



John Chorney family, 1935. James, Michael, Caroline, Anthony, Joe, Mary, Stella and John.

would never have made it but for their good neighbors, the J.B. Burnett family. They provided a nurse, food and firewood. The Chorneys survived and by 1926 they had a family of eight children, five sons and three daughters: James, Michael, Caroline, Anthony, Joe, Mary, Stella and John.

In 1932-1933 grasshoppers destroyed the farm crops. John cut hay in the Libau Marsh to provide feed for his cattle and horses. To eke out his income he built roads and three bridges for the R.M. of St. Clements.

During the depression John baled straw and shipped it to Saskatchewan by the carload. By 1934 the family farm had grown to 2300 cultivated acres. This was worked with one Hartt-Parr tractor, 40 work horses and 10 hired men. John provided purebred sires for Percheron horses and shorthorn cattle for his farm and farmers in the community. Nellie baked and cooked for the family and the farm help. She baked bread in an outdoor oven using 98 pounds of flour per week.

John and Nellie hoped to establish each of their children on a farm. Many winter months were spent at Brightstone and Lac du Bonnet cutting trees for logs. These were hauled to the sawmill with horses and sawn into lumber to build buildings on their sons' farms.

The Chorneys were active in the community. John helped build the St. Stanislaus R.C. Church. He was a director of the St. Andrews and St. Clements Agricultural Society for many years and was very active in organizing the Manitoba Wheat Pool. During the war he sold victory bonds with Jim Nelson. John was a strong supporter of the Liberal Party and actively supported candidates in municipal elections.

John and Nellie retired in 1946 when John got ill and moved to Selkirk. Here John died on July 10, 1947. Nellie lived alone in Selkirk until her death on October 20, 1966. Both are buried in the East Selkirk R.C. Cemetery. May they rest in peace.



James Chorney with his stallion, 1933. Horse is "Star of Fairholm" a Percheron.

James the eldest son was born in Sandhill, Man. on December 14, 1907. He married Frances Kwiatkoski on October 7, 1939. They have two children Jean and Clarence.

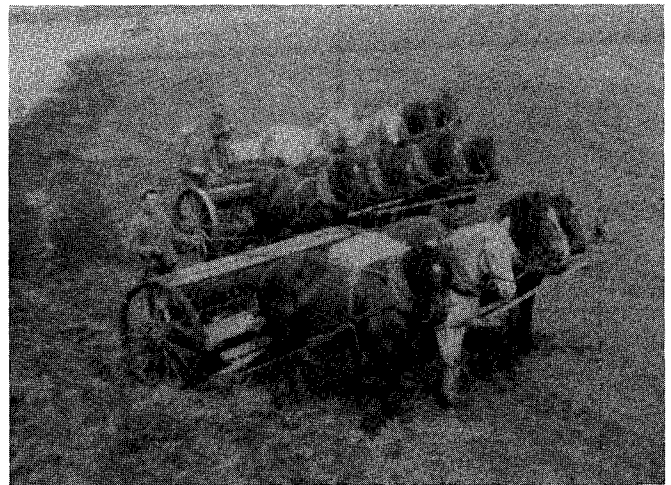
James and his wife live one mile north of Tyndall, Man.

Michael was born in Sandhill, Man., on January 5, 1911. He attended Lilydale school, and worked on the family farm.

Michael entered the plowing matches sponsored annually by the St. Andrews and St. Clements Agriculture Society, in 1928, 1929, and 1930, and won the silver cup each time.

On July 20, 1938 he married Sophie Burbella, and still farms in the East Selkirk area, and resides in Selkirk.

Caroline (Carrie) was born in Brokenhead, Man. on April 12, 1913. She married Joseph Sternat on July 6, 1935, they have two children James and Raymond.



Chorney boys on the John Chorney farm, 1935.

Mary was born in East Selkirk, Man. on April 9, 1921. She married Frank Mikolash on June 11, 1942. They have two children Edward and Dale, and live north of Tyndall along the Selkirk line.

Stella was born in East Selkirk, Man., on October 31, 1923. She married Peter Wasylik on June 5, 1947. They have two children Barry and Brenda, and live in Swan River, Man.

ANTON AND ADELINE CHORNEY

submitted by P.J. Peters

As he drives north on Highway 59, past East Selkirk, and comes to the place where the divided highway ends, the traveller is greeted by a beautiful farmstead on his right side. The home and other buildings are well painted and properly placed. The all season landscaping bears a professional touch. The tree backed sign tells the visitor that this is the farm of A.R. Chorney, Manitoba's Farmer of the Year in 1976. Yes, this is the place where Anton and Adeline Chorney, whose life story deserves to be told, reside.

Anton Chorney, the third son of John and Nellie Chorney, was born in Brokenhead on November 1, 1915 and grew up in Walkleyburg where his parents moved in 1918. He attended Lilydale School, belonged to the Mayfield Athletic Club, and worked on the family farm. He participated in the Junior Plowing Matches sponsored annually by the St. Andrews and St. Clements Ag. Society in 1931 and 1932 and won the silver cup. On June 10, 1938 Anton won Plowing Grand Aggregate Honors and the T. Eaton Co. gold watch. The same year he attended the Youth Training School in Selkirk sponsored by the Manitoba Department of Agriculture and won a scholarship. This led him to attend the Diploma Course in Agriculture at the University of Manitoba in 1939-40.



Left to Right: Adeline Chorney, Lord Selkirk, Anton holding Douglas, 1967.

In 1937 Anton's father bought 160 acres of undeveloped land for him at \$3.10 per acre, or a total of \$496.00. This is sec 13-14-5E, located north of East



Lord Selkirk, Chorneys and friends, 1967.

Selkirk. Anton and his brothers went to a camp at Brightstone, cut trees for logs and hauled them to the sawmill for lumber to build a house and barn. The farm was reached on horseback or horse drawn vehicles.

Anton married Adeline Zaborniak, daughter of Bill and Mary Zaborniak of Highland Glen, on June 28, 1941. They moved onto their farm where by now they had 60 acres of cultivated land. To help their finances Anton worked the night shift for the R.M. of St. Clements building roads and was emergency operator for plowing roads in winter. Each year Anton and Adeline cleared some land and purchased more land in the area. They now farm 707 acres.

In 1952 the Chorneys built a new house with indoor plumbing. They modernized it recently and still live in it. Mixed farming did not appeal to them and so they specialized in growing seed wheat and table potatoes. They grew up to 175 acres of potatoes. These had to be handpicked because the stony land does not permit the use of potato harvesters. As a result of participating in the Manitoba Potato Improvement Competition, the

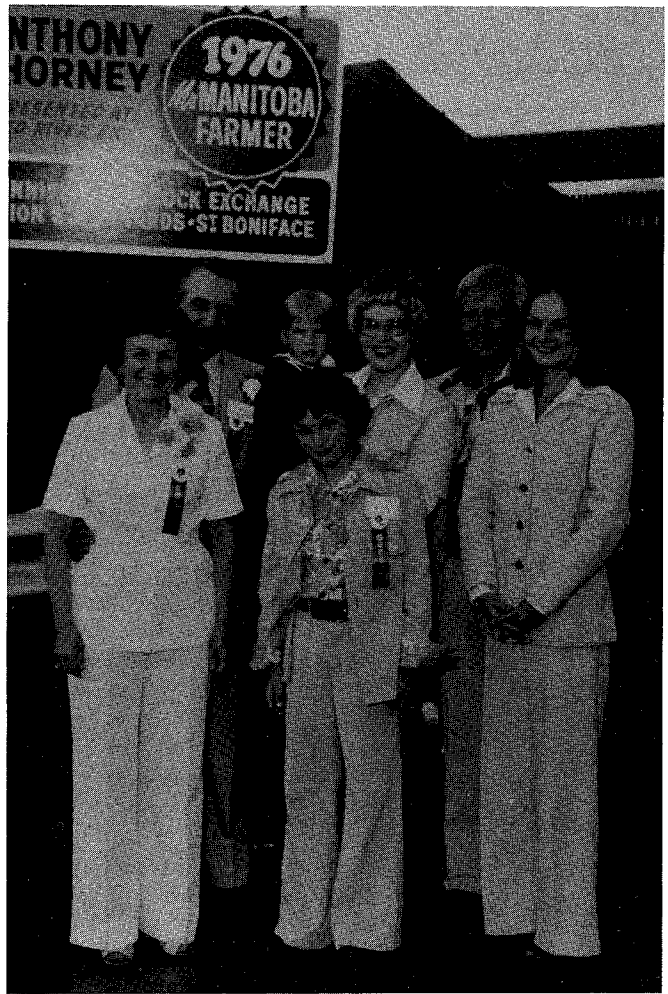


Provincial awards, 1975.

Chorneys entered their show samples of potatoes at the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto. They won the International Championship for table potatoes in 1959 and 1961. They further won the International Championship for seed potatoes in 1960, 1961, 1963, and 1971. This was a high honor for Adeline and Tony and the best publicity for Manitoba potatoes. To top it all, Adeline Chorney, this farm girl from East Selkirk, was later asked to judge potatoes at the Royal. She did this for three years.

Numerous other trophies adorn the Chorney trophy room. There are 19 championships for potatoes won at the Brandon Winter Fair. Three Royal Bank trophies show that they won the home grounds competition sponsored by the local Ag. Society in 1965, 1966, and 1969. When their home grounds were entered in the Good Roads Association competition, they won Division I championships in 1968 and 1970 and the Provincial Championship in 1973. In 1976, they were declared Farmer of the Year for Manitoba. There are also many ribbons won for baking prowess at the Selkirk Fair.

The Chorneys have always been community minded. Adeline belonged to the East Selkirk Hospital Auxiliary and was a member of the Extension Advisory and the Arda Development boards. For some years she was President of the V.G.A.M. Ladies Auxiliary and a member of the St. Andrews and St. Clements Ag. Society. For 15 years she was a 4-H leader of potato clubs and a member of the 4-H Leaders Association. Oct. 5,



Back Row, Left to Right: Anton, Michael Simons (grandson), Gladys, Frank Simons (son-in-law). Front: Adeline Douglas, Lillian Chorney, 1976.



Standing, Left to Right: Anton and Adeline Chorney. Sitting: Douglas, Gladys and Lillian Chorney, 1979.

1964, Family Herald appointed Adeline as a consultant providing information for farm families through Canada's National Farm Magazine. Presently, Adeline is chairperson of the social committee of the Ukrainian Home and Reading Society.

Anton was director of the V.G.A.M. for 23 years and it's president for two years, a member of the Manitoba Seed Growers Association for 35 years and a director for two years, he served as a director of the local Ag. Society

and was a member of the Selkirk Hospital Board for 12 years. Until lately he was a member of the East Selkirk Volunteer Fire Department, and is presently an honorary life member. Anton helped organize the East Selkirk 4-H Potato Club and was a leader. The Chorney's are members of the St. Stanislaus Roman Catholic Church.

Adeline's hobbies are painting Ukrainian easter eggs and gardening.

In 1967, Lord Selkirk visited the Chorney farm and Adeline hosted a dinner party. For supper, Adeline prepared: roast beef and yorkshire pudding, new potatoes and fresh vegetables, fresh salads and greens, homemade apple pie with fresh strawberries, and coffee. In 1974-75, the Chorney's were members of Manitoba Farm Vacations. They had many school children visit the farm. In 1968, they hosted a bus load of tourists from Russia and in 1976, a bus load of people from Germany were hosted.

Anton and Adeline have three children, Gladys Helen, born July 8, 1946, Lillian Adeline, born Feb. 24, 1954, and Douglas, born Nov. 16, 1964.

Gladys, a social worker, is married to Frank Simons, in building construction. They live in Lethbridge, Alta.

Their son Michael was born Sept. 21, 1973.

Lillian, a degree graduate in Interior Design, is married to Brian Kazuk of Selkirk. Their son Robert was born April 12, 1982.

Douglas graduated with honors in Grade XII in 1982. He loves to play the drums as well as hockey. He is presently studying Agricultural Engineering at the U. of M. The writer recently visited the Chorey's. As they sat in their spacious living room, Anton remarked, "the R.M. of St. Clements is a good place to live". To this the writer would add the following comment, the Choreys have helped make it so.

HISTORY ON JOE CHORNEY AND FAMILY

submitted by Colleen Chorney

Joe is the fifth child of John and Nellie Chorney. He was born on October 1, 1918 in East Selkirk. Joe finished Grade 8 at the Lilydale School. The highlight of entertainment was skating and playing hockey on the creek and riding a homemade toboggan down the straw pile. In 1938 he attended a Youth Training Course at Selkirk and received a bursary from the Kiwanis Club to attend one year Diploma Course in Agriculture at the University of Manitoba and received 100 chicks for his efforts.

In 1946 John Chorney got very ill so Joe and John Jr. took the farm over.

Joe married Stella, daughter of Bill Zaborniak and Mary Kalinski from Highland Glen, on June 28, 1947. They bought and moved in 1952 to the Paul Hastman farm NE1/4 34-13-6, once known as the Wilgosh farm. After getting flooded in 1954 they bought and moved to the Fred Hicks farm in 1955 located SE1/4 32-13-6.

Joe and Stella farm 670 acres of land. For many years they raised purebred shorthorn cattle, registered wheat and potatoes for Old Dutch Foods. To provide shelter for the cattle and storage for the potatoes and grain the lumber was bought and hauled from a sawmill in the bush. After seasoning and planing, the buildings were slowly built.

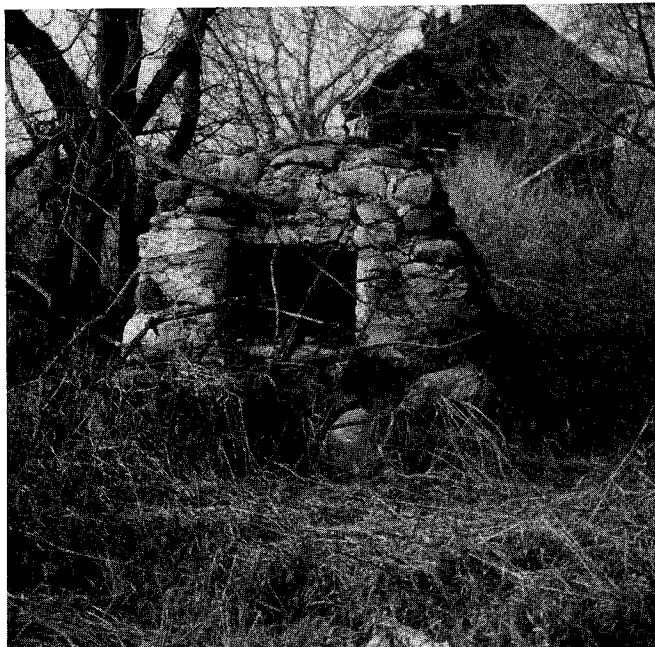
Joe and Stella have three children. The oldest is Colleen born January 26, 1956 who is presently a Legal Secretary in Winnipeg. The second is Murraray born May 15, 1959 and after a Diploma Course in Agriculture at the University of Manitoba, is presently working for Manitoba Vegetable Marketing Board.

Susan was born August 24, 1962 and is in third year Bachelor of Nursing Course at the University of Manitoba.

Joe and Stella took their family for a holiday to Florida in a bountiful year, but in a lean year they just said next year will be better!

Joe took an active part in the community by being Secretary-Treasurer of Lilydale School, Director of St. Andrews-St. Clements Agriculture Society, The Mayfield Club, 4-H Club and on The Agriculture Representative Advisory Board. The family are members of St. Stanislaus Roman Catholic Church in East Selkirk.

Joe and Stella gave up growing potatoes, but still have 100 head of cattle and farm the land.



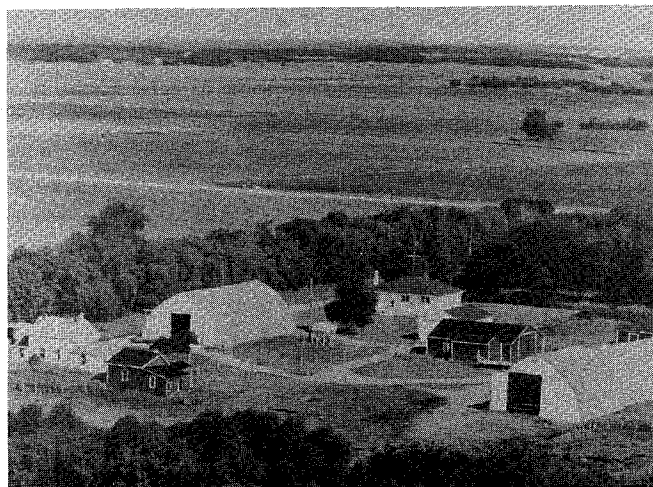
Stone oven on John Chorney's farm where Nellie Chorney baked all the bread for the hired men. In background is a log building moved from John Chorney Sr.'s father's farm. It was used for a hen house.

JOHN JR. AND STELLA CHORNEY

submitted by John and Stella Chorney

In 1946 ill health forced John, Sr. and Nellie to retire, leaving behind them memories of good times and hard work.

Joe and John, Jr. took over the family farm on a partnership basis. John was the youngest of the family, born July 29, 1926. Joe married in 1947 and in 1951 moved to his own home. John, Jr. married Stella Kazina on October 3, 1953 and continued to reside on the family farm. Both households still worked together sharing machinery until they could afford to buy their own,



John Chorney farm.

slowly depleting the old machines.

Stella was the daughter of Dmytro Kazina and Eva Tepilo who farmed near Tyndall, Man.

John and Stella have three sons - David, Harvey and Brian. David was born July 4, 1955. He completed a course in heavy equipment and semi-trailer operation and is working and living in Calgary. Harvey was born April 25, 1957 and graduated from the University of Manitoba with a degree in Agricultural Engineering. He is employed with Versatile Manufacturing in Winnipeg, married Brenda Paget on May 23, 1981 and is living in Transcona. Brian was born June 23, 1961 and is presently attending the University of Manitoba in his fourth year of Agricultural Engineering.

John and Stella raised cattle, grew potatoes for table use and Old Dutch, as well as mixed grain and some registered wheat. In 1956 the bill of sale for the family farm came through. After that they were able to call it the John Chorney farm, second generation.

John and Stella are members of the St. Stanislaus Church in East Selkirk. John was Secretary-Treasurer for



Emily Leone Chorney, John and Stella's granddaughter, born April 12, 1983.

THE CHURA FAMILY HISTORY

submitted by Doreen Chura

Tom Chura was born on March 18, 1938 in the Brokenhead municipality, the son of Micheal and Mary Chura. Tom has two sisters, Mrs. Anne Mamchur, of East Selkirk, and Mrs. Helen Skrypnyk of Selkirk. The family resided and built a home on 40 acres in 1945, in this area until they bought a larger farm in 1948, which is the present family farm. They then built their own home and buildings after this move and by 1951, they were living in their new home. Tom farmed 90 acres on the old homeplace from 1953 to 1963, then he moved to Winnipeg temporarily. He worked for Versatile, C.N.R., and Canada Packers and at the same time continued to farm his 90 acres, plus helping his parents. During this time, he met and married Doreen from the Foxwarren district and in 1967, they bought a new home in East Kildonan. In 1968, their first son Micheal was born. They resided here until 1972, when they sold their house and moved back to the farm when his parents retired to Selkirk. Tom decided



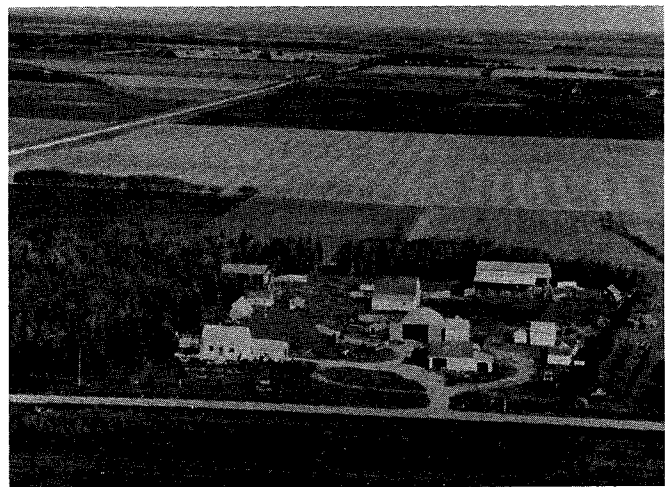
The John Chorney family.

Lilydale School from 1957 until consolidation in 1967. Stella was an active 4H Leader while their children were growing up. John is one of the founding members of the St. Clements Volunteer Fire Department, founded in 1968.

John and Stella worked as a family on the farm with their sons. They bought more land and improved the farmyard by getting lumber directly from the bush sawmills and seasoning it at home.

In the fall of 1967 their potato storage caught fire. The fall harvest was saved by the many members of the community who formed a bucket brigade from the nearby creek to the roof. Everyone was tired and relieved when the Brokenhead Fire Department came to their assistance even though it was out of their municipality. John and Stella could never express their full gratitude to all those who helped.

John and Stella now farm 440 acres in grain only.



Tom and Doreen Chura's farm, 1979.



Chura family. Standing, Left to Right: Michael and Doreen. Sitting: Russell, Allen, Tom.

at this time to quit work, and go into full-time farming. He added on and built a cattle barn in 1974. Also, in 1974, their second son Russell was born. In 1976, he decided to build a hay barn. Also during this time, he bought 40 acres directly across the road, which formerly belonged to the Hicks family. In 1977, their third son Allen was born. Tom and Doreen's children all are attending Happy Thought School at the present time. Tom had been steadily building up his cattle herd and he now owns about 70 head. Both Tom and Doreen are musically inclined, Tom plays the accordian, while his wife does the singing and strums the guitar. During their early marriage, they entertained at various places in Winnipeg. They are both actively involved in 4-H, and Doreen also has a large greenhouse and grows a large variety of plants. In closing, they wish to mention they are building a new house in 1983, and hope their children will have as good a life as they have had.

JOSEPH CHYBORAK

Joseph and Vera Chyborak arrived in Canada as young people in March, 1903. They knew each other in the Ukraine. Joseph lived in Bokovina, Romania and Vera was born in the Ukraine, it was like two villages. When arriving in Canada, they stayed in the Immigration Hall (round house) in East Selkirk. In the same year, Nov. 1903, Joseph and Vera got married. They moved to Ingulf, Ontario. He worked on the railroad section for 3 years, and two children were born, Nov. 27, 1905, Mike and Mary. Coming back to East Selkirk, they bought

land, built a house and farmed. Their neighbours were Warrenchuk's, S. Timo, Purcha's and others.

Four children were born in East Selkirk, John, Alex, Pete and Kate. Mr. Chyborak, during the summer months, worked out as a carpenter in Kapuskasing, Ontario and Iroquois Falls, Ontario. In Manitoba, he worked in Great Falls - Seven Sisters Falls, and - Pine Falls building power houses, and paper mills.

John left home in 1928, to go to find work in North Battleford, Sask. In 1929, Joseph and Vera and their children moved to St. Peters East. Alex left home in 1932 and also went to Saskatchewan where John was, to look for work. During their time in Saskatchewan, they got married to two sisters, John to Sophie, and Alex to Julia Kulchyski, on April 10, 1933. On Dec. 22, 1933, Mrs. Vera Chyborak passed away, at the age of 47 years, at the Selkirk General Hospital. Mr. Fowler was the undertaker then, where Gilberts Funeral Home is now. Mike left home in 1934 to Saskatchewan also, but returned in 1938.

Mr. Chyborak decided to sell the farm and machinery. Pete bought a Chevy car, and Pete and his dad packed the car with what would fit in, and also the dog, this was in 1935. Kate was then 12 years old and left to live with her married sister, Mary (Ed) Balcean, in Selkirk and later moved to Winnipeg. Kate and Pete went to school in Hoey.



Joseph Chyborak



Sisters - Grandma Vera Chyborak and Mrs. Kaleski.

Pete and his dad also went to Saskatchewan, on the way they ran out of money and gas, so they had to sell the dog for \$2.00, to get them to their destination. Pete stayed in Saskatchewan and his dad went to British Columbia to work in the shipyards as a carpenter in Prince Rupert. In 1937, Alex and his family came back to Manitoba and also Pete. Their dad, Joseph, came back, he had to ride in the boxcar (train) to feed Alex's animals from Saskatchewan.

Alex bought Monkman's farm at St. Peters, West. Joyce Pruden and Doreen Coleman Alaska were born in Saskatchewan, Fred was born in Selkirk. Both parents passed away, Alex on April 17, 1973 and Julia on April 27, 1976. Mr. Joseph Chyborak passed away tragically, when his home burnt with him in it, on Nov. 7, 1947, he lived alone. He had one more month to live before he would receive his old age pension, at the age of 70 years, at that time.



Pete and John Chyborak.

In 1942, John with his family left for St. Catharines and got a job at the Ontario Pulp and Paper Mill. He is now retired. They have 4 children, Bill, Elsie, Ed and Alex. All were born in Saskatchewan.

Pete Chyborak, son of Joseph and Vera, married Norma Flett on Feb. 20, 1943. They lived in St. Peters (West) for a while, then they moved to Marathon, Ontario. He worked as a pipe fitter for a few years, then came back and moved to East Kildonan and worked for Imperial Oil Refinery until it closed down in the 1970's. Pete then retired from work. They have eight children, Marshall, Larry, Herbie, Curtis, Gail, Shirley, Linda and Marilyn, and 19 grandchildren. Pete and Norma celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Kate Chyborak, daughter of Joseph and Vera, married Fernard Bedard on April 27, 1946, she works for Rose Marie Catering, and Fernard retired from Abex, they live in Selkirk. They have six children, Louis, Cecille, Lorraine, Christen, Wilfred and Jim. Kate and Fernard celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary in 1972.



Alex and Julia Chyborak.

Mary Chyborak, daughter of Joseph and Vera, married Ed Balcean on May 8, 1929. They lived in Selkirk for a while on Rosser Ave., later they moved to Wpg. He worked for the C.P.R. Weston Shops and is now retired. They have 6 children, Alice, Doreen, Marilyn, Marie, Margaret and Christen. Ed and Mary will be celebrating their 52nd Wedding Anniversary in May.

Mike (Jerry) Chyborak, son of Joseph and Vera, came back to Manitoba from Saskatchewan in 1938. And worked for Canadian Engineering, erecting power lines in Great Falls to Lac du Bonnet, and worked in the Sonotones mine towards Ontario for two years, in 1940, he started to work at the Manitoba Rolling Mills. He

worked over 30 years, and retired on Nov. 27, 1970. Mike was born on Nov. 27, 1905. Mike married Ann Zahayko on Sept. 4, 1943, in East Selkirk. They have four children, Ron, Dennis, Alexina, and Irene and are living in Selkirk. Mike and Ann had their 25th Wedding Anniversary in 1968. Ann worked for 10 years for Stefanson and Booth Fisheries for 85 cents an hour and Monarch Overalls in 1954 for 45 cents an hour, beginners. She also took an interest in the W.A. Bethel Chapel and St. Peters, Gr. Orthodox Church, where they were married in.

Ron Chyborak, son of Mike, worked for Twin Service Garage in 1961. In 1963, he started to work at the Manitoba Rolling Mill. On July 20, 1968, he married Jeannette Anderson from Souris, Man. She is an Operating Room Technician. They have two boys, Steven and Peter. They live in Clandeboye, Man. Ron went to Victoria School, Central and High School which is now Junior High.



Irene's wedding April 27, 1968. Left to Right: Mike, Ann, Irene (Dear), Alexina, Dennis and Ronnie, all Chyboraks.

Dennis Chyborak, son of Mike, went to Devonshire School, Victoria School and High School. He worked a few months in the 1960's at Booth Fisheries, and Man. Rolling Mills. He started to work for Northern Telecom in 1967 (Installation), this work takes him out to different cities, Manitoba, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and B.C. In 1982 and 1983, he went to work in Puerto Rico. He lives in Selkirk and is single. Dennis graduated in 1965 from Grade 11.

Alexina Chyborak, daughter of Mike, went to Central, and Devonshire schools, and works for Selkirk Florist. She has a daughter, Patricia and lives in Selkirk.

Irene Chyborak married Ed Dear on April 27, 1968 and they have three children, Heidi, Dana, Danny. They live in Selkirk, Irene works at Sears, part-time, and Ed works at Tuktiyuktuk. Irene went to Victoria School, Devonshire, Robert Smith and High School. Mike and Ann Chyborak have 6 grandchildren.

CLARKE COLIN AND ESTHER

submitted by Pat Smolinski

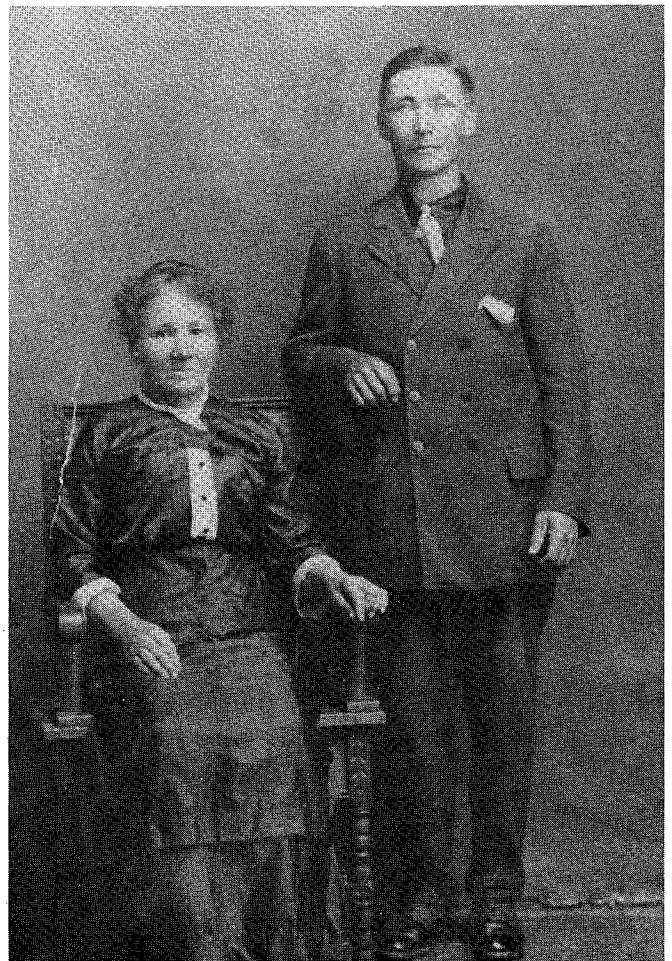
Colin Clarke was born on June 9, 1894, across the river from historical Lower Fort Garry. His parents were John and Catherine (Saunderson) Clarke. They had eight children: Jim, Harry, Mary, Dina, Flora, Colin, Alec, and Charles.

Colin served four years overseas with the Canadian Armed Forces in the First World War. He was wounded at Vimy Ridge in 1918 and lost his right arm after gangrene set in his wound. He was discharged in 1919.

On December 8, 1920, he married Esther Prettie of Pine Ridge. Esther was born on December 1, 1905 to Jack and MaryAnn Prettie. It was a double wedding with Esther's brother Bill marrying Florence Cox.

Colin and Esther had four children; Myrtle, Mildred, Alfred, and Lloyd, and they adopted Esther's nephew Ken.

Myrtle, born August 9, 1921, married John Drobott and they had one son, Harold. In 1945 John was killed in the CIL explosion. Myrtle married Carl Anderson and they moved to Vancouver. Harold married and has four children, Rick, Tom, Raymond, and Kelly.



Mrs. John T. Clarke (Catherine) of Lockport and her son Harry.



Back Row, Left to Right: Colin and Myrtle Clarke. Front Row: Alfred and Lloyd and Esther sitting, Myrtle standing. Little boy in front Ken.

Mildred, born July 15, 1922, married Bill Fewchuk of Kirkness on November 4, 1939. They had four children; Darlene, Ron, Patricia, and Shirley. Darlene died of pneumonia as an infant. Ron married June Parks of Lockport and they have two children Rodney and Kathy. Kathy married Bruce Scott and they have two sons Lee and Matthew. Patricia married Joe Smolinski of Brokenhead and they have two sons, William and Richard. Shirley married Lorne Huculak and they have two children, Shirleen and Lorne Jr. Ron, Pat, Shirley, and their families live in St. Clements.

Alfred, born January 27, 1924, served overseas in World War II and was killed in action in 1945.

Lloyd, born September 10, 1925, lives in Selkirk.

Ken, born April 19, 1929, was adopted as a child. He has two daughters Debbie and Gwen from his first marriage, and four children Georgina, Loreen, Ken Jr., and Rhonda, from his marriage to Dorothy Peebles of Lockport. They live in Amherst, N.S.

Esther worked with Mrs. Mary McKenzie who organized the Presbyterian Women's Missionary Society in Gonor in 1927. They held their first meetings in a tent and paid 10 cents a month to be a member. Their meetings, held regularly, were opened with a prayer and hymn. They would sew quilts, knit socks, mitts and scarfs which would then be sold to raise money. The Society also did Red Cross work during the war.

Esther worked at Fairfields during the Second World War. It was situated across the river near Lower Fort Garry. She worked for 33 1/2 cents an hour, running four looms which made army blankets.

Colin and Esther moved to Selkirk in 1955. They celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in 1970 with family and friends, and Bill and Florence Prettie who had shared their double wedding ceremony fifty years earlier.

Colin died in 1973 at the age of 79. Esther, now 77 years young, lives with son Lloyd, and spends her time knitting, crocheting, and making the most beautiful dolls imaginable.



A.H.O. Colbert B.Sc. Manager of Searle farms, 1945-65.

ALBERT H.O. COLBERT

submitted by Patricia T. Colbert

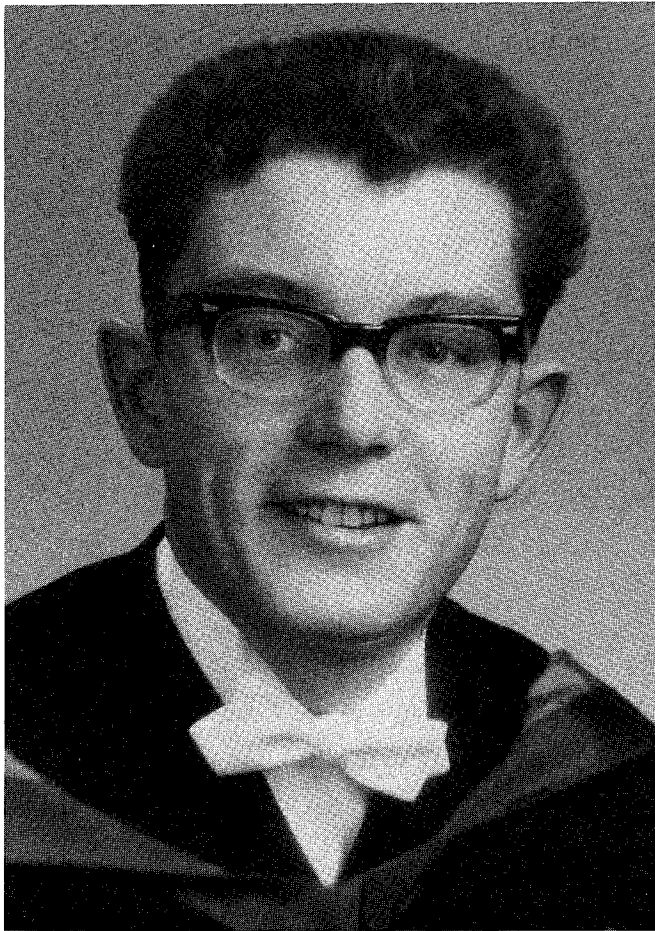
Mr. A.H.O. Colbert was born in Seaforth, Ont. and was raised and educated in the London area.

He graduated with his B.Sc. in Agriculture from the Ontario Agricultural College.

Mr. Colbert was appointed the Assistant manager of



Feb. 13, 1949. C.P. section house in distance, Manager's residence Searle farms. A.H.O. Colbert and his son Tom.



Thos. J. Colbert, D.V.M. lived at Searle farms from 1945-1965.

the Dominion Experimental Farm at Rosthern, Sask. and remained at that post for 13 years. From there he was assigned the position as Senior Fieldman for the Canada Livestock Production Services with Headquarters in Edmonton. His area of concern covered a large portion of the provinces of Alberta and British Columbia.

Albert H.O. Colbert was appointed manager of the Searle Farms on Sept. 1, 1945.

During his career he was called upon to accept the honor as Judge for numerous livestock exhibits, particularly that of beef cattle at major shows in Western Canada, Eastern Canada and the USA.

Mr. Colbert was appointed Director of the Canadian Shorthorn Association and carried on in that capacity for some years.

During his career he was the author of numerous articles and publications associated with livestock breeding and farm management. He contributed greatly to this field. His articles were widely read and his expertise constantly in demand. He was an authority that was well respected and quoted.

Albert Colbert and his wife Patricia T. (Groombridge) had three children.

Thomas J. Colbert, who was born in Edmonton, and was aged 2 months when his parents made the move to Searle Farms in 1945. He was educated at Happy Thought School in East Selkirk and attended the Selkirk

Collegiate. Thomas graduated from the Ontario College of Veterinary Medicine in Guelph, Ont. in 1968. Thomas has owned and operated the Dauphin Veterinary Clinic, Dauphin, Man. since May, 1968.

Margaret Colbert (Mrs. D. Smith) was born in East Selkirk, attended Happy Thought School, moved to Ontario in 1965. Margaret graduated and is an X-ray supervisor at the University Hospital in London, Ont.

Catherine Colbert (Mrs. M. Poliszuk) was born while the family lived in East Selkirk and she attended Happy Thought School. She is connected with the Personnel Dept. of the Customs and Excise Branch located in London, Ont.

Note: For a delightful and comprehensive account of the Colbert's stay at the Searle Farm in East Selkirk, please refer to the Searle Farm history. We are indebted to Patricia T. Colbert for sharing this information with us.

Mr. H.O. Colbert retired from Searle Farms July 15, 1965 and died at London, Ont. in Dec. of 1965. Mrs. Colbert still resides in London, Ont.

PETER AND MARION COLE

submitted by Peter Cole

Peter Cole is the son of Nettie Kordalchuk (born in 1899), and Mike Kologinski (born in 1890). Nettie and Mike were married on Jan. 27, 1913. Peter married Marion Bochantsky in Edmonton on Feb. 14, 1942. Peter joined the armed services in 1941 and went overseas in June of 1942. Peter served with the 5th Armoured Division wounded in training. Later he changed to the 4th Armoured Division Signal Corps. Peter saw action in



Marion and Peter Cole, 1942.