ when I was five and I played in the school Christmas concert when I was 7. I was about ten when I taught myself to play the guitar."

"When I was fifteen I played with my first orchestra, with my brother Bill and two Robinson boys. We played mostly for dances in little country schools and we got six dollars for a dance. That was \$1.50 for each of us. I saved my money and that's how I later bought my first car."

"I worked out for farmers, too. I drove a team of horses in harvest time hauling sheaves when I was only fifteen. I would get up at five in the morning and we all worked until eleven at night and I got paid \$1.50 a day. I made fifty cents a day plowing with the horses, and walking behind the harrows."

"In 1930 - when I was 16 - I paid \$27.00 for a "good" guitar. I can play the organ, the piano, the accordeon, the guitar, the bass, and the drums."

"When I was 18 I bought my first car for \$25.00 from Albert Lebeau - a Model T Ford - sort of gray - all cars were about the same dull color then."

"During the second world war I was in the Army and I was stationed in British Columbia. Some day after I retire I want to go back there for a visit, there and Alberta where I have relatives. I was later discharged because of my legs and I came back home in 1942. That's when I learned to be a mechanic in the Mariapolis garage until 1948."

"That same year - 1948 - I played over the radio for the first time - on CKX Brandon. After that I played over Portage and St. Boniface radio stations. When television came I was on CKX T.V. Channel 5."

"In the 1950s I worked out again for the farmers around home and I started another band myself... "DELORME'S DANCE BAND"... there were six musicians, four of them Delormes; I did the singing for

the band. That was when I bought and played the ONLY electric guitar for miles around."

"In 1952 I started giving music lessons to Rene Hacault, the Ricard Boys, Gerald Desrochers, and Guy Desrochers. Later I gave lessons to the Elliot girls, Cynric Lodge, Henry Martens and Kenny Campbell. I had more than 200 music students over all those years and quite a few of them are playing with their own bands, or have had bands of their own."

"Other things I have done over the years were - trapping in the winter, cutting ice on the river in the winter, and I played hockey with Dry River and Stuartville in Pilot Mound."

"Today I'm still giving music lessons in the Dry River, Mariapolis and Glenora areas. In two more years I'll be 65 years old - maybe when I am retired I'll write a story about all the things I've done in my life."

... (Joe Delorme passed away suddenly in Pilot Mound hospital on Saturday, June 23, 1979 at the age of 65 years, following a lengthy stay in both Pilot Mound hospital and the Health Sciences Centre in Winnipeg. He will be greatly missed by many people but we will remember him always for his great love for his music. He played for countless wedding dances and socials in Mariapolis, including my parents, and he gave music lessons at our house for five years, as well as in many other homes. He shared many interests with many people — including gardening, antiques, nature, animals, and friendship.)

Shelley Geirnaert

PAUL DE MAERTELAERE FAMILY

Paul De Maertelaere came to Canada in 1925 from Ertvelde, Belgium. He was a well qualified stone-mason and brick layer, but to be allowed entry into Canada in those days, immigrants had to accept farm labor work. He cleared many acres of bush in the Cypress River district and that is where he met and married Ida Bonne (daughter of Emeric and Emerance Bonne) in the year 1928. Initially, they lived in a shack on her parent's farm, seven miles south of Cypress. It was here that Marcel and Elsie were born. They purchased land four miles north of Greenway from Violet Fraser, the original homesteader, in the fall of 1932 for \$1350.00. They built a log cabin which was the birth place of Doris, Mary and Robert. Paul applied himself to farming but as his skills as a mason became known, he was in such demand that as soon as possible, Marcel became the farmer.

In 1944 they purchased S½ 35-3-13 east of Glenora, where they lived until 1955 when Paul and Ida decided to retire while Marcel continued to farm. Paul and Ida lived a short time in Crystal City but in 1958 moved to SE¼ 31-3-12 in the Marringhurst district where Ida still resides.



Back: Paul, Ida, Elsie, Marcel. Front: Doris, Bob, Mary.

Marcel, Elsie, Doris and Mary attended Thor School while living in the log house and went to Glenora school after moving there. Bob started and continued at Glenora.

Marcel now lives at Saskatoon, he is a movie projectionist and also has his own Singer Sewing Machine business in sales and service.

Elsie married Harold Johnstone. They live in Winnipeg and Harold



is a director with the Department of Co-op development. Elsie is the divisional credit manager for National Drug wholesale. They have two children, Donald and Laurie.

Doris married Russ Dolinski and they are presently living in Brandon, having recently been transferred from Regina. Russ is with the Department of Consumer Affairs. Doris works at Peoples Jewellery. They have three children: Bonnie, Richard and Robert.

Mary married Len Moore and is living in Portage la Prairie. Len is with the Armed Forces. Mary works for Woolco in the general office. They have four children: Cindy, Darren, Shawn, and Lori-Anne.

Bob married Beverly Orr (daughter of Velma and the late Clarke Orr of Clearwater). They live in the Anola district. Bob is a Government meat grader. Recently he constructed his own greenhouse where Bev operates her florist shop.

Paul died in 1979 at the age of 82. While he had supposedly retired, people came from miles around to ask him to do brick-work and he continued to do so until he was 81. There are many fine examples of his work from basements to chimneys, fireplaces and cairns. The stone masonry fireplace in Rock Lake U.C. Camp, the cairns at Baldur, Greenway, Marringhurst and Oak schools will stand for many years as a tribute to his workmanship.



MARCEL AND DARLENE DESROCHERS

According to records Estelle Lawrence owned the NE¼ 27-3-13 in 1896. During the following years various families lived on this farm, some farming the land, others using it as a place of residence while it was farmed by a nonresident farmer.

William Loney's family rented it for several years after which they moved west of Glenora. Stan Dobb lived in the buildings for one year, Fiskels also lived here for some time.

Walter Ballantine rented the farm from Chris Lawrence of B.C. through his brother Bill who was looking after it.

Gus Gronenschild, his wife and family from Winnipeg farmed this farm between 1938 and 1946. From here they went to the Wigton district and later to Glenboro where they operated a restaurant and eventually went back to Winnipeg. They had a family of four: Dolores,

Joyce, Hubert and Elsie Gronenschild.

Cyril Baeken farmed here around 1946 when Theo and Laura Sierens 27-3-13.

In 1949 Maurice Sierens, wife Gerarda and daughter Darlene came to live on this quarter. They had previously lived in the St. Alphonse district. They farmed this land with Maurice's parents and later bought it from them.

Maurice and Gerarda had a son born in 1960, Randy. They also had one daughter Darlene.

Maurice passed away suddenly in 1962 after which his wife Gerarda and his parents, with help from other members of the family and friends farmed the land for five years after his death. After this Gerarda and Randy moved to Mariapolis.

Darlene married Marcel Desrochers in 1965. They lived on a farm near Mariapolis, later moving to Glenora to farm NE 27-3-13 which they bought from Gerarda.

Marcel and Darlene have four children: Corenna, born April 11, 1966, Rodney, born May 7, 1967, Kenneth born December 17, 1969 and Brent born October 23, 1975.

This farm has been called the "Zephyr Farm" for many years. The old red barn which was a landmark known to so many had the sign "Zephyr Farm" painted on the gable end. Marcel and Darlene built a new barn and tore down the old one, thus losing the name which was believed to have originated from Zephyr school in Umbridge, Ontario.

On the NE corner of 27-3-13, the first Glenora school was built. It burned down in February 1910 and was rebuilt in Glenora village.

The NW 26-3-13 was homesteaded by Wm. Lawrence. The original homestead buildings were located mid-way on the north side of the quarter. This land was later owned by John Campbell, then his daughter, Marjorie Campbell. Walter and Liz. Ballantine rented this quarter for many years until Theo and Laura Sierens bought it from Marjorie. Theo and Maurice farmed it for many years after which it was rented from Theo by Marcel and Darlene.

NE ¼ 36-3-13 was owned by Jacob Joseph Elsie, dating back to 1891. Later Peter Davidson, then his son Bill owned and farmed this quarter here.

Around 1946 Tim Conrad purchased this quarter. Walter Ballantine rented this farm from Tim until Theo and Laura Sierens bought it around the year 1949. Theo and his son farmed this land along with the rest of his land in the district until it was rented to Alex and Walter Foley. Marcel and Darlene later rented it and at present own the quarter section.

On the NE 36-3-13 there is a large colony of Blue Herons. They are almost an extinct bird and this colony is said to be one of the largest left in North America.

The NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 2-4-13 was homesteaded by Thomas Lawrence around 1881, and in 1886 he bought the SE $\frac{1}{4}$. There were many families who lived on this half, Sandercocks, Tandbergs, and Nelsons. Wall Nelson built the house that later was the home of Belle and Harvey Wilson.

After the Nelsons, the Shilsons owned this land and they sold it to Bill Kemp. Bill rented it to Doug Pierson 1922-1932. Owen Shilson took ownership in 1930 selling the land to Harvey Wilson in 1932.

Harvey Wilson married Belle Simpson in September 1935. They planted trees to form a wonderful shelter belt around the building site. In 1949 Harvey and Belle bought the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 2-4-13. It was originally homesteaded by Wm. Lawrence in 1881. Colin MacNee Sr. bought this quarter from Bill Gray around 1919 and Harvey bought it from the MacNees.

In 1967 Phil Almey bought the three quarters from Harvey and Belle. Harvey rented it for the following year while their new home was being built in Pilot Mound. They moved the following year. Harvey has passed away but Belle continues to live in her home.

Phil Almey farmed the land for a few years then rented to Celeste Desrochers and his sons, Donald and Maurice. In 1975 Phil Almey sold the land to Marcel and Darlene Desrochers.

FRASER FARM

The NE 33-3-13 and W $\frac{1}{2}$ 34-3-13 was homesteaded by J. Fox and his wife. In 1886 he built a frame house on the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ on a rise about 150 yards from the road. This house stood until 1967 when it was torn down by Phil Van Damme and replaced by a new house by Aime and Brenda Van Damme.

It was said that Mr. Fox chose this spot, on a small knoll surrounded by trees, with a desire for privacy and discovering that the chimney could be seen from the main road, he, in his own words said "He was tempted to burn the place down." It was an attractive building, fashioned to the style of an English farm house with verandas around two sides and a casement window in the second storey. On the south side of the house Mr. Fox had cut large numbers out of wood and placed the date of building, 1886. (This date plate was obtained by George and Ida Wilson when the house was destroyed.)

After living in this house with his wife and two daughters for about ten years Mr. Fox sold the land and building. (In 1972 Mr. Fox's granddaughter visited the farm. Her mother, the younger daughter of the family remembers living on the farm. She now resides in Ontario.)

Gregor and Anna Jane Fraser of Glenboro bought the farm in 1897. They with their family of three boys: Alfred, Bruce and Reginald; four daughters: Ethel, Gertrude, Olive and Jean moved in the spring of



1898. The journey of about twenty-five miles was accomplished in one day, the older boys and girls riding in three wagons which contained household articles and machinery, while the livestock was led or driven behind. Gregor and Anna with youngest daughter Jean went ahead in a buggy. When their horse took fright and ran out of control Anna dropped her small daughter out of the back of the buggy to be picked up later.

On arriving at the farm it was discovered that the family of Wm. Macklin had permission to live in the house for the winter. Sleeping quarters were taxed but Anna solved the problem by making use of a shed at the back of the house.

My father and the two older boys worked very hard in those early days, clearing land for cultivation, increasing livestock and later experimenting with a flock of sheep. How well I remember being frightened by the howling of prairie wolves venturing close at night in hope of catching an unsuspecting lamb.

Mother too had much to do with butter making, chicken raising and a family of eight to feed, for in August 1898 the eighth member of the Fraser family was born, Donald Haig, who gave his life for his country and lies in Bourlon, France.

Soon after his arrival in the district Gregor was appointed as post-master. A pantry was equipped with shelves and window to dispense the mail without entering the house. When the village of Glenora was established my father built an office there to contain the post office and to carry on a lumber yard business.

As I, Jean Fraser Holmes, write this brief history there are

memories of many happy evenings around the piano singing the song of the day, dancing, skating on Fisher's Lake, sleigh rides, picnics at Rock Lake and the boys playing baseball and football.

Alf moved to Saskatchewan. Ethel gave music lessons in Baldur. She married J. Hittle and moved back to Glenboro. Bruce married Nora Powell.

Gertrude married Oscar (Ted) Tisdale of the Excelsior district. They lived in Watrous and Saskatoon until Ted went overseas. Ted was killed in action October 1918. Gertrude and their two children: Gregor and Lois, moved to Kenton where she ran the drug store for Dr. John Tisdale until 1930 when they moved to Winnipeg. In 1947 she married Russell Barber. They both passed away in 1977.

Reg married Bessie Tisdale and farmed for a few years, later moving to Saskatoon and worked as an engineer at the Sanitorium until retirement. Reg passed away in 1974. Reg and Bessie had three children: Walter and Donald of Saskatoon, Oral Tisdale McGregor of Winnipeg.

Olive married Arthur Holmes in England during the war. They had twin sons, Donald and Sidney, son Allan and daughters: Kathleen, Barbara and Anna Jean.

Jean married Leroy Holmes and remained in Saskatoon. She had three children: Jack, Wayne and Janet. She takes a very active part in church and community affairs.

In the winter of 1909 after a long illness my mother passed away and the farm no longer held its attraction for my father. That fall, leaving Reg in charge of the farm father moved to pilot Mound and in the spring of 1910 he moved with four of the family to Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Bruce, his second son, his wife Nora and two daughters moved to the farm.

BRUCE FRASER FARM

My parents, Bruce and Nora Fraser, my sister Gertrude and I moved to Glenora from Lumsden, Saskatchewan where my father had homesteaded. I was about nine months old. My sisters Ruth, Marjorie and Miriam were born at Glenora. We all attended school in Glenora.

In 1928 dad moved to Flin Flon where he worked in the H.B.M.S. carpenter shop for a number of years. He passed away at Port Alberni.

Gertrude was married to Jack Brinkworth and lived on the Brinkworth farm. Two of their sons live at Glenora. Merle and Marlene run the grocery store and have a ceramic centre. Melvin farms the Brinkworth farm N 31-3-13. Their daughter Marjorie (Sis) lives at Baldur and Lois and Donald live in Winnipeg.

Anna married Cecil Cameron and lived at Island Falls until the war, then moving to Regina, retiring to Balfour, B.C. in 1974. They had four children.

Ruth married Oli Bie and lived in Flin Flon, later moving to Chilliwack, B.C.

Marjorie married Jack Moller and also lived in Flin Flon for a number of years, moved to Elmira, Ontario and later to Nanaimo, B.C. where she passed away. Her daughters Norma and Toni still live there. Helen, Karen and Eric live in Vancouver. Nora, the eldest, lives in Kitchener, Ontario.

Miriam and her husband, Haze Sparrow live in Flin Flon. David lives in Winnipeg.

MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH FREEDY

Mr. and Mrs. Freedy came to Manitoba from Ontario in 1898. They had three children: Lou, Harry and Bethel. They lived in the Dry River district until moving to Stuartville in 1906 and to Cypress River for a few years, then back to Dry River. Mr. and Mrs. Freedy retired to Pilot Mound where they both lived until they passed away. Lou married Phyllis Barnes in 1924 and passed away two years later. Harry married Pearl Slater in 1922 and they had six children: Muriel married Nels Wallace of Cartwright. Shirley is Mrs. Alexander. Grace married Clare Robinson and lives at Cartwright. Verna married Roy Pedlar. Elwood married Fern Slater. Dianne is Mrs. J. Wiebe. Harry and Pearl lived in Baldur for several years, they are both deceased. Bethel married Ed Legary and lived in the Goudney district near Pilot Mound. Their family was Marjorie (Mrs. Jack Seaman, Pilot Mound), Harvey was killed in the war, Ian married Gladys Hunter and lives on the family farm. A boy and a girl died at an early age. Mr. and Mrs. Legary retired to Pilot Mound.

THE WILLIAM GALLOWAY FAMILY

When the Canadian government announcement appeared in the North Ontario Times those who could afford it packed up and came west via the U.S. Among them was William Galloway of Stayner, a farmer and machinery salesman, already married to Jane Walker of Creemore and the father of four children. He arrived at Marrinhurst in 1879 and purchased the homestead rights of the NW¼ 30-3-12 from John Montague for \$500.00 and later purchased the NE¼ of the same section. In 1880 he went east to bring his wife and family out. They came by Lake Superior to Duluth and by rail to Emerson, then to Marrinhurst by team and wagon. Several trips were made to bring all their supplies, furniture, horses and machinery, including a Harvest Reaper (the first in the district). He built a large L-shaped log house on a hill on the edge of the woods on the northwest corner of his farm. It

commanded a wide view of the prairie and across the Pembina River to the Old Mound with its strange hill. Mr. Galloway was very active in organizing a school district and made several trips to Baldur for lumber. He was also very active in church matters and served on both boards for many years. He attended church board quarterly meetings for 25 years.

Life in the early days was rugged, but not unbearable. The long years were peaceful, log houses warm and large families happy and interesting. The oldest boy lost his life in a prairie fire. Bertha became Mrs. Dick Porter and lived out west. Norman farmed at Somerset for several years, then returned to the Marringhurst district and bought the south half of 30-3-12. He farmed there until his retirement to St. James, where he resided until his death. Emory served in the Boer War, later going out west to work. Clara married Charlie Embury, a veteran who had been in both the Boer War and World War I. He had been a barber in Clearwater prior to the war. After his death she lived in Clearwater and raised her family. Jenny married William Standing who passed away a year later. She sold their farm and went to Calgary to live and there married Horace Woodman but she died a few years later. Herb worked for Rawleigh Products and farmed in Saskatchewan. Aylmer also farmed for a time and then worked for Rawleigh Products in Winnipeg. Stan served overseas in World War I and then worked for Rawleigh Products. Reg was always at home and took over the family farm, selling it to Tommy and Edna Williams. He was a supporter of any community projects and served on many boards and committees in both Marringhurst and Glenora.

Family births and deaths: William Galloway, father, born 1841, died 1927. Jane Galloway, mother, born 1856, died 1926. Alfred, born September 18, 1874, died September 1, 1902, single. Bertha, born April 30, 1876, died May 10, 1943, married, five children. Norman born March 20, 1878, died May 21, 1961, single. Emory, born February 1, 1880, died November 23, 1949, married, one child. Clara, born September 13, 1882, died February 2, 1965, married, three children. Jenny, born April 20, 1884, died April 24, 1913, married, no children. Herbert, born May 12, 1886, deceased, married, one child. Aylmer, born June 19, 1892, died November 8, 1956, married, three children. Stanley, born December 29, 1894, died March 19, 1962, married, two children. Reginald, born December 21, 1889, in poor health, single.

BENJAMIN GEROLAMY (MESTDAGH)

Benjamin Gerolamy homesteaded W½ 22-4-13 in about 1882 coming from Owen Sound, Ontario. He also homesteaded NE¼ 21-4-13 and slept in a tent to fulfill his homestead duties.

The original house was moved from its first site to the present one

NW¼ 22-4-13 about 1890 and still stands today. In 1904 a bank barn, still in use was built. Bill Hilliard helped cut the stones for the foundation, with a stone hammer. Geo. Stewart built the framework. This barn included a windmill which pumped water and crushed grain for many of Ben's neighbors. Duffer, Ben's son, helped his father through many windy nights complete this task as a neighborly act. Duffer still has the saw that was used on the windmill to saw the winter's fuel. The windmill also took the place of a horse powered crusher which Duffer drove the team on at the age of four years. He remembers a pair of lines getting caught in the gears of this machine causing the only mishap of his career.

Tom Etsell and Charlie Lumbers built the granary in 1910. It is still in good repair.

The first Gerolamy car was bought in 1914 when a team of horses was traded to Mr. Bill Kilgour, a Ford dealer in Greenway. This car replaced a surrey, mode of travel since 1900.

"Duffer" and "Joker" were names that were given to the Gerolamy boys by Mrs. Steven and her son Fred, long time owner of the Baldur Gazette.

Their first Ford tractor was purchased in 1919 and was used for farm power along with horses until 1950. During these years many cows were milked as part of the family income.

Odiel Mestdagh rented the farm in 1950, later purchasing it. In 1964 they bought a new house which was placed on a new site. A garage and machine shed were also built and a granary was moved to the farm. This granary was the original flour shed from Greenway.

Odiel and Doris had three children: Linda married Neil McDonald of Clearwater. They have three children: Chad, Becky and Troy. Karen married Dennis Rigaux, their children are: Shauna, Robby and Tanya. Bill married Rhonda VanCauwenberghe and they have a daughter: Leticia.

ANDREW GIBSON

Andy farmed on the NE¼ 6-4-12 for more than 25 years. He had come from Ontario where he had heard about people coming west to the Pembina mountains, which he found was really only our hills. After his death in 1925 his sister, Mrs. Mike Little took over the farm and rented it to different farmers. Her husband had been a veterinarian in Pilot Mound. She sold the farm to Mr. Lebeau. It is now owned by Albin Lebeau.

WILF AND VELMA GORDON

August 15, 1963 was moving day in Glenora. Wilfred and Velma Gordon were moving into the Manitoba Pool Elevator's house and Vi-

vian and Ross Denbow and family were moving out. These moves took place simultaneously. There were boxes moving in and boxes moving out. They all looked alike. The wonder is that most of them ended up at their rightful owners. Wilf had been transferred to Glenora to be the manager of the Pool Elevator where he remained until his retirement on August 20, 1973. The Pool and the people of Glenora and district held a retirement party for Wilf and Velma in Glenora Community Hall on August 11, 1973. This was greatly appreciated. They chose to spend their retirement years in Glenora and bought the house which formerly had been the home of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Porter. They have remained until the present time in this community of friendly people. The town of Glenora, nestled as it is in the midst of several other towns and within a short distance of a series of lakes, makes any drive an interesting experience and a source of pleasure.

Wilf and Velma Gordon

BURLEY HAINSTOCK

In March, 1917, W. B. Hainstock and his wife, the former Alice Ruth Forbes of Greenway, moved to the SW ¼ of 16-4-13, bought from Mr. Wm. Houston. They and their family of Evelyn, Blanche and Gordon had moved from Carnduff, Saskatchewan and they will always remember an evening later that spring of playing out in the yard at dusk and hearing for the first time the coyotes howling — how close they sounded and how eerie. A second son, William Goodwin, generally known as Jim, was born June, 1917.

It was a busy life as they kept cattle, milked cows, raised pigs and hens and farmed the three quarter sections. Cream had to be taken to the railway station then as trucks didn't call at the farms for many years. And remember the old ice wells where the sawdust, preserving the ice, was ever ready to fall into the cream can as you tried to pour the cream in. And, of course, the luxury of hydro was years later in coming to change the life of the farmers.

Dad served on Excelsior School Board for many years as secretary-treasurer and as trustee. He was also councillor of his ward for several terms. Always a staunch supporter of the Conservative Party, many arguments were indulged in.

Mother was one of the hardest working women of her time. Milking cows, making butter, baking her own bread, keeping her house and her family clothed and fed. And well we remember that home baked bread, home made butter and the rest.

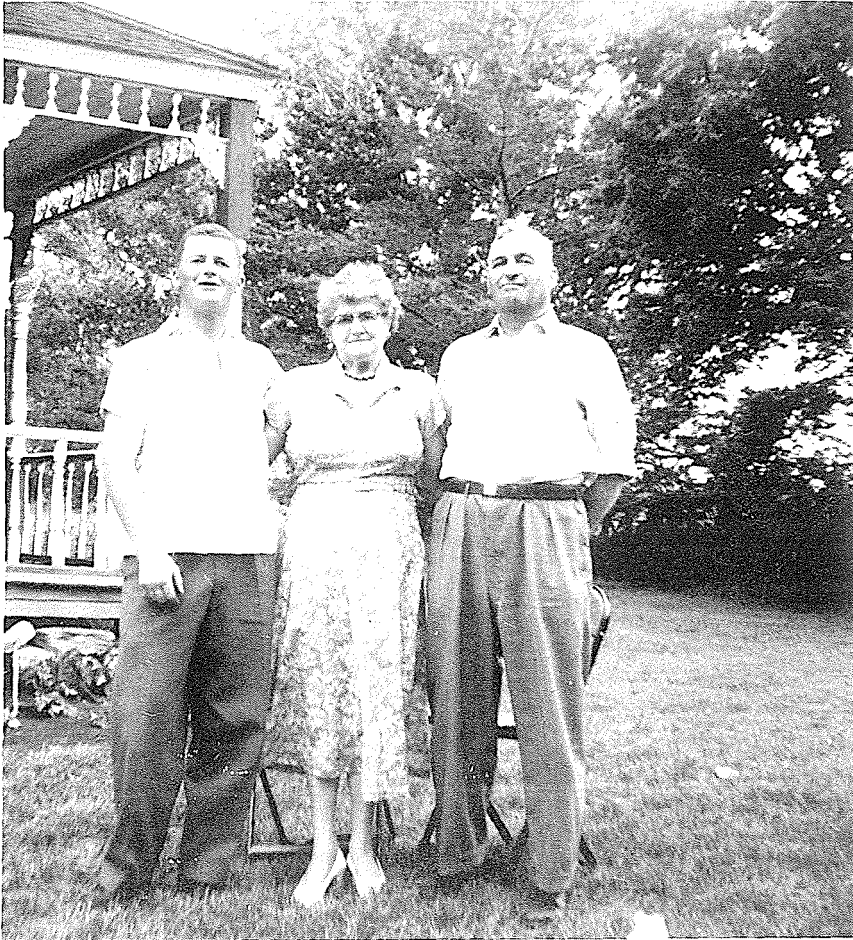
Mother and Dad moved to Baldur in 1943 and resided there till their deaths — Dad in December, 1955 and Mother in May, 1964.

1878-1980 HARRISON FARM 28-3-13

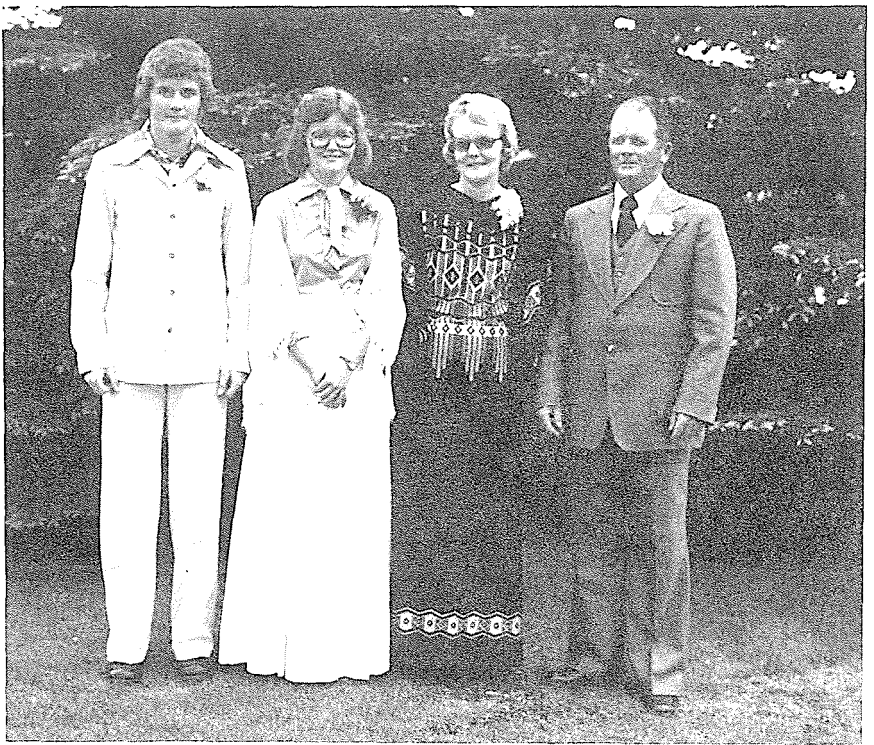
The first settler on 28-3-13 was Dr. Michael Little from Eastern Canada. Dr. and Mrs. Little (the former Nellie Gibson) raised two sons, Ed and Meldrum who both became teachers and two daughters, Maud and Marjorie. Later Dr. and Mrs. Little moved to Pilot Mound.

The next settler on 28 was Charles Graham who kept a store and post office just inside the road on the site of the present lane. This building was later moved to Baldur.

A later settler was George Graham. During 1910-1912 he built a



July 1958.
Grant, Ida, Percy.



Glen, Adele, Edith, Grant.



Harrison's irrigation system.

two storey house and large barn in order to sell the farm as they wished to return to Carp, Ontario. In 1912 he sold the farm to George Simpson of Waskada, Manitoba.

The C.N.R. built a branch line from Greenway to Wakopa in 1901. The railroad bisected 28 from the northeast to southwest. The town of Glenora was placed at the northeast quarter of 28 and one quarter of the town is still on 28. A store was built on the corner by A. M. Ralston of Petersburg, North Dakota who operated it until 1908. He sold the stock to Malone and Robertson of Holmfield who sold it to A. M. Lindsay in 1912.

Several residences and a community hall are now on that corner of this section.

Mrs. Simpson passed away in 1933 and Mr. Simpson in 1948.

In 1949 Percy Harrison of Holland, Manitoba bought the north half of 28 from Harvey Wilson and F. W. Simpson, executors for the estate. Joe and Marie Fifi rented this land from 1949-1953.

Some of the early settlers on the south half of 28-3-13 were Tom Feely in 1883. In 1890 Peter Butchart lived here. He also owned other land and at one time taught at Marringhurst School.

James Porter Sr. lived here from 1897-1908. Eva and Jim were born here. They were followed by the Tandbergs. In 1910 George Steward a bachelor lived here.

In 1914-1917 Sigurdson's lived here. Their children were Eddie, Hannah, Sarah and Oscar. Oscar now lives in Lundar.

Walter Simpson settled on this farm after his marriage to Susan Macklin. Some of their children were born here. Leslie Simpson lived here in 1926 followed by Bob Simpson, Jim Simpson and George Simpson.

Lundgrens and Craystons rented the south half of 28 from Mrs. Simpson in 1946. Hickey bought it from Grace Simpson in 1948.

In 1950 it was owned by Oscar Bjorklund who now owns Superior Lumber in Winnipeg.

Bob Simpson's son Jim lived here in 1951 followed by Pete Swistak from 1951-1953. In July 1953 Percy Harrison purchased the south half also.

Percy and Ida Harrison and son Grant moved on to the north half in September 1953. Percy and Ida built a new house on the north half in 1959. Grant married Edith Holm of Husavick in 1959 and they lived in the old house.

The original barn on the north half was torn down and a new one built in 1963. An old log house on the south half was torn down by Percy and Grant. Newspapers stuck to the walls dated back to 1894. The land was cleared of bush and put into productivity. Grant and his Dad farmed together until his Dad's death in April 1968.

Grant and I built a new house in 1969. In 1971 the original house

built by George Graham was torn down. An irrigation system was set up on the south half in 1977.

Ida Harrison passed away in November, 1979. Her house was sold and moved to Arnaud, Manitoba.

Grant and I continue to farm here. We have two children: Adele attending U. of M. and Glen in Grade 12.

Edith Harrison

HERBERT HEAVER FAMILY

My father, Herbert Heaver, was born in Croydon, England in 1878 and at the age of eighteen came to Canada in 1896. Arriving in Winnipeg he worked as a butcher for Gordon Ironsides and Fair Co.

He left Winnipeg coming to Baldur, he worked for: W.J. Porter, Chas. Hamilton's and Fred Stevens. While at Stevens' he took a homestead on the SW 5-4-13 in 1897 or 1898. He built a shanty and made the cellar door in front of the outside door. When he went to bed he left the cellar open so that anyone entering while he was asleep would fall down the cellar.

In 1899 his father, Edward Heaver, his mother and brother Warwick and sister Florrie came out to Canada. My grandfather homesteaded NE 5-4-13, he lived with my father and they broke land with oxen.

I remember my father telling me about my grandfather breaking land in the summer with the oxen when the mosquitoes were so bad the oxen ran into a slough and my grandfather held on to the handles of the plough and was dragged right under the water.

My Uncle Warwick went to Winnipeg in 1904 to train for an engineer on the railroad but took typhoid fever and had to go to another climate, so he went to California and lived there the rest of his life.

In 1905 my father took rheumatic fever and he had to leave the farm. He went to California.

While father was away a family by the name of Tandberg farmed the land.

Father came back in 1906 and continued farming. In 1908 he married Catherine Buttress, they had three children: Alice, Catherine and Sidney. He farmed until his health failed and he retired in 1936. He then rented the farm to Claude Kay until 1941, then James Kynoch Sr. rented the land until 1947. Herbert Heaver passed away in 1943.

In 1908, my grandfather, Edward Heaver, sold the homestead to Cuthbert Bros. and bought the NE 31-3-13 from Richard Greenway. He built a house and barn in 1916. He then rented the farm to Jack Clark until 1919. He then lived on the farm and hired a man to farm it. In 1921 he rented the land to Syd Cuthbert for the next eight years. My father

farmed it until 1933. Alec Bannerman lived in the building from 1931-1933.

In 1933 Fred Macklin and I, Sydney Heaver farmed the land until 1937. I then rented the farm to James Kynoch Sr. until 1941.

Fred Macklin and I went to Chilliwack, B.C. in 1937. We worked on small dairies but returned in 1938 and I worked in S. Gadd's butcher shop for the next two years, then I worked on farms around the district.

In 1941 Fred and Mary Macklin lived in the house and Fred Coldron rented the land until 1947.

In 1942 I went to Winnipeg and joined the army, later going to England and Europe. I came home in 1945 and was discharged in 1946. I started farming on NE 31-3-13, SW 5-4-13 and this year I married Norma Kay. We had two sons: Barry and Grant. Norma passed away in 1973. I still live on the farm but Barry farms the land.

Grant married Emily Smith of Griswold, Manitoba. They have two sons: Sydney and James.

S. Heaver, 1980

ALFRED HOLDEN

Alf Holden was born in Sweden coming to Manitoba in about 1908. He worked for Ed Crayston in 1912.

He bought NW¼ 30-3-13 and farmed for a number of years. He retired in 1946 going to his sister at Eden. Later he returned to Sweden where he passed away.

Joe Byrnes and his wife Madelaine (Walleyne) lived on this farm for a short time and their children attended Wigton school. Later they moved to Winnipeg and Cuthbert's bought the farm.

THE FRED JOEL FAMILY

The Fred Joel family farmed south of Glenora on NW 15-3-13 for a short time. After leaving here they farmed in the Baldur district. Mrs. Joel was an Antonius girl. They had eight children, some attended school here. Bill married Olive Goodine, they have a family of four girls and two boys and live at Glenboro. Ethel married Frank Skardal of Baldur, they have one son and now live in Carberry. Sig married Wilhamena Kynoch of Glenora, they have two girls and reside in Winnipeg. Alice married Svein Sveinson of Baldur, moved to Winnipeg. He is deceased and Alice still lives there. Herman married Pearl Brogden of Glenboro, they have four girls and a boy and reside in Glenboro. Irvin married a girl from Arborg, Emmy and they have two girls and one boy and live at Portage la Prairie. Anne married Bill Biles of Baldur, they have four boys and two girls and reside in Glenboro. Another son Norman died at an early age.

THOMAS KAY FAMILY

Tom Kay and his wife Ida Brether Kay came from Exbridge, Ontario in the early 1900's to the Crystal City area. Mr. Kay worked for Mr. Greenway. They moved to Glenora about 1910 or 11 first living on NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 15-3-13 then moving to the Martin Olson farm, SE 31-3-13 in 1913 or 1914. Having bought SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 32-3-13 Mr. Kay started to dig a cellar on which to build a new home. Mr. Kay took sick while working on this project and died of pneumonia in 1915. Mrs. Kay carried on the farm with the help of her children. The house was built by Fred Weezel a local carpenter. Mrs. Kay took an active part in community affairs. She was a very successful farmer, a school trustee and belonged to the Glenora Ladies Aid. She passed away in 1945.

Mr. and Mrs. Kay had five children: Waldo (Casey) who helped farm and later worked on the oil pipeline when it was put through Manitoba. Casey is at present living in the Pilot Mound Personal Care Home. Dora married Ralph Brinkworth and they farmed on 12-4-14. Ralph and Dora had three children: Lloyd at home. Audrey (Mrs. Lindsey Webb) deceased, having had two girls: Pamela and Valerie, one boy: Paul. Clifford who married Norma Elliot and farmed N $\frac{1}{2}$ 1-4-14, which, until he retired was the home of Earl and Bertha Preston, Norma's granddad. Cliff and Norma had three boys: Darryl, Lyndon and Jeff (deceased).

Ralph passed away in 1978. Dora still lives on the farm with her son Lloyd. Claude Kay helped on the farm. He married Kathleen Carmichael. Claude bought 6-4-13 and farmed there for some time before moving to Belmont. Claude now lives in Saskatchewan. Claude and Kathleen had three daughters: Sandra, Kathy and Hazel; one son: Tommy.

Norma Kay married Sid Heaven. They had two boys: Barry, still on the farm, and Grant, married to Emily Smith and living in Glenora. They have three children: Sidney, James and Kathy. Norma passed away in 1973.

Lloyd took over the farm in 1944. He married Hilda Collins of Glenora and they carried on farming successfully until retiring in 1973 when they moved to Carman. They had a daughter: Janet (Mrs. Richardson) who has two children. Hilda passed away in 1981.

KENNY FARM

Mr. Bentley came west with the settlers in 1879 and settled on W $\frac{1}{2}$ 33-3-12. He sold it to J. P. Kenny before the turn of the century. Their son Conway settled in the same yard. Conway and his wife had two boys: Wilmer and Barry. The boys are married and have established homes on this farm to raise their own families. This is the third generation of Kenny's who have carried on farming this land.

THE SAM KING LOT NE 28-3-13 Lots 3 and 4

This lot was first owned by Samuel King. Sam, his wife and family came from England in the early 1890's. He had three sons and one daughter. One son, Billy as he was known to his friends, farmed with his father on 2-4-13. Later he moved to Glenora to reside with his father who had earlier retired to town. Sam lived to the good old age of one hundred and three.

After moving to Glenora Billy did some draying, blacksmithing and also was employed at the stockyard for a cattle buyer Elwood Baird.

Robert Service's house in the north is known because of his poems, Grey Owl's cabin is also well known on account of his love for the beaver; mainly Jelly Roll. Billy King's house was also well known, but for a different reason. It was called the "Club House" for many years. It was a place where you had to arrive early if you wanted to get a seat to the poker game of the night. When a man started playing poker there he forgot he had a home, wife or family. The marvelous part of it was that each player came out of there a little bit richer. Billy was paid ten cents a game for supplying the table and a few blocks of wood for seats. He never took part in the game, just supervised from his bed in the corner.

Billy's brother Charles was a diabetic and passed away at an early age. Alex worked for a neighboring farmer but also passed away when a young man. Their sister Minnie married William Baird. They moved to Neeopawa. They had three boys: Neil, Jim and John; and one daughter: Sarah.

About 1960 Billy's health failed and he spent his last days in Shamrock Home in Killarney. He passed away February 16, 1963 at the age of 89.

His house and lot were sold to John Thomas in 1963. The following year John tore down the house and in 1966 the lot was sold to George Wilson.

George and Ida Wilson moved a new modern house onto this lot. They landscaped, planting trees, flowers and having a beautiful lawn.

George was suffering with emphysema and although they spent several winters in Arizona, it did little to improve his health. He was a man who loved guns and much of his spare time was spent at Rock Lake Gun Club where both he and his wife enjoyed shooting. He also enjoyed hunting, being seventy-six when he bagged his last deer. George passed away in 1979.

They have one daughter: Germaine, who married Arnold Linklater. They have one son, Eric and two daughters, Naomi and Karen.



Sam King



Billy King and one of Macklin twins.

CLOSING THE "CLUB HOUSE"

On the flat lying prairie, on Rock Lake's north side
Is a small town Glenora by name
A box car for a station, a train once a week,
And a "Club House" which brought it great fame.

The club house was run for twenty-five years
The air always fragrant and sweet
It was run by a good fellow, known as "Old Bill"
At the small price of ten cents a seat.

Pleasant hours we spent in that place
With friends that we all used to love,
Some are still here to talk of the past,
And others have gone up above.

One afternoon, to Billy's surprise,
A policeman walked into the house
Bill said, "Sit down" and he would have said more,
But his moustache got into his mouth.

The Cop said, "Boys, its bad news I bring,
I just got to stop all your fun."
As he spoke these last words, he swallowed a lump
And the tears down his cheeks they did run.

Now closing the club house has been a hard knock,
No more do we hear Billy snore.
Since Harry heard it, he ain't slept a wink,
And his hair has fell out on the floor.

Now Paddy's quite blue, he is down in the dumps.
The club house is surely the cause
And to top it all off someone told him last week
That there wasn't a real Santa Claus.

Now Frank Cuthbert's pipe, we will never forget
Oh, what a beautiful smell,
It sounds like something stuck in the mud,
And possible dead a great spell.

Lindsay was there every night sharp at six
Before Billy had washed up his cups
Nothing could stop him short of breaking his leg;
Or maybe his dog having pups.

When Gus came to play he sat on a block
A seat that was safe and sound.
He shouted like Tarzan, King of the Apes.
You could hear him in Pilot Mound.

Jim Collins drew up a petition which read,
We shall soon have the club house quite full.
It looked like a pamphlet on weed control
Or a pedigree of somebody's bull.

Said Casey the club house is closed up for good
You may work till you're gray in the head,
For me I've played poker for twenty-five years,
Now I think I'll start courtin' instead.

KLASSEN FARM (ELSEY)

Mr. Walker homesteaded the S½ 30-3-12, the house was built in 1895 and was used as a post office for the Marrinhurst district.

The next owner was Jake Elsey. They had two children: Ruth and Edgar. The barn was built in 1905 replacing a sod barn built earlier.

Norman Galloway bought the farm in 1920 and lived there for thirty years.

In 1950 Maurice Goethals of Swan Lake bought this land and Camille De Smit rented the farm for two years. The next five years it was rented by Leo and Therese Barsalou.

In the spring of 1957 Lionel Goethals, son of Maurice, with his wife Blanche and four children moved to the farm. March 1958 Ann Marie was born, a sister for Lloyd, Patrica, Bryan and Fred. The next year Maurice joined the family.

In 1967 we bought the N½ 30-3-12 from Tommy William, originally owned by Reg Gallaway, while Tommy, Edna and son Lyall moved to Pilot Mound. This half had been homesteaded by John Montague but Reg had built the house and barn.

In 1975 Lionel (Kelly) and Blanche sold to Danny and Norma Klassen. They moved in the spring of 1976 with their three children: Timmie, Jackie and Jennifer.

Kelly and Blanche now reside in Pilot Mound.

THE KOLDYK FAMILY

This land was homesteaded by J. McLellan in 1882 E½ 18-4-13 and farmed until Samuel Preston bought it at Mr. McLellan's death. George Landerkin lived here for a short time and Earl Leslie bought the

farm and lived here building a house on NE 18-4-13. This house was moved to Baldur in 1951 and is presently occupied by Mr. Markle.

J. Paddock lived here 1921-22. Also Wilfred Trottier married to Bertha Major, father of Fleurette Capon and Orise Boulet, lived there in the early 1930s.

Clarence Warrener farmed for some time during the 40s, also Marcel Nick, Dick Koldyk (46-48), John Verspeek (48-49).

The west half was homesteaded by J. Macey in 1882. He built a log house NW¼ 18-4-13. C. Gillis, O. S. Schultz and in 1910 Jack Clark bought it and built a two storey frame house. He remained here until 1917. Salmons lived on the SW¼ and about 1937 Browns. Dick Koldyk, father of Joe, was here from 1942-1948 and his son Sybren from 1948-50. Joe and Clarence Koldyk farmed there in 1952-54.

Joe Koldyk took over the farm in 1954 and resides there with his wife Lily (Breidal) Koldyk and grandson Philip. In 1972 they replaced the house built by Jack Clark with a one storey dwelling.

Joe came here in 1942 from Dunrea, Manitoba with his parents Dick and Betty Koldyk (both deceased). One sister, Betty is married to John Verspeek. They live at Carman and have three children.

Joe had four brothers: Sybren, deceased 1950. Clarence married Betty Pugh and is farming at Westbourne, Manitoba. Henry married Kay Johnson, they live in Edmonton, Alberta. He is an instrument technician for Sherdon-Gordon Mines. They have two children. James married Irene Schultz and farms at MacGregor, Manitoba. They have three children.

Joe married Lily Breidal in 1953. They had four children: Rita, deceased 1976. She had one son, Philip. Brian, residing in Winnipeg. Valerie, married to Rhean Bateman and residing in Brandon. Alan, deceased 1973.

W. J. AND DORIS KYNOCH NE 26-3-13

This quarter was homesteaded by Mr. Brading in 1881. John Lawrence took over later and a log barn big enough to shelter two oxen and a log house were built east of the present yard site. In 1898 John decided to go to the gold rush and his brother Hon. George Lawrence purchased the land. In 1916 another brother rented and then decided to buy the quarter while living on his homestead on the same section. However with poor crops and hard times he was unable to keep up payments and let it go back to George. George died in 1924.

In 1926 Charlie Carlson purchased the land and started to build a small two storey house in the present yard site, while living where David Van Damme now lives. Carlsons had a family of six, namely: Myrtle,

Violet, Rose, Lillian, Herb and Harold. They moved to Ninette district in 1932.

The Morton Loney family lived here for sometime after that.

In 1935 Harry Stevens and wife Evelyn (Montroy) moved here.

Then in 1937 Walter Ballantine purchased the farm from Mr. and Mrs. William Houston who lived in Greenway. That summer Saul Delorme lived in the house while driving his gravel truck. Walter put the crop in that year and with his wife Elizabeth (Conrad) and two daughters Doris (myself) and Charlotte moved here in the fall. In December another daughter, Della, was born here. That winter I remember my Dad and his two nephews Colin MacNee and Earl Wright leaving at dawn with a lunch for noon and cutting wood all day (take note by axe not by chainsaw), bringing home loads of logs to be sawed in the spring. My Dad hauled many cords of wood with his truck to the neighbouring towns, where it was sold for firewood. This is coming into style again with constant rising fuel costs, but I am not anxious to start carrying wood in and ashes out if I don't have to. The wood will soon not be available locally and is very costly too. The wooded areas are now all in farmland. Dad also hauled cream to Belmont, with Mom taking it at times when he had another job. At that time every farmer didn't have a truck and so there was lots of work a trucker could get. Also road construction employed more locals and he hauled gravel with a centre dump gravel box which did not spread gravel as today's truck does. Also this box had to be removed from the truck to put the grain box back on.

Crops were a failure on the prairies many years, with drought, grasshoppers, rust or hail, so Dad continued to earn money with his truck, which he has done since before I can remember, and still does.

There was only a log stable at first, then he built a larger stable. He like many neighbours kept sheep, but it was a battle keeping the wolves and dogs away. He always had cattle, a team and many pigs.

A son Elwin was born here on Dad's birthday May 15th, 1942. Anita was born at Grandma Conrad's in April, 1944 and Kay in 1945 at Peterson's Nursing Home in Baldur. I was born in May 1932 at Chris Larson's in Dry River district and Charlotte in February 1935 at Grandma Conrad's.

In 1943 the barn from the southwest quarter which Dad had purchased was moved over here on skids. A lean-to was built onto this in 1959.

In 1945 a larger two storey house was built on the site of the old one. While building we lived in the garage and two granaries. I can remember how long it took to buy and save up enough lumber to start to build this house, as the war years caused many shortages. How well many of us remember the ration coupons, boys away fighting for our

country and sadly hearing of those not returning home. How happy we were to hear of V.E. Day and V.J. Day in 1945. That year and the next there were many happy welcome-home nights for the boys who returned home.

In 1949 Mom and Dad purchased the August Janke store in Glenora. Also that year I married Bill Kynoch and we operated the farm for my Dad until we purchased it in 1966. We have since kept pigs, geese, chickens, horses and raised a few colts and many calves, and always milked cows. We shipped cream and then built a dairy barn in 1970. We changed to shipping milk to Pilot Mound Cheese Plant until Bill was attacked by the bull and suffered a severely injured arm. Needless to say Old Charlie was on the first transfer heading to the Bologna Plant. We regretfully sold our dairy herd in December 1978.

The land is very flat with the exception of a slough which starts at the west end and runs through to the Pembina River. In the spring runoff the water comes down from west of Glenora and north of here and many years we have had our road washed out. We have had to make a raft to get across. In a wet year this muskeg holds water all summer providing a happy home for the tame geese and many wild ducks. Also inviting unwanted coons, foxes, skunks, wolves and even lynx have fed on fowl too many times. The prairie can boast of its extra good tasting water and a never ending supply of it. When the homesteaders came there was an open spring west of the present yard where many horses came to water. You can still see the spot but it has been dry for years.

Many changes in farming have been seen here over the years, with horsepower in the 30s to tractors in the 40s and combines in the 50s, grain augers in the 60s to mix mill, barn cleaner and manure spreader in the 70s. Who knows what the 80s will bring, so far this year has been poor, cropwise, with no rain until harvest time.

Our family of seven were all born in Baldur Hospital. Lynn in 1952, now working as a bookkeeper in Toronto. Daryl in 1954, married Shawna Strang of Winnipeg in 1977, works as an autobody painter in Winnipeg and lives at Lorette. Trudy in 1957, works as a hairdresser in Fort Frances, Ontario. Denny in 1959, married Debbie Desrochers of Greenway in 1979, works at Morden as a diesel mechanic trainee. Cindy in 1962, presently working at McRaes I.G.A., Pilot Mound. Tannis in 1967, attending school in Glenora. Clinton in 1968, who attended school in Glenora and enjoyed the freedom of a farm boy's life and outdoor activities. His main ambition was to be a farmer like his dad. Our family suffered a severe blow and heartbreak when he was accidentally killed while playing at home on October 23, 1979.



Bill and Doris Kynoch.

W. J. and DORIS KYNOCH
SW 26-3-13

Purchased from the Ogilvie Co. by Thomas L. Lawrence in 1881. In 1914 Alvin Lawrence bought it and built a house and barn. His sons were Cecil and Jerald, the family moved to Bowsman, Manitoba in the early twenties, selling to George N. Gemmill of Pilot Mound. The William Loney family rented and lived there in 1934. Then in 1935 and 36 Jim and Ena Kynoch and family lived and farmed there.

In 1941 W. N. Ballantine bought the land and Earl and Alice Robinson lived there one winter before moving to the MacNee farm. The house was later sold and moved to Pilot Mound and other buildings to his farmyard. In 1966 we purchased the quarter with the northwest one.

W.J. AND DORIS KYNOCH
SW 6-4-12

Homesteaded by Philip Morden in 1886, then to Isabella Affleck. Going back to Philip Morden in 1887, then to Harry Elsey the same year. In 1896 Harry H. Elsey sold to Joseph H. Stinson, going back to Mr. Elsey then back to the Crown all in the same year. In 1898 the Crown granted the land back to Philip Morden. In 1909 Harry J. Elsey bought it and sold it to Jacob J. Elsey in 1910 Jacob sold to John Colin Campbell and Colin selling back to Mr. Elsey in 1913. He then sold to Clarence Standing in 1914. That year the war broke out and Clarence went to do his part, and unfortunately was killed in October 1917. After this the Standing Estate was sold to Mr. Vivian L. Cooper. In 1926 Mr. Cooper's twin sons A.E.L. Cooper and J.W.H. Cooper purchased the land. They built a modern style barn in 1927, which is still used.

Better known as the Cooper boys, Harry and Alf lived in the house built by Clarence Standing until Alf built himself a small bungalow in the same yard. They were both good carpenters and built things to last. The grain bins are braced in every direction and are hard on the head. They also built a house in Pilot Mound and sold it in the 40s. They were good farmers and always had good gardens, giving a lot of produce away to friends and those who had no garden. They also owned a quarter south of the homeplace, W 31-3-12. After failing health slowed Harry down he rented it to Jim Kynoch. Harry passed away in 1965. Alf continued to work the homeplace until his health failed and he rented to us. Alf lived there with his dog until his passing at home in 1973. A long time friend



Ena and Jim Kynoch at station leaving for honeymoon. Left to right: Dolly Lumbers, Peggy Balkham, Edith Lawrence, Susie Macklin, Wm. Coldron, Billy Gray, Ena and Jim Kynoch, Mr. Peacock, boys Fred and Herb Macklin.

and neighbor Ewen McEwen then lived there until moving into Prairie View Lodge in Pilot Mound in 1974. That fall we bought this quarter and Jim the south one from the estate. In 1977 we rented Jim's land and continue to work the land the Cooper twins owned.

The land is much more productive than the prairie, but does have its drawbacks too, such as gumbo which really makes a tractor snort, as well as its driver. Some of the land is only good for pasture with a large slough and some smaller ones, which in the last few years have gone dry. The well water is not very tasty and does go dry also. The farm has been a haven for wildlife with its water and many hills. These same hills also keep a tractor operator from falling asleep. There are many water runs that must be kept sowed down, these are cut for hay. Another little problem is stones, but then how could we make cementwork without stones for filling.

JAMES KYNOCH SR.

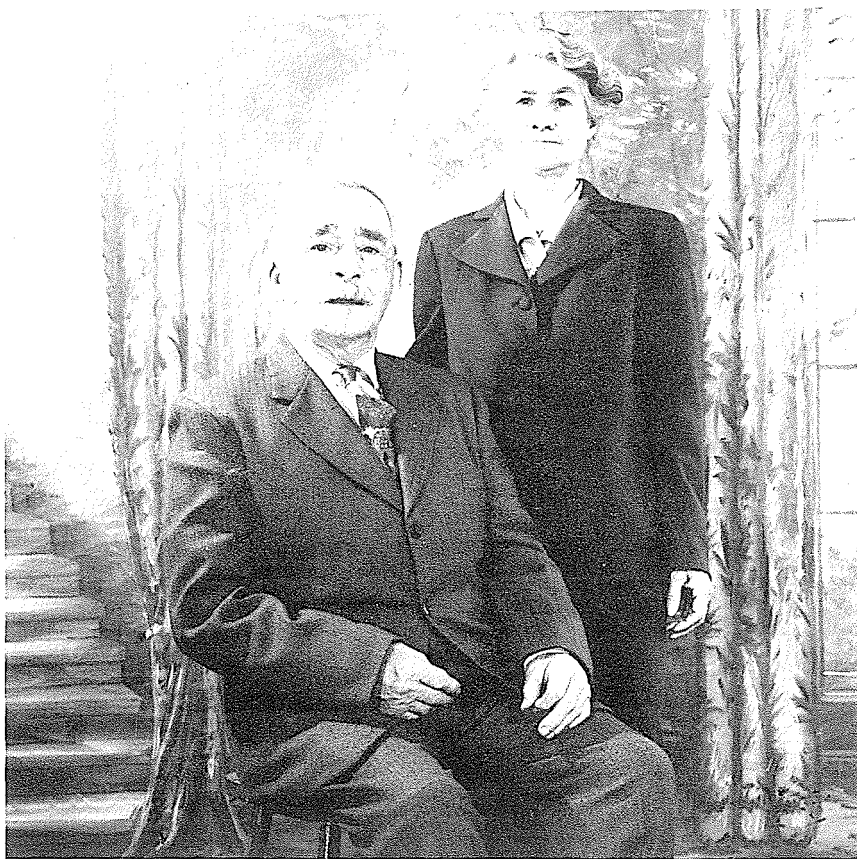
James Kynoch Sr. was born in 1881 in Fentrey, Scotland. He came to Canada in 1910. He worked for Tom Kay in 1914-15. He married Wilhemenia Macklin November 1916 and lived on the Frank Simpsons farm, 31-3-13. They then moved to the Billy Grey farm, 3-4-13 and started farming on their own. Wilhemenia was born April 12th, 1918 and Jim April 8th, 1919. Next they moved to the Olson farm where William J. was born March 5th, 1921. In 1923 they moved to the Morrell farm where Gordon was born September 11th. In 1926 they again moved, this time to the Horese Forbes farm. Eva was born in 1925 and died from eating treated grain. Albert was born in 1928 and died the same year of pneumonia. About 1931 they moved to Flem. Johnson's farm, 26-3-13 and in 1936 they moved to the Sid Heaver farm and in 1941 the Bert Heaver farm. In 1945 Jim and Ena bought the Sam Preston farm from Federation Life through the Soldier Settlement. In 1956 they moved to Glenora and lived in Cleay's house by the school until later in the year they bought lots 7 and 8 from Laura (Van Damme) Heron. James Kynoch died December 10th, 1965 at the age of 84 years.

Wilhamena married Sig Joel in 1942, having two children: Bonnie and Arlene. They all reside in Winnipeg.

James married Mildred Sterling, living in Glenora.

William married Doris Ballantine in 1949 and farm at Glenora. Gordon remained at home.

Andy married Joan Kay 1958 and they farmed the home farm until 1964 when they moved to Winnipeg where Andy has worked for Ver-satile.



Jim and Wilhemenia Kynocn.

CHRISTOPHER GIBSON LAWRENCE

Chris Lawrence was the third teacher of the Marringhurst school.

Born in 1863, Mr. Lawrence received his elementary education in Zephyr school near Uxbridge, Ontario. His high school training was completed in Uxbridge. He came to Manitoba in 1881, where he homesteaded in the Greenway and Glenora districts.

He taught at Wigton school for one year, 1886, then Marringhurst one year. After his second year of teaching he devoted his time to farming until 1901 when he and his brother opened a real estate office in Winnipeg.

In 1905 he married Christina McRae of Rocanville, Saskatchewan. Two children were born to them: Edwin and Ethel. The family resided in Winnipeg and Glenora, moving to Killarney in 1923 where he was semi-retired. He died in 1934 and is buried in Killarney Cemetery.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM LAWRENCE

One of the earliest weddings in Marrinhurst was that of Jemima Walker and William Lawrence on July 22, 1885. She was the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Walker and had five brothers: John, William, George, Samuel and Allen and two sisters: Jane (Mrs. William Galloway) and Sarah (Mrs. Robert Johnston). The whole family lived on a farm near Creemore, Ontario. Later they moved to Alliston, Ontario and then to Manitoba in 1879. They settled on 30-4-12. Jemima was born on February 25, 1864 and was 15 when she arrived in Manitoba and 21 when she married William Lawrence. William had filed on a homestead at Glenora on his way from Uxbridge, Ontario in 1881 but found that it was located in heavy timber with no arable land on it. He chopped a clearing and built a small log house, then he worked by the day for more fortunate pioneers. They lived there only a year and William abandoned the homestead and they returned to Ontario where he had a job prospect. It had been taken when they arrived so they returned to Manitoba. They lived for a short time in Killarney where the eldest daughter, Gertie was born in 1888, but love of the land brought them back to Glenora where they settled on the prairie on the NW¼ 26-3-13. Then began the long years from pioneer days of the oxen and log house to more prosperous times. The soil on the prairie was extremely light and sandy and required much rain to produce good crops but rainfall was often light and crop yields disappointing. A son William was born in 1892 and Pearl in 1895, then Edith in 1899. Two girls died in childhood. Gertie married A. M. Lindsay, a storekeeper in Glenora. Pearl married Frank Simpson and they farmed west of Glenora. Edith married George Brinkworth, they also farmed west of Glenora. William never married, was U.G.G. elevator operator.

In 1919 William built a cozy bungalow in Glenora where he and Jemima spent long years of well deserved rest. William passed away in April, 1935 and Jemima in January, 1947. Both were laid to rest in Pilot Mound Cemetery.

THE SEVEN LAWRENCE PIONEER BROTHERS

by Nellie Pearl Lawrence

Noble and George Lawrence came west from Uxbridge, Ontario during the spring of 1878. They came by way of Duluth and St. Paul by train, then down the Red River on a steamboat. When they reached Emerson at the boundary Noble got off the boat but George had only his ticket and fifteen cents. He must have got a job as he later came and took the homestead next to Noble.

Noble was able to buy oxen, a wagon and supplies. He drove north along the west side of the river arriving at Nelsonville, near Morden



Pearl, October 2, 1972, aged 77.



Noble Lawrence house near Glenora. Photo taken May 17, 1945.

where he filed on the homestead SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 35-3-13 and the quarter north of it as his pre-emption. He forded the Pembina south of La Riviere successfully but while crossing it east of Rock Lake on a sand bar one ox was drowned. He walked the rest of the seven miles home and saw no human habitation on the prairie. Later he found that Dr. Mike Little, a veterinarian was living on a homestead on Sec. 28. Noble built a log house, broke up some of the sixty acres across the south side, the rest of his property being covered with heavy timber. He remained a bachelor and lived in his log cabin for more than sixty years. He passed away in 1940.

George also built a log cabin and farmed for a few years, then he moved to Killarney and went into the implement business, then into politics. He represented the constituency of Killarney for twelve years. He was a member of the provincial cabinet. He made two trips back to Ontario to bring out two carloads of horses which were sold to the pioneers to replace the slower oxen. He bought and sold land and became wealthy. He married Phoebe Coughlan, an Irish nurse. They had one son, Desmond, who was educated at Oxford. George passed away in 1924.

Joseph Henry, the eldest brother took a farm at Holmfield in 1893, later moving to Winnipeg

William, Thomas, Christopher and John came west in 1881. William's homestead he found was heavy timbered north of Noble. He cut trees to make a clearing and built a small log house. He married Jemima Walker. Having no farmland he had to work for other settlers and the young wife had to stay alone during the day and was terrified of the wild animals which came out of the bush into the clearing. They returned to Ontario, later returning to Killarney, then back to a homestead south of Noble, 26-3-13. Gertie (Mrs. A. M. Lindsay) was born in Killarney in 1888, William, Pearl (Mrs. F. Simpson), Edith (Mrs. G. Brinkworth), Lottie and Violet were born at Glenora. William and Jemima moved into Glenora village in 1919 and William passed away in 1935.

Thomas took the homestead 27-3-13. He married Estella Morden of Pilot Mound in 1894. Their children were: Mary, Chris, Alvin, Beatrice, Clara and George. Thomas and his brother Chris went into the real estate business and became wealthy. In later years Thomas and Estella retired to Vancouver. He passed away in 1945.

John, the youngest Lawrence brother, came west in 1881 and took the quarter east of William. He remained a bachelor and went to the Yukon in 1898 when gold was discovered there. He remained there for many years and was brought out to a nursing home in Vancouver where he passed away in 1960 at the age of 95.

Christopher, the sixth brother, was born in 1863 and came west in 1881. He homesteaded SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 26-3-13 and farmed, but also taught school

at Marrinhurst and Wigton. He married Christena MacRae of Rocanville, Saskatchewan. They had a son Edwin and a daughter Ethel (Mrs. Allan Drummond). Chris went into the real estate business with Thomas. They moved to Killarney and he passed away in 1934.

The seven Lawrence brothers lived an aggregate of 574 years, an average of 82 years.

THE LEBEAU'S FROM 1928 TO 1981

In 1928 Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lebeau and family moved on sec. 1-4-13 from the Dry River area. They had a family of eight children: Bertrand, Grace, Albin, Laurence, Gilberte, Roger, Reynald and Armel. Mr. Albert Lebeau was deceased in August of 1975 and son Armel in November of 1979, Mrs. Albert Lebeau in December of 1980.

Laurence married Emmanuel Marcq of Deleau, Manitoba in 1944, they have a family of three: Gerald, Lionel and Elaine, they all presently reside in Winnipeg. Grace married Art Catteeuw of Baldur in 1949, they have two sons: Greg and Duane. Bertrand married Hilda Rondeau of St. Leon in 1950, they have no children. Gilberte married Garth Combs of Deloraine in 1951, they have a family of three: Joanne, Keith and Brian. They lived in the Deloraine area until 1969 and then moved to Gibson, B.C. In 1952 Albin married Adrienne Talbot of St. Leon, they have a family of seven children. In the same year Roger married Angele Bacte of Holland, Manitoba, they have a family of five children. Reynald married Celine Marginet of Bruxelles in 1957, they have a family of four daughters: Constance, Delores, Anita and Michelle. Reynald and his wife live in Chater, Manitoba, their three oldest daughters live in Winnipeg.

The southwest corner of section 1-4-13 was owned by Mr. John Conrad until Albert Lebeau bought it in 1939. Mr. and Mrs. Bertrand Lebeau moved on this quarter section in 1950, they moved a house from the McNee farm and a barn from the Pierson farm, many other buildings have been added since.

The $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 12-4-13 was bought by Mr. Albert Lebeau in 1947. Mr. and Mrs. Albin Lebeau live on this farm which was all built in 1952. They have a family of seven children: Guy, Lucille, Diane, Donald, Gisele, Leonard and Janet. In 1976 Lucille married Murray Razzell, they lived in Winnipeg until 1979 when they moved to Vancouver, B.C. Dianne married Ben Vancauwenberghe in 1979 and farm near Swan Lake. Gisele married David Jowett in 1979 and lives in Brandon, they have one son, Shawn. Another wedding took place in 1979 that was between Donald and Bonnie Andrews, they also live in Brandon and have a son named Robert. Guy is farming with his father, Janet and Leonard are going to Somerset School. Mrs. Farquar lived just west of Albin's buildings on the hill. On the southwest corner of 12-4-13,

where there once was a yard, it was lived on by Jake Pierson, Phillo Odell, Saul Delorme and Marcel Nick. The farm where Albin Lebeau lives on was owned by Mrs. Mike Little and before that by Andrew Gibson.

THE HISTORY OF NE¼ OF SECTION 11-4-13

In the year of 1901 this farm was owned by John A. MacKenzie and in 1921 the Soldier Settlement Board owned this ¼ section. There were several families that lived in these buildings, the Bill Woods family, H. Allard and Jack Fiddler with his family until about 1940. Walter Fiddler bought this ¼ in 1940, they lived here until 1950, then Albert Lebeau bought the land. In 1953 Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lebeau moved on this farm, in 1955 we rebuilt the barn as it had only a straw roof and in 1957 we rebuilt the house. This involved digging a basement and moving it north to its present location. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lebeau have a family of five children: Leona, Glenda, Mark, Desmond and Norman. Leona married Ronald Legary in 1972 and lived in Winnipeg for a few months, then in 1973 they moved to Vancouver, B.C. They have two children: Randy and Debbie. Glenda married Roger Granger in 1974 and lived in Winnipeg until 1979 when they bought the St. Leon Motor Inn, they have one daughter: Nicole. Mark and Desmond presently own



LEBEAU'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY, 1967

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lebeau's 50th Anniversary in 1967. Left to right: Mr. and Mrs. Bertrand Lebeau, Mr. and Mrs. Reynald Lebeau, Mr. and Mrs. Albin Lebeau, Mrs. Grace Catteeuw, Mrs. and Mr. Albert Lebeau, Mr. and Mrs. Em. Marcq, Mr. and Mrs. Garth Combs, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lebeau.

and operate Circle L Feedlot Cleaners and Norman is attending Pilot Mound School. In 1955 Roger bought the $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 36-3-13 which was owned by Arthur Lindsay and before that by William Lawrence. The SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 11-4-13 was owned by the Lundgen family in 1903, they sold it to Harvey Wilson in 1940. It was bought by Albert Bateman in 1949 who did some bulldozing, then in about 1950 it was purchased by Albert Lebeau.

In October 1976 it marked an end of an era with the disposal of household effects of Mrs. Albert Lebeau auctioned by Glen Patterson of Pilot Mound. Mrs. Azail Lebeau moved to the Foyer of Notre Dame de Lourdes until her death. Roots had barely been established when the great depression was upon us with its inherent difficulties. Through good and bad we all grew up in a happy wholesome atmosphere that was so prevalent during this era of hard times. Albert Lebeau had good driving horses and it only took a short time to drive to Glenora or Greenway. Reynald bought the home farm in 1969 and rents it to Roger and Bertrand.

The return of good times coincided with the maturity of this family. Inevitably we grew up and left the fold.

ALFRED M. LESLIE FAMILY

My grandfather Alfred Leslie was born April 2nd, 1852 in Guillaumbury, Ontario, his wife Mary Ellis Leslie was born March 13th, 1853 in Megantic County, Quebec.

They came to Manitoba from Listowel, Ontario about 1889 with their family: Minnie, Maude, Alfred Jr., and Earl. They settled first in Marrinhurst district on SW 32-3-13. The following year they moved to Wigton and settled on SE 12-4-14 the original homestead of Henry Ewing. They lived in a log house for a number of years and then built the frame house which still remains on the farm. In 1923 they sold the farm to Jack Brinkworth Sr. and moved to the village of Glenora, where Grandpa bought the Roberts house, which is now owned by Ross Preston of Winnipeg. Grandpa died in July 1929 and Grandma passed away in October 1940.

Minnie received her education at Marrinhurst, Wigton and Baldur. She taught school at Kinsmore School near Kenton, Manitoba where she married Duncan Robertson. She passed away in January 1908 and is buried in Baldur cemetery.

Maude received her education at Marrinhurst and Wigton. She married Joseph I. Crayston in June 1905. They had a family of two: Hazel Marie and Joseph Claude. Uncle Joe died November 1937 and Aunt Maude passed away in May 1967.

Alfred Mowat Jr. received his education at Wigton and in after



Mr. and Mrs. Alf Leslie Sr.

years often amused his family and friends with stories of the capers that went on in those early school days. He married my mother Monica Katharine Gillam who taught school at Wigton. I have one sister Katherine Monica Thompson in Winnipeg. Mother died on May 12th, 1928 after a lengthy illness, at the age of 32. Dad passed away August 28th, 1973 at the age of 88 years.

Earl received education at Wigton. He married Ettie McKenzie and farmed until he passed away at the age of 32, June 20th, 1919.

My sister Katherine married William Ernest Thompson June 30th, 1937. They have four sons: Leslie, Richard, William Jr. and John.

George Kenny Crayston and I, Mary Leslie, were married December 11th, 1940. We have one son David George, who has a daughter Mary, they reside in Calgary where David is in business. Our daughter, Joan Lillian, married Roderick Scott McKenzie. They have one son Dirk Roderick and live in St. Catharines, Ontario.

LINDSAY FAMILY HISTORY

Arthur Lindsay was born in Bolton, Ontario on December 22nd, 1884. He was the youngest son of William and Jane Lindsay. His ancestors were of Irish decent who hailed from the County of Slingo, Ireland. When Arthur was two weeks old his Mother passed away. He was raised by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Davison who had



Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lindsay.

no other children of their own. In 1888 his father remarried and they had two children: Roy and Elgin, as well as three boys and one girl from the first family.

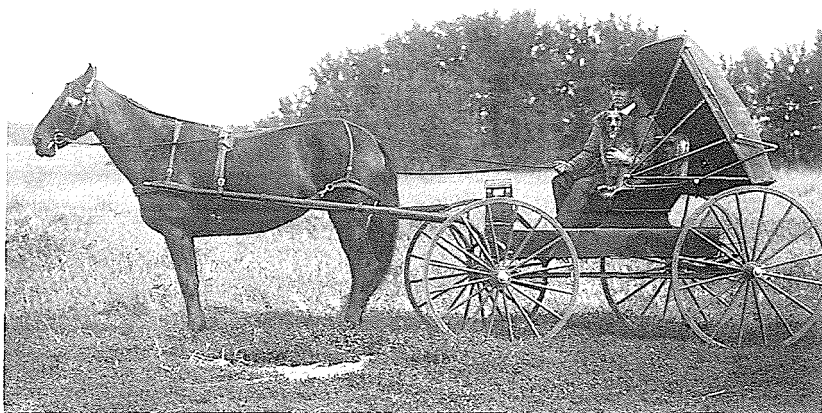
During Arthur's teens he would go to his father's farm and help with the harvest and chores. He also worked part-time in a drug store. After receiving his education he graduated as a school teacher. He taught school for two years in the country school known as "Purpleville". During this time his Grandmother died and he was left to care for his Grandfather. Arthur had a great desire to go out west but



Lindsay Store in Glenora.

didn't like to leave the old gentleman. However his Grandfather passed away quite suddenly so he now felt his obligations were taken care of and in 1908 he packed and boarded a "Loyalist" train to Winnipeg.

Upon arrival he went to the Brunswick hotel. Taking a walk down Portage Avenue he saw a sign "Barber Supplies" going in he saw Don Bovey, husband of his step-mother's sister. Mr. Bovey insisted he stay with them, which he did.



Topsey and Lindsay.

He then contacted Teachers' Headquarters to see about a teaching position. He had a choice of Glenora or Balcarres, Saskatchewan. He chose Glenora because it was near a lake where he could enjoy fishing, which was one of his favorite hobbies, beside cards and smoking cigars. The school at this time was still situated at NE 27-3-13.

During his year of teaching he was also bookkeeper for J. McMillan's store in Glenora. In 1910 he rented the store for himself.

On October 25th, 1911 Arthur married Gertrude Lawrence, eldest daughter of the late William and Jemima Lawrence. He took his bride on a honeymoon to Bolton, Ontario.

On their return to Glenora Arthur bought the store from Mr. Ralston for one thousand dollars.

Mr. Lindsay was very active in the community. He acted as secretary of the school, sold insurance and helped anyone in time of trouble. He was a member of the Pilot Mound Masonic A.F. & O.M.

Mrs. Lindsay was also active in community work, belonging to the Ladies Aid for many years and acted as secretary-treasurer for some time. In 1944 Mr. Lindsay sold the store due to a heart condition, after a successful business of 34 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay retired to Winnipeg, residing with their two daughters Dorothy and Anne. Dorothy was a stenographer for the Winnipeg Tribune for 17 years. Anne graduated from the Misericordia School of Nursing in 1951, at present she is employed as a supervisor in the Holy Family Nursing Home. Dorothy for the past 15 years takes care of their aged Mother of 92 years. Mrs. Lindsay keeps very well health wise but unfortunately has lost her eyesight. Mrs. Lindsay, Dorothy and Anne live together in West Kildonan, Winnipeg.

Mr. Lindsay passed away suddenly with a heart attack November 15th, 1961. He enjoyed 17 years of retirement.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN LOEWEN FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. John Loewen and family (except John who was farming at Cartwright) moved from Mather to the Glenora district in 1941. We found the people, who were to be our neighbors and friends, very kind and warm hearted. Mom enjoyed belonging and working with the Anglican Church Ladies group. And although Dad worked very hard he enjoyed living in the new community. John married Helen Thiessen from Mather in 1944, they raised four children. They gave up farming and he became weed supervisor for Roblin and Louise Municipality in 1959, and live in Crystal City. Ben married Helena Neustaedter from Purvis in 1946, they lived near Glenora, then in the Marringhurst before moving to their present farm south of Clearwater. Dave served overseas on active duty for 4½ years. He married Lenore Warkentine from Graysville



Back: Ben, Dave. Front: Gertie, Sue Loewen.

in 1952. Lenore had taught school in Wigton earlier for one season. They raised three children and live in St. Vital. Dave works for Westeel Rosco. Gertie married John Wiebe from Ste. Anne in 1946, they raised five children. Gertie works for Panco and lives near Aldergrove, B.C. Susan took up hairdressing in Vancouver and recently, after 12 years in Winnipeg moved back to Crystal City to work. From the very first



Mr. and Mrs. John L. Loewen, 1953.

Christmas season at Glenora the Ira Odell family was in the 'Holidayscene'. Therefore it was not unusual one Christmas Eve, after attending a Christmas program. Mom, Dad, Ben and Sue stopped in at the Odells. It was one of the most memorable of all. The new linoleum had arrived earlier that day. For the next few hours furniture was moved out of the livingroom, the heater had cooled off and was moved out and the new linoleum was down with a professional look. Mrs. Odell told us Ken, who was a wee boy then, had been worried the late activities would delay Santa. She was so pleased we'd stopped in and helped. After living there for seven years Mom and Dad retired to Pilot Mound, then moved to Crystal City in 1957. Mom passed away in 1964 and Dad in 1978.

THE LUNDGREN FAMILY

Charles and Caroline Lundgren came from Ingster, N.D. to settle in Glenora district on W½ 23-3-13 in the year 1903. They had a family of three children: Bertha, Bill and Alfred.

As to most of the early settlers, the lake was a welcome sight. Many times when Bill stopped on the Saunders hill he would remark on the thoughts he had had when first he saw Rock Lake.

Bertha married Earl Preston of the Wigton district. They had one daughter, Lena.

Alfred married Freda Winger. They had four children: Phyllis, Edwin (Bud), Gladys and Robert.

Phyllis took teacher training and taught for a number of years. She married Ward Davidson of Manitou. They have two of a family: Edward and Shirley.

Edwin started farming after finishing school. He married Edith Hanks of Pilot Mound. They have four children: Kim, Marion, Jim and Lynne.

Gladys was a telephone operator for a number of years. She married George Izzard of Pilot Mound. They have children: Ricky, Brenda, Shaun and Heather.

Bob also farmed after leaving school. He married Faye Van Damme and they have two of a family: Steven and Hilary. They live on 15-3-13 and operate Glenora Hardware.

Alfred passed away in 1957 and Bill in 1970. Freda still lives on the farm in her own home.

THE NW¼ OF 33-3-13

The earliest owner or lessee of this farm was a Mr. George McKnight in 1887. To my knowledge there was no land broken at that

time. Cutting and selling wood was the main objective as this place was heavily timbered.

In about 1906 Cuthbert Bros. leased this land from the Western Trust Co. and built a log shanty near the lake mainly for cutting and selling wood. About this time a Mr. Harry Vaun had a log shanty on the east side of the farm, also cutting and selling wood.

In 1908 a log house was built beside the Cuthbert shanty for the Jack Collins family who early in February lost their home by fire. They lived here until the spring of 1908.

For many years after the Cuthberts and Vauns abandoned these shanties, the farm sat idle except for being used for pasture by Mrs. Bruce Fraser. In 1932 Albert and Fred Macklin bought this farm from the Western Trust Co. Albert built a house on the east half of the half and settled there in 1934. In 1937 he left the farm to set up storekeeping in Glenora. The house was vacant for a short time, then Jim and Edith Collins rented and lived in it for about a year.

In 1941 Mrs. Brown bought this house and removed it from the farm. As times were bad we were only able to keep up the taxes which were only \$6.50 per year. In September 1943 I rebought the farm and built our house, barn, granaries, etc. Mary and I moved here in 1946. As there was no land broke we undertook the task of bulldozing and clearing the land for crop, a few acres a year until we had about 145 acres. We farmed this land until 1978, then rented it to our sons-in-law Lorne Dearsley and Bob Conibear who are farming it at the present time.

Before the first World War this place was known as the rifle range quarter. A range east and west across the quarter provided a place for anyone who was interested in shooting to come each Saturday and target practice with 303 rifles

Over a period of time shooting to the west proved dangerous to the farms to the west of here so a new range was built in about the middle of the ¼ shooting north into the lake bush making it much safer as stray bullets were lost or stopped by the heavy timber around the lake.

I might add on the north side bordering this farm extending about 1 ¼ miles long east and west is a lake, namely Fisher Lake.

In about 1918-19 a local resident of this district built a still on the north side of this farm for the purpose of making and selling home brew. We were told by him many years later that he dug a hole in the side of a hill, about eight by ten, covered it over with old lumber and then camouflaged it with old dead leaves, etc. He said every pail of dirt he took out while making the cellar he carried about fifty yards and dumped it in the lake so there was absolutely no sign of anything there. This place was found many years later by Bert Brown who at the time was hunting for wolf dens and happened to walk on this and noticed a

hollow sound underfoot. Upon investigating he moved the leaves and branches and discovered a trap door and steps leading down about six feet and there found an old iron cook stove, molasses cans, raisin boxes and other containers of goods used in the making of home brew. This fellow told us he worked every night. He pushed the stovepipe up through the top and towards morning he took off the pipe and recovered the hole with leaves. We can recall a plain clothes spotter staying around Glenora for a week or so but he was never able to catch him. When we cleared and broke this land this place was filled in and is now in crop land leaving behind many memories and happenings of our farm.

Fred Macklin

FRED MACKLIN
The NW¼ of 33-3-13

The thirties were hard times for everybody. In 1931 I worked for a farmer at Baldur for four months for \$100.00. At the end of my time he said he had no money to pay me so I let it go until the following year, then I went back to see him. He said he still had no money but asked me if I would take cattle for my pay. The price of cattle was so bad at that time he gave me eleven head of young cattle for my \$100.00.

When Mother and Dad sold the farm Albert and myself built a log shanty on Mrs. Browns farm at Fisher Lake. We had a herd of cattle and Frank and Ernie Cuthbert let us use the pasture on their farm at the lake for just repairing the fences.

I can recall selling nice big fat sucking calves in the fall weighing about 500 lbs. \$5.00 a head. The last year we stayed at the shanty we fattened eight steers to about 1100 lbs. and received \$12.00 each. After we left the shanty I went and stayed with Sid Heaver on his farm NE 31-3-13. We batched there for a number of years. Times were still bad and money was hard to come by. Sid had hauled grain to the elevator at Glenora and was receiving about \$6.00 for a wagon box full of mixed grain so we decided to buy some small pigs and make a few dollars feeding them. We went to Mr. Crayston who had a lot of pigs of all sizes and he said we could have all we wanted at 50 cents each. We had very little money so we could only afford to buy six for \$3.00. I paid \$3.00 to Sid for half a load of grain. We crushed it up and fattened those pigs up to 200 lbs. As the market was very bad we butchered and sold the whole carcasses to anyone who wanted meat at \$4.00 a pig.

In 1935 there was a lovely looking crop but the rust set in and the grain was not worth cutting. The crop had to be burned to clear the fields.

In 1937 we decided to sell what cattle, calves and chickens we had and go to the West Coast and find a job. We sold six nice big fresh milk cows with calves at foot to Mr. McLennan at Greenway for \$25.00 for a

cow and a calf. We got an excursion fare to B.C. from Glenora for \$31.00. Shortly after we arrived and with the aid of a Mr. Alvin Lawrence we knew from Glenora we got a job, each at separate dairy farms at Chilliwack at \$25.00 per month. We worked there until that fall and then returned to Glenora.

In the spring of 1938 I bought a second hand truck and got a job from Mr. Shewfelt hauling cream and eggs to Cartwright Creamery. The first year I worked at this table cream was 15 cents per lb. butterfat and eggs were six cents per dozen. I continued to haul to this creamery twice a week for 29 years.

There were very few gravel roads in those days and after a heavy rain I have plowed mud from early morning until late at night. As the roads were not kept open in the winter I would quit trucking in the fall as soon as the roads were blocked and start again in the spring. In the meantime the cream was brought into town and shipped on the train.

In 1941 Mary and I got married and we continued to live at Sid Heavers' place. Sid rented this land to Jim Kynoch and he worked out until he joined the army for the second world war.

By this time we had about ten or so milk cows, pigs and sheep. We built a house, barn and dug a well in 1945 on our farm NW¼ of 33-3-13 and moved down here in 1946. As there were no buildings here before we had a lot of work ahead of us completing the house and barn and building granaries, sheds and putting up fences.

Milton was born in 1945 and the girls were born in 1949. Mary was kept busy with the children and helping with chores while I was on the cream route and other trucking. Each year we would try to bulldoze and break about 10-15 acres of new land to add to our income.

As the years went by prices started to improve on stock, grain, etc. making it possible to save a little money. Mary and I and the children worked together picking roots and stones to clear the breaking, working the land and harvesting as well as milking cows and feeding pigs. 1961 was the worst year we had during our time of farming. There was no rain the entire season. The pastures dried up and the cattle had to be let out to get what little feed they could find. We had to haul straw and hay bales from places that had some rain as far as thirty miles away.

The following year saw lots of rain and a good crop. This is the life of farming. As I write this our children are all married and have families of their own. We have rented our land but are still living in our home on the farm where we enjoy our garden, fruit trees and all our antiques we have collected over the years.

The past holds many memories, some of hard times, of good times and sad times. Many a silent tear has been shed for our dear ones that have passed away but we thank God for a family we are proud of and our many wonderful friends.

THE MACKLIN FAMILY

William Macklin was born at Salisbury, England on June 6, 1867. In 1886 at the age of 19 he left England and came to Canada settling at Cypress River. He worked around this area for a few years, then took up a homestead on the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of 35-7-13. He returned to England in 1891, and in February of 1892 married Susan Sophia Sutton. She was also born at Salisbury, in 1868.

They were married in the Salisbury Cathedral and shortly after their marriage returned to their farm at Cypress River. They farmed there until the fall of 1897 then giving up their homestead and packing their few belongings came to Glenora with team and wagon and worked for Mr. Greg Fraser on the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of 33-3-13 for a short time. In 1899 they moved to the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of 34-3-13 farming there until 1902.

They then purchased the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of 32-3-13 from Mr. Tom Lawrence and moved and lived in the old log house for about eight years. They sold this farm to Mr. Tom Kay and in 1910-1911 they bought the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of 32-3-13 and built a new frame house, farming there until 1917. They sold this farm to Mr. Joe Morrison and moved to Sec. 4-4-13 and farmed this land until about 1922. They then bought the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and the east half of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of 10-4-13 from Mr. Joe Kerr. They



Wm. Macklin, Mrs. Macklin. Sons Bill, Herb, Abe and Fred.

sold this place in 1931 to Wm. Rowley and moved back to the now vacant house on the SE¼ of 32-3-13 for the winter. In the spring of 1932 they went to work for Mr. Kerr at Belmont for about a year. They then returned to Glenora and lived for a short time in a small shanty.

They then purchased three lots on the south side of Glenora from Alfred Lundgren and built a small house and lived there until Mr. Macklin passed away on September 29, 1936. Mrs. Macklin left this home in 1950 and lived among her family until her passing on August 23, 1951.

Mr. and Mrs. Macklin had eight children: Wilhemenia was born June 21, 1893 at Cypress River. In 1916 she married James Kynoch and started working for Tom Kay on SE¼ of 31-3-13.

Harold Macklin was born September 29, 1895 at Cypress River. In 1926 he married Leorinda Odell and farmed the SE¼ of 10-4-13.

Susan Macklin was born September 26, 1897 at Cypress River. In 1922 she married Walter Simpson and farmed on Sec.28-3-13.

Bill Macklin was born on January 11, 1900 at Glenora on the SE¼ of 34-3-13. In 1924 he married Ellen Odell and farmed the SE¼ of 9-4-13.

Katie Macklin was born January 7, 1903 at Glenora on the SW¼ of 32-3-13. In 1947 she married Morley Tosh and farmed on Sec. 9-4-14.

Herb Macklin was born on December 24, 1905 at Glenora on the SW¼ of 32-3-13. He was not married.

Albert Macklin was born June 1, 1909 at Glenora on the SW¼ of 32-3-13. In 1934 he married Nellie Brown and lived on the NW¼ of 33-3-13.

Fred Macklin was born at Glenora March 7, 1912 on the SE¼ of 32-3-13. In 1941 he married Mary Coldron and lived on the NE¼ of 31-3-13.

At this time of writing Harold, Susan and Herb have passed away. The remainder of the family are retired and living in the Baldur, Glenora and Pilot Mound areas.

HAROLD MACKLIN FAMILY

Harold Macklin, son of Wm. Macklin, married Leorinda Odell February 6th, 1926. They had three children: Wesley, born May 1st, 1928, passed away January 19th, 1929; Muriel, born September 15th, 1930, E½ of 10-4-13; Ruby was born September 4th, 1936.

In 1937 they moved to Clearwater where Harold worked for various farmers. In 1939 they moved to Theodore, Saskatchewan and later back to Clearwater. In 1942 they moved to Darlingford where they worked on a farm. In 1945 Leorinda passed away and then the family moved back south of Glenora to the Jim Simpson farm. In the spring

Harold bought his mother's house. He and Ruby moved into the house with Mrs. Macklin and his sister Katie.

In 1946 Muriel married Raymond Wickens. In 1950 Harold married Evelyn Simpson and they moved to Winnipeg, taking Ruby with them, where they resided until Harold passed away in Deer Lodge Hospital in 1954.

Ruby married Les Ironside of Rapid City in 1955. They have six children: Debbie, married to John Corrigan, Brandon; Larry of Fort McMurray; Don married to Trudy Campbell, Rapid City, living in Alberta; Judy, Lee Anne and Cathy still at home.

Les works in the school garage also drives a school bus.

LUCIEN MAJOR FARM (CRUICKSHANK)

James Alchin came from Ontario in 1881 to S½ 28-3-12. The next owner was J. M. Elsey from Owen Sound and then J. M. Cruikshanks of Waskada bought the farm. There were six children in the family: Orville, Robert, Beth, Eldon and Velma (twins) and Evelyn. Mr. Cruikshanks died in the early forties and Eldon farmed for a few years but rented to Lorenzo Conrad in 1944.

Lucien and Beatrice (Pierson) Major bought the farm in 1946. The buildings were old, the kitchen being a log structure. They built a new barn in 1955 and moved in a new house in 1959. They had three children: Phillip, married to Pat Elder of Alberta; Beth married to Robert Ryz of Brandon and Neil still at home.

They bought the SE¼ of 36-3-13 which had been the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Davidson. Later their son Bill farmed with his wife Doreen. While raising their two sons: Ian and Michael, Doreen taught school at Glenora and later at Marrinhurst where she had taught before her marriage.

A. J. MARSHALL 1912-1919

Alfred J. Marshall came to Canada from Kent, England in 1906 and worked in the Glenora area for a few months before starting to work for the C.N.R. at Greenway. In 1907 his future wife Annie Crowther arrived from England. She was a dressmaker and did sewing in the homes of neighbors until her marriage in November of 1907.

Mr. Marshall built a small two storey house in Greenway and there two children were born: Stanley in 1908 and Alice in 1910.

Later they moved to Belmont, and in 1912 to Glenora where he was section foreman on the Canadian National Railways line to Deloraine.

At Glenora two more children were born: Phyllis in 1912 and Victor in 1915.

Stanley, Alice and Phyllis attended Glenora school until they moved to Belmont in May of 1919.

Mr. Marshall was always interested in his home town. He, along with Mr. A. M. Lindsay, Mr. Balkham, Peggy Gregg and Charlie Balkham played in a Glenora band.

He owned one of the first Model T Ford cars in the area.

Mrs. Marshall passed away in 1959. Mr. Marshall in 1964. They had four children.

Stanley and his wife Margaret reside in Brentwood, B.C. Alice and her husband Dave Forsyth in Pipestone, Manitoba. Phyllis and Ern Hill at Belmont and Victor and wife Irene at Nanaimo, B.C. Mrs. John Sutton of Glenora and Mrs. Arvid Dalzell of Baldur are daughters of Phyllis and Ern Hill.

MAJOR FAMILY FARM

My father, Philippe Major bought the north half and southeast quarter of section 16-4-13 in 1923.

James McNabb was the first man to pay taxes on N $\frac{1}{2}$ in 1883 and James Belbeck owned SE $\frac{1}{4}$ in 1883. By 1889 Joe Stevens had bought SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

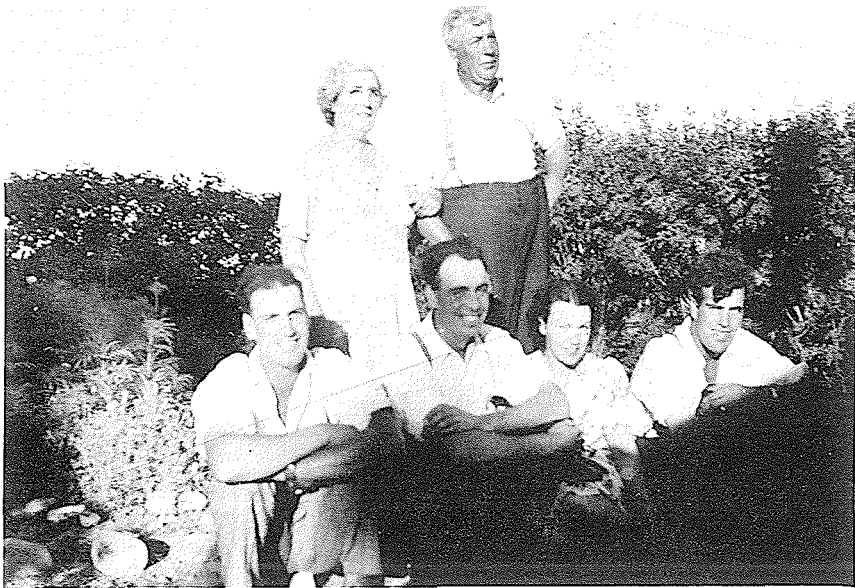
Tom Sexsmith who originally came from Napanee, Ontario to Carman, bought the farm around 1898. They had two sons: Ernie and Bill who both attended Excelsior School. Later they moved to Baldur, buying the livery barn. They also operated the boarding house.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wickens, from England, lived on the farm for a few years, where their two children: Marjorie and Raymond were born. Mr. Wickens did not work the farm but used it as a pasture for his cattle.

Philippe Major was born at St. Leon in 1880 and his wife Rebecca Bessette at Somerset. Phil. had a garage and a blacksmith business in Mariapolis and in 1928 he decided to buy a farm.

After spending a year clearing the land he rented it to Francois Lecocq for four years. They had six children who attended Excelsior School. At that time most of the farm was covered with bush, but now it is mostly under cultivation.

The year he worked cleaning the land and getting in shape for a crop he would spend several days every week on the farm. We children were always overjoyed when we had the privilege of going farming for a few days, it was a real holiday. It was an old log house but we made "do" with what there was. For beds it was a pile of hay and how well we slept. We were not experts when it came to rationing our food which mother sent so it would not always last over the days Dad had planned to be at the farm. Sometimes Dad's week was shortened as the "grub"



Mr. and Mrs. Philip Major, Joseph, Norma, Germaine, Lucien. Taken the day of their anniversary.

had run out. Having never lived on a farm we always made sure Dad was never out of our sight. That farm seemed so far away from everything. There was quite a little lake at the foot of the "big hill" as we called it and in earlier years picnics were held there.

There was no road south, so the travelling was done by a dirt road cutting across the field from the northeast corner of the farm, past our log house, on through Hainstock's yard and past their log house also.

Philippe and Rebecca Major had a family of six children: Berthe, Ida, Germaine, Norman, Lucien and Joseph. Berthe married Wilfred Trottier and they had two little girls: Fleurette and Orise. By the time these little girls were two years and nine months they were left motherless when their mother passed away. Grandparents Major took the little girls into their home, where they were brought up as part of the family.

Ida married George Wilson and they had one daughter, Germaine, who married Arnold Linklater of Calgary. They have three children: a boy and two girls.

The third daughter, Germaine Major married Germain (Jim) Guilbert. They had two children: Norman and Faye. Both are married and live in Winnipeg.

Norman Major married Peggy (Capon) De Vliger and now live in British Columbia.

Lucien married Beatrice Pierson and three children were born of this union: Philip and Beth are both married and Neil is still at home.

Joe married Clara De Roo and they have three girls and two boys: Ramona, Dennis, Kevin, Sandra and Michelle. Ramona is an L.P.N. and is married to Rick Sierens. Dennis married Jackie Picton.

Fleurette married George Capon and they have one girl and three boys: Sharon, Arlen, Rodney and Ashley. Sharon married Kevin Harrison, Rodney married Debbie Borus, Arlen and Ashley are still enjoying the bliss of bachelorhood.

Orise married Ovila Boulet and they have a family of three girls and two boys. The eldest, Janet married Bob Bannerman and they live in Saskatoon. Arnold married Lucille Gauthier and are at Estevan, they have two boys. Joanne and Debbie are both married and live in St. Leon. Alain is still at home.

Joe the youngest son of Phil. and Rebecca Major still lives on the farm. They have a new house, built in 1968. Dennis, his son, now married also lives on the farm but they live in their own trailer.

The fall we moved to the farm in 1928, Phil had gone back to Pilot Mound for another load of effects. While he was away Lucien and Joe decided to smoke out a gopher. They were too close to the barn, fire started and the barn was destroyed. Luckily help came in time to move the brand new tractor and save it from burning as well as a few barrels of gas. This was the time we found out farming could be very adventurous.

AUGUST MARTENS' PARENTS

Henri Martens married Sylvia DeVreeze in the year 1907 in Belgium. They came to Canada in the year 1913 and settled on a farm close to St. Alphonse, section 33-5-12. There were seven children born to this family, four sons and three daughters. They received their education in St. Alphonse Convent.

Their second son passed away at the age of three years. The mother passed away at the age of forty-five in 1930, which left the father to raise his family alone.

Maurice, the oldest son got married in 1936 to Helen DeSmet of Cypress River. They settled in the district of Cypress River on a farm section 17-6-12. They had no children and left their farm in 1956 to reside in the town of Glenboro, Manitoba.

Maria, eldest daughter, got married in 1938 to Jerome Wytink of Cypress River on a farm section 30-6-12. They raised three children, two sons and one daughter: Maurice, Albert and Marlene, now all married. Jerome and Maria now reside in Mariapolis, Manitoba.

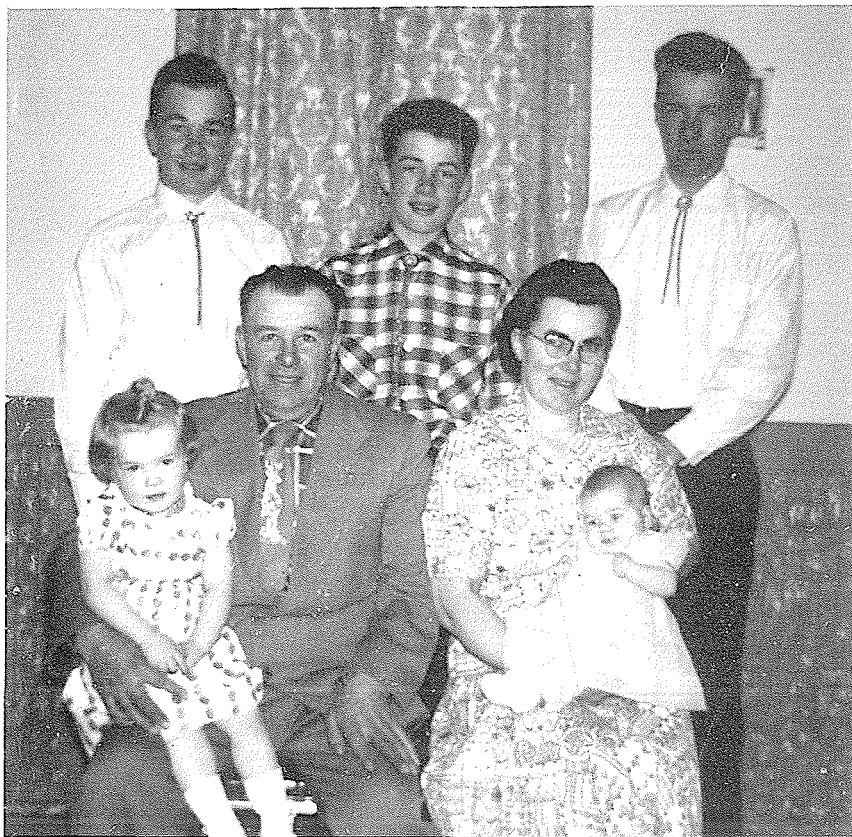
Clara got married in 1940 to Albert DeSmet of Cypress River, also

settled on a farm, section 5-6-12 in Cypress River district. They raised three children: Henry, Jerry and Laurette. Now all married. Albert and Clara retired in Cypress River, Manitoba.

Gerard got married in 1947 to Annette DeMueleneire of Bruxelles. They settled on his dad's farm near St. Alphonse, section 33-5-12. They raised four children, three daughters and one son: Marlene, Lorraine, Reta and Dale. The two oldest girls got married; Reta still single, a nurse in Brandon Hospital; Dale still a young boy living with his parents who are residing in Brandon, Manitoba.

Madeline got married in 1942 to Maurice DeVliet of Mariapolis. They settled on a farm in Dry River, section 22-4-12. They raised two sons: Eddie and Jimmy, now married. Maurice and Madeline reside in Mariapolis.

August got married to Anna DeBoes of Dry River. Father Henri Martens retired in Mariapolis, passed away in 1957.



August and Anna Martens Baldur family. Henry, oldest on right; Leon, second on left; Rene, third in middle; Betty fourth on Dad's knee; Linda, fifth on Mother's knee.



Farm bought by August Martens Baldur, 1947, Glenora.

Anna's parents, Leon DeBoes married Elodie DeMarleleare from Belgium in 1920. They also came to Canada in 1920 and resided in the St. Alphonse district. They raised six children. The two oldest were born in St. Alphonse, then they moved to the Greenway district on the farm, section 31-5-12, where the other children were born and had their education at Campeau School. One son Leon passed away there at three months of age. In 1941 they rented a farm in Dry River, section 20-4-12, belonging to Paul Mestdagh and the youngest children finished their education in Dry River School. Leontene, eldest of the family married in 1946 to Joe Muller from Poland. They raised two sons: Jerry, married; Rene still single, living with parents who reside in Brantford, Ontario. Leon and Elodie farmed there until 1950 when they had their farm sale and moved to Ontario. Leon, youngest son, married in 1957 to Mary Jane Pilon, daughter of Edward and Bertha Pilon of Kirk Lake, Ontario. They raised their children Eddie, still single; Sandra, married and Amber still a baby at home. They reside in Brantford, Ontario. The mother Elodie passed away in 1968 in Brantford, Ontario. Twin girls Leona and Simona still live with their 93 year old father, residing in Brantford, Ontario.

Anna married in 1942 to August Martens of St. Alphonse farmed

on his dad's place, section 33-5-2, for five years. Their eldest son was born June 1943, second son March 1945, third son September 1947. In the fall of 1947 they bought the Hainstock farm at Glenora, section 16-4-13 and lived in the old log house another twelve years, then got a different home moved on the place in 1957. A daughter Betty was born in March 1959 and another daughter Linda in January 1962. They raised five children who got their education at Excelsior, Glenora and Baldur High schools. In 1967 their second son Leon got married to Angela DeKezel, daughter of Jules and Cornellia DeKezel. They have three children: Cory, Leana, Lexine and are living on the Frank Cuthbert farm, section 8-4-13, Glenora. Henry, oldest son got married in 1968 to Edith Rowley, daughter of Vic and Rita Rowley of Glenora. They have six children: Daniel, Lorie, Jeanny, Brenda, Duane and Debbie. They stayed on the home farm, section 16-4-13, Glenora. Rene married in 1969 to Melody Boulet, daughter of Alphonse and Mabel Boulet of Glenora. They have two children: Tammy and Patrick. They reside on the Andries farm, section 24-4-14, Baldur. Betty married in 1977 to Dennis Turner, son of Morgan and Vera Turner of Killarney. They reside on the Turner farm, section 16-3-15. They have one child, a baby girl, Corina. Linda, still single, is a nurse working in Killarney at the Bay Side Care Home. August and Anna are now residing in Baldur, Manitoba.

DONALD McKENZIE SR.

Donald McKenzie Sr. came to Manitoba from Bruce County, Ontario in 1878, filed application for homestead on NE¼ 12-4-14 in June 1888. Patent on September 7th, 1891. His son, John E. McKenzie born in Bruce County in 1865 came to live with his father in 1888. Prior to coming to Manitoba he worked on the railroad.

He met and married Isabel Esther McClellan in 1893. She was born in North York County, Ontario in 1875. Isabel came west with her parents and family in 1880 to settle in the Wigton district. They made their home on his father's homestead NE¼ 12-4-14.

Five children were born to them. Donald, who married Clara Preston, later moving to Maple Creek, Saskatchewan. Henrietta, who married R. Campbell, living in the Rosehill district. Alec, who married Jean Kerr, later moving to Winnipeg. Murdock, who married Pearl Scott and later moving to Peterbough, Ontario. May married to Charlie Sutton and they still live in the Wigton district.

FINDLAY McEWEN FAMILY

Findlay and Mrs. McEwen came to NE 31-3-12 from Clearwater in 1918. Some of their family were grown up and did not all move here.

The boys were: Bob, married and living in Montana. Jack lived at Clearwater most of his life. Allen married and moved to Riverhurst, Saskatchewan. Ewen lived on the family farm most of his life, did a lot of visiting and helping others. Spent his last years at Prairie View Lodge, where he passed away August 27, 1975. Maggie became Mrs. Herman Davis. Mary was Mrs. Snell, deceased. Sara is Mrs. Phair and lives at Dauphin. Marion is Mrs. Snell and lives at Victoria. Mr. McEwen lived to be over 100 and died in Crystal City Hospital.

MR. AND MRS. COLIN MacNEE SR.

Colin came from Glasgow, Scotland to Canada before the first War. He married Belle Ballantine of Marringhurst in 1916 and went overseas in 1917. On his return in 1919 he purchased the William Gray farm at Glenora. They lost their house by fire in winter of 1938 and built a new one that summer. Belle's uncle, John Peterbough of Dauphin, was the carpenter. They had one son Colin. Two foster children, Eva and Nellie Olfrey, stayed with the family for several years and attended school in Glenora. Eva is Mrs. John Deg of Brandon and Nellie is married and lives in Toronto. Colin farmed with his Dad until joining the army and going overseas. He married Betty Duffey in London, a widow with a daughter Barbara and son John. After the war Colin returned to



Mr. and Mrs. Colin MacNee, Sr.

take up farming and in 1946 his family came over. Mr. and Mrs. MacNee had moved to Winnipeg in 1942 where he worked at the Cordite Plant and later the Bus Depot. Colin and Betty farmed two years before going to Winnipeg to work until he joined the army again in 1950. He served in Korea and took his retirement from the service in 1962 continuing to work in Winnipeg until illness forced him to retire in 1978. He passed away in September 1978, his Dad had died in February 1962 and Mother in May 1971. They were all buried in Brookside Cemetery. Betty resides in Winnipeg. Barbara is Mrs. Herman Smith; they have three children and presently reside in Winnipeg with plans to move close to Herman's home in Nova Scotia. John and wife May have five children and live in Winnipeg.

CLARENCE McLAREN HOME

In the spring of 1968 Clarence McLaren, from the Wigton district, bought a garage and lot on the corner of 27-3-13 in Glenora. His property was formerly owned by Steve Antonius of Baldur. He also bought a house from Steve and had it moved to Glenora.

Clarence dug the basement that summer and put the house on the foundation November 1st, 1968. A great deal of work still had to be



Clarence and his first wife Gladys.

done to finish the basement and redecorate the house before he and his wife Gladys could move to town.

In late July 1969 Mrs. McLaren took a stroke and never got to live in her new house. She passed away August 24th (Clarence's birthday). Clarence moved to town shortly after as his family were living at Tyndall and Winnipeg.

Their eldest son, John and his wife Mildred live at Tyndall and they have four boys and one girl. James and wife Betty have one girl and two boys. Fred and wife Loretta have one boy. James and Fred live in Winnipeg. Ruth married Graydon Apperley and they live on the Ed. Apperley farm in the former Zephyr School District.

On October 27th, 1973 Clarence McLaren married a widow, Mabel Orr and she moved from her farm to Glenora.

Clarence was musical. He made several violins, also repairing violins for others. Mabel keeps herself busy crocheting in winter and gardening in summer. Her flowers are greatly admired by all who drive by her home.

Due to ill health Clarence moved to Rock Lake Personal Care Home at Pilot Mound in July 1980. Mabel is still living at their home in Glenora.

JAMES McLELLAN SR.

James McLellan was born at Wigtonshire, Scotland in 1839. It is not known by the writer the birth date of his wife, the former Esther Morton nor the exact date of their marriage or immigration to Canada.

James arrived in Manitoba in 1879. Mrs. McLellan followed in 1880 with their family of six: William, Catherine, Anthony, James Jr., Isabel and Ethel. Mary and Margaret were born in later years at the homestead.

Upon their arrival in Manitoba they homesteaded on 18-4-13. This farm is now owned by Joe Koldyk. Later James bought the SE 20-3-14 from Roger Dakotah, now owned by Nelson Cooper. It would appear that he bought this quarter as a source of hay, as Alex Brown mentions helping McLellan put up hay on this place, a distance of seven miles across country from the homestead.

Mrs. McLellan was one of the first white women to arrive in the district in 1880 and settle down to raise her family.

Later McLellans' home was to become the meeting place for the district having an oak board floor, sawn at Walsh's mill at Rock Lake. It was here that the people danced to the tunes of the old time fiddlers, Tony Montroy, Dan Ferguson and McLeod.

As Emerson was the closest town in the fall of 1880 William Clark and James went there to get a supply of groceries for the winter. Arriv-

ing at Emerson they couldn't get any flour so they brought back bran and shorts, also other groceries which had to last until spring.

By 1882 the decision was made to build a school. It was named Wigton after James McLellan's birth place in Scotland. James was also one of the first trustees for the district.

The Rural Municipality of Argyle was formed in 1882 and James McLellan was councillor for the area. Alex Brown states in his early history that the first meeting of the R.M. of Argyle was held on 18-4-13 presumably at McLellan's.

In 1888 James bought the N½ 4-4-13 from W. Fisher for six hundred dollars. Also included with the land was one yoke of oxen and a plow.

James seeded twenty acres of summerfallow to wheat that year and at the end of the first week of August a heavy frost spoiled nearly all the crop in the district however it did not freeze McLellan's crop. Alex Brown's theory was that the lake kept the grain from freezing.

That fall James bought a J.I. Case threshing outfit, the first steam outfit in the district. He hauled the outfit from Pilot Mound by ox team.

When James threshed the wheat on the N½ 4-4-13 it yielded thirty bushels per acre. After harvest he hauled the grain to Emerson and sold it for \$1.05 per bushel, making enough money to cover his deal for the farm.

James continued to farm until he passed away in the fall of 1901. By this time most of their family had married and lived in their own homes.

Following James' death Mrs. McLellan went to Saskatchewan and homesteaded at Clair, east of Gull Lake. She stayed there for three years and proved up on her homestead. Her early experience in Manitoba helped her as she reported that for weeks at a time she never saw anyone and then it was only the occasional passerby.

Mrs. McLellan returned to Manitoba after proving up on her homestead and lived with members of her family. She passed away at the home of her daughter, Isabel (Mrs. J. McKenzie) in 1910.

ARCHIE McQUARRIE FAMILY

Archie took up a homestead at Guernsey, Saskatchewan in 1906. He met Hannah McCallum there and they married in 1910. In 1915 his father Alex died and they returned to the family farm in Dry River. They had two daughters: Christena, born in Saskatchewan and Georgena at Dry River. Christena became a teacher and met her husband George Black while teaching at Elkhorn. Georgena married Eldon Cruikshanks and they farmed his family farm at Marringhurst for a few years before moving into Pilot Mound where he was in the electrical business. Later

they also ran the bowling alley and restaurant for many years.

In 1916 Archie built a large barn on the farm. The house was big and many dances and card parties were held there over the years. They retired to Pilot Mound in 1945 and George and Christena took over the farm. Mr. McQuarrie died at 76 in 1956 and Mrs. McQuarrie on her 82nd birthday, December 20th, 1965.

JOHN MONTAGUE

John Montague came to the Marringhurst district about 1878. He was a surveyor and machinist but made a living by locating farms for the incoming settlers. In 1879 he had made a map of the Glenora prairie and knew the legal description of almost every quarter.

He met many of the settlers at Emerson. He would give them a description of the land and tell them what quarters had already been filed. This saved many men an extra trip back to file on their land. I believe this is how John Wilson and his son Richard filed on their land. Montague filed on N½ 30-3-13; this farm was later sold to William Galloway.

In 1881 John Montague bought NW¼ 21-3-13 for his sister Amelia Crayston, wife of Edmund Crayston.

John brought his wife and two daughters from Ontario and they settled on what was later known as the Neelin farm. John worked from here doing various jobs. He and Dick Wilson made water channels in several places to try to build a mill but never found a sufficient flow of water. They also built a bridge south of Brandon on the main road.

John then took a surveying job, taking him across the western provinces. On his return from one of these trips he found his children had both died of diphtheria. These two girls were buried on the farm under a tree, near the yard. Years later John and his wife tried to find the grave but were unsuccessful. Mrs. Montague returned to Ontario where she resided for the remainder of her life.

John passed away in 1914 in Winnipeg.

MR. AND MRS. JOE MULLENS

Joe and his wife and daughter Viola came to live on the SE 26-3-13 and farmed for one year before returning to Winnipeg. This was in the late thirties and was a Back To The Land System, where many families were brought to the farm. Some continued farming and others did not. Mr. and Mrs. Mullens are both deceased and Viola is married and has lived in England for many years.

MERT AND DULCIE NELSON 9-4-12

John Nelsons' 4th son Mark married Eva Harrison and settled on 9-4-12 in 1910. They had a family of three: Iva (Mrs. Bill Buchanan of Crystal City) now deceased; Enid (Mrs. Mick Collins) living at Baldur; and Mert who married Dulcie Ward of Baldur, and are continuing the farm. They have six children: John and Kathy (Lamb) have two girls, live at Leaf Rapids; Sandra (Mrs. Raymond Baete), they have one boy and one girl and farm at Baldur; Allen at home; Marilyn and Carolyn (twins) working at Pilot Mound; and Stephen at home. This land was settled later than some because of the problem of removing the bush to make room for cereal crops. Mr. Nelson passed away and Mrs. Nelson lived in Holmfield for several years. She is now in Prairie View Lodge.

JOHN WESLEY NELSON FARM

Mr. John Wesley Nelson homesteaded S½ 32-3-12. He and his wife Elizabeth Baird Nelson had five boys: Frank, Fred, Jack, Mark and Lloyd; also one girl, Mabel.

Frank took over the farm in 1914 and farmed it until 1946. Frank married Tena Hanson. They had two children: Wesley and Marjorie.

Wesley and Marjorie received their education from Marrinhurst and Pilot Mound. Marjorie later graduated from Souris Hospital as a registered nurse. She married Fletch Watkins in 1947 and resided in Flin Flon for a time, then retiring to Pilot Mound. They have two of a family: Roberta and Lyle.

Wesley received his B.S.A. from Manitoba University in 1936.

Frank and Tena retired to Pilot Mound in 1946 and Wesley took over the farm. Frank passed away in 1959 but Tena at 92 still maintains her own home.

Wesley and Freda (Williams) Nelson had three children: Elaine, Gordon and Maureen. They attended Marrinhurst school and Pilot Mound High.

Elaine graduated as a registered nurse in 1967 from Victoria General Hospital in Winnipeg. She married Captain John Scott of Ottawa in 1968 and they are presently living in Lahr, Germany with the Armed Forces. They have three boys: Terry, Andy and Jeffy.

Gordon is a journeyman electrician at Simplot Chemicals in Brandon. He is single.

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VICTOR NELSON FARM E½ 33-3-12

This farm was originally C.P.R. land and was sold in 1880 to Wm. Beech. We know nothing more of the history until it was purchased by John Wesley Nelson from a Mr. Gunn. In due time Lloyd Nelson bought the land from his father, John, and became the first settler to put up a building and live on the farm. Lloyd later purchased the NW¼ 28-3-12 which made up the homestead and pre-emption of his uncle, Jim Baird.

In 1963 this parcel was resold to Laurent Delichte who in turn sold it to the Provincial Government in 1974 for a Wildlife Management Unit. Lloyd Nelson also purchased NW¼ 34-3-12 from a real estate agent who had bought it from the original owner, Bert Soar. This quarter is still part of the farm which was sold to Victor Nelson when Lloyd and his wife, Rena (Welch) Nelson retired in 1946.

Vic married Marie McLean November 20th, 1946. In 1965 a new house was built but the old house is still standing. It was the first frame house in the area and was built by Jim Baird and later moved to this location.

Lloyd and Rena had four children: Victor, Richard (Dick), Helen and Cliff. Lloyd celebrated his 90th birthday December 1980.

Vic and Marie have four children: Leigh married to Barbara Fallis with one child Robert Harvey; David lives in Winnipeg; Jennifer married to Dale Dobson and they have one child; Brad.

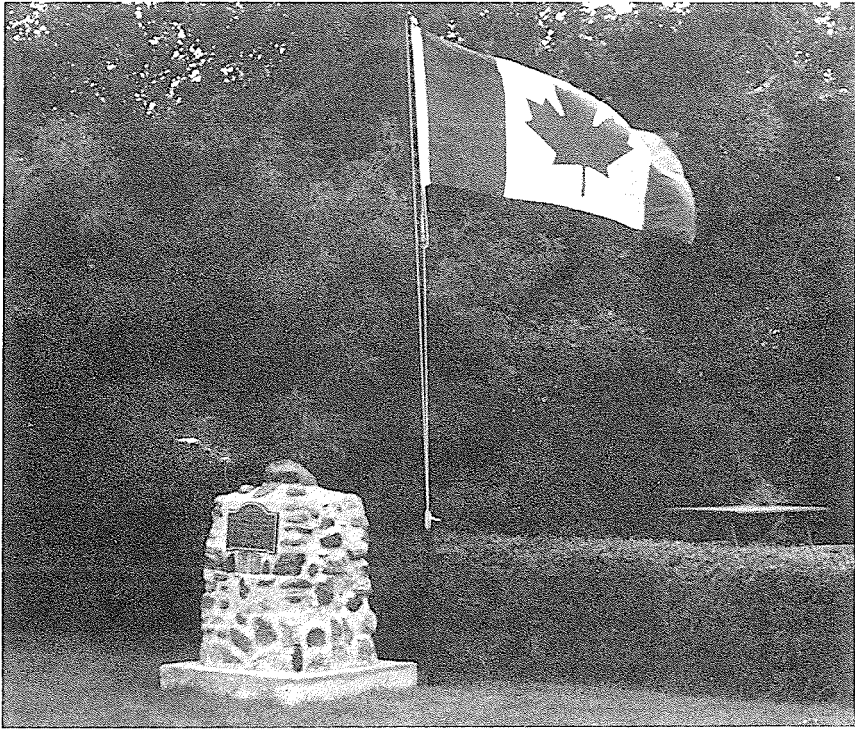
NELSON CENTENNIAL FARM 32-3-12

Wesley Nelson — Present owner 1946-1979

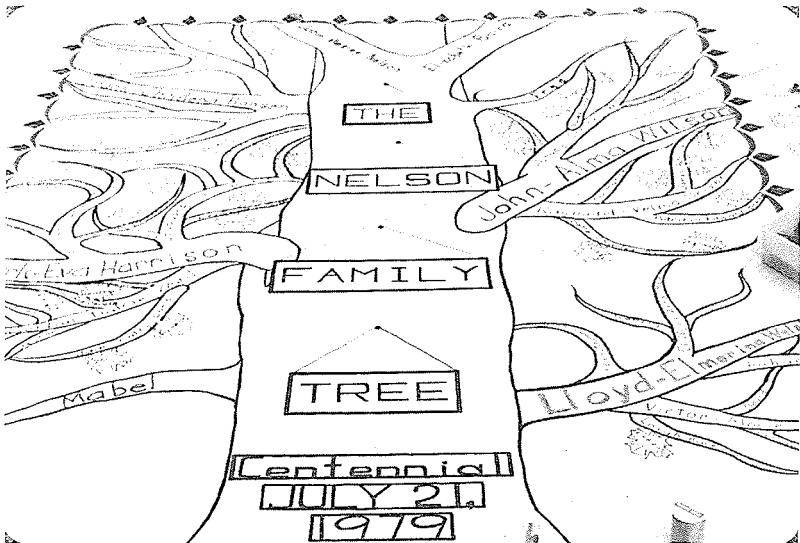
Frank Nelson — 1914-1946

John Wesley Nelson — Homesteader 1879-1914

In 1879 John and his brother Jake Nelson left Lanark County in Ontario in search of a homestead in the west. After travelling by train to Duluth, Minnesota they took a boat to Fisher's Landing near the present Grand Forks. From there they travelled by River boat up the Red River to Emerson. Some time during their journey they made friends with James Baird of Huntington, Quebec and now the three set off on foot up the Commission trail. At Nelsonville, they met a surveyor, one John Montague who informed them that he had surveyed townships 3-12 and 4-12 and knew what land was still available. For five dollars a piece he offered to choose a homestead for each of the three men. They accepted his recommendations and filed for their homesteads sight unseen, as they feared the land would be taken if they took the time to go and inspect it and walk back to file for it. As Montague had filed for a homestead in the same area, he showed them the way to the Pembina River. They



Nelson Cairn





Nelson pioneer family: Lloyd, Jack, Mabel, Mrs. J. Nelson, John, Mark, Frank.

crossed at what was later the Dempsters Bridge but at that time was merely a rope tied to a tree on the other side.

When they finally reached their homesteads, they were pleased with the land Montague had chosen for them, as there was ample wood for building and firewood and wood was a top priority in those days.

Jim Baird's homestead was at the corner on what is now the Government Farm and when his sister Elizabeth came out west to keep house for him she met John Nelson, married him and went to live in the log house he had built.

When the children began to arrive, a frame house was built by Henry Elsey and enlarged as the family grew in number. The house is still occupied today having undergone alterations through the years. The children were: Frank, Fred, Jack, Mark, Lloyd and Mabel.

The first years were very difficult due to early frost which froze the grain before it was mature. They were on the point of giving up and moving to the States when in 1895 the crop was good, and from then on, things improved. An elevator was built in Glenora in 1904 making delivery of the grain much more convenient.

In 1909 John Nelson travelled to the Seattle Worlds Fair, keeping a pocket with a record of his expenses. This shows entries as train fare - \$55.00, suit of clothes - \$9.00, hotel bill at Calgary - \$1.25.

In 1914 John's eldest son Frank married the local school teacher Christina Hansen and the senior Nelsons retired to Winnipeg. Children of Frank and Tena were Wesley and Marjorie. They received their education at Marrinhurst and Pilot Mound High School. Marjorie later graduated from Souris Hospital as a registered nurse. She married Fletch Watkins in 1947, they have two children: Roberta and Lyle. Marjorie and Fletch retired from Flin Flon to live in Pilot Mound.

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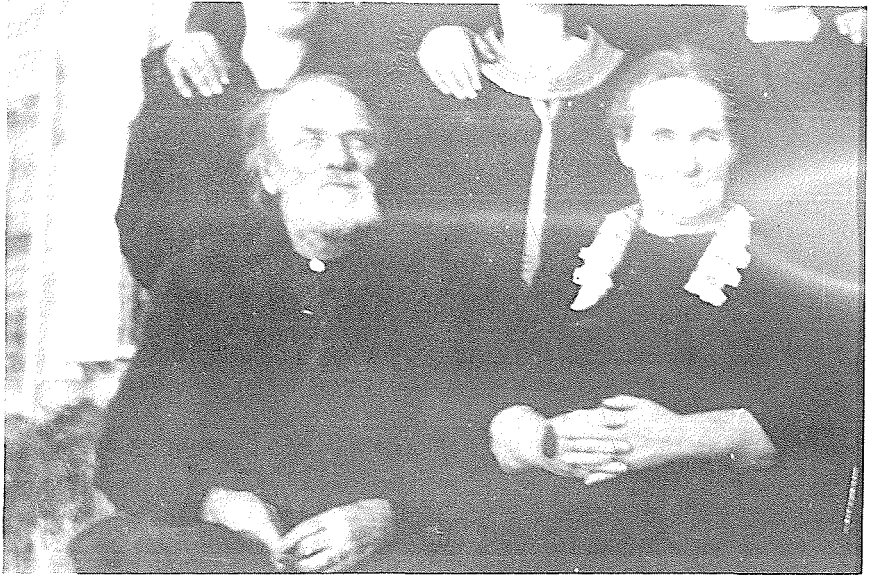
In July 1979 a two-day celebration was held to commemorate 100 years of Nelson family ownership and a large crowd was in attendance. A cairn was built in the yard and dedicated to the memory of the first pioneer family. A family tree quilt was also made by Mrs. Dorothy Cox for the occasion. During the celebration Wesley was honoured by the residents of Ward I when he was presented with a plaque in appreciation of 20 years of service as a councillor for Ward I in the Municipality of Argyle.

THE PHILO ODELL SR. FAMILY

Philo Odell was born July 3rd, 1851 in Stuben County, New York State. He had three brothers and three sisters. He immigrated to Ontario and helped to build the first railway from Ontario to Winnipeg. He worked on the C.P.R. station and was there when the first train arrived. He helped to build the ramp made to unload the Countess of Dufferin in Winnipeg.

In 1877 he took up a homestead in the Red River valley at Cavalier, North Dakota. In 1883 he married Ingrid Olafson from Reykjavik, Iceland. She was born September 21st, 1860.

In November 1902 Philo, his wife and nine children came from Cavalier, North Dakota and settled on 15-3-13 bought from W.



Mr. and Mrs. Odell.

Bellhouse. It was paid for with gold which Mr. Odell had carried in a belt worn around his waist. Was it heavy? He took it off while riding on the train leaving it with his wife. In the excitement and confusion of getting the children off the train his wife forgot to pick up the belt. However when Mr. Odell went back he found it undisturbed.

Rock Lake was a real attraction to the family with its fish, deer, other wild life and fruit which supplied many meals and also money. Hours were spent in winter fishing through the ice.

In 1911 Mr. Odell bought a Waterloo Steam Engine and did custom threshing. Levi Odell told of threshing for Mr. Fraser and loading his rack with sheaves from the corner of 34-3-13 where Brinkworths house stand.

During the first World War Mr. Odell won a sheep at a Red Cross raffle. They then raised a few sheep and Mrs. Odell used the fleece to make socks and mitts for her family. She also sewed and cooked for her husband and ten children.

Sam Odell married Tena Dalman of Baldur. They farmed on NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 21-3-13, later moving to a wood lot 19-3-13, before making their home in Baldur. They had no family.

Pete Odell went to Willowbrook, Saskatchewan where he took up a homestead. He married having two girls and two boys. His son, Henry married Ruth Pottruff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pottruff. Pete retired to B.C. where he passed away.

Henry Odell took a homestead at Camrose, Alberta in 1913. He enlisted in the first World War in the 222nd Battalion and became a Lance Corporal. He was killed at Passchendaele October 26th, 1917.

Levi Odell worked on the home farm also for other farmers when he was not needed at home. Levi had a summer resort and park on Rock Lake for a number of years. He retired to Glenora where he carried on a hobby in woodwork, making lamps, ornaments and walking-sticks out of Diamond Willow. He passed away in his 91st year March 1979.

Ira was brought up on his father's farm but for a short time worked in a livery stable at Fairfax. He returned to the farm and in 1928 married Una Wallace of Miami. They had two sons: Wallace, living with his mother SE 27-3-13 and Kenneth married to Evelyn Russell of Clearwater also on 27-3-13. Ira passed away August 26th, 1969.

Philo Odell Jr. farmed in several areas, renting the land. He married Emma Bell. They had a family of five: Violet, Olive, Jack, Edgar and Doreen. Philo moved to Winnipeg and worked for the Air Force Fire Department and later at Western Grocers. He passed away February 1969.

Leorinda Odell married Harold Macklin. They farmed at Glenora, then moved to Clearwater for a number of years. They had three children: two girls and a boy (deceased). Muriel married to Raymond Wickens and Ruby married to L. Ironsides of Rapid City.

Stephen Odell (Tope) worked on different farms. He married Beulah Ballantine in 1924. They had one daughter, Glenice, Mrs. Len

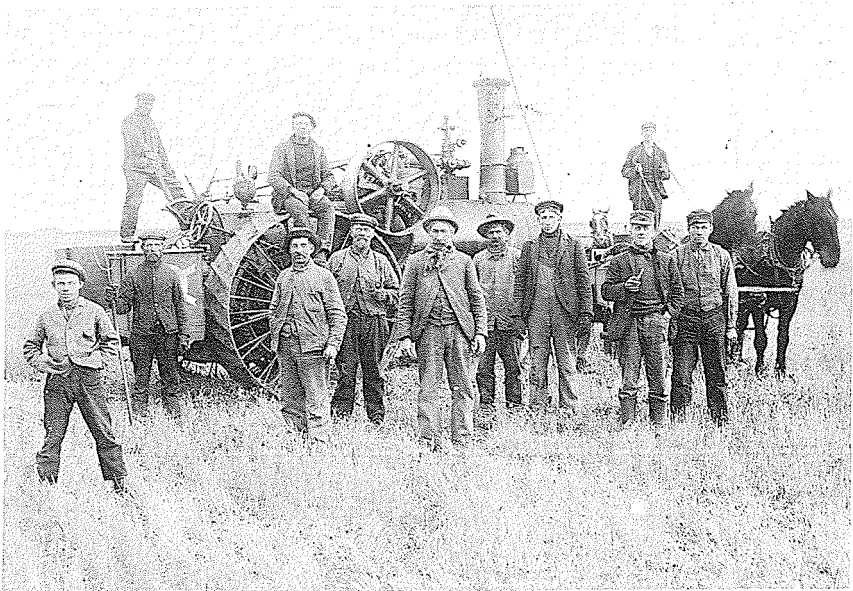


Odell family, 1916.

Franks of Winnipeg. Tope and Beulah lived at Moosomin, Saskatchewan and later returned to Glenora where Tope worked for Anglo. He later became our "Friendly Esso Man". Tope loved baseball as did his brother and they excelled at this game. He passed away June 1978.

Ellen Odell married Bill Macklin. They had two children: Joyce (Mrs. Ken McElroy) and Ivan. Bill and Ellen farmed and later bought a store in Glenora which they sold to Owen and Mick Collins. They then moved to Graysville and later to Killarney. After running a tourist camp at Rock Lake they retired to Pilot Mound where they still reside.

Lena Odell, the only child of the family to be born in Canada, married Charles Balkham. They have four children: Helen (Mrs. D. Mathieu), Nancy (Mrs. K. Bridal), Stanley and Raymond. Charlie and Lena live in Glenora and celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in January 1977.



Ira Odell, Len Barnes (on tank), Frank Hudson, Sam Odell (on wheel), Joe Morrison, Mr. Odell, Mr. Stratford, George Avery, Erna Stratford, Henry Odell (on rack), Lindsay from Australia, Levi Odell.

PHILO ODELL FAMILY

Philo Odell and Emma Bell were married on February 10th, 1919 at Clearwater, Manitoba. They resided in the Glenora district farming for a number of years. They farmed west of Glenora, then near Pilot Mound and on the Zephyr farm a mile east of Glenora. After leaving the Zephyr farm they moved to Glenora and resided there until 1941. During 1941-42 they moved into Winnipeg.

Philo and Emma raised five children: Violet Louise (Mrs. Chapman), Olive Leorinda (Mrs. Jack Cuthbert), John (Jack), Edgar Philo and Doreen Fern (Mrs. Maryk).

There are 15 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Philo and Emma celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1969. Philo passed away on February 14th, 1969 at the age of 74. Emma still resides in Winnipeg and is 80 years young.

ODELL FARM

The Odell farm on SE¼ 27-3-13 was homesteaded by the late Chris Lawrence in 1881. The first house was made of logs, later he built a small frame house which became the kitchen of the larger house where he lived after he married. They had two children: Edwin and Ethel (Mrs. Drummond). Chris taught school at Wigton school before he was married, travelling to school on horseback and back home each day.



Odell's farm.

In 1923-24, the present owner Una (Wallace) Odell, taught school at Glenora and used to visit with the Lawrence family, little thinking some day she would live here. Edwin Lawrence went to live in Elkhorn where he worked in the creamery, later moving to B.C. Ethel taught school at Elkhorn, married and later moved to Teulon, Manitoba. She and her husband have one son.

Chris Lawrence rented his farm to several different families. In 1931-34 Lavens lived here, where tragedy struck in the drowning of their five-year-old son in the Pembina River. They moved to live at Glenella. In 1936-37 Philo Odells lived here and their daughter Doreen was born, the youngest of five children. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mullens came to this farm from Winnipeg in 1938. They had one daughter, Viola. They moved to SE¼ of 26-3-13, later moving back to Winnipeg.

In 1943 Ira Odell bought the farm from Edwin Lawrence and moved to this farm November 2nd. The house had been vacant, the kitchen used as a granary, most of the window panes were broken. It was lots of work to clean up and get it ready for Christmas.

Ira and Una have two sons: Wallace and Kenneth. In 1969 Ira passed away. Una and Wallace moved in a small house in 1969 and continue to live in the same yard.

Ken married Evelyn Russell and in 1961 they moved in a house to the south of the farm home site. Many improvements have been made. Ken and Evelyn have a family of four: Donna (Mrs. John Sterling), Patricia, William, and Brenda.

ODELL E½ 10-4-13

This half was homesteaded by Wm. Gray where he farmed for a number of years. He later moved to 2-4-13 and then moved to Glenora where he built a house on the SW corner of 34-3-13. He lived here until his death in 1947.

Norman and May Kenny lived on 10-4-13 from 1922-28.

In 1929 Harold and Leorinda (Odell) Macklin lived there. They had two girls born here: Muriel and Ruby.

Rowleys, Ab Macklin and Pete Wanlin also rented this land after Harold left in 1936. Mr. and Mrs. Rene Toutant farmed the land and rented out the pasture from 1945-61. In 1961 Wallace and Ken bought this land for pasture and Toutants moved to Winnipeg.

Stephen (Tope) Odell worked on different farms. He married Beulah Ballantine in 1924. For a number of years they lived at Moosomin, Saskatchewan then returned to Glenora. Tope took a job with Anglo Oil and Esso, where he became known as the "Friendly Esso Man". They have one daughter, Glenice (Mrs. L. Frank). Tope passed away June 1978.

Ellen Odell married Bill Macklin. They farmed for some years then bought Alf Leslie's store in Glenora. They moved across the street to the site of the present store where they carried on the business until 1946. He also had a store business at Graysville. They lived in Killarney and Crystal City, retiring to live in Pilot Mound. They have two children: Joyce (Mrs. K. McElroy) and Ivan of Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Lena Odell, the only Odell child to be born in Canada. Lena married Charles Balkham who farmed in the Glenora district, later moving to the Blakham home in Glenora. They have four children: Nancy, Helen, Stanley and Raymond.

The Odell brothers were all ball players and their names may be found on all ball records in Rock Lake and surrounding districts.

ORIGINAL MARTIN OLSON - LOTS 9, 10, 11

The first house on Lot 11 was built by John Olson.

The family of Nicklins moved from the farm and lived on this lot. He worked with a team of horses and did blacksmith work. Next Joe Morrison lived there before moving on to Baldur.

Martin Olson bought the lots about 1914. Martin had come from Bisbee, North Dakota around 1900 and farmed on the Frank Simpson farm 31-3-13 until it was sold to Tom Kay in 1914. Martin moved to Glenora. He did carpenter work, also had a barn that was used as a livery stable. Martin's house caught fire in 1949 and was burned to the ground with Martin in it.

Harry Wickens lived on lot 11 for some years.

Art Weiss, who had farmed on NW $\frac{1}{4}$ 9-3-13, bought lots 9, 10, 11 and moved a house on to lot 9 where he lived until moving to a nursing home in 1967.

Earl Preston bought the house in 1968 at an auction sale, later that year selling it (house and lot) to his nephew, Russel Preston.

Karl Kynoch bought the house and lots in 1976. The house was renovated and an addition made when Karl and his wife Chris were married and moved there in January 1978.

MR. AND MRS. HENRY OLSON

Henry John Olson was adopted by John and Helena Olson. In 1911 they came to Glenora. In 1929 Henry found his sister Emma Polson. He married Margurite Sutton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton, also of Glenora, on March 4, 1931. They lived at Glenora where Henry operated a garage until moving to Holmfield in October 1945. They raised a family of eight.

Emma married Billy Kerr, Ninette - Billy, Margaret, Patsy, Carey.
 John married Darlene Armstrong, Deloraine - Michael, Tammy,
 Donna, Jamie.

James married Jean Buck, Winnipeg - Jerri, Jan, Jennifer.
 Reginald married Shirley Jasper, Brandon - Gordie, Lori.
 Ronald married Josie Bouchler, The Pas - Bradley, Darrel, Karen.
 Gerald (Gary) married Carmel Silvago, Killarney - Sara.
 Anne married Joe Lyons, Killarney - Joe-Anne, Kathy, Robbie.
 Carol married Murray MacDonald, The Pas - Sherri, Sandy, Scott.
 Margurite passed away July 23, 1975. Henry is now residing at
 The Pas.

JACOB PIERSON AND FAMILY

Jacob Pierson and Lydia Frances Wardell were married near Orangeville, Ontario in 1881.

Three children, Robert, James Lemuel and Mary Mabel, were born in Ontario. The family then moved to Pipestone, Manitoba in 1888 where Franklin Nathaniel, Hannah Elizabeth and Francis Sylvester were born.

The family then moved to Marrinhurst about 1895 and later to Glenora. Doug was born two miles east of Glenora, later they moved two miles north where the family farm was maintained, 12-4-13. All the children grew up here, having gone to school at Marrinhurst, the old



Back row: Beatrice, Bernice. Centre row: Dad, Mother. Front row: Helen, Frank, Marlene.



Doug and Jean Pierson, 1972, 50th anniversary.

Glenora school, later Excelsior and Zephyr. Doug took his high school at Pilot Mound. The family, with the exception of Doug, moved to Humbolt and then to Smeaton in 1924.

Jacob passed away at the age of 68, August 12th, 1919 and was buried in Pilot Mound.

Lydia died at the age of 80, August 10th, 1944 at Smeaton, Saskatchewan and was buried there.

Robert died at Glenora at the age of 37, March 22nd, 1920. He was buried in Pilot Mound. He did not marry.

Lemuel died at the age of 80, February 7th, 1964 at Mission City, B.C. and was buried there. He had no descendants.

Mabel passed away at the age of 65, March 24th, 1950 at Smeaton, Saskatchewan. She had married Norman Armstrong at Smeaton, who predeceased her. No descendants.

Franklin married Alma Tandberg in 1921. They moved to Newburg, North Dakota in 1925. They had a family of nine, five girls and four boys. Alma passed away in July 1968.

Hanna married Bert Sando of Purves in 1921 and they lived on his farm until he passed away in 1937. Hanna then moved to Pilot Mound and later to Winnipeg where she now resides. They had one daughter, Eveleen who also lives in Winnipeg.

Francis (Butch) was killed in action September 15th, 1916 in France, at the age of 21.

Douglas was born in 1899. He married Jennie Russell, October 25th, 1922 at Carman. They farmed in the Glenora district on 27-3-13 until they retired to Belmont in 1967. Doug passed away May 6th, 1973 and was buried at Pilot Mound.

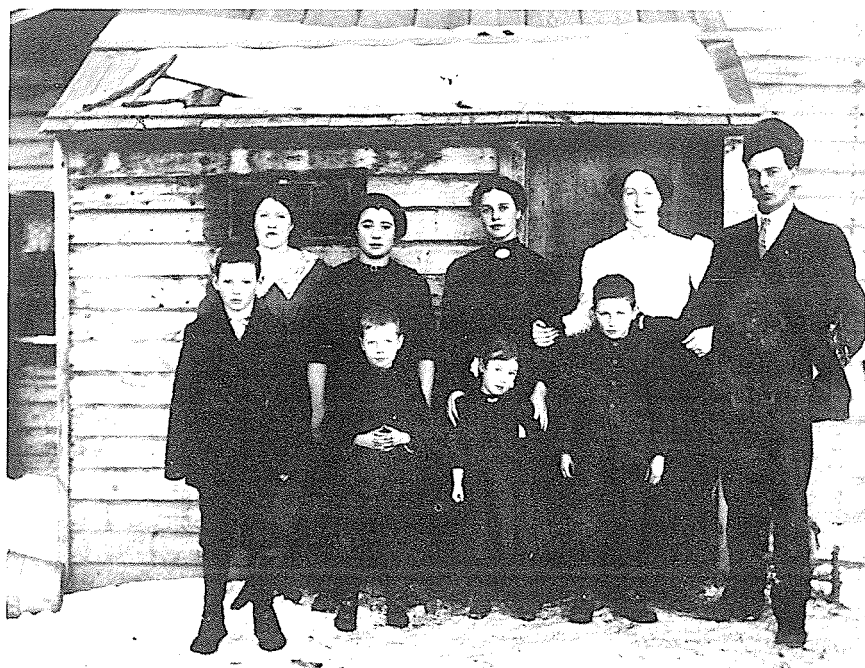
They had a family of five: Beatrice (Mrs. Lucien Major), Bernice (Mrs. Horton), Frank, Helen (Mrs. Alvin Delorme) and Marlene (Mrs. Wilbur Bethea).

PORTER FAMILY HISTORY

by Martha Annie Porter Wanless

James Porter was born in Wingham, Ontario, 1858. He came west at an early age and settled in Glenboro, Manitoba. He found employment in a livery stable around 1878.

His wife, Annie Shaw, was born at the Isle of Skye, Scotland February 9th, 1869. She immigrated to Canada with her aunt, Mrs. Christine MacKay, at the age of 12 years. The MacKays settled on a farm near Hilton, Manitoba and from this farm Annie went to work in Glenboro, Manitoba. It was during her time of employment at the local hotel in Glenboro, she met James Porter and they were married 1890. Their first home was in Glenboro and during their years of residence in



Back: Eva, Ida, Mary, Sadie, Bill. Front: Jim, Ray, Beth, George.

this community, four children were born: William Farquharrison, Mary Jane, Sarah, and Ida May.

They moved to the Glenora district and took up farming SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of 28-3-13, one mile south, one half mile west of town. They farmed here for a number of years and two children were born: Evelyn and James Alexander.

In 1903, they purchased NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of 30-3-13, a homestead of solid bush, two miles west of Glenora. This farm is still owned by the Porter family, grandsons of James and Annie Porter. A log house was built as a permanent home. Four children were born in the new home: George Cornelius, Roderick Bertram, Elizabeth Ellen Maude, and Martha Annie.

All of James and Annie's children were born into the world at their own home with only the help of her neighbors and often the doctor did not arrive until after her child had already been delivered.

Annie was thrown from the buggy in which she was riding when her horse was frightened by one of the first cars to appear around Baldur. Her injuries resulted in a blood clot to the brain, paralyzing her limbs partially for her remaining four years. She passed away March 29, 1923 at the age of 54. James passed away June 13th, 1933.

William Porter was born in Glenboro, October 12, 1890. He received his education at Glenboro and Glenora. As a young man he farmed one mile west of Glenora, later moving to Greenway and from there to McCreary, Manitoba where he spent the rest of his life. He passed away April 12, 1963.

Mary Porter was born in Glenboro, December 21, 1891. She received her education in Glenboro and Baldur. Mary worked as domestic help for several employers and met and married Glenn Hubert McLeod March 20, 1918 settling on his farm at Mather, Manitoba. They retired from farming in the fall of 1954 moving to the town of Mather. They had four sons: Murray, Roydon, Earl and Lorne.

Mary passed away July 15, 1973.



Annie and James Porter.

Sarah Porter was born at Glenboro, Manitoba on June 19, 1893 and attended school at Glenboro and Wigton schools. She moved to Winnipeg to seek employment and while there she met and married Basil Whyte in 1912. They had two children: Elizabeth and Gwendoline.

Sarah lost her husband. She returned to her brother, William, to keep house and later moved to Birtle to work for Mr. May. In Birtle, she met George Haney and they were married February 25, 1919. George was employed by C.N.R. and during their married life they lived in many towns and communities finally settling in Winnipeg. They had three children: Edwin, Roy and Shirley. Sarah passed away August 16, 1974.

Ida Porter was born in Glenora, Manitoba August 1st, 1895. She received her education at Wigton and Glenora school. Ida worked in Pilot Mound for a few years but returned home to take care of the smaller sisters and brothers after the death of her mother. Ida stayed on the farm taking an active part in the community life of Glenora and district. She married Archie Douglas, of La Riviere, Manitoba August 1st, 1933. Archie was a painter and carpenter and after living a number of years on the farm they moved to Crystal City where Archie carried on his trade until his death August 26th, 1960. Ida passed away on July 20th, 1962.

Evelyn (Eva) was born at Glenora June 7th, 1898 and received her education at Wigton school. She remained at home after leaving school to help with the children until she married George Alton Weedmark on February 11th, 1919. They farmed in the Huntley district, later buying a farm in the Belmont area where they lived until Eva passed away March 25th, 1952, and her husband May 28th, 1968.

Eva and Alton had eight children: Clara Neta, Nettie, Olive, Florence, Wesley, Myrtle and Helen.

James Porter Jr. was born at Glenora October 1st, 1900 and attended school at Wigton and Glenora. Jim farmed for a number of years on the Porter farm, later buying the farm from the Porter estate.

May 19th, 1941 he married Adrienne Choquette of Glenora. They built a home in Glenora where Jim carried on carpenter work and general contracting. He built the present Glenora school in 1947. Jim was councillor for the Argyle Municipality for twenty-two years. After he retired, he was employed with the Manitoba Department of Tourism and Recreation as a Park Attendant at Rock Lake, Manitoba. He resided in Glenora until his death on April 28th, 1971. He was predeceased by his wife Adrienne December 24th, 1959.

Three children were born to Jim and Adrienne: Annie, Teddie, and Glen.

George Porter was born at Glenora, February 2nd, 1904 and received his education at Wigton and Glenora. He also farmed on the

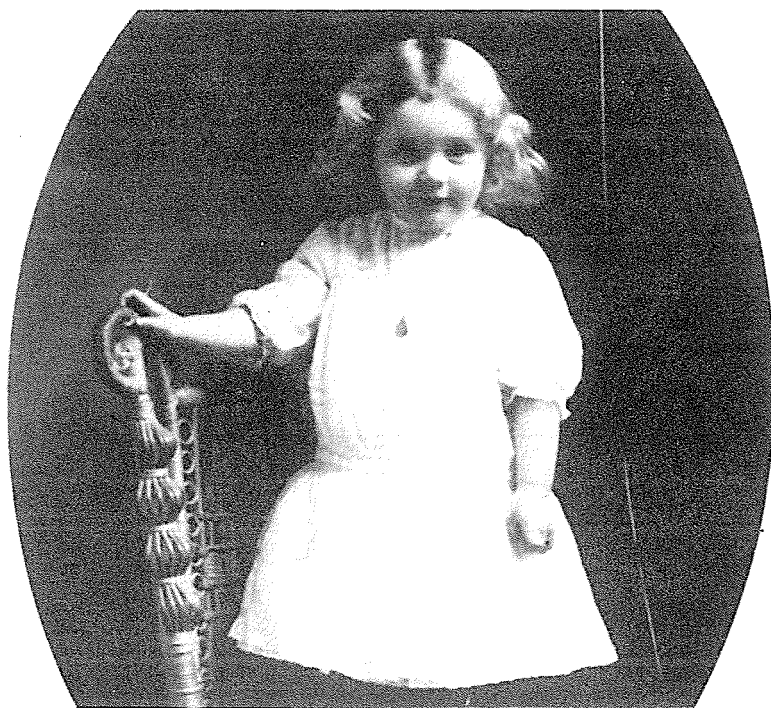
home farm for a few years, later purchasing the transfer business in Neelin, Manitoba. He lost his home in Neelin when it was destroyed by fire. He sold his holdings and moved to Winnipeg where he was employed in a garage until his death on April 27th, 1961.

Roderick Porter was born at Glenora on January 1st, 1906 and received his education at Wigton School. He worked on the home farm for a few years. On November 24th, 1938 he married Dorothy Sutton of Glenora and they farmed for a few years before relocating in Crystal City. Roy worked in the garage for many years before moving to Winnipeg.

Dorothy passed away November 27th, 1974. Roy retired and moved to Mather, to be near his daughter Barbara Lees. He passed away June 19th, 1976.

Roy and Dorothy had three children: Wayne, Roydon and Barbara.

Elizabeth was born at home on July 9th, 1908. She received her education at Wigton school, Neelin and Mather High. She attended the Manitou Normal School where she obtained her Teacher's Certificate. After teaching for a few years she met and married Willis Harrison of Laurier, Manitoba on November 9th, 1936. They farmed in the Laurier



Martha Porter.

district for a few years and then moved to Prairie Grove, Manitoba where Willis became employed with Esso Highway Service and Beth commenced teaching again. Beth passed away November 16th, 1979. Willis lives at Prairie Grove, Manitoba.

Willis and Beth had two of a family: Myrna and Grant.

Martha Porter was born on the family farm July 7th, 1910 and received her education at Wigton School. After leaving school she worked for various families: Elliotts of Pilot Mound, Lindsays of Glenora, Strangs of Greenway, Martin of Crystal City, Cooper and Williams of Neelin, and McGills and Goodbrands of Belmont. While at Belmont, Martha met and married Lloyd Wanless June 17th, 1936. They farmed on a small farm south of Belmont, later buying this farm and remained there until Lloyd's death December 18th, 1961. Martha moved to Winnipeg and is now residing in the Knights of Columbus Villa, Winnipeg.

Lloyd and Martha had four daughters: Margaret (Mrs. Don Heyes), Ethel (Mrs. Jim Withers), Ferne (Mrs. Wm. Ringach), Marion (Mrs. Jim Hanks).

Porter Children

James and Adrienne Porter's children:

Annie Adrienne born in Glenora, Manitoba on December 18th, 1941. She received her schooling at Glenora, Bruxelles, and Manitoba Teacher's College. During her teaching years she met and married Alvin Lilke on August 10th, 1963. They farmed at Kaleida for several years and three children were born: Bryan, Kimberley, and Heather.

In 1973 they left Kaleida moving to Edmonton, then on to settle at Fort McMurray.

Teddie Porter was born at Glenora November 13th, 1945. He attended school at Glenora and Baldur. He worked in Winnipeg and married Cecile Haneca of Swan Lake in June 1975. They reside in Winnipeg.

Glen Porter was born March 5th, 1949 in Baldur, Manitoba. He received his education in Glenora and Baldur schools. He married Valerie Newsham July 1st, 1972.

Jim's boys still own the old homestead. In 1978 the old log house in which most of the original family had been born was destroyed, accidentally, by a grass fire.

Roy and Dorothy Porter's children:

Wayne Porter was born in Glenora. He received his education at Mather and Crystal City Schools. On leaving school he joined the staff of the Royal Bank of Canada. He married Patricia Yuill of Crystal City on September 7th, 1963. Wayne is now an aero mechanic and they reside in Steinbach, Manitoba. They have one daughter, Kristelle.

Roydon Porter was born at Crystal City on April 30th, 1948 and

received his education at Mather and Crystal Schools and in Winnipeg. He became an electrician. On October 11th, 1969 he married Carolyn Manweiler. They resided in Winnipeg until he opened his own business at Melita, Manitoba. They have two sons.

Barbara Porter Lees was born in Crystal City on February 25th, 1945. She received her education at Crystal City School. Barb married Nelson Lees of Mather, Manitoba on July 7th, 1962. They live on their farm, north of Mather with their four children: Curtis, Scott, Shauna and James Patrick.

PRESTON FAMILY

In the spring of 1888 Alfred Wessells came west to Manitoba and in his letters back to Ontario to his relatives he gave such a glowing account of the country that it convinced Nelson Isaac Preston to come west in the spring of 1889 bringing two of his children, Porter and Manty with him. In the fall of the same year his wife Emily and five more children: Ida, Samuel, Sol, Roy and Pearl joined him. Their first home was two miles south and two miles west of where the town of Baldur now stands. Ellen was born at the house southwest of Baldur.



The Preston family.

There were quite a few settlers already in the district when the family arrived. One of those families being Mr. and Mrs. George Bannerman who met and welcomed the Preston family to Manitoba.

In 1889-1890 Nelson Preston worked on the railroad grade west of Baldur. During that winter a three-day blizzard struck the area and Sam, who was home looking after the livestock, got lost in the storm while trying to get to the barn to feed the animals. He came to a fence and knew if he followed it he could get back to the yard and he eventually did find his way back to the barn.

In March of 1892 the family moved to the Bill Little farm 32-3-13 two miles west of Glenora. Here their youngest child, Earl, was born.

In 1893 the Preston family established a lime kiln on Rock Lake. The lime from the kiln was in great demand by the settlers and sold for thirty-five cents a bushel delivered or thirty cents at the kiln. The family continued to burn lime until 1903. Evidence of the old lime kiln can still be seen to this day on 24-3-14. The family lived at this location during the operations and then moved to NE 26-3-14 later moving to the Huntley district to live in what was known as the lighthouse because of its location on fairly high ground. It was at this location that Nelson Isaac Preston passed away in 1910.

After Nelson passed away Mrs. Preston, Porter, Earl, Pearl and Ellen moved to the N½ 1-4-14. In the years prior to their father passing, other members of the family had married and moved away or started their own farms.

Manty married Lon Kempton who later founded the Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company.

Ida married Frank Breault and they farmed in the Baldur area.

Sol married Mabel Sampson and moved to Golden Prairie, Saskatchewan to homestead in 1910, to be followed by Roy and his family in 1912, also to homestead at Golden Prairie.

Pearl passed away in 1915 at home N½ 1-4-14.

Mrs. Preston, Porter and Ellen moved to Golden Prairie in 1917 where Porter homesteaded at Richmond, Saskatchewan.

Mrs. Preston passed away at Golden Prairie in 1943 at the age of ninety-four.

Earl married Bertha Lundgren and farmed N 1-4-14 until they retired to Glenora in 1965. Earl continues to live in his own home in Glenora at the time of writing at the age of eighty-seven, the last living member of Nelson Isaacs family.

This brings us to Samuel who married Ethel May McLellan in 1898 and lived for a time on 18-4-13, where their first son Russel was born in 1899. From there they moved to 26-3-14 where the rest of their family: Goldie, Emily, Floyd, Evelyn and Blanche were born. From this farm the family moved to 28-3-14 for a short time and then to 31-3-13.

In 1920 we moved to the S $\frac{1}{2}$ 1-4-14. This farm at the time belonged to Porter Preston and Charlie Wilde, who in turn sold it to the Confederation Life Assurance Company. Dad and the boys worked the farm until Floyd married in 1935. From 1935-45 dad and Russel carried on the farm work.

In 1945 James Kynoch Sr. purchased the farm and in the spring of 1946 dad, mother and Russel had a sale and moved to Baldur. Mother passed away in 1947 and Dad in 1954. Russel at time of writing is in hospital in Brandon.

Floyd and Hannah are living in Baldur, Goldie is living at Fairview, Alberta and Evelyn at Beamsville, Ontario.

Emily passed away in 1961 and I, Blanche live with my son, Jack on the farm which I came to when I married John Thomas in 1926.

MR. AND MRS. FLOYD PRESTON

Floyd was born at Neelin, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Preston (nee McClellan). They moved to the Wigton District in 1914 and eventually lived on the farm across from the school. He attended Neelin, Connaught and Wigton Schools. He helped his parents and others with farming until he started farming on his own in 1935, the farm being 35-3-14. He married Hannah Balfour October 12, 1935.

I was born at Manitou, Manitoba. My parents were Mr. and Mrs. William Balfour. They had emigrated from the Orkney Islands, Scotland in 1897. I attended Manitou Consolidated School and Manitou Normal School. My first teaching position was Sheffield School District north of Winnipeg, then Oaks School at Clearwater (now closed) and lastly Wigton School near Glenora, also closed.

The wheat crop that year was badly rusted and had root rot. It was not worth harvesting and was burnt off in the spring.

We have one daughter, Margaret Ethel. She attended Excelsior School and Baldur High School. She went to Manitoba University and then took a Business Course. She was employed by the Federal Government in Winnipeg, Regina and Saskatoon. In 1966 she married Nels Yalte and they live in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

In 1938 we moved to Greenway and farmed 33-4-13 for three years. We bought 26-4-13 in 1940 and moved there in December. Residents on this farm since 1900 were W. Tisdale, T. Vickers, and T. French.

When we moved to the farm in 1940 it was in the Second World War years. We were issued Ration Books containing coupons for sugar, meat and gasoline. The ladies of the district worked on Bundles for Britain. Some of the ladies from Excelsior who worked on this project were: Mrs. C. Tisdale, Mrs. W. J. Young, Mrs. H. Forbes, Mrs. H. Clark, Mrs.

D. Gerolamy, Mrs. A. Forbes and Mrs. F. Preston. Mrs. W. Orr joined the group later. We also did Red Cross knitting and packed food parcels for the servicemen overseas.

It was also the time of Permit Teachers. Grade XI and Grade XII students attended a six-weeks' course at Summer School and then carried on as best they could to keep the Rural Schools operating.

In 1949 Electricity was brought to Rural Manitoba. Each applicant had to pay sixty-five dollars and then the Government brought the Hydro wires to the yard pole in the farm yard. It was the farmer's responsibility to get his buildings wired. Electric lights and motors took the hard work out of many of the household duties as well as the outdoor farm chores. One could now install a pressure system and have all the modern facilities enjoyed by city dwellers.

Rose Mound is a prominent feature of the farm. It along with Pilot Mound and Rose Hill were landmarks for the pioneer settlers who travelled west to find homesteads. During the War it was used again as a marker on the maps of the Air Force. They called it Pimple Hill. No doubt from the air it appeared so. Indian artifacts have been discovered on this Mound. Perhaps it was a battlefield at one time as many arrowheads, hammers, etc. have been picked up. Also what appears to be a foot from a small stone statue has been found.

In 1967 we rented the farm and spent the summer at Stockton Ferry where Floyd was employed as Ferryman. The next two summers we were at Glenboro Golf Course where Floyd was Greenskeeper.

We sold the farm in 1967 to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Orr. They lived there a few years then moved to his home farm. The buildings stand vacant now.

We bought a house in Baldur, Manitoba in 1968 where we are now residing.

NELSON "EARL" PRESTON

Earl Preston was born November 3rd, 1892, youngest son of Emily and Isaac Nelson Preston on SW ¼ 32-3-13. From here the family moved to NE ¼ 26-3-14. Earl, his brothers and sisters attended Wigton school.

The Preston Brothers, along with Herman Davis, opened the first lime kiln near the west end of Rock Lake. Here many pioneers came for lime to use in plastering their log house and to whitewash the interior.

Prestons then moved to the Huntley district where Earl attended school. In 1906 Earl went West to Maple Creek, Saskatchewan with his brother, Porter. Earl intended to homestead in this area, but being only seventeen he was unable to file a claim. He returned to Manitoba in 1907. The following year he worked for Ed. Matchett and Jack Mathers.



Earl and Bertha Preston.

In 1910 Earl's father died and he returned home to help with the work. In 1912 Earl bought N½ 1-4-14 from the Webb Brothers (Harris, Sydney and Kaplan).

There was an incident took place concerning the Webb Brothers when Kap was fatally shot. One of the brothers was accused of the shooting but was proven innocent. Mr. Nelson Preston was a member of the jury.

Earl's mother, sisters Pearl and Ellie moved to his farm with him. Pearl passed away in 1915 and is buried with her dad in Baldur cemetery.

Later, in 1915 Earl's mother and Ellie moved to Maple Creek to live with Port. In 1948 Mrs. Emily Preston passed away at the age of 94. She is buried at Maple Creek.

October 31st, 1916 Earl married Bertha Lundgren. They had one daughter, Lena.

Lena married Wallace (Wally) Elliott and they moved to a farm in the Connaught district. Here they raised five girls and one boy.

Norma married Cliff Brinkworth. They had a family of three sons: Lyndon, Jeff - deceased, and Daryl. They live on Earl's original farm.

Lillian married Tommy Deedman and they have two children: Maureena and Vance.

Verna married Herby Hutlet and they have six children: Tammy,

Mark, Lauri, Joanne, Jay, and Jacalyn. Tammy had the honor of being born May 12th, 1970, the exact date of Manitoba's Centennial birthday.

Rhonda married Rick Verspeek. They have three children: Sheldon, Kelly and Tanya.

Earl Elliott married Karen Lawson and they have two children: Jamie and Robert.

Sandra married Alvin Ramsden. They have three children: Wayne, Randy and Misty.

Wally died in 1974 after they had retired to Killarney.

In 1964 Earl and Bertha sold their farm 1-4-14 to Cliff and Norma Brinkworth. They bought a house in Glenora from Mrs. Jack (Nellie) Clark and moved to Glenora in the spring of 1965. In October Earl and Bertha had their 50th wedding anniversary.

On June 3rd, 1967, at the age of 68, Bertha passed away and is buried in Baldur cemetery.

Earl lived on, in his home until September 1976. He then bought a smaller house across the street from Mrs. Minnie McElroy. After Mrs. McElroy moved to Prairie View Lodge at Pilot Mound Earl moved into his new home.

In the autumn of 1977 Earl sold his former house in Glenora to Ross and Olive Preston (no relation) of Winnipeg.

Earl is still enjoying good health and lives alone in his small home. In his younger days he played for many dances in the area. He also rendered an item or two on the violin at many of the Wigton Christmas concerts.

ROBERTS

Christopher Samuel Thomas Roberts known to everyone as Sam Roberts came from Yorkshire, England accompanied by a brother James Roberts in 1888. They lived in Ontario for two years where they were employed before going to Clearwater, Manitoba. James Roberts managed a livery stable in Clearwater for a short time but soon gave that up and went on to Vancouver where he was accidentally killed in 1902 while helping to build the original Vancouver Hotel. Sam Roberts worked on the farm of P. McLaren in order to gain some experience on the Canadian way of farming. He then purchased a quarter section of land near Clearwater. Sam Roberts and Christena Avery were married in Baldur in 1904. Pearl, Gordon and George were all born while their parents lived near Clearwater.

About the year 1910 Sam Roberts purchased a half section of land south and east of Glenora. At that time the Anglican Church which is now in Glenora stood beside the cemetery in Marrinhurst and was the only place for many years where the early settlers of that area could

come together for worship in a church. It truly was a revered land mark associated for many years with the "horse and buggy" days. Although Sam Roberts was of the Presbyterian Faith he supported the little Anglican Church generously and faithfully thus exemplifying a true ecumenical spirit seldom heard of in those days of religious bigotry.

Sam Roberts passed away in April 1915 from pneumonia after only a brief illness. Mrs. Roberts and the children moved to the village of Glenora one year after her husband's death where she had a new home built. The farm was rented to the "Dick" McWilliams family. Mrs. Roberts passed away in May 1919 from cancer after a lengthy illness. Mr. P. McLaren and Mr. B. Fraser became executors. A housekeeper by the name of Mrs. Clark was employed for one year to manage the home. Mrs. Clark was a sister of Mrs. Darby of Crystal City whose husband at that time was the bank manager there.

In August 1920 the home was broken up. Pearl went to Clearwater to continue high school there. Gordon lived with the Fraser family while continuing school in Glenora and then took a three year diploma course at the Manitoba Agricultural College. George lived at the Percy McKittrich home south of Crystal City for a few years.

Gordon farmed on the home farm for about six years before going to Flin Flon. Those were very hard years. Added to the great depression which struck the country at that time there was drought, rust and grasshoppers. A fire in the autumn of 1932 destroyed the barn and horses. George rented the Carlson farm for a short time. Pearl taught at Excelsior School from 1931-1934, and at the same time drove from the farm to school each day, except in the winter. In spite of hard times people were always ready to have fun and laugh at any amusing incident of that day, but we ask "would it be considered humorous today?" For instance one Sunday morning after Hallowe'en as people approached the village to attend church in the school house they were puzzled about something which appeared in the distance to be standing at the cross roads in the centre of the village. As each car drove in people could see that it was an outdoor toilet. A large sign read "Anderson's Garage". Old wheels, old tires and tools were propped up around the old toilet. When the story was revealed it turned out that Claude Crayston and George Roberts had been up to their usual pranks. They were seeking just a little revenge because they thought they had been overcharged by Mr. Anderson for car repairs and Mr. Anderson had said things were wrong with their cars which they didn't think were wrong. Hallowe'en was the time to get even! Mr. Anderson's commercial sign was taken off his garage and nailed to the toilet. Mr. Anderson was out of town at that particular time.

On another Hallowe'en night Mr. Simpson's (senior) farm gate was removed and propped up against the Anglican Church. It was said that

Mr. Simpson was very opposed to the moving of the Anglican Church from Marrinhurst to Glenora. He went next day to get his gate while some Anglicans were working on the outside of the church.

Gordon went to Flin Flon in 1936. Hazel Crayston and Gordon Roberts were married in Hazel's home on October 8, 1940 by Rev. B. W. Allison. They lived in Flin Flon until 1972 and then moved to Amherstview, Ontario. Their son, Dr. Leslie Roberts who now resides in Kingston, Ontario, was born in Flin Flon in August 1941. During their time in Flin Flon in the war years, Gordon was a volunteer with the Canadian Reserve Army which required regular practise. Gordon passed away very suddenly from a heart attack in Kingston in July 1977. Hazel moved to Kingston following Gordon's death.

After George had served in the army in Canada for two years he went west and spent a few years first in Edmonton and then finally settled in Port Coquitlam, B.C. where he passed away very suddenly in January 1974. He was married to the former Mrs. Amy Thompson.

Pearl left Flin Flon in 1941 after teaching there for six years to join the Civil Service in Ottawa for war service and then continued there in the Civil Service until her retirement.

ROBERT ROBINSON FAMILY

Bob Robinson married Rhoda Balfour and lived on the E½ 36-3-13. They had one daughter, Ruth. At the age of twelve her mother passed away in 1913. Later Bob and Ruth moved west for a few years. When they returned they bought the W½ 25-3-13 after the Reeches had moved away. While on the farm a gentleman by the name of Henry Thwaites walked to their place from the Floral district to go fishing at Rock Lake. He planned to stay only a few days but he hung his cap on the back of the kitchen door and he remained a part of the Bob Robinson household until his death in 1955.

Bob and his daughter farmed this land until moving to Pilot Mound about 1950 where they ran a boarding house. Henry moved with them. Mr. Robinson passed away December 25th, 1953.

Ruth is presently in Pilot Mound Personal Care Home.

Something that was notable, while on the farm, Henry walked two and a half miles to Glenora three times a week for mail and groceries.

WILLIAM ROBINSON FAMILY

Bill Robinson married Lena Gemmill and they lived on the SW 36-3-13. Their family was born and raised there. John, Earl, James (Jim), Mary and Isabel.

Isabel married Merrit Mathers of Pilot Mound where they lived for

a time. Later they moved to Haney, B.C. where they resided until their deaths, about a month apart in 1968. They had a boy Alvin and a daughter, Betty.

Earl married a school teacher, Alice Ferris from Holland, Manitoba in 1941. They farmed on the McNee farm before moving to Holland and later Glenboro. They had one son, Bill. Bill married Maureen Orr and they have one daughter, Tracy. They reside at Abbotsford, B.C. Earl passed away in 1968.

James married overseas while in the Armed Forces. After he returned to Canada he settled in Selkirk, Manitoba and worked for Manitoba Rolling Mills for 18 years. They had two daughters: Peggy and Janice. Jim passed away in March 1974.

Mr. Robinson passed away in 1938 and Mrs. Robinson in 1948.

Mary Robinson made her home in Pilot Mound for some time, later moving to Winnipeg where she worked. She has now retired but still lives there.

John Robinson married Evelyn Foidart. They had one son. John passed away in 1965.

ROWLEY FAMILY

In 1931 William Rowley and his wife Bertha (nee Thorkilson) purchased a farm from William Macklin. They had a family of five boys and three girls: Eva, Jack, Victor, Douglas, Edith, Bruce, Frank and Joan.

Eva married Fred Durant from Winnipeg. Seven children were born to them. After Fred's death Eva stayed in Winnipeg. She married Roland Wiley.

Jack married Eva Backman in Lundar. They raised a family of two girls. They reside in Winnipeg.

In July 1939 Vic married Rita Choquette. Their five children all currently reside in the area. Alfred lives on the home farm at Glenora. He married Madeline DeKezel. Edith married Henry Martens and they live on the Martens homeplace. Brian married Geraldine Grift and have a trailer home a mile and a half northwest of Pilot Mound. Rena lives with her parents in Pilot Mound. Danny married Sharon Almerly and lives in Pilot Mound.

Doug married Marie Choquette and they had seven children. He served for five years in the Air Force. They lived and worked at Glenora for some time before moving to Nipigon, Ontario. They currently reside at Westbank, B.C.

Bruce joined the army and later married. They lived in Winnipeg and had three boys and one girl. He was discharged from the Army because of an injured knee. They moved to a farm in Saskatchewan.

From there they made their home at Valemount where he worked in a lumber camp. Recently they moved to Kamloops, B.C.

Edith married James Collins of Glenora and they had one son Billy. Edith passed away in 1942. In his 25th year, Billy passed away.

Frank served a few years in the Air Force where he married a girl from down east. They had two boys and one girl. Their home is now in Winnipeg.

Joan married Howie Quaife after he returned home from overseas. They lived in London, Ontario and had six children. They now reside in Denfield, Ontario where they work together as Inspector for road worthy cars and run a garage.

THE JOHN SEAMAN FAMILY

My father, John Seaman, came to S ½ 17-3-12 in Louise in 1909, coming from Mather, and working and living here part-time, and in 1911 to stay. At one time he farmed all of 17-3-12 and also the quarter where Ken Wilson now lives. In 1917 he married Elizabeth Lindsay from England. In 1918 Joyce was born. She married Harold Pitts, living in B.C. They had two sons. She died in 1915 at Port Alberni. Lindsay was born in 1920. Since his discharge from the Canadian Army in 1945, he has lived at Elgin, Ontario. He is married and has one boy and one girl. In 1921 Jack was born, was in the service also, is married and has one boy and one girl. Margaret was born in 1924, lives in Toronto and is



The Seaman Brothers Jack, Lincoln, Stuart, Lindsay.



Mr. John Seaman.



Mrs. John Seaman and Joyce.

not married. Lincoln was born in 1927, lives at Markham, Ontario and is not married. In 1931 twin boys, Stuart and Gordon, were born, but Gordon died as an infant in May 1931 and is buried in Marrinhurst Cemetery with my Dad, who died in 1938. Stuart married a girl from Wales, Great Britain. They have no family and live at Rocanville, Saskatchewan. Joyce started school at Marrinhurst in 1925. Although we lived in Louise, we all attended Marrinhurst School until 1942, with the exception of 1934, when we went to Oak School. Mother passed away in 1959 at Port Alberni, B.C. My wife and I live in Pilot Mound, so in a circle I have not gone far.

John Seaman

LAURENT SIERENS

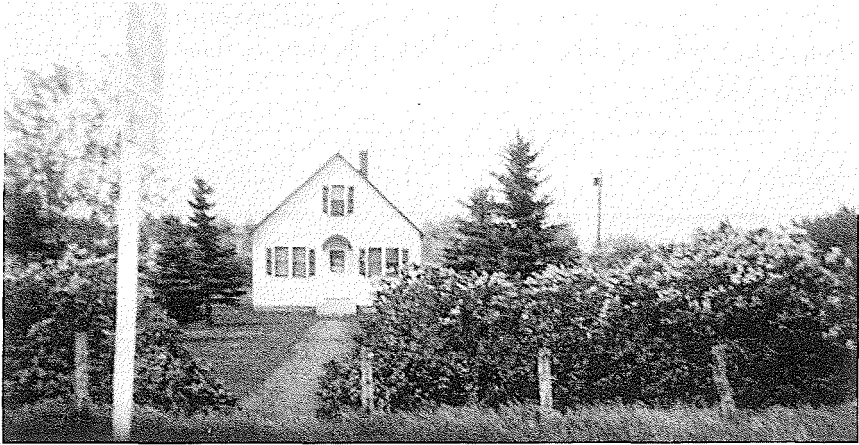
21-4-12

The north half was bought from a speculator in the early 1880s by Mr. Alfred Eason. He farmed it until 1903, then sold it to James Potruff. He farmed it until 1912, when he sold it to Mr. Carbonneau, a storekeeper from Mariapolis. Mr. Wilfred Morin lived in the buildings for one winter. In the spring it was sold to Mr. Adolph Sierens. He and his family farmed it until 1953, when he died. The farm was left to Martha and Laurent Sierens. The S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ was bought from a speculator in 1901, by Stewart Robinson. He lived on the farm all the rest of his life. The last years he rented the land. He died in 1948. In 1951 Mrs. Robinson died and the land was left to their daughter May Graham. She rented it until 1967 when she sold it to Martha and Laurent Sierens. The S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ was bought by Mr. Thomas Graham in 1901. He farmed this land for many years, but in later life he rented to Richard Graham. He died in 1951 and the land was taken over by Alex Graham, who along with his son-in-law, Clare Jones, farmed it until 1967, when he sold to Martha and Laurent Sierens. All of 21-4-12 was then farmed by Martha and Laurent Sierens, until 1972 when Martha died. Her share was then passed on to Laurent, who still farms the land. This is all I know about this land and the people who farmed it and lived there.

RANDY SIERENS

The S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ 35-3-13 was homesteaded by Noble Lawrence in 1883 and the same year he bought the N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$. Throughout the years there were many cords of wood cut from these two quarters.

About 1946 Noble sold the land to Theophil and Laura Sierens. They built themselves a house on the S.W. corner, around which they planted many trees to form a yard and a windbreak. The first year they owned it, Paul De Marteleare rented the land.



In November, 1970, Theo and Laura moved to Mariapolis where Gerarda and son, Randy, were already living.

Theophil Sierens passed away in 1971 and his wife Laura in 1978. The W. ½ 35-3-13 was left to their only grandson, Randy Sierens.

GEORGE SIMPSON FAMILY

George Simpson was born in Aberdeen, Scotland February, 1868. His home was Haddow Castle on the estate of Lord and Lady Aberdeen, where his father was estate keeper. The Simpsons had lived on the estate for 300 years. They belonged to the clan of Lord Lovatt.

George came to Canada in 1889 and settled in Toronto. In 1891, Annabelle Andrew, of Ardo, Methlick, Scotland came to Toronto to become the bride of George Simpson. They lived in Toronto for several years where three children were born - George Jr., Frank and Edna.

In 1899 they came west to Manitoba and settled at Waskada where George started farming. Here Walter, Leslie and twins, James and Annabelle, were born. They moved from Waskada to Glenora in 1912 to settle on 28-3-13 which they had purchased from George Graham.

Mr. Simpson bought his first car, a Ford touring in 1916. This made a big change in rural life, as now it made it possible to make trips to the city and also, the year's big event - the trip to the Brandon Fair. Later, a 32 volt lighting plant was installed in their large home. At this time too, they bought their first radio, an Atwater Kent. It was quite exciting and almost unbelievable to hear programs coming from other parts of Canada, U.S.A. and Mexico.

Around 1930 Mr. Simpson bought his first glassed-in car, a Chevrolet four-door.

George Simpson was an outstanding farmer and had veterinary

skills, which his neighbors greatly appreciated and often took advantage of when help was needed. He kept Black Angus cattle and took great pride in his Clyde horses. George was councillor in Argyle council for Ward 2. He also helped in Presbyterian and Methodist churches, later the United Church, being on the church Board at Glenora and Baldur. He was very interested in education, being on the Glenora School Board, and was always chairman for the Christmas concert.

Mrs. Simpson was a worker in the community, a member of the Glenora Ladies Aid and a busy homemaker. She passed away in 1933. Mr. Simpson passed away in 1948.

Mr. Simpson had brought or encouraged most of his family in Scotland to come to Canada. They settled in various parts of southern Manitoba or northern U.S.A. along the Manitoba and Saskatchewan border.

George Simpson Jr. was born in Toronto, September, 1893. He came west with his father and to Glenora in 1912. He attended Baldur High School and became a teacher. He taught many years, went to University and received his B.S.A. He worked as a land assessor, also for Land Appraiser Institute of Canada. He was head of P.F.R.A. in choosing sites for dams, such as Diefenbaker and other places in Saskatchewan. His wife was Maida Wall of Clearwater and they had two children: Glenys (Simpson) Watts of Regina; and Donald, who married Shirley MacEldstrom. They have three children: Pamela, Terrance and Greg. George Jr. passed away in 1974. Maida still resides in their home in Regina.

Edna Simpson married Ralph Wilson of Marringhurst district (see Wilson history).

Frank Simpson also came with his parents to Glenora and assisted his dad in the farming. In 1917 he joined the Armed Forces and went overseas. After his return he married Pearl Lawrence, daughter of Wm. and Mrs. Lawrence of Glenora, in 1919. Frank bought S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of 31-3-13 and farmed there all his life. Like his father, he was a very good farmer and stock man. He also took an active part in school and church, and all current topics.

Frank and Pearl had two children: Jean Marie, born 1920 and George Andrew, born 1924. Jean married Ralph Ballantine of Glenora in 1947. They had four children: Murray of Ottawa, Vicki of Toronto, Grant and Ross of Pilot Mound.

Frank passed away May 1966 and was predeceased by son, George in January, 1966. Jean passed away in May, 1971. Pearl still resides in Glenora.

Walter Roy Simpson, born in Waskada, March 28th, 1900. He attended Glenora School and in 1922 married Susan Macklin of Glenora. They started farming on S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of 28-3-13. (This was the site

of Glenora's first post office in 1881.) After a few years they moved to S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of 32-3-13 and later to N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ 15-3-13. They had six children: Elsie (Mrs. Sid. Chapman, Winnipeg); Frank, married Bernice Swanson, and is in business in Ontario; Bernice (Mrs. Dan Anstruthers); Raymond; Stanley, married Lois Gillet and lives in Alberta; and Shirley (Mrs. Donald Keats).

These children, with the exception of Shirley, attended school in Glenora. In 1939 Walter, Susan and family moved to Ochre River where Walter continued to farm. He also had a part-time job with the P.F.R.A. over a number of years. Susan passed away in 1940. Walter lived in several different places, but retired to Brandon. He passed away in 1977.

Leslie Milton Simpson, born in 1902 came to Glenora with his parents and received his education here. He was a farmer as his father. He took an interest in stock, always having good horses in which he had great pride. Les. sold insurance as a part-time occupation and had a worthwhile business.

Leslie married Elda Loney in 1933. They farmed on S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ 28-3-13 and later moved to S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ 32-3-13 where he remained and farmed until his passing in 1963. Leslie and Elda had five children: Helen (Mrs. James Penn), who received her education in Glenora. Helen and Jim live in Calgary, where he has a taxidermist business and Helen runs a sporting goods store. Their children: Dave, born 1957; James, 1962 (deceased); Kelly Ann, 1964. Milton Arthur (Art) Simpson was born 1937. He married a Calgary girl. They have no children. Allan Keith Simpson, born 1939, attended school at Glenora. Keith lost his life in a car accident. Beth Simpson was born 1940. She married Cleve Byers of Pilot Mound in 1960. Cleve is a bank employee and they have lived in Saskatchewan for a number of years. They have two children, Daryl James and Debra Lynn. Leslie Simpson Jr., educated in Glenora and Regina. He married Judy Sterling. Leslie has one step-daughter, Lori Sterling and a son Shawn Leslie. Elda lives in Calgary.

Annabelle Simpson, daughter of George Sr., was born at Waskada, a twin. She received her education at Glenora and Baldur becoming a teacher. She married Harvey Wilson of Marringhurst (see H. Wilson Farm).

James Duncan Simpson, twin brother to Annabelle, also received his education in Glenora. He farmed with his father until buying S. $\frac{1}{2}$ 28-3-13. Jim was a good farmer, taking great pride in having things done efficiently. He married, but he and Grace had no family. He passed away in 1944.

ROBERT SIMPSON FAMILY

Robert Simpson was born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, the brother of George. He was born May, 1881. He married Lizzie Maxwell and came from Scotland to Waskada in the 1930s. He followed his brother George to Glenora. For a time they lived on S.W. 28-3-13, later moved to 24-3-13 in the Marrinhurst district.

In the late 1940s, they bought a farm at Pipestone, where they moved and farmed until retiring. Bob moved to Virden where he passed away in 1967.

Bob and Lizzie had two children: Elizabeth (Betty), married Charles Misner and they farmed at Pipestone, later moved to Virden. They have three girls: Jean, Margaret and Beth. The girls are all married and live in the Virden area, where their parents still reside. James, son of Robert was in the Armed Forces. He married Betty Jones of Manitou. He returned to Glenora after the war, later moving to Pipestone to help his father on the farm. He now lives in Brandon.

ANDREW SOLE FARM

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sole and their four children came to the Glenora district May 1906, from Colfax, North Dakota, shipping their belongings by rail to Sarles, North Dakota, the year after the railroad came to Sarles. From Sarles they drove the team and wagon to Glenora, a distance of about fifty miles.

Andrew settled on N.W. ¼ 25-3-13, later moving to S.E. ¼ 25-3-13, where they lived until his death in October, 1928. The farm was then bought by Charlie Sutton.

Mrs. Karen Sole passed away in October 1933.

The older son, Oliver enlisted in the army February, 1916 and was killed in action in France, August 1918.

Albert farmed with his father. Later he resided in Baldur where he was employed by Argyle Municipality for many years. He married Belle Cameron of Minnedosa in 1944. He passed away in June 1961.

Clarice married Herbert Clark of Baldur in 1924. They farmed in the Baldur area until his retirement, when they moved to town. Clarice cooked at the hospital in Baldur for many years. They had one daughter, Lorraine, who married John Dalglish of Glenboro. They have three boys: Ken, Greg and Doug. Clarice passed away in June, 1970.

Myrtle married John Halvorson of Sarles, North Dakota. They farmed for many years, moving to Sarles in 1949, where John was an insurance agent. Myrtle still resides in Sarles, her husband having passed away.

They had three children: Harvey, Raymond and Isabella. These

two boys had a tragic boating accident on Rock Lake in 1930, both losing their lives. Isabella is also deceased. She had two children.

Myrtle still resides in Sarles, North Dakota.

SOUTHAM FARM (SEAMAN)

The S. ½ Section 17-3-12, now owned by Keith Southam and wife Dora (Cavers) Southam was first broken and worked by Mr. John Seaman. At that time the land was almost all bush, about 1910. John did not live there until the time of his marriage to Elizabeth Lindsay. He put up buildings and built the first bridge across the river. It was constructed of logs, which he cut from along the river bank. He farmed here until the time of his passing. There were six children in the Seaman family: Joyce, Lindsay, Jack, Margaret, Lincoln and Stewart.

In 1943 Roy and Dorothy Southam purchased the land and later Keith took over and added to his acreage. He also has improved the building and grounds.

The N. ½ of 17-3-12 as far as we know, was the home of Rev. Tom Walton and his family. Later he moved to Pilot Mound.

A horse-trader occupied the buildings for a number of years until Thomas Morrill and his family bought the farm in 1922 from Ralph Connor (Chas. Wm. Gordon, a Presbyterian minister), who was a book writer from Ontario. The Morrill brothers, Roy and Merv, farmed it for fifty years. In 1968 they sold the farm to Keith Southam.

JAMES ALFRED SUTTON

James Alfred Sutton was born in September 1878 at Stratford on Avon, England.

Beatrice May Brotherton was born December 1885 at Windsbury, Staffordshire, England.

They were married in England in April of 1908. Their first child was born in June of 1909 and a few months later all three came to Canada, arriving at Wakopa, Manitoba. They lived at various places in Manitoba, finally settling in Glenora, Manitoba. They had nine children.

James Sidney (Sid), born in England in 1909, married Velma Cruichshanks. They have three children: Ray, Lyall and Claire. Sid and Velma live in Winnipeg.

John William (Jack), born 1910, married Lila Drysdale. They have three children: Garth, Brian, and Jim. Jack and Lila live in Winnipeg.

Margurite Beatrice, born 1913, married Henry Olson. They have eight children: Emma, John, Jim, Reg, Ron, Gary, Anne (twins) and Carole. They lived at Glenora, Holmfield, Ninette. Henry now makes his home at The Pas. Margurite passed away in June 1975.

Robert Alfred (Bert), born 1915, still lives in Glenora, worked for the railroad, now semi-retired.

Dorothy May (Dot), born 1917, married Roy Porter. They lived at Crystal City, Mather and Winnipeg. They have three children: Wayne, Barbara, and Roydon. Dot passed away in November 1974 and Roy passed away in 1976.

Irene Grace (Rene), born 1922, married Logan Buchanan. They live in Morden. They have eight children: Marilyn, Nina, Lois, Glenda, Lynne, Diane, Sheila and Cindy.

Annie Elsie (Nan), born about 1924, lives in Winnipeg. She worked for Eaton's for over 25 years. Nan is now retired because of her health.

Richard Russell (Russ), born about 1926, married Kay and now lives at Neepawa.

Hilda Gertrude (Chill), born 1928, married Gordon Rex. They lived at various places in Canada. They have eight children: Larry, Ann, Rick, Maggie, Dorothy, Susan, Julia and John. Chill passed away in August 1980.

Alfred worked for the C.N. Railway all the years he lived in Canada. Beatrice was active in the ladies' groups in Glenora. All the boys followed in their father's footsteps by working for the C.N. Railway.

JOHN SUTTON (OWNER) SOUTHWEST 25-3-14

The first deed applied for SW 25-3-14 was on April 30, 1880 by a Thomas Houard, for a price of \$223.55.

It passed through many hands from 1891 to 1910 before Alfred Holden purchased it. He later sold it to John Olson in 1915.

In April 1905, the Canadian Northern Railway Company bought a parcel of land 7.08 acres for their railroad tracks.

In 1915 William C. Fredrickson purchased the quarter section, and lived there after his retirement from the C.N.R. railroad. In 1947 William A. Fredrickson (son) took over farming until 1965, when John Sutton purchased the land. John Sutton also purchased SE 27-3-14 from August Fredrickson at the same time. He bought the quarter NW 24-3-14 from Frank Boyle. On this quarter there was a farm site. At the time of purchase (1965), the old log barn was still standing, but the house had been moved into Glenora years before. Some of the families who lived there were: Lavens, Olsons, Dew...

In 1953, John Sutton purchased six 10-acre wood lots, being part of NE 19-3-13. These wood lots were owned by Simpsons, Emberys, ...

In 1978 John Sutton purchased the NE quarter of 25-3-14 from George Brinkworth.

CHARLES SUTTON FARM

In 1884 this farm was homesteaded by Thomas Howard. Later it was owned by Andrew Sole, who in turn sold it to J. E. Brinkworth.

Charlie Sutton came from England in 1925 and lived with J.E., J.W. and also George Brinkworth. Charlie bought S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ 25-3-13 from J. E. Brinkworth and went to live on this farm in 1931. He met and married Edna May McKenzie, November 16th, 1934. May was the daughter of John McKenzie, whose father McDonald McKenzie, homesteaded N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of 12-4-14 in 1888. Two children, John and Arlene, were born and took their schooling in the Wigton School.

In 1957 Charlie purchased N. $\frac{1}{2}$ 23-3-14 from Waldemer Frederickson. This land was formally known as the Preston pasture (also known for its lime kilns). Earl Preston of Glenora enjoys talking about his early days that were spent at these lime kilns.

Charlie and May still reside on the farm.

THE SWAYZE FAMILY

Pete and Henrietta came to Glenora April 4th, 1949. They lived in the house moved to town by Norman Green, later purchased by Mary Robinson. Their family consisted of: Gloria, Dale, Allan, Leonard, Marie, Leona and Ronald.

Pete worked on the railway section, on the farm and mason work. In 1956 they moved to the house built by Mr. and Mrs. Michael Claeys and son Morris, beside the school.

Before moving to Glenora they lived at Windygates, Manitoba. Marie, Leona and Ronnie attended school in Glenora.

In February 1959, they moved to Winnipeg where Pete passed away in July 1964.

Gloria, Leonard, and Ronnie live in Calgary. Allan, a chef, resides in Kenora, Ontario.

Leona and Dale live in Winnipeg, and Marie at Wheatlands, Manitoba. Mrs. Swayze lives with her daughter, Marie. Mrs. Swayze has 16 grandchildren.

TANDBERG FAMILY

John Tandberg was born in Oslo, Norway July 16th, 1870 and came to Richland County, North Dakota as a young man.

January 1901 he married Anna Branten of Colfax, North Dakota. Two children were born there; Tilda, (Mrs. F. Alson) and Alma (Mrs. F. Pierson), who passed away in 1968.

In 1903 he homesteaded at Bowbelles, North Dakota where Alfred



Myrtle, Alpha, Mrs. Tandberg and Mary Leslie.

was born. Alfred passed away in 1948.

The family moved to Glenora in 1905, settling as renters on the Bert Heaver farm. Here Julius, Belgrade, Mont. and Myrtle (Mrs. F. Johnson) were born. Myrtle died in 1977.

During 1909 they moved back to North Dakota where Alpha (Mrs. C. Soland, Newburg, North Dakota) was born, returning the next year to Glenora where John (Deering, North Dakota) was born.

Violet (Mrs. A. Anderson), of Deering and twin, Viola (Mrs. E. Hunsbor) of Newburg were born in 1920 on 11-4-13 (later the H. Wilson farm). Some of these children attended school at Wigton.

In 1923 they returned to Newburg, North Dakota where Lester of Minot, Florence (Mrs. W. Ress) of Kaysville, Utah, Melvin of Union Gap, Washington and Anna (Mrs. J. Johnson) were born. Anna passed away in 1967.

John Tandberg Sr. was a carpenter by trade and built several bridges, large barns and homes, both in Manitoba and North Dakota. Some of these are still in use today.

John passed away in December 1932 and his wife in April 1969.

JOHN THOMAS FAMILY

John Thomas was born February 14th, 1891 at Swansea, Wales, the son of John and Esther Thomas. Another son and one daughter made up the family.

In 1898 his mother passed away and in 1900 his father, leaving John and his brother and sister orphans.

Following the death of his father, John was taken into Dr. Barnaro's home for boys. At this time, he lost contact with his brother and sister and never had any news of them the rest of his life.

September 1910 he immigrated to Canada, arriving at Baldur. He was a short time with Chesters, then made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Buttress for the next six years. During that time he spent some time at Somerset while Mr. Buttress was teaching school there.

In 1907 John went to work for John Brinkworth and was there until early 1918, when he enlisted in the Canadian Army and took basic training, being sent to England with the 18th Reserve Battalion. After the war ended, John went to France with a burial party to help locate and bury soldiers who had been killed during the war. He returned to Canada and was discharged in August 1919.

After being discharged, John returned to work for Brinkworths until 1925. During this time he bought S.W. 30-3-13 from Olsons and rented the land to other farmers until he resold the quarter to Olson and bought N.W. 5-4-13 from Syd Cuthbert in 1926.

On December 1st, 1926 John married Blanche Preston, the youngest daughter of Sam and Ethel Preston. Blanche was born November 1st, 1909 on N.W. 26-3-14 and then returned to the Wigton district where Blanche has lived ever since.

Following this marriage, John and Blanche moved to the farm N.W. 5-4-13. They had two sons, John Edward and William Keith, in their family.

John and Blanche farmed through the "dirty thirties" and told many times of the ways neighbors helped one another to get through those tough years.

John farmed until the late 1940s and then I, John, took over the farm. In the later years as his health began to fail, dad was content to help on the farm any way he could, enjoying gardening, especially growing potatoes.

In March 1967, John passed away at the age of seventy-six years. Also one week after John's death, Keith, his younger son, passed away after a brief illness.

Mother and I continue to live on the farm. Mother continues to be very active, taking great pride in her flowers and garden.

JOHN THOMAS FARM

It appears that N.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of 5-4-13 was first homesteaded by Wm Tweed about 1880. This man set up a dentist practice at Emerson and in 1881 sold the quarter to Ben Johnston, a merchant at Emerson, for the sum of \$480.00. Also included in the deal was the N.E. and S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$'s of the same section. Also the same year, Ben Johnson sold the same land to John Reid, a merchant in London, Ontario for \$400.00.

In early 1882 Reid sold the same farm, plus all of section 35-5-12, to John Smith, another merchant of Seaforth, for the sum of \$3,304.00. Again in 1882 Smith sold the N $\frac{1}{2}$ and S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of 5-4-13 to John Little of London, Ontario for the sum of \$2,016.00. In late 1890 John Little sold the N. $\frac{1}{2}$ and S.W. $\frac{1}{4}$ 5-4-13 to George Allan, a barrister of Winnipeg, for the sum of \$100.00. In 1894 Allan signed a quit claim for the sum of \$1.00 and this land reverted back to Her Majesty the Queen.

If any of this land was broken and cropped during the period, or until it was homesteaded again, or if it was lived on, I have no idea.

On September 7th, 1908, a patent being the Crown Grant was issued to Edward Heaver for the N.W. 5-4-13. In 1909 Edward Heaver sold the quarter to the Cuthbert Brothers.

Cuthberts did quite a lot of breaking with horses and later by tractor, also a lot of fencing, a favorite being paige wire, because of the sheep they kept. Because of the bush and scrub, the easiest way to get the wire strung out was to hook a horse on the wire and drag it through between the trees and then nail the wire to the trees wherever they could. The fence was not straight, but served the purpose. In later years when Tom Cuthbert went to the Peace River country to homestead he told his family he chose his homestead land because it was very similar to Wigton — lots of hazel brush and wild pea vine. In fact he named his homestead up there, Pea Vine. Having seen the country recently, I agree there is a great similarity.

In 1920 Syd Cuthbert took over this quarter from the other brothers and farmed it until the fall of 1926 when my father and mother, John and Blanche Thomas bought it and farmed for many years, until I took it over and continued up to the present time. We finished breaking all that was possible to break, also planted quite a number of trees as windbreaks.

John E. Thomas

TISDALE FARM

Grandpa Wm. Tisdale was one of the early pioneer land surveyors and civil engineers of the west. He worked for the C.P.R. for a number of years.

About 1884 he decided to take up land and with his family settled on a farm near Greenway SW 30-4-12.

They had a family of five boys: John, William, Ted, Charles and Walter, and three daughters: May, Bessie and Marjorie. The two eldest, Jack and May went to school at Dry River.

In the winter of 1887 Grandma took sick and Grandpa walked to Mariapolis to get medicine for her. It was stormy and on the way home he got lost in the blizzard and was frozen to death.

In 1898 Grandma took up her homestead 23-4-13 and there she brought up her family.

Jack Tisdale became a medical doctor. He married Elizabeth Kinley and they had two children: Paul, a heart specialist, who lives in Winnipeg; Francis is married and lives in Vancouver.

May married Ed. Jackman. They had one son Frank.

Ted Tisdale married Gertrude Fraser from Glenora. They had one son Greg and a daughter, Lois. Ted was killed in the first world war.

Bill married Hannah Clark. They had two children. One lives in Moscow and one in Winnipeg, she works for the Free Press.

Walter Tisdale was a school teacher. Later he went to medical college and became a doctor. He married Mary Strang.

Charles married Lillie Craik. They had two children: Bill and Marjorie. They still live on the farm. Dad, Charles, passed away in October 1966 and Mother in June 1949.

Bessie married Reg Fraser of Glenora. They live in Saskatoon. They had three children: Walter and Donald live in Saskatoon, Opal lives in Winnipeg.

Bill and Marjorie attended Excelsior school. They carry on farming and take part in community events. Marj recalls times in the summer going to Rock Lake for a picnic or sometimes at home in their own front yard. I remember one particular picnic everyone was sitting around having supper when our pup chased the chickens and they ran over the picnic table, but no one got too excited about it. I remember Dad telling about one Hallowe'en when they were kids. A bunch came to do tricks, they moved a number of things onto the lake, close to the house, among these was the outhouse. The next night Bessie had a skating party so her dad asked them politely to move the articles back to where they had found them. Another time Grandma made some cookies which seemed to be disappearing very fast. Dad set a trap in the jar and it was not long before the trap went off having caught some little fingers.

Reg Fraser passed away about three years ago. Bessie is in a senior citizens home in Saskatoon.

Marjorie died when she was only seventeen years old.

THE JOSEPH VASSART SR. FAMILY

Joe bought the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 10-4-12 in the Dry River district. He married Leonie Sierens. Their family was Mary, Annie, Charlie, August, Desire, Victor, Edna and Lucy. Mary married Ubald Lavoie. They operated the Mariapolis Hotel for years. They had one son, Robert. Now widowed, she lives in Winnipeg. Annie married Phil Buydens and lives at Holland, Manitoba. Charlie married Yvonne Buydens, lived at Swan Lake for some time and now resides in Winnipeg. August married Josephine Foley, farmed at Dry River for several years and later at Cartwright. Now retired and lives in Cartwright. They have seven children: Lucy, Jim, Doreen, Pat, Gary, Dennis and Beverley. Desire married Cecile Depever and they have three children. Victor married Susan Dellaert and farms north of Glenora, one son, Brian. Edna married Tommy Williams and had three sons: Duane, Ken and Lyall. Duane runs the Pool Elevator at Darlingford and has two sons. Ken works at the west coast and Lyall is an auto body painter in Pilot Mound. They farmed at Marrinhurst for several years, then moved to Pilot Mound. Edna is working in Winnipeg. Lucy married Charlie Destoop of Mariapolis, runs U.G.G. Elevator at Rosebank. They have a family of two: Linda and David.

Mrs. Vassart died in 1956 and Mr. Vassart lived with Mary until his death in 1956.

THE DESIRE VASSART FAMILY

Desire married Cecile Depever of Findlay, Manitoba in 1948. In 1946 he bought the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ 11-4-12 from Edgar Preston of Pilot Mound and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ from Charlie Yule of Calgary in 1947. Then in 1950 the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ from Ernest Johnson. Their family is: Joe, 1948; Judy, 1949 and Darlene, 1954. Joe is on the family farm. Judy married Jim Sanness in 1977 and lives at Surrey, B.C. Darlene works as secretary at Pilot Mound Agriculture Office.

Desire and Cecile retired in 1974 and live in Pilot Mound.

JOE AND SHARON VASSART (SW, SE and NE 11-4-12 and SW 10-4-12)

Pete Stemler came to SW 10-4-12 in 1885, that year he also married Fidelia Evans. A son, Sam, was born in 1886, but died at the age of 12. An adopted son Elmer later lived at Pilot Mound. Mr. Stemler bought the SE quarter just east of him from Alex Bonman. In 1919 he sold to Paul Mestagh and retired to Pilot Mound. After one year Paul sold the farm to Joe Vassart Sr. who came from western Manitoba. Mr. Vassart sold to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff DeSutter. Mrs. DeSutter died in

March, 1979 and Joe Vassart purchased the DeSutter farm in the fall of 1979. Joe and Sharon were married in 1969 and started farming in 1974. They have two adopted children: Jeff, 1975 and Brenda in 1977.

VICTOR VASSART FARM

This land was first owned by Ida Hall SW¼ and NE¼ 15-4-13 and Roger Brown SE¼ 15-4-13 in 1892.

Some of the renters over the years were: (not necessarily in order) Fred Levreault, Karl Roeges, Jack Jansen, Cyril Baeken and Pierre Wanlin.

In 1942 Mr. Peterus Dellaert bought this land. At this time Pete and his daughter Susie were living in Mariapolis.

Susan married Victor Vassart of Dry River in 1960. In 1961 Vic and Susie moved to this farm, Mr. Dellaert moving with them. They farm the three quarters together. Mr. Dellaert passed away March, 1974 at the age of 88 years and is buried in the Mariapolis cemetery.

Victor and Susie have one son, Brian, who received his education at Glenora and now farms with his father.

EDWARD VENTRESS FAMILY

Ed and Vina lived on NW¼ 33-3-12. Vina was a sister to Silas Wardell. They came here shortly after 1900. They had a family of seven: Nellie, Al, Vina, Roy, Oscar, Roger and Daisy, some were born here. Roy died after an operation at Morden. Roger and Al moved to Fort St. John, and Oscar to Carlton Place, Ontario. The farm was sold in 1929 to Octave Andries. Ed and Vina and their three daughters moved to the Peace River district. The girls, who all married, were widowed and now live on Vancouver Island.

MAURICE VAN DAMME FAMILY

Maurice was born at St. Alphonse December 1925 and moved with his family to Glenora in 1938. He joined the army in 1943 where he served for three years.

After coming home he worked on his fathers farm. He married Susie Wiens in 1947 and in 1950 started farming four miles north of Glenora. Later they bought a farm at Hilton where they raised their family: Ed. who farms in the Belmont area with wife Carol and daughter Crystal.

Don lives and works in Fort St. John with his son Trevor. Roy and Myrna and daughter Kelly also work in Fort St. John.

Hazel works at St. Joseph nursing home in Winnipeg.

Danny, who took a teaching course, is waiting to start teaching in the fall.



Back row: Donald, Roy, Eddie, Danny. Front row: Susie, Maurice, Hazel.

AIME VAN DAMME FAMILY (PHIL)

Aime Van Damme and his wife came to Glenora in 1940 having bought NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 33-3-13 and the W $\frac{1}{2}$ 34-3-13 from a Trust Company.

Aime and his wife and family of six children: Remi, Phil, Marcel, Joe, Maurice and Laura moved from St. Alphonse to Glenora. They farmed this land until 1946 when they rented it to Marcel until 1960. The land then was sold to son Philip, who farmed it until 1975 when it was sold to his son, Aime and wife Brenda (De Decker). The land on W $\frac{1}{2}$ 33-3-13 south of the railway was sold to Remi and Norma. In 1977 Remi sold this land to his son David and wife Germaine.

ANDY VAN DAMME FARM (PHIL)

Phil and Irene Van Damme moved to Glenora from St. Alphonse October 17th, 1955 to section 33-3-13 with four children: Doris, eleven years; Raymond, seven; twins Aime and Andre, twenty months. Diane was born at Glenora.

Doris married Allan Tosh of Baldur, June 1st, 1963, now living in Miami, Manitoba. They have three children: Rick, Karen and Morley.

Raymond married Rita Evans of Pilot Mound April 26th, 1968, he now farms on 5-4-13. They have four sons: Wesley, Eric, Kevin and Adam.

Aime married Brenda DeDecker of Mariapolis December 6th, 1968 and are now living on NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 33-3-13 north of Glenora. They have two children, Lyle and Lori.



Back row: Remie, Theophile and Joe. Centre row: Maurice, Marcel. Front row, sitting: Aimie, Laura.

Andy married Joanne Durand of Notre Dame April 1st, 1978, now living on the home farm S $\frac{1}{2}$ 33-3-13 west of Glenora. They have one child, Chad.

Phil and Irene with their eight year old daughter, Diane, moved to Baldur April 8th, 1978.

Phil bought the home farm in 1955 from the Loney Bros. and farmed there until his son Andy and Johanne took over in 1978.

JULES WALLEYN FARM

This farm was first homesteaded by Alf. Percival in 1889 NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 15-3-13. Later it was bought by William Tisdale who sold it to Jules Walley in 1925. Here Jules brought his wife, the former Malvena Fraser, and his family from Mariapolis. This farm was in the Greenway P.O. district and in the Excelsior school district. In 1929 they moved to the Marrinhurst district on the E $\frac{1}{2}$ 24-3-13. After farming here for four years they moved back to NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 15-3-13.

Mr. and Mrs. Walley's family are: Therese, Madelaine, Gregorine, Romeo, Rosario, Rosie Julie and Blanche. A daughter, Eulalie, died at an early age while they were living in the Marringhurst district. Madelaine (Mrs. Joe Burnes) died in February 1970, at the age of 46.

In 1952 Mr. and Mrs. Walley moved to Brandon, renting their farm to several different farmers: Vandenburgs, Roland Bruce, Ken Thomson.

In 1960 Walley sold the farm to Albert Desrocher's son, Gerald and his wife. They farmed for a few years, later moving to Winnipeg. The farm was then sold to Wilbur Somner and his wife Rosalee (Burley). They had a dairy herd and lived here for a few years and later moved to Thompson.

The present owner is Wolfgang Damm, his wife and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Walley celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with their children, 22 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren. Many relatives and friends also attended the gathering at St. Michael's Academy in Brandon October 2nd, 1980.

It is interesting to note that Malvena (Fraser) Walley from a family of eleven is the only one of the brothers and sisters to celebrate 60 years of marriage.



Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Wheeler, taken July 9, 1944 at their front door.

THE WHEELER FAMILY

Arthur and Jennie Wheeler lived on the north shore of Rock Lake. They came from Sarles, N.D. and built a frame house west of the present United Church Camp. Their family consisted of: Ruth, Roy, Russell, Harold, Frank and Everett (Bud). The older children remained in the U.S.A. and came only as visitors to Canada. Frank and Bud attended school at Glenora 1923-31. During this time they were unfortunate as their house burned and they had to rebuild.

They returned to Sarles in 1938. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wheeler and son Russell have passed away. Bud and his wife Donalda live in Minneapolis and have two children: Milford and Joan, and four grandchildren. Frank has two children: Ruth and Roy. They live in North Dakota.

Bud and Donalda come back to visit friends at Glenora each summer and enjoy camping at Rock Lake.

ARTHUR WICKENS FAMILY

Arthur Wickens came to Canada in 1910. He married Beatrice Ferminger. They had two children: Marg and Raymond, Marjorie was born in 1919 when her parents lived on the Major farm NE 16-4-13.

The following spring Mr. and Mrs. Ferminger and Renee came to live with them. Renee later married Ruben Williamson and they lived in the Huntley district.

Raymond was born in 1923 on 21-4-13 then owned by A. Poole. In 1931 Herb Clarks rented the farm and Wickens moved to the Ross place. Later they moved to the Wigton district and then to the Tom Lawrence place east of Glenora in 1935. This same year they bought Jack Collins farm 10-4-13.

In 1938 Marj married Gerard Collins and they settled in Dry River until 1943 when they bought the Poole farm. They lived there until 1954 when they moved to Winnipeg.

Their family consists of: Donna born May 30th, 1943. She married Brian Frances in 1961 and they lived in Headingly but now reside in Charleswood. They have two sons: Kevin of Winnipeg and Vaughn of Calgary.

Lyall, born April 18th, 1948. Lyall married Donna Martins in 1969. He is with the Royal Bank and has been in Manitoba, British Columbia, Ontario and is now in Charleswood. They have one son, Daryl, born in 1972.

Valerie, born December 27th, 1954. She married Harry DeBeer of Winnipeg in 1975. They have a girl, Robyn, born 1977 and a son Gerard, born in 1980. They live in St. Charles.

Raymond Wickens married Muriel Macklin in 1946 and they lived on 10-4-13. Mr. and Mrs. Wickens built a cottage there too, which was later moved to Glenora north of the church.

In 1948 Mrs. Wickens passed away and the house was moved back to 10-4-13. Ray and Muriel bought the Poole farm 21-4-13 in 1956 and once more Mr. Wicken's house was moved there too. Arthur passed away in 1964.

The Wickens cottage was moved again to Glenora and became the home of Art Weiss, now owned by Karl and Chris Kynoch.

Raymond and Muriel have seven children: Beverly was born February 26th, 1948. She attended school in Glenora and Baldur, married Frank Smith of Baldur in 1966. They have two children: Lana, born March 7th, 1970 and Robert, born September 22nd, 1971. They live on 3-4-14.

Terrance (Terry), born September 29th, 1950, married Linda Lightfoot of Crystal City, August 1969. They have three children: Michelle (Shelly), born September 4th, 1971; Jason, born July 30th, 1973 and Kristol, March 2nd, 1977. They have lived in several places around Crystal City, Glenora, Winnipeg and are now residing at Roseisle, Manitoba.

Melvin was born April 27th, 1953. He married Julie Parsonage of Baldur August 1974. Melvin works for Powell Equipment in Winnipeg. They spent some time at Jenpeg and Gillam. They now reside in Winnipeg.

Cheryl Wickens was born on February 7th, 1957. She married Murray Brinkworth December 1974 and they reside in Glenora. Their children are: Leorinda (Lori), born January 29th, 1977 and Lisa, born September 7th, 1979.

Marla born March 4th, 1961 married Robin Delichte of Mariapolis August 2nd, 1980. They reside in Brandon.

Wesley, born July 21st, 1964, living with his parents and attending school in Baldur.

Dean, born July 20th, 1967, at home with his parents and attending school in Glenora.

Raymond drives a school bus to Baldur and Muriel drives one to Glenora. They also farm, garden, milk cows from which they ship cream, as well as taking an interest in the community sports and other affairs. The children have all taken a very active part in 4-H projects as age made them available.

THE WILSON CENTENNIAL FARM

John and Elizabeth Wilson came to Manitoba from Mitchell, Ontario in May, 1879. They had a family of three: Richard, James and Louisa. Elizabeth was the first white woman to cross the Pembina River here and they had to ford it twice. They pitched their tents at the top of the hill and stayed there. John homesteaded 21-3-12 SW and took the NW for pre-emption. The first house was of logs and when the railroad came to Manitou the house was often filled with men passing through the yard on their way with supplies and grain. John was one of the first trustees, Justice of the Peace and Postmaster for some time. He also helped build a bridge over the nearby river. In 1910 a big brick house was built and the old one is still in use in Pilot Mound. A granary built in 1896 is still being used, also an implement shed from 1908. The barn built in 1905 was replaced in 1956. The farm is named "Riverpark" farm. John and Elizabeth moved to town in 1900, he died in 1904 and she passed away in 1918.

James married Mary-Etta Elsey in 1887 and their family were: Ralph, Nellie, Clifford (died in infancy), Louise, Marjorie, Alma and William. Elizabeth died when William was three and James later married the school teacher, Mary Bradshaw. Three more children were born: Harvey, Bessie and Helen (she did not live). Bill went overseas in 1914 and Ralph and Harvey farmed. Marjorie was a nurse and did a lot of home nursing during the flu epidemic. James was called on many times to doctor sick animals. After Mary passed away he married Miss Thompson. He died in 1932.

RALPH WILSON FAMILY

Ralph married Edna Simpson of Glenora in 1916. They had three girls and two boys. They farmed the Wilson homestead and raised Percheron horses, Berkshire pigs and a fine herd of Polled Shorthorn cattle. These were shown at fairs far and near. Ralph was the first president of the Polled Shorthorn Society. As the boys began to take over the farming operation he worked for the P.F.R.A. for many years. School and church activities were important to them and they devoted much of their time to those needs. They retired to Pilot Mound in 1957. Unfortunately Mrs. Wilson was stricken with ill health and had to spend most of her retired years in a wheelchair. Although an invalid she made the best of it and was always cheerful until her death in 1972. He stayed in the house until moving to Prairie View Lodge in 1974. He enjoyed an active life there until he died suddenly at the age of 90. Their family was:

Mary, born April 17, 1917, a navy nurse during the war. She married Fred Corneille, who had one son, they reside in Victoria, B.C. Frank

was born January 28, 1919, married Beryl Desjardin Carr. Marjorie was born July 30, 1920, took Home Economics, married Bill Compton, lived at Darlingford and now Winnipeg. Their family consists of: Allan, Beverley and Diane. James was born June 21, 1922, married Edith Cockerline. Lillian was born June 18, 1926, took teachers training, married Cliff Raffey. Their family: Bob 1950, Ricki 1953, Kerry 1957. They live in Winnipeg.

FRANK WILSON FAMILY

Frank served overseas with the R.A.F. for five years. In 1957 he married Beryl Desjardin Carr of Pilot Mound, a widow with one son, Harold. They took over the family farm. They have one son Douglas, born in 1959. Frank works in Pilot Mound Post Office but they reside on the farm. Doug runs the family farm as the fifth generation on a 1979 Centennial farm. Both Frank and Doug have a keen interest in raising and showing quality beef cattle. Frank showed this interest also as a 4-H Beef Leader for 20 years.

JAMES WILSON FAMILY

Jim married Edith Cockerline of Pilot Mound on October 12, 1943. They farmed on 20-3-12 until illness caused him to move to Pilot Mound. Their family was: Dorothy, born August 18, 1948, trained as a Registered Nurse, married Ken Austin of Waskada, have one boy, Dean, December 23, 1974 and Susan, May 12, 1978. They operate an oil business at Waskada. Another daughter Bernice was born August 8, 1950, married Ken Law of Darlingford on March 22, 1969, two daughters: Amanda, May 30, 1971 and Krystal, February 19, 1975. They live at Sanford and work in Winnipeg, Bernice at Victoria Hospital and Ken at Powell Equipment. A son Kenneth was born January 16, 1946, he took over the farm. Another son Robert (Bob) was born June 30, 1947, married Irene Swack of Winnipeg on June 19, 1976, they both work at Transair in Winnipeg. Jim did a lot of fine carpentry work before being stricken by a severe stroke. He passed away suddenly at his home on April 19, 1980.

KEN WILSON FAMILY

Ken married Audrey Watson of Pilot Mound on March 26, 1966. They have two daughters: Jackie, January 18, 1971 and Marnie, February 15, 1975. Ken and Audrey are both avid horse lovers and keep and show fine Percherons at many fairs and horse shows. They also raise colts and farm.

MR. AND MRS. HARVEY WILSON

Harvey was born and raised in the Marrinhurst district, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson. In 1932 he purchased the east half of 2-4-13 with only 90 acres broken. In 1935 he married Belle Simpson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Simpson. She came to Glenora at the age of four, received her education at Glenora and Baldur schools and Grade XII in Winnipeg. She attended Normal School at Manitou. Then taught for five years at Crystal River, Homewood and St. Vital. They made a lot of improvements over the years. Many trees were planted each year to make a shelterbelt. A large modern barn was built in 1943 and several granaries added. The big house which had been built years before was good and solid and though they thought about a new one decided to wait and build one in town to retire to. Harvey was a good farmer and did a lot of breaking and sowing down for pasture and hay, Then back to crop again. He was excellent with animals and doctored his own as well as many others for many years. They were always into mixed farming, having cattle, pigs, horses, chickens and turkeys for breeding purposes. They rented and then bought another quarter from Colin and Belle MacNee. There was a new house on it which had been built by John Peterbough after the MacNee house was destroyed by fire. The buildings were sold to Mr. Lebeau and are now on his sons' farms, the house on Bertrands and barn on Albins. The biggest and most interesting highlight of their farming career started in 1938 when they bought the first Registered Purebred Polled Shorthorn cattle in the area. They raised and showed heifers and bulls at fairs and cattle shows far and near, receiving many ribbons, silver dollars and trophies. As well as showing they took a lot of shows and sales and bought and sold in North and South Dakota, Indiana and other points in U.S.A. and from B.C. to Quebec in Canada. Their final herd was sold to Drapers at Elgin. They sold the farm to Phil Almey and retired to Pilot Mound in 1968. Harvey passed away in 1975, and Belle still resides in her own home, but suffers poor health.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM WEBB

William Webb came to Manitoba with his wife, the former Isabella Kelly from Hagersville, Ontario in the year 1889 as bride and groom. They bought the east half of section 18-3-12 in the Marrinhurst district. At that time the area belonged to the Municipality of Louise, later being transferred to the Municipality of Argyle.

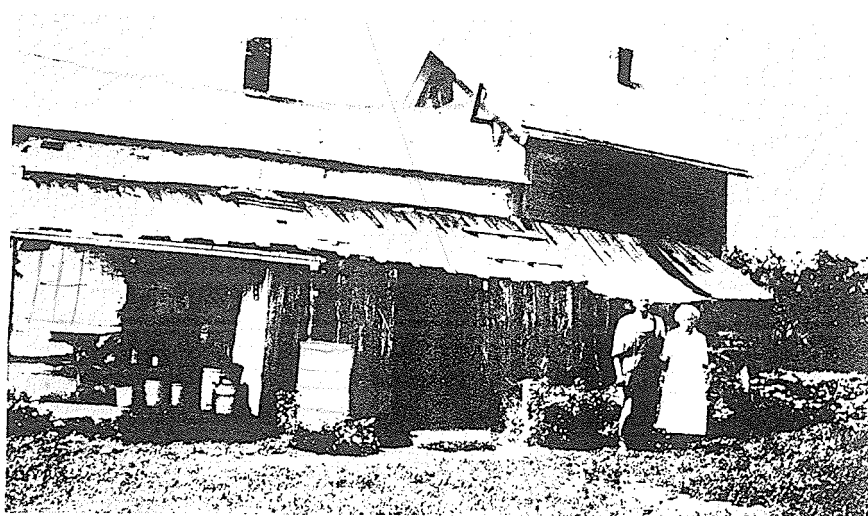
The Webbs were blessed with three boys and two girls.

Jeannie May was born July 13, 1891 and died September 23, 1891.



Left to right: Maxine Cunningham, Bruce Webb, John Cunningham.

Dorothy Isabella was born in the latter part of the year 1892. Dorothy married Harry Randall and they had one child, Maxine. When Dorothy died in 1913, Maxine was raised by her grandparents, the Webbs. Maxine married Jim Irwin and they had four children: Charles, William, Marie and Isabella. Jim has now passed on and Maxine married John Cunningham and they live at Langley, B.C.



Mr. and Mrs. William Webb in front of their house, July 1931.

Hubert Walter Stammers Webb was born December 11, 1896 and passed away February 23, 1897 at the age of two months and twelve days.

William Bruce was born October 20, 1898. Bruce carried on farming until he retired, but Bruce is still living on the home place.

James Charles was born July 21st, 1902. Jim married the former Margaret "Peggy" Lindsay. They had two sons: James Lindsay and Robert Bruce. Jim was a barber for many years at Crystal City. Jim passed away on March 26, 1974. Peggy passed away January 14, 1977. They are buried in the Crystal City cemetery.

Lindsay married Audrey Brinkworth of Baldur and their children are: Pamela, Valerie and Paul. Audrey passed away in 1970 after a lengthy illness.

Pamela (Pam) married Murray Potter of Crystal City and they have two children: Jason and Mandy. Murray and Pam bought his father's farm in the Wood Bay area. Murray had the misfortune to lose his life by drowning in Rock Lake, May 30, 1980 at the age of 29.

Valerie married Malcolm Shields from Thunder Bay, Ontario. They have a son Jesse. They make their home at Thunder Bay, Ontario.

Paul is working and lives at home with his Dad in Clearwater.

R. Bruce (young Bruce), married Geraldine Rickard and have two sons Thomas and Robert. They make their home at Crystal City.

Mrs. Isabella Webb passed away at the age of 83 on December 2, 1948, one day before Mrs. Wm. (Lena) Robinson of Glenora died.

Mr. Webb passed away December 24, 1966 at the age of 100 years. Mr. and Mrs. Webb are buried with their loved ones in the Marringhurst cemetery.

Lindsay Webb, third generation, now owns and operates this land that his grandparents came to as newlyweds.

History of the Webbs would not be complete until honorable mention was given to William Webb's mother, Madame De Niceville. After William's father (Rev. William Stammers Webb) died his mother "Jeannie" married Charles De Niceville. In June 1905 Madame De Niceville came to Canada to live with the Webbs after her second husband's death in Calcutta, India of malaria. While living here Madame De Niceville taught music lessons to several pupils. One of her pupils was Beatrice Lawrence of Glenora. Madame De Niceville died in 1909 and was buried in the Marringhurst cemetery.

Many a conversation was exchanged as to when the telephone was put in the house. But data was found to say that the phone was put in Webb's house in the year 1905.

History of this family was told by Bruce Webb, Sr.

Now, to add a bit of humor of this family. It was always debatable as to who was the older, Jim Webb or George Wilson, which was born

before midnight and the other one after. After a few swallows of good Canadian whiskey the two celebrants decided they would go and ask brother Bruce. After Bruce eyed up the two he came up with the idea that they must be born exactly at the same time as neither celebrant looked any smarter than the other.

RICHARD MILNER WILSON

Richard, known to friends and neighbors as Dick, was the eldest son of John Austin Wilson and Elizabeth (Milner) Wilson from York County, England.

Dick's parents settled in Mitchell, Ontario in 1852 where he was born July 23rd, 1855. Dick's mother died in March 1858 after the birth of his sister Sarah Anne who lived for only three days.

In 1879 he came west with his father, step-mother Elizabeth (Hancock) Wilson, 14 year old half-brother James and half-sister Louisa, 11 years of age. They came to Emerson, Manitoba from Mitchell, Ontario in a boxcar along with a load of settlers effects including a team of oxen, a cow, wagon and box, etc. Dick also brought his prized carpenter tools (some of which we still have) and his muzzle loading gun. While in Emerson they met a man by the name of John Montague who later became a close friend. John Montague advised which land to file on as he had been in the county for a number of years and knew the land. Richard filed on NW¼ 20-3-12 and got NE¼ for pre-emption. All the good land SE of the Pembina River had pretty well been filed on by 1878, this was the reason the Wilsons crossed the valley to homestead.

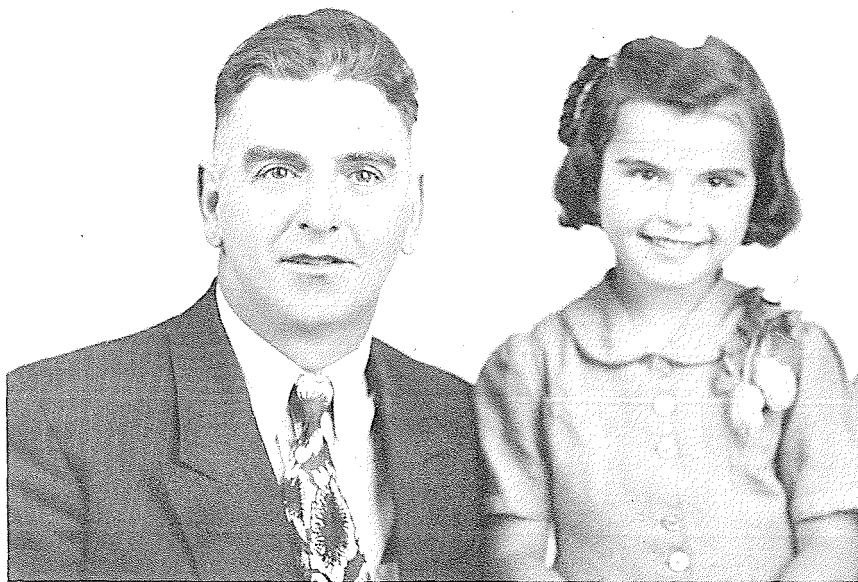
They left Emerson on the Boundry Commission Trail and first crossed Pembina Valley at what is called Pembina Crossing, SW of Manitou. They turned off the Boundary Commission Trail SW of Star Mound and headed for Pilot Mound. They unloaded the effects on the east bank of the river and Dick, being better than an average swimmer, swam across with one end of a 200 foot rope they had with them. With the help of the rope they swam oxen and cow. The wagon box acted as sort of a boat to take the family across. The homestead was on Marringhurst Plains not far from the river.

As time went on several additions were put on Dick's cabin. In winter much of his time was spent making furniture, at which he was quite accomplished.

In 1882 Dick married Annie Baird, the daughter of another homesteader. In 1890 he built a two storey frame house with a built on kitchen and extra bedrooms as his family was increasing. They had a family of eight: John married Margaret Simpson, Edwin married McKenzie and Rannie married Henrietta Currie. The five girls: Ethel married Charles Hamilton, Bella married John Shannon, Della to An-



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drew Leslie, Alice (single), Annie married Harvey Brown. Dick's wife died at birth of his daughter Annie. Part of their main house is still standing on the NE corner of 19-3-12, then called the Standing Place. In the early 1920's George and Rannie moved it after cutting off the bottom to make a granary.

In 1898 he built a stable, 70 by 20, in 1915 a lean-to was added. A granary had been built in 1893 and is still in use today.

In June 1901 Dick remarried to Louisa Baird, sister of his first wife. Of this marriage four children were born: George Boyd married Ida Major (his twin sister lived only a few hours), Walter (deceased at 14) and Una who lost her life in a stove explosion.

By 1905 Dick owned several sections of land and at times had 600 acres of crop. In 1908 he went to Ontario and bought four thoroughbred mares. His hobbies were livestock, thoroughbred horses, Shorthorn cattle and grain farming. He took part in politics and for some years was councillor of Argyle. He was one of the leaders forming the Grain Growers Association, as a farmers union, which originated at Indian Head, Saskatchewan and soon spread to Manitoba. Dick was a director for six years.

In 1909 Mr. and Mrs. Wilson built a large red brick house which still stands today. Many people were entertained in this home as with all large families. Many Indians also came to their door asking for a loaf of bread. One day when Mrs. Wilson was short of bread and tried to explain without success she finally said, "You don't bring me meat." "Oh," he said and left to return shortly with a hawk and a skunk.

Trouble started in 1915 when Dick's team ran away throwing him against a telephone pole. After the accident he started suffering from liver trouble which later developed into a cancer. After a long illness he died June 24th, 1916.

Dick was a man of sterling character and was held in respect over the district and rendered conspicuous service to the farming community.

After Dick's death, Rannie and George, 14, farmed for two more years. Rannie, then started to farm on a farm of his own. Mrs. Wilson and George, with the help of a hired man continued farming the homestead. Tragedy again struck the family when Walter, 14 years, died of appendicitis. Three years later, 1923, Mrs. Wilson passed away.

George and Una continued farming until 1935 when Una died as a result of an accidental fire. The same year George married Ida Major. In 1939 a daughter, Germaine, was born. That same fall they left the homestead and moved to Saskatchewan.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Southam with their three boys: Ewart, Keith and Earl moved to the homestead where they lived until 1943.

James Randall (Rannie) returned to his father's old homestead in 1943 with his motherless family of six children: Florence (Wilson Man-

ning, Mildred (Wilson) Fallis, Eunice (Wilson) Sanders, James married Gladys Oakes, Calvin and Brucena (Wilson) Myers. Rannie's wife passed away in 1937.

Rannie farmed the homestead until his retirement in 1974 when he sold to Jim and Merle Bell who presently farm the land. The buildings are unoccupied.

JOHN WILSON HOMESTEAD

John and Elizabeth Wilson came to Manitoba from Mitchell, Ontario in May 1879. They arrived with a family of three: Richard, James and Louisa. Elizabeth was said to be the first white woman to cross the Pembina here. They pre-empted the land at the top of the hill NW 21-3-12. Richard filed on 20-3-12.

In 1887 James married Mary-Etta Elsey. Their family of seven were: Ralph, Nellie, Clifford (died in infancy), Louise, Marjorie, Alma and William. When Willie was three his mother passed away, later his father married Mary Bradshaw. They had three more children: Harvey, Bessie and Helen (died an infant). Ralph and Harvey farmed, Bill went overseas in the first world war. Louise taught school and Marjorie became a nurse.

Ralph married Edna Simpson in 1916. Their children were: Mary, a nurse who married Fred Cornielle, with one son Cory. Frank, who farmed, was in the air force in 1939-1945, coming back to the farm. He married Beryl Desjardin Carr, a widow with a son, Harold and a son Douglas was born of this union. Marjorie married Bill Compton, Lillian, A teacher married Cliff Raffey. Jim married Edith Cockerline, their children were: Ken, Dorothy, Bernice and Bob. Jim had a stroke having to give up farming which was carried on by son Ken. Jim and Edith moved to Pilot Mound where Jim passed away in 1980.

Frank now works in the post office and Doug farms. Their farm celebrated their Centennial in July 1979.

WILLIAM WOODS FAMILY

The Woods family lived on NE¼ 31-3-12, from there he did odd jobs for the neighbours around. He and his wife had a family of six. Edna became Mrs. Magwood and lived at Balmoral, Manitoba. Sam was killed in action during the first war. Lucy, married Abe McEachern and lived in Saskatchewan, who is deceased. George farmed at Killarney until his death. Bill did odd jobs, whereabouts unknown. Roy married Darlene Webber of Greenway and lived in Winnipeg until his death, his wife still lives there.

ETTIE WRIGHT AND FAMILY

Ettie has lived at Glenora for 19 years. She is school custodian and part time store clerk at Brinkworths. The family of eight are: Edith, Mrs. Howe, has been teaching at Portage la Prairie for 17 years and has two daughters. Margaret, Mrs. Jim Sherb, nurses at Brandon and has two daughters. Bill has a family of four and works as a plumber in Winnipeg. Barbara works in Winnipeg. Chris, married, is an optometrist in Saskatoon. Irene, Mrs. Freynet, works in Winnipeg for Manitoba Hydro. Debbie, taking teachers training. Robbie at home, taking his grade eleven.

Did You Know That...

- In 1916 Frank Simpson paid \$3,500. to Martin Olson for a quarter section with 20 acres broke, the rest bush.
- Marrinhurst school started in 1882 and closed in 1967, is now a museum.
- Many of the pioneer names are still carried on by as many as five generations.
- Dry River got its name from a spot in the valley that was higher and remained dry.
- Bears were seen by many pioneers.
- There was a scare at Marrinhurst when American Indians fought Custer.
- In 1922 Glenora school had 46 pupils.
- In 1895 fire swept from Belmont to the Marrinhurst area.
- The first blacksmith Ed Ford came to Glenora in 1908.
- In the early years the stockyard brought more money into the community than the elevator.
- Dry River school operated from 1885-1958 with 48 different teachers.
- Silent movies were held weekly in Glenora for several years in the 20's.
- In the 30's Chuck Harrison drove a truck for Pilot Mound Meat Market peddling meat in this area.
- Balyduff was the original name for Excelsior District.
- In one school district three families went together to provide a vehicle for their children to drive to school, one supplied the oats, one the democrat and the other the team of horses. That was riding in style.
- In 1876 Jim Baird was the first white man to grow grain in the Marrinhurst district.
- Marrinhurst means "Beautiful Woods".
- Wigton school district was named after a spot in Scotland.
- The homesteader had to agree to live on his quarter for at least six months out of each year for three years and to break 10 acres a year. After that he could buy another quarter, called pre-emption at \$3. an acre.

