

Mrs. Ellen Wallace married to William Wallace Sr., June 29/46.

in residence until 1974, when the farm was sold. She and her daughter Constance now live in Selkirk.

Of the five Wallace children, their older daughter, Patricia, attended Winnipeg Normal School and taught school at Libau West and Cartwright, where she met and married Arthur B. Cantlon, a veteran who had returned from service in Italy with the R.C.E.M.E. They now reside in Chilliwack, B.C. - they have one son and three grandchildren.

Constance, the second oldest, took a business course and enlisted in the C.W.A.C. in 1944, taking basic training at Kitchener, Ont., and was posted to No. 1 C.R.L.E. in Esquimalt, B.C., and returned to Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg until discharged in 1946. She resides with her mother in Selkirk.

Son Bill enlisted in the Canadian Army at age 17 and took his basic training at Saskatoon, Sask.; at the cessation of hostilities he received his discharge in November, 1945 - not being interested in farming, he left the district to live in B.C.

Robert (Bob) belonged to the Air Force Cadets while attending Happy Thought School and later on worked at the Manitoba Rolling Mills, marrying Audrey Woods of Selkirk in 1951. In 1962 he and his family left Selkirk and moved to Fort St. John, B.C., where they now reside. His family, a daughter and two sons, are all married and there are two young grandsons to carry on the Wallace name.

The youngest daughter, Marge, enlisted in the Air Force in 1950. She took her training in St. Jean, Quebec, and Aylmer, Ontario, and was posted to Rivers, Man., leaving the forces in 1952 to marry John Sidney Martin of East Selkirk. They had one daughter who is married and lives in Vegreville, Alta., with her husband and two sons. Marge passed away in 1977 after a lengthy illness.

## ANDREW WANAG

submitted by Mrs. Wanag

Andrew Wanag was married in Latvia on April 30, 1900. With his wife he immigrated to Canada, came from Hamburg Germany, by freighter. (to St. John). Came to Winnipeg to the immigration office on March 30, 1901 with \$2.00 in his pocket. Not knowing the language, and a child on the way these were extremely hard times.

Mr. Schalme, however, found shelter for them. Immigrants were promised a clear title to 160 acres, if in 3 years they could prove themselves as progressive farmers. Highway 317 was the original settlement for these new immigrants.

A log house was built in 1902-1903 consisting of 2 rooms. Mr. Wanag had a way of making a groove down the centre of the log, then packing in Moss, to make a real tight fit. Ends were dove-tailed, and secured with wooden pegs. Shingles were also hand made.



Andrew Wanag family.

Oxen was their way of transportation. They made their living by hauling cord wood to Selkirk with oxen.

Mr. Wanag was also a blacksmith by trade. He put many oxen's shoes on. In order to shoe the oxen he made a sling from deer hide, he then strapped it under the belly of the animal and lifted the oxen off their feet, otherwise they'd kick too much. Mr. Schalme had the post office.

Trees were grubbed by man. The land was plowed with oxen, hay was made with the scythe, raked by hand and made into small piles.

People in the area had building bees. The only way they could survive was by helping one another.

Deer, Partridge, Pin Tail Grouse, beside's domestic animals, potatoes and other vegetables were the staple foods.

Pork was salted and sometimes smoked, wrapped and stored in the grain bin, to keep it air tight, so it wouldn't spoil. In later years it was put into sealers and canned. Wild fruits were dried or put in sealers. (if you had any) Strawberries, Saskatoons, Raspberries and Blueberries.

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Dr. Ross was the family Doctor. Selkirk was the nearest hospital. The children were born in the home. Mrs. Schalme was one of the first Mid-wives. In later years a Mrs. Peterson took over.

Socials were usually in the home. Religious services were held in the Libau East School. W. Zahlis was one of the first ministers. Weddings were at the home of the bride, and were usually a 3-day affair.

They made their own soap from fat and lye. Women carted and spun their own wool for mitts and socks.

We remember the Bennet Buggies. We had one. it sure beat the steel wheel wagons.

Mr. Wanag left Latvia because of political oppressions. He served in the Russian army for 5 years and he also played the trumpet. In the Libau area, he played the accordian for many weddings.

Mr. Wanag had 7 children, 2 died in 1912 from Diptheria. One sister Helen never married. Jack married Marge Packer on Dec. 17, 1929. Irene married Dave Packer on Nov. 22, 1927. Edward married Herta Banks on June 28, 1935. Arthur married Helen Peters on May 6, 1939. Arthur and Helen still live on the original homestead. They have 2 daughters. Peggy Smolinski and husband Ralph live on St. Peters Rd. East Selkirk and Patti Kenny and husband Eugene live in Winnipeg.

Mr. A. Wanag was born 1869, died April 3, 1919. Mrs. Dora Wanag born March 26, 1872, died Aug. 30, 1938.

# WILLIAM LESLIE (LES) AND OLIVE EVELYN (MACLEAN) WARDROP

submitted by Olive Wardrop

The Wardrops moved to the East Selkirk area on Dec. 1, 1971. They purchased the Nelson farm from Jean and Harold, and are pleased to be operating the family farm. Les was born in Whitemouth, Man., on Dec. 18, 1915. He is the only child of the late David Malcolm, and of Mabel Josephine (Cousins) Wardrop.

Olive was born in East Selkirk on Jan. 5, 1920, the fourth daughter of the late Murdoch Daniel and Eva Cameron (Nelson) MacLean.

They were married on Nov. 29, 1941, in Kingston, Ont., where Les was a Captain in the Royal Canadian Signal Corps.

They lived for a short period in Truro, Nova Scotia, and when Les served in the Pacific War in Darwin, Australia, Olive worked in the office at the R.M. of St. Clements.

At War's end, they settled in Wpg., and Les returned to the University of Manitoba to complete his second degree, in Civil Engineering. He had graduated in Electrical Engineering in 1939.

After seven years as Engineer of Water and Sewerage for the City of Winnipeg, he formed a Consulting Engineering firm in 1955, and semi-retired from the Company in 1980.

During the twenty-five years spent in Wpg., Les contributed to many organizations. He was on the Citizen Advisory Board to the Salvation Army; conducted their Red Shield Appeal for two years; and, acted as President of the Board for two years. He is presently a



Olive and Les Wardrop.

member of the Board of the Misericordia Hospital. In 1972 he was appointed as a Director of the Royal Canadian Mint, at a time when the Federal Government was planning to build the Mint in Wpg. Les was President of the Professional Engineers of Manitoba; the Canadian Institute of Sewerage and Sanitation; the Industrial Development Board of Wpg., and, the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce.

At present he is Chairman of the Manitoba Regional Enterprise Development Board, and chairs the Provincial Building Standards Board. Les is a member of the Wpg. Rotary Club and the Wpg. Executive Club.

He enjoys farming, golf, and attending Baseball and Hockey games when his grandchildren participate.

Prior to her marriage, Olive worked as a Secretary at the Great-West Life Assurance Company. She has been an ardent Volunteer; with the Home and School Association, Community Clubs, her Church, Meals-On-Wheels and Marina Creations (a service to the Homebound handicapped). She was President of the Professional Engineers Wives Association, on the Executive of the Inner Wheel Club of Wpg., and was on the Board of the Middlechurch Home. Both the Wardrops worked tirelessly on the Campaign to raise funds to build an Activity Centre at the Middlechurch Home.

Olive's favorite pastime is playing Bridge. Their three children are all married: Terry to Sheilagh Molloy. They live in Whitemouth, and have three children, Jamie, Robbie and Brenna.

Jeff is married to Janice Hunton. They live in Ottawa, Ont., and have two children, Sean and Shannon.

Cindy is married to Larry Malazdrewicz. They live in London, Ont., and have two sons, Scott and Bradley.

#### WARRENCHUK FAMILY

submitted by Shirley Onishko

The Warrenchuk family of East Selkirk, Man. stems back to 1909 when Kiprian Wawrynczuk bought 10 acres of land on Frank Street for \$500.00.

Kiprian who had been born in 1883, was the son of Nicholas Wawrynczuk and Eudocia Baron of Sokol, Austria who had come to Canada in 1903 or 1904. Eudocia was born approximately in the year 1854.

After working on various railroad jobs in Canada and the United States, Kiprian headed for Alaska to try his hand in the great "Gold Rush."



Eudocia Wawrynczuk (nee Baron) Kiprian's mother.



Kiprian and Christina Wawrynczuk taken on their wedding day, Feb. 8, 1912.



Left: Christina Wawrynczuk on a trip to Winnipeg.



Michael, brother of Kiprian and Christina.

His father, Nicholas, a ranking horse soldier in the Russian Military, accompanied Kiprian to Canada. Nicholas worked on various jobs and then returned to the "old country" to bring back his son Michael to Canada. Michael was the younger brother of Kiprian and established a home, eventually, at 1051 Manitoba Ave. in Winnipeg. It is said that Michael's kind and generous ways allowed many a new immigrant family to get their start in this country. His home, it was said, was almost like a hotel and there would often be 3 or 4 people staying with him until they could afford homes of their own.

In the meantime Kiprian had accumulated enough wealth in Alaska to return to Winnipeg and live with his brother Michael and father Nicholas until he located the farm in East Selkirk.

After purchasing the 10 acres in 1909, Kiprian and Nicholas broke the land with oxen. A home was purchased in Libau, Man., dismantled and shipped to East Selkirk in 1911.

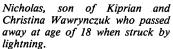
This home stood 3 storeys tall. To look at it in the 1970's before it was dismantled certainly gave one an appreciation for our forefather's strength and ingenuity.

On Feb. 8, 1912, Kiprian married Christina Soloducha who was the daughter of Lucas Soloducha and Mary Bahniuk. Christina had been born in Sokol, Western Ukraine in 1895 and was only 17 at the time of her marriage but said that she was 19 in order to ensure the marriage. Amazingly, Christina had to wait an additional two years for her Canadian Pension in the late 1950's and early 1960's as her marriage certificate was the only document recording her age.

Kiprian and Christina had five sons born to them, Nicholas (who died in 1932), Peter, Walter, John and Clarence. There are 13 grandchildren and 4 greatgrandchildren.

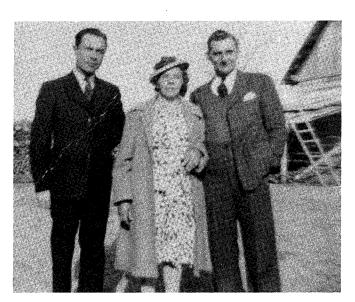
Nicholas Jr. the first son of Kiprian's, died in 1932 at the age of 18, after being struck by lightning. A family tragedy that saddened Kiprian and Christina.

Kiprian had a great love for horses as did his father, Nicholas who had been a Cossack horse soldier in the Russian Military. Kiprian always took great pride and care of his horses.





Nicholas and Peter Warrenchuk first two sons of Kiprian and Christina.



Peter and Christina Wawrynczuk and John Kisko.

Kiprian passed away on Dec. 14, 1971 at the great age of 88 years with interment to the Parish cemetery in East Selkirk.

Kiprian was a member of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ukrainian Catholic Church in East Selkirk and a life long pioneer member of the Ukrainian Home and Reading Society since its inception in 1920. Kiprian and his family are well remembered and loved by the residents on the east side of the Red River.

## THE MICHAEL WASYLYK FAMILY

an interview with Mrs. Tekla Wasylyk

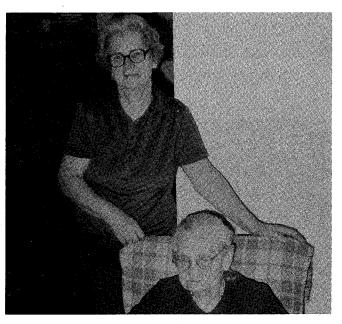
Although the family does not reside in the Municipality of St. Clements, they are among our oldest pioneers and Mrs. Wasylyk will be 100 years old in June, 1983. She resides with one of her daughters in Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wasylyk came to Canada in 1904, from the Ukraine, seeking a better living. They came to St. Clements and Narol because Mr. Wasylyk's brother John and his family, and also a cousin Mr. Stephen Nebozenko, were already there.

They came by boat, then by train to East Selkirk to the Immigration Building, and then to Narol, walking until they met a man who gave them a ride to their relatives in Narol.



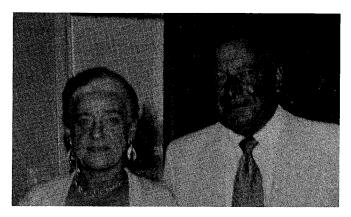
Mike and Tekla Wasylik's 50th anniversary, Mr. and Mrs. Steven Nebozenko.



Mrs. Tekla Wasylik age 100 pioneer of Narol. She was born June 7, 1882 shown with her daughter Alexina Bahry.

With Michael and Tekla Wasylyk came their oldest son, Joe, who was two years old at the time.

Mr. and Mrs. Wasylyk made their lifelong home on Lot 230 in Narol on Henderson Highway. While waiting for their first home to be built, they stayed with Mr. Wasylyk's cousin, Stephen Nebozenko. Mrs. Wasylyk



Harry and Erma Wasylyk.



Back Row, Left to Right: Norman Button, Tom Weseen, Wendy Weseen, Ron Wasylyk, Neil Kilburn and James Kelso. Front Row: Patricia Button, holding Claire, Anne and Mike Wasylyk, Juliette Kilburn and sons Scott and Michael, Louise Kelso and daughter Sarah, 1982

reminisces about construction of their first home built by their own labour and the help of relatives and neighbors. Mr. Wasylyk did many jobs while clearing the land they purchased for farming. He was a well repair man who also worked on the construction of the Lockport Bridge and Henderson Highway. Later they turned to market gardening which they did until Mr. Wasylyk passed away in 1968.

To the many Ukrainian pioneers, church was a very important part of their life. Mrs. Wasylyk talked about her husband carrying their Easter bread to be blessed in the St. Vladimir and Olga Church which was 12 to 15 miles away in Winnipeg. She stayed home because the children were small and the only means of transportation was walking, later by oxen or horse. They also went for their supplies in Winnipeg.

Their closest doctor was in Selkirk and, in the summer, they would row a boat across the river (because there was no bridge) to a phone to call the doctor and he would come to call with horse and buggy.

Through all the trials and tribulations in a new land, with a language barrier and making a living, Mr. and Mrs. Wasyluk raised nine children, seven of whom are living.

They are: son Joe and his wife Kathleen who live in St. Andrews, Man.; Bill, who lives in Vancouver and John and his wife Ida who live in Eden Prairie, Minnesota, U.S.A. Their daughters are Kay and her husband Vic Skulech of Toronto, Ont., Helen and Bill Stelmaschuk of Winnipeg, Mary Jacyk of East St. Paul and daughter Alexandria Bahry of Winnipeg with whom Mrs. Wasylyk lives. Mrs. Wasylyk has 18 grandchildren and 31 greatgrandchildren.

At the time of our interview with Mrs. Wasylyk, she was enjoying good health, visiting, watching television and many memories of a happy home in Canada.

## NICHOLAS WASYLIK

submitted by Anne Wasylik

Nicholas Wasylik and his wife Stella Ogrodnik immigrated to Canada from Komianki, Povit Skalat, Austria, with their four children in 1900. They sailed on the ship called Dominion, which took three weeks to reach Canada. They came to Brokenhead and stayed at the home of John Kerylo, the first winter, and in the spring, bought a farm in Brokenhead.

After a few years farming, Nicholas and Stella moved to Beausejour and bought a home there. Nicholas worked in the Glass Factory. Their children were Kost, Olena, Pearl and Peter. Kost remained in Brokenhead until 1919. He then bought a larger farm in Walkleyburg Sec. SE 14-14-6E. They worked hard to clear the land as it was all in bush.

Kost married Barbara Kulbaba in Brokenhead, Feb. 14, 1905. Barbara came to Canada from Komianki, Povit Skalat, Austria, with her parents and brothers and sisters in 1902, and they settled in Sandhill, Man. Her parents were Metro Kulbaba and Pearl Kucyk and their children were James, George, Luka, Tekla, Barbara, John, Pearl and Bill. They farmed in Sandhill all their lives and their youngest son Bill carried on the family farm when Metro and Pearl retired. Pearl was born in 1859 and died 1943. Metro was born in 1849 and died 1933.

Kost and Barbara had eight children. Mary, Annie, Mike, Paul, Pearl, Peter, Johnny, and William. They attended St. Micheal's Ukr. Catholic Church in Tyndall. After raising their family, they retired at Beausejour in 1945. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June 1955. Barbara was born in 1889 and died in 1961. Kost was born in 1876 and died in 1968. Paul died accidentally in a farm accident at the age of 28 in 1942. Mike carried on the family farm when his parents retired to Beausejour.

Mike was born Sept. 5, 1909. He was Secretary Treasurer for the Bright Star School until it closed. He married Annie Sul, daughter of Samuel Sul and Pearl Bryk of East Selkirk, Nov. 8, 1947 in the St. Mary's Ukr. Catholic Church in East Selkirk. Mike and Annie had five children Patricia Linda, Juliette Rose, Louise Marie, Ronald Michael, and Wendy Anne.

Patricia was born Nov. 24, 1948 and married Norman Button May 11, 1979, in Winnipeg. They have a daughter Claire Marie born May 7, 1980. Norman is a mechanic, and Pat is working for a Real Estate Firm in Winnipeg.



Kost and Barbara Wasylik.

Juliette was born Sept. 11, 1950 and married Neil Kilburn Aug. 1, 1970 in Tyndall. They have two sons, Scott born Oct. 2, 1972 and Micheal, born Aug. 4, 1975. Juliette taught school in The Pas and Flin Flon until they moved to Ontario. Neil works for Ontario Hydro. He was a stationery engineer at the Bruce Nuclear Plant and now teaches there. They live in Port Elgin, Ont.

Louise was born Jan. 2, 1953 and was the first New Year's baby in the Selkirk General Hospital. She married James Kelso July 19, 1975 in Tyndall and they have a daughter Sarah Anne born Sept. 17, 1979 and a son Rhys James born Dec. 12. 1982. Jim taught Computer Science at the University of Manitoba and is now Manager of the Corporate Information Service for the Manitoba Telephone System. They live in Winnipeg. Louise taught school in Winnipeg.

Ron was born Nov. 24, 1955. He is a fork lift operator and lives in Wpg.

Wendy was born June 14, 1960. She married Tom Weseen Dec. 27, 1981 in Calgary. They now live in Winnipeg. Tom is a draftsman and Wendy is a bookkeeper.

Mary Wasylik married Nick Lysey in 1925, Nick served with the R.C.M.P. in Winnipeg until his death in 1948. In 1951, Mary married Peter Ostosh. Peter was a barber. He had two children, Harvey and Mary Anne.

Harvey married Judy Dunstone July, 1958. They had three children, Bradley, Laurie Ann and Jeffrey. Harvey works for the Winnipeg Police Force. Mary Ann married Ted Bicknell March, 1972 in Windsor, Ont. They have two sons Karl and Justin. Ted manages a Fast Food Chain in Winnipeg.

Mary passed away May, 1972. Peter died Feb., 1974.

Anne Wasylik married Clifford Doncaster in Nov., 1937 in Winnipeg. They had two children, Barbara and Gordon. Barbara teaches school in Winnipeg. Gordon married Paulette Senuik Jan., 1963. They had three children Cindy, Glen, and Nancy. Gordon was a detective with the Winnipeg Police Force. Gordon passed



Kost and Barbara Wasylik's 50th wedding anniversary. Left to Right: Head table - Pearl, Annie, Mary, Barbara, Kost, Mike, Peter, Johnny and Bill taken in Beausejour.

away suddenly Sept., 1979. Clifford worked for the Board of Grain Commissioners. He passed away Jan., 1967.

Pearl Wasylik married Kenneth Pratt Nov. 14, 1952. Ken was with the R.C.A.F. They lived in Winnipeg until 1955. Then they moved to Gimli, and lived there until 1957 when they left for Centralia, Ont. They lived in Centralia until 1961, and moved to Saskatoon. In 1963, they moved back to Gimli until 1966. Then they left for Saskatoon, where they still reside. They have a son, Jeffrey born March 10, 1954. Jeffrey married Mary Anna Neves Sept. 1976.

Peter Wasylik married Stella Chorney, June 5, 1947. They have two children, Barry, born Oct. 5, 1951. He is a pharmacist in Winnipeg. Brenda was born, Feb. 13, 1955. She is a registered nurse in Red Deer, Alberta. Peter and Stella owned the Starlight Motel in Swan River for several years. When they sold it, Peter worked for the Abitibi Paper Co., until his retirement in 1981. He was a Credit Union Director for twenty-five years. Stella is a registered nurse in the Swan River Hospital.

Johnny Wasylik married Sophie Gloss, Aug. 30, 1947. They live in Winnipeg. They have three sons, Keith, Warren and Bruce. Keith was born Jan. 20, 1949. He married Elaine Andrews July, 1981, and they have a daughter, Kelsy Sher. Keith is a Provincial Coach for the Ontario Volleyball Association. They live in Toronto.

Warren was born-Sept. 18, 1950. He is with the R.C.A.F. in Ottawa.

Bruce was born Aug. 20, 1954. He is associated with the World Student Games in Edmonton.

Johnny served 4 years with the Royal Canadian Air Service Corp. Then 5 years with the R.C.A.F. and has been a bus driver with the Winnipeg Transit for the last 31 years. He twice won the operator of the month award.

Bill Wasylik married Eleanor Madrzejewski in June, 1948. They live on part of the family farm, NE-11-14-6E, in Walkleyburg. They have four children, Geraldine, Kenneth, Carol and Willie. Geraldine married Ken Smith, June 1971 and they live in B.C. Ken is with the

Forestry Dept., and Geraldine teaches school.

Ken married Merle Kulbaba, Oct. 1978, and they have a son David. Ken is a carpenter and they live in Lockport.

Carol married Bob Olynyk, July, 1978. They have two daughters, Cassi Lynn and Michelle Lee. They live in Edmonton. Bob works for Imperial Oil.

Willie is a diesel mechanic and he lives in Winnipeg.

### WATKO (WOJTKO) FAMILY

submitted by Victor Watko

In 1885, in the Village of Suytaziv, in the Province of Sokal in the Ukraine, (presently occupied by Russia), Denys Wojtko was born. In 1904, at 19 years of age he came to Canada, and then to Winnipeg. Denys came with only three dollars in the leather wallet he carried for over sixty years, and without any knowledge of the English language.

For a number of years he was employed by the railroad, or worked harvesting. Then, in 1908, he purchased his first parcel of land - E 1/2 - SW 1/4 -17-14-6E; and began to clear the 80 acres of bush and swamp with oxen.

Mary Blaschuk was born in 1892 in the Village of Zabuze, in the Province of Sokal in the Ukraine, and came to Canada and Winnipeg in 1908. She married Denys in 1910, and they became parents a year later with the birth of my sister Olga in 1911. Following Olga came the births of: Jean in 1912; Anne in 1914; and Victor, (myself), in 1926.

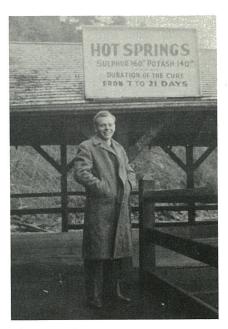
A fairly successful farming operation including a log house and barn blossomed on the 80 acres. In 1924, the adjoining 80 acres of bush was purchased, and in 1927, a new house and barn were built of sawed lumber. The barn was later used for potato storage, and to this date is still in use - currently for grain storage. By this time they had progressed to horsepower, and were the owners of an automobile; soon, a "Titan" distillate burning tractor and a breaking plow were purchased. But through the depression of the 1930's, the tractor was used very sparingly for it was considered to be more economical to work with horses even though "distillate" was only .08¢ per gallon.

By the time my father retired from the farm in 1948, the farm consisted of 400 acres, with 280 acres under cultivation. Farming methods had changed drastically in the 38 + years from 1908 - he had gone from oxen power to horsepower to tractor power. We now raised pigs, chickens, and cattle and worked as many as eight horses on the land.

Mother passed away in 1937. Father passed away in 1972.

When Olga started school, she knew no English, but could say her name. The Teacher did her best to spell the name but missed it by a few letters and so Wojtko became Watko, and so it has carried on to this day.

In 1931, Jean married Steve Jablonski and they farmed in the Mayfield area. Jean and Steve moved to East Selkirk in 1948 and Steve worked at the Manitoba Rolling Mills. Later he was employed by the Lord Selkirk School Division. They had five children: Tom, Dennis, Philip,



Victor Watko



Victor Watko and Kenneth and Peggy Waytiuk, 1952.

Eileen, and Grace. Steve passed away in 1970; but Jean continues to live in East Selkirk where she avidly pursues her hobby - crocheting. She spends all her waking hours producing beautiful afgans, cushion tops, and a variety of other pieces.

Tom Jablonski was born in 1932 and married Carol Marchak in 1954. They have two children, Debbie and Brent, and reside in Winnipeg.

Dennis Jablonski, born in 1933, married Adeline Popowich in 1956 and had three boys, Derek, Douglas, and Todd; (Derek passed away in 1975). They reside in Winnipeg.

Philip Jablonski, born in 1937, passed away at one year of age.

Eileen Jablonski was born in 1940. She became Eileen Lysiachuk in 1960 upon her marriage to Terry Lysiachuk. They reside in Brandon and have three girls, Diane, Carla, and Susan.

Grace Jablonski, born in 1943, married David Hosford and had one son, Tim. Grace, later married Ed Jablonski. They have a daughter Lisa, and live in Selkirk.

In 1932, Olga married John Haverluck. Olga and John lived in Savant Lake, Ontario where John operated a freight service to the local gold mines. They had two daughters, June and Ethel. Olga passed away in 1940 and John in 1963.

June Haverluck, born in 1934, married Ray Parnell and reside in Fort Francis, Ont. They have four daughters, Susan, Valerie, Allison, and Carolyn.

Ethel Haverluck, born in 1936, married Bud Malmo and they live in Kenora, Ont. Their four children are, Lori, Robyn, Randi, and David.

Anne lived in Toronto until 1947 when she moved to Vancouver, B.C., where she operated her own sewing shop until her retirement. Presently, Anne is involved with Senior Citizens Groups.

I, Victor, attended Lilydale School as did my sisters before me. In 1949 after my father retired from the farm, I experienced my first year of farming; and that year I worked the land totally with a tractor, and harvested with a combine. Then in the early 1950's I cleared the balance of the farm and began, in 1956, to grow potatoes commercially.

In 1959, I was elected to the St. Clements Municipal Council, and I served as the Councillor for Ward 4 until retiring in 1966. I was appointed to the Board of the Manitoba Vegetable Marketing Commission in 1968; and in 1972, I was elected Chairman of the Board. I remained in that position until 1978. Then in 1980, my friend and the long-time Reeve of the Rural Municipality of St. Clements, Max Dubas, passed away suddenly; in the 1980 election I was elected Reeve and I am in that service at this time, (March 1983).

Anne Waytiuk was my "girl next door". Anne was widowed in 1958 when her husband Peter died ac-



Victor and Anne Watko.



Victor and Anne Watko, Kenneth and Peggy and Russel May 7, 1960.

cidentally at the Manitoba Rolling Mills in Selkirk, his place of employment. She was the daughter of Bill and Mary Stiahar of Libau, Man. In 1960, I married my "girl next door" and became Dad to Kenneth, age 17 years; Peggy, age 12; and Russel, 7. Our daughter, Denise, was born to us in 1961.

Kenneth married Donna Kostiniuk in 1965 and they have three boys, Darren, Dale, and Kevin. They live in East Selkirk.

Peggy married Dennis Craplewe in 1968, and they reside near our farm. Their two boys are Todd and Scott.

Russel married Judy Hartenburger in 1973. They live on the farm with their two children, Kerri and Kelly.

Denise is single and lives and works in Winnipeg.



Victor, Denise and Anne Watko.

Life has been good to us. We've been able to work in the field of our choice - which is farming. I have been allowed to serve my fellow man in various ways and civic capacities; and, for this, I want to thank the People of St. Clements.



Left to Right: Standing Mary Waytiuk (Mrs. Alex), Mrs. Hicks sitting Mrs. Justina Demchuk (Mrs. John), Baby Peter Waytiuk.

## **ALEX AND MARY WAYTIUK**

Alex Waytiuk came to Canada from the Ukraine in the year 1900, to Winnipeg. He worked for a time for C.P.R. then bought a farm in Walkleyburg and married Mary Demchuk. There their seven children; Harry, Metro,



Mr. Alex Waytiuk and his wife Mary nee Demchuk.



Left to Right, Front: Jean Waytiuk, Katie Nowosad, Nellie Waytiuk, Mary Waytiuk, Annie Waytiuk, Annie Demchuk, Alex Strick. Back Row: Mac Waytiuk, and friends, 1925.



July 5, 1953. Kenneth, Peter, Anne. Front: Peggy and Russel.



Left to Right: Todd, Scott, Peggy and Dennis Craplewe.



Russel and Judy Waytiuk, Kerri and Kelly.



Kenneth, Darren and Donna Waytiuk with Kevin and Dale in front.

Annie, Mary, Nellie, Peter and Jean, were born and got schooling in the Lilydale School. They walked for 2 1/2 miles to school every day.

Harry worked away for many years and settled in Selkirk where he married Lillian Anderson and they had nine children, Denis, Jim, Ed, Brian, Valdine, Lloyd, Carl, Allan and Kevin.

Dmetro stayed single.

Annie married Metro Typliski and had three children, Fred, Victor and Adeline.

Mary married Metro Markewich and had three daughters, Phyllis, Shirley and Connie.

Nellie married Mike Markewich and they had three children, Florence, Albert and Sylvie.

Peter married Ann Skihar and they had three children, Kenneth, Russel and Margaret (Peggy).

Jean married Dave Kosack and had two children Evelyn and Don.

Alex Waytiuk died 1949 and Mary in 1977, both were buried in East Selkirk Cemetery. Metro died in 1975 and is buried in East Selkirk Cemetery, and Peter in 1958 and is buried in Mapleton Cemetery.

### **KLYM AND LUCY WAYTIUK**

submitted by Cathy Waytiuk

Lucy Kacoper born Oct. 30, 1887 and Klym Waytiuk 1883/1884 were born in the same village in the Ukraine, Babiotyn, Sokal, about twelve miles from the city of Lviv. Both came from farming backgrounds.

A family friend who came from the same village and who recalls the couple's wedding in the old country, Mrs. Mary Omelian, helped give this account of their personal history.

Klym came to Canada about 1909 or 1910. He arrived in Montreal by boat and travelled by train to Selkirk. He stayed with his brother Alex at Walkleyburg.

The spelling of Klym's last name in the old country was "Wojtik", but it was changed to "Woychuk" when he came to Selkirk. Later, in about 1928, when the couple moved to Mayfield, the name took on the spelling "Waytiuk" and that is how it is written today.



Klym Waytiuk and his wife Lucy holding baby Annie (father and mother of Harry Waytiuk).

After Klym left the Ukraine, Lucy went to work in the fields in Germany to save enough money to come to Canada. In about 1912, she did come to Canada and found her way to her brother-in-law's home, surprising her husband by her unannounced arrival.





Klym Watiuk family, Nellie, Mary, Pearl and Lillian.

Lucy and Klym Waytiuk, 1937 Mayfield.

Shortly after, Klym and Lucy moved to Selkirk where they started market gardening on their own and worked for other market gardeners as well.

Klym worked for a time with the C.P.R. and for a time at the Steel Foundry.

They bought a quarter section of land in Grandview, Man., where they stayed for three years, during which time they experienced three consecutive crop failures. They returned to Selkirk and rented a lot immediately north of the Red Feather farm and began market gardening once again. Demand for fresh produced had become greater because of the establishment of the farmer's market on Derby Street in Winnipeg.

The couple made enough money to buy a 10 acre farm in Mayfield in about 1927-28 and soon after bought the adjoining 10 acres of land from a retiring couple, Mr. and Mrs. Yablonski. They also bought a Model T truck.

The soil was productive and with Lucy's knowledge of gardening, which she had gained in the old country, their crops flourished.

Lucy knew how to grow vegetable seeds and they were able to sell these at the market stand. They sold honey, as well, from bees they kept on their property.

They had ten children:

Nellie (deceased) married Mike Rebizant. They lived in Selkirk, Man. and had two children, Robert (who died in infancy) and Peter.

Harry (deceased) m. Catherine Peterson; East Selkirk, Man.; Clifford, Carole and Audrey.

Henry m. Ollie Mirecki (deceased) and remarried Hazel Philbrow; Winnipeg, Man.; Gary and Judy, both from first marriage.

Mary (deceased) m. William Mirecki; Winnipeg, Man.; Patricia, Doreen, Sandra and Dolores.

Fred (died in childhood).

Pearl m. Matthew Bates; Winnipeg, Man.; Raymond, Lorna and Allan.