

Mr. and Mrs. D. Frank.



Mr. and Mrs. G. Frank and?

Annie Frank died on Jan. 7, 1910.

George's second marriage was to Jessie Lockhart McCallum. Jessie was born in Helensburgh, Scotland. They moved to a farm at McCreary, Man., and stayed only three years as they were continuously rained out. They moved back to East Selkirk where Mr. Frank was active in community affairs. He served as Reeve from 1908 to 1911, 1915, 1917-1919, and 1928 to 1931.

The children of the second marriage were Ronald and Dorothy. Dorothy married C.R. Bradford and worked as a secretary.

George and Jessie retired to Grand Marais and then moved to Oberon, where Mr. Frank died on Aug. 9, 1951.



Samuel Froehlich and Wilhelmine (nee; Wentland) and their son Michael taken in Russia.

## MICHAEL FROEHLICH AND FAMILY

submitted by N. Froehlich

Michael Froehlich was born Sept. 1, 1860 in Warsaw, Poland, the son of Samuel Froehlich and Wilhelmine (Nee: Wentland). Samuel was born in 1828 and Wilhelmine was born in 1829. The family immigrated to Volhynia, Russia.

Michael married Rosalie Kintop. In 1893 they immigrated to Canada and landed in Winnipeg in April of 1893. They came to Rosenfeld, Man. and lived there a few years. There they lived in sod houses and burned dried cow chips. From here they moved to Greenwald on May 21, 1896. Here they could cut wood and build buildings, and had wood to heat their houses. They cleared land and farmed until 1923, but lived on the farm. In the 1940's they retired to Beausejour.

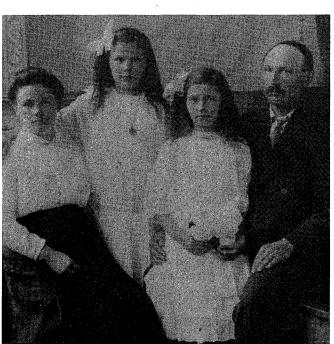
Michael died on Sept. 14, 1952. Michael and Rosalie raised 6 children and lost some during the flu and Diphtheria epidemics.

August was born on July 9, 1883 in Russia. He married Pauline Klann. They farmed in Greenwald until 1923. They moved to Beaconia from here, bought cordwood, and had a small meat store. They built and operated a store in Grand Marais, selling it around 1943. They built a home and retired in Beausejour. August died on May 19, 1968. August and Pauline had two daughters: Roasalie (Rattai) and Natalia (Sage).

William was born on Feb. 18, 1886, in Russia. He married Alwine (Nee: Klann) on Dec. 25, 1914 in Thalberg. Alwine was born on June 16, 1897. William and Alwine lived and farmed in Greenwald. They had



Left to Right: Ida, Michael, Rosalie and Henry Froehlich.



Left to Right: Pauline, Rosalie, Natalia and August Froehlich, Grand Marais.

three sons: Henry, Fred, and Harold. Willaim died on Sept. 3, 1936.

Adolph was born on July 15, 1891, in Russia. He married Louise Bade in Golden Bay, Man. They farmed in Greenwald and farmed to make a living. Adolph and Louise and three children: Tena, Margaret, and Norman. Adolph died on Jan. 5, 1938.



Adolph and Louise Froehlich.





Gustave and O'Tillie Rosenberg and family B.C.

Ida was born on Sept. 13, 1897 in Greenwald. She married William Richter, of Golden Bay, Man. They lived in Golden Bay, and farmed until his death. Ida lives in the farmhouse with her son, Bert. Ida and William had ten children: Berthold, Eleanor, Martha, Rudolph, Arthur, Erwin, Edna, Irene, and Leonard.

Henry was born on Aug. 29, 1879 in Greenwald, Man. He married Rosalie Gross on Nov. 15, 1922. She was born Sept. 15, 1903. They farmed in Greenwald. They sold their farm to Max Kowalik and moved to Vernon, B.C. on May 14, 1946. There they had a General Store for 7 years. They also worked at numerous other jobs in town. Henry retired in 1974. Rosalie and Henry had three children: Robert, Dorthea, and Evelyn. Rosalee died Sept. 28, 1979.

Robert married Violet Schnieder, and their children are: Nikki, Melody, and Deidre.

Dorthea married Alfred Schinkel, and they have two children, Gary and Helen. Both are now deceased.

Henry and Rosalie's third child, Evelyn, died in Greenwald.

Henry now lives with his granddaughter, Helen Hoit and family, in Hazelton, B.C.

O'Tillie was born on Jan. 8, 1908 in Greenwald, she married Gustav Rosenberg. From here they moved to North Battleford, Sask. where they farmed. In 1946, they moved to Armstrong, B.C. where they farmed. Gustav and O'Tillie have 10 children. Gustav died in 1972.



Henry and Rose Froehlich.

# HENRY FROEHLICH AND FAMILY

submitted by N. Froehlich

Henry was born on March 18, 1918, in Greenwald, the son of William Froehlich and Alwine (nee: Klann). Lillian Minnie was born on Nov. 25, 1921 in Cullen, Sask., the daughter of Charles Hennig and his wife Helen (Nee: Zieske).

Henry and Lillian were married in St. Johns Lutheran Church in Greenwald on June 2, 1940. They lived on Sec. 30-15-8 and farmed, and winters went to the bush camps. Henry has been a mailman for over 25 years, delivering mail, to R.R. No. 2 from Beausejour North.

Henry and Lillian have four sons: Albert Arthur, Donald Gordon, Raymond Henry, and Bernie Allan.

Albert Arthur was born on Dec. 2, 1942.

Donald Gordon was born on Aug. 1, 1946. He married Catherine Staska on Sept. 1, 1973. They have 2 sons, Jarad and Travis.

Raymond Henry was born on June 18, 1949. Bernie Allan was born on April 1, 1967. Lillian passed away on Oct. 5, 1982.



Lillian and Henry Froehlich.

## FREDERICK FROEHLICH

submitted by N. Froehlich

Fred was born on Nov. 17, 1919, in Greenwald. He went to Greenwald School No. 1160. He was the second son of William Froehlich and Alwine (nee: Klann). He was one of three boys, Henry, being the oldest and Harold, born on Nov. 16, 1935.

Fred started farming at the age of 17 with 3 horses on Sec. 31-15-8E. Then in 1939, He got his first tractor, a 10-20 McCormick on steel wheels. And as years went by this too was outdated and had to be replaced.



Left to Right: Fred, Alwine, Henry and Wilhelm Froehlich.



Left to Right: Linda, Fred, Nora, Alvin, Judy Froehlich.

Winters were spent cutting pulpwood, and lumber at Holyk's and Komarten's sawmills, and day work at Pine Falls and Bird River bush camps.

I, (Noreen) Nora Block was born on Jan. 4, 1923, on the homestead about 3 miles from Beaconia. My parents were Julius and Emilie Block. I went to Beaconia School No. 2162, my teachers were Agnes and Kay Lesosky.

Fred and I were married on May 18, 1941, at St. Johns Lutheran Church in Greenwald. We lived and farmed on Sec. 31-15-8E. Our three children went to Greenwald School, on muddy roads, the bridge over the Brokenhead River would break every spring with the ice and they would miss school, while it was replaced.

We lived and farmed here 14 years, 5 years of these, Fred did some hauling with his truck. These were very wet years and crops were poor, so we decided to move.

We lived at Gull Lake in a cottage. Fred cutting pulpwood in the winter. He worked for road construction, and one summer on the Trans-Canada Pipeline, near Kenora. While we lived here, our children attended Gull Lake School, 1/2 mile away, and were taught by Kay Lososky, the teacher I had at Beaconia School.

From here after a short try in Winnipeg, we moved back to the farm in Greenwald. Roads were gravelled and a School Bus came a year later. We purchased more land and machinery.

On Nov. 7, 1960, we moved to our present home along the No. 12 Highway on Sec. 25-26-7E and Fred farmed his 460 acres from here. He farmed for 37 years.

In June of 1969, he suffered two heart attacks, he recovered and was able to farm again. In 1974, selling out.

Fred was a member of the Board of Pool Elevators, and attended numerous meetings, he was also a Co-op member and Farmers Union Member. He was Secretary-Treasurer at Greenwald School and a school trustee at Gull Lake. At a meeting he was one of the first to sign

and bring in effect 1 hour lunch at noon at School and 3:30 pm dismissal.

His retirement was short lived, Fred died Dec. 28, 1978 at the Selkirk General Hospital.

We had three children: Alvin, Judith, and Linda, and we have 7 grandchildren.

Alvin was born on Dec. 23, 1941. He works for Schreyer Construction, and is managing Beausejour Redi-Mix, he has worked for the same firm over 25 years. Alvin married Eileen Bauschke of Greenwald, she teaches at the Edward Schreyer School. They have three children: Janelle born on Sept. 27, 1970, Cory was born on July 27, 1972, and Kevin was born on June 2, 1976. Janelle and Kevin were born in Winnipeg while Cory was born in Thompson.

Judith (Judy) was born on March 26, 1944. Judy married Gerard St. Hilaire, who is at present teaching at the Sacred Heart School. Their two children are Dwight, who was born on April 18, 1967 in Kenora, Ont. and Claudine was born on Sept. 2, 1972, in Wpg.

Linda was born on July 13, 1947. She married John McMillan, a locomotive Engineer in CN. They have two children: Terry born on June 22, 1974, and James born on Aug. 12, 1976.

## **JAMES HENRY FROST**

submitted by Jen Perchotte/slh

James Henry Frost was the son of Johnathon Frost of Belfast, Ireland. James Henry was born in April of 1869. His Mother was Annie Butterfield.

James Henry married Caroline Taylor on Feb. 28, 1894 in the City of Brandon in the Province of Manitoba.

Caroline Taylor was the daughter of Robert Alexander Taylor and his wife, Eliza Waller. Caroline was born in 1871

James Henry and Caroline Frost had a family of 10 childen to carry on the family name: Leslie (1895), Edgar Stanley (May 15, 1897), Charlie Herbert (July 9, 1899), Robert (Bob) Alexander (1901), James Donovan (Aug. 5, 1903), Violet Ann (Oct. 1, 1905), Melinda Viola Grace (Aug. 12, 1907) Norman Fredrick Wlm. (June 22, 1909), Edna Ethel Evelyn (1911). The last child born to Caroline was Frank Lawrence on Dec. 2, 1914.

Leslie, Charlie and Bob Frost never married and are now deceased, leaving no issue. Leslie passed away Nov. 5, 1918 while Charlie died July 23, 1937. Bob Alex passed away in June 1957.

Edgar (Stanley) Frost married Winnifred Scott and they had a family of 7 boys and 7 girls with two dying in infancy. Edgar died on Oct. 9, 1980 and Winnifred died in 1966.

James Donovan Frost married Alma Bruneau and they had 3 girls: Joan (Houston), Genevieve (Perchotte), and Rosalita (Sawtelle). James Donovan passed away on Jan. 9, 1971.

Violet Ann Frost married Jack Kirby and they had 3 boys and 1 girl. Violet passed away in 1944.

Melinda Viola married Dick Tumber and they had 3 girls. They resided in Beardmore, Ont. Dick is deceased.

Norman married Aleta Cochran and they had 2 boys



James Henry Frost and his sister Libby Butterfield.



Leslie Frost and grandmother Caroline Frost (nee; Taylor).

and 2 girls.

Edna was born in 1911 and only lived to 10 months of

Frank Lawrence married M. Christina Smith and they only had one child, a son Frankie. Frank then married Irene Little and they had no issue and he later married Doreena Quaron and they had one girl, Catherine. Frank lives in Port Alberni, B.C.

When James Henry and Caroline Frost married in Brandon during the year 1894, he was employed working at his trade as carpenter, builder and painter. Caroline



James H. Frost in Orange Men Day Parade.

worked at the Brandon Hotel during the peak of immigration.

Then James and Caroline along with their children Leslie, Edgar, Charlie and Bob made the move from Brandon to Oak Hammock where they settled on 80 acres bought from Thomas Mowatt. They built a home and carried on a mixed farm operation. Donovan was born in this new home in 1903. Then disaster struck and the family holding was wiped out by fire, although none of the family were injured in the blaze. The family had to seek a new home, and this was when they moved to Lot 88, Parish of St. Clements.

Lot 88 was land owned by Caroline's Father, Robert Alexander Taylor, and lay on the east bank of the Red River. On the Taylor farm were now two sets of buildings. Robert Alexander Taylor and his wife Eliza lived in one set and James Henry Frost and his wife Caroline lived in the other. Both raised very large families. This is the home where Violet (1905), Melinda (1907), Norman (1909), Edna (1911), and Frank (1914) were born and raised. The children attended the Kitchener, Happy Thought and Selkirk High School for their education.

James Henry Frost worked for the Municipality of St. Clements as a Constable, Weed Inspector, Maintenance man, also, worked on hydro, roads, and drains. He worked on the boats plying and freighting Lake Winnipeg as well as worked at his trade within the Town of Selkirk and the surrounding districts. He was most proficient at carpentry, painting and decorating and was well respected at his trade. He was also a Trustee for the Kitchener S.D. No. 1076.

James Henry and Caroline lived out their lives on Lot 88 in the Parish of St. Clements. James Henry died on Sept. 19, 1959.

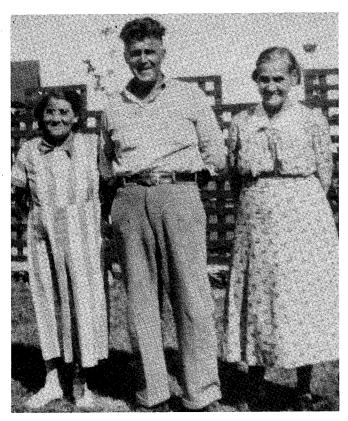
## **BYRON EDGAR (STANLEY) FROST**

submitted by Jen Perchotte/slh

Byron Edgar (Stanley) Frost was born the second son of James Henry Frost and Caroline Taylor. His Father, James Henry, was the son of Johnathon Frost of Belfast, Ireland and Annie Butterfield.

Edgar (Stanley) was born on May 15, 1897 in East Selkirk, Man. just south of the Village along the east bank of the Red River.

Edgar had seven brothers and three sisters: Leslie (1895), Charlie (1899), Robert (1901), James Donovan (1903), Violet (1905), Melinda (1907), Norman (1909), Edna (1911) and Frank (1914).



Edgar Frost, Winnifred (Scott) and ?.

Edgar married Winnifred Scott born July 17, 1897 and they had 14 children: Mary Josophine (Josie) born Jan. 3, 1916 (deceased 1974), Edgar James Jr. born Nov. 15, 1917 (deceased 1970), Edward (Leslie) born March 12, 1920 (deceased 1953), Elsie born Jan. 24, 1922 (deceased 1980), (Myrtle) Gertrude born Sept. 26, 1923, (Charles) Herbert born Sept. 1925, (Hazel) May born March 31, 1927, (Lorne) Wilfred born Jan. 4, 1929, (Lil) Lillian Margaret born Sept. 25, 1930, Linda (Grace) born Jan. 12, 1932, Richard Victor (Benny) born Jan. 28, 1933 (deceased 1973), John Russell born Jan. 29, 1935 (deceased 1935), Louise (Winnifred) born April 10, 1936, Harold (Robert) born Mar. 18, 1938.

Edgar served overseas during both World Wars. His serial number during the Great War was No. 922658



Edgar Frost's daughter Josie, 1917.



Edgar Frost family.

while H2616 was assigned to him during the Second World War.

Following the War years, Edgar was employed with the Federal Gov't (Civil Defence) stationed at Churchill, Man. Edgar retired from this position in 1963 at the age of just over 65 years.

Winnifred passed away June 11, 1966 and Edgar passed away on Oct. 9, 1980, at the age of 83 years. Both are buried in the St. Clements Churchyard Cemetery at Mapleton.



Brock Perchotte, (Slim) Jas. Donavan Frost, and Genevieve Perchotte at Rosalita's wedding, March 1968, Three generations.

Edgar and Winnifred raised a very large family which spanned two World Wars and a major depression. Life was not always easy, especially with Edgar serving overseas. Winnifred was left to raise the family herself during these troublesome times.

Edgar lost a brother (Leslie) during the First World War, when he was a victim of the Great Flu epidemic. Charlie served overseas in the First World War with his brother Edgar and Leslie, but arrived home safely, along with Edgar. Edgar served with the Royal Canadian Engineers (Mechanical Engineer).

### THE FULLERS

submitted by Jill Beer

Over the years there have been many families who have contributed in different ways to East Selkirk's growth. I feel very privileged to have had grandparents who did their share. Papa and Grandma operated the Fullers Post Office between the years 1937-1949. Today, not only is that Post Office officially located on a map, they also had a road named after them.

Fredrick Charles Fuller was born in Kent, England (where he maintained "all roses grow") on Oct. 17, 1884. His father had been the son of a brewery owner, his mother had been the domestic in that family. By age thirteen he was a restless young man and yearned to sail aboard the ship The H.M.S. Bacchante, where his uncle was Captain. The Prince of Wales also was aboard this ship and he and Papa trained together. The two were friends and on occasion "King Edward" would visit. Papa attended King Edward's Coronation, something he was always proud of.

Papa's navy career took him all over the world, his independence grew and for a very young man gained experiences far surpassing those of his peers. He developed an extremely outgoing nature and was very sure of himself. He served during the War between Great Britain and the Boer Republic in South Africa, which began in 1899 and ended in 1902. Finding that he was

becoming discouraged with Navy life and wanting his freedom, the opportunity to leave came about when he had to escort two prisoners from his ship that was docked in Vancouver, to Nova Scotia. They were to travel across Canada by rail.

While the train was in Winnipeg Papa told the prisoners to "run" and that he would try to catch them. Of course, he ran slowly and all three became so called "free men". The prisoners were on their own and Papa was free of navy life! There he found himself in a Navy uniform in Wpg. -40° below zero weather, in 1909.

He made his way to a farm near Emerson and worked there for a time under the alias of Ben Hooper.

After what he felt was a safe time, he returned to Wpg., began using his real name and decided to get on with the life here in Manitoba. He took his drivers test and in 1911 had a licence to chauffeur -- one of the few men who did, at that time. He also applied to run a streetcar and after a short while was hired on by the CPR.

Around 1913, a young woman became an important part of my grandfather's life. My grandmother, Catherine McGlinchey, born in Airdrie, Scotland in 1890, one of thirteen children, decided by age 21 to immigrate to Canada. Her keen interest in Canada came about after talking with a Mr. and Mrs. Kyle of Wpg. who were in Scotland on holidays. Mr. Kyle, who worked for the Canadian Immigration Dept. gave Grandma all the information needed for her to want to set out for this "land of opportunity". The Kyles offered Grandma paid passage to Winnipeg if she looked after their two children during the trip home. This she agreed to do and after arriving in Wpg. she began employment in the home of the Highlands, a well-to-do family.

After a time with the Highlands, Grandma had managed to save enough money to help bring two of her sisters over. One was to go home shortly after due to the death of their father, the other, Unie was to remain with Grandma and together they worked at different positions. Grandma being an exceptional cook had the opportunity to prepare dinner for the Highlands who at the time were entertaining Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who had been attending the formal opening of the St. Andrews Locks at Lockport. At the finish of the dinner, Sir Wilfrid was heard to comment that he should "kiss the cook" because it had been such a delicious meal!

During these years Grandma and Aunt Unie had heard of the boats, the "Wolverine" and "Keenora" and decided to take positions as stewards. While working, Aunt Unie met Capt. William Simpson whom later she married. The Simpson's of Selkirk, were a large family and Grandma grew to be part of it.

In 1913, through a mutual friend, Grandma met Papa, whom a few people had told her not to marry due to his temper. While being a very robust, determined and spirited man, these probably were the qualities needed for an individual to come through all he had plus to continue to fulfill all the accomplishments that he did. And so, in 1914, Grandma and Papa were married. In 1915, my mother Ada Unity was born.

During these years Papa never truly felt that leaving the Navy the way he did was anything he could ever be proud of. So, between Jan. 10 to Feb. 24, 1917, he



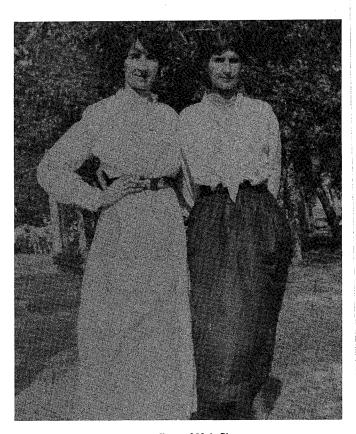
Frederick Fuller when operating the streetcar.

received instructions with the 190th Battalion and entered the Army. He received a complete pardon for not completing naval duty and left for overseas to do his part in World War I.

When the war ended and the men were on their way home, the ship they were on docked in Halifax and the men were to continue the rest of their trip home by train. Papa had only shortly before been on board another ship that was to blow up and cause the great disaster of the Halifax Harbour fire.

Once back in Wpg, Papa resumed work with the CPR and continued with family life. A son, James, was born in 1919, but accidently died in 1923. This devastated Grandma and for a long time after she mourned James' death. Papa also became a very bitter man and from 1923 until 1929 their lives were in a turmoil. During this time, Grandma was told she couldn't have any more children; but with the help of an adoption agency, they were able to adopt a six week old boy whom they named Frank. This new son was welcomed into their home and given their love.

Wanting or needing to get away from city living Papa went to the St. Clements Munc. and inquired about property for sale. He bought acreage which he believed was the most beautiful and peaceful around. In 1930, he moved his family to East Selkirk to begin country living. In a short time he was very well thought of by the other residents. Many people turned to Papa for help -- they



Catherine Fuller and Unie Simpson.

seemed to use him as their confident.

Like many of the men of the area, Papa had to cut trees and clear brush to build their home. He planted a huge garden and had a great deal of help from Ronald Favel; a young man who became a good friend to the family. The Williams family who lived on the corner of what was then called the Ferry Road had also become good neighbors to my grandparents, as did the Korals.

In a short time, my grandparents land looked like an English Rose garden -- something the whole family took pride in. In 1937, the municipality of St. Clements approached Papa to ask him if he would consider running the Post Office out of his home because there was such a need for one in that area.

Many families had come from Saskatchewan where a drought had taken place. These families moved by covered wagons to North of Fullers to begin new farm lives. Some of the families were: Heckertts, Weiss, and the Ryans. He agreed, and on Jan. 11, 1937 Andrew Zabogruski delivered the first mail down from the Post Office in East Selkirk. My mother often commented that in the winter, Mr. Zabogruski delivered by horse and sleigh and in summer, by bike. It was seven miles that the man had to make two times a week, on Tuesdays and Fridays. Andrew Zabogruski was a gentleman and very dependable and reliable.

My grandparents also operated a store out of their home for a few years. Papa would bring items back from Winnipeg and Selkirk to sell. But because of the credit he gave to most of the people, he had to stop operating the store, due to lack of funds.



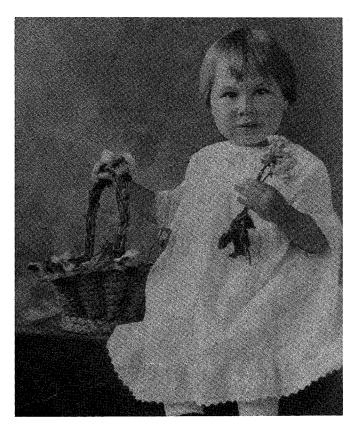
Hugh and Ada Gordon.

The stories told to me over the years have made me do everything from laugh to cry. Listening to Grandma tell of how she moved out to land where they bought animals that she knew nothing about, and was allergic to most of them, could bring a smile to anyone listening.

Grandma was a great tea drinker and one morning found herself without any milk for her tea. Papa was away that day working on the CPR so it was left up to Grandma to milk the cow, something she had yet to learn to do. Well, after an awfully long time Grandma persevering, she told us how the cow gave up and lay down. She never did get milk that day.

When the same cow was ready to give birth, a Mr. Zarichney, another good neighbor, came to help out. After the calf was born, Mr. Zarichney left instructions for Grandma to make up a gruel of bran, shorts, eggs, and water to feed the cow the next morning to help build up her strength. Grandma made up the gruel, but misunderstood and thought it was the calf who was to get the gruel. The next day when Mr. Zarichney went back to check the cow, he was amazed to find out that Grandma had given the gruel to the calf and not the cow. He never did understand how grandma fed gruel to a calf and how it survived.

As the years rolled on, my grandmother did educate herself very well to farm living and also along with Papa, taught my mother and Uncle Frank as well. It was Grandma and Mom who carried buckets of mud to help construct their well. They also learned how to plant, weed and till a garden that would produce their entire winter vegetables. In the winter their cows were taken down to the river each day for watering. It was my Mom and Uncle who would keep a hole chopped in the ice for the cows. The work went on and on and they learned to handle each situation.



Ada Fuller Gordon Age 3.

In 1939, when the Second War broke out Papa was to enlist. While away the Postal duties were left to the three at home. Also, during this time Mom who had been courted by Hugh Gordon decided to accept his marriage proposal. Dad was also to enlist in the forces. They married on June 14, 1940. Dad was stationed in Saskatchewan where Mom would join him. In 1944 my brother Bill was born and it was decided that Mom would live with him back home at Fullers until Dad was out of the Army. My brother spent the first three years of his life there.

Once the war ended Mom, Dad, and Bill took up residence in Selkirk. Dad was to begin with the Town of Selkirk as a Clerk and later became Secretary-Treasurer for the town. His father, Bill E. Gordon had been Mayor from 1948 to 1950. They both were interested in civic affairs.

In 1947, I was born. We all still spent a great deal of time at the farm. How well I remember visiting Ruby Carpman, George Tapp and the Fox's, with my grand-parents. My brother was a real "Davey Crokett" right down to his fur cap with the tail, and while visiting these friends he would "scout the area!"

My grandparents had always enjoyed the East Selkirk area and its residents and seemed to totally respect the land. It surely worked for them and as the years passed, my brother and I learned many things about "living off the land." How easy it is today with everything automatic -- time is certainly saved but a feeling of true accomplishment has been lost.

Not only were my parents and my brother and I en-

Fuller's home.

joying friends in Selkirk, we also made many good friends in East Selkirk, the Becks, Yurkiws, Waytiuks, and Fiwchuks were only a few whom we either met as neighbors or through school.

Grandma and Papa decided in 1959 to leave the farm and move to BC. Papa was finding the winters cold and long and wasn't able to be as active as he wanted to be during the winter months. British Columbia could offer him almost year round activity. It was for many years after that, that my family would spend the summers in East Selkirk. I always found that particular area one of the most tranquil spots. Many miles were put on by foot over the years exploring the woods; and how we boasted about having the clearest, coolest water, running all year round from our own natural spring down by the river!

But time has a way of doing things and in 1966 my brother was off to Ontario to work as an engineer. There he met and married Jane Fox and today they live in Burlington, Ont. with their children. I married a Winnipeg fellow, Ray Beer, and together we are raising our three daughters in St. Andrews. Having half an acre of our own land and with my parents tending to a large home and lot in Selkirk, we found it was time to make a decision about "Fullers Farm". It was in 1979 that the farm was sold and along with good neighbors "The Doolons", we left behind a multitude of memories always to be cherished and embedded in our minds.

My grandfather passed away Oct. 1966, My grand-mother passed away September 1973.

On behalf of my family I salute St. Clements on their 100 years! They were years where my grandparents finally got life together and where my brother was most at home, and where I was a young girl growing up, had a chance to touch paradise!

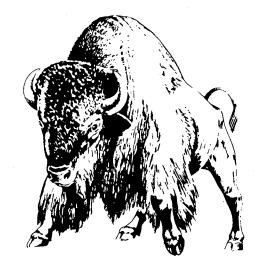
## JOHN GAWRILUK

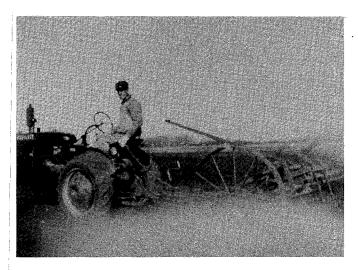
submitted by Anne Gawriluk

John Gawriluk arrived in Canada in 1896 from Dobrenivtsi, Bukovina, Austria (Ukraine). Along with him came his wife Waselena and children, George, Dora, Nettie (who was born at the immigration office in East Selkirk). They settled in the village of Gonor. They were blessed with more children after they settled in Gonor. They were, Mary, Peter, Frank, and twins Katie and Alex. Alex died at childbirth.



Old Gawriluk house.





Peter Gawriluk of Gonor.



Sam Gawriluk, 1946.

Their children in turn married and settled in the surrounding areas.

George married Mary Koterla and they had 11 children. Bill, John, Alex, Matt, Sam, Victor, Arthur, Violet, and Raymond. Harvey passed away at the age of four. Anne died in infancy.

Dora contacted polio on their way over to Canada and remained an invalid all of her life. She passed away in 1957.

Mary married Peter Mitchell and they had six children. They are: Bill, Anne, Nettie, Jean, Tom, and Irene.

Nettie married John Drobot and they had nine children, Bill, Mary, Anne, Sam, Tom, Harry, Victoria, Joey, and Joan.

Peter married Anne Blacher and they had one child, Ruth.

Frank married Mary Prychun and they had two children, Helen and Russell.

Katie married John Swanko and they had four children, Nathalie, Olga, Lena, and Bill.

John Gawriluk passed away in 1946 at the age of 84. Waselena passed away in 1963 at the age of 93.

## FRANK GAWRILUK

submitted by Anne Gawriluk

Frank Gawriluk, the son of John and Waselena was born in 1905. In 1932 he married Mary Prychun from Garson, Man. They had two children, Helen and Russell. Mary passed away in 1959. Later Frank married Mary Shajeski. They lived in Gonor until 1970 and then moved to Selkirk.

In 1956 Helen married Bill Typleski and had three sons, Perry, Kenneth, and Ronald. Helen passed away in 1971. Bill and their sons now reside in Leduc, Alta.

Russell resides in Winnipeg.

Frank passed away June 8, 1982.

# THE GEORGE GOWRILUK FAMILY

submitted by John Gowriluk

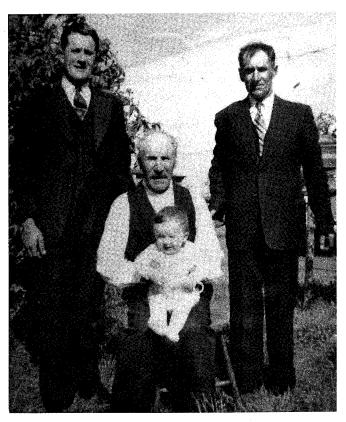
George Gowriluk was born on June 23, 1894 in Dobrenivtsi, Bukovina, Austria (Ukraine). He came to Canada with his parents, John and Waselena in 1896. They settled in Gonor, Man., where he helped his father with farming. In September, 1914, he married Mary Koterla. She had arrived in Gonor with her parents in 1902, the daughter of Peter and Abtokia Koterla, at the age of 7, from Kitsman Bukovina, Austria.

George and Mary made their home at Lot 205 St. Clements, where eight sons and one daughter were born and grew up. Bill, John, Alex, Matt, Sam, Victor, Art, Violet and Raymond. Annie and Henry died in infancy, and Harvey died at age four and one-half.

Lot 205 was ninety-nine feet wide and four miles long, forty-five acres, extending east from the Red River. Some of the land was wild hay and willows. Mostly, it was bush, consisting of birch, poplar, spruce, a few oaks, as well as saskatoon, chokecherry, pincherry, plum and hazel nut trees. George Gowriluk cleared most of the land by hand, using an axe and grub hoe. The spruce trees were hewn into logs with which a new home was built in 1926. Four horses pulling a fourteen inch breaker plow, were used to break much of the land. The remainder was later broken with a tractor.

Their chief source of income was from farming and market gardening, with the help of the whole family. Many long hours were spent in the fields with little remuneration because vegetables were cheap during the Depression years. For example, potatoes sold at 35 cents for a 90 lb. bag. Farmers hauled their produce to Winnipeg with horses during the early 1930's, a four hour trip one way.

It was not an easy task for Mary Gowriluk to look after their large family. Modern conveniences were lacking. Bread had to be baked twice a week. Water was carried in from the well. In winter, snow was melted in tubs on the stove, for washing clothes. They were washed by hand on a scrub board and hung outdoors to dry or freeze. Berries were picked on family outings. The children were loaded in a grain box on a wagon pulled by horses, while the parents sat on the seat up front. The berries were canned or made into jam, all on the woodburning stove, during hot summer days. Poultry, hogs and occasionally steers



Four Generations: John Sr., George, John Jr. and baby Kenny Gowriluk.

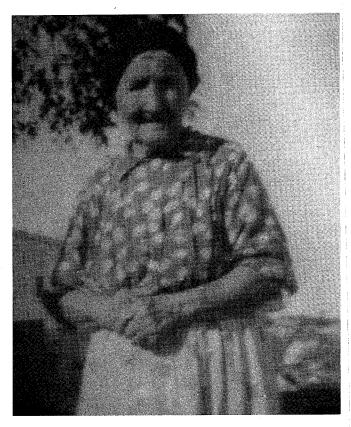
were raised and butchered to supply meat for the family. Some of the meat was kept frozen outdoors in the winter and some was canned or kept in salt brine. Each of the children vividly recollects that although luxuries were few, they never lacked food or adequate clothing.

The aroma of freshly baked bread still lingers in their minds, as do the visions of pots of soup cooking on the stove and barrels of saurkraut and dills.

The older sons sought to supplement the family income by picking cucumbers at neighbouring gardeners for 75 cents a day and by working at harvest time for farmers whenever there was spare time from their own work at home. George Gowriluk contracted to build some sideroads in the municipality of St. Clements. He excavated the ditches with a scraper and horses to build up a grade for the road.

In 1936, Bill began working as a salesman for Empire Radio in Winnipeg; he then went on to Globe Radio and Gensers. In the early 1940's, John hauled potatoes and other vegetables for Manitoba Vegetable Growers Co-Operative Association with his truck. Alex and Matt also worked there, while Sam and Art were salesmen for Brown's Bread of Selkirk. The older brothers encouraged their younger brothers and sister to pursue higher education, which they themselves did not have the opportunity to achieve. Vic and Vi both graduated from Success Business College.

In 1946, Alex and Matt and John formed Midland Fruit Company Limited with meagre finances. Their warehouse was located on the corner of Stella Avenue



Mary Gowriluk



Left to Right: Victor, Arthur, Raymond, Violet, Sam, Mattie, Alex. Front: Johnnie, George, Mary, Bill, 1953.

and Derby Street. In time, the remaining brothers joined the company. Branches were established in Red Lake, Ont., Kenora, Ont., and Fort Frances, Ont., in Atikokan, Ont., and in Thompson, Man. The Company moved to larger premises in 1958 in the Fruit Row on Ross Avenue. At the peak of business, they operated a fleet of 17 trucks with 65 employees on payroll.

Each brother had his own respective position in the