

Wakaluk Family. Greg, Donna, Lorna and Oraval.



Diane Popp nursed from 1965-80.



Jerry, Diane, Corrine and Debra Popp.

across the road from her parents. They have two children, Corrine age 18 and Deborah aged 16 years. The girls both attended the Happy Thought School in East Selkirk and the Regional in Selkirk. Diane operates Tony's Beauty Salon on Main St. in Selkirk and Corrine now works with her Mother.

Mary is very proud of her children and grandchildren and proudly shares some of her photographs with the community she loves and calls her own.



John and Mary Leftruk's 50th anniversary.

NICHOLAS AND ANNIE LEFTERUK

submitted by Annie Lefteruk

Nicholas was the son of Alex and Katherine Lefteruk who came to Canada in the early 1900's. They lived for a period of time in the Narol area and then moved to a lot within the Parish of St. Peters. Nicholas was one of thirteen children, and was born in 1909. He received his early education at the Hoey East and West Schools. His father Alex died in 1952 and his mother Katherine passed away in 1966.

In 1934 Nicholas married Annie Zabogruski, the daughter of Andrew and Pauline Zabogruski. They moved to Lot 128 St. Peters where they set about building their first home. They built it by themselves and it was of logs. The new house was moved on the lot in Nov. of 1968 and the log house was removed the following spring.



Nick and Annie Lefteruk, 1934.



Nick and Annie Lefteruk's first log home built 1934 on Lot 128.

Annie and Nicholas had five children: Donald, Boris, PollyAnna, Lloyd and Caroline. One child, a daughter, Donna Jane died in infancy in 1945.

Nicholas carried on a mixed farming operation. His greatest love was horses, which he bred and raised to the envy of many. His love for and knowledge of animals won him acclaim throughout the community and his services were called upon by many neighbours requiring assistance with their herds during calving time or when in distress.

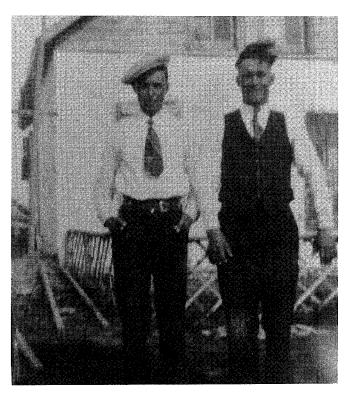
Among his many talents was his expertise at hunting, fishing and trapping. He was a noted woodsman. He hauled cordwood in Scanterbury and hauled firewood to market in Selkirk. He also was a good carpenter, hand-crafting many items such as furniture, sleighs, tools and toys. To meet the needs of his growing family, Nicholas worked out to supplement his income. He did custom threshing for the Gusta Brothers (Mike and Frank) up until 1941, when he went to work for the Manitoba Steel Foundry in the Town of Selkirk, where he remained employed for a total of 33 years, retiring in 1974.

Annie helped to supplement their income by raising vegetables and farm produce. Besides gardening, farm chores, raising the children, household chores, preparing and canning food for winter storage, she still found time to spin yarn from her father's sheep and knitted clothing for the entire family and sometimes for friends. She found time to develop her talents at handicrafts and has won many prizes for her projects at the Selkirk Fair. Points of recognition among her talents are: crocheting, knitting, embroidery, quilting, farm produce, baking, canning, pickles, and houseplants.

Nicholas was also musically inclined. He played the violin and sang many beautiful songs both in English and Ukrainian. Nick and Anne were noted for their hospitality. At a moments notice, Annie could whip up a meal fit for royalty, (which she is still famous for today). Their door was always open and Nick loved nothing better than to invite anyone who was passing by in for a meal or refreshments and he had a knack of making a party out of a simple visit. Nicholas and Annie not only passed these many attributes on to their children, but instilled them in their grandchildren as well so that the Lefteruk-Zabogruski heritage continues to flourish and prosper with each new generation.

The children received their early education at the Hoey West School and the youngest child attended the Happy Thought School in East Selkirk. All the children attended Selkirk for their High School.

Over the years Nicholas had one driving desire, and that was that his family receive an excellent education, and that they be fully prepared to meet the opportunities of life. He often stressed this importance and reminded the children that he, being one of 13 children, and due to the times and circumstances, had received only thin opportunity for betterment in education. He worked tirelessly to see that his children received the necessary funds and the time needed to have a firm educational foundation. Whenever interest waned he would urge and encourage, using all the examples at hand, to point out success could be theirs if they grasped and placed their energy in a healthy and diligent direction.



Left to Right: Steve Zabogruski and Nick Lefteruk settled in 1928 in the John Kipling House.



Nick and Annie and family, Don, Boris, PollyAnna and Lloyd.

Coupled with Nick's encouragement was Annie's quiet but solid enthusiasm toward success for her children. Her father Andrew had been a natural born teacher in the home and had taught Annie well, not only an appreciation for music and languages, but a pride in one's heritage and culture. From her mother, Pauline, had come her interest and love for Art and a pride in one's home and family. All this pride, love and warmth Annie

spread evenly between Nicholas and her five children.

With this type of environment to grow up in, it was only natural and almost certain that the children of Nicholas and Annie Lefteruk would succeed at their chosen field of endeavour. And this they most certainly did.

Donald, the first born son, completed his high schooling within the Town of Selkirk, and went on to University where he obtained the following degrees and educational standing: Teacher's College 1956 Interim Certificate. Bachelor of Arts University of Manitoba 1970. Bachelor of Education, University of Manitoba, 1972.

Donald married Julia Trochim and they have one daughter, Brenda Lynn, who married Mark Yakel. Donald is a School Teacher and teaches at the John Gunn Junior High School. He and Julia reside in Transcona. Donald also taught 5 yrs. in the Rural area at Libau and Poplar Park. Donald has spent 23 yrs. teaching in the Transcona Springfield School Div. No. 12. Donald and Julia celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary in July, 1981.

Boris graduated from the Selkirk Collegiate and went on to university where he majored in Normal School 1956, Teachers Certificate, Bachelor of Arts, University of Manitoba 1964; Bachelor of Education University of Manitoba 1968. Master Library Science at University of Western Michigan, Kalamazoo and in 1983 is working for his Masters of Education in Computer Science.

Boris married PollyAnna Bobula and they have three daughters: Davolyn, Rhonda and Leslie. Boris is presently a Co-ordinator of Library Services at Assiniboine South School Division No. 3. PollyAnna has her Teachers Certificate and has 10 years of teaching experience. Boris and PollyAnna celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on Aug. 2, 1983. Their eldest daughter is married to Ted Liusz (May 1983). Rhonda and Leslie reside at home and are continuing their education.

PollyAnna married Douglas Roy in 1958. Doug is an Autobody Mechanic and took his apprenticeship in 1955 at Modern Auto Body in Selkirk, Man. under the direction of Mr. John Buffie Sr. and Mr. John Buffie Jr.

After their marriage, Doug and PollyAnna resided with her parents and assisted with running the family farm. In 1964 they moved into their own home on the farm where they still reside with their two sons, Kenneth and Kevin. Both children attended the Happy Thought School in East Selkirk and went to the Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive for their High Schooling. Kenneth majored in Autobody Mechanics and Kevin is majoring in Power Mechanics.

PollyAnna received her education at Hoey West School and under the direction of Mrs. Stephanie Molitowski, obtained her High School Diplomas through the Dept. of Education Correspondence Courses. While raising her family, she continued her education, obtaining in 1979 her Psychiatric Geriatric Nurse Aide pin. In 1980 Success Commercial College, Receptionest Clerk/Typist and in 1982 received her Manitoba Health Care Aide Certificate from Red River Community College. She is presently enrolled in Supervisory

Management and has obtained several Course Certificates, thus far.

Besides being active in Community affairs plus their many other interests, Doug and PollyAnna both teach Adult Evening Classes in Mukluk Making and Leathercraft at Happy Thought School. PollyAnna also teaches Ukrainian Easter Egg Decorating, and served on the Board of Directors of the Selkirk Friendship Centre in 1982. She is presently employed as an Activity Aide at Red River Place Nursing Home in Selkirk. Doug and PollyAnna will celebrate their Silver Anniversary on Nov. 22, 1983.

Lloyd completed his high school education and then went to Teachers College and received his Teachers Certificate, and his Bachelor of Arts, at the University of Manitoba. He has 23 years of teaching experience. He is also a member of Charles Dana Dean Chapter of Wpg. and Member of Rosicrucian Order, AMORC.

Lloyd married Pauline Zegil, and they have no children, and reside in Bird's Hill. Lloyd teaches school at Radisson Elementary, Transcona, East St. Paul. Pauline is a Legal Secretary. Lloyd and Pauline celebrated their Twentieth Wedding Anniversary on Aug. 20, 1983.

Caroline completed her education receiving her grade 12 in Selkirk and went on to receive her Nurses Aide training at the Selkirk Mental Health Centre, partial R.N. training at the St. Boniface Hosp., and was a Service Representative for the Manitoba Telephone System. In 1968 she attended Teacher's College at the University of Manitoba and obtained her Teaching Certificate. She taught for 2 years at Assiniboine South S.D., then went on to teach dancing at Penguin Dance Studios. She was a Home Helper with Wpg. Family Services and a Ward Clerk at the Grace General Hosp. She studied Spanish at the University of Manitoba and taught English in Mexico City Business College, in Mexico. She travelled extensively throughout Canada, the United States and Mexico.

Caroline married Bruce Holland in 1968. Bruce is a Registered Industrial Accountant. They have two children: David and Sarah. They live in St. Anne, Man. and Caroline is presently teaching school in Richer, Man.

Caroline and Bruce are very active in the Boy Scouts of Canada as Bruce's Family has sixty years of history in Scouting. David, besides being very active in Scouts, is also studying music, Arts, Archery and Water Sports.

Sarah is also involved with the family in Scouts. She is studying music, Ballet, and Water Sports. They are Members of St. Andrews, River Heights United Church. Caroline and Bruce celebrated their 15th Wedding Anniversary on July 21, 1983.

Nicholas passed away in 1979, leaving a void that cannot be filled. To Nicholas must go the credit and tribute for being a gentleman, a good Father and a loving husband. A pioneer that has made this community a better place to live. His family will carry on, using the fine example set by Nicholas and the standard he strived for. Nicholas and Annie celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary on May 12, 1979.

Annie continues to live on the old homeplace. The old log homestead that had finally been covered in wood



Nick and Annie Lefteruk and family. First Row, Left to Right: Caroline and Lloyd. Second Row: Boris, Annie, Nick, PollyAnna. Third Row: Donald.

siding, was eventually demolished and replaced by a modern style bungalow, moved onto a cement foundation. She keeps busy with her flowers, garden and her knitting and crocheting. She has completed many beautiful afghans, in various colors and patterns, and quilts that are warm, soft and delightful to feel and look at. Annie enjoys good health, takes pride in her home and has boundless love for all her children, and grand-children.

STANLEY LESZCZYNSKI

submitted by Stella Kozyniak

Stanley Leszczynski, was born on September 6, 1904, at Huta Lubycka, Poland.

After studying for, and receiving, his papers as a Master Craftsman in the woodworking, carpentry trade, he decided to join his sister in Canada.

He arrived in the summer of 1928. Before he could join Nellie in Winnipeg, he found himself working in Northern, British Columbia for the forest industry. After paying back his passage, he came to Winnipeg at about the time his sister married John Kozyniak and began homesteading in Libau.

Stanley made his home with the couple for a brief period, following which he built himself a small shack not far from the Kozyniak farm. After earning some money, again in the forest industry, he returned to Libau to purchase some property. He then constructed himself a comfortable house on a small acreage.

His skills as a carpenter were utilized by others in the neighborhood, for whom he constructed houses or other farm buildings.

He moved to Winnipeg, where he worked as a carpenter in the construction industry until he struck out on his own to do house construction. He believed in quality workmanship and carried it out in the houses he sold. While establishing himself in Winnipeg, he continued to be very helpful to his sister and her husband in Libau, as well as the brothers and sisters in War-torn Poland.

In 1976 he returned, to visit Poland where he acquainted himself with many nieces and nephews, children of his siblings who pre-deceased him by this time.

Although his brief marriage ended in divorce, he played a major role in the lives of his sister's children. A man who felt uncomfortable in social situations and rather undemonstrative, he intuitively anticipated when his help was most needed.

He continued to offer his help until his unexpected death in January, 1982.

THE LEVIN FAMILY

submitted by Eva Klim

Fred Levin was born on March 22, 1899 in Cewkow, Poland. In 1922 he married Katherine Gajda also of Cewkow. Katherine was born on January 11, 1904. They had two children, their daughter, Eva born in 1923 and their eldest son Andrew born in 1925.

Fred immigrated to Canada in March 1927 leaving his wife and children behind until he could earn enough money for their passage.

Fred encountered a great misfortune while crossing on the boat. He was having a bath and while doing so the few dollars that he had were stolen, leaving Fred with twenty-five cents.

Upon his arrival to Canada, Fred stayed with his friends, the Andrew Markeviches of East Selkirk. Fred worked at many odd jobs to earn money. In 1929 Fred was able to send for his wife and children. Another son, Mike was born in 1930.

During the winter Fred worked as a wood cutter in Pine Falls and Stead, while in the summer he worked on the extra gangs for the railway. Eventually Fred started



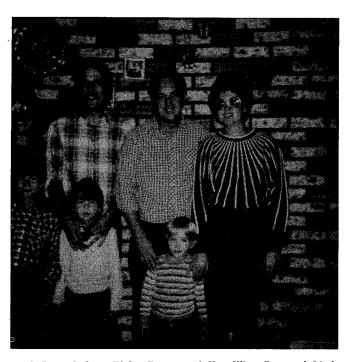
Fred and Katherine Levin, 1939.

working full time with the CPR in the late thirties until his retirement in 1965.

Fred and Katherine eventually bought 88 acres of land in St. Peters for seven dollars and fifty cents an acre. It was here that they cleared the land and built a log house. In the forties construction started on their present home.

Fred enjoyed playing the violin and with his friend, Ted Uskiw on the cymbaly, they formed an orchestra. They played at many weddings and social gatherings. They were lucky if they earned two dollars each. Many times all they received was their meals.

Fred and Katherine raised their family and farmed for many years in East Selkirk, since their arrival to Canada.



Back Row, Left to Right: Donna and Ken Klim, Ron and Linda Klim. Children: Brian, Mel and Danny.

Their daughter, Eva, married Fred Klim, son of Onofrey and Annie Klim in 1944. Eva and Fred reside in Selkirk and they have two sons, Ronald and Kenneth. Ron married Linda Cesar in 1969 and have one son, Daniel. Ken married Donna Wozny in 1973 and have two children, a son, Brian and a daughter, Melanie.

Fred and Katherine's eldest son, Andrew married Sophie Paska in 1952. They have one son, Mark who resides with them in Toronto, Ont.

Their youngest son, Mike married Mary Komadowski in 1954. They have five children, all reside in Selkirk. Harvey married Cheryl Eagle in 1981. Cindy married Tim Byers in 1977 and have one daughter, Heather. Two sons, Bobby and Raymond and daughter Marlene are at home.

ALEXANDER AND MARY LEWIS

submitted by the Lewis Family

In May, 1896, Alexander Lewis with his wife Mary, and their three children, Andrew, Sammuel and Teena left the West Ukraine and arrived in Winnipeg, Canada on May 30, 1896. In 1897, they settled in Gonor, Man., and shortly after, their second daughter, Nettie was born.

In 1900 Mary Lewis, at the age of 44, died and was buried on the land that she with her husband and family cleared and settled, and it was on this piece of land, which was donated by Alexander Lewis, that the first Ukrainian settlers built the first Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church in Gonor, now the Holy Trinity Church. To this day, though the third church has been built on the land adjoining the first piece, the churchyard still protrudes into the Lewis estate. Alexander Lewis died in 1915 at the age of 67.

His son Sammuel left for U.S.A. as a young man, and resided in Washington, D.C. His daughter, Teena married Jack Duben, and they reside in Vancouver, B.C., and Nettie married Sammuel Ozero, who practised law in Winnipeg and later moved to Ottawa. His son Andrew remained on the estate.

In 1902, Dora Dubas came to Winnipeg, Canada. Her brother Roman Dubas with his family had already settled in Narol, Man. On February 16, 1905, she married Andrew Lewis. Together they cleared more land and raised their family. They went through the hardships as all the first settlers did. During this time, they lost four children and two at later dates, with seven surviving. During the Second World War their four sons were in the services, one son, Sammuel passed away soon after.

Their oldest daughter, Marjorie married Matthew Reutcky from Gonor, Man., now a retired Dentist in Ontario. They have one son Matthew a Dentist in Montreal, and he has one son, Charles.

Their second daughter, Sonia, is retired.

Their youngest daughter, Leona Turenne, of Winnipeg, has a daughter Darlene, a certified chartered accountant, married Steve Klemchuk a lawyer, residing in Toronto and they have a daughter, Michelle. Her son, Wayne married Rita Stegeman, and they have two sons Clayton and Tristan, all of Winnipeg.

Their oldest son, Michael married Anne Kowalchuk, a Manitoban, and they are living on the estate in Gonor. They have a daughter Judy Bishop, who has one son Douglas, and their son Larry married Cindy Sigurgeison and they have a daughter, Tara and a son, Landon residing in Ashfield, Man.

Their son, Lorne and his wife Mary have one son John. John and his wife Laura, have three daughters, Lauressa, Laurenna and Loretta, all of New York State.

Their son, John married Mary Kafka, a Manitoban. They have three sons and twin daughters. Jerry married Janet Peters, John Henry and Kenny. Sherie married Dayle Francis and Debbie married Wayne Anderson, all residing in Winnipeg.

Their son, Eugene, has a son and a daughter, Garry and his wife Monique have two daughters. Peggy and Dave Anthony have two sons. His oldest daughter, Linda McCouly passed away in 1982 and is survived by two

daughters and her husband Arnold.

Andrew Lewis passed away in January, 1966.

Dora Lewis passed away in June, 1970.

Our Lewis family are proud to be Canadians and are very grateful to our forefathers.

GUSTIVE AND PAULINE LIGHT RESIDENCE 1936-1963

submitted by P. Goodman

Gustive Light married Pauline Mairert in the town of Tuczyn in the country of Wolynski-Rowienski, Poland in 1920. In Poland, Gustive worked in a forest camp making railroad ties. Gus came to Canada in 1927 seeking a better future for his family. He came first to Winnipeg and worked as a labourer for a short time, when this work was no longer available he went to work as a farm labourer in the Estevan, Sask. area for a relative during the harvest season. Gus returned to Winnipeg in 1929 because his wife Pauline and their 4 children Erma, Elizabeth, Henry, and May were arriving from Poland.

They sailed from Warsaw, Poland on a small ship, landing in Copenhagan, Denmark. From Denmark they transferred to an ocean liner called the Oscar II which



Gustive and Pauline Light, St. Peter's residents, 1936-62.

docked them in *Halifax* on *August 30, 1929*. The trip over had been far from pleasant for *Mrs. Light*, who was sea sick for nearly the full 8 days at sea, and her 4 children, who weathered the trip a little better. The only thing exciting that can be recalled on the trip over was a large school of whales seen by some of the passengers. They boarded a day coach train for *Winnipeg* in the evening, but did not begin their 4 day trip until the following morning. No one left the day coach for the entire trip. Food was bought from the porters (bread, garlic sausage, sandwiches and milk for the baby).

Upon their arrival in *Winnipeg* things did not look too prosperous as *Gus* was once more unemployed. Shortly after the arrival of *Pauline* and children, the family was once more separated as *Gus* went to work in the bush camps in Ontario. Back in Winnipeg in the early 1930's *Gus* worked for *Mr. Hill* at the *Manitoba Foundary Ltd.* and stayed there until his poor health forced him to retire around 1938.

In 1936 Gus and Pauline purchased a farm of 162 acres, on St. Peters Rd. approximately 9 miles north of the Star Tavern, from the "Back to the Land Scheme". There were two log buildings on this property that Gus had been fixing up to live in until they could build a house. Before moving day Gus came to make sure everything was ready and discovered in horror the two log buildings had been burnt, and it was never found out who burnt them. Not to be discouraged, the Lights' moved into an outer building given to them by Einar Goodman, to use as a home until they could build their house. That building still sits on the property. Gus and Pauline and now a family of six, moved into their new farm. George and Erna were born in Winnipeg, and Ruth was born the year after they moved to St. Peters. The Light's also lost one child at birth, after moving.

Because of increasing poor health Gus was confined to The King Edward Hospital from 1962 until his death on Dec. 31, 1963. Pauline moved into a house in Selkirk in 1963 and remained there until her death in July of 1964.

The original farm is now reduced in size to 42 acres (the balance being purchased by the Provincial Government in 1973) and is owned and operated by *Erma* and her husband Ralph Jonasson.

The whereabouts of the *Light* children today is as follows:

Erma and Ralph Jonasson of Selkirk have one child Carol married to Bob Bruins of Bow Island, Alberta.

Elizabeth and Jim Finzel of Florida.

Henry married Loretta Farrell of Newfoundland and they now live in Winnipeg. A former RCMP Sargeant Major, now employed with Northern Affairs. They have four children: David, Robert, Katherine and Bryan.

May and Joe Rakai live in Enderby, B.C. and have five children; Robert, James, John, Kathy and Kenneth.

George married Pearl Stafford of Inwood, now lives in Selkirk and is employed at the Selkirk Mental Health Centre. They have two children, Debbie and Donald.

Erna and Alvin Wenzel of Brooks, Alta. have four children: Gregory, Ronald, Lawrence, and Andrew.

Ruth and Ted Grimm of Medicine Hat, Alta. have four children, Linda, Douglas, Maureen and Michelle.

EDWARD LINDSTROM

submitted by Thelma and Esther

Edward Lindstrom was born in 1884, the son of Swedish parents, John Lindstrom. John had come to Canada from Sweden in about 1896. His wife came to Canada two years later (1898) with young Edward, aged 14 years and Olga, his sister.

John Lindstrom was a blacksmith by trade and fashioned and made all his own tools needed to practice his trade. John and his wife only had two children, Olga and Edward. Grandma Lindstrom was known for her kindness and generosity as well as her delicious doughnuts which she served from a China pedestal plate, which was always miracuously kept filled. She always had a little "something" for the children.

On the property was an old limestone pit which was used to plaster and build the first Lindstrom building. The grandchildren fondly recall gathering up pieces of coal from the CNR tracks and Grandpa John giving them 5¢ a bag for it. This was indeed great wealth to the Lindstrom children and Grandpa John used the coal in his blacksmith shop.

Grandfather John Lindstrom died in July 1928 and Grandma died in Nov. 1927. Both are at rest in the St. Andrews on the Red Churchyard Cemetery.



Catherine and Edward Lindstrom.

Their son, Edward, met and married Katherine Mowatt (of St. Andrews), the daughter of Robert Mowatt, in 1909. Robert Mowatt was born in St. Andrews and spent all his life in that area, and was a carpenter by trade.

Edward and Katherine had 13 children, 5 sons and 8 girls: Edmond, Ernest, John, Walter, Harold, Katherine, Irene, Esther, Viola, Eloise-Peggy, Lucille, Thelma and Joan. Of the 13 children, three are deceased. Katherine died in infancy, Ernest passed away in 1936 and Harold in 1970.

The children all attended the Gonor School and the St. Andrews on the Red, Anglican Church, across the river.

Edward died on Aug. 28, 1948 at the age of 64 years and Katherine passed away April 16, 1971 at the age of 80.

Edward was a carpenter by trade and during the depression years went more fully into market gardening to supplement the family income, as the building trade was slack. The children assisted him with this chore and remember the long hours in the field weeding and then picking the vegetables and finally the selling of the produce.

During the Second World War, Walter was in the Navy and Harold in the Army. Harold remained in the Armed Forces and made this his career.

The children, with the blessing of their parents, have made their own way in life: Edmond Lawrence, lives in Wpg., while John and Walter moved West to Alberta. Ernest who died in 1936, is buried at the St. Andrews on the Red Cemetery, while Harold, who very sadly passed away in 1970, is buried in Belleville, Ont. Harold made the Armed Forces his career, serving almost 30 yrs with the Royal Canadian Engineers prior to his demise. Harold was employed by the Hastings County Board of Educ. as a supervisor.

The girls in the family have scattered even further: Irene married Frank Mason and they live in North Surrey, B.C., Esther married Harold Shuart and lived in Bothwell, Ont. until Harold's untimely death, and now makes her home in Selkirk. Viola married Gordon Goldsworthy and they make their home in Regina. Eloise (Peggy) and her husband Andrew Parkinson live in Transcona. Lucille married Mike Padlecki and they live in San Diego, California. Thelma married Louis-Paul Poirier and they live in Selkirk. The youngest daughter, Joan, married Robert Kowalchuk of Gonor and they are living on the old Lindstrom homeplace.

Grandpa John Lindstrom was well respected in the community and very proficient at his trade as Blacksmith. His services were in great demand and he was very innovative and could always be depended upon to keep the equipment and farm machinery functioning. Breakdowns were frequent in the area. John Lindstrom also fashioned and designed all his own tools of the trade. If money was scarce, he often freely gave of his services. Edward carried on in this generous and compassionate trait of his father, and the Lindstrom family will be long remembered as a family who helped to build a better community.

MRS. MAGGIE LINKLATER

submitted by Betty Linklater

Leslie, and his mother, Mrs. Maggie Linklater, moved to Grand Marais in 1915. They originally came from Portage la Prairie. Mrs. Linklater is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Swain, from along the Red River, Lockport.



Maggie Linklater going for the mail.



Maggie Linklater spinning wool using dog hair with lamb wool.

Mrs. Linklater's husband, Frank, was in the Army and went overseas, he was killed at Vimy Ridge in 1914. Mrs. Linklater rented a homestead, where she raised cows and chickens, she also had a great garden. Mrs. Linklater helped many people through difficult times. Mrs. Linklater then was married again, this time to Robert Hourie, in 1934. She passed away in 1950.

GEORGE AND CHRISTINA LONGBOTTOM

family story written by Christina Longbottom (86)

I was born in Mapleton, July 24, 1896 and lived until my marriage on Dec. 10, 1920 to George Longbottom.

In 1916 I went to Winnipeg and worked there for four years. I still have memories of the dear old St. Clements Church. I was baptized there, confirmed there - taught Sunday school and sang in the choir. My late husband was laid to rest in St. Clements Church Cemetery.

My mother's father came from England and my father's father from the Orkney Islands in Scotland in the early 18th century. My mother's education was quite limited as she only attended school in the winter. I remember her telling me that her father moved them along with the herd of cattle to a little house in the vast prairie for the summer where there was plenty of grazing land for the cattle and of course the oxen which was their only way of conveyance.

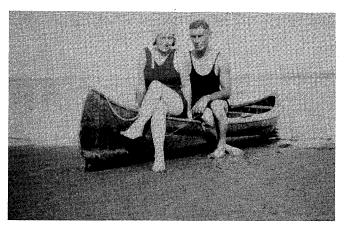
I only remember my maternal grandfather. I was very fond of him and I am sure he made a spoiled brat of me because my grandmother was forever scolding me for some mischief I would get into. When I was about 10 years old he took me to the St. Clements Sunday School Picnic at Winnipeg Beach. I had 20 rides on the merry go round at 5 cents per ride.

There were 7 girls and three boys in our family. Our home was a gathering place for kids as we had large grounds and always played baseball in the evenings. Of course it was not all play we had our chores to do. One was milking the cows. I only wish now that I had some of the milk and cream not to mention the butter that we were brought up on. No additives those days, just the real thing.

I do not know much about my husband's people except that his grandfather, Tom Longbottom, came from Yorkshire England. He had settled in Toronto but later came to Winnipeg, and was the first Market Gardener in the City of Winnipeg. His property was what is now the Elmwood Cemetery. I can recall my father-in-law the late George Edward Longbottom telling me that he was nine years old when they came from Toronto to Winnipeg by steamboat, and that he had fallen overboard into the lake. They yelled "Man overboard" and he was pulled to safety. He married Lydia Leask from Poplar Park Man. where they lived for a few years. Then moved to Somerset where he ran a Saw Mill and Brickyard. While at Somerset, he built the Anglican Church which still stands today and his name is engraved on a brass plate inside the church. He later moved to Winnipeg and finally, to St. Andrews.

He also volunteered his labour and shingled the St. Andrews Church on the Red when he lived on Gold Stone Road in St. Andrews. His old home is still in use on Gold Stone Road. A young couple lives in it now. I drove past there last year and was glad to see that it is still kept in good condition.

My father Peter MacKenzie died at the early age of 35, of pneumonia. I was 2 years old and my brother Lawrence 4 years. My mother later married John Thomas Birston and raised 8 more children. She was the former



Tina McKenzie and George Longbottom, Oct., 1932.



Tina McKenzie and George Longbottom Mapleton, 1919.



Tina Longbottom on the shore of Lake Winnipeg where first home was built, mouth of Brokenhead River.

Eliza Fiddler, daughter of Henry and Nancy Fiddler. One of her sayings was "My whole family was musical, we were all "Fiddlers".

My husband, the late George Walter Longbottom, was a veteran of the Firt World War and spent 4 years overseas. We were married in 1920 and in 1922 made our home in Scanterbury on the lake shore of Lake Winnipeg until 1942, when we moved up closer into the village because high water forced us to move from the mouth of the river. We lived in Scanterbury until my husband's death in 1962. He had also enlisted in the Second World War in 1940 but was later discharged on account of poor health. Our family consists of 4 sons, George, James, Alex and Edward and one daughter Margaret. She is married to Gordon Monkman.

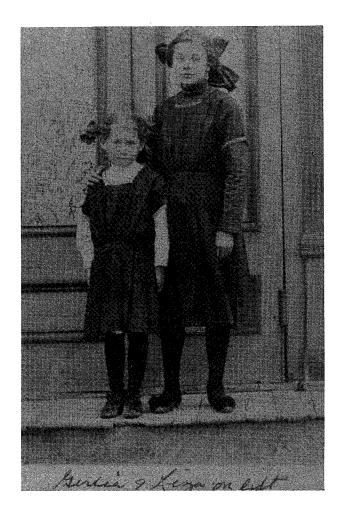
My husband was a Gamewarden for many years and in winter travelled by snowshoes, dog team and snow plane. He was also a carpenter and built two beautiful log homes (one for us) and built cabins at the Mouth of the Brokenhead River at Scanterbury. He constructed handsome stone fireplaces in each of the 2 log homes. Those buildings have been destroyed by high water.



George Longbottom with George's "snowmobile" at Col. Sullivan's.

I have seen many changes during my 40 years at Scanterbury. Most of all I miss the train trips on the old "Local" that travelled between Winnipeg and Victoria Beach. It was good to come home after a trip and see so many of the people at the Station, especially on mail days which was a big event twice a week. Campbell and Agnes Monkman were there to pick up the mailbags off the train and they always had a lot of passengers going back with them for their mail.

Mrs. Monkman (Agnes) was Post Mistress for many years and I always had a nice visit with her when I went for our mail. I had three miles to go, and enjoyed the walk, especially after having a good cup of tea before leaving for home. My children received part of their education at the Brokenhead Day School at Scanterbury. George had the toughest time as he travelled 3 miles alone and was only 7 years old. Many days he went to school and had to come right back as Mr. Sage who was the





Tina and George Longbottom at their home in Scanterbury.

teacher was also a Minister and he would often be away officiating at a funeral or wedding.

I recall the little girls at Scanterbury at that time wore long dresses down to their ankles. Now the young generation there are as Modern as anywhere else. Another change is the more modern homes being built by the Dept. of Indian Affairs. The children now have the advantage of good schools and certified teachers. Many