

Evelyn & Murray McAulay.

Fuchs of Winnipeg. In 1991 we started spending our winters in Texas and enjoying our summers at home with our children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and we also love to drive around looking at the crops.



Murray & Evelyn, Judy, Joanne, Bill, Evelyn (Lyn), Roberta, Greg, Marilyn McAulay – 1994.

Our eldest child Judy married Ron Streich of Clandeboye, they have two sons, Paul and Todd. In 1976 after Ron's untimely death, Judy married Ian Moar of Selkirk and they have a daughter Wendy and reside in Winnipeg Beach. Ian also adopted Judy's sons. Joanne married Robert Butting of Selkirk, they have two sons, Mark and Ryan, and live in Edmonton, Alberta.

Bill married Andrea from out East, they have three children; Sean, Lindsay and Patrick. They live in Scarborough, Ontario.

Evelyn (Lyn) married Alfie Kotowich from Highway #8, South, they have two children, Rhonda

and Calvin. For many years, they lived in Thompson, Manitoba, but now reside in Selkirk.

Roberta married John (Ron) Kotowich of Highway 8 (cousin to Alfie). They have three sons; Jamie and Michael (twins), and Ronnie. In 1987 they moved a mobile home on the family farm, where they still reside.

Gregory McAulay has three daughters; Ashley (in Selkirk), Brittany and Amanda (twins) in Richmond, British Columbia. He is very active in curling and in 1998 made his family and district proud by representing British Columbia in the Brier. He started curling in Petersfield at the age of nine.

Marilyn, our youngest, married Jeff Flett of Selkirk and they bought the family home from Edith McAulay, her grandmother who at that time left the farm to reside in the Knight's Centre in Selkirk. Marilyn and Jeff have two children, Kyle and Kerri.



Edith McAulay on her 100th birthday with Murray & Evelyn's four daughters – Evelyn (Lyn), Roberta, Judy & Marilyn, Edith's sister – Irene, and sister-in-law – Mary McAulay.

Mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother Edith McAulay now resides in the Betel Nursing Home at Selkirk. On the 21st of February 1999, she celebrated her 100th birthday.

When we first came to the farm, our children were always closing the door loudly and I asked her if it bothered her and she said "Heavens no, I never heard anyone else's door close before;" they had no next-door neighbours.

One of her great sayings, that we will all remember, is: "Are you for glad you came Maggie, I sure are."

That is how we feel about living on the farm.

McDonald, Cecil and Eva by the McDonald Family

Cecil McDonald was born in the Clandeboye district on June 24, 1917, the son of Donald and

Isabella McDonald. Cecil grew up and helped on the family farm and when he married Eva Cavanaugh, on September 29, 1945, he and his new bride stayed on the farm until 1946 when they moved to Selkirk. Nineteen forty-six also brought their first daughter Lynn, who later married Barry Carter and lives in Lac du Bonnet. Lynn is the librarian in Lac du Bonnet, while Barry is retired. Lynn and Barry have one grown up daughter, Diana, who lives in Winnipeg.

While in Selkirk, in 1948, Cecil and Eva's first son Rick was born. Rick is single and lives in North Vancouver where he is a systems programmer for B.C. Liquor Distribution Board.

Cecil worked for North American Lumber who sent him, Eva, and their family to Saskatchewan where they lived for three years. In those three years Cec and Eva had another son and daughter. Doug was born in 1949 and now lives in North Vancouver with his wife Sharron Lorenzten and daughters Jessica and Britney. Doug is a mechanic for BCAA.

In 1950 Donna was born. She now lives in Okanagan Falls, British Columbia with her husband Willie (Leslie) Kirkness. Donna and Willie have two grown up children, Carrie Lynn who lives in Kelowna, and Jay who lives in Okanagan Falls. Jay has a little girl, Kalee. Donna works for Revenue Canada and Willie is a miner.

Cec and Eva then returned to Selkirk where Cec worked for Hooker's Lumber for 17 years. But Cec and Eva's family was not complete as they added two more sons and two more daughters.

Brent was the first addition upon their return to Selkirk. Brent was born in 1953 and now lives in Clandeboye with wife Conni Cartlidge and children Ari, Mary and Joe. Brent is a teacher in Berens River and Conni teaches at Red River College.

In 1956 Colleen was born. Colleen now also lives in Clandeboye with her husband Dale Waterman and their three children, Dana (and husband Christian Donig) Chris and Mandy. Colleen works at the Selkirk Mental Health Centre as an administrative secretary while Dale is the production superintendent at Mandak. Cec and Eva's youngest daughter Shelley was born in 1958. Shelly also lives in Clandeboye with her husband Bruce Alexander and their children Ian and Heather. Shelley is a substitute teacher while Bruce works at the Manitoba Rolling Mills. Cec and Eva's last addition was a son, Scott. Scott was born in 1961. Scott is single and he lives on Gabriola Island, British Columbia. Scott is a boat builder.

After 17 years with Hooker's Cec went to work at Manitoba Hydro for 13 years until his retirement in 1982.

Cec and Eva moved to St. Andrews in 1973. Since his retirement, and Eva's retirement in 1987, they have enjoyed their family and travelling; in Canada, the USA and one great trip to Scotland. When Cec left Clandeboye he told Garth Foster, who joked about getting rid of him, that he would send his kids back. Little did Cec know how true those words would be as three of their children and eight of their 13 grandchildren now live in Clandeboye.

Cec and Eva now reside in the Parish of St. Andrews on an original river lot that has been in Cec's family for over a century-and-a-half. Cec and Eva will have enjoyed 54 years of marriage in September 1999. They continue to enjoy their family of four girls and four boys, 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph 9-15-4E

Joseph and Eva McDonald moved to Clandeboye following their marriage in St. Andrews-on-the-Red in 1886 and made their home on the bank of Wavey Creek near the Kepiegun Post office. Both Eva (short for Eveline) and Joe had roots far back in the history of Manitoba – well before the formation of the province in 1870 and were descended from Hudson Bay Company employees. Eva's Father, Dr. Henry Beddome was an English surgeon to the Hudson Bay Company at York Factory where she was born in 1862. When she was three, she traveled to St. Andrews by York boat with her parents and a sister and her father established his medical practice there. She was educated at Miss Davis Ladies School in St. Andrews and attended church at St. Andrews-on-the-Red. Joe was born near Lockport in 1859 – son of Frances nee McCorrister and Murdoch McDonald who worked for the Hudson Bay Company. Joe freighted in the 1885 North West Rebellion.

Life was hard for all settlers but they were self-reliant, worked hard and made life-long friends with their closest neighbors – the Sutherlands, Palans, Leasks, Johnstones, Prudens, Kirknesses, and McNabbs. They were proud to be part of a good community spirit in the growing village of Clandeboye and be involved in the building of a school, Presbyterian church, and community hall. They enthusiastically joined in the social activities associated with them.

Eva and Joseph had nine children: Frances, Belle, Alex, Rod, Roy, Hugh, Chester, William, and Dorothy. They enjoyed a close family life that was enhanced by their love of music. Joe had a good bass voice and sang in the Presbyterian (later



Mr & Mrs Joseph McDonald & family. Back row – Joe, Eva, Alex, Rod, Roy, Hugh, Chester. Middle row – Dorothy, William. Front row – Frances, Belle.

United) Church choir. Both he and Eva were Charter Members of the Church. Eva taught all her daughters to play the organ while Alex and Rod were self-taught on the violin and Chester on the banjo. They were all good singers and dancers and provided many local dances with music also – Rod or Alex on the violin and Frances (Fay) or Belle chording on the piano. Several of them were accomplished at the Red River jig. They often had a dance party at their home with their neighbors joining in the fun. Frances played the organ in the United Church in Clandeboye for over forty years and was organist at countless weddings and funerals. The family also loved to gather around the organ at home for a sing-song.

Alex became a blacksmith, had his shop on the farm, and was considered one of the best in the district. Whoever came to get work done was always welcomed at the house for a cup of tea, or often a meal and always good conversation. He was also an excellent carpenter and instrumental in the building of Clandeboye Community Hall. Roy and Alex enjoyed playing hockey and soccer and the whole family enjoyed spectator sports and loved card games – mainly cribbage and whist. Hugh and Rod served in World War I – Hugh in the navy and Rod in the infantry. Sadly, William contracted childhood diseases and the resulting high fevers left him mentally handicapped the rest of his life. It was a great sorrow to the family. Rod and Chester emigrated to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, U.S.A., early in the 1920's where they each married and raised their families. Roy married Ilo McHaffie from Swan River and Dorothy married Stanley Kirkness from Clandeboye. They remained in Clandeboye and raised their families there. Alex, Roy, and Hugh continued to farm under the name of McDonald Bros., adding two more farms to the original grant land.

Eva and Joseph's home was always a welcoming place and they loved having company. Besides their own children, Eva's three nephews and a niece (Beddome's) spent each summer at Clandeboye with them after their own mother died. They also, in time, had eleven grandchildren and took a keen interest in them.

Joe died in 1932 (age 73) and Eva in 1953 (age 93). Both are buried in the United Church Cemetery at Clandeboye. They have left their descendants with a wonderful heritage.

See: Beddome, Dr. Henry

McDonald, Roy and Ilo 8-15-4E

Ilo McHaffie and Roy McDonald met in 1920 when Ilo, with a newly acquired BA from Wesley College (now the University of Winnipeg) and her teaching credentials, accepted the job as principal of Clandeboye School. She was twenty-one years old. The school was only five years old, a handsome three classroom building of Tyndall limestone. Clandeboye, being handy to Winnipeg and Winnipeg Beach, had daily train service and was considered a choice location for teaching. She was impressed immediately with the friendly people and great community spirit. There were always social events like dances, skating parties, hockey games, concerts, and numerous church activities. Being a teacher meant church attendance as an unwritten clause of your contract – this, however was an ingrained trait of Ilo's, having been raised in Swan River by staunchly religious parents. She met Roy during her first year in Clandeboye.



Roy & Ilo McDonald.

Roy was born and raised in Clandeboye – the fifth child of Eva and Joseph McDonald. As a young man he excelled in sports, particularly hockey but also track and field. Farming was the primary occupation but he also owned and operated a threshing outfit – powered by steam engine – and worked locally and in Western Manitoba. He loved music and also had a great interest in hunting, fishing and trapping.

Following their marriage in 1925, Roy and Ilo rented several houses in Clandeboye before moving into their own home near Wavey Creek, one mile north and one mile west of the village. Five children were born: Betty, Dorothy, David, Josephine and Ian, who, as their father, all acquired the nickname of Strippy at school. This nickname evidently arose from Roy's partiality to striped clothing. As there were so many Mrs. McDonalds in the district, Ilo became known as "Mrs. Roy". She was also known for her entertaining hobby of teacup-reading, which added to many social occasions. Roy was on the Clandeboye School board for many years and served as Board Chairman. Both he and Ilo were involved in the United Church activities – Ilo as an elder, one of the first female elders in Canada. They looked forward to the various social activities in Clandeboye – Field Day, Fall Turkey supper, Eaton's Tea, Christmas concerts, Winnipeg Beach picnic, and countless whist drives and dances. During the war years, a bomb was dropped in the field about 100 yards from the house – similar to the errors in the Village of Clandeboye – instead of at the Ridgely Bombing Range west of Clandeboye in the "Bog". This, however, did not deter Roy and Ilo from welcoming many servicemen to a home-cooked farm dinner often specializing in venison or wild goose. Ilo was also a blood donor for the war effort. In 1945, Ilo's Mother, Mrs. McHaffie, came to live with them and became an integral part of the family. Growing up near Wavey Creek was a big part of the children's lives. There was swimming in the summer, skating in the winter and fishing in the spring, and many wonderful treats of homemade ice cream using ice from the Creek. A tradition on New Years Eve was Roy firing the rifle or shotgun—"shooting the New Year in" – from the back porch at midnight. We would eagerly listen for similar shots from Brimacombe's, Uncle Stan Kirkness, the Pruden's, and McNabbs – the sound easily being carried in the crisp, cold air. For the children, living near Grandmother's and aunts and uncles was a big benefit – not only were they caring relatives but they also encouraged and took great interest in our endeavors. There was usually a bit of pocket change for a good report card or to spend at the Beach picnic.



Four generations – standing: Betty Hudson, Roy McDonald. Seated: Eva McDonald holding great-granddaughter Edith Hudson.

Betty married Norman Hudson of Winnipeg; 5 children.

Dore married Les Price of Sarnia, Ontario; 2 children.

David married Jean McPheeters of Calgary, Alberta; 2 children.

Josephine – unmarried.

Ian married Sylvia Harvey of Oakbank, Manitoba; 2 children.

Roy and Ilo sold the farm and moved to the village of Clandeboye in 1962 and enjoyed happy retirement years. They celebrated their 50th Anniversary in 1975. Their traditions of hospitality and neighbourliness have been passed down to their descendants who are now living throughout Canada, the U.S. and Australia.

See also: McDonald, Joseph and Eva Beddome, Dr. Henry

The McIvor Family by Marquita McIvor

Many changes have taken place in the McIvor family since the book "Beyond the Gates of Lower Fort Garry" was published in 1981.

The three McIvor brothers, Glen, Jim and Bruce

(3rd generation in Canada) continued to farm until the early 1980's. In 1983, the farm land, after being farmed continuously by the McIvors since 1868, was sold to Mr. Wensel Preun. Glen passed away in September, 1980, Bruce in January, 1984 and Jim in September, 1984. Their two sisters, Rena Fyles and Frances Hay lived in the old McIvor home till 1992.



Some members of the McIvor family – Frances Hay, Mary Wensley, Rena Fyles, Nell Hastie, Norman & Jess McIvor, Tina Smith, Aileen McIntosh, Marquita & Jim McIvor.

After the death of their parents, (Frances in November, 1954 and Duncan in May, 1957) several of “the girls”, as the McIvor sisters were called, would come home to live and help out. Tina was the first to return after her husband Jack Smith passed away. She attended to all the hard work that life on a farm entails, as well as nursing both of her parents in their final years. Frequently though, other sisters, namely, Beth, Mary, Minnie and Edie would come and lend a hand too. Three were trained as nurses but all were very capable.

Rena and Frankie lived and worked for a time in Selkirk. As Tina's health began to deteriorate they came home to keep house and take care of their aging siblings as one by one they became ill. We remember our two aunts visiting and caring for three of their family members in three different places at the same time – Tina in the Red River Place Personal Care Home, Jim at the Health Science Centre in Winnipeg and Bruce at the Selkirk General Hospital. We know this was a terrific strain on them at the time, but not once did we hear a word of complaint or self-pity from them.

Rena and Frankie now live in an apartment in Selkirk. They enjoy visiting, their church activities and take an active interest in family, friends and current events.

Anyone who has ever known or met this pioneer family will attest to their kindness, warmth and gen-

erous hospitality. No matter how busy they were, or what time of day or season of the year, you would always be sure of a nice friendly welcome. If it was close to dinner or supper, you would be invited to join them. At other times, out would come a tasty lunch of freshly baked bread, homemade jams and butter or cake and cookies. No one ever left there hungry.

“The farm” as it was called by so many was not only a favourite place to visit but also a great place to spend a couple of weeks or an entire two-month vacation. Many nephews and nieces still like to talk about all the fun and good times they enjoyed “down at the farm”.

On one occasion Auntie Mary came from Saskatoon by train with no less than ten of her grandchildren. What a lively ten-day holiday that must have been! It was a big undertaking for a grandmother but she felt it was important for these young people to experience some of the good times that she had had while growing up in this home.

In 1963, Bud (actually Duncan Gordon Ross McIvor – fourth generation) and I and our two eldest children, Mary Lynne and Duncan moved to this area from Bissett, Manitoba. Bud had worked as a mine surveyor in this gold-mining town. I had gone there as a school teacher, taught for a few years, married and began our family.



Bud & son Duncan McIvor with J-5 Bombardier, cutting wood near Whiskey Ditch.

We built our home on the south portion of the McIvor farm, now known as North McIvor Lane. Here two more daughters, Patti and Cathryn were added to our family. Bud's parents, Norman and Jess moved here from Bissett earlier. Their little house was built in 1957, just east of our present home. And so for over two decades the three family households enjoyed many good times together.

Christmas was an especially memorable occasion as fifteen to twenty or more relatives would

gather to celebrate the festive season. Somehow, everyone would be seated at the huge extended table. Usually Auntie Rena would give the blessing, we would take our assigned spots where we would all enjoy a splendid, delicious meal and much lively conversation. Two or three aunties would be hovering around, making sure everyone had enough to eat. Afterwards some of us would gather in the parlour, where Rena, presiding at the organ, would lead us in a sing-song. The men usually took over the kitchen (after the dishes were done that is) where solving the problems of the day seemed to be their main focus.

Living in an area with so many dotting relatives nearby was great for the children. At times the relationships must have been confusing as Mary Lynne once inquired of her Great-Aunt Mary, "Are you my Grandma too?" She already had two Grandmas that she knew about. Sleep-overs at the farm were special too as they would pack their little suitcases to go "on a holiday" only a few yards from their own house.

Our son Duncan James McIvor, his wife Theon and daughter Naomi Frances, live in the old farm home now. Naomi represents the sixth generation of McIvors living on the property since 1863. Their house was built in 1905, although many alterations have been done since. In 1963 a new kitchen, utility room and bathroom were added and part of the old veranda removed. Duncan and Theon have renovated the upstairs completely. The original fieldstone walls in the basement have been re-done as well. This was quite an undertaking, as it entailed removing and numbering each stone and then replacing the stones and new mortar. Rick McIvor, cousin of Bud's and former stone mason, provided the expertise for this project.



Day after the river flooded near McIvors home – Duncan Jr., Marquita, Ricky McIvor and Tonka (dog), April 1996.

Flooding in Manitoba, during the last few years especially, has been a real concern. Actually, the "Flood of the Century" in the spring of 1997 was not a problem in this particular area. However, the spring of 1996 was another matter altogether. The flood gates in Winnipeg were raised before the river down here had broken up. Consequently, there was an ice-jam north of the farm that caused the river to overflow its banks. Homes were flooded to the south and north of us and water was the highest that this family had ever known it to be. The following is an excerpt from an account written by my husband Bud on April 19, 1996:

"The McIvor's have been on this property for 133 years (1863) and I have been told by my grandparents (Duncan and Frances) that this river property has never been flooded. This is still true up till now, 11:00 Sunday, April 19th, 1996. It has been a very close one. Historically, there has never been a flood problem here at the McIvor property.

I believe our problem, regardless of the precipitation and the melt, is directly connected to the Winnipeg floodway. Perhaps a happy medium of floodway gate opening could be struck to help everyone concerned."

Duncan G.R. McIvor (Bud)

The photo taken on April 20, 1996 shows a marker on the left-hand corner that became completely submerged as the water rose. The large maple tree on the right is beside the veranda on the old McIvor house. Left to right in the picture are Duncan, Marquita and Rick McIvor.

Bud and I are enjoying a very active retirement. Our children are all out on their own and really busy as they juggle family, work and home life all at once. Mary Lynne and husband Marc Fabas have two daughters, Caleigh and Keera, and live in St. Boniface. Patti and Alan Vandebossche also have two little girls, Alexa and Eva and live on Harriot Road north of Selkirk. Both Mary Lynne and Patti are nurses.

Cathryn works for a financial company and lives in Winnipeg. Duncan, as mentioned before, lives next door with his wife Theon and a little girl Naomi. He has been employed with The Manitoba Telephone System for fifteen years, which since its privatization in 1996, is now known as The Manitoba Telecom Services.

We feel fortunate that our family lives fairly close by so that we can see them often. And so continues the century-old tradition of strong family ties.

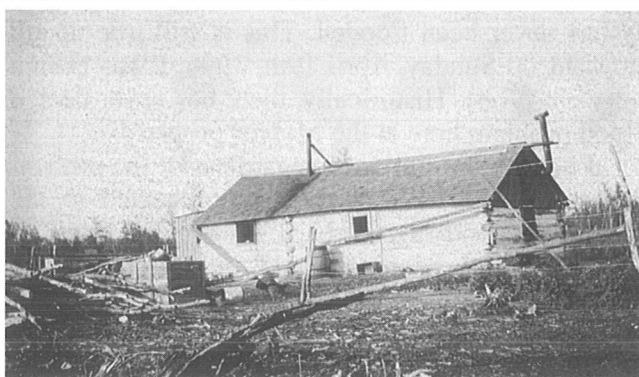
McKenzie, George Sr.

George McKenzie Sr. was born in Owen Sound, Ontario in the year of 1873. At the young age of 12,

George left to work on a farm in Indian Head Saskatchewan. Here he learned to look after the horses, cattle and field work.

In 1887, George returned to Owen Sound for two short years, then moved back to Indian Head, Saskatchewan; however he found the opportunities were not there so he moved back to Mount Royal, Manitoba which is now called Stoney Mountain, where he crushed stones for the streets of Winnipeg.

He returned to the prairies and bought his homestead in 1902 at NE¼ of S 20-17-4E which was approved in 1905. Elizabeth Garland who came from England in 1903, married George in 1905 in Winnipeg. They lived at Mount Royal until moving to the homestead in 1906.



George & Elizabeth McKenzie's Homestead.

The land was solid bush, no roads just a survey line. They cut trees to build a log house and a barn. They cut and sold cord wood to Selkirk and Winnipeg. He built houses for Duncan Ross and others. They opened part of the land with oxen and horses pulling out the stumps, and they had to pick many stones to clear the land for farming. They carried a pail of smoke during the summer months to ward off the mosquitoes and flies. In 1928 a bush fire came from the Petersfield District and burnt off about two feet of top soil and left pieces of stumps and stones. The fire went as far north as Fisher Branch, Manitoba.

George Sr. ran a school bus for Whyteford School. He was a councillor for Ward 6 at the RM of St. Andrews for two years 1913 to 1915. He worked on threshing gangs at MacDonald and Portage la Prairie in the 20's. In the Depression years of the 30's, they sold a five-gallon can of cream for \$2.00 to the Winnipeg Dairy.

George died in 1958; his wife Elizabeth who was born in 1873, died in 1968. George and Elizabeth had four children; Mabel (George) 1906- 1964 who had one son, George (Marion) 1908-1956 who had one son and daughter, Ethel 1910 – died as an infant. Kenneth (Myrtle) 1912 is still living and is retired.



Ken & George McKenzie, George Delaronde, Mabel Delaronde, Elizabeth & George Sr. McKenzie.

Kenneth McKenzie:

Ken helped run the family farm during the Depression. He fished fall and winter on Lake Winnipeg and custom ploughed bushland from Winnipeg Beach to Petersfield. He ploughed some of the land with a Fordson tractor and a wooden beam plow, with handles that you walked behind, they made hay for the cattle and horses in the swamp south of Winnipeg Beach. They sold milk, butter, chickens, eggs and beef to the campers at Winnipeg Beach, Whyteford and Matlock. He worked on the hangers at St. James Airport. He also helped neighbors repair their tractors and equipment. Ken drove a school bus from 1944 to 1950 for the Whyteford School Division. With his own truck, he drove hockey teams from Winnipeg Beach to Selkirk, Winnipeg, Stonewall, Gimli, Riverton and Arborg. Kenneth Neil has three sons: Stan, George, and Harry. Stan (Peggy) had three sons; George R (Sharon) had two sons.

Ken took over the operation of the farm in 1948 and ran the farm with his son George Robert.

Ken, his sons, and George Sr. built the new house in 1951; hydro came to the country points in 1952, which made it easy to operate the home and dairy. In 1952 we started up the dairy selling cream to Winnipeg Dairies that was later sold to Fraserwood Creamery which closed in the 1990's.

George Robert McKenzie, Ken's son, worked at different jobs to help start the dairy. As a jack of all trades, he welded and fixed people's machinery.

In 1985 George R. took over the dairy and farm operation. Ken semi-retired and fully-retired in 1988. Ken is still living at home on the farm. George R. and his wife Sharon still live on the homestead running a cow-calf operation.

McKenzie, Robert and Annie by Betty Klein

This is an update of the Robert and Annie McKenzie family who homesteaded in Matlock.

I am a granddaughter of this family and cherish my childhood memories of growing up in this diverse multicultural rural community. I have always felt that I was a very privileged child to have had experiences usually afforded only to country children and to have lived amongst such a close knit community, which respected, loved and shared so much for the betterment of the community. This was demonstrated many times over when my parents David, born in 1912, and Bessie (Elizabeth) had their pasture and grain fields devastated by the 1950 flood. They had to make the hard decision to sell their herd of Hereford cattle in May, then on June 6 we lost our home, a well-known landmark, to fire. Mr. and Mrs. Caldele generously offered a cabin to live in immediately until Dad pulled up and divided a granary that became "home". This was generously furnished with the necessities of life by all our generous neighbours. Phil and Georgina Krupa, Matlock store owners, gave each member of our family one full set of clothing and included a bathing suit for me which I wore daily. Mom and I worked for them for two years in the lunchroom. We moved to Winnipeg in the fall of 1950 where Dad began full-time work with Hudson Bay Co. as building superintendent, building throughout Northern Canada until his death in 1962 at the age of 59. Mom, (Bessie) then followed her childhood dream and entered LPN nurses training at the age of 52 and was the oldest of her class but graduated in 5th place and worked until age 69 in the Gynaecology department at the Health Sciences Center. She died in 1982 of Cancer.

David and Bessie had two children, Gerald and Elizabeth.

Gerald (Gerry) married Yvonne Buch in 1957. He was a mechanical engineer at the University of Manitoba who specialized in energy conservation, heating and ventilation and was a sought after speaker at conventions across Canada because of his expertise in the field; not a surprising successful career, as this is the young boy who at Whytefold School consistently got 98-100% at every subject; a hard act for his sister to follow. At the time of his death at age 58, due to a malignant brain tumour, he lived in Regina and was employed with the Saskatchewan Government. At his request, he was cremated and his ashes spread on the McKenzie lakefront property at Matlock, his beloved home. Gerry and Yvonne had four children: Donna, Scott, David and John.

Donna lives in Edmonton and holds a Geological Engineering Degree from the University of Saskatoon, and computer programming. She and her husband had three children, Myron age 12, Lynn age 10, Allen age eight. Donna who is recently divorced is back at University completing her 2nd and final year of upgrading to enable her to teach calculus at the high school level.

Scott is a commerce graduate. He lives and works in Saskatoon where he and his wife are proud parents of Anna age two years and Claire age two and a half months.

David has a Commerce and Law Degree. He left his law practice in Calgary two years ago and joined the Foreign Service. He is now trilingual in English, French and Spanish and his wife has just begun a third year posting in Caracas, Venezuela.

John is currently in his 2nd year of computer training and lives at home with his mother in Regina.

I am the second child of David and Bessie, named Elizabeth and called Betty. I took my RN nursing at the Winnipeg General Hospital, now Health Sciences Centre. Married upon graduation, I lived in Toronto for three years and moved back to Winnipeg with my three-week-old son Robert and continued my nursing career. I worked 21 years at the H.S.C. as head nurse on the Gynaecology Unit; the last five years my unit became Oncology-Gynaecology, a special unit for Dr. Krepert. I left this position to care for my mom at home prior to her death and, following this, worked 11 years at the Sharon Nursing Home as their evening supervisor. In 1984 declining health forced me to retire. However, I feel very fortunate to have had so many varied and rewarding experiences during my career of nursing that began in 1957 straight through until 1984. I continue to live in my parent's home in Winnipeg. My son Rob (Robert) who has a degree in environmental studies from the Faculty of Architecture, U. of M. and film and photography from Ryerson in Toronto, works in Montreal for Heritage Montreal.

The other children of Robert and Annie McKenzie were Dulcie, born 1903. She married and had three sons. Gordon owns and operates a very large motel and frontier village with his wife and their three children at Three Valley Gap – just outside Golden, BC. Kenneth married and had five children and owned and operated a motel and gift shop at Radium Hot Springs, BC. Harvey is married with two children and works in telecommunications in Vernon, BC.

Dorothy, born in 1910 married Louis Munro. They have four children. Hugh, born in 1936, owns

a large road construction operation and lives in Winnipeg. He is divorced as is his daughter Colleen who works with her Dad to manage his massive company. Sandra, born in 1942, is married with two daughters, Kimberly and Kerilee. She and her husband Richard live in Winnipeg. Roderick (Roddy), born in 1944, works with his brother Hugh. He and his wife Sandy have three sons, Kevin, who is married, Douglas and Chad. Dan, born in 1946, owns and operates a trucking business in The Pas. He and his wife Trish have two sons Ryan and D'Arcy.

God Bless my Matlock roots. They have served me well. That area is a little piece of heaven and I can well understand what drew my Grandad Robert to that particular property and the view of Lake Winnipeg. Prior to Gerry's death, he and I did a ceremonial walk on our lakefront property, it brought back many happy memories of our childhood – this was a yearly event and I carry it on – I remember swimming all summer, dances in the winter, Dan's Garage with my best friend Richard and field days at Petersfield and my two cherished gold medals I won for combined points on all events; you see, I was the average student and athlete and Gerry was the generous one in our family, he was my hero and my protector.

I am proud to be a descendant of Robert and Annie McKenzie but very disturbed that the road that led to our home property, which was equally donated by Mr. Calledo of San Souci Park and Granddad Robert and named McKenzie Road has now a sign stating it is Warner Road. I live in hope that we will see this road revert to its original name in honour of my Grandfather.

McKenzie, Sharon Jean

My parents are Whilhalmina nee McCumber born 1905 – died 1989 and Nelson Conrod born 1890 – died 1962.

I was born at Brandon Hospital in Manitoba on November 16, 1944. I have two brothers and three sisters.

My parents homesteaded at Shilo in 1926 and when dad got ill, we had to sell our land and cattle. We left Shilo when I was two years old and moved to Winnipeg in 1946 where we farmed till 1953 then moved to 1845 Logan West which was closer into the city for better employment.

Dad worked at odd jobs until he started at Thorkelson's Box Factory full time, while mom got jobs cleaning offices.

Dad passed away in 1962; later my mom married her friend Roy Evans.

I went to Brooklands School and got my Grade eight education. Later in life, I furthered my educa-

tion and got my Grade 10. I married Roy Danielson in 1963, we had two sons – Nelson born on May 23, 1964 and Richard on September 8, 1965. Both our sons live and work in Winnipeg. In 1980, Roy and I were divorced.

My sons and I lived in Stonewall for four years. I worked at Northern Goose and Promo Wear at Teulon. I married Edward Hawrysh in 1983; we were divorced in September 1993.

George McKenzie and I were married October 16, 1993 and live on the McKenzie homestead in St. Andrews, on NE 20-17-4E. George and I are running a cow-calf operation.

Mc Nabb, Geoffrey and Mary by Sandra Eyolfson

Geoffrey Arthur Mc Nabb* was born in the parish of St. Peter's Dynevor, Manitoba, on July 21,



Geoffrey and Mary McNabb – December 23, 1914.

1886, the second son of Jacob and Henrietta Mc Nabb nee White. On December 23, 1914 Geoffrey married Mary Margaret Sutherland, daughter of George Thomas and Annie nee Leask Sutherland in a ceremony at her parents residence in Petersfield, Manitoba.

Geoffrey and Mary established a homestead on SW4-15-4E, on a piece of land given to him by his father. While Geoffrey farmed to support his family, Mary was active in The Wakefield Ladies Aid of St. Georges Anglican Church where she played the organ for 49 years. Their home was a place where friends dropped in for tea and were always welcome. Mary loved company and she would often play the organ at home and have her granddaughter Linda singing church hymns. Geoffrey doted on Mary and calmly smoked his pipe while enjoying the activity that his wife brought into his life.

In those early years life consisted of hard work; the everyday farm chores with water to be hauled and animals to be fed, meals cooked on the wood stove and clothes washed on the scrub board by hand, but no one thought of their life as hardship because this was the way things were. They belonged to a close knit community where neighbour helped neighbour and here Geoffrey and Mary raised three children: Victor Arthur John, born March 18, 1918, married Alice Jeanne D'Arc Bolduc, the daughter of Joseph Georges and Mary Germaine Adele nee Picard Bolduc of Quebec City, Quebec. Their children are; Linda, Sandra, Nadine, Vickie, Cameron.

Roy Eldon Geoffrey born August 11, 1923, married Sigridur (Sigga) Matheldur Ostertag nee Danielson, the daughter of Thorleifur Danielson and Vilhemina Helgason of Hecla Island, Manitoba.

Rose Florence born January 21, 1931.

Mary died suddenly on September 17, 1955 and her passing was a great shock to her family. Geoffrey in the years following Mary's death continued to farm as well as work at the J.R. Heath Fish Processing Plant in Clandeboye which was situated next door to his homestead on the same section of land on which he had lived for most of his life.

Geoffrey passed away at Selkirk, Manitoba on March 6, 1970 after finally retiring in 1967. To the day he died he refused to have his wife's belongings removed from their room – Mary's clothes remained in the closet and her hairbrushes and perfumes on the dresser. Geoffrey and Mary are buried in the St. George's Wakefield Anglican Church Cemetery near Peterfield, Manitoba.

*Note: Spelling of name on Geoffreys birth certificate is "Geofrey Arthur Mc Nab" and on the death certificate is "Geoffrey Arthur Mc Nabb."

Mc Nabb, Rose Florence

by Sandra Eyolfson

Rose Florence Mc Nabb, the daughter of Geoffrey and Mary nee Sutherland Mc Nabb was born in Selkirk, Manitoba on January 21, 1931. Rose grew up on the family farm at SW4-15-4E in Clandeboye, Manitoba and attended school at Clandeboye.

When Rose was four years old she was very ill with a high fever and her family very nearly lost her at that time. It became apparent when Rose started school that this illness had left her mentally handicapped. Her parents were very protective of Rose and she remained at home until after her father had passed away in 1970.

In the early 70's Rose moved to Winnipeg and lived in two different homes before settling in one in which she lived until her death on April 19, 1998.



Rose McNabb, 1994.

Rose was a very loving and affectionate aunt to her nieces when they came to visit for the summer from their home in Berens River. Rose took on the role of mother, assigning chores and telling us when to "go play". After her mother passed away in 1955, Rose did the housekeeping chores that her mother had taught her as best she could, cooking and cleaning for her father and brother. Although unable to talk clearly, Rose was able to express her feelings in other ways. We knew when she was sad or happy, and when she was mad you stayed out of the way. But her anger at us was always short lived and then she would say "I sorry", although it was usually our fault she got mad in the first place. Rose had a fantastic memory when it came to birthdays and dates.

After Rose moved to Winnipeg she worked for many years at Logan Community Ventures and made many friends there. These friends filled a void in Rose's life as in Clandeboye there was not much for her to do and she was a very friendly, sociable person. Rose spent her last years in Winnipeg contented and happy.

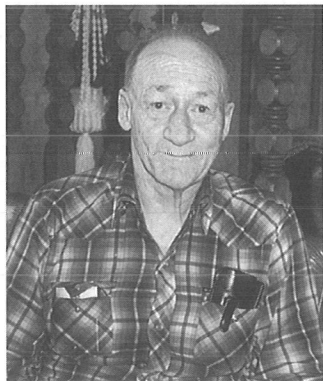
She is buried at St. George's Wakefield Anglican Church Cemetery near Petersfield beside her mother and father.

Mc Nabb, Roy and Sigga by Sandra Eyolfson

Roy Eldon Geoffrey Mc Nabb was born in Selkirk, Manitoba on August 11, 1923, the second son of Geoffrey and Mary nee Sutherland Mc Nabb. Roy attended school in Clandeboye, Manitoba and resided there all of his life. From an early age, Roy farmed with his dad and later worked at the Rolling Mills in Selkirk, drove gravel trucks for Foster Sand and Gravel, and later worked for the Manitoba Government Parks department. On May 1, 1965 Roy married Sigridur (Sigga) Ostertag of Selkirk, Manitoba.

Sigridur Matthildur Ostertag, born January 13, 1912, was the daughter of Thorleifur Danielson of Iceland and Vilhelmina Helgason of Hecla, Manitoba; see *Icelandic River Saga* by Nelson Gerrard 1985. Sigga met Roy while she was employed as a Nurses Aide in Selkirk, Manitoba. After their marriage, Sigga moved to Clandeboye and resided at SW4-15-4E, the Mc Nabb home-stead. Sigga was a strong, hard-working woman who looked after Roy's father and his sister Rose until Geoff passed away in 1970. Sigga passed away on September 3, 1974 and is buried at St. George's Wakefield Anglican Church Cemetery near Petersfield, Manitoba.

After Sigga's death, Roy owned and operated the Clandeboye Restaurant (currently the site of the Clandeboye Deli) where all the local coffee crew congregated. Roy was a very sociable person who loved company and whose friends were very important to him. He is remembered by his nieces as "a softee" when they begged to be taken to the store for soft drinks and ice cream and was known affectionately as Uncle Roy by many community children. Summers spent at Clandeboye were filled with laughter, gentle teasing and freedom and were



Roy McNabb, 1985.

looked forward to with great anticipation by his nieces.

Roy in his later years was disabled after losing a leg while working for the Manitoba Government and although not in the best of health he never complained. He still managed to get out to join the group for coffee and these were important outings for him. Roy passed away suddenly on December 4, 1986 from complications due to diabetes and he is buried beside Sigga at Wakefield Cemetery.

Mc Nabb, Victor and Alice by Sandra Eyolfson

Victor Arthur John Mc Nabb was born on the family farm SW4 Township 15 Range 4E, Clandeboye, Manitoba on March 18, 1918. He was the first born child of Geoffrey and Mary nee Sutherland Mc Nabb. On October 25, 1941, while in Quebec awaiting posting overseas during WWII, Victor married Alice Jeanne d'Arc Bolduc, the daughter of Joseph Georges and Mary Germaine Adele nee Picard Bolduc in a ceremony at St. Matthew's Church. Ten days after their marriage Victor went overseas where he remained for the next four years, returning in August 1945.

When Victor returned from overseas he returned to Clandeboye with his bride and resided briefly at the home of his parents until moving to Winnipeg.



Victor and Alice McNabb – October 25, 1941.

Victor and Alice bought a house on Magnus Avenue and Victor began work as a store detective at Eatons and then worked for five years as a driver for Winnipeg Electric. In 1952 he joined the Manitoba Provincial Government and moved in December of that year to Berens River, Manitoba as a Game Warden. Victor considered the years he spent at Berens as some of the best years of his life. While there he earned his private pilot license and subsequently owned his own aircraft, thus fulfilling a love of flying.

Alice filled her time at Berens River looking after the needs of her family, gardening, preserving, as well as operating the Radio Telephone System that was in use at the time. She was a very active lady who never could sit still. She loved to play cards and the Fisheries Inspectors that regularly docked their boats at Berens soon found out that she was a very good poker player. Victor and Alice were very sociable people and company was an essential part of their life.

But with their family growing, Linda Anne Germaine, born May 29, 1946; Sandra Louise, born October 19, 1948; Nadine Alison, born October 9, 1952; and Vickie Lynn, born May 17, 1960; Victor and Alice moved to Bissett, Manitoba in 1961 where Victor accepted the position of Conservation Officer. On December 22, 1961 Cameron Geoffrey Mc Nabb was born and the family was complete. Here they remained until the next posting to Riverton, Manitoba in 1966 and then on to Winnipeg in 1970. Victor retired in 1979.

Later years in Winnipeg were filled with grandchildren and the house on George Suttie Bay became the meeting point for the entire family.

Linda married Albert David, son of Clarence and Alberta nee Grant Wotton of Birtle, Manitoba on July 26, 1980. Linda, a schoolteacher, now lives in Bladworth, Saskatchewan.

Sandra married 1)Harvey Kenneth Bostom son of Joseph Rubin and Norma Eleanor nee Meade of Manigotogan, Manitoba; their children: Damon Roland born April 11, 1972 and Michelle Allison Renee, born February 22, 1974. 2)Steven Conrad Eyolfson son of Wally and Dorothy nee Page Eyolfson of Riverton, Manitoba; their children: Steven Brady and Joshua Quinn, twins born June 14, 1979 and Jody Vanessa born July 24, 1981.

Nadine married Eric Lawrence Glenn Eyjolfson, son of Herbert and Katherine nee Moroz of Riverton, Manitoba and on January 5, 1972 Micheal Eric Victor was born, followed by Brendan Norman Geoffrey on August 23, 1978.

Vickie married Raymond Elliman Johnson, son of Marvin and Joan nee Johnson Johnson of Hnaua,

Manitoba; their children: Jordan Raymond, May 26, 1981; Jade Anne Keeley, December 8, 1982; Lacey Jaye Victoria, September 5, 1985; Jasymn Alicia Elin, July 19,1992 and Jessa Laine Emma Marie born February 4, 1995.

Cameron married 1) Glenda Stacey Bruce, daughter of Walter Spring and Josie Bruce of Washow Bay, Manitoba; their children: Cameron Cody Victor, November 15, 1985; Walter Chase, November 8, 1989; Kelsey Cole, February 24, 1991. 2) Roxanne Marilyn, daughter of Olafur and Solveig (Solly) nee Grimolfson Thorsteinson of Riverton, Manitoba; their children: Cameron Riley, October 28, 1991 and Morgan Brianne, March 26, 1994.

Alice worked for a time at A&W and at the Royal Canadian Legion in Winnipeg. Victor passed away on September 7, 1983 and shortly after Alice moved to Riverton where she resided until her death on December 2, 1992. Both are buried at Riverton.

While life was not always easy or perfect Victor and Alice taught their children that laughter was truly the best medicine. Victor always gave everyone "the benefit of the doubt" and Alice felt that "what will be will be". They left memories that could fill a book.

The McRae Homestead (SW¼ 35-14-4E) Revitalized

Brenda McRae-Pearson and her husband Don acquired the original McRae homestead located on McRae Road, SW¼ 35-14-4E in Clandeboye in 1994. Brenda is a great-granddaughter of William McRae Senior.

William McRae, Sr., acquired the McRae Farm on December 24, 1904 from George Kingsberry for the price of \$1,000. The house was built with quality workmanship by the original owners/builders at a



The William McRae Homestead revitalized.

time when power tools were not available. Unlike today, mortgage loans were not available so it meant taking risks. The William McRae, Sr. family must have been very interesting people with lots of determination, organization and class. Brenda's motivation to restore the farm and farmstead is spurred from her profound admiration for her great-grandparents.

The McRae house was built with Douglas fir materials, balloon framing, design tin ceiling in the kitchen, wainscot panelling, decorative Victorian-style veranda, and a field stone foundation.

The restoration of the farm house includes: the relocation of the home to a new full basement foundation, the introduction of modern plumbing and electrical systems, the reconstruction of the interior structure from "balloon framing to a post and beam framing system", the introduction of a ground source heating system using well water to heat the home, and the addition of modern insulation, vapour barrier and drywall finishing. In the renovation process, Brenda and Don have taken every opportunity to recover and restore the original finishing such as the baseboards, heat registers, plank flooring and the window and doorframes which are being incorporated into their new home. The redevelopment of the homestead will change the design of the home from the Victorian style to a mid-west ranch house style. The contractors hired to do the home renovations are Pine Creek Homes (Winnipeg), Three Way Builders (Steinbach), Barkman Plumbing and Electrical (Steinbach), Terry's Backhoe Service (Selkirk), Friesen Drillers (Steinbach), and Selkirk Redi-Mix (Selkirk).

Part of the restoration of the farm also included two years of clean-up, introduction of a drainage system, a weed control, and a survey of the boundaries. Brenda credits Brian Kazuk, a neighbouring farmer who leases the land, for the excellent improvements he has contributed to the fields.

Between Brenda and Don they have five children and one grandchild. Although Brenda and Don will be the only family members residing at the farm, they expect there will be plenty of activity and participation on the farm by their children and future grandchildren.

MacFarlane, Donald Murray by Esther Warner

When he was a small boy, Donald MacFarlane came with his parents from Perth, Scotland, to Oak Lake, Manitoba in 1885, where they farmed and raised Aberdeen Angus cattle. They worked the land with oxen.

In 1915, Donald joined the Canadian Army and



Donald & Florence MacFarlane's Wedding in England – 1919.

served in England for three years. Four years later, on January 28, 1919 he married a farmer's daughter Florence Mary Warren in a village called Ilford, near Newton Abbot, Devonshire, England. They came to Canada in June of 1920.

In the fall of 1921, they moved to SE 5-16-4E, a 160 acre all bush farm at Petersfield, Manitoba which they purchased from the Soldier Settlement Board. Later, they bought 80 acres south of the original farm, which made a total of 240 acres. They cleared 120 acres of this land and grew grain. They also had a herd of milk cows and shipped milk. Donald and Florence had one daughter, Esther. Donald passed away in 1945 and Florence in 1966.

Esther was employed by the Unemployment Insurance Commission in Winnipeg from 1955 until 1965. She married Herman Warner on October 9, 1965. Herman was a commercial beekeeper. They resided at Matlock, Manitoba. Herman passed away in 1992.

The south eighty acres of the farm at Petersfield was sold to David Ross in 1947; the other 160 acres were sold to the Netley Colony Ltd. in 1997.

MacLennan, Murdoch

When Murdoch MacLennan came out from Scotland as an employee of the Hudson's Bay Company more than a century ago, he began one of the longest working careers any young Scotsman

ever had in the Northwest. He made two trips to the Arctic, worked on the railroad line and even at the Locks when 84 years of age. His son, Frank MacLennan, who observed his 94th birthday, January 22, 1957, at his home in Peguis, filled in a few of the highlights of his father's life.

Born at Stornoway, Scotland, Isle of Lewis, Outer Hebrides, in 1826, Murdoch MacLennan signed with the Hudson's Bay Company in 1847. He arrived at York Factory in the chartered ship, *Westminster*. During 1847-48 he was at the Island Lake post and continued in the Norway House district until he joined Dr. Rae's expedition of 1853-54.

"Father walked to Edmonton accompanied by Thomas Mistagan, an Indian from the Peguis Reserve here. They crossed to Chesterfield Inlet then on to the Arctic. On one expedition, "they were near starvation many times and if anyone talked about food at these times, the leader, Dr. Rae, threatened to shoot him to ward off any attempt at cannibalism, as they were near to losing their minds at such times. He was away from home seven years that trip."

It was during this expedition that the first news was heard of Sir John Franklin's party. When Her Majesty's government reward for the first to ascertain news of his fate was made to Dr. Rae, MacLennan's share was 260 pounds. At the end of the expedition, Rae presented him as an "excellent servant, and a good hand on a boat, either at sea or on a river." Before he knew of this reward however, MacLennan, had volunteered to join the Arctic expedition under James Anderson and James Green Stewart, and on February 11, 1855, he left with Thomas Mistagan travelling down the Great Fish Back River to make further search for traces of Sir John Franklin's party.

He returned from this second trip to find that his wife, who had been a Sutherland from Parkdale had passed away. Some years later, he married my mother. She was Annie Bird, daughter of James Bird of this district. There were several others from St. Andrews who went north with Dr. Rae, McDonalds and Linklaters and others, "said Mr. McLennan. "They found the sleigh used in the Franklin expedition a few years ago; it was used to carry the boat across the ice."

"Father worked along the railroad line for years. They cut wood for use in the engines when the railroad was going through. I just remember father took some cows along when they camped on open prairie at Winnipeg. Grandfather Bird went along too, to help them to get away. Father went over to see my brother Roderick who was at St. John's College at the time.

"Father worked at the Locks in 1910," said Mr.

MacLennan. "He had hurt his foot while visiting in Scotland in 1896, and gangrene set in his toe. That's what finally killed him in his 90th year.

"I remember when two or three boats and a big barge went down the Red River to Grand Rapids to meet the soldiers coming from the Riel Rebellion of 1885. They had come down the Saskatchewan and had to walk three or four miles across the portage at Grand Rapids to the *Colville* and the *Princess*. Some came in by barge, of course, as there were so many. There was a big crowd to meet them at Selkirk, but they had to walk the rest of the way to Winnipeg as there was no transportation at that time."

Mr. MacLennan has been a fisherman and hauled fish, winter-freighting until the early 1930's and has done roadwork since then. He still does his own chores, keeps a cow, and makes excellent butter and reads a great deal. He hasn't been to a barber for 30 or 40 years and has done his own dentistry. Mrs. MacLennan, the former Mary Olive Telier, died last June. They observed their 55th Wedding Anniversary in 1952.

As the last survivor of the Franklin Expedition, the Free Press interviewed Murdoch MacLennan in 1908. (quote): "The old gentlemen seemed as full of life and fire as men forty years his junior. A bright, fresh-complexioned face covered in a wonderful head of silvery white hair, and a long white beard. He is a man to impress the visitor with the fact that the dangers of the Polar Sea cannot be so great when men survive as hale and hearty as himself, at such a great age."

"It was like this. Dr Rae was a great explorer, and when he went back to England there was a great dispute about King William's Island. Some said it was an island and some said it was the mainland. Dr. Rae was sent to find out and go up the inlet, he said existed. The expedition was sent by the Hudson's Bay Company and was able to take small boats and look for Franklin's party, as well as map the coast about three hundred miles. We went down to York Factory by water and started across to Great Fish River or Back River, they call it both names on the map, and so on down to the mouth. We could not go far, as the "grub" gave out and we had to send some of the men back."

"We wintered in Repulse Bay, where Sir James McLintock wintered some two or three years later and found all about the Franklin party. I lived seven months in a snow hut. We used to keep warm like the Eskimos by sleeping all together wearing hardly any clothes, but all covered on top with clothes so as to keep each other warm. Sleeping bags are no use, any more than gloves in this country. We never washed all the winter. How would you like that?"

We heard about a big boss and some of the men coming ashore there at Point Ogle and on Montreal Island from the natives. We thought it must be Franklin and afterwards McLintock found that Franklin's ships got to that point and some of the men came ashore and 30 died there. An Eskimo woman told me that she saw one man crawling about on all fours and his eyes were turned inward. She said they were dying of starvation, and this man could not walk, he was so weak.

"Afterwards McClintock followed up the news we brought back and found the stern of one of the boats on Montreal Island with the name of the ship on it and two skeletons.

We got lots of relics from the Eskimos. I myself traded with them for 13 gold guineas, some of them of the year that Franklin sailed from England. We also got lots of half crowns and smaller silver. The Eskimos had watches and all sorts of things they had taken from the bodies."

"There was another party formed when we got back and I went with them too. I went across from Norway House to Athabaska River and down the Great Slave Lake and Aylmer Lake and then down the Back River again. Rae was not with us this time, but of course, no survivors. There is one man alive still who was with me on the first expedition, but not on the second, John McDonald. "No, this was not the only time I was in that country. I have traveled a lot. I was mining years ago in the Rockies and I have been up in the Hudson Bay several times. It is a great country. No one knows it but those who have been there. There are no finer harbours anywhere. Look at Churchill. It is a splendid harbour. At high tide you can see the shells at the bottom, the water is so clear. There is deep water for ships and a fleet could winter there. It beats the Russian Port Arthur. The little vessels – sailing ships used to come there regularly. Today, big steamers would have no trouble. There is no fog like on other routes, but you likely know this. There are fish, salmon and great whales spouting and an island of pure marble about 100 miles from Churchill."

"Then there is a great bay – I forget the name of it – west of King William Island and east of Victoria Land. At the mouth of the river there are three little islands and the water is 30 feet deep. It is the greatest thing on earth."

"Do you know that Canada owns the greatest part on earth there? It is 700 miles long and 60 miles broad and reindeer and other big game are as thick as the grass. Seen it – seen it – why man I lived on them."

Note: Two of Mr. MacLennan's expeditions in the north were of seven years duration. MacLennan

Crossing, near Parkdale is named after Donald MacLennan, youngest son of Murdoch MacLennan.

Written by Elsie McKay, this article appeared in the Selkirk Enterprise, Wednesday, February 20th and 27th, 1957 issues.

See: Curiston, William and Isabel
Erhart, Ron and Betty

The Makowski - Kaszuba Family

Tim Makowski was born and raised in Teulon, Manitoba. He was on the Teulon Fire Department. He worked at Vidir Lumber and was then offered a job at Dominion Lumber. Travelling back and forth from Selkirk to Teulon for two years was too much stress on their family life. Long hours working and late suppers, Tim and Denise knew something had to be done.

Denise Kaszuba was born in Teulon and raised four and a half miles north of Teulon. She worked at Sue's Countryside Florist. Realizing that the travel time for her mate was too much, they decided to look for a home near Selkirk. She got a job at Selkirk Florist and a year later, in 1995, they purchased a home on Municipal Street in Clandeboye.

Tim and Denise both work now at Clandeboye Deli. Tim has joined the Fire Department and holds the deputy fire chief position.

Stephen, Tim and Denise's son is thirteen. He attends Lockport Junior High School and is going into grade eight. Stephen's on the soccer team and has made great friends.

Being here for four years, they now realize that Clandeboye, being the small hamlet that it is, is truly home with fantastic neighbours and friends.

Malegus, Nick and Sophie by Linda Malegus Skromeda

Sophie Citulski was born September 21, 1922 to Wasyl and Maria Citulski. She was the second youngest of seven sisters and one brother.

Sophie attended school in Rossdale. Her parents made their living market gardening. Life was hard in those days but Sophie's memories were precious – the good, the bad and especially the fun. Sophie loved telling stories to her children and grandchildren about her school days and the lunches she had to take to school, lard sandwiches, and how she envied the children who had jam. She lived through those difficult years and truly appreciated everything as she left home and made a life of her own. Her whole family indeed made the most of what they had.

Sophie lived at home throughout her teens and worked in the area as a cleaning lady. At eighteen she went to Kenora where she lived with her sister