

Gloss of Libau and they also reside in Selkirk with their four daughters.

Son, Adolph Moroz married Nettie Malezenski (now deceased). His two daughters are married and he has two grandchildren. Adolph now owns his father's farm in Libau but he resides in Winnipeg.

THE MURRAYS

submitted by Doreen Murrays

Donald Forbes Murray born in Russell, Manitoba in 1945, and Doreen Katherine Murray born in Winnipeg in 1946, married in October, 1967, and moved to Gonor in December of 1969.

Don as the son of an R.C.M.P. officer was raised in towns throughout southern Manitoba including Beausejour and Emerson, while Doreen was raised in Winnipeg, the daughter of an Air Canada (Trans Canada Air Lines - TCA) family. Don and Doreen each have as immediate family, a mother and a sister (and their families) - all residing in Winnipeg; both fathers are deceased.

Don and Doreen have three children:

Andrew Taylor - born August 28, 1972

Zana (Alexandra) Claire - born January 30, 1974

Susan Beverly - born February 28, 1976

Don articulated with Price Waterhouse & Co. and graduated as a Chartered Accountant in late 1969. He was later employed as a Comptroller with Ladco Co. Ltd.; as the Chief Financial Officer with Qualico Developments Ltd.; and as President of Imperial Securities by the Imperial Group. In the early 1970s Don and Doreen constructed a number of houses in Selkirk as well as their current home on River Lot 165, Henderson Highway. Then in 1979, 5 years after an automobile accident left him a paraplegic, Don co-founded Equion Securities Canada Ltd. of which he is President. Since its founding, Equion has become a major marketing force and is established in 7 major Canadian cities with more expansion probable. Don is also on the Board of Directors of Carma Developments Ltd. of Calgary, Alberta - one of the largest developers in the Country.

Doreen holds a Bachelor of Arts with a major in Economics from the University of Manitoba. Upon leaving University she was employed as a Manpower Counsellor for the Government of Canada and then as the Administrator of a medically affiliated association. Although her major interest now resides in children and home, Doreen is vice-president and shareholder of a management company - Foxtail Enterprises, and continues to do a good deal of writing and editing for both her commercial and volunteer interests. Doreen has been active in the programs of Happy Thought School as a volunteer, member of the Parent Advisory Council, member of the Playground Committee, etc.

Andrew, Zana, and Susan (10, 9, 7) attend Happy Thought School in East Selkirk. They are members of the Dolphin Swim Club of Selkirk and participate in competitive swim meets. All three study piano; and Andrew, in addition, studies guitar from Miss Rose Palmer of Selkirk.

KENNETH AND LENA MURRAY

excerpt from the MacBeth Presbyterian Journal

Tribute is paid to Kenneth Murray, a Highland Scotsman, now old and infirm, but, a devout follower of his Lord. He was always happy when Miss Jenkinson, the Deaconess, asked him to Pray. This he did in his native Gaelic, in a sincere and reverent manner everyone appreciated, even though very few understood the words.

WASYL AND OLENA MUZYCHKA

submitted by David Muzychka

In 1912, Wasyl Muzychka and his wife Olena, born June 3, 1883, along with their three children, Anna, Theodsoie and Maria from Brody in the Western Ukraine all came to Canada and went to Narol. They arrived in August, 1912 at Quebec with them also was Mrs. Muzychka's parents, Martin and Teklia Kashchynch. When they arrived they stayed at old man Semeniuk's place for one or two years. Wasyl then bought a piece of property near Hrabi's which he soon sold and finally purchased the land at 4864 Henderson Hwy. from Yaremchuk's. Wasyl and Olena were market gardeners most of all their lives. Wasyl died on Aug. 26, 1956 and Olena died on June 30, 1979. Walter passed away on July 10, 1976 and Annie (Mrs. J. Matkowski) on Dec. 21, 1956.

David Muzychka married Mary Seniuk and they continue to live in Narol, Man.

Three daughters of Olena's were Mary, who married Harry Sokolowski of Scarborough, Ont. Sophie who married Herman Sulkers of East St. Paul and Alexis married a Mr. H. Cooke of Toronto.

Olena and Wasyl had 13 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren by the year 1979.



Mr. Wasyl and Olena Muzychka - 50th wedding anniversary.



Back Row: Stanley Mathkowski. Second Row: Mr. and Mrs. Muzychka, Elaine Muzychka and Lenor Sulkers. Third Row: Harold and Edward Muzychka and Jennifer Sulkers. Front Row: Kennith and Dennis Glowasky.

David married Mary Seniuk in 1931. Work was difficult to get in those days. Finally, he worked for market gardeners at Ben Harsma's, walking 8 miles return each day and was paid \$1.50 and \$1.75 for a 10 hour day. Once he reached home there was lots of brushing to do and he worked until dark. David also worked at the gravel pit for 50 cents an hour. In the 1940's David worked at the Cordite Plant in Transcona until it closed up, and also at the Vulcan Iron works until they ceased operation. David then went to work at the Bell Foundry (Sargent and King Edward) where he remained until he retired.



Back Row, Left to Right: Doris (daughter), Tara (granddaughter), Elaine (daughter), Jeff Knight (son-in-law), Mary, Trina (granddaughter) and David Muzychka.

Wasył Muzychka used to work for the railroad in the Oakbank area, walking all the way from Narol and walking back home again on weekends. Sophie, his daughter says the trail was through the bush and that his wife Olena used to pack him enough food for the whole week.

Wasył got practically blinded about 45 years ago when he was working in the bush. A branch hit him in the eye. Wasył died in 1956 and Olena passed away on June 30, 1979 in her 96th year. Mrs. Olena Muzychka was a life member of the Holy Trinity Ukrainian Church in Gonor.

HRYHORY MYSLAWCHUK AND FAMILY

submitted by Steve Myslawchuk

Mr. Hryhory Myslawchuk immigrated to Canada in the spring of April 1903, from the Ukraine, District Luchyche, Province Sokal. Hryhory was accompanied by his three children, two daughters Sofia and Eva, and one infant son, Lboh Lvan. They landed at the East Selkirk Immigration Hall on April 25, 1903. It took three weeks on the ship from Hamburg, Germany to Halifax, Canada. Then another week by C.P.R. train to the East Selkirk Immigration Hall. They settled in Poplar Park, and purchased 40 acres of bushland, Sec. 27-15-6E. There they built a house with the roof being covered with sod, and lived in this house for two years, until they built a better one.

Hryhory had two sons born in Canada, Stephan and Michael. Pioneer days were very tough. There were no roads whatsoever. There were no stores, the closest shopping place was Selkirk. Some settlers had a team of oxen, and had to go shopping in Selkirk with wagon



Myslawchuk family.



Hryhory and Kateryna Myslawchuk.

carts, which took two days for a round trip. The C.N.R. railroad came through the district in 1914, and that improved the living conditions considerably.

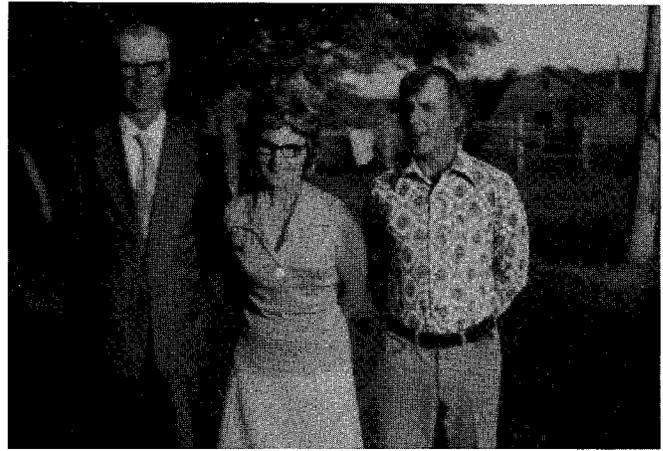
Steve was born and raised in Poplar Park, and attended the Poplar Park School. Steve married Nellie, who also was born and raised in the Poplar Park area. Nellie attended the Sheffield School, as a young girl. Steve and Nellie have two sons, Frank (by adoption), he lives in Keewatin, Ont., and Harold who is home.

Steve served as Councillor of Ward Five for the Rural Municipality of St. Clements dating back to 1941 to 1944, and was elected again in 1956. Steve served continuously until 1972. This is a total of 21 years of public service. Only one other councillor can beat this record of service.

Steve has written an article outlining some of his experiences as Councillor for the R.M. of St. Clements, which is contained elsewhere within this book.



Myslawchuks



Steve and Nellie Myslawchuk and son Harold.

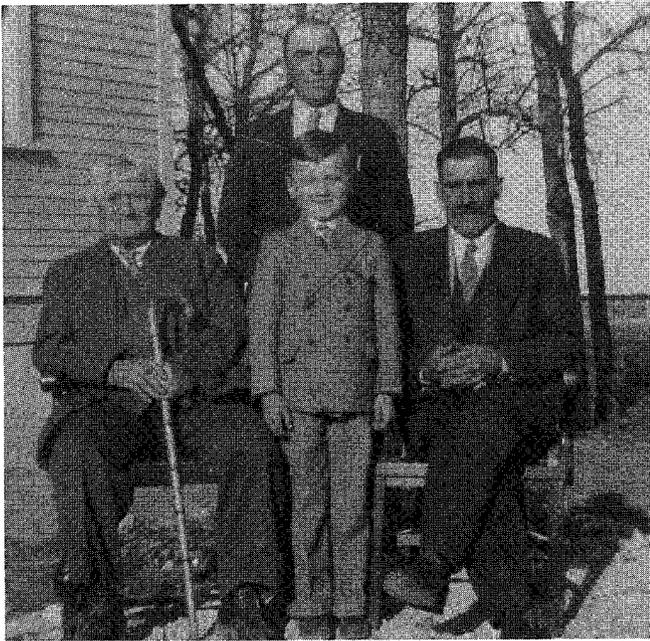
STEFAN AND JULIA NEBOZENKO

submitted by M. Nebozenko

Stefan was born in the West Ukraine on Jan. 6, 1881, the son of Andrew and Anne Nebozenko. Stefan was one of the first of his family to strike out on his own, coming to Canada in 1899, at the age of 18 years. He came by himself journeying by boat, landing at the New York harbour, and then making his way to Winnipeg to the Immigration Hall near the CPR Station. On arrival in Winnipeg, Stefan had the grand total of 5 cents in his pocket. Stefan managed to get a job the day after his arrival in Wpg. working at the Birds Hill Gravel Pit loading gravel onto flat cars. Stefan remained at this job until he had saved \$8.00, which represented 75 cents per flatcar load (which means he loaded well over 10 flatcars in order to save this amount). When Stefan had left the Ukraine for Canada, he had been entrusted with one gallon of honey to be delivered to Dauphin on behalf of a neighbour of the family. Never to make a promise lightly, Stefan delivered the honey to Dauphin. While in Dauphin, he delivered messages from home and stayed a few days assisting them with brushing, clearing and breaking of new ground. Never idle, from there Stefan got a job on the railway, where he worked ten long hours per day for 15 cents per hour. This gave him the grand



First home of Stefan Nebozenko.



4 generations of the Nebozenko family of Narol. Left to Right: Andrew, Stefan, Michael and Stephen.

sum of \$1.50 per day of which it cost him 50 cents per day for meals. Stefan remembered that they used to wash their clothing in the ditches. Stefan, as finances allowed, then returned to Wpg. In the following spring at the urging of Stefan, his father, Andrew Nebozenko, and his mother, Annie, and their children, Harry, Mary, John, Bill and Nettie arrived in Canada. Stefan's oldest sister, Tekla, remained in the old country and was to live to be 102 years.

Andrew and his family, like Stefan, only remained in Wpg. for a very short period of time. Andrew met a man at the marketplace, Mr. Fedora of Gonor, who told him about land for sale north of Wpg. in the Gonor area. They made a trip out and viewed Lot 245, which was for sale. Andrew bought 80 acres of land for about \$600.00 which included a small house, thatched-roofed barn, some cattle, horses and equipment. However, the land was hay and scrub, with very little broken. They all settled down to their new life in the municipality of St. Clements. Stefan's first marriage ended in tragedy as his wife became ill a few months after their marriage and died. Stefan then went to the southeastern part of Manitoba near Hadashville and was working with the land surveying team setting up the township lines in that part of the country. While working in the area, Stefan met Julia Kachur, and they married in 1902. Julia was the daughter of Nick and Pahlia Kachur. The following year their first son, Michael was born.

Stefan had bought his own property, consisting of 40 acres of mostly bush and scrub, just north of his father's land, on lot 239. However, Stefan and Julia stayed with Andrew until they could build their own home. It wasn't long with the help of family and friends, that Stefan had a neat two-room log house for his wife Julia and his newborn son Michael.

Stefan went to work on the CPR Section gang near

Birds Hill to provide income for his family. Soon the other children were born, Bill in Oct. 1904, Anne on Aug. 6, 1907, and Nettie by Nov. 19, 1914. Twins had been born to them (Nick and John) in 1913, but died in infancy.

Water for cattle and for washing clothes, etc., came from the Red River, while the water for cooking and drinking came from the well dug, about 64 ft. deep and then it had been drilled an additional 12 feet.

Stefan recalled one year a real estate man asking several of the farmers in the area to get together their farm machinery (hay wagons, and horses) and he would pay the freight to Souris, Man. for threshing operations. So Stefan along with John Rebeck and Kiryk Parfaniuk went to Souris with their horses and equipment. They were hired as laborers and were working in the grain fields feeding the threshing machine by hand (throwing sheaves). The Nebozenko horses were used during the period they were in Souris. However, a controversy arose between the landowner and the Threshing machine operator which resulted in the machine being removed from the site. The farmer in Souris did not pay for the Threshing machine, nor did the Nebozenko crew get any pay for themselves or their team. They returned home after two weeks, poorer but wiser.

The children all attended Donald School and Stefan was eventually elected as Trustee and filled that position for 8 years. In addition to that Stefan was elected to fill the position as Councillor for Ward 1 of the Rural Municipality of St. Clements for a period of ten years, 1915-1920, 1923-1924, 1931 and 1932. He was also one of the original founders of the Manitoba Vegetable Growers Association.

Andrew passed away in 1945 at the grand age of 100 years, while Ann, his wife, died much earlier, in 1919.

Stefan built a new home in 1932 on Lot 238 in Narol and the family moved in by Christmas of the same year. By this time Stefan's family were all grown up and making a home and lives for themselves. Michael had married Mary Semeniuk in 1926, William (Bill) had married Mary Turkula in 1933, Anne married Fred Wasnie in 1925 and Nettie had married Jack Gerrick.



Mr. and Mrs. Stefan Nebozenko and their Golden wedding anniversary May 20, 1952.



Stefan Nebozenko. 81 years old in, 1962.

Stefan donated a piece of property for the building of a Ukrainian Reading Society on Lot 238. Mr. Frank Bosky was the carpenter. They held concerts, plays and dances there as well as weddings.

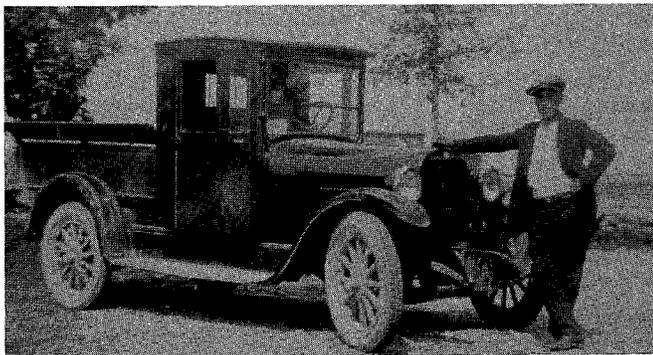
Mr. Uhrynuik was the teacher of music. The hall burnt down in 1927 and was never replaced. The building had no insurance at the time of the fire.

The Nebozenkos operated a Silver Fox Farm in Narol at one time, as did Frank Kruszelnicki (Kruse), and Mike Oleschuk. They used to sell their furs at Soudak's Fur Auction located behind the old City Hall in Wpg.

On May 26, 1952 Stefan and his wife Julia celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary and were proud and honoured at the reception arranged and the well wishes of their many family and friends.

Stefan enjoyed many years of productive activity and was well respected by the community and everyone who had the privilege of knowing him.

Stefan lived to the age of 95 years, passing into eternal rest on Saturday, Oct. 9, 1976. He rests in the Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church Cemetery in Gonor.



Stefan Nebozenko's first truck, Michael standing beside.

MICHAEL AND MARY NEBOZENKO

submitted by M. Nebozenko

Michael is the son of Stefan Nebozenko and the grandson of Andrew Nebozenko. His mother was Julia Kachur, the daughter of Nick and Pahlia Kachur. Mike was born on Lot 239 in Narol in 1904 and attended Donald School for his education. He spent his youth assisting his father Stefan and his grandfather Andrew with the farm work and tending the land. Mike married Mary Semeniuk on March 7, 1926 and they lived with Stefan and resided on Lot 238 up to the present day. They had two children. Stephen was the first child born on Aug. 24, 1927, and then Irene was born on Aug. 26, 1932. The children attended Donald School. Stephen received his higher education at United College graduating, becoming an Engineer for the Manitoba Telephone System. Stephen married Ollie Chrynowski in 1951 and they have two daughters, Barbara born July 4, 1954 and Tannis born Feb. 19, 1959. Barbara graduated as a Physiotherapist and married Derek Longfield and they have two children, Michael and Andrea. The family resides in Calgary. Derek is a Reservoir Engineer with the Canadian Hunter Exploration Ltd.

Irene married Russell Fliss on July 30, 1966 and she and her husband reside in West Kildonan. Russell is a musician of great fame and is a playing member of the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra. They have no children up to the present time.

Mike says, "Working the land has been hard work with long hours, but it has had its rewards". He recommends that young people should get a proper education and not depend on the land entirely for a living.

Mary says, "I've worked hard all my life from ten years of age and although there has been some sad times, we have had good times as well". Mary has remained faithful and loyal, this year (1983) being the 57th year of her marriage to Michael and 50 years living on the same property.

Michael and Mary missed Stefan very much after he passed away, there was a void left that could never be



Stefan Nebozenko's first car, Michael standing beside it. At Left: Ukrainian Reading Society Hall of Narol.



50th wedding anniversary of Michael and Mary Nebozenko. Left to Right: Russ Fliss (son-in-law), Stephen Nebozenko, Michael and Mary Nebozenko, Irene Fliss, Ollie Nebozenko, and Tannis Nebozenko.

replaced. Mary keeps Stefan's councillor chair polished and in a place of honour in their living room.

The Nebozenko family are true pioneers of the area and have contributed much to the betterment of the community generally and the municipality as a whole. The late Max Dubas, reeve of the municipality for so many years, had the greatest respect for Andrew, Stefan and Michael and their families, and was proud to call them his friends.

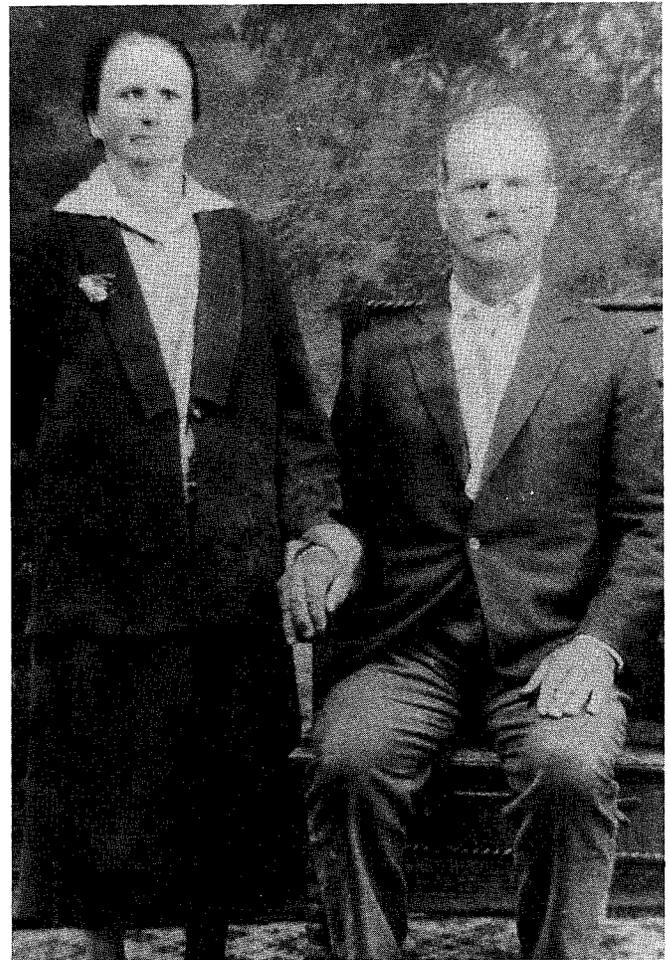
WASYL (WILLIAM) AND ROZALIA NEGRICH

submitted by Alice Romano (Negrich)

William Negrich married Rozalia Bodrug in 1899. William Negrich and his wife Rozalia Bodrug, along with their three children and Rose's mother, Katherine Bodrug, came to Canada in 1902. Rose's father, (Katherine's husband) had died of an accident shortly before the family left for Canada. The three children of William, at that time were, Eva, 4 years old, Annie, 3 years old, and little Mary, who was a baby of less than one year. The village they left was in the Western Ukraine, Berezowa, Galicia. This region was in the foothills of the Carpathian Mountains and many of these highlanders (Hutzels) responded to the call of the Canadian West in great numbers.

They left their homeland and sailed for Canada on a freighter ship via Hamburg, Germany. The crossing took about three weeks. They arrived in a part of Quebec on Aug. 15, 1904. They came from Quebec to Winnipeg and lived with John Bodrug on Stella Ave., for awhile.

John Bodrug had come to Canada much earlier in the spring of 1897 aboard the ship "S.S. Arcadia", which had twin sails and steam engines and carried about 1000 passengers. The Atlantic crossing took 21 days. They travelled from Quebec to Wpg. aboard the CPR and Bodrug served as interpreter most all of the trip. John Bodrug had the distinction of being the second Ukrainian



Wasył and Rozalia Negrich.

immigrant to graduate from the Manitoba College in 1903.

William Negrich and his wife Rozalia and her mother, Katherine Bodrug, stayed with John Bodrug but soon had their eye on property lying North of Wpg. The area was quite prosperous and many Ukrainians had settled there. The district was known as Gonor, and it was this locality that John Bodrug's mother (Katherine), his sister (Rozalia) settled in the spring of 1904.

John Bodrug had taken an earlier option on Lot 207 on behalf of the family and by mid-August 1904 they had settled in their new environment. The land cost \$17.00 an acre and soon they were building their first home of logs. They carried the mud from the banks of the Red River in pails, mashed it up with straw and other materials to chink the logs. Neighbors and friends helped them to raise their roof. The house had two rooms up and two rooms downstairs.

William was employed in the building of the Lockport Bridge to supplement the family income and did mixed farming most of his life.

William and Rozalia raised eleven children; Eva, Annie, Mary, Pearl, Mike, Nettie, Jean, Katie, Alice, Bill and Jack. The children attended Gonor and St. Andrews Schools as well as the Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Gonor.



Nettie Negrich and Mary Negrich.

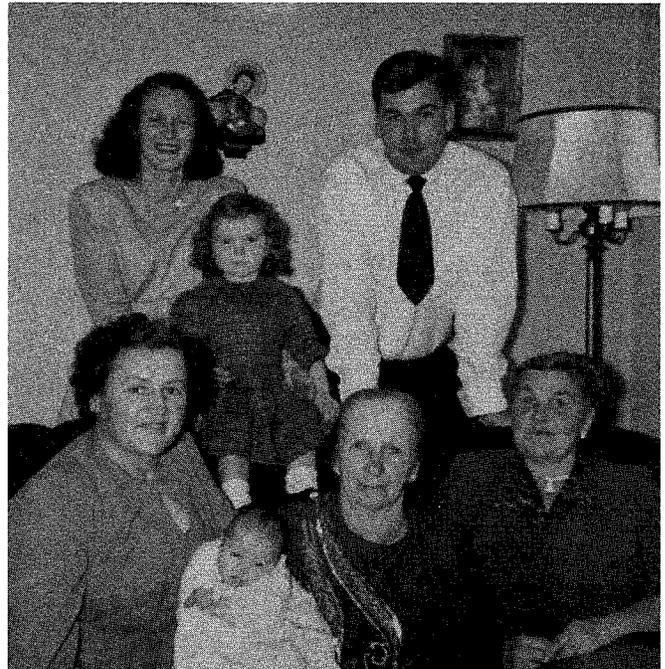


Mary Ritchie and Pearl Richardson.

Mary married John Ritchie, Annie married Joe Kruse, Eva married Pete Zapp, Nettie married Peter Homenick, Jean married Mr. Ring, Alice married Bill Romano, Mike married Katie Karanko, Bill married Mildred McCurdy, and Jack remained a bachelor.

Wasył died at the age of 75 years and Rozalia passed away in her 78th year. At the time of this history there are three remaining daughters, Mary, Alice, Katie, and one son, Bill. There are 17 grandchildren.

Alice recalls as a young girl she used to go to St. Andrews school across the river by boat, paddling every morning and back again at the end of the day. She completed her grade elven there. When the ice was breaking up, her brother used to drive her the long way around via Lockport. She especially remembers Omer Campbell, one of her teachers, who had urged her to go on to University or complete her teacher training. Alice was very proficient at the Latin language. However, Alice did neither, she got a job at the Selkirk Mental Hospital where they paid her \$50.00 per month. The car fare cost her \$25.00 per month and she had to pay for her uniforms and cleaning as well as buy good shoes. Alice was nursing when she was only 19 years old. Her shift was mostly nights and because there were 80 patients in her ward and only one nurse and one supervisor, the work was very difficult and tiring for a young girl. Alice recalls they ate different food than she was used to. However, Alice saved her nurse's salary and soon had enough to buy her whole wedding trousseau. She then married Bill Romano and they still live in Gonor.



Charlotte's christening Oct. 21, 1951. Four Generations: Great grandmother Rose Negrich, Grandmother Nettie Homenick, Mother Patricia Watkins, Babies, Charlotte and Marilyn.

EMMA AND JIM NELSON

submitted by Barb Nicol

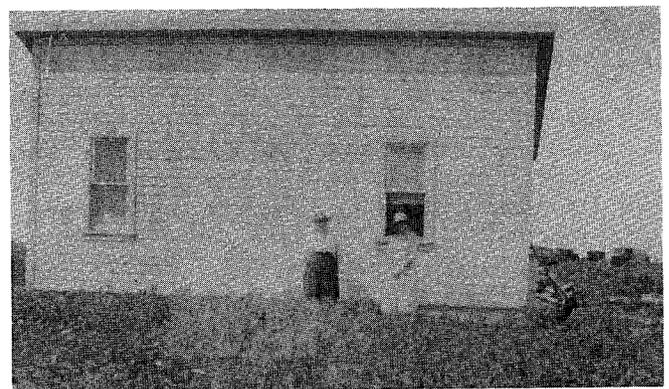
Emma and Jim Nelson were married in March, 1918. This was their first home.

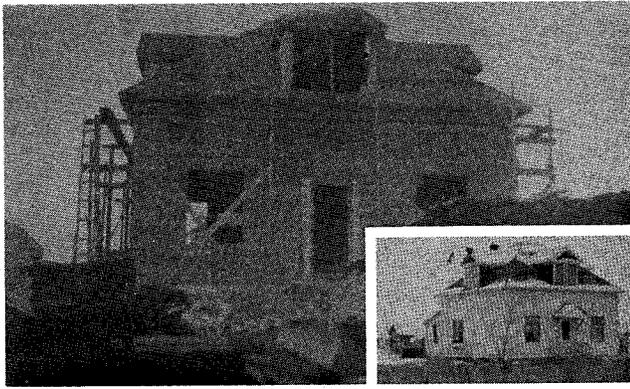
This house burned down in 1922 and was rebuilt. This farm is now owned by Olga and Fred Harrison.

The Nelsons had four children: Isobel, (deceased), Barbara of Selkirk, Jim (Manford) of Victoria, B.C., Olena (deceased).

Jim Nelson was born and raised in East Selkirk. Emma Nelson was born in Selkirk on Robinson Avenue. They met when Emma and her parents moved to Walkleyburg in 1915, to what was called the North Farm, (NW-9-14-6E), now owned by Milton Boyko and Carl Laufer.

Around 1880, Dr. Ovens built this house, and in 1919,





Emma and Jim Nelson.



*Elizabeth
and Walter
Walterson.*

HENRY WATSON (HARRY) AND BARBARA CROY NELSON

*submitted by Norman Morrison, Fern Parkinson
Jack Best and Olvie Wardrop*

Harry Nelson was born in 1856 in Thornhill, Dumfrireshire, Scotland. Barbara Croy was born on March 1, 1857, in Kirkwall, Orkney Islands, Scotland. In the late 1870's, Harry emigrated to New York City, where he followed his trade of a stonemason. When he had the necessary funds, he sent for Barbara. She arrived in St. John, New Brunswick, and they married there in 1878.

Their first home was in Washington Heights, New York, and it was there that their first three children were born; William in 1879 (who died in infancy), John Henry (Jack) born in 1880, and Andrew born in 1882, (deceased when he was five years of age).

Elizabeth and Walter Walterson and family moved from the North Farm to this lovely home (SE 25-13-5E), where they lived until 1927. Besides farming, Walter was employed by the Government as a Dredge Master working out of Selkirk.

In 1927, Emma and Jim Nelson bought the Walterson farm. Isobel, Jim (Manford) and Barbara went to school in Mayfield and East Selkirk. Barbara still keeps in touch with Rita McNeil and Helen Tonn (Bowley) who taught school at Mayfield and boarded with the Nelsons.

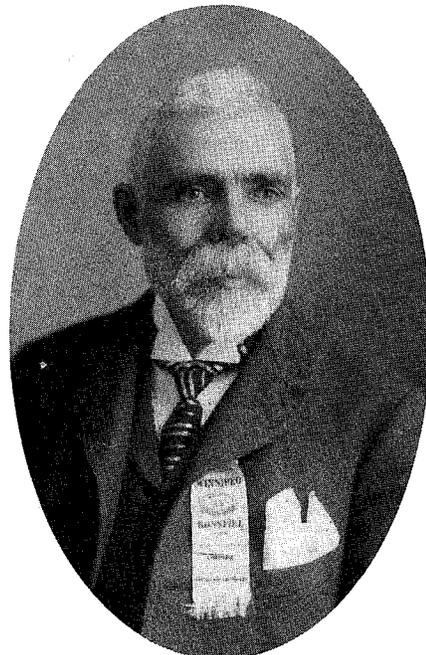
Barbara married Alex Nicol of Winnipeg and they reside in Selkirk.

Jim (Manford) married Elizabeth Boyd of Calgary and they reside in Victoria, B.C. Jim is now a retired R.C.M.P. officer.

The Nelsons were very active in the McBeth Presbyterian Church and also in St. Andrews and St. Clements Agricultural Society. As well as operating his farm, Jim was an auctioneer and implement dealer. He was a sportsman and hunter which the photo shows a day's shoot.

Jim passed away on October 13th, 1949, only three weeks after the sale of the farm. Emma remained in Selkirk and was employed in the Occupation Therapy Department at Selkirk Mental Health Center, until her retirement in 1962.

Emma passed away January 17th, 1978. Their farm is now owned by Vern Harluck.



Henry Watson Nelson.



Barbara Croy Nelson



Miss Barbara "Jean" Nelson.

Their adventurous spirit brought them to Winnipeg in 1882, and they settled in a home at the corner of Nellie and Carey Streets.

Eight more children were born to the Nelsons: Margaret Eliza (Mrs. Donald Morrison), born in 1884; Eva Cameron (Mrs. Murdoch D. MacLean) born in 1886, Isabella (Mrs. Garnet C. Best) born in 1889. These three daughters were born in Winnipeg, and five were born in East Selkirk: Wilfred James (Jim) in 1891; Barbara Jean (Topsy) in 1894; Stanley Gordon in 1896, Harold Peter George in 1897; and Clifford Croy in 1901. Clifford died at 21 years from a ruptured appendix.

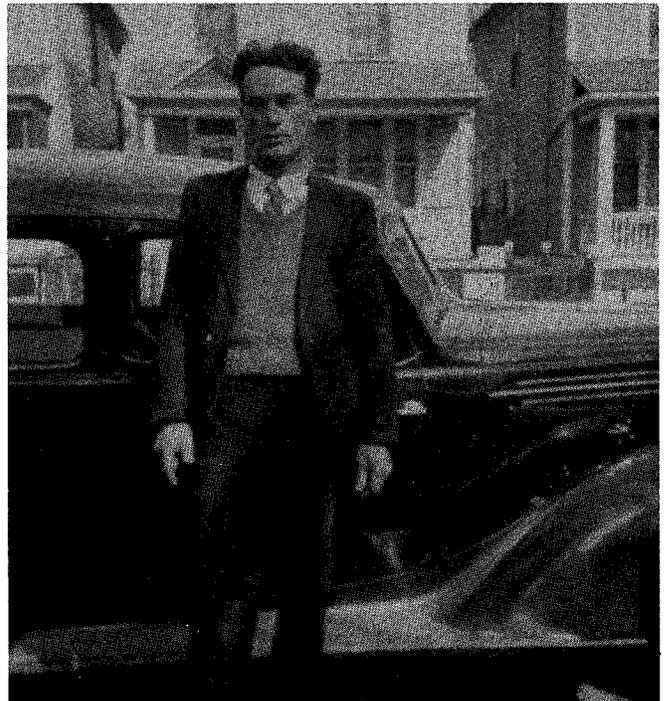
Anxious to advance, Harry started a contracting business with Joe Bye of Spokane, Washington. Some of their contracts were: Winnipeg Post Office on Portage Ave., the McIntyre Block on Main Street, an agricultural

College Building and the Lake of the Woods Milling Company at Keewatin, Ont.

The need for a Quarry to supply his contracting business brought the Nelsons to East Selkirk. For a time, they lived close to the East Selkirk C.P.R. station.



Left to Right: Jean, Isabel, and Eva Nelson.



Mr. Harold Nelson

Jean recalls that she was 11 years old when they moved to the farm. Harry continued his business in Winnipeg. He would walk to the "Halfway House" at Parkdale on Friday after work, stay overnight, and then very early Saturday morning he would walk here to the farm. On Sunday, Margaret (and sometimes other members of the family) would drive him to the "Halfway House", from where he would walk to Winnipeg, early on the Monday morning. In the winter, bricks were heated for the round trip to and from Parkdale.

Grandma Nelson managed the farm and saw to the needs of her large family. She was the first lady member from St. Clements on the Board of the St. Andrews and St. Clements Agricultural Society. The family proudly showed their Clydesdale horses at neighboring fairs. Gordon always entered the local Plowing Matches. Harold was a born mechanic, a great asset for a farming family. And, of course, Jean (Topsy) played the organ for Church services at the Mayfield School House, and for many years at MacBeth Presbyterian Church.

Music was important to the Nelson family. In the long winter evenings, Jean played the piano and Gordon the violin. The Sabbath was strictly observed, shoes shined on Saturday; house and farm work reduced to a minimum and "no play" on Sunday.

There seemed to be no end to the work. After seeding, haying and harvesting were finished, the grain had to be hauled to the Elevator. Then, there was milking and churning. In the winter months, wood had to be cut, hauled home and readied for the furnace and stoves.

Doors were never locked, and visitors and strangers were greeted with great warmth.

An article dated Feb. 5, 1900 relates: H. Gillis and H. Nelson have bought the celebrated Shorthorn bull, "Martin". He is from the bluest blood of the world-famous Shorthorns of Scotland, and will be of great value to this section of the country. He was calved in 1895; is by the Duke of Lyndale 13360. The bull can be seen at the stables of Gillis and Nelson, East Selkirk.

Grandpa Nelson was very influential in bringing the sport of Curling to the East Selkirk area. He fashioned the first granite curling rocks, and all curling at that time was played on the Red River. He won many trophies for curling; one donated by Sir Wm. Van Horne was brought to East Selkirk by Harry Nelson's rink. He was appointed Branch Umpire on Jan. 31, 1902 at a meeting of the Royal Caledonia Curling Association.

At Grandpa Nelson's death in 1906, Grandma received a sympathy letter from W.J. Black, President of the Agricultural College (now University of Manitoba), and I quote, "I knew Mr. Nelson very well, having become associated with him in the erection of the College, where his splendid knowledge of building and his determination to have justice done to all, did much to make the new Institution a credit to Manitoba. During the week that has just ended, we have missed his earnest face and words of counsel on the College Campus. I can assure you that his memory always will be borne at the College with the greatest respect."

In 1934, the Community honoured Grandma Nelson at a large party at her home on the Occasion of her 77th birthday. Greetings were brought by Reeve Morris Sharp;

John Smiley; Jack MacLean; William Wallace Sr.; Rev. J.E. Stewart; J.C. MacLean; John Robertson; Mrs. William Wallace Sr. and Mrs. Jack MacLean.

One of the great jurists of our time once said, "It is required of a man that he should take part in the action and passions of his times, lest he be judged not to have lived." Harry and Barbara Nelson certainly lived!

HENRY (HARRY) AND MARG NEWMAN

submitted by Mable Danwich

Henry (Harry) Newman was born at Kent, England. At the age of 17 1/2 he went to sea for about 2 1/2 years and travelled to New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, and through Central America. Then he decided to travel across Canada with the intentions of ending up in Vancouver, there to hire on the New Zealand shipping lines and make trips across from Vancouver, Seattle to all the South Sea Islands, into New Zealand. At least that was his intentions.

He landed in Quebec on Oct. 10, 1920. He worked in Ontario at a sawmill and then in a pulp camp in Manitoba. In Winnipeg he landed a job at what was then known as mile 47 (Stoney Point). The bunkhouse at mile 47 was about 14' x 16' with a little kitchen about 8 x 8 attached. There was already five teamsters boarding there and now there was another six.

The company was MacDonald Lumber, they cut lumber for boxcars. The lumber was supposed to be made into grain car doors but they cut them too short so they were made into coal car doors. The lumber was shipped into Winnipeg where the doors were made.

Harry worked in the bush there and then cooked for the men. About this time Harry was ready to continue on to Vancouver to fulfill his dream, when he met a man named Joe Treadway. Joe convinced him to go to Balsam Bay to stay at his place and cut wood. He arrived at Balsam Bay on New Years Day, 1921. It was there he met and married Marg Anderson on April 3, 1923. They had 2 children, Searl (Bud) and Norma.

Harry and Marg opened a restaurant at Grand Beach in June 1951 and they also rented out cabins at the same location. Red Wing operated until 1958.

JACK AND MARIA NIKOLAYCHUK (NICKEY)

submitted by Sophie Sawchuk (nee Nickey)

Jack Nickolaychuk was born in 1884 in the Ukraine, and emigrated to Canada with his parents at the age of fourteen. The family took up farming in the district of Portage La Prairie.

Maria Nickolaychuk (nee Antoniuk) was born June 13, 1894. She emigrated to Canada from Trofanivka, Ukraine, with her parents, Mr and Mrs. Sam Antoniuk, and a brother, Alexander, and landed in the port of Halifax on June 18, 1903. The family travelled west and homesteaded at Pleasant Home, Man., for a while, then later moved to Portage la Prairie. There Maria met and married Jack.