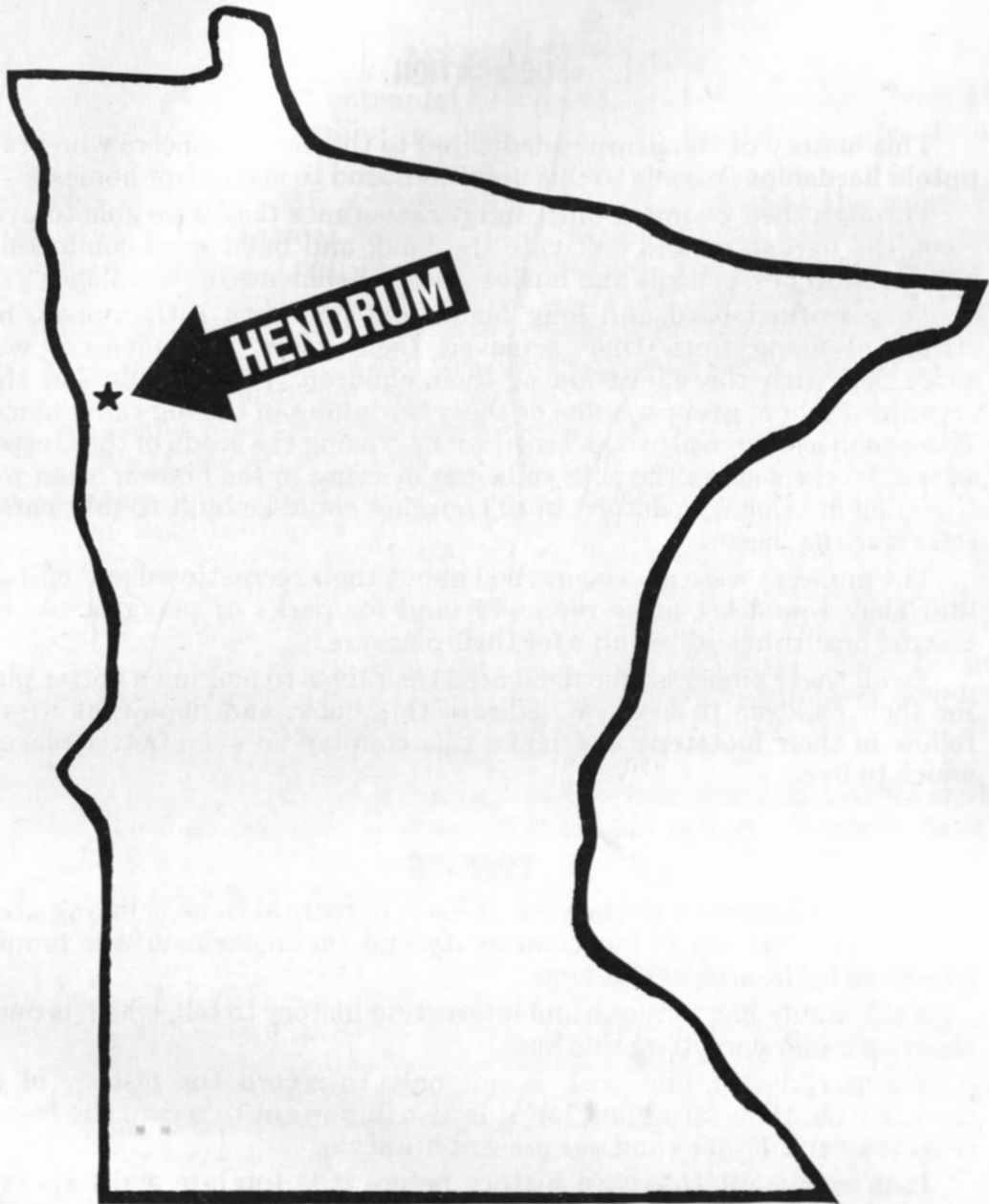


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DEDICATION

This history of Hendrum is dedicated to the hardy pioneers who braved untold hardships to come to this unbroken land to make their homes.

Through their courage, faith and perseverance they were able to overcome the hardships and cultivate the land; and build good comfortable homes, churches, schools and business establishments in the villages.

They worked hard and long hours and had very little money, but struggled along until they achieved their goals. The pioneers were concerned with the education of their children. Toward this end they organized school groups, some of them beginning in the log cabin homes. These pioneers were also concerned with "sowing the seeds of the Gospel" as well as the seed in the soil, so began meeting in the homes; often with traveling missionary pastors, until churches could be built to take care of their spiritual needs.

The pioneers were also concerned about their recreational and cultural life. They would set aside pieces of land for parks or playgrounds and erected beautiful auditoriums for their pleasure.

To all these pioneers who dedicated their lives to making a better place for their children to live, we dedicate this book; and hope that we can follow in their footsteps and make this country an even better place in which to live.

PREFACE

With the approach of the year 1982, it is natural to be thinking about the 100 year history of our community and the histories of the families who lived in the area at this time.

Each family has a unique and interesting history to tell, which is one of the reasons for compiling this book.

The purpose of this book is not only to record the history of the pioneers and their struggles, but it is also important to record the history of our current families and our present life style.

It is important to record history before it is too late and forgotten. This book will be used as a reference, a family keepsake and an interesting book to read. We sincerely hope you will all enjoy this book.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Hendrum Centennial Committee is pleased it has been able to sponsor the compiling of this book of history of the Hendrum Community.

In August 1981, a group of people met to discuss the possibility of having a Centennial Celebration in 1982. Officers were chosen at that time: George Lee, chairman; Harriett Sterton, treasurer; Joann Schlopka, secretary; and Clarice Hamstad, vice chairman. At a later meeting Robert Nygaard was chosen the coordinator between the Centennial Committee and the All School Reunion Committee. Dora Lee was chosen historian with Eunice Lee and Hazel Anderson as co-historians. Many working committees were also formed.

We thank all of you who have helped in any way: all who have loaned pictures and written family histories; the typists who helped type the histories; the proof readers; the people who wrote articles about the different organizations; the Historical Societies for its help; the newspapers at Halstad, Ada and the Fargo Forum; all people working on any committee; John and Donovan Kolness for the printing and so forth.

Material was gathered together from many different areas: old papers, museums, court house records, old newspapers (including Hendrum's), Norman County History Books, Georgetown History Book, other history books, many personal interviews and so forth.

We have tried to make this history book accurate, but errors are bound to creep in. There is a good chance that names of people have been omitted, however, this has not been done intentionally.

We are deeply appreciative of all who have done anything to help make this book a reality.

Greetings on the behalf of the City Council. We are proud to be serving the City of Hendrum during the Centennial Year of 1982. The community has been fortunate to have in the past, people who were concerned and dedicated to the formation of this area of the Red River Valley.

The interest and enthusiasm of the people taking part in this first centennial celebration gives a strong indication that the community will celebrate many more centennials.

Robert V. Nygaard, Mayor
City of Hendrum

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A special acknowledgement was unanimously voted by the Centennial Committee at their first meeting of 1982 as a tribute to George & Eunice Lee. Originally George was elected Chairman of the Centennial and Eunice was elected Co-chairperson of the Centennial Book Committee. Before we knew it, the Lee basement was converted to an assembly station for the contents of the Centennial book. Many long weeks passed by, researching, sorting and filing, over many cups of coffee, cookies and bars which were served by the hosts. Their sense of public service and willingness to shoulder more than their share of work & worry we are sure will be reflected in the success of our celebration - Many thanks.



George and Eunice Lee

MINNESOTA

The geology of Minnesota was molded to a great degree by four glacial periods. The last about a hundred thousand years ago. During the last period the great Keewatin ice sheet crunched its way slowly southward from Canada over Minnesota and the Dakotas, blocking the northward flowing Red River. Then the climate changed, and the great ice sheet began to melt; a vast lake formed in front of it. The Red River Valley was the southern arm of this lake Agassiz as it has been named. The lake drained south through Big Stone Lake and Minnesota River into the Mississippi. As the climate grew warmer, the ice dam to the north gradually receded and the water in the lake fell. Gravel and sand were deposited on a series of beaches and finer materials, silt and clay were dropped in deeper water. At last the ice disappeared completely, the lake became dry, and the Red River again flowed north into Lake Winnipeg and the Hudson Bay.

The first inhabitants of Minnesota were Indians so far as we know. In 1933 the Brown's Valley Man was found. It is believed this is the skeleton of a person buried around 600 B.C. Reliefs such as flaked arrow heads and copper spear points have been found in Norman County which experts at the University think to be from before 5000 B.C. The first tribes of Indians in Minnesota appear to have been one of the divisions of the Sioux. The Chippewa came into Minnesota before 1600 and having firearms, drove the Sioux from most of the Minnesota woodlands and took over north-eastern North Dakota as well. The Sioux became plains people after being chased South, while the Chippewa became more of farmers and woodsmen, hunting deer and other animals, fishing, and harvesting wild rice and berries.

Minnesota was explored by Frenchmen in the seventeenth century. Among these were Jean Nicollet, Radison, Groseilliers, Duluth, and Hennepin. John Carver seems to have been the first Englishman to explore in the state. After the treaty of 1783 gave the eastern part of Minnesota to the United States, a number of American explorers visited the state. Some of these were: Zbelon Pike, Governor Lewis Cass, Henry R. Schoolcraft, Giacomo Co. Beltrami, Joseph Nicollet and Major Stephen H. Long. Captain John Pope explored the Red River Valley in 1849 to gather information for prospective settlers and state boundry lines.

The French were the first to engage in the fur trade, but the Hudson Bay and the Northwest Fur Companies entered after the English gained control of the region. Following the War of 1812, the American Fur Company came into Minnesota also. Treaties made with the Indians in 1837 and 1851 opened up most of the territory to white settlers, who came at first chiefly from the eastern states. By 1857 there

were 150,037 people. A territorial government had been set up in 1849; in 1858 Minnesota was admitted as a state, with St. Paul as its capital city. Two years later its population totaled 172,023. The coming of the Civil War and the Indian uprising of 1862 slowed down the immigration, but after the war a new era of prosperity and growth set in. The treaty made with the Indians in 1864 opened up all the Red River Valley, about eleven million acres, to settlers.

Railroad companies began building operations, extending their lines rapidly across the state. The financial crash of 1873 retarded them for several years, but they resumed operations even more rapidly after 1878. The tide of immigration set in again, from Europe as well as from the older states. The population grew steadily. The people spread out over the state, many coming into the Red River Valley.

During the 1880's a good deal of trade developed between the Red River territory and the southwestern part of Minnesota, carried in thousands of ox carts and by boats on the Red and Minnesota Rivers. The first steamboat, the *Anson Northrop* appeared on the Red River in 1859. After the Civil War stagecoaches were run north and south from Fort Abercrombie through the Valley to Winnipeg, and more steamboats appeared on the Red River. The St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Manitoba Railroad was extended to the Red River Valley, and did much to help settle it.

Pembina County was created before 1850 and extended from Red Lake west to the Missouri River and from Lake Itasca north to the Lake of the Woods and the Canadian border. What are now Kittson, Marshall, Polk, Pennington and Norman County were a part of Pembina County. Polk County was formed in 1873, and Norman from Polk on February 17, 1881.

Minnesota developed into one of the great agricultural states of the Union. At first, small grains were the main crop, especially wheat in the Red River Valley, but today farming is much diversified. The state is noted for its production of iron ore, and formerly was a lumbering center. Its ten thousand lakes have attracted a good tourist business. The large cities of Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth have become industrial and shipping centers, and small manufacturing plants can be found in many of the smaller cities of the state.

In war and in politics Minnesota has always taken an active part. From the Civil War to the Viet Nam Conflict its men have served bravely. It has had two Vice-presidents, Hubert Humphrey, who almost became President, and Walter Mondale.

Its changes of seasons prevent monotony. Minnesota weather is always a topic of conversation. Its citizens on the whole enjoy the environment, and are loyal to and proud of the North Star State.

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MINNESOTA CENTENNIAL

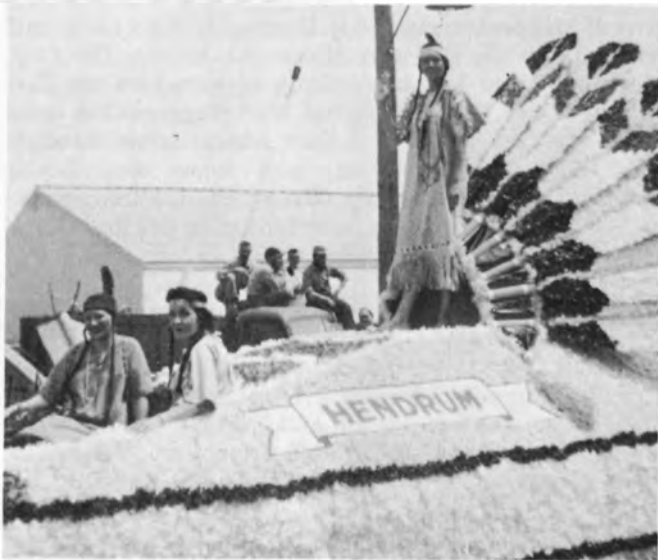
In 1958, Hendrum joined the rest of the state in celebrating its Centennial Year. The Hendrum community joined with the other communities in Norman County and participated in a big pageant presented at Halstad. It was a pageant depicting the past history of the county.

The cast numbered over four hundred and was composed of people from every part of the county. In addition over a hundred more were working behind the scenes in making preparations, staging, and so on, to say nothing of all the volunteer workers who were selling tickets, advertising, furnishing properties and the like. One of the outstanding features of the pageant

were the many beautiful horses that were used in a number of scenes.

Hendrum entered a float for the big parade that was held at Halstad. Hendrum also presented a variety program at Hendrum with all local talent one evening. A Minnesota Birthday Party was celebrated the 9th and 11th of May.

An interesting part of the Centennial was the beard growing contest and the Ladies of the Swish. There were many interesting looking beards before the celebration was over. Also, we saw many interesting and pretty dresses worn by the ladies and girls of the community.



Hendrum's Float in Centennial Parade at Halstad
Mrs. Kieth Todd, Mrs. Sherman Kolness, Karen Thorson - 1958



Garden Club - State Centennial 1958
Gretchen Scoville, Ada Stennes, Annie Ingberg, Julia Enockson,
Ruth Underlee, Anna Aas, Gena Nelson, Tracy Ogard,
Myrtle Brattland, Helen Qualley, Dora Handegaard, Judy Trom,
Olga Lee, Isabelle Todd, and Hilda Nelson.



Sewing Club - 1958
Back Row: Christine Sterton, Hazel Anderson, Irene Ostenson, Ann Blackketter, Gladys Anderson, Evelyn Rogness, Nellie Qualley, Harriet Sterton. Front Row: Ferne Thorson, Dawn T., Ethel Sterton, and Eunice Lee.



Sisters of the Swish - 1958
Marie Logan, Evelyn Rogness, Gertie Stennes, Bertha Mathiason,
Edith Marsden, Julia Enockson, Amelia Grothe, Gladys Hoiland,
Irene Ostenson, Ethel Sterton. Gretchen Scoville, Alma Helland,
Alma Riste, Christine Sterton, and Amanda Johnson.

HENDRUM TOWNSHIP

The first white people to settle in Hendrum Township are believed to have been some French trappers who put claim shanties along the woods on the west bank of the Wild Rice River in 1869, one-half mile directly east of the present site of Hendrum Village. There were sixteen men, five of whom were married and had children. Some of the graves of these trappers are located on the N.E. Quarter of Section 30, near the woods. The colony encountered a lot of hardships and misfortune, especially the grasshopper plague of 1871-1872, became discouraged and soon left.

The grasshoppers came in July 1871. They were so thick they looked like a black cloud, and when they settled, the ground was literally moving with grasshoppers. Since there was only wild hay and a few patches of potatoes to eat, the grasshoppers stayed only long enough to lay large quantities of eggs. These hatched in the spring of 1872 and ate up everything green they could find, even eating holes in posts, trees and buildings. Leaving the country stripped, they moved westward, halting a while at the Red River where many of them were jostled or blown into the river and were eaten by the fish. The rest took wing and flew westward. Some grasshoppers remained to plague the settlers the next few years.

The first permanent settlers in Hendrum Township were Ole Nygaard and Ole Ingebrigtsen in 1874. Ole Nygaard settled on the farm now owned by Mrs. Lester Todd just east of Hendrum, and his friend settling just south of him. In the fall of 1874, Mrs. Ole Nygaard arrived together with her parents, John and Martha Berg, who settled on a claim one-half mile further north. In the spring of 1875, John Satre arrived and settled on what is now the George Snustad farm. These were the only settlers in the township the first two years, but after that every year saw new families moving into the valley, coming mostly in covered wagons drawn by oxen. Very few had horses. Most of the breaking, seeding and harvesting was done by oxen the first few years.

Some of the earliest arrivals were Tore Venn, Andrew Gordon, Hans Fjelstad, Ole Thronson, Jorgen Nyland, Hans Erickson, Ingebridd Ellingson, Arndt J. Rustvold, John Brothem, Paul Rinnan, P.O. Ingberg, Peder Larson, John Grothe, and Iven Larson. A few Indians still roamed the prairies, hunting, fishing and trapping. Sometimes they came with buffalo meat to trade for things the settlers had. For most part they were friendly.

A diphtheria epidemic broke out in 1881 in which John Satre lost three children; Ole Wangberg, five; Jacob Stordvedt, three; John Ericksons, five; H.O. Rasks, four; and some others making a total of twenty seven from the settlement. A few years later it broke out again. The John Ericksons who had lost five children in 1881, now had six children and all died, making a total of eleven children from one family to die of diphtheria.

Severe snowstorms and bad floods also periled the early settlers. A four-foot snowfall in March, 1882,

caused a bad flood. The snow melted so fast that the Wild Rice east of Hendrum, rose twelve feet in a single day and caused much damage, but the worst of all came in April, 1897. That winter was known as "the big snow winter" and snow drifts up to twenty and thirty feet high were seen. Houses were almost covered and sometimes it was impossible to get to the livestock for two or three days during the storm. Warm weather came suddenly that spring. Ice jammed up in the rivers and the water came with a rush. People woke in the morning to find water already coming into their homes. The rushing of the water, the cries for help, and the bellowing of the cattle could be heard for miles away that morning. Many cattle, pigs and chickens were drowned, woodpiles floated away, hay and straw stacks were scattered and small buildings washed from their foundations. It was a big undertaking to clean up after that flood. Even fish were found stranded in buildings after the water receded.

Hendrum Township was officially organized in 1880. J.C. Norby was the first town clerk. The name Hendrum was given the township in honor of Mrs. Johannes Hagen whose maiden name was Hindrum. Four other schools were later established. In later years they have decided, one by one, to go in with District No. 1 in the village which became a consolidated school district in 1915.

There were five churches in the township: Three rural churches, Pontoppodan, Concordia, and St. Paul, all Lutheran; Immanuel Lutheran and Presbyterian in town. St. Paul Church north of Hendrum was destroyed by lightning in September, 1937; Pontoppidan Church east of Hendrum was closed in March, 1963, and the building was moved and given to the Norman County Historical Society as part of the Pioneer Village at Ada, Minnesota; the Presbyterian Church was dismantled and made into an apartment house.

Adreas Gordon and Jorgen Nyland had the first threshing machine in the township. It was powered by horses. John Satre had the first steam threshing outfit. For a few years in the 90's a Mr. Skjagrud operated a feed mill northeast of Hendrum. After it was washed out twice by high water, it was moved to Heiberg. John O. Hagen was the first postmaster, followed by John J. Grothe having both post office and a little store on his farm, just north of Hendrum before 1881. Before a bridge was built across the Red River west of Hendrum, James Canning operated a ferry across the river. Ole Hagen, who lived on the farm now owned by Dick Storsved, was the first apple grower in the county.

The township is recognized as the largest producer of wheat in the county. It has a network of good gravelled roads in addition to the paved roads. Through the leadership of A.M. Eckmann, P.O. Ingberg and H.O. Rask, a ten acre tract of land was purchased by the State Bank of Hendrum and donated to the village and township for a playground and park. It is equipped with a large auditorium, lunch stand and public equipment and is much enjoyed by the public.

Taken from Norman County Bicentennial Book.

NORMAN COUNTY

Norman County lies in the heart of the Red River Valley which is known as the bread basket of the world. It is bounded on the north by Polk County, on the east by Mahnomen County, on the south by Clay County, while the Red River of the north forms its western boundary. The general surface is very flat, the highest point being Frenchman's Bluff near the village of Flom in the eastern part. This is 1400 feet above sea level.

Norman County was created February 17, 1881, from a part of Polk County, which in turn had been part of Pembina County. The members of the convention held at Ada to secure the establishment of the county by the state legislature chose the name Norman to commemorate the great number of Norwegian (Norsemen or Norman) immigrants who had settled in the county. As late as 1910 no other county in the state had so large a proportion of Norwegians. The census of that year showed that out of 13,446 people were born in Norway; and 4,651 others had Norwegian parents.

The soil in the greater part of the county is a rich, dark loam, famed for its fertility, but it becomes sandy in the extreme eastern part. All the county except this eastern section was once a part of the Lake Agassiz bed. There were not many extremely large farms, but one of five hundred acres or more was not considered a big farm.

The only river of any consequence is the Wild Rice. This stream runs from east to west and passes through the towns of Twin Valley and Ada. It enters the Red River somewhat to the south of the city of Halstad. Just east of the city of Ada, the river divides into two parts. The northern one, known as the Marsh River, joins the Red River close to the town of Shelly. The county contains no lakes worthy of the name.

This part of Minnesota had been visited by explorers, traders, hunters, and missionaries, but Indian massacres during the Civil War frightened the settlers away, and it was not until 1870 that settlers began coming in numbers to this section. The census of 1870 showed only 2,206 whites south of the Canadian line in the Red River Valley.

It was not until the end of the Civil War and cessation of the Indian troubles that the settlement of Norman County began. The Homestead Act had been passed in 1863, but surveying of the land by the government was not done until the late sixties in Norman County. Also, the Northern Pacific Railroad and the St. Paul and Pacific (later the Great Northern) had been given large tracts of land by the government to encourage them to build roads through the state. They sold their land at low price to bring in settlers as rapidly as possible. There was also state land to be had.

Settlers in southern Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin and Europe, hearing of the free land for homesteads, and the cheap railroad lands, were inspired to seek homes and farms in the Red River Valley. Many of

those who came from southern Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa were Scandinavian origin, having some years earlier immigrated to America from Sweden, Norway and Denmark, because of poor economic conditions there at that time. Europe's Scandinavian countries have contributed many sturdy men and women who were instrumental in developing the social, religious, civil and financial conditions of this area.

During the summer of 1871 a caravan of five covered wagons, drawn by milk cows and oxen traveled north and west to reach the Red River Valley. The wagons and the oxen were loaded with supplies so the travelers rested often. They often had to build crude bridges in order to cross the streams that lay in their path.

They had been on the way over six weeks, and had covered more than five hundred miles of unbroken roads on their journey. The weary settlers wandered around looking for suitable land. They finally chose sites near the river where the land was high and rich, and the trees were plentiful for building log houses. Every month new homeseekers came, having the option of selecting the land of their choice. Among those who located along the Marsh River were: The Ole Paulsons and their three sons; Ole Halstad; John Grothe, and his four sons; and Andrew and L.A. Gordon.

Others sought claims along the western border on the shore of the Red River. Lauris Houske selected his site only a half mile from there; 12 years later, the town of Halstad grew up. Lauris Houske dug a huge cavity or hole in the side of a hill in which his family sought shelter until he was able to cut down the sturdy oak trees to build his log cabin. In this crude dugout on July 31, a daughter, Melissa Serina, was born to the Houskes. She was the first white child born in Norman County.

Houske discovered that an old Frenchman and his daughter (who lived in a tarpaper shack) were his closest neighbors. They spoke only French, and lived such secluded lives that no information could be obtained from them. They stayed but a short time and nothing is known of where they went. They were probably the first settlers to locate in the county. The first white people in the county were French trappers who farmed small tracts of land near the river. To the south, two Swedes, Charles Holmberg and August Oberg, settled in 1870 on land not yet surveyed. They came to cut wood for the steamboats that plied the Red River conveying freight from cities to the south and on to Winnipeg. They soon sold their claims and located elsewhere.

One of the first calamities to befall the settlers was the plague of grasshoppers which left the countryside bare in the summer of 1871. There was illness, too, and that, and fear of the Indians discouraged many. Some of the settlers sought to return to their former homes in Fillmore County. In spite of the disheartening rumors which drifted back to southern Minnesota, a new group of settlers arrived on June 14, 1872, who did much to lift the spirits of the discouraged settlers.

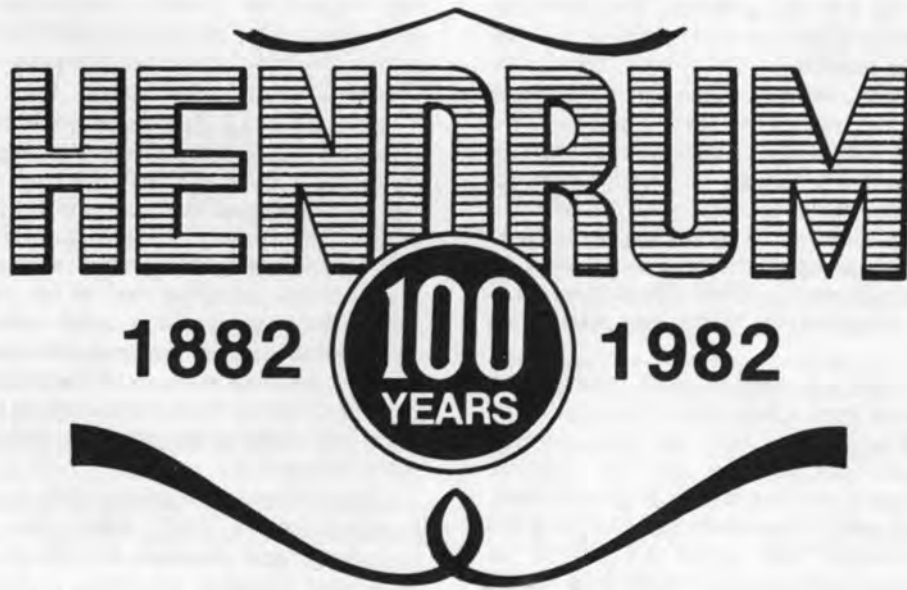
The earliest permanent settler in Norman County is thought to be John Shelly, who settled here in 1870. The town of Shelly and the township were named for him. He hauled supplies from Ft. Snelling for the government to forts along the Red River before there were any settlements. He was born in Vermont in 1846 and came to Minnesota in 1854 with his family.

During the seventies and eighties settlers came in ever increasing numbers from southern Minnesota, the eastern states, Wisconsin, and Europe. The majority of these were Scandinavians, but there were also many Germans. Other nationalities were represented also, such as Irish, Swiss, English, French, Scotch, Polish, Welsh and Jewish.

The early settlers found travel difficult, as there were no wagon roads, only old Indian trails. All supplies and farming tools had to be brought in by team or on the backs of the people themselves. For a long time, Alexandria was the nearest point for grain, and regular trips for supplies had to be made overland. Some settlers traded at Georgetown, a Hudson Bay trading post on the Red River at the mouth of the Buffalo River.

The rails of the old St. Paul and Pacific Railroad (later the Great Northern) were laid a short distance south of Ada in 1872, and later extended to Crookston and Fisher. In 1883, the Great Northern built a line along the Red River through Perley, Hendrum and Halstad, and in 1886, a third line was built by the Northern Pacific through Twin Valley and Gary. By 1885, the land boom and movement of settlers into Norman County reached the high point. Thousands of bushels of wheat were being raised; immigrants were coming in by the hundreds; a rate of one dollar for the fare from New York to Chicago was made by the railroads to encourage them to go West; settlers goods were being carried from St. Paul to Fargo in carload lots for \$35.

By 1887, the boom began to wane. Much of the wheat crop was destroyed by the big hail storm of 1885; the price of wheat went down; and severe drought in 1888 ruined most of the crops in the county. The year of 1889 was better; a million bushels of wheat were produced that year. Wheat was the main crop of



The staple food of the early settlers was pancakes, Red River catfish and milk. Grasshoppers came in large numbers during the early seventies, but finally disappeared in 1877. Ole P. Ojen, early Norman County settler, described the coming of the grasshoppers in July, 1871. They came like a snowstorm. Although they stayed only a few days, they destroyed all the crops. When the wind blew, they were quiet, but on sunny days they were on the move, devouring everything in sight, even chewing tobacco.

the county. An attempt was made by August George to start sugar beet culture in 1888, but it did not succeed at that time. (It is now one of the main crops in the county.) Low wheat prices caused many farm foreclosures in the years from 1886-1889. With the improvement of prices in the 90's settlers began arriving in numbers again. Throughout the years, the farmers of the county have had their periods of prosperity and hard times, and the towns and cities of the county have prospered or suffered accordingly.

Farmers groups were organized during the latter part of the 1880's to try for a better deal for the farmers. The Farmers' Alliance was quite active in Norman County; the populists were very strong in 1890's; and there were real struggles between them and the Republicans for county offices. The Prohibition Party held its first convention in 1886. The prohibition people were successful in getting saloons voted out of a town one year; the next year the license people would get them back. Good Templar lodges were organized in various parts of the county, and an anti-saloon league was formed in 1904. Since the repeal of prohibition, the Prohibition Party has had little influence.

The first county fair was held in 1895. Except for 1899, the fair was held in the fall until 1915 when the dates were changed to June or July. In 1916 the fair was brought to an abrupt end by the terrific windstorm which blew down the baseball grandstand, wrecked cars and did much other damage. The Norman County Fair Association has spent its profits in improving the grounds, building new sheds and barns, and painting and repairing the older ones. In 1975, a large 4H building was erected.

The county seat and largest city of the county is Ada. Hendrum was platted in 1883 and incorporated in 1891. It was named for the town in Norway, Hindrumgaard, the place where Mrs. John J. Hagen came from. Most of the early settlers were Scandinavians, many coming from Scandinavia and Wisconsin. Hendrum has the honor of the first consolidated school in the county.

In 1958 Norman County joined in the observance of Minnesota's Centennial Year by celebrations in various communities, parades, whisker-growing contests, a big pageant depicting the past history of

the county and a queen contest at which Sonja Sharpe was chosen as County Centennial Queen. The two permanent Centennial projects undertaken were the county history and the Norman County Historical Museum.

Perhaps the biggest undertaking of the Centennial year in Norman County was the big pageant staged at Halstad, June 13, 14, 15. The cast was numbered over four hundred and was composed of people from every part of the county. In addition over a hundred more were working behind the scenes in making the preparations, staging, and so on, to say nothing of all the volunteer workers who were selling tickets, advertising, furnishing properties and the like. One of the outstanding features of the pageant were the many beautiful horses that were used in a number of scenes. This was truly a tremendous undertaking which was most successful.

The Norman County Historical Society was reorganized in 1957 with Rev. E.L. Larson as president, and through its efforts the Museum was dedicated January 13, 1958. It has already outgrown the temporary quarters lent it by the Ada School in the elementary building. Interesting and unique articles have been brought in from all parts of the county to form a most worth-while display. By the end of May, almost 1400 people had visited the museum. When a permanent home is secured for the museum, it will be possible to make it ever more worth-while both educationally and culturally for the entire county.

Norman County has prospered and kept pace with the progress of Minnesota, and together with the rest of the state, enters the second century of Minnesota history with confidence in the future.

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Centennial History of Norman County - 1958

HENDRUM TOWNSHIP 1896

- Bechen, J.C.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 18 P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Settled in Norman Co. 1886.
- Bergh, John J.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 29. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1853. Settled in Norman Co. 1892.
- Canning, Mary A.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 25. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Ireland. Came to America 1883. Settled in Norman Co. 1883.
- Canning, Charles (Dec.)** — Born in Ireland, April 6, 1842. Came to American 1867. Settled in Norman Co. 1879. Died April 8, 1894.
- Canning, Thos.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 19. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Ireland. Came to America 1870. Settled in Norman Co. 1890.
- Dukleth, O.O.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 7. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1871. Settled in Norman Co. 1879.
- Eckman, Capt. C.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 20. P.O., Hendrum.
- Enger, Christ J.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 14. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1866. Settled in Norman Co. 1879.
- Grothe, A.J.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 7. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1867. Settled in Norman Co. 1871.
- Grotte, P.J.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 19. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1867. Settled in Norman Co. 1871.
- Foss, B.L.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 5. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Houston, Co. Mn. Settled in Norman Co. 1878.
- Hanson, Hans** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 21. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1865. Settled in Norman Co. 1881.
- Ingberg, Peter O.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 32. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1872. Settled in Norman Co. 1876.
- Ingberg, Ole H.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 24. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1881. Settled in Norman Co. 1881.
- Johnson, Peter O.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 22. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Sweden. Came to America 1873. Settled in Norman Co. 1879.
- Larson, Mads** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 34. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1876. Settled in Norman Co. 1878.
- Larson, Peder E.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 34. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1876. Settled in Norman Co. 1878.
- McCully, Thos.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 19. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Ireland. Came to America and settled in Norman Co. 1893.
- Paulson, John** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 19. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1865. Settled in Norman Co. 1871.
- Rask, H.O.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 13. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1857. Settled in Norman Co. 1882.
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- Stordahl, Carl J.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 28. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1875. Settled in Norman Co. 1877.
- Taugnes, G.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 26. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America and settled in Norman Co. 1880.
- Thompson, R.H.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 22. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1860. Settled in Norman Co. 1882.
- Todd, Samuel** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 31. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Canada. Settled in Norman Co. 1880.
- Wangberg, Ole J.** — Farmer, Res., Sec. 8. P.O., Hendrum. Born in Norway. Came to America 1861. Settled in Norman Co. 1878.
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THE CANNING SITE: A PREHISTORIC ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE NEAR HENDRUM, MN.

In prehistoric times ancient Indians lived along the Red River on the Canning property in Section 25. Although the Canning family directed the attention of professional archaeologists to this site over 10 years ago, no extensive work was undertaken here until the summer of 1980.



The Canning Site:
A Prehistoric Archaeological Site Near Hendrum, Mn.

The surface of this riverside field is littered with the refuse of prehistoric occupation — broken pottery, stone chips, arrowheads made from chert and quartzite and pieces of bone which may be from the buffalo the Indians hunted. In 1980 a Moorhead State University archaeological crew collected artifacts from the surface of the field as part of an overall archaeological investigation of the Red River levees in Norman County. The rich variety and quantity of materials from the surface of the Canning field prove that a large settlement existed there. The people who lived at this site were probably hunting buffalo and fishing in the river, since bones from these animals were found in excavations along the edge of the field. The artifacts from the surface of the field and from several shallow excavations consist largely of broken pieces of clay pots. These potsherds consist of fired clay with small fragments of shell. The shell was added to the clay during the manufacturing process to prevent the pots from cracking while they were being baked. The surfaces of these sherds of pottery are usually covered with irregular criss-crossing lines or impressions left from the fabric or cord wrapped paddle used to shape the clay into pots before they were hardened.

These cordmarked, shell tempered potsherds, as well as the small triangular and notched arrowheads are typical of a late prehistoric culture known as Sandy Lake in central Minnesota. Sandy Lake people may have been the ancestors of the modern Dakota Indians. They lived in central Minnesota from A.D. 1000 until

the European arrival and depended heavily on hunting, fishing, plant gathering and the intensive use of wild rice. Seasonal forays into the prairie for buffalo were common. The artifacts from the top 6" of the Canning field (known as 21 NR 9, Canning Site, in the state of Minnesota site registry) may be considered late prehistoric in age (post-A.D. 1000) and related to the Sandy Lake culture of lake-forest country east of the Red River Valley.

The most surprising feature of the Canning site is that it is multicomponent and stratified. This means that there are several cultures represented at the site and the remains of these cultures are layered in the sediments. Long before the Sandy Lake people came to this area, long enough for almost 3' of soil to accumulate along the river levee, prehistoric Indians were butchering and feasting on buffalo at this site.

In 1980, and again in 1981, the Moorhead State archaeological crew worked this deeply buried cultural component. Hundreds of fragmented buffalo bones representing at least 5 animals were uncovered under 3' of overburden. Numerous pieces of chalcedony, a fine grained rock used for toolmaking, were found, as well as stone hide scrapers, broken tool fragments and 5 spear points.

Some of the bones bear cutmarks that reflect the butchering activity of the ancient hunters. A total of 6 charcoal stains, or fire hearths, were discovered at this deep component and charcoal from one of these has already provided a radiocarbon date of 4330 years ago. Pottery is not found at this depth - the art of making clay pots was still 2000 years in the future.



The site does not seem to be a place where bison were actually killed since complete buffalo skeletons were not found. Most of the bones are leg and skull parts. The rest of the buffalo was left elsewhere and only portions carried to this site, or perhaps other body parts remain buried in parts of the site that have yet to be dug. The tools were heavily used and show considerable wear. Most of the stone tools found were broken. All of this suggests to the archaeologist a place where people lived, a campsite, not a kill site; a place where they ate food, not where they merely procured it.

The analysis of the artifacts and bones from the Canning site is going on now. The meaning of the site will not be clear until the bones and stones are carefully scrutinized. Soil samples from the fire stains are being processed for charred seeds, snail shells, wood fragments and any other information which may shed some light on the nature of the environment in which these ancient hunters lived. Additional charcoal is presently being processed for radiocarbon dates to confirm or modify the initial reading. In the 1981 field season, water pumped from the Red River was used to completely break down the heavy excavated clay soil to permit a much greater recovery of materials from the occupation. Some of the small chalcedony flakes found by the use of this process are only 2 millimeters in length! Study has also shown that the chalcedony is a type that comes from western North Dakota. This shows that long distance travel and trade was being carried on in this area over 4000 years ago.

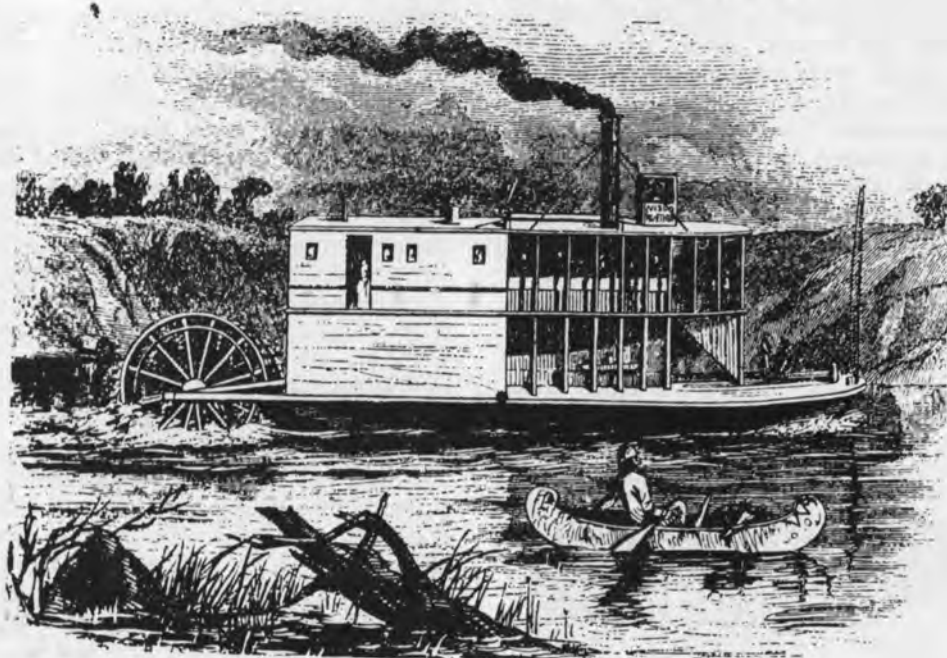


The Canning Site
Man on left: Dr. Michael G. Michlovic
Man of right: Richard Canning

The remains from prehistoric activity at the Canning site, both the upper and lower components, provided a glimpse into the nature of prehistoric cultural change and development. In earlier times pottery was unknown, spears were used for the hunt (we know this from the size of the projectile points found). From the style of the points and the materials on which they were made we imagine the earlier population to have been related to other hunting peoples of the Great Plains. By the time the later materials were deposited, the ones found on the surface of the field, pottery had been invented, the bow and arrow was used for the hunt (again, the shape and size of the points reflect their use), and the people who lived at that site in these later times were obviously from the eastern lake-forest country. Both of the components indicate that people were coming to the Valley to hunt the buffalo.

Much more remains to be learned from the Canning site, and other archaeological stations along the Red River. While most of us think of the Red River heritage in terms of the last century, the prehistoric record shows us that the cultural past in this area is to be gauged not in centuries, but in millenia. Future work in the Valley will fill many of the gaps that mar our understanding of antiquity; the site on the Canning farm is only the beginning of a long story that has been buried in the ground for all this time.

TRANSPORTATION IN THE RED RIVER VALLEY HUDSON BAY COMPANY AT GEORGETOWN



The "Anson Northrop," first steamboat on the Red River of the North.

A Hudson Bay Company had been formed in 1670 by Prince Rupert of England and seventeen members of the English Nobility. King Charles had granted to these "Gentlemen Adventurers" the right to all land drained by the Hudson Bay — these men did not know that the Red River existed and therefore all of the Red River basin came under this rule.

The Red River was used for shipping. The first steam boat on the river was built by Anson Northrop. The St. Paul Chamber of Commerce offered \$2,000 to anyone who could put a steamer on the Red River. Mr. Northrop dismantled the steamer "North Star" at the mouth of the Gull River on the Mississippi River, and hauled the machinery over land by 13 yokes of oxen, 17 spans of horses and 30 men to Lafayette, a small paper town four miles south of Georgetown on the Red River. The town was in Minnesota just opposite the mouth of the Sheyenne River — Dakota City was just across the river in Dakota.

The expedition reached the paper town in March of 1859. The lumber for the hull was whip-sawed by 2 men, after digging a pit, and the machinery was installed here. They cut about 250 feet of lumber per day and enough timber was sawed to complete the hull. E.R. Hutchinson helped build the boat which took seven weeks. The site where the boat was built can still be seen at the mouth of the Sheyenne River at the Red River.

There were two cabins with three citizens living in Lafayette at the time: Edward Murphy from Montreal, Canada; Charles Nash and Henry Myers, both from

New York City. Frank Durand and David Auge lived directly across the river in Dakota City. George W. Northrop was a famous scout with a trapping party and was holding a claim one mile north of the Sheyenne River. They had fifteen men within a three mile radius around the point called Lafayette.

The ship was 90 feet long and 22 feet wide with a 100 horse-power engine. It was driven by an enormous stern wheel drawing 2 feet of water when heavily loaded, and only 14 inches when carrying a light load. This ship was named the "Anson Northrop" and was the first steamer on the Red River.

The boat was now piloted up the river to McCauleyville (Abercrombie). On May 17, 1859 the curious looking craft started from McCauleyville and arrived at Fort Garry on June 2, 1859. After a week's stay, the Northrop made the trip back to McCauleyville with 25 passengers on board.

Now Mr. Northrop refused to carry on, so he collected his \$2,000. In 1860 his boat was sold to the Burbank Co. for \$8,000 and renamed the "Pioneer" by the Hudson Bay Co. It was replaced by the "International" in 1862.

The Minnesota Stage Co. was formed in 1859 by a combination of several older southern lines. The company obtained the contract for carrying the United States mail between St. Paul and Fort Abercrombie. Eventually Georgetown (Hudson Bay Post) also became a stage coach station. The coaches were gray in color with yellow running gears and a red stripe about a foot wide around the base of the coach. Four horses pulled the coach.

On August 12, 1859, the Hudson's Bay Company established a trading post one mile north on Highway 75 - one mile west on County Road 36, on the north side of the road; of the present Georgetown, Mn. (Now a part of the Glen Gilberry Farm.) Mr. McKay was named agent of the post and a year later was succeeded by Alexander H. Murray. The first white settlers in Georgetown (Hudson Bay Post), were Randolph M. Probstfield, Adam Stein and Edwin R. Hutchinson. (1857-1859)

The village (called Georgetown) consisted of a couple of sheds for defense, a warehouse to store furs, a hotel, a dwelling house, a traders' store and a guardhouse. The sheds were built with slits on the sides to stick guns through. They had a slanted roof and now windows.

The warehouse was built in 1860. It was a two story building 28 feet by 50 feet and was used to store furs. At the peak season over a million dollars of furs were stored in the building. A good part of the furs stored here were beaver skins in 100 lb. packs of 80 "plus" (skins) in each pack. A common price for a first class skin was \$6. A scalping knife could be traded with a trapper for one beaver skin, an axe for two skins, a long gun for 14 "plus" and a large keg of whiskey for 30 beaver pelts.

The Indian man loved baubles, hunting goods, blankets, tobacco and fire water; while the squaws loved needles, awls, thread, beads and iron cooking utensils. Other furs such as buffalo hides, bear, otter, raccoon, fox and muskrat were also accepted in trade. The trapping season was usually from October 1st to March 1st.



The timber for the second steamboat, the "International" hull was sawed and the machinery installed, between the Red River and the entrance road to the Hudson's Bay Trading Post Park (dedicated May 2, 1970). The freighter was 137 feet long, 26 feet wide and rated at 133 tons capacity. More equipment for the "International" was obtained in the fall of 1860 when a crew of men under the supervision of C.P.V. Lull took a freighter apart that had become stranded near Big Stone Lake. Two big boilers and engines were among the equipment hauled over land to Georgetown. It took two trips with ox teams to get all the supplies to the new freighter for reconstruction into the "International" steamboat. The crew completed their job shortly after Christmas.

When the "International" was launched from Georgetown for Fort Garry on May 22, 1862, it had 200 passengers on board. Georgetown had become a tent city with people waiting for the boat to make her first trip. The first trip was filled with woe for the captain, crew and passengers. The boat left on its first trip at 2:15 P.M. on May 20, 1862 with Captain Lull in command. The river was flooding, the banks were overflowing and the current was strong. As a result, it was able to navigate "cut-offs" across certain oxbow bends.



The "International" — Second steamboat on the Red River

Because of the boat's length, it proved difficult to handle in the bends. At the first such point known as the Big Eddy Bend a mile below Georgetown, the current swept her against the trees on the point, but without serious damage. Later on the boat crashed into the trees along the bank again, and her two funnels were knocked down. The pilot house was also damaged. It took until 2 P.M. the next day to finish repairing it.

Now the boat was ready to take off again and at 3 P.M. the engine broke down, and there was another delay until 6 P.M. The journey was resumed and continued until a half hour after the sun set at 8:00 P.M., when the boat was tied up for the night. Several days later in the early evening, further down stream, the "International" was backing up to make a turn and crashed her paddle wheel against the bank. It took all night to complete repairs.

After the fourth day, the boat suffered a broken rudder pintle (pivot pin) and on the same day passed several groups of Indians who discharged their firearms — either by way of threat or salute — the passengers couldn't be sure. The Indians engaged in violent gesticulations, and when a short stop was made at Pembina, a lot of drunken Indians attempted to come on board, but the crew was able to stop them.

R.M. Probstfield and Andrew Holes were passengers on the trip, and on the return — Probstfield

brought with him twenty-four sheep for which he was out one hundred dollars in gold, the freight being forty dollars: and within eighteen hours he only had one sheep left, as the dogs from the Hudson Bay Company Post at Georgetown killed them all. Thus ended for the time being the sheep industry there.

Providing wood for the hungry steamboat fireboxes was not difficult at first, since there were many heaps of driftwood cast up by floods, and "deadenings" from prairie fires. Later, men known as "woodhawks" supplied wood by establishing woodyards along the river at convenient intervals and where landings were feasible. A fair sized river boat would consume about 25 cords of hardwood or 30 cords of softwood every 24 hours. The "International" having two boilers, was a heavy wood consumer. The "International" was known to make 2 or 3 trips a year as so much of the time the river was too low for boats to navigate. (The machinery on the steam boats was oiled and greased by frying catfish from the Red River!)

Captain Lull commanded the steamboat on its first two trips. Norman W. Kittson then took charge because of his ability to speak with the Indians in their own language, and could therefore deal more effectively with them in the trading and hauling of furs.



The Pluck Loading Cord-Wood, at Stein Farm, During High Water.

The "International" steamboat was anchored at the Georgetown landing on the night of August 22, 1862 when the post got word of a Sioux Indian Massacre of settlers at Breckenridge, Mn. Captain Kittson was in charge of the ship. The detachment of 50 soldiers of Company G. 4th Minnesota Infantry, stationed at Georgetown — which they called "Fort Sanborn" — had marched off for Fort Abercrombie under orders delivered by the messenger who brought word of the outbreak.

Georgetown became a town of terror. The troops were gone. The town was defenseless. The area settlers were quickly summoned to town for safety. Forty-four men were mustered in, including those in town; but there were only 33 guns between them. There was an abundance of ammunition in the supplies being shipped north.

Georgetown was to be evacuated. This was done in fear and panic. Some left by team and cart crossing to the North Dakota side by ferry. The "International" left the night before with most of the women and

children, and their personal belongings. The boat left for Fort Garry under cover of darkness on September 5, 1862 with Mr. Kittson in charge. The county was completely depopulated except for the Probstfields who refused to leave until ordered out. Mr. Probstfield depended on his wife's superb bread and their crack marksmanship to protect them from the Sioux. Mr. and Mrs. Probstfield and daughter, Mary, and Alexander Murray were the last to leave by team and cart to Frog Point. Mr. Murray never returned.

Six miles down the river the "International" was grounded by low water. This was near Frog Point (now Caledonia) where the Goose Rapid shoals gave boats trouble when the river was low. These rapids extended for 2 miles.

The persistent settlers climbed on an attached barge and continued safely to the fort 200 miles away. The barge was headed by E.R. Hutchinson. They returned in the middle of October and found the Indians had not destroyed any of their belongings, although they had been on the post. Apparently the Sioux raiders respected the territorial boundaries set up in the Prairie du Chien Treaty. Mr. Probstfield's one lone sheep had been killed, but he always thought the dogs did that.

At no time did Georgetown (Hudson Bay Post) have many buildings. The warehouse built in 1859-1860 was the largest. It was used for storing furs and freight for steamboats and wagon trains. The Minnesota Stage Company added some barracks to house freight handlers, steamboat crews, plus others and their families. The United States Census in 1860 listed 41 residents. This included 23 children. Andrew Henry, a native of Scotland, was agent at the Hudson's Bay Post. His wife, Mary, was part Indian.

The Hudson's Bay Company erected a company store for the workers to buy supplies. There were also several log cabins for officials and a few sheds for cattle. The store was built in 1860 with Oscar Bently operating it and for a few months during the winter of 1863 he handled the mail along with the store, but was not the postmaster. From the Trading Post Office, mail was received and delivered by footman, oxcart, dog teams, stagecoach, steamboat and train. The means used depended on the weather and road conditions.

During the summer of 1864, The Hudson's Bay Company bought the "International" from the Minnesota Stage Company and thus began the Kittson Line of Red River boats. Irregular runs were made between Georgetown and Fort Garry. By this time it had been used during the Civil War to haul supplies into and out of the Red River area. One important development was the purchase of the stage line and express business of the Burbank Co. by Captain Blakely and C.W. Carpenter in 1867.

George E. Weston, age 38 — a grocery clerk from London, England, arrived in 1870 and built a log cabin a mile east of what is now Caledonia. Later he took employment for a time at the Hudson's Bay Company

station, 30 miles up the river. The United States Census taken in the summer of 1870 listed 25 residents. Among these were 2 farmers: Adam Stein and Edwin Hutchinson.

The year 1870 had been a dry year, but 1871 was worse and the river was unusually low. By the end of May the boats could not proceed south from Frog Point. (First place north of Caledonia). The Red River was also impossible to navigate during the cold months.

So came the Ox-carts. The freight was hauled from St. Paul to Georgetown on ox carts using oxen teams, and then proceeded to Fort Garry on the Red River carts. The carts and teams made 25 miles a day with 900 to 1000 pounds on each cart. Sometimes there were 200 carts in a train. The ox carts were made entirely of wood, without any iron whatsoever — the axles and rims of the wheels being no exception. These carts were each drawn by two oxen; and went in wagon train style, but also in brigades of 10 carts each. The Red River Ox-Cart Trails were carts loaded with furs and goods that went from Pembina to St. Paul. The wagon road was called the "Old Red River Road". (Ox carts came to an end in 1875.)

The ox carts crossed the Red River by a Georgetown (Hudson Bay Post) ferry, since the remainder of the route north was made on the Dakota side of the river. The exact date of the ferry's construction is not known, but it probably was late in 1859 or early 1860. It was apparently operated a short distance north of the present bridge across the Red River at the approximate site of the old Hudson's Bay Post.

The ferry consisted of a flat boat, about 30 feet long and 15 feet wide with a railing on each side. At each end of this railing were two large blocks (grooved pulleys) through which a rope passed, being made fast to a post on each bank of the river. When as many wagons as the ferry could hold were driven onto it, the ferry operator pulled upon the rope and in this way propelled the ferry to the opposite side of the river.

Adam Stein was farming immediately south of the Hudson's Bay Company buildings. He also operated the ferry and presumably continued this enterprise until April 1873, when the County Commissioners gave Mr. Traill the license. Mr. Traill paid \$15 a year for operating the ferry to the board and the board fixed the rates at 25 cents for vehicles drawn by two animals; 5 cents for each additional animal attached thereto; 10 cents for loose stock — not more than 10 in number; and 5 cents for foot passengers.

Walter J.S. Traill, chief clerk of the Hudson's Bay Company came to the Post from Saskatchewan, Canada on May 13, 1870 at the age of 22 years. In 1871 Mr. Traill applied for United States naturalization, selected a homestead at Frog Point (near Caledonia, N.D.) along the Red River, and built a shack. Traill Co. in North Dakota was named for him. He then made arrangements for a government survey by assuming the cost personally and got the first settlers' land patent April 1875.

In 1872 the Hudson Bay Company began to enter the mercantile business. Mr. Traill built a store and completed it by December 12th. This fine store was known to be the best in this part of the country. At this time, flour at the Post was \$14 a barrel. This store and one at Alexandria were the only places you could buy flour.

In 1872-1873 an equine epidemic crippled horses throughout the valley. The epizootic disease, which so many stage horses contracted on the line between Fort Garry and Breckenridge, resulted in the stages being taken off the line completely. However, from Moorhead to Fort Garry, untamed oxen were used over the prairie to carry the mail, moving at a rate of 1½ miles an hour. Stages had operated only during the daylight hours until the summer of 1875. Now they began running night and day in order to handle the traffic, making the trip between Moorhead and Winnipeg in 36 hours.

The Adams Steins also had the stage coach station for several years and boarded a stock tender. His duty was to care for the horses and help change teams on the stage coach when it arrived. The horses had to be ready to change, as 10 to 15 minutes was all the time allowed at the station for changing teams.



In December of 1873 old Georgetown (Hudson Bay Post) became a stock farm, as Crookston and Frog Point were to be the shipping points. The railroad was to take over most of the shipping. By this time Mr. Traill had 150 head of fat cattle and milk cows and was to purchase 100 more.

The Red River Transportation Company was organized in 1874 by Kittson, Hill and Associates, which included the Hudson Bay Company. They soon controlled the river trade.

There were two steamboats built and launched at Moorhead: the "Manitoba" on April 1, 1875 and the "Minnesota" on April 11, 1875. These were built by a Georgetown man, James Douglas. Mrs. Douglas christened the "Manitoba" with a bottle of champagne when it was launched. This ship was called "Gem of the River". It was also the largest boat on the river. While in service nine miles south of Fort Garry on June 4, 1875, the "Manitoba" and the "International" collided, causing the "Manitoba" to sink in 15 feet of water. The "Manitoba" was raised, repaired and put back into service.



Hudson Bay Company abandoned the site and moved their trading stock to Grand Forks in 1875, and a year later, to Fort Garry. Old Georgetown (Hudson Bay Company) was a victim of low water in the Red River and of the railroad. The railroad took over most of the shipping. Its final dissolution came in the fall of 1883 when the Moorhead Northern Railroad (later the Great Northern) was built from Moorhead to Halstad, Mn. The tracks passed within a mile east of the old site.

The Hudson Bay Company started a school. (1878) There were at this time 28 children living on the post and 12 of those attended the school. When the town was moved, this school house remained. It became a chicken house when George Gilberry bought the farm where the post was.

In 1880 Hudson's Bay Company sold out its Georgetown holdings, some 1,100 acres and the deed required the new owner to assume a considerable amount of past due taxes.

For practical purposes, steamboating on the Red River ended in 1886 and the "International" was purchased for use in Canadian waters.

The Hudson's Bay Company ownership did not finally pass until May 20, 1887 when the company foreclosed a mortgage and the property went under the gavel at a sheriff's sale in Moorhead for \$3,894.

Taken from the Book Georgetown History 1859-1978 and Information and pictures from the Clay County Historical Society

OTHER HUDSON BAY TRADING POSTS GOING FROM SOUTH TO NORTH

A trading post was located at a river barge landing four miles southwest of Perley. The first buildings on this landing were an elevator used to store grain, and a store and postoffice operated by Andrew Aabye. The 40,000 bushel elevator was built right on the river bank and grain was spouted down into the barges. Mr. Aabye moved his store from the river to Perley in 1883. This site was named Noble.

Elm River Station (later named Quincy) was located at the south side of the confluence of the Elm and Red Rivers. It was a stage station and a boat landing for the steamboats that plied the Red River from Fargo to Pembina and Winnipeg. The station master was George Henry Ford Johnson. Mr. Johnson built and owned and operated several businesses, including a hotel-saloon, post office and dairy. Mr. Johnson was the first Postmaster. There were grain warehouses on both sides of the Red River at this point owned by the Cannings. Grain was hauled by the farmers to this point and then shipped by boat to the mills. The only means of crossing the river was by ferry boat at Ferry Farm Crossing owned and operated by Charles Canning at that time. Bob Stanley, great uncle of Tom Hall (formerly of the Grandin-Hendrum area), carried mail on the stagecoach.

Other Hudson Bay Trading Posts were at Caledonia, Goose River, and Belmont (Frog Point) and so forth going on to the north to Pembina and Winnipeg.

"The Hudson Bay Company ran a mail coach between Breckenridge and Georgetown on the east side of the Red River and from Georgetown to Pembina along the west bank. There were stations twelve miles apart along this road, where teams were changed and lunch could be had. A few people lived at each of these stations. One of these was located at Elm River. A stage with two teams was employed to carry passengers. The teamster sat on an open seat in front of the carriage and passengers in an enclosed cab. At Quincy, by Elm River, was a hotel where people traveling between Moorhead and the Goose River station generally stopped.

Ole Strandvold, who lived on the Dakota side opposite to Georgetown, took in travelers, and got very little compensation for his hospitality. Most of the people traveling those days carried their own provisions with them, but they often helped themselves to what they could find around his place and seldom paid for it. They camped all over his yard." (Quotation from the Red River Historical Society)

THE BIG FLOOD YEARS



Hendrum main street, east side of railroad track. 1897 flooding of the Wild Rice River and the Red River. Andrew Strand home, Mission House, Immanuel Lutheran Church.

In 1882, the Red River was at the highest stage it has been known to have reached since white men knew this country. The flood of July, 1897, throughout Norman County was up to that date the greatest flood since the county was organized — the most general and far-reaching flood along the valleys of the Wild Rice and Marsh Rivers with their numerous tributaries. For the week or ten days that this flood was raging much damage was done in this and adjoining counties. The wagon roads and bridges suffered heavily and crops along the flood-swept district were almost ruined. Five inches of water fell between Sunday night and Tuesday morning. The bridge over the Wild Rice River near the John Wright farm was swept away, the Nuttall bridge.

In the year 1882 at least four feet of snow fell in a continuous storm occurring around the middle of March and lasting more than one week. Warm weather followed the snowfall and in a single day nearly all the snow was changed to water. The Wild Rice River at the place where the Hendrum post office was then situated rose more than twenty feet in a single day. The water invaded residences and barns almost everywhere along the valley, and pandemonium reigned. The people who were fortunate enough to have an upstairs occupied it, and others moved into houses wherever they could. Rafts were constructed to transport livestock as well as food for same to the highest knolls of ground, and the men lay in the hay and watched their flocks by night. Five families found refuge in the log church built on section 18 in Hendrum Township. There they cooked, dined and slept while their livestock were tethered outside, and thus it was that Rev. Peer O. Stromme, then of Ada, found them on a Sunday morning when he rowed up to the church to fill his pastoral appointment. Rowing was the principal means of locomotion during the flood.

The flood condition was considerably aggravated by reason of the damming up of the ice in the Red River near Grand Forks, N.D. after all rivers were clear of ice in Norman County. This caused the Red to back up the water many feet high into the Wild Rice River.

The large flat-bottomed steamship, named "J.L. Grandin", which was left in the Red River near Grandin Farm number one, near Halstad, which was used in the open river for carrying passengers and freight between Pembina and Wahpeton, floated up in this flood and was blown by an east wind seven or eight miles west toward Kelso, North Dakota, but was afterward rescued and brought back to the Red River before the water receded. The crest in Fargo that year was 37.07.

As the water receded and farmers living along the Red River had returned to their homes, many of them found fine messes of fish which had come into the houses through broken windows.



Highway 75 — 1975



Looking north towards Hendrum, 1969. Water up to the dump ground road.

The flood of 1893 was high, but not disastrous. In 1897 occurred two floods, one in April and the other in July, both of about the same height and of about two or three weeks duration.

The winter of 1896-97 had the largest snowfall known in the country, many snowdrifts reaching between twenty and thirty feet in height. The warm weather came suddenly and much livestock was lost by water flooding into the barns at night. An unusual thing happened when the water coming from the southeast in the South Branch crossed the Wild Rice River in township of Mary, cut an almost direct path northwesterly through the deep snow across townships of Mary and Hendrum, and finding its way into the so-called Stordahl coulee, which it followed to the Wild Rice River. This occurred at night, and the farmers were awakened by the tremendous roar of the water. The Pontoppidan Church, near Carl Stordahl's was half full with water, and Carl Stordahl and others near the coulee lost cattle by drowning before they were able to rescue them. In following the path made by this flood one must come to the conclusion that in many places the water of its own weight was forced up hill.

Taken from the book Clay and Norman Co. — 1918



Wild Rice River — east of Hendrum, 1969.

In 1962 the Red River became quite high five different times reaching a height of 28.37 at one time. There was no general flooding as the water did not run out of the banks too far.

In 1965 there was a terrible spring flood — water could be seen for miles and miles. All the land was covered and many small towns along the river had to be evacuated. Many thousands of dollars damage was done due to water coming into the buildings. (Crest at Fargo 45.05).



Bagging sand — 4th of July, 1975.

In 1969 we had another major spring flood — water again covered everything. Many bridges across the Red River between Minnesota and North Dakota were covered. Highway #75 was covered at Kragnes and people had to drive in the water. (Crest at 37.30).



Pontoppidan Cemetery, 1975



1979 spring flood — Wild Rice River, Hendrum Park



1979 spring flood — Hendrum from the south

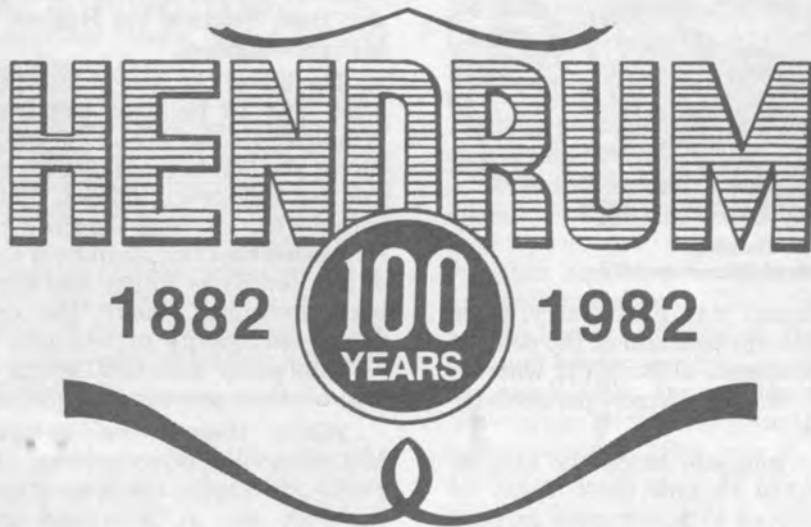


Wild Rice River — east of Hendrum, 1975

In 1975 there was a devastating flood — due to the heavy rainfall for a couple of days late in June, Saturday and Sunday June 28-29, preceded by many tornados touching down and many funnels sighted in the afternoon of Saturday June 28. During the two days as much as 13 inches fell in some areas. After the heavy rainfall the water just rolled across the land from the east — destroying all the crops as it rushed across the fields. This was the heaviest rainfall and worst flood in the history of the area. It was one of the worst floods that we have ever had because it ruined all the crops for section after section. Everything was covered with water for miles and miles — up to 20-25 miles wide at some places. Highway #75 was closed to traffic. When the water receded everything was black and covered with a white silt. There were a few days of

very high humidity and the dying vegetation, fish and other debris caused a terrible stench for some time. The flood lasted for a couple of weeks with many farm yards being flooded. Everyone in the Hendrum area (girls-boys; women-men; young-old) turned out to help fill sand bags and to help the farmers dike up their property; or as volunteer cooks to prepare the meals for the workers at the Fire Hall. The fourth of July that year was celebrated by everyone helping their neighbors. (Crest at 33.30).

In 1979 we had another major spring flood. Water again covered the land for miles and miles. The flooding became worse further north — causing severe flooding all the way to Winnipeg. Few or no fields were seeded in the far northern part of the valley. (Crest at 34.04).



STEAMBOATING MARKED by HUMOR and TRAGEDY

The story of steamboating on the Red River is long and colorful. It is marked by both humor and tragedy. When the river was at a high stage the river communities were jubilant. When the water was low, a pall of gloom hung over them.

The freight and passengers carried by the steamboats attained great volume. The industry provided employment for many in the travel, hotel, supply, distribution and boat-building fields. Among the cargoes carried was a railroad locomotive, freight cars and steel rails used in the construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

There also were huge cargoes of farm implements, lumber, flour and other supplies. Returning, the boats brought a heavy tonnage of Canadian furs and later, thousands of bushels of wheat.

Among the passengers carried downstream to Manitoba were many Mennonite colonists from Russia. Travelers included explorers, scientists, homesteaders, businessmen, speculators, salesmen, government officials traveling to and from the U.S. Territorial Court in Pembina, and soldiers moving between Fargo-Moorhead and Forts Pembina and Abercrombie.

The river industry spurred the construction of boat yards, warehouses, grain elevators, railroad spurs, flour mills, hotels, cafes, theaters and saloons. Two breweries owed their success to the steamboat facilities.



Flat-boat - Building
Red River, Moorhead, Minnesota 1874

The downstream terminal was Fort Garry, later called Winnipeg. The upstream terminal at the peak of the era was at Fargo-Moorhead, although it was extended occasionally to Breckenridge, particularly during high water periods.

While the steamboats were not large, the longest being about 200 feet and of shallow draft, many of them drew long barges bulging with enormous cargoes down the sluggish stream, making record time in their runs under the guidance of daring and skillful pilots. Some of the boats were too long to turn in the narrow upstream reaches of the river, so at some places the banks were widened slightly.

Navigation opened immediately after the ice broke in the spring and continued until freeze-up, which sometimes did not occur until November. Some of the boats were packets, carrying mail, passengers and freight, and running on regular schedules. Later there were privately owned freight-passenger boats operating somewhat like tramp streams, making runs whenever there were passengers and cargoes of grain or shipments of beer or lumber waiting on the docks. One boat transported a circus from Fargo-Moorhead to Winnipeg.



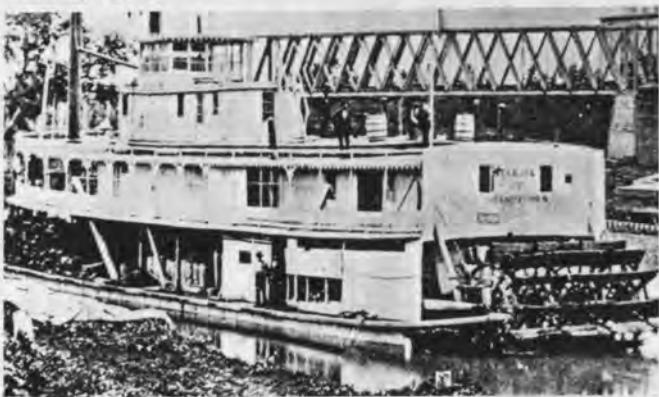
Red River seen from N.P. Bridge — Fargo. Steamboat "Pluck" with loaded barges. Flat-boat in the foreground.

The first steamboat, the Anson Northrop, was built at Lafayette, now a ghost town, near the mouth of the Sheyenne River, ten miles north of Moorhead (four miles south of Georgetown). She was launched about May 19, 1859. She was built under the auspices of the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce in the interest of businessmen eager to expand the Red River trade between British territory and their city. Transportation from England via Hudson Bay to Winnipeg was being abandoned.

The life of the Anson Northrop was comparatively brief, due to its poor construction. She sank near Winnipeg in the winter of 1861-62. During her brief career she had the unusual experience of undergoing a raid by Chippewa Indians. This occurred in 1861, a period when she bore the name of Pioneer. The Indians contended that the steamboat had frightened game out of the Red River Valley and deprived them of food. A band swarmed aboard the craft at Pembina and demanded tribute of \$40,000. The captain "bought off" the party with \$300 worth of goods. Troops were sent north to prevent a recurrence.

While there were shipyards at Lafayette, McCauleyville, Georgetown, Breckenridge, Grand Forks and Fargo, the largest and most popular building spot was at Moorhead where four yards were located. The Northwest, 200 feet long and the largest boat launched on the stream, was built in Moorhead. She cleared for Winnipeg May 15, 1881, reportedly carrying forty carloads of lumber. Becoming a Canadian carrier, she never returned.

Large cargoes were carried by many of the boats, among them the Pluck of Moorhead. An example is her trip of August 17, 1880. With two barges and a lighter, Pluck left Fargo-Moorhead with three carloads of threshing machines, two-and-one-half carloads of wagons, a carload each of portable engines, salt and plows, two carloads of pork and five carloads of miscellaneous freight destined for Pembina, Emerson and Winnipeg.



Steamboat Selkirk — Grand Forks

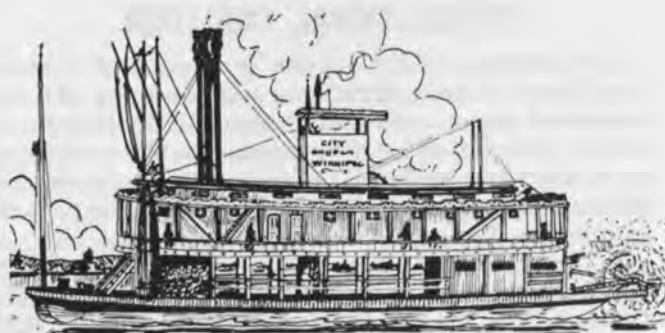
Her eighteen cabins and two staterooms were fully occupied. Many more passengers were quartered on the decks. It was not a one-way trade. A heavy burden of furs from the far north was brought upstream to Fargo-Moorhead for trans-shipment by rail to lower Canada and England.

The International dropped anchor at Moorhead July 10, 1872 with 759 bales of buffalo robes and 19 bales of wool. In the bases were about 10,000 buffalo robes. The same week the Dakota brought in 67 bales of fine furs and 131 bales of buffalo robes. Later large cargoes of grain moved to the railhead and a large flour mill in Moorhead, and to Fisher's Landing, from Manitoba and other downriver points. New mills were erected at Caledonia and Grand Forks.

As new steam boat lines entered the field, competition took the form of rate slashing and speed. The boats began running night and day. An annual contest to be the first boat on the river in the spring and the last in the fall developed. The speed record on the river between Fargo-Moorhead and Winnipeg appears to have been set in the summer of 1875 when the International made the round trip of about 550 river miles in five days and 18 hours. It was a disastrous voyage for this old steamer. A deckhand and a cabin boy were drowned in separate mishaps.



Steamer J.L. Grandin on the Red River, 1873



S.S. Minnesota renamed City of Winnipeg

At Fargo-Moorhead they occasionally organized moonlight cruises, complete with dancing and refreshments without cost. The boats were ornately decorated and lighted for these parties and good music was provided. The guests were the elite of the two cities. The boats returned to port in the early hours of the following day with guests singing their praises of the captain and crew.

During 1876, when troops were being marshalled at Fort Abraham Lincoln near Mandan for the ill-fated campaign of General George A. Custer against the Sioux, troops and supplies from Fort Abercrombie and Fort Pembina were moved via Red River to the Railhead at Fargo-Moorhead, enroute for the west.



S.S. Dakota



Red River as seen from the N.P. Bridge

While low water caused general depression along the river there were times when the stream was so high it hindered navigation. At times the entire countryside was a sea. In 1897, the J.L. Grandin, a well-known grain boat, was left stranded on the prairie near Halstad, several miles from the river. Rot and rust finally ended her career.

Even after steamboating on the Red had been doomed by railroad expansion, hopeful residents of the river towns met, passed resolutions and continued a vigorous fight for Congressional aid in overcoming navigation problems. Their cries fell on deaf ears.

The last boat floated on the Red south of the international border was the Grand Forks, which slid down her way in 1895. She won the distinction of making the last voyage on the Red from the U.S. into Canada. Her trip on June 6, 1909 was in the nature of a holiday excursion undertaken for old time's sake. Many of the excursionists debarked in Winnipeg and came home by rail. Soon after, the Grand Forks was wrecked in a mishap near Grand Forks, bringing commercial navigation on the Red south of the border to a close.

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INTERNATIONAL COALITION

The International Coalition is a group of citizens from North Dakota, Minnesota and Manitoba who are concerned about water management in the Red River Basin. Their objective is to increase public awareness as to ways and means of improving flood control and guaranteeing an adequate water supply during periods of drought. The group recognizes that in the last ten years or so, the Red River Valley has experienced both severe flooding and drought. During the period of 1969 through 1979, the Red River experienced flooding that should have occurred over a 250 year period. And yet in 1976 the Red River stopped flowing in many places because of drought.

Caneing Items — Nov.-Dec. 1979

Flooding has been imminent throughout the Red River Valley since the time records have been kept and also noted in earlier history by trappers and traders while in the area. This report will focus on the past eighty-three years from 1897 through 1979. Since 1897, twenty-seven floods of different magnitudes have been noted within the Red River Valley to the present time. They occurred during the period between March 19 and April 19 — Except for two floods in June and one in July due to heavy rains.

The worst flood was in April 7, 1897.

April 7, 1882 — Second highest recorded flood.

April 15, 1969 — Worst in recent years - many

emergency levees were built throughout the valley.

April 19, 1979 — Because of previous ditching and levees much property was better protected.

April 16, 1952 — Extensive local flooding and damage occurred to structures, facilities, and utilities - people forced to leave their homes for awhile.

April 3, 1978 — Extensive flooding of agricultural lands, damage was widespread over valley, homes inundated. Grand Forks damages around \$315 million.

April 7, 1943 — Homes swept from foundations in area. River rose 23 feet over an eleven day period.

July 4, 1975 — Severe flooding occurred from Fargo-Moorhead area to Halstad, Minnesota. Damage mostly widespread - estimates exceeded a quarter million dollars.

April 16, 1965 — Damage estimate \$5.4 million damage to railroads, highways, bridges, levees and dams, etc.

March 23, 1966 — Homes evacuated along the Red River.

Over the past eighty three years major to severe flooding had occurred ten times and moderate to major flooding seven times, with minor to moderate flooding ten times. A total of twenty seven floods have occurred in the Red River Valley ranging from minor to severe flooding in the past eighty three years.

*Taken from Red River Valley Heritage Press.
The Red River and the Valley.*



QUINCY

DAKOTA TERRITORY

Quincy was a town that sprang up and grew to a population of over two hundred due to the fact that they thought that the Northern Pacific Railroad was going to cross the Red River at that point, going to the west.

A group of French settlers had come to the area earlier, and tried to establish a community. But ill fate drove these first pioneers away. For two to three years straight, masses of grasshoppers descended on the French settlement destroying everything.

Quincy was located at the south side of the confluence of the Elm and Red Rivers. This was in Section 26, Elm River Township. Originally Quincy was in Cass County, but when Traill County was organized, they took the north row of townships and gave them to Traill County - thus moving Quincy into Traill County.

Originally it was called Elm River Station since it was a scheduled stage coach stop and boat landing, between Georgetown and Caledonia, for the steamboats that plied the Red River from Fargo to Pembina and Winnipeg. Bob Stanley, great uncle of Tom Hall of Fargo (formerly of the Grandin-Hendrum area), carried mail on the stage coach. There were grain warehouses on both sides of the Red River at this point owned by the Cannings. Grain was hauled by the farmers to this point and then shipped by boat to the mills. It was an early day supply center.

In 1870 George Henry Ford Johnson, known as "Dutch Ferdinand", as wagon master, led a group of five wagons from Ontario, Canada, into the area at the junction of the Elm and Red Rivers. He settled down and platted a townsite and built the first houses in 1876, the lumber being floated from Fargo on barges. (A young man, Ezra Stokes, came from Erie, Pa. to work in Fargo, N.D. He hauled the first load of lumber to Quincy. His mother was French, his father was Negro and he went by the name of Ed. He spent several years near Hunter, N.D., coming to Halstad in 1931. He was a great singer. He is buried at Jamestown, North Dakota.) (Remembered by Alma Aronson.)

The town thrived, and on January 5, 1880, was organized and was named Quincy after Quincy, Illinois. (There are some who believe it was named after John Quincy Adams, who was responsible for opening up the West and looking toward the frontier.) On February 16, 1880, the first Post Office was established with George H.F. Johnson being the first Postmaster. George H.F. Johnson was also station master.

George H.F. Johnson built and operated several businesses, including a hotel-saloon, Post Office, store and a dairy among others. The founder and "pioneer ruler" of this lost city, George Henry Ford Johnson, is remembered as the "King of the Settlers" and as being

somewhat locally political. Johnson was apparently an enterprising man. The dairy that he ran consisted of 80 head of cattle, it is said he even had a cheese factory down there.

Because it was against federal law to build a bridge across any navigable river, the Red River became a barrier for travel. The only means of crossing the river was by ferry boat at Ferry Farm Crossing, owned by Charles Canning. Entering Quincy from the river side required a stroll through the dense woods along the trail which opened onto the town which was laid out in ten city blocks. The first bridge across the Red River at Quincy was a "Grandin" barge. It was covered, had hatches along the side, and was leveled in the middle for wheeled traffic by planks laid lengthwise. The "Grandin" was a steamboat.



On the Elm River Bridge, a family going to Quincy.

Some of the earliest settlers to reach the Quincy area were the Johnsons, Clements, Johns, Bruces, Underwoods, Kennedys, Plummers, Hansons, Shaws, Holmes, Oswalds, Dixons, Wilsons, Fullers, Childs, Hills, A.J. Abbot M.D., Sainsberrys, McCradies, McAndrews, Pratts, C.K. Lee, Gradys, Andersons, Cannings, McNamees, McKinneys, Sandersons, Martindales, Elliotts, Armstrongs, Barnes, Robinsons, Weirs, Wellers, Rev. Bergester, Dr. Milligan, Nat Blackhall, Herbergs, Dr. Albert, Bergermans, Smarts, Carkins, Taylors, Martins, Salesburys, Hermans, Blacks, Dr. Fisher (teacher), McSparrons, Fultons, Falconers, Olsons, Nichols,



The Street of Quincy

Harringtons, Miss Truesdale (teacher), and others. Many immigrants came from England, Scotland and Ireland. At that time in Ireland, it was as it is in the present time as regards to religion between the Protestants and the Catholics. Also there was famine going on and it was almost impossible to make a decent living, so the emigrated to Ontario, Canada. The story of free land to be homesteaded in the Red River Valley reached Ontario and many people from the territory came to the Quincy area about 1880.

From 1880 to 1882, the immigrants coming to the Quincy and Hendrum territory came to Fargo, which was at that time the end of the railroad tracks, and then came by boat down the river to Quincy.

Land speculators came to buy up the land when the rumor was spread that the railroad might be laid through the thriving town of Quincy. A land speculator by the name of Jacob Lowell, who seemed to know a lot about where the Northern Pacific Railroad was coming across the river had quite a lot of land at Quincy and was the Postmaster there. He suddenly dropped all of it and went to Fargo (later was a well known attorney there) and took up land which is now the south part of that city and became quite wealthy.

But the Northern Pacific Railroad never came to Quincy. Instead, its tracks were laid thirty miles south at Bogusville (now Fargo-Moorhead). In 1883 the Great Northern Railroad was laid on the east side of the Red River along the western side of Norman County, Minneosta. With the apparent death of the community, Bob Stanley moved west to deliver mail to the Black Hills of South Dakota and others moved on also, some went further west, some moved to Grandin and some came to Hendrum.



Frank Johnson, John F. Johnson, Joe Johnson, James A. Johnson
Frank and Joe are sons of George H.F. Johnson
James A. is grandfather of Harry and Duane Johnson
All are first cousins, three brothers are fathers, 1920.

When both railroads bypassed Quincy, it gradually dried up and became a ghost town. Some of the buildings were moved across the ice to Hendrum, but most of them were moved to Grandin, N.D. Jim Johnson, brother of George Henry Ford Johnson, settled on a farm near Kelso, N.D. He was a building mover and moved some of the buildings to Hendrum.

The John Martindale house (#5 on the map) is now the Stella Ystebo house and part of the Harry McLoughlin house was also moved in from Quincy. A warehouse (or elevator) was also moved into Hendrum and located near the railroad tracks.

The hotel and the Presbyterian Church were about all that were left in the town. The hotel was torn down about 1920. (Part of it was moved to Grandin and part of it was used to build the Clarence Berg house.) The Quincy Presbyterian Church operated until about 1946 - then was moved to West Fargo, N.D. The Post Office was discontinued June 24, 1896. The steamboats and stagecoaches have long since been replaced. Without the railroad, Quincy died in 1900 - about thirty years after it was born!

The ferry barge lies submerged in the Red River, seen only when its waters are very low on the banks. Much of what is known of Quincy today is legend. No doubt many names are left out, but very few voices remain to tell of Quincy's past. The most concrete evidence of the town's existence lies in Quincy Cemetery where rows of white and gray tombstones mark the graves of those whose spirits are silent to the living - except for the messages inscribed thereupon.

The farmstead of Clarence and Emma Berg is on the townsite where Quincy used to be. On the "Quincy Farm", named for the town, the streets can still be seen. Not actual roads but straight trails lined with trees where once buildings stood. A gap in the trees marks the place where the hotel stood (you can still see the stone foundation). Clarence keeps the old trail to the ferry mowed for posterity. In his possession is the original Post Office stamp for Quincy found on the farm when he moved there in 1926, thirty years after the last postal business was transacted.

Taken from the **Pratt Family History**. Personal interview with Lester G. Pratt.

Grandin Diamond Jubilee book.

Article written by Ruth Zirkle in the **Norman County Index**.

Article written by Roy P. Johnson in the **Fargo Forum**.

The Red River Historical Society.

ELM RIVER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Soon after the settlement was made at Quincy, Dakota Territory, Robert McCradie, Sr. and James McAndrew, Sr. began conducting Sunday School classes which later organized as a Presbyterian Church, about 1879. This congregation continued as a church (and held the distinction of being the first rural Presbyterian Church in North Dakota) until it consolidated with the Hendrum, Minnesota Presbyterian Church.

Quincy ✓ Presbyterian Church

1915

Preaching service will be held at Quincy every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock sharp. Sunday school will be held at 2 o'clock P. M. A cordial invitation is extended to the entire community to attend these services.

Howard S. Morrison, pastor

The Rev. Charles W. McCarthy was pastor at Elm River from the spring of 1884 to October 1890. The Rev. White was pastor from October 1890 to October 1891. In the spring of 1892, Rev. T.E. Douglas came to be the pastor.



Quincy Presbyterian Church

On steps: Annie McCradie, Bell Sanderson, Jennie McCradie, Lucy Carkins, Margaret Smart, Maude Harrington, Maynard Carkins, Alfred McAndrew, John Martindale, Charlie Smart, Gretchen Grady, Bell Martindale, Harvey Martindale, Ralph Milligan, Elmer McMaster, Margaret McCradie.

Through the efforts of the Sunday School Missionary societies of North Dakota and Minnesota, it was decided to establish organizations at Grandin and Hendrum. They were put together with Elm River under the same pastor, the Rev. T.E. Douglas. The organizational meeting of the Hendrum Church was held August 7, 1892. Through the years one pastor served the three churches except in the period of 1918-1920. This arrangement continued until Elm River and Hendrum united and made one congregation in Hendrum about 1946.

Quoting a letter received from Merton L. Sheldon of Mapleton, North Dakota: - "1912-1920 - Quincy was already then long since no longer a town, but all of us in the area still knew the name and something of what it once was, a boat landing and early center of supply. The then remaining active remnant of its pioneer beginnings was the Presbyterian Church, turned rural because the town had moved away, but still well supported by the Scotch-Irish names most numerous within horse and buggy distance: McAndrew,

The original Quincy townsite is now the "Quincy Farm" owned and operated by Clarence and Emma Berg.

THE FERRY

The Ferry in the early days of the Red River Valley was built and operated by my father, Charles Canning. The Red River at that time was designated as a navigable water way and to operate a Ferry required a permit from the County Seat of Traill Co. This was located in Caledonia in Dakota Territory.

The price my father could charge was stipulated on the permit, such as five cents per head of oxen, horses, mules or cattle. Twenty-five cents for a team of horses with a wagon load of grain.

The Ferry was simply a flat-boat with a ramp on both ends. It displaced enough water so that it could carry the weight of a team of horses and a wagon load of grain or a group of several head of cattle or horses.

It was operated by a "Capstan" that was located near the bank of the river just below the farm houses. This Capstan was a large drum with an endless rope wound around and extending to and through a pulley hung high in a giant Elm tree on the Dakota side of the river. Through the top of this drum a wooden pole notched in and one man could walk around like a merry-go-round and draw the Ferry to one side of the river and then reverse this travel and draw it to the other side. This was in the days when the steam-boats were plying up and down the Red River, towing barges holding several carloads of grain. They also brought supplies, threshing machines, etc. on the return trips.



Ferry Trail to Quincy

Now I should explain why this crude Ferry was a needed means of conveyance. On the Dakota side of the river the town of Quincy was located and was also located on the Pembina Trail, with its stage coaches and mail delivery service. It had a population of about thirty families. On the Minnesota side were a large number of settlers along the Red River.

Jim Hill, the empire builder, had not as yet laid his ribbon of steel from Moorhead to Crookston. Just in a word, you can see the importance that the Ferry, at that time, had in the exchange of barter and trade.

The first school in our locality was located three-

quarters of a mile east of the Ferry, on what later was named the King of Trails and still later Highway 75.

By Harry Canning, 1963.

This was written by Sally Canning's Grandfather, to help her with a report.

RAILROADS

Before the advent of the railroads through this county, its pioneer settlers had to resort to long trips to market and mill. Alexandria was the nearest railway station for a long time, and before that St. Cloud was depended upon for supplies for the settlement in this section. The settler usually took his ox team and loaded up his produce and started off for these long journeys. When nightfall came, he would camp out by the side of the trail over the prairies, for there were no excellent highways, with streams bridged, as today, but was as it had been left by nature, save the little track, made by others on a like journey.

Up to the time when the railroad was completed along the Red River on the western side of Norman County, there were flatboats and steamers with passenger service plying on the waters of the Red River of the North, whose waters empty into Hudson Bay was the medium through which heavy freighting and transportation passed. Large amounts of heavy freight, brick, lime, lumber, grain and wood were transported by water, and a few of the earliest settlers in the western Norman Townships had access to this means of freighting up and down the river.

But with the coming of railroads, all was changed — the farmer had village, post office and mill within a half-day drive, no matter what part of the county he might live in.

In 1883, James Hill, the owner of the Great Northern Railroad, laid the track for the railroad on the east side of the Red River in Minnesota along the western side of Norman County. This was a boon for the settlers on the east side of the Red River. But this caused several small villages to die along the west side of the Red River in Dakota Territory, such as the Village of Quincy, Dakota Territory.

An interesting note here: As the Northern Pacific Railroad project began to develop, it was planned at first to extend the line northwestward from a point two miles west of Audubon to the Red River near present Hendrum, Minnesota, 40 miles north of Fargo, thence due west to the Yellowstone River. Fargo might have grown up near the site of Hendrum, just across the river from that community.

Some future Fargoans, confident Fargo would come into being there, settled on the Dakota Territory side and Jacob Lowell, Jr., a land speculator, later a well known Fargo attorney, became postmaster of Elm River (Quincy), as the little village became known. Mr. Lowell suddenly dropped all of it and went to Fargo and took up land which is now the south part of that city and became quite wealthy.

History book, "the weddings of the Pratt daughters must have been swanky affairs. The goods for the wedding dresses being ordered from Fargo and shipped by riverboat down the Red River to Quincy."

The people traveling between Moorhead and Goose River Station on the stage coach generally stopped at the Quincy Hotel.

John Herman

John Herman was born in Ontario, Canada, July 15, 1858. He came to Dakota Territory in 1876 and took a preemption claim about three miles northeast of Grandin. He worked in Fargo during the winter for a few years, doing different types of work, mainly cutting cord wood, which was done at the present site of St. John's Hospital.

Helen Falconer came to Dakota Territory in 1879 with her family and married John Herman in 1886 in the Johnson Hotel at Quincy, North Dakota.

To this union four children were born: Frank, Bert, who passed away in 1948; Annie in 1926, and Bessie in 1894.

John Herman passed away in 1922 and Helen Herman in 1943.

GEORGE HENRY FORD JOHNSON MARGARET SPAULDING

George H.F. Johnson was born January 3, 1843 in Huron County, Ontario, Canada. He was united in marriage to Margaret Spaulding at Bayfield, Canada in 1866. George H.F. Johnson, known as "Ditch Ferdinand" led a group of five wagons from Ontario, Canada into the area at the junction of the Elm and Red Rivers in Elm River Township, Dakota Territory in 1870.



George Henry Ford and Margaret Johnson

This settlement became known as Elm River Station, as it was a Hudson Bay Company coach station, and later a steam Port of Call, and Mr. Johnson became station master. Mr. Johnson platted a townsite in 1876. The town was organized January 5, 1880 and the name changed from Elm River to Quincy.

On February 16, 1880, the first Post Office was established and George H.F. Johnson was the first Postmaster. Mr. Johnson built, owned and operated several businesses, including a hotel-saloon, Post Office and a dairy consisting of 80 head of cattle.

Grain was loaded from the elevator near the river onto river boats to be hauled to Fargo. Lumber for the first building in Quincy was floated on rafts from Fargo. Later the railroad was built from Fargo north on the Minnesota side of the river and most of the town moved to Grandin or Hendrum. Jim Johnson, brother of George H.F. Johnson, settled on a farm near Kelso. He was a building mover and moved some of the buildings from Quincy to Hendrum. (Most of the buildings were moved to Grandin.) The hotel and the Presbyterian Church were all that were left.



Clarence and Emma Berg own the Quincy Townsite Berg Family History in the Family History Section

A son, John Johnson, was born after they settled in Quincy and was the first child born in Quincy. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson had seven children: Joseph, John, Frank, Mary, Elizabeth, Clara and Florence.

The Post Office at Quincy was discontinued June 24, 1896 and the town apparently died about 1900. The Johnsons continued to live in the area, attending to his farming interests. Mr. Johnson died in 1912 and Mrs. Johnson in 1921. They are both buried in the Quincy Cemetery.

Taken from the Grandin Centennial Book and family information



Clarence Berg Farm

James McAndrew

James McAndrew was born in Scotland in 1840, and came to Ontario, Canada as a young man to teach school. Here he met and married Margaret Johnson. Six of their children were born in Canada. They were: Mary, Mrs. James Anderson; John, James H., Annie, George, and Margaret.

In 1881 they moved to Quincy, Dakota Territory. They bought a small farm near the village on the Red River and James taught school in Quincy for several years.

Another son, Alfred, was born in North Dakota.

Dr. Fisher

Dr. Fisher was born in Ontario, Canada in 1860. He taught school at Quincy in 1880. He was graduated from a Canadian Veterinary College and came to Grandin in 1893, where he practiced and also established a drug store.

He married Sara Euge in 1893.

To this union were born three children: Ralph D., Mrs. W.S. Laren, and Ruth Fisher.

ELEVATOR (WAREHOUSE) AT QUINCY DAKOTA TERRITORY

The elevator (or warehouse) was first built in the very early 1800's at Quincy, Dakota Territory; where the Clarence Berg farm is today. Charles Canning, Dick's grandfather, used the elevator as a shipping point on the Red River for wheat. Later on, the elevator was moved across the ice into Hendrum when the railroad went through the village of Hendrum instead of going through the town of Quincy. In 1908 the elevator was moved to the present Dick Canning farm. The elevator was used at the Canning farm until 1952 when Dick tore it down and used the salvaged lumber to build a new granary.



Elevator at Quincy, North Dakota

The lumber used in the original elevator came from Fergus Falls. It was floated down the Otter Tail River, transferred to the Red River at Breckenridge and then on down to Quincy, D.T.

At one time this elevator split open and all the grain slid down the river bank. (Told by Arnott McCradie.)

The steamboat "Grandin" used to load grain at the Canning warehouse at Quincy. The "Grandin" might have three or four barges. From warehouse to barge ran a couple of wooden boxes on wheels. They each held about fifty bushels, ran on metal tracks and were joined by a cable.



James A. Johnson moving the elevator from Hendrum to the Dick Canning farm with steam engines, 1908.

THE HOTEL at QUINCY DAKOTA TERRITORY

The hotel at Quincy, Dakota Territory, was built, owned and operated by George Henry Ford Johnson, the man who platted the original townsite. It was a large building located at the west edge of town. The front of the hotel faced east, or towards the rest of the town. The Johnson Hotel was also used as a place of social activity. Gatherings and meetings of various kinds were held there. It was also a place where weddings were held. In the John Herman family history (*Grandin Centennial Book*), it says that "Helen Falconer married John Herman in 1886 in the Johnson Hotel at Quincy". It states in the *Pratt Family*



The Hotel at Quincy



Elm River Presbyterian Church — Quincy

McCradie, McDowell, McMaster, St. John, Robertson, Smart, Hall, Marsden, Nichol, Brooks, Harrington, Watson, Anderson, Grady and Sheldon. Others like Elliot, Barnes, Armstrong, Robinson were already history.

Near the church the modest manse, a small stable and a hitching post lingered on. The last remembered buggy was retired from the regular Sunday afternoon service in August 1919, replaced by a shiny new Model T Touring, joining the mixed menage of Studebaker, Maxwell, Saxon, Briscoe, Hudson, Essex, Reo, Dodge, Mets, Overland, Chevrolet, each providing interesting after church review of respective merit. With both autos and people many of the old, important names are but a memory, but still important, for today ever builds on the past."

First part taken from the Norman County History Book - 1976

Quincy Presbyterian Church, (1915)

Preaching service will be held at Quincy every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock sharp. Sunday school will be held at 2 o'clock P.M. A cordial invitation is extended to the entire community to attend these services.

Howard S. Morrison, pastor.

THE SCHOOL AT QUINCY DAKOTA TERRITORY

Soon after the Quincy, Dakota Territory settlement was made, the settlers being concerned about the education of their children, erected a one room rural school house near the townsite of Quincy, D.T. It was located across the road, southeast of the Wm and Tom Hall farmsite.

After it was discontinued being used as a school, the building was moved to the Hall farmsite and converted into a dwelling place. It was used as the living quarters of the Hall family until the building burned down in 1925.



Quincy School

Raymond McCradie, Ernest Johnson, Mary Johnson, Bessie Smart



Some Quincy school children on a small wooden bridge south of the school house. Standing: Mary Johnson, Lottie Johnson, Ernest Johnson, Charles Harrington, Raymond McCradie, George Brooks and Bessie Smart. Seated: Frances Johnson, James Brooks and Gladys Smart, about 1911.



Quincy School about 1911

Raymond McCradie, Mary Johnson, Ernest Johnson, Bessie Smart, Frances Johnson, George Brooks, Lottie Johnson, Gladys Smart, Charles Harrington and James Brooks

With the change in the route in Montana, however, a crossing further south was found necessary, and that is where Fargo is today.

VILLAGE OF HENDRUM, MINNESOTA

The first train that reached Hendrum was in the year 1883, before this could happen much planning and surveying had to be done before the laying of the railroad bed could start. Many men and horses were needed to make the high grade. Nearly every man operated a scraper pulled by a team of horses. Every few miles there was another crew, because they had to use local help and horses. It seemed weeks were spent on just a few miles of grading. At last crews came that laid the ties, followed by crews to fasten the rails to the ties. The early trains used steam engines to pull their load - the big super heater chugged along easily trailing a plume of wood smoke, later soft coal smoke, while beneath the cars the wheels would click rhythmically over the rail joints. As the train progressed north of Hendrum, it would stop at the water tank located on the banks of the Wild Rice River to replenish their water supply and at designated places would pick up wood for fuel along the way, until coal was used exclusively for power.



Railroad bridge across Wild Rice, north of Hendrum



Hendrum Depot, the steam engine and freight cars.



Great Northern water tank north of Hendrum

In 1885, land boom and movement of settlers in Norman County reached its high point. Thousands of bushels of wheat were being raised; immigrants were coming in by the hundreds; a vote of one dollar for fare from New York to Chicago was made by the railroads to encourage them; settlers' goods were carried from St. Paul to Fargo in carload lots for thirty five dollars.

With the coming of the railroad train, transportation by boat on the Red River diminished steadily.



HISTORY OF HENDRUM AND COMMUNITY

The history of Hendrum and community dates back to the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the first post office on May 14, 1878, and was named for a community in Norway called Hindrumgaard. It was platted in 1883 and incorporated in 1891.

Hendrum is located in the fertile Red River Valley of the North. The Red River is one mile west and the Wild Rice River is one half mile east. It is in Norman County, and becoming a separate county in the fall of 1881. Norman County was named for the greater County, and becoming a separate county in the fall of 1881. Norman County was named for the greater number of Norwegians (Norsemen) who settled here.

There was considerable travel from Moorhead to Winnipeg in Canada by steamboat and barge, passing by the present City of Hendrum. Some of the boats were packets, carrying mail, passengers, and freight, and running on regular schedules. At this time, Charles Canning had a ferry running on the Red River from their farm one mile west of Hendrum, known as Charles Canning Ferry Farm. Passengers could embark there, cross the Red River to Quincy, (a ghost town) on the North Dakota side.

It is impossible to determine who the first white settlers were. According to an article written by Ole Nygaard, one of the first homesteaders, "The first white settlers in Hendrum Township were a colony of French trappers who put up some claim shanties along the woods on the West bank of the Wild Rice River. They undoubtedly came down from Canada. The land had not been surveyed, and their shanties and dugouts were placed in an irregular fashion. This colony encountered much hardship and misfortune, and they left for other areas a few years later."

The Homestead Act of 1862 was one of America's greatest attractions for European settlers in this fertile Valley. While it was well intentioned, it caused great hardships to thousands who emigrated here,

having little knowledge of the hardships and sufferings in store for them. The Red River Valley has some of the most fertile land in the United States, but for the few brave pioneers who emigrated here, it was a harsh land. The winds, so common in the Great Plains, were no less severe in the Valley. Instead of hills and gullies to provide protection from the winds, there were only occasional groves of trees along the rivers and streams. With very little goods to their names, no machinery to work the soil and plant the grains, and the tall grass prairies so susceptible to fires, made settling this territory very difficult. They had no roads or railroads, (only Indian trails), no wells for water or sewer systems, and the severe winters were enough to discourage the most stalwart. Visiting neighbors took a whole day. All transportation was by horseback, wagon or on foot. Children and goods were often carried on their backs. Disease was a scourge. Whole families died from diptheria, smallpox and the flu as there was very little immunization or quarantine available at that time.

Villages and towns were developed as rapidly as the homesteaders settled the land. Post offices were established, with many of the early ones doubling as general stores. School was held in the same building as church services. A number of small communities were developed, but later abandoned, like the town of Quincy, across the Red River southwest of Hendrum.

Livery stables and barns were necessary for renting horses and buggies, and tethering horses for a day or night. Most owners took great pride in the fine horses they kept for a nominal cost.

The Great Northern Railroad Company built a line along the Red River in 1883 through Hendrum, promoting more land travel. The Hendrum House Hotel, built in 1897, was a busy place, housing guests arriving on the trains, who had come to visit relatives or to tend to business. There was a large dining room and many meals and banquets were served there.

One fourth mile west of Hendrum is a springfed stream nostalgically called "Love Lake". The water is clear and cold and it is surprising that some enterprising individual has not started a home development there. In the years past, much ice skating was done on this when the top would freeze over for a while, and even some folks would go boating on it on a summer's evening. During the summer of 1981, a group from the North Dakota State University from Fargo, North Dakota, started excavating an area near here on the Canning farm and are finding many articles of historical value.

The first post office and store were located about two miles north of the present site of Hendrum. Due to high water in the spring of the year, they were moved south to the present site of Hendrum. The business district was mostly west of the railroad tracks and included the post office, confectionery and ice cream parlor and an opera house. Many popular programs were presented in this opera house, and folks for miles around would attend.

There were several merchandise stores, which sold hardware and furniture together with groceries and clothing. A millinery store was a necessity also, which was housed in a small building. There was a full time doctor, and a dentist would come for appointments several times a month. There also was a harness shop, a blacksmith shop and several garages.

A newspaper entitled Red River Review was printed once a week, a shoemaker, a feed mill and a veterinarian were also busy places.

Soon a new bank building and a brick structure were built east of the railroad tracks and it seemed other businesses were started near them. Some of the store buildings west of the tracks were converted into dwelling units. There were no cement sidewalks until 1910.

In the spring of 1897, Hendrum was inundated with flood waters as water reached from the Wild Rice River west to the Red River. The hotel was being built that year, and some of the lumber floated away and had to be gathered by boat.

The first school in Hendrum was erected about one-half mile south of the City in about 1880. In 1894 a two room school was built in town and an addition added in 1902. This was used until 1915, when a brick building replaced the wood structure.

At one time, Hendrum boasted of a first class creamery, four elevators and a funeral parlor. Pictures and articles of some of the above may be found elsewhere in this book.

With the advent of the automobile, small communities have suffered for lack of business, as the larger cities, with their malls and other attractions are only a few minutes away. Area towns are still basically oriented to the everyday needs of the people, but this too is changing.

We have attempted to compile as complete and accurate an account of the past one hundred years as is possible with the records and pictures and memories of

the citizens who have been part of the community. Many pictures and accounts of events are lost forever from the succeeding generations. Would it not be very interesting if we had a record of the voices from the past, those who lived on each farm, section and in each house, both in Hendrum and community, so they could share with us their trials, joys, sorrows and dreams for us and for the coming generation? Let us be proud of our heritage and our history.

EARLY TIMES IN HENDRUM

By James Grothe in 1902-03

To tell about the county is not very easy, but I will write what I know. The county is longer then it is wide, and the land in it is good. In early times this land was uncultivated. The land in the western part is about the best land in the county. The land was mostly prairie. The prairies were covered with nice grass. Some of the grass is called bluejoint. The county has two rivers running through it, whose names are Wild Rice and Marsh Rivers. The Wild Rice River starts in the eastern part and flows westward, and ends in the Red River of the North, while the Marsh River starts in the east and flows northwest and ends in the Red River of the North. The county slopes toward the northwest.

The first white people that settled in Hendrum Township were Frenchmen. They settled in the town in 1870 or 1871. When they came they rode with a yoke of oxen because there were no railroads at that time to this part of the country, so it took a long journey. They came here to take land. They settled by the Wild Rice River. One of them was killed. They though he was holding his gun that way. You know they nearly all had guns at that time. The bullet had struck him in the head. They thought so because the gun was lying that way. He was alone in his house, and it was a long time before they found him. He had a dog too, which had nearly eaten half of his head, he did that because he was hungry. The Frenchmen moved the following year to Red Lake Falls.

The first house that was built in the town was on the west side of the Wild Rice River, near the place where the railroad bridge is now. The houses that they built at that time were not very good nor nice. When it was cold they had to sit near the stove to keep warm. The houses were made of round logs with the bark on them. They made their houses between sixty and twenty feet square, and they had only one or two windows and one door in their houses. Some of the settlers even had thatched roofs.

The next white people that came were Norwegians, they came over the same way as the Frenchmen. Their names were Bretsen, Nygaard and Satter. They too came over here to take land. They settled about on the same place as the Frenchmen had settled. They also built their houses of round logs, and about the same size, because it was the cheapest and it took the shortest time. They took the cheapest thing to build of because they could not spare more money.

The home life of the early settlers were very uncomfortable, because they were poor and cold. They did not have any large fields at that time, but they hunted beavers, wolves, deer and bears and when they shot the large bears they would dig up their holes and then catch the small bears, and take them home and keep them.

The furniture that they had was poor and simple. The early settlers chopped down small trees or poles, and then for the poles they would make their beds, tables and chairs and nail them to the corners inside their houses. They did not have very many rocking chairs at that time. The early settlers did not have organs, pianos, etc. as we have now.

The food that the early settlers had was poor and simple. They bought the cheapest flour to make bread of, sometimes they did not even have flour made from wheat. There were a few wild animals at that time, so they had some meat if they only wanted to shoot them. There was an old woman who said she used to help the men to draw their grindstone, and for that she got meat and other things.

The early settlers did not have many children and most of them were young.

They did not have much school at that time, so their children did not get much education. The children mostly went around in the woods looking over the land, and they shot some wild animals.

The early settlers did not have as large fields as we have now. They had around twenty to sixty acres of cultivated land. They cultivated them the same way, but their machinery was smaller. Their machinery consisted of walking plows, a few small harrows, a few reapers and a few drills. Their tools were few, they had an ax, a hammer, a space, etc. The early settlers used oxen instead of horses to draw their machinery and they did not have any buggies at that time.

The crops raised at that time were better than the crops we raise now. The people at that time raised a great deal more on an acre than we do now. They raised between thirty and forty bushels and sometimes up to forty-five bushels to the acre. If the early settlers would have had as large fields as we have now, they would have been rich. The grains the early settlers had were wheat, oats and a little barley. They did not have as many kinds as we have now. The price the early settlers got for their crops were a great deal more than we do now. The settlers at that time received around a dollar per bushel and sometimes as high as one and half dollars a bushel.

The first settlers suffered a good deal. They had far to market, and the roads were bad. The nearest town at that time was Moorhead. It took them the whole day to reach Moorhead, because it was so far. In the winter when they were hauling most of their grain, many froze a great deal and a few froze to death. The distance to the nearest town was about thirty miles. They had to

drive across large prairies to get to Moorhead. So it was not very pleasant for them.

George Brohaugh was the teacher. George sent this to James just a few years before James passed away.

HENDRUM COMMERCIAL CLUB

This was a club organized by the merchants of Hendrum Village, its members being the business people of the village. Its purpose was to promote the betterment of the village. It began before 1915.

Some of its activities were: Saturday night drawings — where individuals won merchandise or cash awards and Santa Claus Day — when turkeys and hams were given out at drawings and the children received bags filled with candy, peanuts and an apple. Sometime during the Christmas Holiday Season a banquet was held at which time the club members honored their wives.



Christmas on Main Street — Santa Claus Day

As the business places of Hendrum disappeared, it was felt the need of a Commercial Club had ceased. It dissolved sometime in the late 1960's. The Hendrum Community Club was later organized to take its place.



Christmas on Main Street
Giving away of turkeys and candy bags
First by the Commercial Club
Now by the Community Club

COMMERICAL INTERESTS IN HENDRUM VILLAGE 1896

Anderson Brothers — Farmers and Dealers in General Merchandise.

Bangs, W. D. — Grain Buyer and Furniture.

Brohaugh, O. O. — Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes and General Merchandise.

Douglas, J.M. — Veterinary Surgeon. Graduate of Ontario Vet. College.

Eckman, A. M. — Lumber Dealer.

Eckman, C. J. — Dealer in Furniture and Coffins.

Hanson & Anderson — Dealers in General Merchandise and Machinery.

Hancock, C. H. — Grain Buyer. Hendrum Elevator.

Ingberg & Rostvold — Dealers in General Hardware, Oats, Barley and Young Stock taken in exchange.

Johnson, John P. — Manufacturer and Dealer in Harness, Sadlery, etc.

Ligget, Wm. T. — Livery, Boarding and Sale Stable.

Rask & Larson — Dealers in Heavy and Shelf Hardware, Stoves, Tinware, Tools, Cutlery and Implements.

COMMERCIAL INTERESTS IN HENDRUM 1917

Automobiles — O. D. Larson, O. P. Rogness, T. A. Olson and Henry Nelson.

Auction — Austin T. Fuller.

Banks — State Bank of Hendrum and Farmers State Bank.

Barber — William C. Crosgrove.

Blacksmith — William Pelkey.

Cement Blocks — The Westvick Company.

Creamery — Hendrum Co-operative Creamery Association.

Coal — Farmers Elevator Company and C. J. Eckmann Lumber Company.

Elevators — Hendrum Co-operative Elevator, Monarch Elevator Company and Independent Elevator Company.

General Dealers — Gilbert T. Ingberg and Anderson Mercantile Company.

Feed Mill — John J. Hagen.

Furniture — Handled by both Hardware Stores.

Garages — Carl Ohnstad and Arnt Rostvold.

Hotel — Hendrum Hotel, David Waters, proprietor.

Hendrum Light and Power Co. — A. M. Eckmann and Carl Ohnstad.

Hall — The Auditorium, a community stock company.

Harness — Emil Lykke.

Implement Dealer — O. D. Larson.

Livery — Selness Brothers.

Lumber — C. J. Eckmann Lumber Company.

Livestock — Farmers Livestock Association.

Millinery Store — Mrs. G. T. Ingberg.

Moving Pictures — Enger & Enger.

Meats — O. G. Ness.

Newspaper — *Red River Review*, by the Hendrum Printing Company.

Physician — Dr. T. Oftedahl.

Restaurants — Oscar Helland and Leonard Melberg.

Telephone — Hendrum Telephone Company.

Veterinary — Dr. J. M. Douglas.

COMMERCIAL INTERESTS IN HENDRUM 1958

Automobiles — Ostenson Motor Sales, Lewey Ostenson, owner.

Bank — Norman County State Bank, A. M. Lee, cashier.

Barber — Al's Barber Shop, Al Laabs, owner.

Creamery — Hendrum Co-op Creamery, Eddie Stordahl, manager.

Elevators — Hendrum Co-op Elevator, Dave Evert, manager; P. V. Lumber Yard & Elevator, Don Busse, manager.

Garages & Service Station — Al's Standard Service Station, Sanford Albertson, prop.; Hendrum Oil Company, Norval Nelson & Paul Hviding, prop.; Ohnstad Service Station, Louis Ohnstad, owner.

General Dealers & Groceries — Fairway Store, Art Johnson, owner; Hansen's Store, Art Hansen, owner; Nile's Grocery, Nile Johnson, owner.

Gift Shops — Clara's Gift Shop, Clara Hansen, owner; Mandy's Gift Shop, Mandy Johnson, prop.

Grain Dealers — E-V Grain Company, E. E. Ingberg & V. J. Nygaard, prop.; Kolness Brothers Grain Service, Sherman & Einar Kolness.

Hardware — Hendrum Hardware, Wayne M. Dahlstrom, manager.

Implement & Appliance Dealer — Ostenson Motor Sales, Lewey Ostenson, owner.

Lumber — P. V. Lumber Yard & Elevator, Don Busse, manager.

Oil Company — Hendrum Oil Company, Norval Nelson & Paul Hviding, prop.; Standard Oil Company, Arnold S. Anderson, agent.

Restaurants — Coffee Shop, Chester Smith, owner; Hendrum Cafe, Francis Dyrendahl, prop.

Shoe Repair & Upholstery — Bud's Upholstery & Shoe Repair, Bud Haugstad, prop.

Televisions — Ostenson Motor Sales, Lewey Ostenson, owner.

COMMON COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF HENDRUM

"The original location of Hendrum was in the neighborhood of the Great Northern Railroad bridge, two miles north of the present site of Hendrum. Complications with the railroad company set in, and the village was moved to its present location. The name was taken from the name of the town in Norway from which came Johannes Hagen, namely Hindrumgaard."¹

The Village operated and prospered for several years and was incorporated on August 17, 1901. The first president of the Common Council was Dr. Marius Hansen. Village Recorder was B.J. Ostby and Henry Marsden was the first treasurer.

Receipts from the Norman County Treasurer in payment of monies arising from collections and belonging to the Village of Hendrum dated November 23, 1901, were Revenue Fund — \$73.55, Road and Bridge Fund — \$14.00, Delinquent Road Fund — \$28.87, and Bonds and Interest — \$16.80, for a total of \$133.22. Other receipts were for several dog, show, and dray licenses for another \$33.00. The first of many warrants (checks) issued was on October 24, 1901, to A.M. Echmann for \$2.30. This was not paid for want of funds until March 7, 1902.

"Ordinances are village laws that apply to and affect all persons generally."² Ordinance No. 1 is an ordinance prohibiting horses, cattle, or other stock to run at large or staked out. Passed by the Council — Oct. 14, 1901. Ordinance No. 2: Licensing of all dogs running at large within the corporate limits of Hendrum. License fees were set at \$1.00 per year, male or female. Provided that the owner or keeper of any dogs who allows or suffers such dog to run at large shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall pay a fine of not less than five dollars (one-half of which shall be for the use of the one making the complaint). Passed — October 14, 1901.

To date 49 ordinances have been officially recorded. They are to provide for the licensing of concerts, theaters, caravans, draymen; also prohibiting riding bicycles on sidewalks, feeding or furnishing provisions or eatables to tramps or loafers, breaking windows with balls or missiles, unlawful operation of motor vehicles and snowmobiles and discharging firearms within Village of Hendrum. Others include a curfew for boys and girls under 16, keeping streets clear, regulating construction of sidewalks — first planks, then concrete. The later years' ordinances were limited to setting fire limits and codes, and annexing various properties to the village, the most recent property is owned by Dwight Todd.

Several reminders were issued about curfew, discharging of firearms and slingshots, "junk" within corporate limits, and the riding of bicycles on sidewalks. References to the problems of dogs throughout the years resulted in the updating of the ordinance in April of 1972. Again and again this ordinance has been

published to remind the residents of the regulations pertaining to dogs.

FOOTNOTES!!

¹Norman County History, Copyright 1976, pp. 527-528.

²Village Ordinance Record, Village of Hendrum.

³Norman County History, Copyright 1976, page 528.

The Village maintained a Community Hall built in 1916 until it was sold to the School District in 1947. Permits for public dances held in the hall were topics of much discussion. Outdoor movies, roller skating and basketball games were among activities provided. The hall burned on Thanksgiving Day, 1950. In 1953, the Village purchased the property from the School on which the hall was located and in 1954, deeded the same to the County to erect a garage to house the road grader. This building was deeded to the City in 1979 when the County built a new garage on the west side of town on Quincy Avenue.

Labor expenses on the Red River bridge continued through 1928. Replacing of the planks seemed to occur every month. Other than those listed, several community residents have been employed by the city for various projects and responsibilities. Wm. Roquet is currently employed for general maintenance.

Each year a board of health is appointed and in 1921, library board members included Mrs. C.G. Amos, Maria Riste, and C.J. Echmann. Other city officials included a marshal or constable, fire chief, street commissioner, assessors, justice of peace, clerk and treasurer, election judges; as well as, trustees and mayors who were elected. Length of terms persons were to serve were from March to March with election day held on first Tuesday in March. Then elections were changed to December every other year and now are held in November to coincide with national elections.

Various items to be noted are:

1882 — Showing of the first self binder that cut and delivered grain in tied bundles.³

1897 — The year of the big flood.³

1910 — Building of the first concrete sidewalks in Hendrum.³

1915 — First electric lights.³

1920 — A special election was held in which a bond issue was passed to provide the Village with an electric light plant.

1923 — Proposed to construct a well on the fire hall grounds.

1925 — Paid \$100.00 to dig a well in the park.

9/11/25 — **Resolution** — Forbidding young girls loitering on the public streets annoying [annoying] the public by playing the ucalilly [ukulele] and otherwise conducting themselves in such a way as which is not proper to becoming to a young lady.

8/8/26 — A.H. Hanson was ordered to remove all hitching posts from street east of his store building.

- (Laid on table till next meeting due to objection of C.O. Aasen, councilman.)
- 10/6/26 — To remain where they are until a suitable place is found. (see 8-8-26)
- 1927 — Provide for buying site for new creamery.
- 1930 — Request by Fire Dept. for a used automobile on which to mount firefighting equipment and to make necessary alterations inside fire hall to house equipment.
- 7/19/30 — **Resolution** — John Blankholm's wooden sidewalks ordered removed and replaced by concrete to be completed before first day of September, 1930.
- 9/3/30 — Said sidewalks were not replaced by owner, so Village passed resolution to complete same by Street Commissioner and entire expense to be paid out of said Village General Fund.
- 1932 — Sold village boat to Chas. Grady for \$5.00.
- 1936 — By a vote of 119 yes / 6 no, the Village was authorized to issue bonds for the erection of a water tower and tank instead of pressure system.
- 1937 — Purchased new fire hose and siren.
- 7/23/49 — Injury resulted by accident to Carl Lund of Crookston working on electrical lines in Hendrum, awarded \$6,000.00 as result of hearing held in Crookston 12/8/49 until April 11-12, 1950. Appealed 9/5/50 in St. Paul. Lost.
- 1951 — Sold electric service to Red River Valley Coop Power in Halstad.
- 1952 — Resolution passed for improvement along Highway 75.
- 1954 — Bonds issued for new fire hall. A.C. Enger was awarded the principal contract.
- 1956 — Re-organized the Fire Department.
- 1963 — Approved construction of a new water tank and tower.
- 1964 — A.M. Lee thanked for donating shelterbelt land and trees.
- 1967 — Planning Commission appointed.
- 1969 — Red River flood in spring. (Village itself not inundated — residents assisting in several ways.)
- 1969 — Purchased 1947 fire truck.
- 1971 — Public hearing held to provide a sewage lagoon and purchased land for same from Mildred Rask.
- 1973 — Changed named Village to "City".
- 1974 — Interim zoning ordinance passed.
- 1975 — Passed resolution selling land to A.&C. Ehlin to erect new postoffice.
- 1975 — After 13 inches of rainfall in Felton area — again a flood in area. Sandbagging going strong on 4th of July!
- 1976 — Hendrum Development Corp. organized.
- 1978 — Shade Tree Program initiated. Several trees have been planted on the boulevards within the city.
- 1978 — Park Project included new shelter and other improvements to Community Park. Also, pur-

chased new fire truck with Township.

1979 — Bonds issued (FHA) for the new additional well and the water mains that were replaced.

1981 — Centennial Committee appointed.

The list of council members from 1901 to 1920 is at best, "sketchy" as were not in records other than "all members present".

Presidents/Mayors of the Council included:

Dr. Marius Hansen: 1901, 1902; Wm. Anderson: 1903, 1906; Henry Marsden: 1910; L.W. Briggs: 1914; Jacob Snustad: 1915; J.M. Douglas: 1916; J.J. Nelson: 1918; T.A. Olsen: 1920-22; A.H. Hansen: 1923-25, 1938-39; O.D. Larson: 1926; O.P. Rønness: 1927; A.C. Enger: 1928-30; 1940-43; Emil Thorson: 1931; P. A. Stennes: 1932-33; Theo. Roe: 1934-37; David Watters: 1944-47; A.S. Anderson: 1948-49; David Dyrendahl: 1950-51; G.I. Sholy: Jan.-June, 1952; A.M. Lee: June, 1952-Dec. 1953; Vernon J. Nygaard: 1954-55; Sherman Kolness: 1956-63; David Evert: 1964 - June, 1971; Theo. B. Olson: June, 1971-July, 1975; Leslie Ford: July-Dec. 1975; John R. Storsved: 1976-March, 1979; and Robert Nygaard: March, 1979 to present.

Councilmen/Trustees:

Theo. S. Nelson: 1920-1924; Christ Dyrendahl: 1920-22; Albert Landro: 1920; L.C. Tarvestad: 1921-25; H.H. Hanseon: 1923-March, 1924; Gunder K. Riste: March, 1924-March, 1925, 1926-31; S.P. Hviding: 1925; David Watters: 1926-31; Chas. O. Aasen: 1925-34; C.O. Ohnstad: 1932-1935; Theo. Roe: 1932-1933; R.C. Baily: 1934-1937; H.D. Perkins: 1934-1937; G.E. Douglas: 1936-1938; Sigfred Enockson: 1938-40; John Brady: 1939-41; Winston Marsden: 1941-43; Bennie J. Hagen: 1942-44; O.F. Sjoberg: 1944-1958; Oscar Ingberg: 1945-May, 1946; Chas. Riste: May, 1946-1947; Vernon J. Nygaard: 1948-1953, 1956; Arthur Johnson: 1952-63; Sherman Kolness: 1954-1955; Louis Ohnstad; 1957-1971; Lewey Ostenson: 1959-1964; Harry Johnson: 1965-68; William Hall: 1964-1972; Leslie Ford: 1971-July, 1975; John Storsved: 1972-75; Allen Christopherson: July, 1975-1977; Wayne Hetland: 1969-1981; Nordal Nelson: 1975 to present; Odin Aune: 1976 to present; and Lyle Peterson: 1978 to present; Beverley Dyrendahl: 1982 to present.

Recorders/Clerks included:

B.J. Ostby: 1901; A.H. Gordon: 1902, 1910; J.M. Douglas: 1903, 1906; M.C. Enger: 1914-16; Oscar Helland: 1918; L.A. Anderson: 1920-22; A.R. Sjordahl: Jan.-June, 1923; A.M. Lee: June-Dec. 1923; C.H. Underlee: 1924, Feb. 1928-1933; K.J. Ostby: 1925-Feb. 1928; Geo. Grady: 1934-1940; Lewey Ostenson: 1941-June 1942; L.A. Underlee: June-Dec. 1942; Ed Stordahl: 1943-1952; Leroy Lee: 1953; Lowell Thorson: 1954-1961; John W. Johnson: 1962-1973; Alice Peterson: 1974-75; Janice Tommerdahl: 1976-Oct. 77; Gloria Nepstad: Oct. 1977-1978; Joann Schlapkohl: 1979 to present.

Treasurers:

H. Marsden: 1901; O.D. Larson: 1902-05, 1912-1914; O.H. Lewis: 1905-07; E.T. Rustad: 1915-16; R.L.

Hanson: Apr.-May, 1915; C.T. Breck: 1908-1911, 1921-May, 1924; Knute Ostby: May-Dec. 1924; C.H. Underlee: 1925-26; A.M. Lee: 1927-1932; Chas. Riste: 1933-1943, 1948-1955; Mrs. M.E. Rensvold: 1944-June 1945; Genevieve Marsden: June 1945-Nov. 1947; Leroy Lee: Nov.-Dec. 1947; Violet Dukleth: 1956-1963; George Abbott: 1964-June 1965; J. Howard Rustad: June 1965-May 1968; Myrna Evert: May 1968-June 1971; Mavis Storsved: June 1971 to present.

Salaries for Councilmen in 1915 was \$10.00 a year. Also, 20 gallons of gasoline was purchased for \$4.07 from O.P. Rogness. Balance on hand of all funds in March 1905 was \$56.94. In 1980, all funds balance included \$37,439.58, with bonded indebtedness for water mains, well, tower, and sewer lagoon.

The main concern throughout the years, whether in Las Vegas or Jerusalem, has not been zoning or finances or violence, just complaints about the dogs. . .

Let us take an imaginary train trip into Hendrum in 1885 to the early 1900, when trains were so much a part of our lives. The little train had a couple of coaches and a baggage car. Occasionally a mixed train came through that had some freight cars added. The seats in the coaches were covered with stiff red plush, the backs were high and the air in the cars was usually smoky. The conductor wore a serge suit with silver buttons, as he punched tickets and checked passes he had a greeting for each passenger. As the number of scheduled trains began to drop we felt regret, and when one was discontinued we felt we lost a friend and so the trains are about gone, also the depot has disappeared from the scene, the Hendrum depot was dismantled in 1976. Today we see occasionally a freight train reaching Hendrum; automobiles have replaced passenger trains and trucks are used more for freight.



Hendrum House built in 1896

As we reach Hendrum on our train trip, we see many people waiting on the depot platform to welcome the passengers who came for business reasons or for pleasure. It was common back then to see trunks unloaded from the trains, trunks that held as much as one hundred fifty pounds. People as a rule arranged their vacations of one or two weeks duration so they stayed in one place and the trunk supplied about all



Last picture of Hendrum depot, dismantled in 1976

their needs for that period. At that time railroads had a different attitude toward passengers and wanted them to ride their trains so they did all they could to promote good will. We notice the post office man bringing bags of mail to the mail car. The station master or depot agent takes the suitcase from the conductor and brings them to the Hendrum station. As we enter the depot we hear the mysterious telegraph keep strutting out messages which were easily understood by the man on duty. In the middle of the room stood a big black wood and coal heater, a spittoon on the floor, a large clock on the wall ticking away the time, benches placed along the wall. To welcome you and offer you lodging would be the proprietor from the Hendrum House located across the street. The Hendrum House was built in 1897 by Gunder Riste, he continued to live here until they bought the Becken Farm, (more recently the George Snustad Farm). The Hendrum House had nine bedrooms, a dining area, kitchen and office. Some of the proprietors of the Hendrum House have been the Burgesses, Gust Ellefsons, Edgar Myhre, Thron Hoyme, one year, Dave Watters, Oscar Ness, Simon Hvidings. The Hvidings owned and operated the business from 1923 - 1936. It was a thriving business serving meals to train crews, traveling salesmen, school faculty and to other steady boarders who stayed at the hotel. Since that time the Hendrum House has been owned for short periods by the following: Dave McLaughlin, Ivan Lotton, Orris Tommerdahl, Orvis Lura, and rooms rented out. In 1955 the Albert Lang family bought the building and have made it their home to this day.

MAIN STREET

As we leave the Hendrum House the next morning and walk north on the wooden sidewalks (wooden sidewalks were built in Hendrum in 1894) toward Main Street we pass the Pete and Frank Weller home, and on the corner is the Arnt Rostvold and John Nelson Repairshop and "Westside Garage." The Wellers later used this building to store flour, then Oscar Hellerud used it for feed grain and potatoes. Alfred Enger in the



Hendrum Depot, Hendrum House, Weller Home with Flour Warehouse, Arnt Rostvold and John Nelson Repair Shop.

nineteen forties moved the Weller house to this corner but it was never completed as a home. In 1967 a Kingdom Hall was built on this corner, replacing the old Weller Home; the Hendrum American Legion purchased the Kingdom Hall in 1980, it is now used by the American Legion for their activities and the Hendrum-Perley Golden Agers meet here twice a month.



West Main Street, west of railroad tracks, around 1890. Note lamp post, mud streets, hitching posts.

When we reach Main Street and look west we will notice that most of the business buildings are located on the right side of the street. The first building to the right has housed many businesses through the years: Pete Johnson Harness Shop; Joseph Douglas Veterinarian Service; Olaf Oien, a railroad section man lived here; Philstrom, editor of *Red River Review*; Melfred Ness had a restaurant and grocery; A.T. Thorson had a Photography Gallery around 1896; Harry McLaughlin moved building back from the sidewalk and made it into a lovely home, part of their house is from a house moved in from Quincy. If we look north along the railroad track we see another home that was moved in from Quincy, a home presently owned by Mrs. Stella Ystebo.

The next building was known as the A.L. Gordon Building. Andrew L. Gordon came to Hendrum in 1876, he homesteaded on section 30, what is now Hendrum Village. Andrew had the first store in town, a grocery business. He would drive to Moorhead each week for his supplies in hundred pound barrels: sugar, salt, flour and etc. In 1887 part of this building was used for a post office. Later it was used as the Leggett Hotel and Restaurant, Milligan's Pool Hall, (the Milligan family lived here). This building later burned down. In 1904 Andrew Gordon also managed an elevator.



The A.L. Gordon Store, Hendrum, Minn. - 1887

Next building was the O.D. Larson and H.O. Rask Hardware Store. Ole D. Larson came to Hendrum in 1882 and in 1892 started his business as a hardware and implement dealer. H.O. Rask was in partnership with O.D. Larson; later he moved his hardware business to East Main Street, whether he also moved his building at this time we are not sure, but a picture taken later indicates his building on West Main is gone. Eventually a garage occupied this area on West Main managed by Joe Rauck, followed by George Halvorson, a blacksmith. Then in 1947 Elmer Stenberg built a grocery store here with living quarters to the rear of the building, a few years later Joe Patterson bought the business, followed by Nile Johnson who bought it in 1952; the building is now used exclusively as a home for the Nile Johnsons.

The Olaf Gaustad family lived in a house just east of the Nile Johnson home in the nineteen twenties, Mrs. Gaustad was a sister of George Halvorson, she had a bakery here and was known for her delicious bread, buns, doughnuts and lefse; was an excellent seamstress.

Next building was the Torgerson Furniture Store with the Post Office, Osmond Torgerson served as postmaster in 1898 to 1914. Later the Carl Knutsons lived here, Ella and Gerda Knutson had a dress shop, they also were dressmakers and sold millinery. The Conrad Huseby family later lived here.

Set back from the sidewalk was W.M. Pelky shop and home, he was a repair man, did a variety of jobs.

The next store, the tallest building housed a grocery and general merchandise on the main floor and was operated by William Anderson, he also served as postmaster from 1894 to 1898. Ever yearn to relive the good old days? Most of us would like to, at one time or other, to escape the hustle, bustle and pressure of the modern world and get back to an era of leisure living when folks had time and the desire to enjoy one another and the everyday life that makes up the world of each individual. Where else could the days of the past be recaptured better than in the Old General Store, we would be amazed at the collection of articles. There seemed to be no end to shelves full and running over with goods.

Behind the counter on shelves reaching the ceiling were part of the groceries he had. Others were stored in a back room. Under the counter he kept boxes of raisins, dates, dried apples, apricots, peaches, pears and prunes. These came in boxes about 18 x 12 x 8 inches. None of these came in ready made packages. Peanut butter came in a tin pail and you brought your own container to be filled. All groceries were usually on one wall. In a corner would be barrels containing vinegar, molasses, and often kerosene. They had top for removal into jugs you brought with you. Wild game, beef, salt pork, ham and poultry graced our tables, as well as the vegetables we could raise. Tea came in big boxes direct from the Orient. Cheese came in huge hoops and sat on the counter, encased in a cutter. It was cut in wedges and sold by the pound. Ripe brick cheese in 5-lb. wooden boxes also could be bought. Crackers, prunes, raisins, flour, sugar, salt and coffee were in bulk, to be scooped up and weighed to order. Coffee was also ground to order. Chewing tobacco came in pound plugs and a contraption sat on every counter enabling the clerk to hack off 5, 10, or 15 cent plugs. Smoking tobacco came in bags or tin cans. Salt herring came in wooden pails, lutefisk, codfish, coffee and strong cheese, all gave off odors, and all rubber goods had a unique odor.

On the opposite wall would be women and children's wear, where bolts and bolts of yard goods were stacked. Often a dressmaker made her rounds in the neighborhood to sew for those who did no sewing. Miscellaneous articles, like trimmings, laces, braids, pins, etc. were kept behind the clerk, Calico was 5¢ a yard.

Further back we found masculine needs. There were jackets, overalls, shirts, shoes, plus a lot of hardware articles. In cubby-holes were collections of bolts, nuts, screws, rivets, and nails. Items like spades, shovels, pitchforks and axes were hung from the ceiling, as were variety of harnesses, etc.

Country women brought in eggs and home made butter to exchange for groceries. Women wore high-topped shoes, black stockings, corsets with whale-bone staves, and in winter carried a muff. Every store had a heating stove, sometimes two, and near it would be a box of ashes, a spittoon and a half dozen chairs. Here men discussed farm business, politics, and world's problems, while their wives shopped. There was a lot of haggling over prices — not like today when you merely select, pick up your groceries, and put it in a cart. The grocer would make a big deal of putting in a bag of candy, saying, "a little extra for the children." Folks didn't pay cash for their groceries — but had them charged until fall when their crops were harvested.

The upper floor of this building was an auditorium which was used for plays, lyceum numbers, banquets, etc., it was known as the Hendrum Opera House. Mrs. Burgess, proprietor of the Hendrum House catered for gatherings here, Mrs. Gilbert Hestad at times helped with the catering. Myrtle Hestad Harrington recalls when local talent presented plays: "Tom Thumb's

Wedding", "Ten Nights in The Bar-room" and others. The different village organizations held their meetings in this auditorium; also lodges: Sons of Norway, Modern Woodmen of America, Masons, etc. Around the turn of the century, this building was moved to East Main Street, where the auditorium continued to be an entertainment center. In 1947 Lewey Ostenson bought this building from Mrs. Henry Marsden and set up his business called, 'Ostenson Motor Sales and Service' this continued until 1976, in 1978 the building was dismantled.



Hendrum West Main Street, looking east on same business section, note all the buggies in town, around 1890.

The next building on West Main Street was a meat market, Jim Masterson was the butcher. Because of the lack of refrigeration back then, one had to shop for fresh meat daily. Most shops were small with a work shop in the rear, a big wooden block was the butcher's table, the floor was covered with sawdust. The butcher needed to be robust. He actually selected his meat, killed and processed it. Often he packed his own ice and stored it the year round. Later the John Cannings lived here when it was converted into a house and the Jack McLaughlins family lived upstairs.

The last business building on the block was the Henry Marsden building, he had a hardware store and was an implement dealer. At that time, if parts were not sold they could be returned to the machine company. In an advertisement in a county paper in 1900 read: "Masterson and Marsden received Rock disc gang plow, exhibition arranged, first kind in vicinity".

The building in the distance is the steeple of the Presbyterian Church built in 1893, then in 1949 a larger church replaced the old church. In 1975 the church was closed because of declining membership and the building was converted into an apartment.

On the same picture, on the left side of the street as we look west, we see a building which was at one time the *Red River Review* printing office. Then we see the Gilbert Hestad home, it was built for Mrs. Hestad intending it to be used as a restaurant but instead it was used as a boarding house. As the years went by the house was moved back from the sidewalk and became the home for the Hestad and the Denny Douglas families. The large square building further down was known as the Knut Knutson home and later

the Douglas home. A photographer once occupied the upstairs of the home, entering by outside stairway.

The last building on the picture is the home of the William Anderson Family.

Another picture of West Main Street in the 1890's, this time looking east. Note the same group of business buildings now on the left side of the street, the M & N elevator in the background and Myrtle (Hestad, Douglas) Harrington home in the foreground on the right. Several families in Hendrum kept a cow and some chickens to supply their needs for eggs and milk, the cows were staked out on pasture during the day. In 1901 a village ordinance was passed prohibiting horses, cattle or other stock to run at large or staked out.



Hendrum Main Street — Westside of railroad tracks — about 1900. Left to right: 1. Hendrum Presbyterian Church 2. C.K. Lee Store 3. James Masterson Meat Market 4. Torgerson Furniture Store and Post Office 5. Rask and Larson Hardware 6. A.L. Gordon Building 7. A.T. Thorson Photograph Gallery.

West Main Street was the main entry into Hendrum from Highway 75, when that Highway was built, therefore the first two service stations built were located on the west side of Hendrum, along Highway 75. Melford or Alvin Hagen built the first service station at the head of West Main Street; Harry Canning succeeded the Hagens; then in 1946 Louis Ohnstad purchased the business and continued until 1971 when Ohnstad retired.

Norval Nelson and Winston Marsden formed a partnership on June 12, 1937 to establish a service station on old Highway 75, later Paul Hviding joined them, this station was located one block north of the other station. In 1954 the partnership established a new station on the new Highway 75 rerouted through Hendrum.

During more recent years a few new businesses have been established in the west part of the City of Hendrum: The Hendrum Manufacturing in 1973; Norman County Highway Department Building in 1979; the new Apartment Building in 1976; Harriet's Beauty Shop; The American Legion Building in 1980; and more recently the Vargason Upholstery in 1981.

A winter scene of West Main Street; note that two business buildings have been moved from the business section: the tallest building with the auditorium on second floor has been moved to East Main Street, where it housed the Henry Marsden Hardware Store on the main floor and the auditorium on the upper floor, continued to be used by the public for com-

munity events. Then the O.D. Larson building has been moved also. It is a possibility it, too, was moved to East Main Street on the northside, second building from the corner, where O.D. Larson continued in his Hardware and undertaker business. In 1918 O.D. Larson joined corporation that built a new brick block building, which housed his Hardware Store, the bank and a grocery store.



Ross Peterson, his team of horses and the hearse.

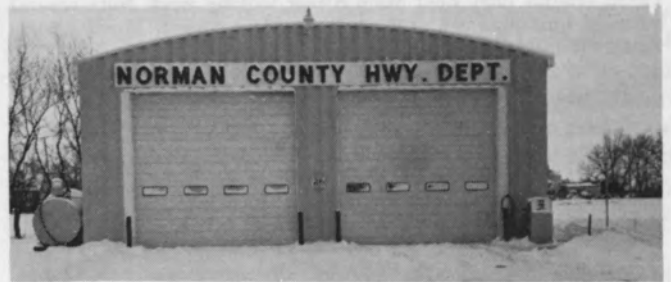
Notice! — On the fourth building from the right of the picture a sign that reads coffins. In those days (early 1900's) in some instances the undertaker ran another business, like furniture or hardware store. It's likely in this case that O.D. Larson also had the undertaker business. It seemed a natural combination for it usually was a cabinet maker in the community who made the casket. Perhaps it also seemed natural that he was the one who made the arrangements when death occurred, he would, 'undertake' the care of the body — thus becoming the "undertaker". In those days most of the embalming was done in the home where death occurred. In such cases the body was prepared, dressed and casketed right in the home where funeral also was held. There were no funeral homes or mortuaries as we know them today. Often it was a livery stable that furnished the carriage and horses for the funeral service. Hearses were carriages with high seats where the driver sat, with glassed in compartment behind the driver. Several buggies (some cars) followed forming a procession to the church and cemetery. Even after cars were used, it often became necessary to use horses because of road conditions. No paved or even graveled roads were always available. Later O.D. Larson established his hardware business on East Main Street, where in 1918, with a corporation, built a new brick building, which housed the bank, hardware and grocery store. Here Ole Larson continued his hardware and undertaker business.



Hendrum Manufacturing Co., Lindsay Bros. Built in 1973.



American Legion Hall, the former Kingdom Hall, bought in 1980.



Norman County Highway Department, built in 1979.



Hendrum Apartment, the former Presbyterian Church - about 1976.



Vargason Upholstery, new location in 1981.





Taken around 1900, East Main Street looking west. Note several business buildings are still on West Main Street. Wooden sidewalks, hitching posts, muddy streets, M.N. elevator.

**THE WHEAT MARKET IN
HENDRUM**
is from 2 to 5 cents higher than in
neighboring towns
AND—
**Lumber Prices
are Lower.**

A complete stock of Dry Pine Lumber is always kept on hand, also Washington Fir, Drop Siding, Ceiling, Flooring, Cedar Siding, Shingles, Wainscoting, Doors, Etc. Cedar Fence Posts. Call and examine my grades and prices before buying elsewhere.

A. P. ECKMANN,
Hendrum, Minn.

—I have bought the—
Furniture Stock and Store
ON C. J. Eckmann and offer the present stock at 10 per cent
discount to make room for my
NEW STOCK!
of furniture and full line of undertakers goods, iron and
oak beds, springs and mattresses in all grades. Bedroom
and parlor sets, couches and lounges, easy chairs and up-
holstered goods, bureau, washstands and tables in hard and
soft woods. Blankets, comforters, pillows, etc. sold at lot
and prices.

W. D. BANGS,
HENDRUM, MINN.

—TAKE YOUR WHEAT TO—
JOHNSON'S MILL
And exchange for best grades of flour or have it ground into
health-giving, old-fashioned, graham like that our mother's used.
Fair treatment guaranteed. **JOHN G. JOHNSON.**

Items taken from the Norman County Herald, Tuesday, August 23, 1898.



Sivert S. Dalen Store, around 1900. Located north of present bank. Unknown, John Berg, Olga Torgerson, Isabelle Burgess, Nick Dalen, Etheline Torgerson, Jetta Mjolsness.

YOUR TOWN

Said old man Haskins, with a frown:
"A man is a fool fer to knock his town
It's easy to find fault all day long,
It doesn't take brains fer to do that stunt;
It's simply to knock and to grouch and grunt
And say that everything's going to pot,
Whether it's exactly true or not.
And crabbin' a town, fur as I kin see,
Don't never bring no prosperity.
If you find that you've got to growl about
Your town it is time to get clean plumb out
And hide your discontented face,
And let the folks stay who enjoy the place.
Just wrap your duds in a nice round pack
And beat it down to the railroad track.
When the train pulls out, you kin shake your fist,
And go your way; you will never be missed;
For there ain't no home on the old home roost
For the feller that doesn't know how to boost.
There are lots of men who can't earn their salt
'Cause they spend all their time a finding fault.
The booster's the boy who knows his cue,
And he sticks right to it through and through.
If he has kind things of his own to tell
It's dollars in his jeans and he knows it well.
And the feller who finds fault, day and night,
Will never find a town that will suit him quite." — Ex.

Our Fall Stock Now In

WE ARE OFFERING —

If you want a good overcoat or a suit of clothes for yourself or your boy call and buy one of our warranted to wear garments. They are O. K.

We also carry a full line of men's and boys' jackets, overalls, duck coats manufactured by The
Mons Anderson Co., LaCrosse, Wis.

DON'T FORGET OUR SHOE DEPARTMENT

\$1⁰⁰

HANSON & ANDERSON,
HENDRUM, MINN.

Norman County Herald, August 23, 1898



In front of a restaurant located beside the S.S. Dalen store. Ethelyn Torgerson, Jetta Mjolsness, Sarah Johnson, Isabell Burgess, Nick Dalen. Between 1900 and 1910.



Early Business Men of Hendrum

Unknown, Unknown, Unknown, Ole Brohaug, Anthon Gordon, A.M. Eckmann, Unknown, Gunder Riste, Andrew L. Gordon, Unknown, and W.D. Bangs.



Northside of East Main Street around 1900. Note wooden sidewalks, built in 1894, Hitching posts.



Knute Ostby, operated a drug, confectionery and notions store.

The first building is the Knute Ostby Confectionery, Drugs and Notions Store which also included an Ice Cream Parlor. Some fifty or sixty years ago the ice cream parlors were a most popular place for the young and the old to gather. Here were sweets of all kinds

offered for sale. An ice cream parlor back then was equipped with ice cream tables and four matching chairs — these are collectors items today. Johnson Velvet Ice cream, Robert Burns 10¢ Cigars, Copenhagen snuff were popular brands. To the rear of this building was located the first telephone switchboard. Some of the early operators were Laura Peterson, Ann Marsden, Ida Tommerdahl Berg, Betsy Hagen Ohnstad. Later this service was moved across the street to the J.P. Johnson Building — one half of that building was used for a harness shop and other half for the telephone service.

Next building is the John J. Hagen store. He was owner and operator of a feed mill located to the rear of this building and he used it to store his feed, bran and flour. Bessie Ohnstad recalls when as a child she would climb and play among the sacks of feed, bran and flour sacks stacked here. She also remembers how the large stationary engine in the mill would puff and bang, startling the people as it started. The Hagen family lived upstairs.

Then we see a barber shop sign. The last building is the City Meat Market, it is likely the Hennen Brothers were proprietors.



Taken before 1910, from the grain elevator looking east. Note wooden sidewalks, hitching posts, horses and buggies, one lone car. The Marsden building hasn't been moved from West Main Street to East Main at this time. Telephone poles can be seen. Note first Creamery building in upper left hand corner.



Taken between 1910 and 1915. Note concrete sidewalks, no hitching posts, a car on the street, The Farmer's State Bank east of Ingberg store isn't there yet.

First building to the right on East Main Street was the Hendrum State Bank organized in 1900 by A.M. Eckmann. The next building was built by C.K. Lee, who came to Hendrum from Quincy in 1883 where he managed a general store. In Hendrum he first located in business on West Main Street, then later he built this store directly east of the bank. He also built the old parsonage building (the present home of Orville Gunderson) which he sold to the Immanuel Lutheran Church when he moved to Ada, upon being elected Register of Deeds.

Gilbert Ingberg bought the store building from C.K. Lee in 1898 and started a General Merchandise Store.



Taken after 1915 — East Main Street, southside. State Bank of Hendrum, General Merchandise Store, new Farmer's State Bank.



G.T. Ingberg — General Merchandise: Gilbert Ingberg, Joe Stordahl, Carl Breck, Martin Enger, Anton Stensing. Before 1910.



Taken before 1910 — East Main, southside: Note wooden sidewalks, Hitching posts, telephone poles. State Bank of Hendrum, G.T. Ingberg Store, Farmer's State Bank has not been built yet.



G.T. Ingberg, General Merchandise Store — Carl Breck, second man on the left. Nora Johnson Hanson, next lady; G.T. Ingberg, furthest to the right.

G. T. INGBERG GENERAL STORE

written by Carl Underlee, a former clerk in the store

One of the earliest business enterprises to make its appearance on the Main Street east of the track was the General Merchandise Store established and owned by a then young man, Gilbert T. Ingberg. This was apparently during that time when the Village establishments located on the west side of the railroad tracks were in the transition period of moving from the west side to the east side of the tracks.

This business was housed in a large building which was comprised of two formerly separate buildings and were now joined together in the form of an L shape. The clothing, dry goods and shoe departments were housed in the portion fronting on Main Street, and the south attached building facing west on the other street was used as the grocery department. The walls were removed from the whole inside area, where the building joined so that from the inside it had the appearance of quite a large building.

Mr. G.T. Ingberg carried a large inventory of merchandise and the store was well stocked with goods to meet the needs of the customers of that era. The west side contained a good selection of yard goods and related items. There was also a shoe department well stocked with shoes, overshoes, rubber boots and moccasins, last item was in quite general use by the children in those days. The overshoes were in bins from floor to counter top, and the shoes were on shelves above that to the ceiling. A rolling ladder on a track made it easy to get at the shoes that were out of reach from the floor. Men's suits as well as overcoats both in long and short models were also in stock. Sheep lined overcoats were also a large seller especially to the farm trade. The men's clothing was along the east wall where the suits were hung and displayed in large enclosed cabinets with large glass front opening doors. The office was in a raised area in the southeast corner of the building.

The south half of the building containing the grocery department also had a store front entrance so that farmer customers who usually brought crates of eggs could use that entrance. The east end of the room was partitioned off for an egg candling room and during the so called, "cream days", when the farmers delivered cream to the local creamery, usually three days a week, the trade would almost keep one person busy candling and packing eggs into shipping crates ready to be shipped elsewhere. On the south side of the store an attached 'lean to' was used to house the inventory for restocking the shelves, replacing merchandise as it was sold. Flour and salt were also stored here, they came in fifty and one hundred pound bags, block salt for use of livestock in fifty pound blocks. Flour was usually shipped in by rail in carload lots during the fall season. Approximately three fourths of the amount was booked in advance by farmers to be taken by them directly off the car upon arrival, at a reduced price. The remainder was placed in the warehouse for the day to day trade. During the haying season salt was also handled in this manner as a great deal of salt was used in the curing process of hay, especially if the humid weather made it difficult to cure it properly by sunlight.

In the southeast corner of the grocery department a room was partitioned off for a sewing and millinery department which was conducted by Mrs. Ingberg. In those days all the ladies as well as many young girls wore hats for dress up occasions both summer and winter. The hat manufacturers had a spring and fall showing of plain, untrimmed hats, felt for winter and straws for summer. These were then viewed and purchased by the establishment who were in that line of business. The trimming for the hats; ribbons, flowers, plumes, etc., were purchased at the same time and were custom trimmed by the milliner to the specifications or whims of the purchaser. Usually some hats were trimmed and kept in stock at all times for those who were less discriminate or who relied on the milliner's choice of taste for their individual suitability. One of the first hemstitching machines in this area was also in use here and was a service to the customers who had a need for this type of work.

Self service, as we know it today was not in use in the rural areas so a fairly good sized sales force was needed to handle the customer trade. The farmers usually hitched their horses behind the store then brought in their crates of eggs and handed the sales person a long list of groceries and other items, then left to transact business at other places such as hardware store, elevators, etc. The order was usually ready when they returned and after credit was given for the eggs on the itemized bill, there might be either a debit or credit left, in which case the remainder due was paid or if credit was due the customer accepted tokens or "chips" of money in like denominations and with the store's name imprinted on them. This did not appear to create any problems as people in those days were quite loyal to the stores of their choosing.

In those days business in the small towns was quite

good and held up well until the automobile came into general use. About that time it fell off fast as the larger cities competed for the additional business which was brought to them through the use of the automobile.

Time marches on and this too was inevitable and the owners of this once high volume store met it by cutting back, closing off the original groceries department and moving it into the main building. The store also discontinued the sales of men's suits, overcoats, etc., retaining only some staple items of work clothing but concentrating mainly on the grocery trade for economic survival.

Next to the G.T. Ingberg store we notice a vacant lot, here is where the Farmer's State Bank was erected in 1915, then we have what was known as the Telephone building, the J.P. Johnson Shop, the Meat Market, the Mission House and Immanuel Lutheran Church.

1915

The building to the left on picture, on the corner, was built by A.M. Anderson and O.A. Anderson Brothers in 1890; it was called The Anderson Bros. Mercantile Co. They bought two lots for \$125 and built the store for \$1800 and stocked it for \$1500; later they enlarged it to 52 x 60 feet — one of the largest General Stores in town. In the business the Anderson's managed the grocery department, then in 1895 Ole Brohaug joined in partnership and he managed the dry goods department. They were united in 1897 and the business was called the Hendrum Mercantile Association. Before this Ole Brohaug had served as post-master from 1890 to 1894.

In July of 1900 Anthon H. Gordon and Ole P. Rogness purchased the Hendrum Mercantile Association.



General Merchandise Store — Peter Grande, Johnnie Johnson - 1906

Andrew M. Anderson bought a tract of land in Lee Township, along the Red River and being there were so many Andersons in this area they changed their name to Brattland, named after a community in Norway where they came from.

In 1900 Ole Brohaug bought the Anthon Gordon

farm at Shelly, near the Marsh River, moved there, the farm is still in the Brohaugh Family name.

Later in 1906, Peter Grande traded his quarter of land for half interest in this General Merchandise Store and continued in the business for a few years. Later this building was moved back to face the railroad track when the new brick bank building was erected in 1918.

Next building was the O.D. Larson Hardware and Undertaking business, this building could have been moved in from West Main. O.D. Larson was the oldest merchant in continuous business in the village, he had hardware, agricultural implements and furniture.

Then we have the Ostby Ice Cream Confectionery, Drugs and Notions store; the Hagen Building; Henry Marsden Hardware and Auditorium building, the Marsden Home, and the Great Northern Restaurant, Mrs. Gusta Westvik proprietor.

SATURDAY NIGHTS

Back in the nineteen twenties and thirties times were hard. A depression, several years of drouth and rock-bottom prices all combined to make living a pretty grim battle to most of us. Saturday night helped a bit to make life more tolerable. At that time streets swarmed with city and country shoppers. It was the night of nights. Sidewalks were jammed with chattering, laughing crowds and family groups.

Folks parked along desirable parts of town in the early evening. A stream of cars, laden with children, cream, eggs, butter all made their way to town. Then there were the "people watchers" who sat in cars and commented on the oddities of humans as folks paraded along the streets.

Movie houses drew capacity crowds, especially young people. The fad of "eating out" came later. You feasted on popcorn, peanuts and ice cream cones instead of hamburgers and hot dogs.

Perhaps at nine o'clock young people would move toward the dance hall — as for older people they started for home and the farmer loaded his car with the week's supply of provisions. They wouldn't be back until next Saturday night unless machinery broke down.

Good old Saturday Nights! What happened and where is everybody? Are they at the lakes or golfing?

HARNESS SHOPS

Every town in the early years had a harness shop, where harnesses were repaired, oiled and kept in good repair. The harness repair man bought leather in big sheets and then would cut out reins, hame straps and new tugs, replacing worn-out ones. He made his own sewing thread by pulling a cord through a block of black wax. He also had a hand sewer. For making tugs, one thickness was not enough so two or more were sewn together. Now harness shops are obsolete, also working horses, only riding ponies now need harnesses

and saddles and bridles.

John P. Johnson owned and operated a Harness Shop on the south side of Main Street. Eric Anderson had a small Harness and Shoe Repair Shop near the now Gilman Hagen home (it still stands but has been moved back). Emil Lykke operated one across the street from the Ohnstad Garage on East Main Street, you can see the building on one of the pictures of the garage.



Hendrum Harness Shop — J.P. Johnson



Hendrum in 1903, taken from north elevator; wooden sidewalks built in 1894; two business buildings are being built, see scaffolding; large house in background is the A.M. Eckmann home; Farmer's State Bank yet to be built.

HENDRUM DRAY LINE

Most of the dray lines used horses. They were large well matched draft horses of the Percheron breed because they being fairly long legged could move around easier and faster. Sleds were used in the winter and wagons during the nice weather. Perhaps the longest holdout for using horses was the "Crane-Ardway Company", a steel pipe concern later known as the "Crane Company". The Hendrum Dray Line was first owned by Lawrence Tarvestad. He sold this business to Alfred Dyrendahl in approximately 1915.

Alfred used these horses until the early 1920's when he bought hard rubber tired trucks. It was called "Dyrendahl Freight and Express" Hendrum to Crookston and Hendrum to Fargo. They hauled anything from ice to coal to beer. Alfred also delivered coal to the homes and business places in Hendrum who used this for heating the buildings. The garbage was also hauled for the Hendrum residents. Alfred sold his business to the firm now known as the Glendenning Freightways in 1936.



Dray Line
Lawrence Tarvestad (son of Christ Tarvestad)

LIVERY STABLE

Most any town had a livery stable where horses could be kept a few hours or even over night if needed, or a stranger could rent horses, buggy or sleigh, if he wanted a trip into the country; they operated similar to our garages. There were a variety of buggies in those days, during winter, sleds or cutters substituted for buggies.



Old Livery Stable in Hendrum — John Nelson and his mail route horses. Hans Hansen and Martin Knutson.

The Hendrum livery barn was located north of the bank where the Mobil Station is today. John Nelson purchased the Livery Stable from the Crommie Brothers in 1905 and operated it for many years. At one time Lars Stennes worked there. John Nelson had a fine pair of gray horses that gave him years of good service. Besides operating the livery stable he substituted on the mail route. When he became mail carrier

full time he sold his livery barn to the Selness Brothers. Martin Hamre kept his horses here while he was on the mail route. George W. Brooks bought the building from them and dismantled it. By this time cars replaced the horse and buggy and there was little use for the livery stable.



Inside Hendrum Livery Stable

POTATO WAREHOUSE SEEMS ASSURED

A meeting of potato growers was held Friday, March 12, (1915) in Larson's hall, at which time the potato warehouse proposition was again the subject for consideration. It was found that only \$300 were lacking of the total amount of stock needed to finance the undertaking, and what is left will very likely be subscribed until next meeting.

The following committees were appointed: Constitution and By-laws — J.H. Canning, Martin Anderson and John Helland. Plans and Building — J.P. Grothe, F.L. Munro and Jens Landro. Site — P.O. Ingberg, A.M. Eckmann and Thomas Roe.

Red River Review, March 19, 1915

The potato house was built in 1919. Oscar Lee managed the business the first three years, operating only a few months each year. Ole Rogness followed him and finally Theodore Roe bought the potato house and converted it into a feed mill, the Peavey Elevator Company purchased the building a few years later, and kept it in operation. When the Farmer's Coop Elevator bought the Peavey Elevator, they sold it to a man from Mahanomen who moved part of it and the rest was dismantled.



Harry Canning, Russell (Buddy) Dyrendahl
Hendrum Feedmill in background.

THE RED RIVER REVIEW

This paper (sometimes called the "Community Paper") is published at the village of Hendrum. It was founded in 1900 by Bangs & McGhee, who sold it to a stock company, called the Hendrum Printing Company, which in turn sold out to Martin Widsten, G.T. Ingberg and Jacob Snustad. Three years after this change was made, Oscar Larson bought Mr. Snustad's interest and one year later Oscar Larson & Company sold out to the Hendrum Printing Company, a corporation composed of the businessmen of Hendrum and vicinity. Jacob Snustad was chosen editor and manager. The officers and directors of the last named company are as follow: J.P. Grothe, president; Elmer Rustad, vice-president; Jacob Snustad, secretary and treasurer; directors — J.P. Grothe, Elmer Rustad, Oscar Helland, Jacob Stennes, Justus C. Bergh, J.H. Canning and Jacob Snustad.

The office is fairly well equipped for a country paper. The editor, Mr. Snustad, is alive to the best interests of the village and community, and has contributed much toward the excellent community spirit of the vicinity.

Politically, the *Review* is independent, and circulates in the vicinity of Hendrum at one dollar per year in advance. It is an all-home print paper and is of the five-column, four-page style.



Printing office for the Hendrum Red River Review newspaper.
Taken before 1920, Jacob Snustad, editor.

The first printing offices were located on the west side of the railroad tracks but later as businesses moved to the east side, the printing office moved also. In this picture, the office was located on the south side of the street where the Johnson Harness Shop was located. This shop was divided in two, housing both the Printing Shop and the Telephone office.

A.W. Philstrom served as editor for some time as did Oscar Riste. Toward the end the Halstad Journal did the printing for the Red River Review.

The *Hendrum Review* is now consolidated with the *Halstad Journal* and is issued each Wednesday at Halstad, Minnesota under the name of *The Valley Journal*.

TELEPHONE

What pleasant memories are the rings of childhood, telephone rings that is. How we would listen for our ring or some other interesting persons. We were on party line, with up to eight others involved, which meant many different rings. Naturally, it was a way to keep in touch with our neighbors and the happenings of our vicinity. It wasn't easy to keep a secret in those days.

The phone was attached to the wall. Near the top of the box-like instrument were two bells. On the side was a crank you turned to alert the operator, you ring one ring and the operator went on from there. We would ask for a number, but most likely just ask to call the person you wished to talk to, as the operator usually knew the numbers by heart. She usually was the source of information and she was called upon often for many things outside the line of duty.

The first telephone switchboard was located on the northside of the street in the rear of Knute Ostby Ice Cream Parlor. Some of the first operators were Laura Peterson, Ann Marsden, Ida Tommerdahl Berg, Bessie Hagen Ohnstad.

How fascinating it was, as a child, to watch the operators as they plugged in the switchboard when the calls came in, often crossing lines over lines many times. In back of the switchboard was a panel of fuses and other mechanical devices that made the telephone system work. During a storm, I understand, the panel would light up and fire, and sparks flew from it. The lightning caused the plugs to drop on the board, and the operator could not be sure if it were the lightning or some one actually calling, so would have to answer. Most everyone stayed away from the telephone during an electrical storm as they could be electrocuted.

The telephone office was later moved across the street to another building, the Johnson building, the Johnson Harness Shop. This building was divided into two businesses, the Red River Review Printing Shop, run by Jacob Snustad and the telephone office. The Johnson family lived upstairs and they operated the telephone business for many years. They were Nora Johnson Hanson, Hilda Johnson Frojen, Lilly Johnson Lee, Amanda and Clarence Johnson. The office was later moved upstairs in the building just west of there.

Amanda, who was affectionately called "Mandy" served as operator for about thirty five years. She was well known around Hendrum area and if any one called, trying to locate a member of the family, she could always find them and get them to the telephone. Whenever we wanted information we'd call Mandy and she would so willingly find out if she didn't already know and let us know.

When the twenty four hour service was introduced, Amanda was day operator and Clarence repair man and night operator. The dial system came into existence in 1952, which did away with switchboard operators. The Norman County Telephone Company took over and services were transferred to the Ada

Office. The Ray Mahar family operated the telephone office for a short time.

THE TELEPHONE GIRL



Hendrum Telephone Office — Seated at switchboard, Nora Johnson Hanson. Taken before 1920. Standing, Alva Larson and Hilda Johnson Frojen.



Amanda Johnson — Telephone operator



Telephone office upstairs in this building — 1940. Mandy Johnson operator. Arne Anderson in pickup.



1909-1911 Hendrum Telephone Office. Bessie Hagen Ohnstad at switchboard.

The telephone girl sits in her chair and listens to voices from everywhere. She knows who is happy and who has the blues; she knows chasing the boys; she knows all of the joys; she knows every girl that is chasing the boys; she knows all of our troubles; she knows all our strifes, she knows every man that is mean to his wife; she knows every time we are out with the boys; she hears the excuses each fellow employs; in fact there's a secret 'neath each saucy curl of that quiet demure telephone girl. If the telephone girl would tell all she knows it would turn all our friends into bitterest foes, she would sow a small wind that would soon be a gale, engulf us in trouble and land us in jail, she would let go her story which (gaining in force) would cause half our wives to sue for divorce; she would get all the churches mixed up in a fight, and turn all the days into sorrow and night; in fact, she could keep the town in a stew if she told the tenth of the things that she knew. Now don't it set your head in a whirl when you think what you owe the telephone girl!

Red River Review, April 17, 1914

CARL OHNSTAD GARAGE

Carl Ohnstad purchased this building in 1911. In 1913 he installed an electric power plant in it and began wiring houses and buildings for electricity. It was the first electric plant in the Hendrum area and was called the Hendrum Power and Light Company. He wired the Ohnstad house first, then in 1916 when the Hendrum Auditorium was built he was hired to wire it for the showing of silent motion pictures. From then on he wired ninety seven homes and business places besides wiring the street lights of Hendrum.



East side of Hendrum Garage, note hoist used to life supplies to upper floor. There was once a ramp leading to top floor. To lower left are steps into the Mission House.

In 1921 the Minnesota Electric Distribution Company of St. Paul bought the plant. By then the power high line came through Hendrum supplying electric power, so Hendrum converted to that.

Carl Ohnstad installed a hoist and ramp in back of his garage where he could hoist cars to the second floor for repairs. As well as a good electrician, he was a fine car mechanic and could fix and repair most anything in his garage. In the later years he took on the dealership of the Oakland and Pontiac car agency and continued in this for many years.



Carl O. Ohnstad Garage



1912 — Hendrum Garage, Carl Ohnstad owner, John Berg in car. Emil Lykke harness and shoe shop across street.

THE BLACKSMITH SHOP

The blacksmith shop was much more than a mere shoer of horses. The true spirit of the man was the role of horse psychologist, purveyor of hardware and town handyman. He worked at his anvil hammering out tools, hinges, pots and pans, hardware and wagon springs. The "Smithy" repaired and mended everything of iron that broke or wore out.

The blacksmith's place in the community was an important one. Every member of the village was his customer; his shop provided a gathering place for talk and gossip by the men and one of mystery and excitement for the children.

In Hendrum, Rolf Brothem had his blacksmith shop east of the lumber yard. William Pelkey had his blacksmith shop next to his home which was located west of the Nile Johnson store, set back from the sidewalk. Carl Ohnstad had his blacksmith equipment in his garage on East Main Street.

TOWNSITE DAIRY FARM

The Townsite Dairy Farm on the north edge of Hendrum was operated by Jacob Stennes in the early

1920s. He pushed a cart to make home milk deliveries in Hendrum. In very muddy weather he delivered the milk with a horse and buggy.

In the fall of 1926 the Peter Stennes family moved to the farm and lived with Jacob. They purchased and took over the farm and dairy operation. Jacob died in 1927. Peter, his nephew, continued the dairy business. Milk was then delivered by automobile. When the streets were heavy with snow, delivery was made with horses and sleigh.



Wellhouse (Watercooler)
Townsite Dairy Farm

Milk was sold for four cents a pint and eight cents a quart. Whipping cream sold for ten cents a half pint, fifteen cents a pint, and thirty cents a quart. In the early 1940s the milk prices went up to five cents a pint and ten cents a quart. Whipping cream price went up to twenty cents a half pint, thirty cents a pint, and sixty cents a quart.

In 1932 a new modern, hip-roof barn was built. Milking machines were then used to milk the herd of Guernsey cows. The glass milk bottles were washed and scalded daily in the house.

Home milk deliveries stopped in 1946-47, and in 1948 Peter Stennes sold his herd of cows, and stopped operation of the dairy business. In 1959 the barn was sold and moved from the premises.



Barn at the Townsite Dairy Farm

THE HENDRUM CREAMERY

Dairying in the Red River Valley did not get much of a start until after the turn of the century. Prior to that time farmers had only a few cows each. The cream

was skimmed off the milk and churned into butter, which the farmer took to the local store and exchanged for groceries and other necessities.



Land O'Lakes Creamery, Hendrum, Minnesota

The Hendrum Creamery Company was incorporated on March 2, 1903. The first buttermaker was a Mr. Freeman. His salary was \$65.00 a month. He stayed only about one year, and Lars Leffler was hired at the same salary. In the fall of 1918, it was decided to close down for the winter months, so Mr. Leffler resigned. In the spring of 1919, Emil Thorson from Middle River, Minnesota was hired as buttermaker and manager.

A new creamery was built and completed in the fall of 1928. The creamery functioned very nicely and was gaining in volume until about 1945. Great changes had taken place in the system of farming in this locality. Grain raising seemed more attractive and many of the farmers sold their herds. The creamery pay day for the farmers who had brought in milk usually fell on the 20th of the month, and the farmers from the territory came in to receive their checks. This was a busy day in Hendrum, and extra groceries and other necessities were purchased, and any balance left over was deposited for future expenses.



Farmers Co-op Creamery, Hendrum, Minnesota

Mr. Thorson resigned his position as manager of the creamery in 1946 to take a job as State Dairy and Food Inspector, which job he held until 1956, when he retired.

Mr. Eddie Stordahl was manager from 1946 until 1962, when the creamery closed for lack of dairy products being produced in the community.

In May, 1976, the building was dismantled and hauled away to make room for a twelve apartment building.



The first Hendrum Creamery was located on the northeast edge of town. It was incorporated in 1903.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY

The Oscar Ingberg family upon their arrival from Saskatoon, Sask., Canada lived for a short time at the Hans O. Ingberg farm east of Hendrum. Subsequently they moved to the village where they purchased the former H.T. Restad home.



Standard Oil Co. Bulk Station
Oscar Ingberg — first Agent 1915

Oscar was then offered the bulk agency for the Standard Oil Company of Indiana with headquarters in Fargo, N.D. He accepted and was their first agent. The year was 1915.

The job of delivering Polorine, Mica Axel Grease, kerosene, gasoline and other products necessitated using a wagon with tank for summer and a sleigh for winter. Oscar ranged far and wide into Dakota supplying the early bonanza farms such as the McCoys, McNamees, Andersons, Harringtons, Smarts, McAndrews, Al St. Johns, Marsdens, and many, many others. Also the Ingberg Bros., the Richards, Meldrums and Cannings in Minnesota. One of his tanks can be seen at the County Museum in Ada, Minnesota.



First Standard Oil Delivery Tank
Oscar Ingberg Agent on the far right, Tony Ingberg driving

The two story barn on the Ingberg property not only kept the two large horses, Nellie and Daisy, warm, but also became a refuge for many a cold transient (or tramp) bumming his way on the railroad nearby.

Oscar spent many years with long hours on the mud and snow covered roads until his purchase of a "modern" truck, one of the first in the County. He worked for the Standard Oil Co. nearly twenty years (about 1935).

It is not absolutely certain who the agents were from the time that Oscar retired and April 1940. As far as it can be remembered, it is possible that Merrill Gordon followed Oscar and worked for just a couple of years. George Canning was the agent that preceded Arnold Anderson.



Arnold Anderson — first delivery truck
400 gallon capacity



Arnold Anderson — last delivery truck
2,000 gallon capacity, 1974

Arnold S. Anderson took over the management of the Standard Oil Bulk Station in April, 1940. During the last few years that Arnold was agent, he also sold dry and liquid fertilizer as well as anhydrous ammonia, which was supplied by the Standard Service Center in Ada, Mn. He sold insecticides and herbicides too. He also had equipment to do custom spraying. Arnold worked for the company for thirty four years, retiring at the mandatory age of 65 on May 27, 1974. Arnold

was the last agent to be stationed at the Hendrum location. The Standard Oil Co. business was purchased by "Bucky" Wang of Halstad, Mn. and is operated under the name of Wang Oil Company.

HENDRUM HOUSE

In 1923 Simon P. and Johanna (Olson) Hviding rented out their farm in the Perley area, and moved to Hendrum, Mn. because there was a High School in Hendrum and they still had seven children to educate. They purchased the Hendrum House Hotel from Oscar Ness and moved in March of that year.

The nine hotel rooms were furnished with double beds, dresser with wash bowl and pitcher and a com-mode. The fire escape was a sturdy rope securely fastened below each window. There was no plumbing but there was a water pump in the kitchen. The large dining room had several tables and meals were served family style.

This boarding and rooming house served as an overnight stop for salesmen who traveled by train at that time. There was passenger service both morning and evening at that time. When highway #75 was finished and cars and trucks became the more favorable mode of travel, tourists frequented the hotel. Train service was down, but the freight train went through each day and the crew frequently had their dinner stop at the hotel.



Hendrum House
Esther, Mel Ness, Ed Rustad (in back) on the porch.
Tall boy: Paul Hviding, Small boy: Harvey Ystebø

Tracy (Theresa) was Mrs. Hviding's chief helper, while the seven children went off to school. There was a separate upstairs for the children. It was a busy place. After four years, Martin, Ann and Luella graduated from High School and Tracy and Alfred Ogard were married in July 1927. Silas and Esther (twins), Evelyn and Paul were still in the grade school.

Another Hotel and Restaurant business that once existed in Hendrum was located where the Nellie Qualley Home is today. A Mr. Moffitt was proprietor.

HENDRUM IN THE 1930'S



Hendrum in the 1930s: Former State Bank has been moved back from sidewalk and converted into a Standard Service Station; Hanson Mercantile; Old Town Pump (former Farmer's Bank); Telephone building; Mel's Cafe; Meat Market.

To the right of the picture is the first bank building which the 'State Bank of Hendrum' occupied after it was organized in 1900, until a new and larger bank building was constructed across the street in 1918. The building was then used as a post office for a short time by Mrs. Edith Marsden, until the post office was moved to the lower floor in the Marsden home across the street. Charles Herman bought the building, moving it back from the sidewalk and converting it into a Standard Oil Service Station; Oscar Ingberg and Theodore Roe followed in the business, later Russell and Francis Dyrendahl, followed by Oscar Riste, then Leroy Lee operated it until he built a Standard Station one block south of this corner. The building was then converted to a cafe by Francis and Beverly Dyrendahl who operated it from 1956 to 1969; followed by Larry and Linda Sargent, then Luther and Adeline Monson in 1968-69. The Pellmans bought the building and operated it for three years, followed by Mark Snustad. The building is now owned by the Pellmans.

Next building was built by C.K. Lee, who formerly had a General Store business in Quincy later on West Main in Hendrum. He sold this building to G. T. (Gilbert) Ingberg in 1898 who set up a General Merchandise Store and kept it in operation until 1926. In 1926 Art Hansen bought the building and business and continued with a grocery store until 1964. Mrs. Art Hansen operated a gift shop displaying her beautiful china and wall paintings. The building was used later for a Minn-Dak Supply Store, the business owned by Jack Harrington and Lloyd Loughheed; then Raymond Grothe changed the business to the Hendrum Hardware Store in 1974-77.

Next small building was a millinery shop managed by Mrs. G.T. Ingberg. Later Levi Fredericks had his barber shop here; followed by Albert Laabs, until Laabs built his own shop across the street in 1964. Mrs. Art Hansen then set up her gift shop in this build-

ing, followed by her daughter, Bonita Brooks who still manages it.

Next is the former Farmer's State Bank, built in 1915 and closed in 1930. Arnold Larson converted the building to a restaurant; followed by Norman and Earl Enger; Merrill Ness; sold to Abraham Reno; in 1940 Howard Brown was operator; Chet Smith rented the restaurant in 1946 to 1948 when he bought the Corner Cafe from Henry Hanson. The Masonic Lodge bought the building from Abraham Reno and own it at the present time.

Next building is the former telephone building, the telephone switchboard was on the second floor. The Johnson Family were operators for many years, Amanda and Clarence put in many hours at the switchboard. Bill Crosgrove had his barber shop on the ground floor, occupying half of the space and Jens Landro was selling Rawleigh Products in the other half. Henry Hanson later set up a restaurant, followed by Tom Brenden. Then the building was used for serving noon lunches for the school children when this lunch program was first introduced. The Post Office was set up in this building with Howard Rustad as the postmaster and Clara Roe as assistant. This building served as the Post Office until a new one was built in 1976.

Next the Johnson building was owned by the J.P. Johnson family, they lived on the second floor. Jacob Snustad had his Red River Review printing shop on one half of the lower floor; and the telephone company used the other half of the space, until the telephone switchboard was moved to the next building, the telephone building second floor.

Clifford and Lilly Lee opened a restaurant in this building in 1927 to 1929, followed by John Johnson, Melford Ness, Bennie Hagen, then Bennie Hagen moved his business to the Hagen building across the street. Nora and Amanda Johnson with the help of Mrs. Art Peterson boarded the school teachers here for some time, later Amanda set up her gift shop in this building.

The last business building was the Butcher Shop or Meat Market owned by Oscar Ness in 1916, followed by Glombitza, Oscar Ness again, then Olaf Syvertson. In 1933, Manfred Folstad purchased the business from Olaf Syvertson and operated it for four years, when Nick Nelson bought it in 1937, followed by Nobel Nelson. Gerda Nelson converted the meat market into a cafe. In 1947, Berdin Haugstad set up an upholstery and shoe repair shop in this building until he moved to Halstad in 1964. A few years later this building and the Johnson buildings were moved.

OTHER EARLY HENDRUM BUSINESSES



Art Hanson's Red and White Store

A Hotel and a boarding house was at one time located between the A.M. Eckman home, now the Jens Nelson home and the Nellie Qualley home. A Mr. Moffitt was manager, later Robert Anderson and a Jennie Witherow were proprietors. Harry Marsden remembers seeing this building burn to the ground.

Westvik and Company manufactured cement blocks, built concrete sidewalks, poured foundations; this business was located where Cornelius Mjolsness home is today.

Four grain elevators were at one time in operation, also a potato house, a lumber yard, and a feed mill.

Before cars became numerous, gas pumps were operated by the Hardware store managers, the pumps located in front of the stores, as the number of cars increased Service Stations began to appear on the scene. Today we have a Standard Station managed by Wayne Hetland, and a Mobil Station by the Tommerdahls.



Nobel Nelson Meat Market



Chester Smith's Cafe and Cleaners



Mid thirties, East Main Street

A Shipping Association Stock Yard was operated at the south edge of town, located by the railroad tracks.

The early trucking business in Hendrum was started by Alfred Dyrendahl, hauling supplies from Crookston, Minnesota to the towns along the way. His assistants were Oscar Lura, Dave and Emil Dyrendahl. Everett Hellerude also had a truck line for a time hauling supplies from Moorhead and Fargo. Thorvald Kolness started grain trucking, followed by Lawrence, Einar, Sherman and Leydon Kolness. Other Hendrum truckers of grain have been Denny Douglas, Vernon Nygaard, Bill Hedrich, and Don Krsnok. Beside Leydon Kolness other grain truckers today are Robert and Paul Nygaard, Arnold Ronning and Lupe DeLaCruz.



Bonita Brooks Gift Shop, Masonic Hall.



Arthur Hansen, in his store.



Taken before 1910, from the Hendrum School along East Main Street, looking west. Notice the wooden sidewalks, hitching posts, M & N Elevator, S.S. Dalen Store across from north elevator, Emil Lykke's Harness Shop small building in foreground.



Hendrum Main Street looking toward school and Immanuel Church
Taken before 1910, note wooden sidewalks, Mission House steps seen to the right of picture.



Taken after 1910: Note concrete sidewalks, Emil Lykke Harness Shop, M & N Elevator still on the scene.



Taken in the 1930's — Note the former State Bank has been converted into a Standard Station. Behind the station the former Ingberg Grocery Store.



Art Hanson General Store — Jim Brooks, Art Hanson



Hendrum Main Street in 1936



Laying the pavement through Hendrum in 1954. Art Hansen.



Hendrum East Main Street, about 1967.
 The first water tower and tank was erected in 1936, replacing the pressure system. Then in 1963 this tank and tower was erected, when Dave Evert was mayor.



Norman County State Bank, after remodeling in 1975.



Quincy's Restaurant, opened in 1981.



Hendrum Firehall, built in 1954.



The new brick Hendrum Post Office, built in the fall of 1976.



Hendrum Maintenance Shop, the former Norman Highway Dept.

Anda and Leiseth Apartment, built in about 1977.



Norman County State Bank, Aasen Hardware, Estenson Grocery, Nelson Confectionery and Drugs, Hagen Building, Marsden Building, Marsden Home and Post Office, Corner Cafe, with Henry Hanson.

City of Hendrum in the 1930s, East Main Street.

In 1918 the corner brick building was built by a Corporation, organized to build a complex that consisted of a bank, hardware and a grocery store.

The second part of the complex was the hardware store, the owners and operators have been as follows: O.D. Larson, Arnold Larson, Charlie Aasen, Ted Zeigler (Ted Roe and Oscar Sjoberg worked for Ted Zeigler), Sherman Kolness bought the Hardware Store and converted the building to a garage to house his grain trucks, in 1968 the Norman County Bank purchased the former hardware store to enlarge the banking facility.



Fairway Grocery Store, 1941 — Doris Jacobson, unknown, Art Johnson, Dora Williamson Handegaard, Sambo (Art's dog).

The third in complex was a General Store when owned and operated by Art Hanson in 1924; followed by Hovin Lindbergh; Carl Hertsgaard; John A. Estenson (Russell Hovland managed the store for Estenson); in 1940, Arthur Johnson purchased the store from Estenson and operated it until 1975; when Mrs. Lyle Peterson bought the store and business and she changed it from a Fairway to a Hartz Store. In 1979 Mrs. Dwight Vargason bought the Hartz Store and is the present owner.

Next building is the Knute Ostby Confectionery, Drugs and Notions; the first telephone switchboard was located in the rear of this building, when Laura Peterson, Ann Marsden, Ida Tommerdahl Berg, and

Bessie Hagen Ohnstad were switchboard operators at different times. Oscar Helland and Henry Grothe followed Ostby in this business, then Frank and Anna Nelson continued after them. When Dave McLaughlin became owner he changed it over to a restaurant and a pool hall, Ivan Lottens continued the business. Sherman Kolness bought the building and business, managing it for a short period, when Einar Kolnes took over; then James and Ingborg Brooks, followed by Bobby Brooks and Noel Mjones. It was in January of 1955 that this building and the Hagen Restaurant burned to the ground. Sherman Kolness replaced the building with a brick building, and Albert Laabs built a barber shop joining it. After a few years Sherman Kolness sold the building to Chester Smith who converted the building to a laundromat which he managed for several years. Duane Johnson bought the laundromat and ran it for a few years. In 1979 Dwight Vargason bought the building and set up his upholstering shop here until in 1981 he moved his upholstering business to the west side of town.



Bennie Hagen's Cafe

In the fall of 1981 Janice Torgerson and John Kolness opened a restaurant in this building and named it Quincy's.

The next building is the Hagen building, the family lived upstairs and the lower level was used for storage of feed and bran sacks until it was remodeled and converted into a restaurant by Bennie Hagen. Bennie was an accomplished piano player and he had his own orchestra, called the "Toe Ticklers", famed Peggy Lee once visited and sang at Bennie's Restaurant. Mrs. Orvin Ohnstad was operating the cafe business at the time the restaurant and the joining building burned in 1955. Albert Laabs then built a barber shop in this area.

Next building was the Henry Marsden Building, the lower floor housed a hardware store and the upstairs the village auditorium. Proprietors of the hardware store have been: Henry Marsden, Alvin Sjordal, Charles Aasen. In 1947 Lewey Ostenson bought the building from Mrs. Edith Marsden, remodeled and built on an addition. Lewey sold automobiles, household appliances, televisions and Allis Chalmers farm machinery up to 1976. The building was dismantled in 1978.

Next building was the home for the Mrs. Edith Marsden Family, living upstairs. Mrs. Marsden was appointed postmistress on November 25, 1914, a position she held until 1947. The post office was located on the lower floor of this building, Howard Rustad succeeded Edith as postmaster and he continued in this building for a short period. Chet Smith bought the building and set up a dry cleaning business.



Confectionery and Drug Store — Frank and Anna Nelson, proprietors. Alice (Ostenson) Stordahl, helper 1930's.

The last building on the block housed many businesses during this period: C.J. Eckmann sold his furniture business to W.D. Bangs; succeeded by Ole Beito; the City Meat Market managed by the Hennen Brothers; Great Northern Restaurant, Mrs. Gusta Westvik, owner. Gust Rockstad and Allan Brattland had a restaurant here in 1916; followed by George and Lizzie Rockstad in 1917; August Voje continued the Cafe; Art Hansen had a General Store here for awhile, Melford Ness clerked for Art; Kimball Bros. used this building to dress turkeys; in the late thirties and early forties Henry and Hattie Hanson managed a restaurant here; then the Orvin Fossen Family had it for a few years; Chester and Thelma Smith bought the Corner Cafe in 1948 and continued until 1971; Dean Todd bought the building and continued for a short time; the city purchased the building in 1979 and dismantled it.



Art Hanson General Store, located north side of main street, 1924.



The Corner Cafe — Henry and Hattie (Houske) Hanson, proprietors; Doris Dyrendahl, Verona Huseby, helpers — 1940's.



1962 — Norman County State Bank
Lowell Thorson, John Johnson, Ardith Abbott, Alice Loe



1962 — Fairway Store — Art and Beulah Johnson



1962 — Albert Laabs' Barber Shop — Al Laabs and Albert Anderson.



1962 — Ostenson Motor Sales and Service. Lewey Ostenson.



1962 — Chet's Cafe — Mrs. Chet (Thelma) Smith.
Erling Opheim, Lester Christopherson, Lawrence Underlee.



1962 — Clara Hanson Gift Shop — Art and Clara Hanson



1962 — Nile's Grocery — Flora and Nile Johnson



1962 — Hendrum Post Office, Howard Rustad Postmaster.



1962 — Berdin Haugstad — Upholstery and shoe repair shop.



1962 — Amanda Johnson and her gift shop.



1962 — Eddie Stordahl — Hendrum Co-op Creamery.

BUSINESSES OF THE PRESENT

THE HISTORY OF THE HENDRUM POST OFFICE

The Hendrum Post Office was established on May 14, 1878. Following is a list of postmasters who have served this office and the number of years they served.

John O. Hagen — May 14, 1878 to April 5, 1880.

John O. Grothe — April 5, 1880 to Aug. 11, 1884.

Elias P. Thompson — Aug. 11, 1884 to Feb. 2, 1885.

Andrew L. Gordon — Feb. 2, 1885 to Feb. 26, 1890.

Ole O. Brohaugh — Feb. 26, 1890 to April 28, 1894.

William Anderson — April 28, 1894 to June 18, 1898.

Osmond Torgeson — June 18, 1898 to Nov. 25, 1914.

Edith A. Marsden was appointed Nov. 25, 1914 and held the office until 1947, having been re-appointed many times. After her retirement Lily Fremstad took over as Clerk-in-Charge and served in that capacity until Aug. 1, 1949, when James H. Rustad was appointed. He served as Postmaster until May 27, 1968, when Flora Johnson was appointed Officer-in-Charge after having served as Clerk since Dec., 1964. There were no more postmaster appointments made at that time until Nov. 27, 1970. Mrs. Johnson was among the first Minn. postmistresses to be appointed since Pres. Nixon and Postmaster General Blount jointly announced elimination of the political "advisor" system in postal job appointments in Feb. 1969. About 5,000 vacancies existed across the U.S. at that time, 77 in Minn. Mrs. Johnson retired from the postal service Oct. 20, 1978. That same day Jack Lutjens of the Fargo post office was installed as Officer-in-Charge. He served until May 5, 1979 when Margaret Jacobson was appointed Postmistress. Mrs. Jacobson had served as clerk since Oct. 1966.

A beautiful brick building was erected in Hendrum in the fall of 1976. The post office moved into the new facilities Dec. 18, 1976.



Hendrum Post Office — built in 1976.

HENDRUM FERTILIZER COMPANY INC.

The Hendrum Fertilizer Company Inc. was established in the fall of 1976. They manufacture and distribute fertilizer to eastern Montana; Manitoba, Canada; South Dakota; North Dakota and Minnesota. They store up to six thousand five hundred tons of the product and sell twenty thousand tons of fertilizer a year.



Hendrum Fertilizer Company Inc.

Clarence Weippert is manager of the plant. He and his wife Ivajean and four children live in Ada, Minnesota, he commutes to Hendrum for work. Clarence grew up in Robinson, North Dakota and came to Ada to live at the time he was employed by a Chemical Company of Grand Forks, North Dakota. He was manager of the Hendrum Farmers Elevator Company from 1970 to 1976, previous to establishing the Fertilizer Plant here.



Hendrum Fertilizer Company Inc.

STANDARD OIL SERVICE STATION

The first Standard Oil Service Station was erected by a Charles Herman from Ada, Minnesota about 1920. The old bank building on the corner was being used as a Post Office at that time. Mr. Herman purchased the building and proceeded to tear down a part of it to provide a larger area at the front of the building for a place to locate the gasoline pumps.

An interesting event can be related here: When the building was being torn down, a large medical book was found in the building. The book was given to the 15 year old nephew of Mrs. Herman. He became so interested in medicine on reading the book, that he was determined to become a physician. (He is Dr. John Rodine of Aberdeen, South Dakota at the present time.)



Hendrum Standard Service, Wayne Hetland present owner.

Here again it is not certain who was the first person to operate the station. Oscar Ingberg did rent the building from Mr. Herman and operated the service station with Ted Roe. Oscar Riste took over from them and in turn sold the business to Francis and Russell Dyrendahl. The next owner was Leroy Lee, who later built a new station a block further south in about 1955. He sold the business to Sanford Albertson who later sold it again to Wayne Hetland and Bud Carlson. Wayne Hetland purchased Bud Carlson's interest and is the present owner.



Rubber Salvage — World War II, 1943
Obed Larson, Arnold Anderson, Oscar Riste

THE HENDRUM OIL COMPANY

Norval Nelson and Winston Marsden purchased a half acre of land from Peter A. Stennes along "old Highway #75" in 1937 and opened the Nelson and Marsden Service Station. They purchased "Phillips 66" products from Anderson and Reichert Oil Company of Ada, Minnesota. A few years later, Anderson and Reichart purchased the Co-op bulk Station, which Nelson and Marsden operated with Mobil Oil Products.

In the early 1940's, Nelson and Marsden bought the bulk plant, and then formed the Hendrum Oil Company.

Paul Hviding, after returning from Military Service, joined the Hendrum Oil Company and became a 1/2 interested partner. Winston Marsden left the Company in 1947 and became a partner with his father-in-law operating a grocery store in Sheldon, North Dakota.

Norval Nelson and Paul Hviding continued to operate the Hendrum Oil Company and bulk plant, selling Mobil products until 1963, when Paul bought out Norval's interests.

Paul continued with the Station and bulk plant until 1973 when he sold one-half interest to Leslie Ford and the other half interest to David, Howard and Dale Tommerdahl. Leslie Ford sold his half interest to the Tommerdahl brothers in December, 1977. The Hendrum Oil Company continues to serve the community, with a first class station, servicing cars, trucks, etc. and selling Mobil products both bulk trucks and gas pumps, and supplies.



Hendrum Oil Company — David, Howard, Dale Tommerdahl, owners.

HENDRUM MANUFACTURING

The Hendrum Manufacturing Company began in the 1960's in the old Carl Ohnstad garage, run by Julius Ystebo. Harvey Ystebo bought the equipment in the garage and later moved the equipment to his farm and continued the work there. At that time the company was called Ystebo Welding and Machine Company. Lindsay Bros. Company of Minneapolis leased the plant in September of 1967 making fertilizer equipment. This work continued there until August 1973 when a new building was constructed in the northwest part of Hendrum. The plant is now named Hendrum Mfg. Co. and continues to be a subsidiary of the Lindsay Bros. Co. of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Today the company concentrates mostly on making sprayer equipment and holding bin tanks. Allen Christopherson has been manager of the company many years. Presently up to nine men are employed by the company, most of whom have been there several years. The company also has one woman employee who works in the office.



Hendrum Manufacturing Co., Lindsay Bros. Built in 1973.

HENDRUM ELEVATORS

The history of the elevators in Hendrum is very hard to document, as very little information has been passed down.

The first elevator or grain warehouse was owned by Charles Canning. He operated this warehouse in Quincy, Dakota Territory to store grain which was barged on the Red River. After the coming of the railroad in Hendrum, it was moved to the track in Hendrum. After the death of Canning in 1894, the warehouse was bought back by Mrs. Mary Canning from a Mr. P.L. Howe. It was moved to the Canning farm.

In 1898, A.M. Eckmann was advertising the best wheat market in Norman County. It is thought that he owned the Imperial Elevator as C.J. Eckmann was manager until 1915 when he started the lumber and coal business. In 1899 the Imperial Elevator was enlarged to a capacity of 60,000 bushels.

In the year 1898, 400,000 bushels of grain was marketed in the Hendrum area. After a bad hail storm in 1899 it was estimated that 100,000 to 150,000 bushels of grain would be harvested.

The M & N Elevator also was in business. It stood near the main street, because in 1900, the town board notified the M & N Elevator that their Annex would have to be moved since it was on the Main Street right of way. This elevator was later sold in 1910 to the newly formed Hendrum Co-op Elevator Company.

Also in business was the Monarch Elevator Co. The name was changed in 1926 to Peavey. They operated an elevator, along with a feed mill and lumber yard until 19 , when the feed mill and lumber yard were closed and Hendrum Co-op Elevator bought the grain business along with the building.



Hendrum Co-operative Elevator Co.

Some time after 1915 the Farmers Co-op Elevator was organized. It was in business until 1942 when it was bought by the Hendrum Co-op Elevator and the

building moved to the south side of the present elevator and used as an annex.

The present Hendrum Co-op Elevator was organized in 1910. It was one of the first elevators in this territory to be organized on strictly co-operative lines. Several lines of products have been added with the change of the times. The coal business has gone, along with the sale of binder twine. Items handled now are liquid and dry fertilizer, insecticides, herbicides, seeds of several varieties and Anhydrous Ammonia. The elevator has also been a big buyer of sunflowers which has been introduced in the valley in recent years.

by Thomas Hall

HENDRUM BANKS

The first bank in Hendrum was organized in February, 1900 by A.M. Eckmann, H.O. Rask, and P.O. Ingberg and was named "State Bank of Hendrum". The first officers were A.M. Eckmann, H.O. Rask, Thomas N. Roe, P.O. Ingberg, E.F. Rustad and H.E. Tufte. It was located on the south side of Main Street, east of the railroad tracks. In 1918, a corporation built a new brick block building which housed the Bank, a hardware store and a grocery store, and a funeral parlor in the north part of the Bank which was run by O.D. Larson and later by Carl Snustad and Charles Oscar Riste. The original building was sold and remodeled as a gasoline service station operated by Oscar Ingberg and Theodore Roe, and later used for a restaurant.



Around 1915 — Farmer's State Bank and State Bank Of Hendrum.

In 1915, "The Farmers State Bank" was organized, and the first officers were C.J. Lofgren, A.J. Hagen and T.A. Olsen. This bank was in the brick and tile building now occupied by the Masonic Lodge.

"The Norman County State Bank" was organized in 1925 by L.H. Ickler, A.I. Engebretson and John D. McAndrew and other local farmers. M.L. Brevig was the first Cashier, followed by O.W. Harrison and A.N. Johnson. In 1930, the Norman County State Bank took over the assets and liabilities of the Farmers State Bank. A.M. Lee was elected Cashier in 1929. He was in the banking business in Hendrum for 57 years. In 1952, Lowell E. Thorson was elected Cashier until his resignation in 1967 to accept a position with the Ada National Bank in Ada, Minnesota, after which

John W. Johnson was elected Cashier. After his resignation he accepted a position with the First State Bank in Ada, and Perry W. Kolnes became Cashier, a job which he presently holds.



State Bank of Hendrum built in 1918 and Hardware Store.



Norman County State Bank, expanded and remodeled in 1968.

Robert V. Leiseth purchased the Norman County State Bank in 1967, and is currently the President and Chairman of the Board. Board of Directors include Mr. Marvin Leiseth, Moorhead, MN; Roy A. Christianson, Halstad, MN; Mrs. Robert (Marilyn) Leiseth, Lake Park, MN; Leslie Underlee, Dalhart, Texas; and Perry Kolnes, Hendrum, MN.



Farmer's State Bank at Hendrum, 1926
T.A. Olson and Son, Adolph Lee, Mrs. T.A. Olson

The Bank was remodeled in 1968 and purchased the former Hendrum Hardware store from Sherman Kolness next door, expanded to more than double its size, and remodeled in 1975, the 50th anniversary of the bank. The bank also houses the Norman County Insurance Agency, Allan Leiran, Agent.

The staff is as follows: R.V. Leiseth, president, Lake Park, MN, 1967 to present and Perry Kolnes, Cashier, 1969 to present; Norm Aamoth, Ass't. Cashier, 1978 to present; Mrs. Irving (Mavis) Storsved, Ass't. Cashier, 1965 to present; Mrs. Donovan

(Becky) Kolness, bookkeeper, 1972 to present and Mrs. Delbert (Joann) Schlapkohl, bookkeeper, 1979 to present; all of Hendrum, MN.



State Bank of Hendrum, taken before 1918 — Herman Hanson, A.M. Eckmann.

HENDRUM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The first recollections of a fire department for Hendrum was a hand pulled, two wheeled chemical tank cart. This was used until a 1934 Ford chassis was obtained and the chemical tank was converted over to be carried on this truck. This truck is pictured at the Auditorium fire in this book in the history of our school. The fires that were fought with this truck were mostly under the direction of David Dyrendahl and Robert Waters.

Two major fires in Hendrum in the early 1950's together with the need for protection for the surrounding farm community brought about the ground work to get more up-to-date equipment and a trained volunteer department. The farm home of John K. Stordahl was destroyed by fire in the spring of 1942. At a fire at the Carl Tengelsdahl farm engine difficulties were encountered with the truck and in the summer of 1945 the Oscar Tommerdahl family lost their home in a fire. In town the Auditorium was destroyed by fire Thanksgiving morning, November 23, 1950. Some time later in January of 1955 fire consumed Bennie's Cafe, the pool hall, managed by Larry Kolnes and the Jimmy Brook's Cafe.

Meetings between the City and Township officials formulated plans with the following results: The City would construct a more up-to-date fire hall and staff a volunteer department. The township would buy a new well equipped fire truck to service both the City of Hendrum and Hendrum Township.

The fire hall was constructed in 1954 with Alfred Enger's crew doing the work. It was originally constructed with a flat roof, but in 1981 a gable roof was constructed to cure leakage problems. The truck that was purchased was a Red 1955 Ford with 265 cu. in. engine. It had a 250 gpm capacity pump and a carrying capacity of 1,000 gallons.

The first organizational meetings were December 5th and 12th, 1956. On December 5th the meeting was held at 9:30 P.M. with the Executive Board composed

of Village Council, Town Board and Fire Department personnel. Prior to this meeting the Fire Department's position of Chief had been filled by David Dyrendahl, but at the Dec. 12th meeting, he requested that Paul Hviding be elevated to Chief, which was done. Don Busse was made First Assistant Chief and David Dyrendahl became Second Assistant Chief. Howard Rustad was elected Secretary and Irving Storsved was elected Treasurer. Other members at this time were; Louis Ohnstad, Harry Johnson, Ronnie Chapman, Duane Johnson, Arnold Anderson, Alvin Qualley, Arthur Johnson, Harry McLaughlin, Alfred Enger, Sherman Kolness, Einar Kolnes, Earl Ingberg, Louie Ostenson, Lowell Thorson, Rueben Jacobson, Albert Lang, George Abbott, Willie Schreiner, Dave Evert, John Johnson and Nile Johnson.

Officer changes through the years as taken from minutes were as follows: March 2, 1959, Arnold Anderson elected First Assistant Chief replacing Don Busse and John Johnson, Secretary, replacing Howard Rustad. April 4, 1961, Harry Johnson elected Treasurer replacing Irving Storsved. April 1963, Allen Christopherson as Secretary replacing John Johnson. May 6, 1968 retained Paul Hviding as Chief, Arnold Anderson as Assistant Chief and elected Irving Storsved as Secretary and Wayne Hetland as Treasurer. On September 9, 1971, Paul Hviding resigned as Chief and Perry Kolnes was elected to replace him. The only change since 1971 was that Dwight Vargason served as Fire Chief the year of 1980.

The 1934 truck was kept until December 5, 1966 as a back up to the 1955 truck. At this time a Oshkosh truck with a Continental engine was acquired from the City of Warroad. This truck was replaced as a back-up when the White 1947 Model Ford truck was acquired from the Wishek Volunteer Fire Department for \$2,000.00 in the fall of 1969. This truck carries 500 gallons and is equipped with a Hale pump which has a capacity of 500 gpm. The Oshkosh truck was replaced in August of 1975 when a 1953 GMC 6 x 6 surplus army truck was obtained from Civil Defense for \$100.00. This was converted to a tanker with a spare tank furnished by Richard Canning on June 3, 1976. It was converted with a custom built tank in 1977 built by the Hendrum Manufacturing Company for \$2,953.94. The Red 1955 truck was replaced on December 5, 1978, when a new fully equipped 1978 C-65 Chevrolet fire truck with a 750 gallon tank and a 750 gpm pump was purchased. The purchase price was \$33,385 with the City adding on several items since its purchase.

The department personnel received it's earliest firemanship training in sessions conducted by Swan Anderson, a State instructor. No exact record of how often or many times were kept at that time, however a series of six hour sessions were conducted for six consecutive years beginning in 1968. The instructor for these sessions was Al Albright, of the Field Services Unit of the Vocational Division, State Department of Education. Another six hour session was completed by ten members in July of 1973 under Emmett Phifer of



Front row: Charles Canning and Mike Smart. Second Row: Sec. Irving Storsved, Treas. and Capt. Wayne Hetland, Chief Perry Kolnes, Ass't. Chief Bill Roquet, Capt. Odin Aune, and Former Chief Dwight Vargason. Third Row: Delbert Schlapkohl, Nordan Nelson, Wm. Tommerdahl, John Storsved, Harry Johnson, Lyle Peterson, Jack Harrington and Sheldon Schleusner. Not pictured are Duane Johnson, Gaylen Weisenberger, Gordon Nesvold and Steve Harrington.

the same department. A three hour session was also completed August 23, 1977 under Al Albright.

On December 2, 1971 the department was outfitted in regulation gear, fire helmets, boots, coats and gloves. On April 4, 1974, the department obtained its first MSA air mask of which they now have two. In January of 1978 a fold-a-tank was purchased for \$760.00 to use with the tanker, permitting the truck to be quickly unloaded to return for additional loads of water.

On February 25, 1981 a Demard Inhalator was purchased with funding received as a gift from the Ada VFW Post. This is a oxygen unit used for aid to persons overcome by smoke or heart attack victims.

The department also has participated in local activities. In 1958 the department sponsored the "Brothers of the Brush" beard growing competition for the local celebration of the State Centennial. In January 1978 the department conducted a public service program, selling Honeywell smoke detectors at cost to promote early warning of fires in the individual homes. On September 9, 1978 the department inaugurated the first Annual Firemen's Waterball Fight contest in conjunction with the Hendrum Fall Festival. Departments represented that year were Halstad, Perley, Grandin and Hendrum. The trophy was constructed with an authentic antique brass nozzle from the first fire truck mounted on a wood base and back. Halstad won this traveling trophy that first year, with Grandin the winner in 1979, Hendrum in 1980 and currently after the 1981 contest, Grandin again has it in their possession.

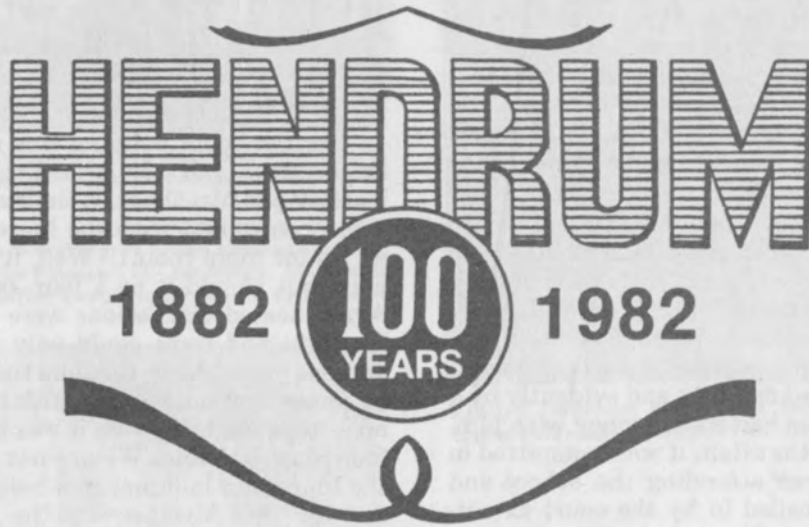
HENDRUM VOLUNTEER FIREMAN'S RELIEF ASSOCIATION

Two percent of all fire insurance premiums paid within the jurisdictions of the department and collected by the State Commissioner of Insurance, is

turned back to the local fire departments under M.S.A. Chapters 69 and 424 for its membership relief benefit program. To form and govern this program the Hendrum Volunteer Fireman's Relief Association was organized. The charter officers elected November 4, 1971 were: President, Perry Kolnes; Vice President Leslie Ford; Secretary and Treasurer, Irving Storsved, Directors, Lyle Peterson and John Storsved. As funding continues to grow the future benefits will cover retirement, disability as well as death. Some of the original officers have retained their posts since

with the following exceptions: February 3, 1977, Wayne Hetland replaced Leslie Ford as Vice President, Odin Aune and Harry Johnson replaced Lyle Peterson and John Storsved as Directors; February 7, 1980, Delbert Schlapkohl and Jack Harrington replaced Odin Aune and Harry Johnson as Directors; February 4, 1981 Wayne Hetland and Perry Kolnes exchanged places as President and Vice President, respectively.

Secretary — Irving A. Storsved



HENDRUM SCHOOLS

HISTORY OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 and LATER NO. 525

It seems quite hard to be able to get the correct early history of the organization of the school district as so many of the early settlers have either moved away or have passed over the Great Divide. To the best of our knowledge it was organized about the year 1880. The first school building was erected about one half mile south of the Village of Hendrum, on the east side of the road just opposite from the road leading down to the R.G. Canning farm, and the first school was held that fall. It seemed that the school year those days was a few months in the fall and again a few months in the following spring. The first teacher was a Mr. Jonas Boreson, who taught two years or should we say four short terms. Mr. Boreson was followed by Mr. Lute, Mr. Hagen, Mr. Sigurd Jordhoy, Mr. W.W. Colburn, Mr. G.A. Tripp and Miss Helen Meghan. This brings us up to the fall of 1893.

Let us pause here in the school history and record an incident which attracted a great deal of attention and was for a time the topic of great discussion in early Norman County. It was centering around a highway robbery, which was committed immediately south of the present village of Hendrum near the school house. It was committed in broad daylight and evidently by a man who knew the victim had some money with him. To add to the interest of the affair, it was committed in plain view of the children attending the school and some of the boys were called in by the court as witnesses during the hearing. For some reason or other the defedent was acquitted.

It was during Miss Meghan's term that this school building became too small and the school was taken to town where they held classes in the building then known as the Mission House. Now, of course, the question of a larger school building confronted the board and then, like now, great discussions took place: "Should we build a two- or four-room building?" This was discussed pro and con and it was decided to build a two-room building. This building was erected in 1894 and the principal that fall was a Mr. Roger, but he became ill so Mr. W.H. Bangs finished the term. (By the way, now they conducted school during the winter months.)



Pictured above are the first two school buildings located in the Village of Hendrum. The first school used by the community was located one-half mile south of town. On the right is the old two-room building and on the left is the four-room school.



Hendrum School — Miss Lindblom and Miss Stoneberg

The two-room building was used for about two or three terms and the principals were Mr. Chas. G. Hankey and Mr. Omer E. Bailey. Now the district was again confronted with the big question: "What shall we do for more room?" Well, it was decided to again build but should it be a four- or a six-room building. Again heated discussions were carried on. Some had foresight and some could only see the present needs and one would have thought they could have profited by past experiences with faith in a bigger future, but no — by a majority vote it was decided to build only a four-room building. We are not so positive, but think the four-room building was built the summer of 1898 and Mr. J.C. McGhee was the principal. For a while they used one room in the new building together with the two-room building.



Brick School built in 1913-1914.

In the fall of 1902 Mr. Wm. Alexander became principal. Mr. Alexander was very much interested in athletics and as now the school was being conducted in the four-room building, he prevailed upon the school board to make the two-room building into a gymnasium, which was done by taking out the center partition. This new gym was equipped with dumb-

bells, Indian clubs and handball also was played. It was at this time that the first basketball team was organized and the first games played with visiting teams was the term of 1904 and 1905. If our memory is right there was a boys' team and a girls' team and the Hendrum teams won both games.



1908 — (Seated) 1 - Alma Rustad, 2 - Ellen Rustvold, 3 - Margaret McCradie, 4 - Annie Marsden, 5 - Helen Ingbertson. (Standing) 1 - Gurdon Lewis, 2 - Robert McCradie, 3 - Alma Lura, 4 - Bessie Hagen Ohnstad, 5 - Mabel Douglas, 6 - Tracy Gordon Ingberg, 9 - Mae Marsden, 10 - Marion Lewis Wangberg, 11 - Alice Eckmann Leffler, 12 - Carl Knutson, 13 - Charlie Falconer, 14 - Joe Rauck, 15 - Minnie Skauge Olson, 16 - Sophie Leffler, Curtis Hall Pomeroy, Little girl is margaret Johnson.



1 - Nichol, 2 - Chester Eckmann, 3 - Harold Leffler, 4 - Julius Rinnan, 5 - Bradley Wold, 6 - Carsten Ackmann, 7 - Garfield Douglas, 8 - Willie Pelkey, 9 - Henry Hansen, 10 - Fred Burgess, 11 - Agnes Tollefson, 12 - Alma Helland, 13 - Josephine Douglas, 14 - Hannah Anderson Wick, 15 - Ida Johnsen Olson, 16 - Lily Fremstad.

A Mr. Chas. Nessa was principal during the term of 1905-1906, followed by Mr. Curtis Pomeroy, 1906-1907; Mr. O.G. Jackson, 1907-1912; Mr. Amos, 1912-1917.

The district was the first consolidated school in Norman County, as recognized under the amended laws of the state. It seems that the school district to the south did not have a sufficient number of pupils to maintain a school and the people living in the south half sent their children to Perley while those living in the north half sent theirs to Hendrum. Finally, in 1915, the resident landowners of the district to the south agreed to divide that district, the south half joining

Perley and the north half joining Hendrum, and the Hendrum Consolidated School District No. One was formed. A brick building was built. Horse-drawn school buses for conveying the pupils to and from home were purchased and drivers engaged on two routes to transport the children attending this school. At this time there were seven instructors employed in our school. As close as can be ascertained the first high school graduate was Miss Margaret McCradie and graduation exercises were held in the Hendrum park, a half mile east of town under the supervision of Superintendent Jackman.



Ethelyn Torgerson, Marie Riste, Jetta Mjolsness, Grace Marsden, Emma Folkedahl, Sarah Johnsen, Josie Hagen.

RURAL SCHOOLS

The first rural schools were open only a few months a year, but gradually the term was lengthened, mostly to 8 months. Often the teacher had no more than an eighth grade education herself, but later they were required to take examinations for a teaching certificate. As time went on they had to take a given amount of work in Normal School or Teacher's College to qualify to teach.

The salary was very small, \$15.00 to \$20.00 a month at first, but that increased somewhat as requirements were greater. The teacher usually boarded at a family, unless she lived in the district. She had to walk to school, get the fire going (she had banked it the day before) and do her own janitor work after school hours, then hike back.

They taught all grades. The children walked to school, some having two or three miles one way. Seldom had they rides, only, perhaps when the weather was bad in the winter time. They didn't like to miss school and many times they would come to school with frozen cheeks which the teacher rubbed with snow to thaw out.

The school day started with opening exercises, which included singing, the pledge to the flag, and the teacher would read something of interest. It was

during these opening exercise periods that they practiced for the programs they put on during the school year. Many times the practice extended over the allotted time.

The classes were short and to the point, but that didn't mean the lessons were shorter. It took a great deal of concentration to study while another class was in session, but it is surprising how well they adapted to it. They absorbed much learning from other classes, as well, and often a bright child would even skip a grade by such observation.

Some industrial arts was taught to the boys and sewing to the girls. This was usually on Friday afternoon and it was a period they all looked forward to. Hot lunch equipment was installed in each school with a kerosene stove and cupboards for dishes. Here the girls took turns to prepare the meal and clean up afterwards.

In order to graduate from the 8th grade a pupil had to pass the state board examination. In 1913 the first 8th grade graduation was held in Ada for all the schools in the county. Marie Lovsness was superintendent at that time and she did much to upgrade the quality of education in the rural schools.



Wide Awake School, Minnie Tarvestad - Teacher

In spite of the hardships and often poor preparation by the teachers the rural children did surprisingly well and many went on to be prominent citizens. With the advent of consolidated schools and buses the rural schools were phased out and districts united with town schools. Only memories remain — Do you remember?

The syrup or lard pails in which we carried our lunch

Thawing out our frozen sandwiches

Sitting behind the pot belly stove drying out after falling through the ice

Preparing hot lunches

Making valentines from wallpaper

Sitting around the stove when the room was cold when we got to school

The spelldowns

The spelling contest with other schools

Practicing for programs

How we struggled to get the sheets over wire for a curtain

Who could forget the basket socials? They were exciting. The preparation for the program was fun. How we enjoyed the bantering and speculation when those pretty baskets were auctioned off. Then after lunch was eaten to make room for the games that followed.

Some comments from former pupils, Oscar Lee remarked how unusual it was that all the nine children of the Martin Lee family who attended school in Wide Awake are still living. He is around 90 years old. Ann Blacketter said she learned to sew an apron when Jacob Ulvan taught in the Viking School. Clara Christopherson said she learned to crochet in sewing class when she attended school at the Meadowlark School. Eddie Stordahl said he met his wife to be at a basket social at the Cloverblossom School.



Wide Awake School

WIDE AWAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT 7

Located two miles north of Hendrum on the highway to Ada. This was a one room school house to begin with, located north of its final location. Around the turn of the century due to the increased enrollment, it was moved south, and another room added. At this time a furnace was installed and the district hired a janitor to tend it, usually one of the Quams, who lived next door. From a school booklet published in 1896-97 there were 50 pupils listed and only one teacher, Christene Holmberg, (Mrs. John Sulerud). Then from another booklet published in 1901-02 there were 62 pupils listed with two teachers. By the 1920's enrollment had diminished and only one room was used with one teacher. The other room was used for play room and for parochial school one afternoon a week. Amelia Grothe taught parochial school there for many years, until it closed.

The school house and the church were the heart of the community. Each district held its club or meeting in its school house once or twice a month, where interesting and educational programs were given. From newspapers published in 1915 and 1916 these announcements were found.

CLOVERBLOSSOM SCHOOL DISTRICT 40

Sometimes called the Stordahl school. Located two miles east and a half mile south of Hendrum, just south of the Pontoppidan Church. This was a two room school house, which indicated a large enrollment at one time. Only one room was used in its later years. The extra room was used for a playroom and also for an industrial arts room for the boys. It was an ideal place for games after the basket socials. On the picture of the school house and pupils the teacher was Miss Agnes Aske.



This picture was taken in the extra room during an industrial arts class. Miss Olive Ness was teacher at that time.

VIKING SCHOOL DISTRICT 2

Located about six miles northeast of Hendrum on the highway to Ada. This was a one room school house, having an enrollment of 40 people at one time. The Stennes, Sterton, Enger, Roe families all attended at that time and they were all large families which boosted the enrollment immensely.



This picture was taken inside the Viking school around 1910 with Ebba Swanson as teacher.

Mr. Amos was followed by Mr. Lindquist and Mr. Iria Isherwood as superintendents, after which Mr. Amos returned to the school system again as superintendent until the year 1922 when Mr. Wallace G. Rosell became superintendent and held the position until 1938. During Mr. Rosell's superintendency our school became an accredited four-year high school and began a well-rounded program of extra-curricular activities. The school was also enlarged by bringing in high school students from associated districts. An attempt at this time was made to promote motor transportation, but this was not accomplished at this time because of lack of faith in this sort of transportation. Not too many years later motor buses for the transportation of pupils was inaugurated with one large bus and four smaller ones in operation. The old four-room school building was removed and a new heating system was put into the new building.

MEADOWLARK SCHOOL DISTRICT 3

Sometimes called the Tarvestad school. Located about 5 miles east of Hendrum, and just south of the Concordia Church. This was a one room school with enrollment as large as 30 pupils at one time.



This picture of Meadowlark school was taken about the year 1910 (?) showing a few of the pupils who attended then.



Superintendent W.G. Rosell,
1922-1938

Superintendent John C. Brady,
1938-1945

In the fall of 1938 Mr. John C. Brady became the superintendent. At this time a number of the neighboring school districts closed their schools and commenced transporting their pupils to the Hendrum High School and it was at this time motor transportation was inaugurated. Mr. Brady was with us until the spring of 1944 and that fall of 1944 Mr. D.W. Hill became superintendent. While Mr. Hill was at the helm of our school the Hendrum auditorium was purchased from the village. This was used as a gymnasium until the morning of Thanksgiving day 1950 when it was consumed by fire. The teacherage was also purchased while Mr. Hill was with us.



The above photo shows the former Hendrum auditorium constructed in 1916 and used until fire destroyed it in 1950. The new Community Center replaced this building.



Auditorium destroyed by fire, 11-23-50
As photographed by Irving Storsved

Mr. Hill also laid the ground work that made possible the building of the grade school and gymnasium addition to the school by working for the reorganization of rural areas around Hendrum. Much credit was given him for his work during his short stay in Hendrum. Mr. G.I. Sholy became superintendent in 1948 and the next year saw the start of the building program as the agricultural department then came into being with the purchase and construction of a steel building. The building was purchased as a surplus government building for \$70 and it was dismantled for delivery from Minneapolis to Hendrum for a cost of \$245. The entire building, which is a 20 x 100 ft. structure, cost \$11,500 with equipment. In 1951 the grade school and gymnasium addition was started by the Otto Eickhoff and Sons Construction Co. of Crookston. This addition added a total of 13,000 feet to the



The 1951 addition of gymnasium and single story classrooms to the 1915 three story structure.

old structure which consisted of 8250 square feet. It ran 158 feet north from the old building and 138 feet west. The overall size of the gymnasium was 120 feet by 75 feet. The actual playing floor was 44 feet wide and 76 feet long, thus at the time it was said, giving Hendrum one of the larger floors in the area. The seating on the sides was planned for 765 spectators. With 235 planned for seating on the stage it would provide for maximum seating area for 1000 people. The dedication for the new addition was held on March 30, 1952. For several years following the completion of the gymnasium the south sub-district basketball tournament was held in Hendrum on a split basis with another conference school. The hot-lunch program was started in 1945-46 with serving a hot meal at noon uptown in the first floor of the telephone building. Mrs. Dora Williamson (later Mrs. Lewis Handegaard) and Mrs. Theo. Roe were the first cooks. With the completion of the new building the lunch program was moved to the new kitchen and dining area of the stage in the new gymnasium.

Mr. R.H. Benson became superintendent in 1952 and a new department was added, Home Economics, for grades 7-12. In 1953 the department was certified as a vocational department. Also in 1953, Perley was consolidated with the Hendrum school.

The school districts in Minnesota were renumbered in 1958-59 and Hendrum-Perley became District #525. During 1971 through 1975 Hendrum High School shared with Halstad through an exchange program the following subjects: Industrial Arts, Agriculture, Algebra, Consumer Math and Physics.



Superintendent Theo. B. Olson 1960-1975

Mr. Theo B. Olson was superintendent when another and last addition to the school was begun in the summer of 1974. The addition consisted of three elementary rooms, three practice rooms for music, a lunch room and a kitchen. It was completed after Christmas 1975 and Perley grades 1 through 6 moved to Hendrum.

SUPERINTENDENTS OF HENDRUM SCHOOLS

Jonas Boreson	1880-1882	O.G. Jackman	1907-1912
Minnie Trusdel	1882-1886	Mr. Amos	1912-1917
Mr. Lute	1886-1888	Mr. Sundquist	1917-1918
Mr. Hagen	1888-1890	Iria Isherwood	1918-1919
Sigurd Jordhoy	1890-1891	Mr. Amos	1919-1922
W.W. Colburn	1891-1892	W.G. Rosell	1922-1938
G.A. Tripp	1892-1893	John C. Brady	1938-1945
Helen Meghan	1893-1894	D.W. Hill	1945-1948
Mr. Rogers	1894	G.I. Sholy	1948-1952
W.D. Bangs	1895	R.H. Benson	1952-1956
Chas. G. Hankey	1895-1897	H.L. Larson	1956-1957
Omer E. Bailey	1897-1898	Vernon O. Strand	1957-1960
J.C. McGhee	1898-1902	Theo. B. Olson	1960-1975
Wm. A. Alexander	1902-1905	Wayne Ulferts	1975-1977
Mr. Nessa	1905-1906	Dr. Robert Cavanna	1977-1979
Curtis Pomeroy	1906-1907	Jerome Exner	1979-



Hendrum High School Boys Octette — 1931

Loren Enger, Kermit Eide, George Canning, Allen Haaland, Conrad Sterton, Marcus Gordon, Earl Enger, Earl Ingberg.





Hendrum High School Band at W.D.A.Y. Band Festival, May 1958
Majorettes: Marlys Skarsvaag, Terri Pope, LaVonne Anderson.



Hendrum High School Band at W.D.A.Y. Band Festival, May 1958
Band Leader: Philip Megorden.



P.T.A. Skit — Fashions Through the Years
Joyce Todd, Clarice Hamstad, Dora Lee, Florence Roe, Gerry Gadberry, Hazel Anderson, Myrna Evert, Aggie Hviding, Flora Johnson, Lorraine Aronson, Ann Marie Kolnes, Mildred Kolness, Harriett Sterton, Gladys Ingberg.

FACULTY OF HENDRUM SCHOOLS

Acker, Amy (1943) (deceased)
Amos, H.J. (1912-1917, 1919-1922)
Amos, Mrs. H.J.
Anderson, Austin A. (1953-1956)
Anderson, Dennis L. (1961-1963)
Anderson, Valborg E. (1937-1942)
Bartlett, Paul (1956-1960)
Bartlett, Mrs. Berva (1956-1958, 1960)
Bartz, David (1979)
Bean, Beatrice
Beckstrom, Amy (1940)
Benson, Gary (1968)
Benson, Robert H. (1953-1956)
Benson, Mrs. R.H. (Helen) (1955)
Berg, Katherine (1974-1976)
Berg, Kenneth (1962-1971)
Berg, Mrs. Marion (1949-1960)
Berger, Randy (1978)
Bergeson, Bruce (1980-)
Berggrdn, Ingeborg
Bickel, Grace (1927-1929)
Birk, Harold (1939-1942) (deceased)
Bohnsack, George (1943-1944) (deceased)
Boisjolie, Wayne (1953-1954)
Bostow, Mrs. Pam (1973-)
Brady, John C. (1938-1945)
Brady, Mrs. J.C. (Ann)
Brandenburg, Scott (1979-1981)
Brevik, Lorraine (1953-)
Brinley, Cleora
Brower, Rachel
Bryne, Irene
Butenhoff, Viviette (1951-1952)

Caughell, Lowell (1941)
Cavanna, Dr. Robert (1978-1979)
Christenson, Mabel (1960-1974)
Christianson, Shirley (1967)
Collins, Leslie (1954)
Cook, Ceata (1973-)
Dalen, Stella B. (1930)
Dalen, Delores (1955)
Dammen, Julia (1958-1963) (deceased)
Dehlin, Maynard (1953)
Dwyer, Grace (1943-1945)
England, LaMae (1955-)
Erickson, John W. (1971-1972)
Exner, Jerome (1980-)
Fallen, Mrs. Marie (1943)
Felde, Norman (1950)
Fischer, William (1957-1958)
Forthum, Jean (1949)
Foss, Dale (1980-)
Gliem, Gladys (1937)
Golinghorst, Mike (1978-1980)
Grothe, Amelia (Stennes) (1910-1912)
Gruhl, Sandra (1970)
Haarstad, Karsten (1935-1937)
Hahne, William (1980-) (Principal)
Hammarback, Faye (1962-1965)
Hanson, Jane (1981-)
Hartz, Robert (1957)
Haugen, Lyle (1950)
Haugen, Mrs. Lyle (Ardis) (1950)
Haugen, Robert (1980-)

Haughom, John (1933)
Hegre, Gordon (1960-1964)
Helland, Irene (1940-1941)
Heysse, Mrs. Diane (1977)
Hill, Dolson W. (1946-1948) (deceased)
Hillestad, Ruth
Hines, Alean
Hokanson, Lynn (1979)
Holte, Roselyn (1945-1947)
Holter, Janet (1968-1970)
Holtse, Shirley (1968-)
Hornbacher, Anna (1966)
Holvik, J.H. (1955-1957) (deceased)
Houghlum, Dorothy (1968, 1974)
Huckins, Larry (1978) (Principal)
Hylden, Delores (1945-1948)
Ingberg, Albert (1930) (deceased)
Iverson, Linda (1981-)
Jacobson, Constance (1953)
Johnson, Bruce, (1979) (Principal)
Johnson, Ella
Johnson, Joseph D. (1959-1961) (deceased)
Johnson, Juneth (1946-1948)
Johnson, Myra (1970-1977)
Johnson, Ormond (1949-1952)
Johnson, Robert D. (1953-1976) (Principal)
Jordahl, Susan (1981-)
Jossund, Gloria (1967-)
Kankel, Lillian (1933-1937) (deceased)
Knobel, Josephine
Knoff, Kathy (1973-1974)
Kraby, Evelyn (1942-19)

Kragnes, Adeline (1961-1967) (deceased)
 Krenz, Joel (1974-1976)
 Kubicek, Diane (1972)
 Kuehn, Carl (1961-1978)
 Larson, Herman L. (1957)
 Lee, Doris
 Lee, Jackie (1981)
 Leier, Mrs. Doris (1953-1954)
 Lensegrav, Arthur (1943)
 Lish, Leone (1955)
 Lubiens, Lyle (1946-1947) (Principal)
 Lykke, Sophie
 Maddock, Pauline (1941)
 Magnuson, Mildred (1960-1961)
 Malakowski, Chris (1981-)
 Masters, David (1979)
 McCradie, Margaret
 McGarrity, Bertrom
 McKay, Virginia (1948)
 McKenzie, Mary (1946-1947)
 Megorden, Philip (1958-1961)
 Moffitt, Helen
 Murphy, Dwight (1972-1976)
 Nealis, Ronald (1969-1970)
 Nealis, Mrs. Ron (1970)
 Neil, Leonard (1952-1954) (Principal)
 Ohnstad, Gerda (1954-1977)
 Olerud, June (deceased)
 Oliver, Doris (1946-1948)
 Olson, Theo. B. (1961-1975)
 Olson, Travis B. (1962-)
 Onan, Thora (1952-1973)
 Peterson, Rudolph
 Platt, Bertha (1950-1952)
 Pomeroy, Curtis (1906-1907)

Prestegard, Gladys (1954)
 Probstfield, Evelyn (1928-1932)
 Qualley, Nora (1912-1913)
 Regan, Leo (1955-1959)
 Rice, Mike (1977)
 Rice, William (1944) (deceased)
 Ricky, Alson (1965)
 Riste, Doris (1933)
 Riste, Marie
 Reiersen, Adele
 Roarig, Earl (1939)
 Rockstad, Agnes (deceased)
 Rose, Joan (1956-1962)
 Rosengren, Shirley (1966)
 Rotvold, Glenda (1974-1976)
 Rotvold, Marlys (1966-1968)
 Row, H. Oliver (1939-1942)
 Rud, Alphield (1939-1940)
 Rupert, Hazel (1944-1946) (deceased)
 Rinnan, Adele (1950-1954)
 Rutherford, Hazel (1943)
 Rylander, Betty (1972-1974)
 Sailer, Loren (1982-)
 Schumm, Paul (1956)
 Sellesth, Alvina (1930)
 Sholy, Dr. G.I. (1948-1952) (deceased)
 Sholy, Mrs. G.I.
 Sjolander, Helen (1958)
 Skjelset, Esther (1933)
 Slinde, Alden C. (1955-1957)
 Smith, Rodney (1968-1971)
 Stadum, Mrs Beth (1974-1976)
 Stanton, Kathleen (1972-1973)
 Stensgaard, Ruth (1930)
 Stevenson, Mrs. Florence (1962-1973)
 Stoffel, Jean (1977)

Strand, Harriet (1945-1949, 1969-1976)
 Strand, Vernon O. (1957-1960)
 Sulerud, Melva (1959, 1961-1965, 1967)
 Sundstad, Margaret (1943)
 Sutton, Donovan (1939) (Principal) (deceased)
 Seveno, Thomas (1977-1978)
 Thompson, Alice
 Thorgimsen, Hans (deceased)
 Thorson, Ferne (1952)
 Thorson, Inez (1941-1943)
 Timm, Darlene (1947-1948)
 Timmer, Steven (1977) (Principal) (1978-)
 Torkelson, Gloria (1971)
 Tweeten, Louvilla (1930-1933)
 Ulferts, Wayne (1976-1977)
 Uthus, Margaret (1950)
 Uthus, Vernon (1952)
 Varriano, Jerry (1966-1967)
 Vogel, Valerie (1979)
 Voiles, Dellas (1949-1950) (Principal)
 Voiles, Howard (1949-1950)
 Voiles, Zuella (1949)
 Walla, Anna (1940-1943)
 Walrath, James (1973)
 Walsh, James (1963-1967)
 Wibe, Ruth (1949)
 Winter, Gerda
 Wise, Howard O. (1934-1936)
 Wold, Eleanor
 Ydstie, Viola (1937)
 Zehren, Connie (1978-)
 Zimmerman, Faye (1982-)
 Zwarych, William (1952-1953) (Principal)

Irving A. Storsved, Historian

GRADUATING CLASSES OF HENDRUM HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1912
 McCradie, Margaret
CLASS OF 1914
 Hagen, Josie (deceased)
 Marsden, Harry
 McCradie, Andrew (deceased)
 Riste, Marie

CLASS OF 1915
 Douglas, Gertrude
 Fremstad, Ida
 Fremstad, Sophie
 Helland, Albert (deceased)
 Ingberg, Samuel (deceased)
 Johnson, Sara
 Nichol, Andrew (deceased)
 Rauck, Belinda

CLASS OF 1916
 Eckman, Chester
 Folkedahl, Emma
 Grother, Charles (deceased)
 Leffler, Harold
 Marsden, Grace
 Mjolsness, Jetta
 Mjolsness, Tillie
 McCradie, Raymond (deceased)

CLASS OF 1917
 Opheim, Josephine (deceased)

CLASS OF 1918
 Douglas, Josephine
 Eckman, Carsten

Fuller, Floyd (deceased)
 Gausen, Agnes (deceased)
 Jacobson, Agnes
 Larson, Edmund (deceased)
 Lee, Adolph M.
 McLaughlin, Lydia
 Reiersen, Lillian (deceased)
 Smart, Gladys
 Snustad, Nettie
 Wold, Bradley (deceased)

CLASS OF 1919
 Fremstad, Lilly
 Johnson, Ella
 Knutson, Clara (deceased)
 Letness, Alva
 Nichol, Frank (deceased)
 Rockstad, Agnes (deceased)

CLASS OF 1920
 Bjordahl, Stella M.
 Dunn, Martha (deceased)
 Dyrendahl, Minnie
 Ingberg, Chester (deceased)
 Ingberg, Julia
 Quam, Amanda (deceased)
 Roe, Amanda
 Rudser, Greeley
 Watters, May Semple
 (deceased)
 Wold, James Arthur

CLASS OF 1921
 Anderson, Evelyn A.

Eckman, Lillie (deceased)
 Hagen, Olaf (deceased)
 Ingberg, Thomas (Toni)
 (deceased)
 Ostby, Edna
 Roe, Alma J.
 Rustvold, Anna C. (deceased)

CLASS OF 1922
 Fremstad, Martin C. (deceased)
 Hoff, Edna
 Ingberg, Edna
 Jacobson, Clara
 Nichol, Donald G.
 Quam, Tina M.
 Rogness, B. Christine
 (deceased)
 Semling, Sarah E.

CLASS OF 1923
 Dalen, Stella B.
 Gilbertson, Clara
 Ingberg, Clara
 Nichol, Elsie
 Rogness, Jennie
 Rudser, Celestine M.
 Stennes, Charlotte
 Strand, Ida (deceased)

CLASS OF 1924
 Dukleth, Ruth
 Eckman, Millard C.

Chelstrom, Signora
Lee, Minnie O.
Nelson, Norvald A.
Nelson, Sylvester T. (deceased)
Olson, Grace
Qualley, Alvin (deceased)
Rustvold, Orpha
Scheide, Stella (deceased)
Sivertson, Alma
Wold, Gladys

CLASS OF 1925

Anderson, Ann
Bjordahl, Bernice
Brooks, Adelaide
Egeland, Christine
Enger, Arnold (deceased)
Enger, Irene
Enger, Judith
Forsness, Ida (deceased)
Landro, Alice (deceased)
Quam, Lillian
Restad, Gladys (deceased)
Stenberg, Mabel M.
Storo, Stella
Tarvestad, Ruth
Tengesdal, Margaret

CLASS OF 1926

Enger, Mildred
Grande, Sigurd
Hoff, Minna
Ingberg, Mildred
Jacobson, Hannah (deceased)
Nelson, Clarice
Olson, Korman
Ovedahl, Obert (deceased)
Rogness, Marie
Rustvold, Bernhardt
Stennes, Stella (deceased)
Strand, Hannah

CLASS OF 1927

Dalen, Bernice (deceased)
Eckman, Vivienne
Egeland, Olaf (deceased)
Enger, Helen
Hviding, Ann
Hviding, Luella
Hviding, Martin (deceased)
Knutson, Alice
Landro, Ida
Larson, Margaret
Olson, Floyd
Orvedahl, Gilbert (deceased)
Sunstad, Anna
Tarvestad, Florence

CLASS OF 1928

Bjordahl, Helen
Eide, Kermit
Enger, Norman (deceased)
Orvedahl, Henry (deceased)
Ostenson, Mabel
Qualley, Victor (deceased)
Sterton, Ruth
Wold, Frances

CLASS OF 1929

Anderson, Lillian
Christianson, Cora
Freestad, Josephine
Ness, Kenneth
Olson, Beatrice
Opheim, Jeannette
Ostenson, Gladys
Rustvold, Arthur

Rustvold, Charlotte
Selness, Louise
Sterton, Ferdinand

CLASS OF 1930

Bergh, Katherine (deceased)
Canning, Richard G.
Grady, Merrill (deceased)
Haaland, Blanche (deceased)
Helland, Bernice
Ibrek, Olav
Jacobson, J. Luther
Rogness, Irene
Stordahl, Helen
Wold, Ann C.

CLASS OF 1931

Breck, Jeanette
Eide, Luther (deceased)
Enger, Leila (deceased)
Haaland, Alan
Hamre, Curtis (deceased)
Hamre, Herman (deceased)
Hanson, Delores (deceased)
Helland, Irene
Hviding, Esther
Johnson, Mildred (deceased)
Kirkness, Hazel
Kirsether, Ruth
Marsden, Frederick
McLaughlin, Samuel
Riste, Doris
Sorenson, Olive
Watters, Viola (deceased)

CLASS OF 1932

Bergh, Vincent
Enger, Loren
Gordon, Marcus
Grady, Verna
Hviding, Evelyn
Hviding, Silas
Larson, Lucille
McLaughlin, Margaret (Peggy)
McMaster, Myron (deceased)
Nelson, Esther
Peterson, Vera
Riste, Marjorie
Sterton, Conrad
Wold, Eleanor (deceased)

CLASS OF 1933

Hansen, Bonita
Kinn, Milo
Kirkness, Florence
Marsden, Winston
Martindale, Florence
Olson, Carroll A.
Peterson, Ardelle
Scheide, Norman P. (deceased)
Snustad, Mildred
Tengesdahl, Viola
Wangberg, Jean

CLASS OF 1934

Canning, George
Helland, Margaret
Ingberg, Earl (deceased)
Johnson, Leonard W.
Larson, John (deceased)
Riste, Glenn
Venn, Gladys

CLASS OF 1935

Canning, David
Finney, George
Gordon, Frieda
Grady, Linton

Hansen, Sylvia
Huseby, Agnes
Hviding, Paul (deceased)
Jacobson, Obed K.
Magnuson, Thelma
Marsden, Alice
Olson, Dorothy
Syverson, Phoebe

CLASS OF 1936

Bergh, Irene
Berg, Sherwood
Bergh, Marion
Bjordahl, Eleanor
Bowhall, Kenneth
Breck, Stella
Enger, Doris (deceased)
Enger, Rose
Larson, Martha
Lee, Ethel
Lee, Gladys
McMaster, Curtis
Riste, Korman (Clayton)
Rogness, Carroll
Snustad, Carroll (deceased)
Stennes, Owen
Sterton, Margaret
Thornby, Russell
Venn, Isabel

CLASS OF 1937

Aabye, John
Finney, John (deceased)
Gruske, Arline
Hall, Thomas
Hamre, Mozelle
Helland, Frances
Jacobson, Doris J.
Jacobson, Reuben
Myklebost, Lyle
Rustvold, Lowell (deceased)
Smart, Doris
St. John, Wesley (Dr.)
Wegner, Marlowe

CLASS OF 1938

Aas, Alphield
Bergh, Malcolm A.
Bowhall, Ethel
Finney, Harold
Freestad, Helen
Helland, Lucille
Marsden, James H.
McMaster, Estelle
Nelson, Edwin
Stennes, Leslie
Stennes, Orville (deceased)
Storsved, James
Todd, Keith
Wold, Jeanne

CLASS OF 1939

Aabye, Dorothy
Berg, Adeline
Bergh, Arne (deceased)
Bowhall, C. Lillian
Dullam, Marona
Dyrendahl, Doris
Hagen, Craig
Hall, Elizabeth
Harrington, Frank
Hertsgaard, Craig
Huseby, Esther

Jacobson, Helen
Magnuson, Magnus
Martindale, Anna
Scoville, Harvey
Stennes, Eunice
Stennes, Ruth
Stordahl, Jerold (deceased)
Storsved, Gladys
Swenson, Donald (deceased)

CLASS OF 1940

Aas, Ralph
Asby, Maxine
Berg, John
Berg, Joyce (deceased)
Brattland, Gordon
Dullum, Frederick (deceased)
Grothe, Helen
Grothe, Allen Jerome
Hofstrad, Herman
Ingberg, Carol
Kirkness, Jeanette
Laabs, Marian (deceased)
Larson, Obed
Olson, Agnes
Ramstad, Julius (deceased)
Rene, Eleanor
Romereine, Helen
Stenberg, Morris
Stennes, Hazel
Stennes, Marie
Stennes, Ruby
Stennes, Ruth
Syverson, Lois
Westberg, Helen

CLASS OF 1941

Berg, Roselle
Finney, Helen
Grothe, Roger
Halvorson, Wallace
Hamre, Lester
Helland, Donald
Hoyme, Donald
Laabs, Norman
Marsden, Virginia
Nelson, Lois
Oseth, Marion
Peterson, Doris
Peterson, Harold
Rustvold, Jerome
Sibestl, George
Sivertson, Casper
Snustad, Nels
Stennes, Harley
Sterton, Owen
Sterton, Verona
Stordahl, Conrad
Wise, Howard

CLASS OF 1942

Bowhall, Maurice (deceased)
Dahl, Hilda
Douglas, Garfield
Dullum, Virgean
Dyrendahl, Russell
Lee, Leroy
Marsden, David E.
Oseth, Maurice
Pederson, Arthur
Rask, Harold (deceased)
Stennes, James
Storsved, Clifford
Swenson, Ardis
Thorson, Lowell E.
Thorson, Wilma

Tommerdahl, Earl
Trom, Eleanor

CLASS OF 1943

Aas, John
Bergh, Helen
Bremmer, Alberta
Dalen, Georgia
Dalen, Irene
Hall, Donald
Ingberg, Allan
Jacobson, Alton (deceased)
Lee, Herman
Marsden, Grace
St. John, Margaret
Stennes, Jerome
Williamson, Edna
Wise, Doris
Ystebo, Donald

CLASS OF 1944

Anderson, Arden
Anderson, Thomas
Bowhall, Glenn
Douglas, Helen Jean
Dullum, Marvin Jerome (deceased)
Dyrendahl, Harris
Dyrendahl, June Arlene
Finney, Ruth Charlotte
Grady, Ernestine
Hamre, Melvern
Harrington, Frances M.
Holland, Jarvis
Lee, Irving M.
Qualley, Alvira Eleanor
Rask, Allan (deceased)
Restad, Wesley G.
Rinnan, Adele Phyllis
Sahl, Wallace
Stordahl, Leland
Stordahl, Marie Ann
Storsved, Alton
Tehven, Rolf
Thorson, Wayne
Vangrud, Lis

CLASS OF 1945

Aas, Valborg
Berg, Blaine
Berg, Clayton
Dyrendahl, Francis
Eastgate, Wayne
Ellenson, Shirley
Ford, Lloyd
Halvorson, Genevieve Sue
Harrington, Richard
Jossund, Arnold
Knutson, Elvera
Lee, Ardis
Nelson, Wm. Howard
Nelson, Robert J.
Nelson, Robert O.
Rustad, J. Howard
Rustvold, Keith
Stennes, Ferne
Tehven, Beverly
Todd, Frank
Tracy, Ruth
Williamson, Gladys

CLASS OF 1946

Aasen, Ann Marie
Anda, Shirley
Anderson, Valberg
Berg, Spencer
Brooks, Marvel

Dalen, Jean
Dullum, Donna
Finney, Darlene
Huseby, Lowell
Johnson, Harry
Marsden, Robert
Martinson, Marvin
Mjølness, Orvill Melvin
Nygaard, Robert
Ogard, Alice (deceased)
Rinnan, Ethel
Sjoberg, Ona Lou
Smart, Maxine
Snustad, George
Stennes, Vivian
Underlee, Nolan
Viker, Loren

CLASS OF 1947

Christopherson, Gloria
Dalen, Rose M.
Dyrendahl, Olive
Dyrendahl, Ramona
Enger, Arden
Enger, Richard
Grady, Sonia
Jacobson, Doris I.
Jacobson, Doris L.
Lee, Ronald
Lien, Carol
Millang, John
Nagel, Hazel
Nelson, Beverly
Nelson, Vincent
Reno, Ferne (deceased)
Rustad, Sarles
Smart, Duane
Smart, Harold
Stennes, Josephine
Storsved, Irving
Tehven, Marvin
Tommerdahl, Eleanor
Tracy, Dorrance
Vangrud, Robert (deceased)

CLASS OF 1948

Aas, Wallace
Dyrendahl, David M.
Fossen, Della
Grothe, Philip J.
Hovden, Myron
Huseby, Clayton
Ingberg, Ardis
Johnson, Duane
Letness, Armond
Marsden, Howard
McLaughlin, Joan
Mjølness, Allen
Nelson, Gloria
Nelson, Verona
Ogard, Charles
Qualley, Bonnie
Scherfenberg, Helen Marie
Snustad, Willard
Stennes, Ada
Stordahl, Darlene
Swenson, Delores
Todd, Elizabeth
Todd, Lillian
Underlee, Leslie
Ystebo, Stuart
Ziegler, Shirley

CLASS OF 1949

Aure, Angeline
Christopherson, Audrey
Dukleth, Olive

Fischer, Marjorie
Fossen, Lois
Grothe, Howard
Grothe, Raymond
Honerud, Adeline
Honerud, Hermoine
Huseby, Raymond
Johnson, Beverly Ann
Johnson, Beverly Elaine
Knutson, Robena
McLaughlin, Geraldine
Nygaard, Frank
Richards, Donald
Swenson, Harlan
Underlee, Harold
Viker, Harris W.
Webb, Wyman
Ziegler, Lorraine

CLASS OF 1950

Anderson, Darlene
Bahe, Marilyn
Ellenson, Harriet
Hagen, Thomas
Holland, Orris
Jacobson, Bonnie J.
Jacobson, Clayton
Jacobson, Lis
Jacobson, Douglas
Kappes, Margie
Knutson, Anna Mae
Lamblez, Lorelle
Lee, Marvin
Marsden, James A.
McLaughlin, Noreen
Mjoness, Noel
Peterson, Arlene
Pingree, Barbara
Regstad, Jean
Rensvold, Carol
Scherfenberg, Margaret
Sjoberg, Earl D.
Smart, David, Jr. (deceased)
Stenborg, Elmer J.
Stennes, Homer
Stordahl, Duane
Storsved, Floyd
Teigen, Foris
Todd, Thomas
Wambach, Rita
Zeigler, Marjean

CLASS OF 1951

Bjuland, Donald
Brooks, Robert
Dalen, Virginia
Dullum, Arden
Englund, Robert J.
Ericksen, Gregg
Fossen, Frances
Johnson, LaDon
Joop, Charles
Kappes, Robert
Lee, Betty
Lensegrav, Arthur, Jr.
Nelson, Neal M.
Richards, Joe
Roe, Howard
Rensvold, Howard
Scherfenberg, Janet
Siverson, Lu Verne (deceased)
Smart, Gene
Stene, Allen
Stordahl, Elwood
Tangness, Olive
Thompson, Arlen

Thompson, Wallace
Thorson, Ronald
Tracy, John
Viker, Roger

CLASS OF 1952

Aasen, Charles T.
Anderson, Alice J.
Ford, Leslie
Fossen, Donald
Hanson, Ronald
Helland, Robert
Jacobson, Ardis
Joop, Donald
Lensegrav, Phyllis
Mahar, Dorothy
Nelson, Frances
Nichol, Mary
Ogard, JoAnn
Peterson, Duane
Qualley, Marlene
Regstad, Arlene
Reierson, Don
Rustvold, Ardis
Stenberg, Virgil I. (Dr.)
Stennes, Carol Mae
Sterton, William (deceased)
Stordahl, Joy
Todd, Donald
Tommerdahl, Ronald
Trom, Gerald

CLASS OF 1953

Alexander, Marcelyn
Berg, Joseph D.
Bjuland, Beatrice
Christopherson, Marilyn
Dobler, William
Englund, Richard
Hagen, Beverly
Helland, Bernice
Hoff, Darlene
Holland, Mavis
Johnson, John W.
Malen, Avis
Nelson, Jack
Nelson, Wallace
Nichol, John D.
Peterson, Doris
Peterson, Robert
Rustvold, Patricia
Sjoberg, Oscar
Snustad, Grace
Thompson, Yvonne
Tungesvik, Helen Ann

CLASS OF 1954

Anderson, Irene
Baum, John
Brattland, Shirley
Douglas, Bruce
Englund, Greta
Englund, James
Freestad, Betty
Harrington, William D.
Helland, Uneva
Johnson, Gene
Johnson, Jeannine
Johnson, Natalie Ann
Madson, Leroy
Qualley, David
Scherfenberg, Charlotte
Stennes, Charles
Tangness, Arlene
Todd, Vernon
Tommerdahl, Dorothy

Underlee, Ralph
Viker, David

CLASS OF 1955

Alexander, Darlys
Berg, Patricia
Brattland, Harold A.
Dukleth, LaVonne
Guttormason, Diane
Knutson, Robert Bruce
Loe, Alice
Mjoness, Avis
Nelson, Marvin Erling
Nichol, Elizabeth
Nelson, Shirley
Peterson, Larry
Peterson, Lyle
Qualley, Margaret
Randoy, Carolyn
Reierson, Barton
Reierson, Bruce
Rensvold, David
Roe, Carol Elaine
Roe, Shirley
Storsved, John R.
Todd, Dale
Tracy, Henry

CLASS OF 1956

Anderson, Carol
Baum, Yvonne
Christopherson, Allen
Grothe, Renee
Hamstad, Gerald
Hoff, Daniel
Ingberg, Dixie
Jacobson, Donald
Jacobson, James H.
Johnson, Cynthia
Johnson, Ione
Johnson, Richard
Johnson, Sherry
Johnson, Shirley
Knutson, Allan
Lee, Patricia
Lee, Sherman
McCradie, Daniel
Oien, Jerry
Peterson, Marlys
Rinnan, Wanda
Risdaal, Luverne (deceased)
Scherfenberg, Edna
Sivertson, LeeAnn
Stennes, Sherwood
Todd, Allan
Todd, Dennis
Tommerdahl, William

CLASS OF 1957

Anderson, Donald N.
Anderson, Juel
Anderson, Lois
Dalen, Audrey
Dyrendahl, Shirley
Forseth, Dean
Freestad, Audrey (deceased)
Gadberry, Sandra
Hagen, Gene
Harrington, Jack
Hoff, Larry
Johnson, Donald
Johnson, Janice
Johnson, Keith
Kolnes, Dennis
Kuvaas, Howard
Lee, Shirley
Loe, Alan

Nelson, Betty
Nelson, Dennis L.
Nordstrom, Melvin
Peterson, Denis J.
Qualley, Verne
Skarsvaag, Ruth
Sturm, Allan
Venn, Milan

CLASS OF 1958

Anderson, Elizabeth
Bolstad, Rodney
Dukleth, Warren
Holland, Leone
Ingberg, Barbara
Johnson, Joy
Knutson, Roger
Lee, Sandra
Madson, Evelyn
Maring, Larry
Peterson, Astrid
Storsved, Glenora
Swenson, Gerald
Thorson, Karen
Tommerdahl, Raymond
Underlee, Everett

CLASS OF 1959

Anderson, Diane
Bolstad, Kay
Canning, James Harry
Christopherson, Rita
Forseth, Carolyn
Guttormson, Roger (deceased)
Hamstad, Harlan
Hoff, David
Hoff, Doreen
Jacobson, Janice
Johnson, Sharon
Knutson, D. Helen
Lang, Larry
Loe, Margaret
Maring, Russell
Nelson, Nancy
Ohnstad, Curtis
Oien, Joann
Olson, Millard, Jr.
Peterson, Philip
Qualley, Arlo
Roe, Thomas
Sanders, Betty Rae
Sorenson, Ronald
Tracy, Thomas P.
Trom, Maxine
Venn, Delores C.
Viker, Owen
Wangberg, Louis

CLASS OF 1960

Abbott, James
Anderson, Carol
Anderson, LaVonne
Burslie, Donald
Chelstrom, Bonnie
Dukleth, Orville
Ellenson, Barbara
Guttormson, Karen
Hanson, Lowell
Holland, Arlotte
Jacobson, Jerald
Lindeman, Lew
Malen, Sharon (Cobb)
Morken, Merlin
Nelson, Carol
Peterson, Lowell
Quam, Jerald D.
Scherfenberg, Ruth (Mullen)

Scholl, Sandra
Skarsvaag, Marlys
Smerud, Dennis
Stennes, Gary
Thompson, Tommy

CLASS OF 1961

Anderson, Gladys
Anderson, Lester
Anderson, Thomas J.
Berg, Linda
Ellenson, Marlene
Hagen, Harlan
Hall, Kathryn
Jacobson, Susan
Johnson, Myra
Kolness, Leyden
Lang, Louise
Lee, Carol
Lerud, Janice
Magnuson, Sigurd
Nelson, Marlin
Ostern, Charles
Pope, Carolyn
Scholl, Rayland C.
Stenberg, Richard
Stordahl, Dwight
Tarvestad, Sharon
Tungesvik, Mary Jane

CLASS OF 1962

Borgen, Linda
Canning, Elizabeth
Chelstrom, Sandra
Edmunds, Arvid
Hagen, Richard
Hoff, Gordon
Hoff, Robert
Hogstad, Roger
Jacobson, Barbara
Johnson, Linda
Johnson, Marlowe
Lang, Colleen
Lee, David J.
Loe, Janice (deceased)
Magnuson, Earl
Monson, Mary Jane
Morken, Arvid
Nichol, Stewart
Orjansen, Brent
Peterson, Leslie
Rasmusson, Clint
Sanden, Karen
Schepp, Clarice
Scholl, Calvin G.
Smith, Linda
Trom, Dennis

CLASS OF 1963

Anderson, Linda
Anderson, Susan
Aronson, Gaylon
Baardsen, Gladys
Borgen Trent
Burslie, Karen
Christopherson, Norma
Dahlstrom, Thomas
Dukleth, Gary
Edmunds, Nancy
Gadberry, Wayne
Jacobson, Muriel
Jacobson, Muriel
Jacobson, Sandra
Johnson, Caye
Lang, Arlan
Larson, David
Letness, Duane

Madson, Karen
Meline, Arlen
McAndrew, James, Jr.
Olson, Marion
Ostern, Dale
Paulsrud, Gary
Scholl, Kay (Brekke)
Scoville, Richard
Smerud, Amy
Sterton, Robert
Tommerdahl, Carolyn

CLASS OF 1964

Anderson, Marvin
Astrup, Sharon
Baum, Annette
Beeg, Rodney
Chelstrom, Steven
Ellenson, Janet
Forseth, Kenneth
Forseth, Marlys
Guerard, Joseph
Hagen, Alan
Hagen, Linda
Hoff, Laurel
Holm, Renee
Jacobson, Keith
Jacobson, Sandra
Johnson, Donald
Kuvaas, Diane (Boit)
Lang, Myrtle
Larson, Jonathan
Lee, Duane
Lee, Roger
Lerud, James
Loe, Robert
Madsen, Ruth
Magnuson, Gary
Ohnstad, James
Orjansen, Harold
Quam, Susan
Rensvold, Eileen
Schepp, Lenore
Scherfenberg, Harold
Sivertson, Margaret
Smith, Diane
Tommerdahl, David
Trom, David

CLASS OF 1965

Albertson, Susan
Anderson, Bruce
Anderson, Carol
Anderson, Marlys
Borgen, Paul
Canning, Sara
Evert, Louise
Forseth, Sharon
Helland, Roger
Hiller, Marlowe
Ingberg, Earl, Jr.
Jacobson, Byron
Jacobson, Ronald
Johnson, Brian
Kolness, Bill
Kolness, Perry
Magnuson, Timothy
Maring, Joan
Monson, Allen
Peterson, Wayne
Stenberg, Alden (deceased)
Stennes, Kent
Sterton, Mary
Sundstad, Ann
Tommerdahl, Dale
Trom, Eileen

CLASS OF 1966

Ambuehl, Victoria
 Boit, Arnold
 Dahlstrom, Steven
 Dennis, Michael
 Eddy, Sharon
 Ellenson, Patricia
 Guerard, Carolyn
 Holm, Connie
 Jacobson, Leo
 Johnson, Barbara
 Lang, Lee
 Meline, Roger
 Merkins, Paul
 Merkins, Peter
 Ohnstad, Joan
 Scholl, Harley
 Scoville, Kathryn
 Scoville, Sonia
 Sorenson, Curtis
 Stennes, Barbara
 Todd, Jacquelyn
 Tommerdahl, Larry
 Tommerdahl, Thomas
 Ystebo, Patricia (deceased)

CLASS OF 1967

Aamold, Karen
 Andel, Sharon
 Aronson, Monte
 Bolstad, Marsha
 Borgen, Richard
 Edmunds, Jorgene
 Hest, Richard
 Holm, Alvin
 Houge, Larry
 Hviding, Sharon
 Jacobson, Philip K.
 Jodock, Edith Joan
 Johnson, Mike
 Kolness, Donovan
 Kolness, Thomas
 Krogstad, Charlotte
 Maring, David
 Olson, Theodore S.
 Orjansen, Marie
 Orvik, Gregory
 Scoville, William
 Tommerdahl, Howard
 Ystebo, David

CLASS OF 1968

Anhalt, David
 Bjerke, Douglas
 Cannon, Venita
 Ellenson, Wayne (deceased)
 Hagen, Sharon
 Halverson, Dean
 Jacobson, Edgar
 Jacobson, Eldon
 Jodock, Julian
 Krogstad, Douglas
 Larson, Solveig
 Meline, Lois
 Nelson, John
 Ohnstad, Wayne
 Pederson, Gordon
 Smerud, Nancy
 Stennes, Sandra
 Stordahl, Debbie
 Strand, Janet
 Sundstad, Jane
 Tommerdahl, Linda
 Underlee, Linda

CLASS OF 1969

Aabye, Steven
 Almlie, Neal
 Bjerke, Barbara
 Busse, Diane
 Dyrendahl, Rebecca (Becky)
 Edmunds, Pamela
 Evert, Scott
 Frisbie, Merritt
 Harrington, Steven
 Hest, Nancy
 Hougum, Paul
 Jacobson, Deborah
 Jacobson, Earl
 Johnson, Sandy (Larson)
 Lang, Alberta
 Larson, Terry
 Lee, Gregory
 Magnuson, Connie
 Nelson, David J.
 Nygaard, John
 Storsved, Douglas M.

CLASS OF 1970

Almlie, Wanda
 Berg, William
 Bolstad, Arlen
 Canning, Charles T. (Chuck)
 Christenson, Connie
 Douglas, Julie
 Edmunds, Dean
 Ellenson, Linda
 Gadberr, Mike
 Hagenson, Wesley
 Halstad, James
 Halverson, Katherine
 Hoff, Glen
 Ingberg, Cheryl
 Jacobson, Debra
 Jacobson, Lila
 Krogstad, Barbara
 Lee, Bruce
 Madson, Roger
 Mjolsness, Christine
 Morenno, Maria
 Nelson, James
 Nelson, Marlys
 Rude, Cheryl
 Smart, Michael
 Snustad, James
 Stordahl, Jerold
 Storsved, Vicki
 Strand, Julie

CLASS OF 1971

Ambuehl, Alroy
 Borgn, Craig
 Cannon, Cindy
 Dennis, Judy
 Ellenson, Sandra
 Ensrud, Rebecca
 Evert, Craig
 Grothe, Paul
 Hall, Debra
 Halstad, Charlene
 Helland, Diane
 Jacobson, Steven
 Johnson, Claudia
 Larson, Steven
 Lerud, David
 Loughheed, Wayne
 Moreno, Juan
 Nepstad, Carol
 Rensvold, Diane
 Ronning, Barbara
 Scoville, Jeri

Sundstad, Mary
 Thorson, Dawn Marie
 Todd, Dean
 Tommerdahl, LeeAnn
 Walsh, Rebecca

CLASS OF 1972

Aabye, Scott
 Almlie, Wayne
 Anhalt, Darlene
 Dyrendahl, Tim
 Ellenson, Sheila
 Engel, Kathy
 Fisk, Tim
 Guttormson, Terry
 Hagenson, LuAnne
 Halverson, Phyllis
 Harrington, Charles Richard
 Hest, James
 Holm, Carlayne
 Hough, Carolyn
 Jodock, Oliver Nels
 Lee, Judy
 Martinson, Kay
 Meline, Byron
 Mergenthal, Linda
 Nelson, Carolyn
 Ohnstad, Gary
 Olson, Pam
 Olson, Tom
 Scoville, Connie
 Smerud, Cindy
 Snustad, Jacqueline
 Stene, Gerald
 Stennes, Elizabeth
 Stordahl, David
 Todd, Dwight
 Todd, Ellsworth
 Ystebo, Wayne

CLASS OF 1973

Anderson, Susan
 Astrup, Paul
 Berg, Robert
 Bolstad, Gayle
 Breckel, Brenda
 Breckel, Michael
 Busse, Debra (Leedahl)
 Crowell, Marvin
 Edmunds, Joan
 Ellenson, Sharon
 Engge, Kari
 Fischer, Mike
 Gadberr, Kimberly
 Hagenson, Shelly
 Halstad, Larry
 Hest, Russell
 Hoff, Dale
 Hoff, Richard
 Holland, Diane Kay
 Holm, Devon
 Hougum, Shirley
 Huseby, Donald T.
 Ingberg, Mark
 Jodock, Ronald
 Johnson, Roger
 Krogstad, Randee
 Loughheed, Ken
 Moore, Erlys
 Nelson, Alan
 Nelson, Jeffery
 Orgard, Christy
 Olson, Sylvia
 Rensvold, Arvid
 Ronning, Larry
 Rustad, Mark

Smart, Dwight
Stasch, Mary
Walsh, Greg

CLASS OF 1974

Anderson, Sheree
Borgen, Jeffrey
Dennis, Steven
Dyrendahl, Janet
Fischer, Gordon
Fisk, Curtis
Halverson, Deborah
Halverson, Mary
Jacobson, Kent
Jodock, Paul
Johnson, James
Jossund, Julie
Kuvaas, Lana
Larson, Marlo
Nelson, Brenda
Ogard, Paula
Olson, Catherine
Olson, Pat
Pellman, Deborah
Rensvold, Russell
Rodarte, Robin
Smith, Lola
Snustad, Marcus (Mark)
Stordahl, Timothy
Strand, Joann
Todd, Terri
Torkelson, Robert
Tracy, Jacquelyn

CLASS OF 1975

Almlie, Carmen
Anderson, Shelley
Aune, David
Borgen, Randy
Brown, LeeRoy
Busse, Denise
Canning, Richard, Jr.
Christopherson, Peggy
Ellenson, Sharlene
Fisk, Paul
Ford, Roxanne
Grothe, Steven
Haas, Scott
Halverson, Keith
Hauck, Theresa
Holland, Colette
Huseby, Gregory
Meline, Karen
Mjolsness, David
Nelson, Gary
Nelson, Joyce
Nygaard, Paul
Pellman, Douglas
Rage, Denise
Rensvold, Douglas
Stasch, Margaret
Stasch, Rose
Stene, Jane
Stene, Joyce
Stordahl, Debra (Hauck)
Underlee, Barbara
Underlee, Wayne

CLASS OF 1976

Aabye, Larry
Bax, Kimberly
Dyrendahl, Randy
Ford, Scott
Hetland, Laurie
Hoff, Susan
Houglum, Jeanine
Houglum, Linda

Johnson, Charlene
Jossund, John
Koste, David
Larson, Mitchell
Lee, Roger
Lougheed, Lori
Martinson, Paul
Nelson, Kevin
Ogard, Debra
Ohnstad, Julie
Olson, Charley
Olson, Christine
Scoville, H. James
Snustad, Jay
Stasch, Barbara
Stordahl, Susan
Strand, Thomas Jr.

CLASS OF 1977

Aune, Diane
Borgen, Charles
Breckel, Pamela
Evert, Blake
Hauck, Billy
Hest, Bruce
Johnson, Randy
Koste, Joel
Lee, Tina (Brown)
Lougheed, Dean
Nelson, David
Nelson, Loren
Ohnstad, Kevin
Peterson, Kerry
Rask, James
Smart, Maureen
Stene, June
Stordahl, Cindy
Thompson, Lorrie
Todd, Mike
Tommerdahl, Gregory
Torkelson, Stewart
Underlee, Michele
Zamback, Robin

CLASS OF 1978

Christopherson, Susan
Dyrendahl, Julie
Gunderson, Brian
Hedrich, Debra
Heier, Cheryl
Houge, Susan
Ingberg, Lori
Krsnak, Jody
Nelson, Barbara
Nelson, Marilyn
Olson, Dennis
Olson, John
Pellman, Pamela
Snustad, Sheryl

CLASS OF 1979

Bax, Kameron
Green, Rori
Grothe, Jonathan
Gunderson, Kimberly
Guttormson, Pamela
Haug, Barry
Hest, Bryan
Hetland, Patricia
Holland, Melody
Jacobson, Karen
Kolness, John
Koste, Sherri
Lougheed, Linda
Olson, Beverly
Rask, Mary
Smart, David

CLASS OF 1980

Aabye, Kathy
Bax, Bobbi Jo
Ellenson, John
Gunderson, Velvet
Guttormson, Lori
Harrington, Kimberly
Hauck, Deaune
Hetland, Mardi
Hoff, Mark
Krsnak, Todd
Olson, Carol
Peterson, Tara
Ronning, Katherine
Sather, Roger, Jr.
Sterton, Michael
Sukut, Deborah
Swenson, Karla
Torgerson, Darrell, Jr.
Ziegler, Connie

CLASS OF 1981

Bjerke, Lisa (Kolnes)
Brown, Wanda
DeLaCruz, Joseph
Ellenson, Lee
Gunderson, Gregg
Harrington, Tod
Hedrich, Pamela
Hest, Rebecca
Holm, Rachelle
Jacobson, Rene
Johnson, Cory
Jossund, Mark
Koste, Timothy
Loe, Jeffrey
Nygaard, Julie
Todd, Bradley
Tommerdahl, Rhonda
Tracy, Peggy

CLASS OF 1982

Bax, Dean
Ellenson, Ron
Finney, David
Hetland, Steven
Hoff, Barbara
Koste, Carl
Krsnak, Jana
Lewison, Todd
Lougheed, Jean
Nelson, Barry
Swenson, Bryan
Torgerson, Terry
Ziegler, Jodi

HENDRUM CHURCHES

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

The history of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Hendrum began a few years after the arrival of the first Norwegian Lutherans to the Red River Valley. Immanuel was organized under the Norwegian Synod, which was formed in 1853 by pastors who sought to perpetuate the traditional doctrine and worship of the church in Norway. A meeting was held at the home of Andrew Hawkins (who lived about a mile south of Halstad) on December 8, 1874.

A location for the cemetery was one of the first concerns of the early settlers. Section 18, which is the present Immanuel Cemetery, was chosen, and in 1877 the first church was also built on this site. It was a log structure built in the center front of the cemetery. Up until then, the people had been meeting in the homes, so we can only, in a small way, imagine their joy and satisfaction at being able at last to gather for worship, and to have the opportunity of the means of grace regularly in their own church.



Immanuel Lutheran Church Remodeled in 1929

The first pastor to serve this Congregation was Rev. Bjug Harstad — 1875-1879. The first trustees were: Ole Nygaard, John Herberg and John Ostbye. The first families to join the church were: John Johnson Sathre Sr. and John Johnson Sathre Jr. In 1876 the constitution was drafted.

In 1887 a new and larger church was built, but in the winter of 1891-1892 it mysteriously burned to the ground. In July 1895 a new church was built in the city of Hendrum, and the present church was built in 1958.



Laying of the Cornerstone, Sunday, May 25, 1958



Interior of old Hendrum Church

Since its beginning, each pastor, in his own way has left a lasting spiritual tradition, that has carried on for generations. When Rev. J.J. Jacobson was installed as pastor of Immanuel in 1921, he had to contend with the transition of languages from Norse to English, preaching his sermons in both languages. Confirmation instruction was given in either language, as desired by the confirmand, and Sunday School was soon entirely in English. The minutes were written in English for the first time in 1937.



Immanuel Lutheran Church - 1975

In 1960, with the merger of Lutheran Churches, Immanuel became a member of the American Lutheran Church (ALC) and became affiliated with the Crookston Conference.

Pastor Elmer Anhalt, our present pastor is deeply concerned about the spiritual life and welfare of the church, and has had special services toward this goal. Church services are held each Sunday at 9:30 A.M. Special services are held at Christmas, Easter and Thanksgiving. The Christmas Candlelighting, Mid-Week Lenten and Good Friday services are held at Immanuel jointly with the Concordia Congregation.

Confirmation instruction is one of the most important work of the pastor. During the years prior to 1920, confirmation instruction was an all-day session, one day a week for two years. Now two years of instruction is required during the 8th and 9th grades. Confirmation is usually held in May or June. The first confirmands in Hendrum were Albert Anderson and Lawrine Sathre. They were confirmed in the John Sathre, Jr. home in July, 1877.



First Immanuel Lutheran Church built in Village — 1896

Members of our congregation who have gone out to dedicate their lives in God's Service are: Norman Scheide, Leslie Stennes, Kay (Scholl) Brekke, Byron Meline, and Paul Grothe. Sister Laura Peterson (sister of Carl and Lawrence Underlee) served in the missionary field.



Immanuel Lutheran Church

CONCORDIA CONGREGATION

The Concordia Lutheran Church, located four and one half miles east of Hendrum, was founded and built in 1891 with Rev. Peer O. Stromme as its first pastor.

The founders of Concordia Church were Anders Voje, Jene Bolstad, Aslah Haaland, Martin Olson, Riley O. Knudson, Einar Saboe, Anders Haaland, Ole and Anders Knutson, Mikkell Lee and Nels Lee, Even Qualley and Ole Hoyme.



Concordia Lutheran Church

Pastors who have served besides Rev. Peer O. Stromme are J.O. Ness 1894-1910, Rev. Jacob Redahl, 1910-1913, Rev. T.A. Hagen 1914-1921, Rev. J.J. Jacobson 1921-1954, Rev. Herbert Peterson 1954-1965 and Pastor Elmer Anhalt.

Rev. J.A. Ness lived in Perley, Mn. when he served Concordia Church, driving with a team of horses and buggy. He was always on time for services, rain, shine or snow storms. He resigned in the spring of 1910 to be an instructor at Concordia College in Moorhead, Mn. Rev. Ness could speak four languages.

A basement was erected in the summer of 1916. Horse scrapers were used, with men handling the scrapers to remove the dirt. The scrapers were connected to a big log chain and pulled with a team of horses. Charles J. Ioffren, president of the First State Bank of Ada, gave one hundred dollars (\$100) towards this improvement. The members also gave donations to this project.

A horse barn was later built where the horses were sheltered during the services, as they were the only means of transportation in the early day of the church.

A Delco light plant was installed so evening services and programs could be held. The light plant had no batteries, so the motor had to be started in order to have lights. Martin Qualley was the caretaker of this light plant. In 1942 the church was connected to the R.E.A.

The church was first heated by wood burning stoves using four foot lengths of wood. Later a coal burning furnace was installed.

The first organ was pumped by hand, but later an organ was purchased that was pumped by the feet.

In the early forties the interior of the church and the basement were remodeled and redecorated. A new oil furnace was installed and a new electric organ was installed. When the interior of the church was remodeled, the carpenters found a piece of lumber stamped C.H. Eckman Co. Hendrum, Minnesota.



Interior Concordia Lutheran Church

The first baptism of the church was Hilma Qualley, now deceased. Christ Kirksether was in charge as "Klokker" for many years.

Sunday School was started as soon as the church was completed. Peter Larson was the first Superintendent. Reading with the minister for confirmation was an all day affair, each one bringing a noon lunch.

Ladies Aid was held in the homes of members. A.J. Voje was treasurer for the Aid for many years. The collection of each aid meeting amounted to about three dollars (\$3) and proceeds for the year amounting to about two hundred dollars (\$200). Quilts were pieced and tied by the members of the Aid to be sold at a fancy work auction sale which were sometimes held in the home of one of the members. Lutefisk and chicken suppers were also served in the church in the fall with the proceeds going to Missions and the upkeep of the church. We still have a fancy work and food sale every fall with a good attendance.

An annex was later added to the church with an enclosure to the basement and the sacristy. This was built by the members of the congregation.

Services are held every Sunday morning at 11:00 A.M. and Sunday School and Bible classes at 9:30 A.M. during the school year.

The bell in the steeple was moulded by The Key Stucklide Company of St. Louis, Missouri in 1892. On the bell is this inscription: —

*Hear my chimes with tones so clear,
Proclaim salvation to the world.
Hear the word of God proclaimed,
O that souls could be enticed
To commune with Christ, the Lord.
by Helen Qualley*

PONTOPPIDAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Pontoppidan Lutheran Church was located two miles directly east of Hendrum. It was built in 1891 at the approximate cost of between \$2,000.00 and \$3,000.00. It was one of the largest and most active churches in the county.



Pontoppidan Church

The Altar was built by a local carpenter in 1903, and the Altar painting was installed at the same time.

The men who have served as pastors in the church are the following: Reverends A.A. Scheie 1878-1881, O.A. Th. Solem 1881-1900, O.H. Brodlund 1900-1901, Nils Lunde 1901-1906, J.L. Redal 1906-1913, T.A. Hagen 1913-1921, J.J. Jacobson 1921-1954, Herbert Pederson 1954-1963. Reverend L.M. Skunes served temporarily in 1900-1906-1913.

The Ladies' Aid was organized in 1878 when meetings were held in various places before the church was built.

The first person to be buried in the cemetery was J. Rostvold Sr. Leslie Stennes, a son of the congregation, is a missionary and has served in Africa. He is now residing in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

After having served the Pontoppidan Congregation for three generations, the church was given to Norman County Historical Society and moved to Pioneer Village on September 1, 1971. Today this church stands in regal majesty by the side of the road proclaiming a silent tribute to all pioneers.

ST. PAULI CHURCH

The St. Pauli Congregation was organized in 1878. Some of the first members were John and Peter Grothe, John and Nels Snustad, and the Johannes, Ole, and Albert Hagens.

In 1896 St. Pauli members decided to build a church two miles north of Hendrum, just across from the John Aas farm.



Wide Awake Parochial School, About 1912

Back Row: (left to right) George Snustad, Oscar Scheide, Gust Bjordahl, Amon Tingesdal, Edwin Sather, Oliver Letness, Joseph Grande, Selmer Tingesdal, Clifford Lee, and Peter Grande. Front Row: Stella Bjordahl, Nettie Sather, Stella Hagen, Nora Grothe, Dagny Lunde, Josephine Nelson, Esther Dukleth, Mollie Opheim, Amanda Quam, Nora Bjordahl, and Stella Scheide.

Their first cemetery site had to be abandoned because of the high water table in the soil. Later P.J. Grothe offered an acre of land for a new cemetery which is approximately two miles east of Hendrum. Each family having a member buried in the original cemetery was ordered to move the remains to the new cemetery.



Old St. Pauli Church, Hendrum, Minnesota

The following pastors have served in the St. Pauli Church — Reverends A. Megrund 1880-1893, Krogstad 1893-1901, L.M. Skunes 1901-1906, J.L. Redal 1906-1913, T.A. Hagen 1913-1921, and J.J. Jacobson 1921-1940. Some of these pastors received an annual salary of \$125.00 a year.

The Norwegian language had been used exclusively until the new generation became involved and then the English language came into use.

On September 9, 1937, St. Pauli church was struck by lightning and burned to the ground with all its contents. Church activities were then carried on in the Wide Awake School for about three years. The congregation considered rebuilding the Church but decided not to, and most of the members joined Immanuel Congregation in Hendrum.



St. Pauli Ladies Aid — At Arthur Freestad Farm — 1918 or 1919. Front row: Hilda Hagen, Josephine Freestad, Clara Ohme, Ingeborg Aas holding Lawrence Kolness, Bernice Bjordahl holding Owen Grinde, Nora Grothe holding Mildred Snustad, Ruby Rask holding Inez Snustad, Gertrude Grande, Alva Letness, Stella Rask. Back row: Mrs. Ed Holland, Mrs. Torval Kolness, Mrs. Peder Magnuson, Mrs. Martin Quam, Mrs. Ove Letness, Laura Hauge, Mrs. Carl Snustad, Mrs. John Sather, Mrs. Fred Opheim, Mrs. Albert Grothe, Signe Letness, Mathilda Hagen.

HENDRUM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Geographically this church is in Minnesota but belongs to the Presbytery of Fargo in Synod of North Dakota since 1933. Prior to that time it belonged to Adams Presbytery in Minnesota. The Hendrum church is an outgrowth of a missionary enterprise under the Elm River Church which had been organized in 1879. Rev. Chas. W. McCarthy was preaching at Elm River from the spring of 1884 to October 1890, when Mr. Charles Canning, father of J.H. Canning and Mr. H.M. Parker urged the formation of a Sunday School and later a church organization at Hendrum.



Presbyterian Church, Hendrum, Minn.



Presbyterian Women — Aasta Grady, Jessie Brooks, Helen Canning, Grace Scoville, Olga McLaughlin, Ella McDowell, Clara Harrington, Grace Hall, Edith Marsden, Annie Grady, Edith Ford, Sophie Dullum, Lovilla Nichol, Isabelle Todd, Gerry Gadberry, Helen Hall, Minnie Lewis, Gretchen Scoville, Sarah Dietz, girl - Kathy Hall. About 1946.

The first services were held in a schoolhouse located on the southwest corner of the platted townsite of Hendrum Village. Mr. Parker was the Sunday School Superintendent and led in the singing. He was the son of an Episcopalian missionary, and was born in China. After he left Hendrum, he became an Episcopal clergyman in North Carolina.

The early attendance was from members of the Canning and Parker families; also members of the family of Mr. Samuel Todd attending Sunday School, and others attending including the family of Mr. Moffatt, a grain buyer.



Presbyterian Church, Hendrum, Minn.

When communion services were held in the early days of the Hendrum church such services had to be held at Elm River Church since Hendrum had no ordained elders.

Later on Mr. Alexander Douglas moved into the community. He and his family, and later his son-in-law, Mr. Adam Nichol, proved very faithful and loyal members. Mr. Thomas Canning moved into the Hendrum community and became a faithful member of the church.

Through the efforts of the Sunday School missionary societies of North Dakota and Minnesota, it was decided to establish church organizations at Grandin and Hendrum. They were put together with Elm River under the same pastor and so continued until 1946 when Elm River and Hendrum united and made one organization at Hendrum. Through the years one pastor served the three churches except a short

time in 1918-1920. The organizational meeting of the Hendrum Church was held August 7, 1892, when the Rev. T.E. Douglas was pastor. James M. Witherow, later of Moorhead, acted as clerk of the meeting. The charter members who brought letters from other churches were Robert Anderson and his wife, Martha J. Anderson; William Black; Mrs. Jane Cochran; Mrs. Elsie Nichol; Samuel Todd and his wife Eliza J. Todd and their daughter, Miss Roxanne. Those who came on profession of faith were: William Armstrong and his wife; Mrs. Annie Anderson (mother of Robert and Wm.); Wm. Anderson; W.D. Bangs and wife; Mrs. Arthur Black; Mrs. Cora Beattie; Thomas Canning and wife, Mary E; Mrs. C.W. Canning (Mary); Mrs. Letitia Douglas (Mrs. Joseph); Robert Dunn and wife; Arthur Marsden and wife, Elizabeth; Mrs. Elizabeth Moffett; Mrs. Nichol, Sr.; Joseph Orr, and Thomas Semple. Thus, there were eight who came by letter and twenty by profession of faith. Thomas Canning and Robert Anderson were elected elders; the former for two years, the latter for one year.

On September 15, 1892, they issued a call for a meeting to elect trustees. This meeting was held October 9, 1892, at their usual meeting place. Arthur Marsden was chairman of the meeting and W.D. Bangs was clerk. Samuel Todd also was the chairman and the clerk, then they were elected trustees, with tenure of office being decided by lot. Mr. Todd was chosen for three years, the others two and one respectively.

In 1893, a frame church building was erected in Hendrum at a cost of two thousand dollars. It underwent various improvements through the years. Finally a larger building was decided on. The first one was sold and the present one was erected in 1949 and completed in April of 1950.

According to the records we have the following list of pastors: Rev. Chas. McCarthy as previously stated, from spring of 1884-October, 1890; Rev. Waite, October 1890 to October 1891; Rev. T.E. Douglas, spring 1892-fall 1894; Rev. Thomas Hickling, spring 1895-spring 1897; Rev. Allen Lang, fall 1897-October 1899; Rev. Thomas D. Whittles, February, 1900-1904; Rev. William Ogg, 1904-1908; Rev. H.D. Robertson, 1908-1914; Rev. N.F. Brand, 1916-1917; Rev. J. Shible, 1917-1920; Rev. H. Edward Jones, 1920 to November, 1921; Rev. J. Way Huey, February 1922-October 1, 1925; Rev. Wm. Sherwin, Nov. 1925-November, 1931; Rev. John McDonald, February 1932-April 1937; Rev. Robert Gray, March 1938-June, 1940; Rev. G. Wm. Bernum, September 2, 1940-September 1943; Rev. John H. K. Moffett, January 1, 1944 to February 1952; Rev. Donald Raylor, June 1952.

The elders included Robert Anderson and Thomas Canning, ordained August 7, 1892; and William Black, probably later 1892, W.D. Bangs, October 6, 1895, William Anderson, Adam Nichol and Thomas Semple all ordained April 16, 1905; J.H. Canning and Arthur Marsden December 27, 1914; Lawrence A. Anderson September 23, 1923; William Anderson reinstated April 2, 1933 (had belonged to Elm River for several

years); Mrs. Edith A. Marsden April 3, 1942; Charles E. Grady and Edwin B. McDowell, Elders from Elm River Church installed in Hendrum April 28, 1946; James McAndrew ordained May 22, 1949; Joseph W. Anderson and Thomas Marsden Hall ordained March 29, 1953; Mrs. Chas. E. Grady ordained November 24, 1957. A Rotary system of elders was adopted November 1956.

James Witherow in the early days assisted in the Sunday School and also started the Christian Endeavor Society which flourished for many years.

The Sunday School had been active all the years with various people faithfully acting as officers and teachers. The attendance had varied from the twenties to the seventies.

The Ladies Aid has flourished in the later years and has had many faithful workers. They have helped in many a worthy cause.

The Church was a result of a missionary enterprise and the subject of missions has been ever kept before the members.

At the time of dedication of the new church building on June 11, 1950; the only charter members still living were W.D. Bangs, ninety-four years old of Glendive, Montana; also, Mrs. Letitia Douglas of San Diego, California, and Mrs. Roxanne Todd Wertmann of Santa Monica, California.

Because of declining membership, the church was formally dissolved April 6, 1975. A closing service was held on that day.

MISSION HOUSE

The "Mission House" in Hendrum was located at the site of the twelve-complex apartment building West of the Lutheran Church. It was built by a few families who were interested and active in missionary work. Pastors, missionaries and evangelists came from various places to hold weekly services in the "Mission House." Some of the foreign missionaries, sponsored by these families, came on their furloughs to hold services there.



Mission House — east of Creamery
(Original site)

The "Mission House" was also used by the Lutheran Church Women for their activities as "Ladies Aid" meetings, bazaars and auction sales. Later, a basement was added to the old Lutheran Church for those purposes.



Mission House — East of Immanuel Church
(Jim Brooks)

In 1927, the Mission House was moved to the lot east of the Lutheran Church, to make room for the new Hendrum Co-op Creamery, built in 1928.

In the mid 1940's, the Mission House was sold by the few remaining members to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Laabs. They remodeled it and made it into their home. It is in the same location — east of the Lutheran Church.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH MUSIC

Music has played a very important part in the church throughout the years. There has always been a good supply of musical talent, and much singing has been enjoyed — not only the hymn singing, but through choirs and special musical groups. Mrs. Oliver Letness is our faithful organist, with Lorraine Nelson playing one Sunday a month. Through the years Immanuel has had both Junior and Senior Choirs. The present Senior Choir director is Mrs. Raymond Grothe and Mrs. Oliver Letness as accompanist.

CEMETERY

While history records the lives of men, the cemetery cradles the dust of their mortal remains. For one hundred years, the Immanuel Cemetery has been the burial place of the early pioneers and their descendants. Through the years the graves have been kept in neat condition by family members. Oliver Letness, the present cemetery sexton has served for over thirty years to keep the cemeteries in good condition.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH ALCW

In 1881, Rev. Peer Stromme helped to organize the first Women's Mission group into a Ladies Aid under a constitution. At first, the women met in the forenoon in the homes, with the pastor leading in devotions. They busied themselves by knitting, crocheting, embroidering, quilting and making dresses and skirts. As time moved on the women met for only afternoon meetings. For years all proceeds were used for missionary purposes, but as needs arose in the home church, the women began to assume financial responsibility in repairs and improvements.

The Moorhead Circuit Women's Missionary Federation (WMF) was organized in Hendrum in 1920

and continued with the Moorhead Circuit until 1955, when we affiliated with the Wild Rice Circuit.

In 1960, through the church merger, the Immanuel Ladies Aid became the American Lutheran Church Women (ALCW) and became affiliated with the Crookston Conference. The purpose of the ALCW is to Know and Do the Will of our Lord Jesus Christ, with the Bible as our text and the Scope our official magazine. The ALCW meets the first Wednesday of each month when a program is presented, and the Circles meet the third Wednesday of the month, usually in the homes, for Bible Study.

Immanuel ALCW meets twice a year to tie quilts for Lutheran World Relief, along with a clothing drive. They also support the Indian Missions in N.D. and Mn., the Latin American and Migrant Missions and help support Kay (Scholl) Brekke from our church, who is a Bible translator in Columbia.

Through the years our members have been faithful in attending Circuit and Conference Conventions and have at times hired a bus for transportation. Each year the circles visit and present a program and bring lunch to the residents of the Wimmer, Twin Valley and Halstad Memorial Home. Our present pastor's wife, Mrs. Lillian Anhalt, served as Crookston Conference President from 1968-1972.

The Immanuel Women remember with gratitude the pastors and their wives who so faithfully have attended our meeting and given us the much needed spiritual support. We also want to honor our pioneer mothers, who worked so hard to bring us where we are today. They put their trust in God and worked to further His Kingdom here on earth. Our hope is that we can carry on the work begun by them.

MISSION BROTHERHOOD

Mission Brotherhood was organized on December 9, 1913 in the home of Rev. T.A. Hagen. It consisted of members from the four churches in the area; namely, Immanuel, Pontoppidan, Concordia and St. Pauli. Meetings were held in the homes and the Mission House. Programs consisted of songs, devotions, Missionary readings, and Bible Studies. Money was used to help those in need locally and to missions. It began as an organization for men, but as the years progressed the women became an active part of the organization, and in 1964, they changed the name to "The Ambassadors".



Mission Brotherhood

MEN OF IMMANUEL

On November 7, 1955, a group of men met in the church for the purpose of organizing an Immanuel Brotherhood. "Men of Immanuel" was the name given the organization and "Greater Works" is the official magazine. This group does many worthwhile projects for the church. Annually they sponsor a Father-Son banquet, serve an ice cream social, prepare and give topics for layman's Sunday, each year arrange a schedule for ushers, give donations to missions, nursing homes, Bible Camp and so forth, just to name a few.

IMMANUEL SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School was organized in 1885 and in 1905, English was taught in the school for the first time. The first mention of a Christmas Tree was in 1896 and now each year a committee makes all arrangements for a tree, and the Sunday School children give a program on a Sunday afternoon in December with the offering proceeds given to the Lake Park Wild Rice Children's Home, Lake Park, Mn. Through the years they have also given support to needy children overseas. Sunday School meets each Sunday morning at 9:40 following church services for grades Nursery through 12th. Grades Nursery through 6, sing for church services, several times a year.

RELEASE TIME and VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The early pioneers had a very earnest concern for a religious education for the young people. In 1878 a committee was chosen to organize the "Norwegian Religious Skole". School was to begin in the log church

in November and continue as long as weather permitted, usually from one to two months. In 1941 our release-time school was begun, with Mrs. James (Amelia) Grothe teaching all grades, which took all day. Now we have a teacher for each grade (1-7) and they meet each Wednesday morning in the church. In 1975 the Perley children began school in Hendrum and enrolled in the release-time school, so now some of our teachers are from the Perley area. Immanuel also has one week of Vacation Bible School each summer in June. They present a program following the Brotherhood ice cream social.

IMMANUEL LUTHER LEAGUE

The Young People's Society had its beginning in the early days of the church and has been an active organization where the young people have had the opportunity to work together in Christian fellowship. The society, through the years, has inspired and stirred the young people with fine programs of songs and readings. From the lunch collections and other special functions they raised money which helped to pay for needed improvements in the church, and were able to sponsor different projects.

In 1954 Pastor Peterson organized our Youth Fellowship, which is a Parish branch of the Luther League for the young people of high school age. The Luther League is mostly a family league with occasional programs for the whole family. The Youth Fellowship is for the youth, offering both recreational and spiritual fellowship and guidance. One of the highlights is the yearly trip to Minneapolis in January to the L.E.M. Convention for the youth, with Pastor and Mrs. Anhalt.



1,100 ATTEND FIRST GAME IN HENDRUM GYMNASIUM

Hendrum, Minn. — The census figures took a beating here Tuesday night, as over 1,100 people crowded into the new Hendrum Community Center.

Hendrum, with a population of 350, got its first chance to show Norman County fans its \$100,000 structure, with the feature attraction being the basketball game between the Hendrum and Ada high school teams.

The Hendrum cagers tried hard to make it a victorious opening, but succumbed to the high-scoring Ada outfit, 71-54.

For the Hendrum fans, the dedication climaxed over a year of waiting and hoping for the best for its "orphan" basketball team.

The old Hendrum gymnasium burned on Thanksgiving day of 1950.

It was the biggest day for this town in many years, more than some residents could recall. And the community was quick to respond. The opening ceremonies were scheduled at 8 P.M. Fans began arriving at 5:30. By 6:30, the auditorium looked reasonably full. But they were still squeezing in at 7:30.

Superintendent G.I. Sholy was master of ceremonies for the dedication. Jack Eickhof, representing the construction company, presented a plaque to Samuel Ingberg, school board president. Arthur Johnson, chairman of a fund-raising drive to equip the center, spoke briefly. Sholy also introduced coaches, teams, officials and visiting members of the press and radio. Music for the event was furnished by a high school band under the direction of Gerald Christianson and Alex Stoffel, both students at MSTC.

People who had never seen a basketball game turned out to see the opening night events. Hendrum plans for more than just basketball games in its new addition. Meetings of various organizations are already on the docket for this month. The auditorium is likely to be jammed again Saturday night, when another keen rival, Halstad, furnishes the basketball opposition. The North Star league will have its south half independent team tourney here next week.

Construction is still not complete on the center, part of a \$190,000 undertaking which will be an addition to Hendrum's school. The addition will include three new classrooms, a new office, a boiler room, cafeteria and locker rooms. Sholy said the project should be complete by March 30, when the official dedication will be made.

Johnson's committee is out to raise \$4,500, the largest part of which will be spent for the new bleachers and glass backboards. The new bleachers will "comfortably seat" 1,100. Ada and Halstad high schools supplied bleachers for the opening night, showing the goodwill which exists even though there is fierce rivalry on the basketball court.

The gymnasium is the largest in South Sub-District 30 and the second largest in the district. The playing

court is 44 × 76. It was a happy occasion for high school basketball Coach Bill Zwarych and his Hendrum Huskies. They have had to travel to nearby Perley for practices since the fire and play all their games on foreign courts.

Zwarych, in his second year at Hendrum smilingly recalled that it was the first night his team had enjoyed that "home court advantage" since he came here. It didn't take long to prove that there was nothing faulty about the construction of the baskets.

Ada Coach Dan Ruoff's Vikings rolled to period leads of 17-10, 32-23 and 55-42. Altogether, 9 players registered at least 9 points for the night's work. Dick Nielson of Ada was top scorer with 24. Bruce Douglas paced Hendrum with 18.

Taken from the Fargo Forum Wednesday Evening, February 6, 1952

Thursday, June 8, 1950

SOFTBALL LEAGUE FORMED TO PLAY AT HENDRUM

A Softball league has been formed at Hendrum with Charlie Smart as president and Howard Voiles, secretary. Play will start Friday of this week, with the schedule as follows:

- June 9, North vs. South.
- June 12, East vs. Dakota.
- June 14, North vs. East.
- June 16, South vs. Dakota.
- June 19, North vs. Dakota.
- June 23, South vs. East.

The second half of the schedule will start June 26 with the teams playing in the same order as the first half.

Members of the teams are as follows:

North — Ernest Lura, Mgr., Melvin Mjones, Howard Voiles, Huseby, Reuben Jacobson, Arnold Anderson, Leslie Underlee, Steward Ystebo, Francis Dyrendahl, Olger Dukleth, Jim Brooks, Howard Rustad, Charlie Ogard, Lewis Jacobson.

East — Don Helland, Mgr., Albert Meline, John Meline, Harris Viker, Wilbur Walters, Tom Todd, Roger Grothe, Raymond Grothe, Hjalmer Hamstad, Homer Stennes, Lester Alexander, Ingman Bolstad, Carrol Tommerdahl, Leland Stordahl, Arnold Rustvold.

South — Eddie Stordahl, Mgr., Duane Stordahl, Erling Holland, Orris Holland, Einar Kolness, Sherman Kolness, Herb Gadberry, Clarence Johnson, Ormond Johnson, G.I. Sholy, Loren Viker, Vernon Nygaard, Lewey Ostenson, Alvin Qualley, Paul Hviding, Noble Nelson, Don Sparrow, Chester Jacobson, Lyle Haugen, Earl Sjoberg, Ernie Wold, Sam McLaughlin.

Dakota — Tommy Hall, Mgr., Donald Hall, Jim Marsden, Howard Marsden, Jim McAndrew, Joe Anderson, Cliff Lusso, Junior Lusso, Victor Johnson, Sanford Johnson, John Platt, Ray Scholl, Lloyd Willer, Duane Smart, Clayton Berg, Harvey Scoville, Chick Harrington, Frank Harrington, Leslie Ford.

MEDICAL HISTORY OF HENDRUM, MINNESOTA

For a time after the settlers arrived in this area they were without a doctor. Many home remedies, made from gathered and dried herbs, were used. It was only when these remedies failed that a family tried to find a doctor. Most sicknesses came during the night so a member of the family jumped on a horse and went to get the nearest doctor. The doctor's weapons to fight disease were very inadequate for he had no antibiotics, no anesthesia, nor many other cures of today. His medicines were limited, but his voice was kind, hands gentle, and just his presence gave courage to the patient and family.

In 1895 Dr. Marius Hanson decided to set up an office in Hendrum. He was a graduate of the Medical Department of the University of Minnesota. He successfully practiced medicine and surgery in Hendrum for many years. His office was situated in the house that is now owned and occupied by Mrs. Agnes Hviding. After having practiced for some time in Hendrum, he decided to take a postgraduate course in surgery at Rush Medical College in Chicago, Illinois. While taking this course his health failed.

Dr. Briggs then came to Hendrum in 1915. He was here only a short time, but while here he performed some surgery. Mrs. Gena Nelson (Gena Lee) tells of one incident when he was called to her family's farm home. Gena needed an appendectomy right away, so Dr. Briggs performed the operation right in her mother's kitchen on the table. Gena's brother George recalls that before Dr. Briggs would do anything he made George and other members of the family go outside until he was through. After a short time Dr. Briggs moved to Moorhead.

About 1916 Dr. Axel Oftedahl came to Hendrum and set up his office in the house that Bessie Ohnstad owns. He also stayed just a short time, but then his brother Dr. Trygve Oftedahl came. He set up office in the house that Harry McLaughlins now own. It wasn't too long before he also left Hendrum and went to Fargo where he practiced for many years. A Hendrum girl, Alma Roe, went to nurses training in Fargo, and when she graduated in 1924, she worked for Dr. Trygve Oftedahl for some time before she moved to California.

After 1918, Dr. Sommerfelt came and set up business in the house that is occupied and owned by Reuben Olson. He was the last Dr. to practice in Hendrum. From then on anyone needing a doctor had to go to Halstad, Ada, or Fargo-Moorhead.

During 1918 a terrible outbreak of flu hit the Hendrum and surrounding area. Many people contacted this and many people died. People became ill suddenly, feeling perfectly well one minute and shivering with a high fever the next. An exposed person could become ill within 3 days; the fever would last up to five days, and if there were no complications, recovery was rapid. Many of the deaths were due to secondary complications — chiefly pneumonia — as

there were no wonder drugs such as we have today to fight it or to prevent the initial infection.

There were no dentists that came and set up a practice in Hendrum permanently. Although one would stop regularly at the Hendrum House (a local hotel). Two of these were Dr. Davenport and Dr. Saunderson. Now dentists are visited in the nearby towns.

DR. ESKIL ERICKSON

In 1930, Halstad's dentist, Dr. L.J. Fihn, induced his friend, Eskil Erickson, a physician and surgeon in practice in Garretson, S.D. to look over the opportunity for service in Halstad. Having been favorably impressed, Dr. Erickson arrived in 1931 to begin practice and to become for the next thirty years the beloved friend of everyone in the area.

To quote a newspaper account of his passing: "Never in the history of Halstad had so many people attended a funeral as were here to pay their last respects to Dr. Erickson. An estimated 1000 persons attended the funeral and equally as many passed through the chapel of First Lutheran Church where his body lay in State. Business places and the schools of Hendrum and Halstad were closed for the service."

"Pastor Oleson, who conducted the service, spoke on faithfulness, mercy and compassion and said that Dr. Erickson was dedicated to his calling, 'the ministry of mercy' and his compassion for the welfare of people spent him. He added, 'We are grateful to God for everything Dr. Erickson meant to us!'"

Eskil Erickson was born October 10, 1901 in Wheaton, Mn. He attended Hamline University and was graduated in medicine from the University of Minnesota. He interned at Ancker Hospital in St. Paul, Mn. and practiced for a short time in Garretson, S.D. On September 14, 1935, he married Frances Fitzgerald of Green Bay, Wisconsin. They had one daughter Karen Marie. Mrs. Erickson died on December 24, 1962."

Because of his failing health, Dr. Erickson was forced to give up practice for a few months in 1959, but he had been permitted to return to his work. He had just completed surgery at St. John's Hospital, Fargo, and was removing his gloves when he was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage. He died within hours, February 19, 1960.

Dr. Erickson was a member of the Board of Sunnyrest Sanitarium, Crookston; and on the staff of St. John's Fargo, N.D.; St. Ansgar Hospital, Moorhead, Mn.; Bethesda and St. Francis Hospitals of Crookston, Mn.; Ada and Hillsboro Community Hospitals. He was a member of the Halstad Lutheran Church, the local school board, and of Masonic bodies of Halstad, Crookston and Fargo.

Again, to quote: "He was a modest gentleman who never sought or wanted any special recognition for himself. His own personal welfare was given the least attention. Truly it can be said of him that he gave 'the

last full measure of devotion!"

In his memory, Dr. Erickson's wife and daughter presented an electric carillon to the Halstad Lutheran Church.

DR. GLENN WAYNE BROWN

Halstad's present physician, Dr. Glenn Wayne Brown is a strictly home-grown product.

Born in Halstad in 1925, the son of Gilmer and Caroline Fischer Brown, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Brown, he can trace his connection with Norman County back a hundred years.

He is a graduate of Halstad High School and a veteran of three years' service in the Navy. After completing the four year course in pharmacy at North Dakota State University, he matriculated at University of North Dakota in the College of Medicine, completing his training at the University of Nebraska. Dr. Glenn interned at Ancker Hospital, St. Paul, and practiced for several years in Bottineau, North Dakota.

When the community lost Dr. Erickson, various organizations and individuals undertook to induce Dr. Brown to take up practice in Halstad and after much persuasion were successful.

Dr. Brown married Harriet Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Johnson of Bottineau. Mr. Johnson was a Halstad product as he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eilert Johnson of Halstad. Harriet Johnson Brown graduated from St. Olaf College, Northfield, and also attended Wayne University, Detroit, Michigan, getting her Master of Arts degree as a medical technician.

Dr. Glenn and Harriet Brown came to Halstad in 1960. Glenn replacing Dr. Erickson. They have three children — Nancy, Paul and Margaret, called Peggy.

HENDRUM COMMUNITY BUILDING

A word should be said about the community hall of the village of Hendrum. It was completed in 1917 at a cost of approximately seven thousand dollars and is the most beautiful, and at the same time, the most unique building of its kind in the county. It is a stucco frame structure, fitted throughout in a most artistic manner, and has the largest and best appointed auditorium in the county.



Auditorium Burning — Thanksgiving Morning, 1950

It was built by an agreement between the citizens of the village and the farmers of the surrounding community. It was built by voluntary subscription, the citizens taking shares of stock. It should be said to the credit of the farmers that they subscribed liberally to the undertaking.

There is a library and reading rooms, rest rooms, kitchen with a full complement of cooking utensils. In fact, it embodies all the latest ideas in a community house. Here the people of the entire community meet on Saturday afternoon and other times, when meetings in the public park can not be held on account of the weather conditions. Public discussions, lectures, dramatic performances find a home here, and in every way the building is made to serve the people of the community.



Auditorium, Hendrum, Minnesota

A park and community building such as this is only possible where a community spirit has been developed. Among the leaders in the movement which brought this building to the village may be mentioned the following: Peter O. Ingberg, A.M. Eckman, H.O. Rask, T.G. Ingberg, O.D. Larson, J.C. Canning, K.J. Ostby, Oscar G. Ness, Rev. T. A. Hagen, Jens Landro, Andrew Gordon, Carl Stordahl, and many others, together with their wives. These people are to be congratulated on what they have done for their community and it is to be hoped that other townships of the county will follow their example and provide similar buildings.

Taken from the book Clay and Norman Co. — 1918



Bleachers Installed in Auditorium

The community building was used by the High School as a gymnasium. The High School basketball games were played in the building. The Hendrum Independent Basketball Team also played its games there. Sometime in the 1940's the reading room was dismantled and bleachers were installed in that space.

During that period the auditorium was also used for all school events such as P.T.A., declam contests, singing groups, school productions, class plays and so

forth. On Wednesday night — the night before Thanksgiving Day, 1950 — a class play was given at the auditorium. Thursday morning — Thanksgiving Day — was cold, gray, blustery and windy. Early in the morning the building started to burn and burned to the ground.

THE HENDRUM PEST HOUSE

In the city's early days, the town was near equally divided by two opposing factions — the Irish Presbyterians and the Norwegian Lutherans. The Irish settled mainly on the western side of the Great Northern Railroad Tracks and into North Dakota; while those of Scandinavian descent lived in the eastern section of the city.

Nothing really serious divided the Norwegians and the Irish, just petty squabbles about differences in religions and nationality pride . . . But even so, it was still considered absolutely scandalous when the first Norwegian boy married an Irish lass!

At that time, when someone came down with a contagious disease they were quarantined in a building called the "Pest House" to be treated and to keep the illness from spreading. They had to be very careful, because many diseases that can now be treated by modern medicine, could then become a deadly epidemic. At the turn of the century, Diphtheria swept through Hendrum and the lives of twenty one children were lost!

Politics always played a major part in the location of the city's Pest House. When the Irish could capture the city council, the pest house would be moved onto the east side of the railroads' tracks in Norwegian territory, and back to the Irish side on the west when the Lutherans would win the next election.

This went on, back and forth, for many years when Hendrum was still a young and growing village, until finally . . . it was burned to the ground!

As the years passed, there became less and less of a conflict between the two groups. Families of both sides married into one another, and the city began to unify. Eventually a bank was established by the Norwegians on the east side, and businesses began leaving the west end of town. In 1975 the Hendrum Presbyterian Church, located where the now Westside Apartments are, closed its doors and many members joined the Hendrum Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Still, when you check on the last names of people living on the west end of town and adjoining countryside, they are predominantly Irish, while Norwegians remain on the east!

BOAT BUILDERS BUSY

Louis Johnson, H.H. Hanson, E. Gausen and E. Letness have been busy the past week turning out a merchant marine. Several small boats have been built, and one ferry has been constructed. The float is 7 × 14, and will be used on the Red River to convey people back and forth across the creek, when the high water comes this spring and prevents the use of the bridge.

HENDRUM BRIDGES

The Red River wooden bridge was constructed in 1896. For many years the wooden bridge would be removed when the spring floods occurred. In 1899 the bridge had floated to near Halstad but was recovered. A steel bridge was constructed over the Red River beginning December 4, 1950 and completed June 6, 1952. An extension to the bridge was made beginning on October 1970 and completed in 1971.



Red River Steel Bridge, built in 1950, an extension in 1970.



Old bridge across Wild Rice River east of Hendrum.



New bridge over Wild Rice River east of Hendrum, built in 1978.



This bridge still in use on old Highway 75, north of Hendrum.

THE HENDRUM COMMUNITY PARK

Historical records printed in 1918 inform us that a corporation was formed under the leadership of H.O. Rask, A.M. Eckmann, and P.O. Ingberg, directors of the State Bank of Hendrum, for the purpose of purchasing a ten-acre plot of virgin forest land. This area was northeast of the village and was to be donated to the village and township to be "forever" set aside as a public playground. The farmers in the surrounding community have declared Saturday afternoon a half-holiday, and they gather for their favorite games. This most astute foresight by our three public-spirited leaders proved to be a cohesive influence to the betterment and "togetherness" of community life down to the present day.



1916

The park was a beautiful acreage of virgin timber and wild flowers where birds and animals found peace and refuge. The huge iron cannon acting as a sentinel at the entrance stirred up our imaginations. This piece of artillery was a relic of the Civil War undoubtedly shipped up from Fort Snelling. It was a tragic day when this integral part of our youth yielded up to patriotism and joined the scrap iron drive.

Donations came in and before long a large open air auditorium was constructed. This building with its stage and numerous benches still is in use. Next, a lunch stand with roll-up "windows" was built South of the auditorium. This proved to be the nucleus of all the "extra" goodies such as candy and ice cream to add to our picnics. Merry-go-rounds and swings were erected nearby for children.



Entry to Hendrum Park, note cannon in foreground.



1918, The cannon in the Hendrum Park. Chester Ingberg, Alma Roe, Albert Roe, Irene Rinnan.

The most vivid and notable gatherings in the early years were called "Old Settler's Picnics." These were held the last part of June for three days and repeated for many years. Families came from every part of the community, and nearby towns such as Crookston, Shelly, Halstad, Ada, etc., to picnic, visit and play games. Of course a few "reminiscences" and a little "politics" from long-winded speakers never cooled our enthusiasm.

The lunch stand became the busiest spot in the park. I can still hear my father, Oscar Ingberg, who was always in charge of the ice cream kegs shouting, "I scream, you scream, we all scream for ICE CREAM!"



1916 — In Hendrum Park

A family enjoying a ride on the Merry-Go-Round, note the wooden platform, volunteers pushed it around.

The years of "Old Settlers" were usually enlivened towards the end of each day by the weather man, as is his wont during picnics. The thunder, lightening and sheets of rain poured down until the park and roads were engulfed. The businessmen had to send out trucks to haul us by the dozens in to town. There, we found the water in the gutters running like lakes and provided us with muddy swimming for days.

Organizations such as Camp Fire Girls, Boy Scouts, etc., always found meeting places in the park. Church and Sunday School picnics were held there. Oliver Letness told me a large funeral was even conducted once with "thousands" attending. This was in honor of A.M. Eckmann, the early pioneer and eminent businessman.

For several years during and after the depression, the park was more or less in a static state with local

residents acting as caretakers. However, two separate barbecue pits were constructed by Dennis Kolness, David Haug and Alan Christopherson of the Hendrum Mfg. Company, all of whom donated labor and time. Picnic tables were installed and later painted by the 4-H's.

A new park board was organized in 1977 with Eddie Oien, Gordon Nesvold and Irving Storsved representing the village and Dwight Vargeson, James Storsved and Verne Qualley from the township.



Hendrum Park, View of open air shelter built in 1978.

Inspiration for the above organization came about because of the Laucon Federal Grant to the village for its "beautification and betterment." Under the supervision of the two councils and the park board, the money was allocated for the further improvement of the Hendrum Park.

The first addition was an open-air shelter built on a cement slab with kitchen facilities in one end. This shelter has been a rewarding "fun" place for dances and community picnics.

Next, a well was dug by the Meloyd Jacobson family in memory of Meloyd. Two comfort stations were constructed in the North area. A new slide, back-board basketball stand, parallel bars, and three spring animals were added for the enjoyment of children. Also a baseball diamond with bleachers was set aside on the northeast section.

The above facilities combined with the original have been a boon to the Community Club during their annual Fall Festivals. Many activities such as tractor



Hendrum Park; Open Air Shelter, barbecue pits, 3 spring animals.

pulls, games, races and not least the delicious barbecue suppers were enjoyed. These activities are always eagerly anticipated by area residents.



Hendrum Park: Auditorium, open air shelter, food stand.



View of Hendrum Park: open air shelter, auditorium, food stand.

No longer does the muzzle of the ancient iron cannon glare out at an occasional vandal or speed racer. The present park board has seen fit to erect a wood split-cedar and chain-link fence which encompasses the park. This fence will protect the Hendrum Community Park as a "public playground forever," as was the original plan by the founders of the park.

by Clarice Ingberg Nygaard



AMERICAN LEGION HOLLAND-SWENSON POST #434, HENDRUM, MINNESOTA

The American Legion Post #434, Hendrum, Minnesota was organized, January 24, 1920. Eligibility date for members was from April 6, 1917-November 11, 1918. This was the period during World War II, the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam Conflict. Over these periods our service men have served and are eligible for membership.

After World War II, in April 1946, American Legion Post #434, was named in memory of two of our local young men who lost their lives in World War II, while serving their country.

T-Sgt. Earl Milton Holland was born near Hendrum, Mn. December 9, 1920. While serving as flight engineer and top turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator Bomber based in England, he was reported missing after failing to return from a flight over Oslo, Norway, November 18, 1943.



T-Sgt. Earl Milton Holland



Lt. Donald Swenson

Lt. Donald (Punky) Swenson was born near Gardner, N.D. July 16, 1921 and was reported lost in action in Italy, February 7, 1945, while a Navigator with the 15th Air Force. This was his 12th mission on a B-24 Liberator Bomber.

The American Legion organization has sworn to uphold the constitution of the United States, to preserve the memories of the great wars, is dedicated to 100% Americanism, involving ourselves in county and community activities and supporting the needs of our local communities.

The American Legion is a non-profit organization. Post records show that in the last 62 years, we have participated in and supported community activities; such as Boy Scouts, baseball, Independent basketball,



Odin Aune, Commander, Ken Orvik, past Dist. Commander presenting Adolph Lee certificate for 63 years continuous membership. July 14, 1981, in 1982 will be 65 years.



Some of the members of Holland-Swenson Post #434 — 1981
Left to right: Marvin Martinson, Robert Nygaard, Donavan Kolness, Verne Qualley, James Storsved, William Roquet, Tom Tommerdahl, Donald Hall, John Storsved, Bill Berg, Odin Aune, Nordal Nelson.



Memorial Day Service, 1981

dances, roller skating, ice skating, bingo and the swimming program which has been for over 25 years. The Legion also has given to many charitable organizations and to people in need.

As time progresses, we intend to be better in making a better community in which to live.

The American Legion, Holland-Swenson Post #434 has 68 members.

We pay tribute to these service men and women who have served their country and passed on.

IN MEMORIUM

John Aas
Arne Bergh
John Bergh
Palmer Bergh
Ingval Bjerkan
Chester Brattland
Oliver Dukleth
Oscar Dukleth
Marvin Dullum
Eugene Engle
Lars Foss
Linton Grady
Jennie Clara Grande
Leonard Grande
Carl Grothe
Kenneth Hanson
Earl Holland
Paul Hviding
Albert Ingberg
Earl Ingberg
Samuel Ingberg
Joseph Jacobson
Meloyd Jacobson
Olgar Jacobson
Herbert Johnson

Sherman Kolness
Oscar Kragness
John Larson
Gurdon Lewis
William Milligan
Edgar Neibling
Philip Nelson
Chester Oien
Allen Rask
Harold Rask
Oliver Rask
Joseph Semeling
Ole Semeling
William Sterton
Gerald Stordahl
Donald Swenson
Oliver Swenson
Oscar Trom
Alfred Ulvan
Arne Vaage
Ole Wangberg
Oliver Wangberg
Robert Watters
Mr. Weller
Gilbert Wick

Lowell Huseby, Post Adj.

HOLLAND-SWENSON AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

The American Legion Auxiliary of the Holland-Swenson Post No. 434 of Hendrum, Minn., was organized in February, 1947. Twelve members were present at this meeting, and Doris Jacobson, now Mrs. Art Iverson of Tioga, North Dakota, was elected its first president. Application for a Charter was made, and on May 6th, 1947 the first initiation and installation was held at the Hendrum High School, with members of the Ada Unit in charge. Fourteen members became Charter Members, namely; Doris Jacobson, Mrs. Robert Larson, Mrs. Myrtle Douglas, Mrs. Gilbert Wick, Mrs. Chester Smith, Mrs. Harley Stennes, Orpha Rustvold, Mollie Rustvold, Mrs. William Hall, Mrs. Tina Jacobson, Mrs. Walter Jacobson, Mrs. Nels Larson, Mrs. Lewey Jacobson, and Annette Jacobson Kuvaas. Five of the above are still members of our Unit, namely: Mrs. Myrtle Douglas Harrington, Orpha Rustvold, Mollie Rustvold, Mrs. William Hall, and Mrs. Martha Jacobson Niebeling.

The aim of the Auxiliary has been to work with the American Legion and to carry out the program sent out by the Department for serving the veterans at the hospitals and at home. Supplies for the gift shop in veterans' hospitals and layettes for families of veterans, money for activities for hospitalized veterans, and helping with other community affairs. Poppies have been sold each year which are made by hospitalized veterans, and to create an interest in the Poppy Day, a poppy poster contest has been held each year in the school grades, four through six, and a prize is given for first, second and third place posters chosen. The Americanism program has been brought to the Hendrum school to create a loyalty to our flag and country, and a Girl Stater has been chosen each year to go to St. Paul for Girls' State. Each year we honor the teachers at School during National Education Week in November.

Presidents who have served the Unit are: Doris Jacobson Iverson, Mrs. Robert Larson, Mrs. Violet Dukleth, Mollie Rustvold, Mrs. Vernon Nygaard, Mrs. Paul Hviding, Mrs. Lowell Thorson, Mrs. May Canning, Mrs. Adolph Lee, Mrs. Earl Ingberg, Mrs. William Hall, Mrs. Robert Nygaard, Mrs. Duane Smart, Mrs. Herbert Gadberry, Mrs. Carol Johnson, Mrs. Sherman Kolness, Mrs. Lowell Huseby, Mrs. Marvin Martinson, and Mrs. Duane Johnson is our President at this time.

At first our meetings were held in our homes, in the school lunch room, in the Home Economics room at the School, in the Village Hall, and now in the Holland-Swenson Legion building, which was recently purchased by them. Our present membership is 34.

HENDRUM TOWNSHIP HOMEMAKERS GROUPS

In 1933 plans were made to organize homemakers clubs in each township in Norman County. Mrs. John Aas invited her neighbors to meet at her home. Mr. George Landsverk, the county agent, was present to help organize. There were twelve members in this group. Being near the Wide Awake school, the club was named the Wide-a-wake Homemakers. Two leaders met once a month with Miss Mae Miller from Minneapolis as instructor. The leaders in turn gave the lesson to their respective group.

Another group called the Southeast Hendrum Homemakers Club organized about the same time. Records are not available as to exact dates, membership, etc. This club later changed its name to Clover Blossom Homemakers Club. It is now discontinued. In 1947 the Wide-a-wake group became so large it divided into two groups and the names were changed to "The Friendly Neighbors" and "The Meet Your Neighbors."

A few of the projects which have been covered are: Food Preparation and Preservation; Health and First Aid; Sewing and Good Grooming; Rug Making; Upholstering; Making Draperies; Refinishing Furniture; Handicrafts and the Arts; Farm and Home Records and Budgeting; Planning a more efficient home. The club members try to follow the Minnesota Creed which is as follows:

"To have faith in the American Home. To make our home existing examples of thrift, of unselfishness and of only that which is sweet and sincere in human lives. To help make our communities extensions of such homes."

"To have faith in the American Boy and Girl. To strive to create a general home and community environment which will tend to produce pure, warm-hearted boys and girls with vigorous bodies and active minds."

To have faith in ourselves. To know that we are the builders of our own lives."

To be willing to do the work and pay the cost in order to have our dreams and visions realized. To make the thoughts we think, the words we speak, and the acts we do, an influence for good in our homes and among our fellow men."

This is the creed of the home-makers and the home builders of today.

Taken from the book History of Norman County, 1958

TOWN AND COUNTRY HOMEMAKERS 1951-1967

The Town and Country Homemakers Club had its organizational meeting at the Louis Ohnstad home on August 23, 1951. Mrs. Irving Storsved was elected the first secretary-treasurer. The first lesson was on textile

painting, demonstrated by Mrs. Clarice Hamstad and Mrs. Eunice Todd.

The meetings were held at the homes of the members, the telephone building, the gymnasium, the home economics room and the Hendrum Recreation Center. The membership was limited to eighteen members at one time.

Some of the lessons were: flower arranging, good grooming, plate painting, keeping fit, house plant care, pressure cooking, parliamentary procedure, rug making, deep fat frying, first aid, keeping farm records, sewing tricks, cleaning of sewing machines and short cuts to household chores. There were also parties at Halloween and Christmas.

Members through the years were: Gerda Ohnstad, Mavis Storsved, Clarice Hamstad, Eunice Todd, Eleanor Kolnes, Ann Kolnes, Mildred Kolness, Beverly Dyrendahl, Martha Jacobson, Ethel Viker, Grace Scoville, Junice Johnson, Evelyn Lee, Helen Benson, Phyllis Beisjalie, Flora Johnson, Gladys Oien, Tess Anderson, Adele Rustad, Pearl Christianson, Ardis Slinde, Carol Ogard, Carmen Ford, Carol Johnson, Doris Underlee, Esther Savidge, Donna Albertson, Ardis Engel, Elaine Snustad, Betty Roe, Yvonne Johnson, Mildred Rask, Lois Hanson, Gladys McGorden, Ruth Grothe, Norma Anderson, Marlene Hetland, Gloria Landsverk, Della Ystebo, Ione Hegre, Lois Aune, Ethel Sterton, Shirley Nelson, Marlys Timm, Carolyn Nygaard, LeAnn Gunderson, Harriet Christopherson, Norma Olson and Carol Todd.

THE PROGRESSIVE VALLEY HOMEMAKERS

On April 19, 1977 fifteen young homemakers from Hendrum met with Sharon Knutson, Norman County Extension Director, to organize a new homemakers club. They met at the home of Maysie Aronson. Marlys Tommerdahl and Maysie Aronson were acting chair-ladies at their first meeting. The group set as their purpose to do work for the community and introduce new people to the community. They decided to call themselves the Progressive Valley Homemakers.

The group has done projects for the community such as a babysitting clinic for young girls in Hendrum, received C.P.R. instruction as a group, and visiting the Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home during the Christmas Holidays.

The group meets once a month at the home of one of its members, and every month has a new learning lesson, such as child care, cooking, health education, crafts, gardening, energy saving, drug education and estate planning. They also take educational tours and trips in our area.

Currently the group has nineteen members and this year have set three goals for themselves — community service, welcoming new people in Hendrum and better family relations.

DAKOTA MAIDS HOMEMAKERS' CLUB

On Dec. 2, 1955, the Dakota Maids organized their homemaker group under the direction of Anne Green, Traill County's Home Economist. Meeting at the home of Carmen Ford, they elected their first officers with seven members present. President was Carmen Ford; vice president, Margaret Smart; secretary, Bev Todd; and Bev Martinson was treasurer. The group's membership represented the Grandin, N.D. area as well as the Hendrum and Halstad locals and has continued to do so to date.

The group, numbering between 12 and 15, has been involved in many worthwhile activities throughout the state, county, and the immediate area.

We have supported with donations our local 4-H Club, the Girl and Boy Scouts, N. Dakota and Minnesota Boys' Ranches, and we have helped finance individual needs when accidents or sickness have hit our area. The Club also has provided special needs to various organizations. Christmas cookies were baked and delivered to Children's Village and the Opportunity School. Bingo prizes were donated to our senior citizens and Easter centerpieces were made for the Halstad Memorial Nursing Home. We also helped Children's Village fund a new fence and we contributed to the Hillsboro Hospital Fund Drive.

We have remembered our own families with dinners for the husbands, Halloween parties for the children, Christmas greetings to our servicemen, and parties for members who have celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversaries.



Dakota Maids Homemakers' Club

Mrs. Harley Scholl, Bev Martinson (C), Helen Berg (C), Joan Harrington, Nida Storsved, Ione Magnuson (C), Mrs. Rayland Scholl, Margaret Smart (C), Janice Tommerdahl, Arlotte Harrington, Junice Johnson, Myrna Harrington, not pictured Arlean Scholl. (C) - Charter Members

Our money raising projects have been varied and have left many with fond memories. We have served auction sales, pork production sales, elevator meeting breakfasts, church anniversary celebrations, coffee and sweets at the Hendrum Fire Hall and just recently we sponsored a bake sale with the proceeds going to the Hendrum Centennial Committee. To accomplish some of the above, members have brought water from home and have cooked coffee on charcoal grills. We have even toted a full sized gas stove and propane tank to serve an auction sale. No task was too difficult for the Dakota Maids.

We have treated ourselves to many interesting and fun outings. The Club has attended art and craft

shows, theater productions, and we have had many tours throughout the various businesses in Fargo and Moorhead.

Many lessons have been given by our members in the past 25 years. Topics have included foods, crafts, home repair, auto repair, clothing, beauty, safety, cultural arts, only to mention a few. The Dakota Maids received an award and state recognition for a Family Life program Helen Berg researched and presented to the 4-H leaders of Norman County in 1970.

The Club has held six county offices and has been an active homemakers group. We have all worked together combining our ideas and talents to make our club a very special organization. Special because we are a group of friends respecting and caring for one another with a common goal in mind, and that is to keep our home sacred.

HENDRUM HUSTLERS 4-H CLUB

The Hendrum Club was organized during the first World War more as a Victory Club — as a means of helping to win the war by growing more food at home. Mr. H.P. Brandt, the county agent at that time, was instrumental in starting it. After he left there was no county agent for several years so the Fair Board more or less took over the 4-H Clubs and they were run as a county wide organization.

There always have been a good number of boys and girls from Hendrum enrolled, even during the years that it was carried on as a county organization. There were many trip winners during the early years — Ruth Tarvestad, Alice Landro, Palmer Landro, Ida Landro, Donald Nichol, Thomas Ingberg, Arnett Todd and James Brooks.

The first County Booth was prepared and put up at the Minnesota State Fair by one of the Hendrum Junior Leaders. The first Dress Revue put on at the County Fair was under the direction of a Hendrum Junior Leader.

The first demonstrations in the county were put on in front of the grandstand by members of the Hendrum group, as well as the first demonstration teams from the county to the Crookston Crop Show and to the Minnesota State Fair.

In 1941 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scherfenberg took over the leadership of the Hendrum Club — by 1948 the Club had grown in membership from twenty-seven members to sixty-one. It included almost every home around Hendrum who had boys and girls of club age.

Many ribbons have been won by the members on their exhibits at the County Fair, State Fair, Fun Fest and Achievement Day. Members have won trips to Health and Conservation Camps, Junior Livestock Show, State Fair, Citizenship and Junior Leader Conference. Other activities include the Good Grooming Contests, Club Tours, Dairy Days, Federation Meetings, Share-the-Fun Contest, Judging teams, One-Act Play Contests and Demonstrations.

All have helped to make Club work interesting and educational.

In 1968 the Club received a County and State Award for their Health Project. In 1969 they received the Club of the Year Award in Norman County.

The Club has taken part in a number of Community Projects — the County paper drive, cleaning and painting at the Hendrum Park, painting fire hydrants and the present one, planting and caring for the community flower beds.

The many awards and achievements of the Club have been obtained by active members supported by very cooperative parents, community backing and leaders who have given much time and this we hope will continue so that we may live up to our Motto "TO MAKE THE BEST BETTER".

HENDRUM BOY SCOUT TROOP

The Hendrum Scout Troop 87 (now 687) was first organized in 1940 with Harold Birk serving as first scoutmaster. The troop was active from 1940 to 1958. The troop was reorganized in 1962 and again in 1971, but there has been no active organization since 1971.

The following Hendrum men served as scoutmasters over the years:

1943-44, George Bohnsack
1945-46, Harley Stennes
1947, Earl Tommerdahl
1948, Rev. John Moffitt
1949, Obed Larson
1950-51, Lyle J. Haugen
1952-53, Leonard Neil
1954-55, Hjalmer Hamstad
1956, Paul Bartlett
1957-58, Rolland Larson
1962-69, John W. Johnson
1971, Ronald Nealis

The troop was very active in 1954-55 under Scoutmaster Hjalmer Hamstad, assistant Scoutmaster John Johnson, Committeemen Arthur Johnson and William Harrington. In that period six boys earned their Eagle Badges. Allan Todd, Jack Harrington, William D. Harrington, Gerald Hamstad, Richard Johnson and Juel Anderson. These were the first Eagle Badges ever awarded to any members of Troop 87.

Ten years passed before the troop had another Eagle and that was awarded to Scott Evert in 1965. In 1967 two more boys received their Eagles, Douglas Storsved and Theodore Olson. Scott Evert and Douglas Storsved also received the Pro Deo Patria religious award. These are the only two such awards ever received by members of Troop 687.

Arthur Johnson who had been active in Hendrum Scouting, district and council scouting for many years was awarded the Silver Beaver Award, which is the highest award given to a non-professional scouter by the Boy Scouts of America organization. He was also awarded the Lamb Award, which is an adult scout reli-

gious award, given by his local church and the Boy Scouts of America. In 1965 he was also given the title of HENDRUM'S MR. SCOUTMASTER by the Hendrum Troop.

GIRL SCOUTS

In 1948 Martha Jacobson Niebeling and Gladys Oien began working with a group of Brownies and in 1952 a program was held with a P.T.A. meeting where the Brownies and their leaders had a very impressive Fly-Up into the Girl Scouts.

Some of the activities were; hiking, games, crafts, camping and cook-outs in the park. At the cook-outs the girls made "bread-on-a-stick" in reflector ovens that they had made. Also a meal that all seemed to enjoy was "Hobo Stew" cooked in tin cans.

The Girl Scout projects included the making of Christmas tree ornaments from colored straws, tinsel, bells, etc. and hand made gifts for their parents. They would also go Christmas caroling to the shut-ins and bring them a box of home made candies and goodies.

A big project each year was the sale of Girl Scout cookies and the annual Girl Scout Sunday when the girls and their leaders attended church services in a body. Some of the girls attended the Girl Scout Camp each summer.

This group stayed together until about the age of 14.

An earlier group was lead by Doris McAndrew and more recently a group was lead by Linda Lang.

HENDRUM COMMUNITY CLUB

In the winter of 1974 there was a post card placed in the mail box of all residents of Hendrum, saying all those who were interested in starting an organization for community activities come to the Hendrum School. The following week the Hendrum Community Club was formed. 140 people attended the first meeting. One of the main purposes is to promote community activities and promote for the betterment of the community.



Fall Festival — Old-fashioned Threshing - 1976

The original board was Jack Harrington, president; Becky Kolness, treasurer and Carolyn Nygaard, secretary. Directors were Allen Christopherson, Gene Engel, Wayne Hetland, Monte Aronson, Tom Hall, Vincent Nelson, Carol Johnson, David Tommerdahl, Dean Todd, Dennis Kolness, Leslie Ford, and high school student representatives were Debbie Pellman and Mark Snustad.



Commercial Club's Fall Festival — Sept. 13, 1975
Children's games, egg throwing contest

The Community Club has started several activities including an annual Fall Festival held at the Hendrum Park, a community auction for building a double tennis court and basketball court, helping new business places, purchasing new curtains for the stage at Hendrum-Perley School, basket socials, annual awards given to the outstanding citizens of the community, annual Santa Claus days with turkey drawings and candy for the children, and many other things that pertain to the betterment of the community. The organization has been very successful in keeping the community active.



Fall Festival — 1976
Sanford Albertson



Fall Festival — Sept. 13, 1975
Jack Harrington, Barbecued pig

HENDRUM SONS OF NORWAY

Hendrum at one time had a very prosperous Sons of Norway Lodge, of which about one dozen are remaining. Many members have moved away. A movement is on foot to make a Lodge No. 127 drive for new recruits. The name of the lodge is Hendrum Vern.

Taken from the book Clay and Norman Co. — 1918

At the present there is not a lodge in Hendrum.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS

This fraternal insurance and social order is represented at the Village of Hendrum by Camp No. 1326 — organized in April 1895 — and which now has a membership of twenty. Its present officers are: A. H. Gordon, chief ranger, C. J. Eckmann, financial secretary, A. M. Eckmann, treasurer.

Taken from the book Clay and Norman Co. — 1918

At the present time this order is nonexistent.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA

Camp No. 5614, Modern Woodmen of America at Hendrum, was organized about 1895, and at the present has a membership of forty-three. At one time its membership reached ninety-seven. Its present officers are: Venerable Consul, C. M. Gunderson; Advisor, Elmer McMaster; Banker, H. Marsden; Clerk, Martin Enger. They meet in rooms of the Masonic Lodge in Marsden's Hall.

Taken from the book Clay and Norman Co. — 1918

At the present time this club is nonexistent.

ALPHA LODGE 230 — A. F. & A. M. HENDRUM, MINNESOTA

The events that led to the formation of Alpha Lodge started among four or five members of the Masonic Order who were living in and around the village of Hendrum. They first met in Hendrum on Friday, June 30, 1899, in a hall on Lots 16 and 17, block 9, over the Hanson and Anderson Store building. The members present were: James Anderson, Henry Marsden, W. D. Bangs, E. J. Taylor, Alex Dawson, members of Norman Lodge 154 at Ada; Wm. Anderson, member of Alpha Lodge 326, Greene, Iowa; and Wm. Anderson, member of Hillsboro Lodge No. 10.

The Lodge was first called Valley Lodge. The first officers were as follows: W. M., Wm. Anderson; S. W., James Anderson, J. W., Henry Marsden; Treas., W. D. Bangs; Sec., E. J. Taylor; S. D., W. D., Bangs, and J. D., Alex Dawson.

After several meetings a Charter was applied for and granted from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota on Jan. 18, 1900. From then on the Lodge was called Alpha Lodge No. 230. It was constituted on April 4, 1900, by Most Worshipful Grand Master Brandenburg.



Alpha Lodge No. 230

The Lodge continued to meet in the same building after it was moved across the track, and in 1947 bought the former Farmer's State Bank Building, which they have improved and repaired into a very adequate temple.

During the 81 years since the Lodge was chartered, there are 38 Past Masters: Wm. Anderson, 1900-1905, 1908, 1922, 1923, 1925; Dr. Marius Hanson, 1906-1907; Jack W. Johnson, 1909; William Foster, 1910-1911; J.H. Canning, 1912-1915; David Watters, 1916-1921, 1926; H.M. McGradie, 1924; O.D. Larson, 1927; John P. Stordahl, 1928, 1929; Joe W. Anderson, 1930, 1941, 1946; Harry Marsden; 1931, 1932, 1942; Emil Thorson, 1933-1934, 1945; W.G. Rosel, 1935-1936; Carl Hertsgaard, 1937; John C. Brady, 1938-1940, 1943, 1944; Glen Martindale, 1947; Harry McLaughlin, 1948; Arthur Johnson, 1949; Thomas Hall, 1950, 1979; Herbert Gadberry, 1951, 1961; William Harrington, 1952; George Lee, 1953; Duncan Blackketter, 1954; Oscar Anderson, 1955; Vernon J. Nygaard, 1956; Earl Ingberg, 1957; Frank Harrington, 1958, 1973; Harold Rask, 1959; James McAndrew, 1960; Richard Harrington, 1962, 1971, 1974; Harry Johnson, 1963, 1964, 1975, 1977; Leslie Ford, 1965, 1970; Eugene Engel, 1966; Jack Harrington, 1967, 1976, 1981; Theo. B. Olson, 1968, 1969; Irving Storsved, 1972; Hilmer Swenson, 1978; and Marvin Weiss, 1980.

The Lodge has also been served by twelve secretaries: E.J. Taylor, 1899, A.M. Eckmann 1900, C.C. Petersen 1906, Wm. J. Grady 1907, A.H. Gordon 1910, L.A. Anderson 1921, W.G. Rosel 1925, J.P. Stordahl 1930, Thomas Hall 1956, Harold Rask 1963, Herbert Gadberry 1968, and Irving Storsved 1976.

In 1969, Hendrum High School, one of 479 public schools in Minnesota, submitted two essay winners to the Minnesota Masonic 7th Annual Scholarship Program Committee representing 283 Masonic Lodges for final evaluation. There were two awards of \$500.00 to be awarded to the top boy and girl in the competition and two awards of \$250.00 to the second place boy and girl. For the first time in history of the Minnesota Scholarship program award, recipients included boys from the same school. The recipients of the four Masonic Scholarship awards were: Douglas Michael Storsved, Hendrum High School - \$500.00; Janet Lynn

Huston, Brainerd High School - \$500.00; Scott David Evert, Hendrum High School - \$250.00; and Alice Rogers Rearce, Washburn Senior High School of Minneapolis - \$250.00. On Thursday, March 27, 1969, the parents of the boys, as well as Principal R.D. Johnson, attended the Grand Lodge dinner for the presentation of the Awards and to hear the reading of the essays. After which they were introduced to the members attending the 116th Annual Communication.

On December 21, 1973, Norman Lodge No. 154 of Ada, Minn., consolidated its membership of 49 members with Alpha Lodge 230. On December 16, 1975, Twin Valley Lodge No. 303 consolidated its 18 members with Alpha Lodge. Four members joined Alpha Lodge on July 6, 1976, when Silver Cord Lodge No. 329 of Halstad was dissolved and its membership affiliated with adjoining area lodges. This left Alpha Lodge as the only Masonic Lodge in Norman County.



These men received their 25 year pins, March 23, 1955. Front Row: Elmer McMaster, Tom Johnson, Elliot Richard, J.H. Canning, Harry Marsden. Back Row: Art Erickson, Emil Thorson, Clyde Kingsett, Ralph Kemp, Joe Anderson, William Hall, Art Hansen, Oscar Ingberg.

Many of the Lodge's members have gone on further in the work of the fraternity both in York and Scottish Rite Bodies and then into membership of El Zagal Shrine Temple of Fargo, North Dakota.

On March 27, 1981, a Hendrum/Halstad native, member of the Bemidji Lodge, Lt. Governor Louis Wangberg, was accorded the honor as Grand Orator and addressed the 128th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. Past Masters Thomas Hall and Irving Storsved were in attendance to hear him.

Irving A. Storsved, Secretary

MOWIDASIS CHAPTER NO. 285, ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR, HENDRUM, MINN.

Mowidasis Chapter No. 285 of the Order of the Eastern Star was instituted in Hendrum in March, 1925. Mable G. Olsen was Worthy Matron and William Anderson Worthy Patron. A few charter members had joined elsewhere. Norman Chapter No. 100 of Ada conducted initiation ceremony for a number of candidates that night.

In June, 1925, the Chapter had its Constitution Ceremony with some officers from Grand Chapter in charge of installation of the officers. Mable Olsen was re-elected Worthy Matron, Wm. Anderson Worthy Patron, and most of the other officers were re-elected. John P. Stordahl was elected Secretary and held the position for several years. Mable Olsen was Secretary for some time after ceasing to be Matron.

Other Worthy Matrons were: Mary MaCadie of Halstad, Mathilda Watters, Clara Bergh, Ethel Viker, Halstad, Jessie Brooks, Mae Marsden, Anna Nelson, Anna Ingberg, and Edith A. Marsden. Wm. Anderson, David Watters, and John C. Brady served as Worthy Patrons. In the fall of 1937, the Chapter surrendered its Charter.

On October 3, 1949, a new Mowidasis Chapter was instituted with several charter members. Some had belonged to the former Mowidasis Chapter, and some had joined at Hillsboro Chapter. The Hillsboro Chapter was in charge of initiation for a group of candidates. Clarice Nygaard became Worthy Matron and John P. Stordahl, Worthy Patron.

On September 16, 1950, the Chapter was Constituted with the Grand Officers from Minnesota Grand Chapter in charge of the ceremony. The officers were reappointed with Dora Lee becoming Secretary, and she served for many years.

Mowidasis Chapter #285 grew to approximately 50 members. Some of them came from Halstad. In 1969, about ten members from Norman Chapter #100 affiliated with Mowidasis.

Beverly Dyrendahl and Arthur Johnson served as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron, respectively, from 1972 until 1974. Grace Scoville was Secretary for several years.

Because of declining membership, the group voted to consolidate with Moorhead Chapter #164 on November 11, 1974.

THE HENDRUM- PERLEY GOLDEN AGERS

An organizational meeting was held January 22, 1976 for the purpose of organizing a Senior Citizens Club. At this meeting it was decided to invite Perley to join us.

We meet twice a month with a pot luck dinner the second Thursday and an afternoon meeting the fourth Thursday. At the conclusion of our business meetings we play cards, games and bingo.

It was decided at one of our meetings to give our club a name. "Golden Agers" was chosen. Our good deeds have been to serve coffee at the fire hall for Santa Claus Days, Community auction sale and to start a fund for the Hendrum Centennial.

In the fall of 1976, the community put on a program at the school for the Bicentennial of the U.S. We put on a mock wedding.



Mock Wedding — Bridal Party
May Canning, Ann Blackketter, Jeanette Opheim, Duncan Blackketter, Eunice Lee, Gena Nelson.



Mock Wedding — Bride's Children
Harriet Sterton, Bernice Stordahl, Florence Roe, Nile Johnson, George Lee.

We are self supporting and have made money by making quilts and raffling them off. Also, an afghan was donated by Flora Johnson on which numbers were sold.

We have an annual Valentine's Day Party where a king and queen are chosen. We also have annual Halloween and Christmas parties. The group enjoyed an outing at the Ordean Sterton's lake cottage with a pot luck picnic.

In 1980 we attended the Fargo-Moorhead Community Theater and a dinner at the Bonanza. We were invited to be guests of the Ada Senior Citizens and in return we invited them back to a picnic at the Hendrum Park.

Clarice Hamstad and Gladys Oien were chosen to be our leaders at the organizational meeting in 1976.

They have willingly consented to be our able leaders at the present time also.



Hoe and Hope Club
Planting at Intersection, Dora Handegaard

HOE AND HOPE GARDEN CLUB

On April 18, 1951 a group of women met at the Dora Handegaard home to organize a Garden Club. Fifty one women joined that day and officers were elected.

Meetings were held once a month on the third Monday. We met in the Presbyterian Church at first with a few meetings at Immanuel Church. The programs were both educational and entertaining. At one time we had over sixty members. Dues were paid to the State Horticultural Society. We received a monthly magazine. The dues at first were \$1 a year and now they are \$8 a year. Later, as the membership became less, we were able to meet in the members' homes.

The Club was very active. Each fall we would have a flower show which was held either in the Presbyterian Church, Ostenson Motor Sales or the Fire Hall. Coffee and goodies were also served.

Rummage sales were also held and the money collected at these events was used to buy playground equipment for the park and tables for the fire hall. A cement floor was put under the lunch building at the park.

One year many one-piece garments were made for the children at the Sudan Mission in Africa where Leslie Stennes (from Hendrum) was stationed. We gave to "Care", Harbor School at Moorhead and sent Christmas gifts to Greta Eglund and others in that home.

Each August for many years the club brought flowers and lunch to the Eventide Lutheran Home in Moorhead. A program was also given for the residents.

We made tours each year to the members' gardens also going to Bergenson's Nursery near Fertile, Mn. for a tour and stopping at Gary Pines or the Twin Valley Park for our picnic supper.

The Club planted and maintained two flower beds at the intersection in Hendrum and one bed at the Ernest Johnson corner. The flowers were purchased by the club for these plantings. A flower bed was maintained at the park for many years. The flower beds at the intersection were later turned over to the Hendrum 4-H Club.



Hoe and Hope Club
Planting at Intersection



Hoe and Hope Garden Club — 1978
Standing: Olga Lee, Gena Nelson, Clara Christopherson, Tracy Ogaard, Ella Rinnan, Helen Qualley. Seated: Alice Haaland, Ada Stennes, Dora Handegaard, Magda Bjerken. On Floor: Minnie Johnson, Judy Trom, Ruth Underlee.

We held the Eleventh District Flower and Garden Show at the Hendrum School in the fall of 1954 and again in 1968 with the Perley Garden Club. We also served dinner at these shows. Many of our members exhibited at the District Shows winning many ribbons. Dora Handegaard, Hilda Nelson and Helen Qualley were officers for several years in the District Society. Dora was given a Life Membership and Helen an "Award of Merits" from the State Horticultural Society.

Easter Lilies were given to churches where Garden Club members belonged. Plants were given to those celebrating a Golden Wedding Anniversary. Members in Hospitals were also remembered.

When the Garden Club decided to call it "quits" in 1980, we had fifteen members. There were still six charter members; namely, Clara Christopherson, Isabel Todd, Tracy Ogaard, Helen Qualley, Gena Nelson and Dora Handegaard, until the time of her death.

We had met as a Garden Club for twenty-nine

years, so the members decided to continue as a birthday club, meeting each month to celebrate a member's birthday. We have roll call, readings and games at these meetings.

*The kiss of the sun for pardon
The song of the birds for mirth
One is nearer God's heart in a garden
Than anywhere else on earth.*

THE VALLEY SPORTSMENS' CLUB

The Valley Sportsmen Club was organized Friday, March 25, 1955 at Perley, Minn. The first slate of officers chosen to serve were: President, Floyd Jurgenson, Perley; Vice President, John Baum, Perley; Secretary, Arnold Anderson, Hendrum; Treasurer, Bennett Houglum, Perley.

Other directors were as follows: Andrew Brattland, Hendrum; Harold Kylo, Georgetown; Lloyd Ellenson, Perley; Clifford Busse, Borup; and Elmer Guttormson, Georgetown.

January was selected as the annual meeting month. Two dollars (\$2.00) was set as the annual dues for membership.

A constitution was read and adopted. A resolution was passed that any boy under 16 years of age be given a membership card without charge, if a parent or guardian was a member of the club. 1955 memberships were 77 paid and 7 juniors, making a total of 84 members.

ACTIVITIES

May 12, 1955, the club purchased 10 acres of land on the Wild Rice River from Laura Gaare for a club ground.

It was decided to have a meeting once a month during the winter months. They affiliated with the Central Conservation Association in 1956. In the summer of 1956 club members went to work on the grounds, which were heavily wooded. Using a bulldozer and chain saw, they cleaned about four acres, so they had room for one trap and a trap house was built. All the labor was done by members of the club.

A trap was bought from the Moorhead Rod and Gun Club, and on September 23rd, the grand opening was held.

In 1957 the club was incorporated, necessitating the changing of the name to the Red River Valley Sportsmens' Club.

The club bought a movie projector. A carnival and two or three shoots are held each year. The riverside Schoolhouse of School District 1 was bought to be used as a club house. It has been moved to the club ground now, and will be remodeled.

Taken from the book History of Norman County, 1958

An annual trap shoot is held now in memory of Eugene Engel and son Douglas, former members of the club, who lost their lives in an airplane crash.

A BIRTHDAY CLUB

About 35 years ago (1947) a group of nine friends decided to form a birthday club. We would meet at the home of the person that had the birthday. The lady who had the last birthday would make the cake for this birthday and the lady whose birthday it was, would make the rest of the lunch, usually a very substantial meal! We would bring one gift from the group. We all received some of Clara Hanson's painting. After some time we ran out of gift ideas, so we just brought a cash gift in a birthday card.



Birthday Club - 1968

Dora Lee, Harriett Sterton, Clarice Nygaard, Christine Sterton, Ann Blackketter, Gladys Anderson.

Later we decided that the lady, who should be honored, was not having a very special day, preparing the food for the rest of us. So it was decided to go to Fargo for a noon luncheon, and spend the rest of the afternoon shopping. We still gave the cash gift.



Birthday Club - On Ethel and Owen Sterton's 25th Anniversary Dora Lee, Gladys Anderson, Irene Ostenson, Ann Blackketter, Marie Logan, Eunice Lee, Hazel Anderson, Harriett Sterton - 1978

After some time, we realized that we did not need the gift. Just getting together for an outing was enough - it was the fun of being together that mattered.

Now that we are all retired, our husbands go with us quite often and have their lunch at their own table.

The members when we started were: Gladys Anderson, Hazel Anderson, Ann Blackketter, Dora Lee, Eunice Lee, Clarice Nygaard, Irene Ostenson, Christine Sterton and Harriett Sterton. Since that time, Christine has passed away, Gladys has moved to Lindstrom, Mn., Clarice lives in Portland, Oregon (in Hendrum part time) and Hazel has moved to the rural Fargo-Moorhead area - but manages to get to all the luncheons!

HISTORY OF BERG HATCHERY AND PET FARM

Prologue

The Berg Hatchery and Pet Farm consisted of a small farm of 17 acres, lying along the Wild Rice River, just one mile east of Hendrum, opposite the Hendrum Community Park. The buildings, in addition to a residence, included an office and stockroom building, a hatchery, a poultry building, seven poultry rearing houses, a feed house, barn, garage, and a couple of dozen dog kennels and rabbit hutches.

The business consisted of a series of enterprises: a baby chick hatchery; a pet farm, including dog kennels; and an office establishment that produced editorial work, printing, and the sale of office equipment, including typewriters.

The business was founded by Joseph O. Berg, son of Ole A. and Sophie Berg; the latter were immigrants from the Trondheim region of Norway and had settled on a farm six miles southeast of Hendrum. Joseph was married to Ida Elizabeth Tommerdahl and four sons and two daughters were in their family.

A much appreciated, but unexpected, thrust that helped place the early struggling enterprise on a firm financial footing was the acquisition of \$1,000 (when \$1,000 meant something!) in a special contest in 1920. As reported in the February 20, 1920 issue of the *Red River Review* (Hendrum): "Joseph O. Berg is the proud winner of the grand prize in the last automobile contest conducted by the *Weekly Rural American* of Minneapolis. . . . The first prize winner had a choice of a new 1920 Dodge touring car or \$1,000.00 in cash. As Jos. O. Berg already has a car, he chose the \$1,000.00 in cash, which is undoubtedly one of the biggest cash prizes ever won by any kind of a contestant in this community."

The *Review* reported further that ". . . in the last contest there were nearly 8,000 men and women from all parts of the United States who partook. Just imagine what great competition our local man had to face. His grand winning is therefore a good credit to the community in the way that it reflects the dexterity of Hendrum's local talent."

The *Review* concluded: "Jos. O. Berg has had very



Joseph O. Berg, 1913

good success in contest work, not only in solving, but in originating puzzles and contests as well. . . . Mr. Berg admits he is born with some puzzlistic talent." . . . These talents of creativity and innovation were to serve Joseph O. Berg well as he developed and expanded many facets of operations in the Berg Hatchery and Pet Farm.

The Hatchery

The industrialization of the poultry industry took place in part because of the invention and development of incubators. The first machines introduced into the Berg Hatchery were heated by kerosene lamps. Each machine held about 250 eggs. The kerosene burners heated water that circulated through the machine in copper tubing; individual eggs, held in trays, were turned by hand once or twice daily. By 1925, eighteen of these machines were housed in the basement of the Berg family home, having a total capacity of about 8,000 eggs. Models used were the Queen, Buckeye and Jamesway.



Joe Berg Hatchery - Jens Venn, Unknown, Unknown, Joe Berg.

The coming of electricity in the very early 1930's (before REA) was a boon to the hatchery industry. Temperatures and humidities were readily regulated; through the use of rotating trays, instead of turning individual eggs by hand, 15,000 eggs or more could be "turned" in 10 seconds. A single Petersime incubator, with a 15,000 egg capacity, replaced all kerosene incubators in the Berg operation and, moreover, doubled the capacity of the hatchery. At later dates, another Petersime, a Bundy, and Jamesway equipment were added, bringing the total capacity to 65,000. Highest output in any single season approached 300,000 day-old baby chicks.

Eggs for hatching purposes were procured primarily from local farm flocks. The number of farm flocks meeting breed and other qualifications ranged from 18 to 30 in number, with flocks having from 200 to 4,500 birds. Flocks were located in a region from Grandin to Twin Valley and Shelly to Moorhead. Eggs were purchased under a contract agreement; hatching eggs demanded a premium over local market prices. White Leghorns proved to be the most popular breed, but Anconas, Minorcas, Rhode Island Reds, Buff Orpingtons, White and Barred Plymouth Rocks, Jersey Black Giants and others were produced. Conkey, Sunshine and Hubbard were brand names among the high-protein chick starter or chick mash feeds that were sold.

Mr. Jens T. Venn assisted in the hatchery for years and served as "egg setter" and operations/maintenance man for the machines. Other employees over a period of time were Hjalmer Christopherson, Floyd Olson, Morris Olson, Bennie Hagen and David Cox.



Joe Berg Hatchery — Joe Berg, Jens Venn.

The Pet Farm

The poultry hatching season was highly seasonal in nature, running primarily from mid-March to late June. The need for "off-season" employment and income led to the development of numerous sidelines, including the sale of pet animals. The main interest was in dogs. Principal breeds that were sold were collies and shepherds — or a cross of the two breeds — that met the farm needs in handling and herding livestock. However, other breeds were in high demand, including Fox Terriers, Manchester Rat Terriers, White Eskimo Spitz, Boxton Bulldogs, Pomeranians, Airedales, German Shepherds, Scottish Terriers, Poodles and Chows.

A small herd of goats, including the Toggenburg and Saanen (milk) and Angora (mohair) breeds, was maintained. Likewise, two or three Shetland ponies were available for the youngsters. In addition, selected tame and wild animals and exotic birds, such as rabbits, raccoons, badgers, fox, wolves, deer, guinea pigs, guinea hens and peacocks were kept as attractions.

Dogs were shipped to all regions of the United States. Thirty to 50 dogs were held on hand during the summer months, but the stock was reduced during the winter months. Sales were about 400 annually, averaging in the neighborhood of "the sale of a dog a day."

With the coming of improved roads and the more reliable Model A contrasted to the Model T, many a Sunday ride for people of the area ended with a visit to the Pet Farm. Moreover, the farm was located near the Hendrum Community Park and groups would stroll over from the park for a visit. This was facilitated by convenient, wooden stiles constructed over the intervening barbed wire fences between the park and the farm.

Printing and Editorial Writing

The headquarters for the operations was the "office." Not only was this the site for planning, but it contained the equipment necessary to carry out exten-

sive correspondence, bookkeeping, and advertising and promotional campaigns. In addition to the usual office equipment of typewriters, mimeograph machines and addressographs, the establishment also could handle commercial printing tasks. These were undertaken on 7" × 11" Pearl and 12" × 20" Gordon job presses and a 7-column Pony newspaper press was also available. To the degree that major printing jobs required extensive type setting, arrangements were worked out to acquire the linotype services of the *Halstad Journal*, predecessor to the *Red River Valley Journal*.

Many community, church and school printing needs, from letterheads to programs to auction sale bills, were produced and printed. Notable also was the publication on a regular basis of a religious, evangelical tract, *The Silent Messenger*.

An important on-going activity was associated with the position Joseph O. Berg maintained as writer for the *Farm, Stock and Home* and as Contest Editor for *The Dakota Farmer*. He wrote columns that were directed at young people and involved poetry and writing, and, more particularly, original puzzles and contests.

Joseph had been responding to Young Folks' pages of the magazines of the early 1900's when only a "kid." Puzzling had been a hobby of his ever since he was old enough to put letters together. In March 1913, he became a contributing editor to *The Dakota Farmer* and wrote under the pseudonym, Uncle Job (taken from the initials of his name). Between 1913 and his death in 1936, thousands of farm boys and girls, and some city folks too, read Uncle Job's writings and studied and puzzled his contests. In the era before radio, television and fast transportation, his writings helped fill a need in breaking the isolation in the homes on the developing prairies of the Upper Midwest.

Epilogue

The hatchery "fit" nicely into the farm economy of the early third of the twentieth century when small, general, diversified farms characterized our agriculture. Each farm family strove to maintain a flock of chickens as well as dairy cows, hogs and a few head of beef cattle. However, with the coming of specialization and large-scale farming units, the structure of the poultry industry changed rapidly and dramatically; in fact, it was one of the first, if not the first, sector of agriculture to become highly industrialized. Now broilers are produced by the hundreds of thousands in "factory" operations; laying hens have moved from farm flocks to confinement units of tens of thousands birds. Mrs. Ida Berg operated the hatchery into World War II; but with the changes sweeping before the industry, she disposed of the machines and equipment in the early 1940's.

The pet farm and the printing operations dovetailed well into the labor availabilities and the interest and skills of the Berg family and into local community needs and demands for services. The contributions to rural magazines were an outlet for the unique, singu-

larly novel and innovative talents of Joseph O. Berg. He received much self-satisfaction from the responses he elicited from hundreds of boys and girls challenged by his urging to express their ideas in writing and by his puzzle wizardry.

In June 1979, *The Dakota Farmer* was acquired by the Webb Publishing Company, publisher of *The Farmer* magazine. In May of 1980, Mr. Vern Lausten, President, Northern Plains Press, Aberdeen, South Dakota, and former publisher of *The Dakota Farmer*, and Mr. Robert G. Rupp, Editor, *The Farmer*, Saint Paul, Minnesota, presented a gift to the library and archives of South Dakota State University consisting of bound volumes of *The Dakota Farmer* from its initial publication in the 1880's to its final issue in 1980. This included all the writings of Joseph O. Berg from the teens to the 1930's. Receiving the gift on behalf of the University was Sherwood O. Berg, President of South Dakota State University, a graduate of Hendrum High School and son of Joseph O. and Ida T. Berg.

ECKMANN CHRISTMASSES

During my childhood, there were three Eckmann families in Hendrum, Kaia, Albert and Carsten J. and their families — 6 adults, plus 2 grandparents and 14 grandchildren. We did have wonderful Christmases, usually at either Albert's or Carsten J. Sr.'s home. We had a big dinner on Christmas Eve. The adults would eat first, and while the children ate, the adults would go to our library and decorate the tree with beautiful ornaments and real candles, but we never had a fire. We children would eat in a hurry, but the door to the library was closed until the tree was decorated. The tree was always in the center of the room and all of us formed a ring around the tree and walked (danced) around the tree while we sang Christmas carols — a good hour. Then we would open our gifts. None of us got very many.

The dessert for Christmas eve dinner was always rice pudding. It often contained chopped almonds and one whole almond and the one who got the whole almond, got an extra gift. (I think the whole almond was used to get the children to eat the rice.) I sometimes use the whole almond under our ice cream or other dessert for a fun thing at Christmas.

Alice Eckmann Leffler

THE GEORGE J. NEWLAND LOG HOUSE

There have been questions from time to time concerning the old log house on the fairgrounds. It is in a state of much disrepair, but it is hoped that it will be restored to somewhat of its original condition.

Albert Ingberg of Twin Valley was kind enough to give a brief history of the house as follows:

"The old log house which is now standing on the Norman County Fairgrounds was originally built on the Southeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Hendrum Township, Range 48 West, Township 144 North, about three-fourth mile out of the Village of Hendrum on the east side of the present U.S. Highway 75.



Janet Scherfenberg Steinwand wearing great-great grandmother Stordahl's dress, 1975. Newland log house, Janet's great-great grandparents.

It had a frame lean-to, which served as a kitchen, built onto what was then the north side of the house, the side on which the doorway is now located. It was built for my uncle, George J. Newland, and his family. He homesteaded this land in 1877. He came from Wisconsin with his parents and sisters. They had emigrated from Norway in 1872. He and his family, consisting of himself, his wife and five sons, John, Clarence, Martin, Calmer and Joseph, lived in this house until in the early 1900's, at which time the land was sold to Thomas L. Todd.

Later the house was sold to another neighbor, John J. Mjolsness, and moved to his farmstead near the Red River in Section 36 of the fraction Township attached to Hendrum Township on the west side. It remained there, on what is now the Charles Ogard farm, being used as a granary. It was moved from there to its present site on the Historical section of the fairgrounds."

A letter was received from John G. Newland, who was born in the old log house, expressing his happiness that the building would be preserved in memory of the early pioneers, and thanked the Historical Society for adding the log house to the planned Pioneer Village. It is planned to furnish the house as nearly as possible in the way it was in the 1870's or 1880's.

Taken from an article written by Mrs. Lenora Johnson for the Norman County Index

COTTONWOOD TREE

Our grandfather, A.L. Gordon, was reported to have planted the first tree in Hendrum. By the time we remember it, it was a huge cottonwood in the vacant lot east of our house. Its shade afforded shelter for our "playing house" and "dolls". "Hide and seek" was a favorite game for all the neighborhood children and our tree was the perfect "Goal", you could hide on one side and sneak in "free" on the goal side!

Mr. and Mrs. Jens Venn and Gladys (Oien) bought the lots and built a house and our tree still stood! Finally, the tree was cut down — a sad day for us! We missed Grandpa Gordon's tree!

Written by Louise Grady and Johanna Johnson

WORLD WAR I

During the summer of 1917 war in Europe worsened and with the United States now involved it became evident there would be a general drafting of men into the armed forces. In late August of that year Albert Ingberg had accepted a position in Killdeer, North Dakota, as superintendent. But he resigned that position early in February as he had received his draft call from Norman County and left for Hendrum for a few days with the family and friends before his departure.

The following men who were drafted from Hendrum and community at this time were Gust Rockstad, Oscar Trom, Oscar Kragness, Carl Grothe, Gilbert Wick, Chester Brattland, Francis Lundon, Christian Hagen, Allan Brattland, Gustav Lee, Albert Ingberg and his brother Samuel Ingberg. They were processed, examined, physically and mentally at Camp Dodge, Iowa, and assigned to various companies and regiments. Christian Hagen and Albert were assigned to Headquarter's Company in which Company they served together throughout the time they were in service. The 88th Division of which the 349th Infantry was one of the units was ordered to France on July 30, 1918. By August 17th the quiet harbor of LeHavre, France, was reached. From there the men boarded French boxcars, half the size of American ones, with about 40 men assigned to each car. The next stop was a small village southeast of Paris where they remained until about the first of October, 1918. Then on to Belfort, France, traveling mostly at night. From that location the big guns could be heard and constant flashes of artillery fire could be seen after dark along the horizon.

On the morning of November 11th, a message was received at Headquarters saying the Armistice would be signed at eleven o'clock that morning. Eleven o'clock finally came and then an awful silence! The war was over after four years of bloody fighting.

It wasn't until May 17, 1919, that Albert and Christian Hagen's regiment was on its homeward way, first to Camp Dodge where they received their discharge before returning to Hendrum. Samuel, Albert's brother, had arrived home a few days earlier. During their absence, their brother, William had succumbed to the influenza epidemic which raged in this country and abroad at that time.

Written by Albert Ingberg

Taken from the book Norman County Histories - 1976

AN ACCOUNT BY SAM INGBERG

In a recent letter received from Sam Ingberg, he tells of one of his thrilling experiences while at the front. At one time when his division was advancing, they captured a town and after they had occupied it the American artillery by mistake opened up on it and a little later the Germans also commenced firing at it with their artillery. Sam and his companions took refuge behind rocks, buildings, etc. and during the bombardment Sam was knocked unconscious by the explosion of the large shell. When he regained consciousness he saw five Germans with a machine gun approaching him but he succeeded in putting four of them out of the way by the use of a hand grenade and shot the fifth with his rifle. It was a miraculous escape for Sam and one that he will never forget.



Standing: Chester Brattland, Carl Grothe, Gust Rockstad, Francis Lundon. Seated Back: Sam Ingberg, Oscar Trom, Oscar Kragness, Gust Lee, Gilbert Wick. Seated Front: Christian Hagen, Albert Ingberg, Allen Brattland.

Hendrum, Minnesota, December 7, 1917

BASKETBALL TEAM WINS 2 GAMES

Friday, Nov. 30th, at 10 o'clock, two cars loaded with the members of the boys' Basketball team, left for a happy trip.

At Mahnomen the boys ate dinner with a great deal of pleasure. They reaching Bagley at 3:30, and played their first game that evening against the strong town team of that place.



Left to right: Coach Isherwood, Berthol Brattland, Floyd Fuller, Carsten Eckmann, Adolph Lee, Norman Nelson and Bradley Wold. 1917/1918



Basketball team: Left to right: Guy Brattland, Dave Smart, Floyd Fuller, Rudolph Knutson, Dan Brattland, William Engberg.

The game was fast and the result in doubt until the last few minutes, when Peterson of Fargo College fame got away for four baskets. The final score being 24-16.

The boys were entertained after the game, and the team left Bagley the next morning with regrets, with promises to write, etc.

Dinner at Erskine, and the game was played. The floor was small, and was more football than basketball. When the final whistle blew the score was announced as 16-15 in favor of Hendrum.



Baseball team: Edgar Brattland, Elmer Rustad, Chas. Oscar Riste, Carl Knutson, Engebretson, Herman Bergh, Martin Nelson, Bennie Ingberg, Herman Gordon.

Supper at Johnson's eat shop in Fertile, put new life into the boys for the evening game at Lockhart. The girls played first, and in spite of all handicaps won by a score of 9-8.

The boys game was a one sided affair, the score being 43-6 in favor of Hendrum.

"HUMDINGER" THRESHING CREW

Before the entry of the grain "combine" into the harvesting operation, it was common procedure for a group of five or six farmers living in a close group area to be members of a threshing club. They either owned the threshing outfit jointly or they merely agreed to furnish the crew with their teams of horses and wagons and hired a custom thresher with his rig and operating crew to thresh the grain at a given price per bushel.

This particular organization known as the "Humdinger Company" was jointly owned by the following farmers: Carl Snustad, James Grothe, Charles Grothe, Oscar Scheide and Carl Underlee. The operators consisted of an engineer, fireman, separator man and a water hauler. A spike pitcher was optional, some looked upon it as an additional expense item. His duty was to help the bundle hauler unload bundles into the feeder, alternating from side to side. Also to keep the accumulated loose straw and bundles cleaned away from beneath the feeder, both as a safety factor to prevent an accidental fire outbreak and also to shorten the unprofitable moving time required, if there was a large pile of unthreshed straw left to be threshed before moving.



The Humdinger Threshing Co.

This company always hired a spike pitcher, mainly because of the time element. Martin Quam worked as spike pitcher for many years. Carl Snustad was the engineer and Charles Grothe the separator man, but in the event either of these were unable to serve, James Grothe would tend to the separator and Carl Underlee, the steam engine. Oscar Scheide was the water hauler. The fireman was usually a son of one of the farmers involved. The rest of the crew consisted of ten bundle teams and three grain teams with drivers.

Both the engine and separator were the popular "Minneapolis" makes and were always kept in top running order with very little time lost on the job. Repairs or adjustments were usually done at night.

The threshing season was one of long days of hard work and yet it was looked forward to with anticipa-

tion as a time of getting together in a spirit of comradeship and neighborliness.



Wide Awake Humdinger Threshing Gang
Martin Quam, Andrew Gordon, Charles Grothe, Carl Snustad,
Merrill Gordon.



Humdinger Threshing Crew
Front: Carl Snustad - engineer, Emil Gustafson - separator man.
Back: Carl Underlee - water hauler, Arnt Letness - fireman, Martin
Quam - spike pitcher. Carl Underlee - Lone survivor.

DE CAZENOVE FARM

The deCazenove Farm is located three miles south of Hendrum, Minnesota, in Lee Township. de Cazenove was of French Huguenot descent on his father's side, and of Virginian on his mother's side. His mother was related to Richard Henry Lee, Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe and other distinguished Virginians.

The family lost all of its possessions during the Civil War, and de Cazenove was forced to make his own

way. He heard of the great prospects in the Red River Valley, so he bought a farm of one thousand, four hundred and forty acres in Norman County about 1879. He bought wagons and oxen in Fargo and started out, but lost his way and took two days to reach his property. He broke up land the first year, and planted it the second year, as well as putting up buildings. His wife, mother, and two sons would come with him in the spring in time for the planting and remain for the summer. Since he raised only small grains, he would leave in the fall. He used to bring about twenty Negroes with him from Virginia to serve as farm hands and cook.



de Cazenove Farm House - 1949

Lizzie Jackson, a colored woman, was housekeeper, and during this time a robbery was pulled off on the farm in the fall after the "Boss" and most of the Negroes had returned to Virginia. After investigation, the authorities discovered that Lissie and others in charge of the farm had stolen and hid the articles themselves.

In the early 1880's Bill Walker, a Confederate Veteran, managed the farm for a number of years of de Cazenove. Bill Walker later married a Norman County girl, the only Confederate soldier in the county, and always took a part in the Memorial Exercises with the Grand Army of the Republic.

In early years all shipments of grain had to be made by river or from Grandin, No. Dak., so the coming of railroads was welcomed, although it took forty acres of land for the tracks. After 1890, Arthur Marsden rented the farm on a fifty-fifty basis from de Cazenove. Mr. Marsden operated the farm until 1916.



de Cazenove Farm - 1949

de Cazenove's Virginia home was seven miles from Washington, and after his wife's death in 1890, he lost interest in the West. In 1915 he gave the farm to his son, Lawrence.

Succeeding operators were William Grison, the Monson Brothers (Harry and Arthur), and Oliver Swenson. Mr. Swenson rented it until the farm was

bought by Osmund Paulsrud from de Cazenove in 1952.

Osmund Paulsrud later sold the farmstead to Gale E. Smith, who is presently living there. The land is rented out.



Mr. de Cazenove inspecting his crops.

A HENDRUM SEWING CLUB

A group of ladies organized a sewing club in 1935. Their first meeting was held at the Ordean Sterton home.

They meet regularly in the members' homes. Each member takes her turn to entertain the club. They embroider, knit and crochet afghans. Refreshments are served and they visit, giving them a time for fellowship and recreation. At the present time there are eighteen members in the club.



A Sewing Club

Marie Logan, Eunice Lee, Irene Ostenson, Ethel Sterton, Ann Blackketter, Amy Johnson, Harriett Sterton, Gladys Anderson, Irene Lee, Hazel Anderson. 1973.

Over the years many different ladies have come to sewing club. Some of the names are: Esther Haaland, Evelyn Enger, Blanche Sterton, Stella McLoughlin, Agnes Enger, Christine Hagen, Ann Brady, Harriett Sterton, Ann Blackketter, Christine Sterton, Clarice Nygaard, Dora Lee, Calma Thorson, Gladys Anderson, Irene Ostenson, Myrtle Douglas Harrington, Genevieve Marsden, Hazel Anderson, Eunice Lee, Nellie Qualley, Ethel Sterton, Gladys Ingberg, Ferne Thorson, Marge Sholy, Margaret Hill, Dorothy Zwarych, Marie Logan, Bonita Brooks, Jean Ulferts, Gerry Gadberry, Aggie Hviding, Ann Harrington,

Florence Roe and Flora Johnson. If any name has been omitted, it has been purely unintentional.



Sewing Club - 1957

Standing: Harriett Sterton, Nellie Qualley, Myrtle Douglas, Irene Ostenson. Back Row Seated: Christine Sterton, Gladys Anderson, Gladys Ingberg, Hazel Anderson, Clarice Nygaard. Front Row Seated: Ethel Sterton, Geneve Marsden, Dora Lee, Ferne Thorson.



A Pioneer Women's Sewing Society.

HENDRUM JOINT CHOIR - 1923



Hendrum Joint Choir - 1923

4th Row (L to R): Forest Edmunds; Oliver Letness; Joseph Tarvestad; Fred Skauge, deceased; Cornelius Semling, deceased; Charles Grothe, deceased; Oscar Stordahl, deceased; Cyrus Tarvestad, deceased; Alvin Edmunds, deceased; Andrew Gordon, deceased. 3rd Row (L to R): Freda Opheim, deceased; Mrs. Agnes (Tarvestad) Grothe, deceased; Mrs. Isabel (Tarvestad) Todd, Mrs. Bertha (Skauge) Enockson, deceased; Carl Snustad - choir director, deceased; Mrs. Marie (Semling) Restad; Olga Berg; Mrs. Tillie (Berg) Schlis. 2nd Row (L to R): Mrs. Mollie (Opheim) Nelson, Mrs. Ruth (Tarvestad) Underlee, Marie Tarvestad, Mrs. Mildred (Enger) Olson, Mrs. Ida (Lee) Young, Mrs. Judith (Enger) Letness, Mrs. Minnie (Lee) Wallace. 1st Row (L to R): Lawrence Underlee; Arnt Letness, deceased; Florence Tarvestad and Marguerite Edmunds.

TRANSITION OF FARMING — PIONEER TO THE PRESENT

Most of us are aware of the method of farming in use by the early settlers, who came into this area. However we perhaps fail to give them due credit for the job they did often under extremely trying and difficult circumstances. The available farming machinery was crude by any standard, with perhaps the exception of the breaking plow and later the stubble plow. The original moldboard and share is today quite similar except for such additions and refinements as wheels, power lift and multiplicity of bottoms depending on power available.

Oxen were the main source of power, perhaps for various reasons. They were more readily available, better suited for the long trip from southern Minnesota and Wisconsin. They were also able to work without the oats that the horses would require for the long trip across the trackless prairie. During the noon hour and night they could be turned loose to graze on the prairie grass. It has been said they did not stand the noon day heat as well as the horses did but if they were given a little longer rest period during that time they could still put in a long day of work. Also after long years of service or if an injury to their feet occurred they could be slaughtered and their meat used as food for the family.

Wheat was the main cash crop, however they also grew some oats for livestock feed. As soon as the settlers were able financially, they changed from oxen to horses, perhaps one team to begin with, to use on the long trip to the flour mill or to the nearest settlement for supplies. As horses came into general use they improved in both appearance and quality. Morgans were a dual purpose breed of horses used for both road and field work, but they were not really a draft horse. Perhaps this is one reason the Morgan horse disappeared from the scene. Some individuals who had the means imported purebred draft sires from Europe and these horses left their characteristics on the off spring. Farmers took pride in having well matched teams and with few exceptions took good care of them. The Percheron breed, both blacks and grays, were the most prominent, they were high on the legs and were good in the fields and could move out on the road too if needed for that purpose.

Gradually, prior to the twenty's the farm size tractor began to come on the market, but the farmers were slow in accepting them. One of the reasons advanced was the cash needed to purchase fuel, where the horses could work on farm grown fuel. Also the earlier models were not too durable and this hurt the sales. Perhaps the main reason for their failures was due to the fact they were not equipped with air cleaners and some that were so equipped had cleaners of such poor design that they were not very effective either. The dust churned up by the steel wheels was sucked into the motor and this caused undue wear on the moving parts.

The early Fordson models had a fairly efficient air

cleaner if it were serviced properly. It had a built-in water compartment where the incoming air was drawn in over the water and was quite efficient. There was however one drawback. If one forgot to manually retard the spark before cranking to start the motor, it would very often back fire through the intake and in so doing would blow out some water. After a few hours of running the water would get too low to properly clean the incoming air, resulting in excess wear especially on the piston rings.

The larger tractors used for threshing and pulling ten or twelve bottom plows gave many years of dependable service with comparatively little upkeep. They were heavy duty, slow speed motors, large bore and long stroke, also they were seldom used on plowed fields to work the seedbed so they did not operate continually under those dusty conditions.

After a few years the tractors were improved to the extent that they became very efficient both in performance and durability. It seemed to the user that the machine manufacturers did not keep pace with the tractor performance, not necessarily in design but in durability. They apparently did not take into consideration the stress that the increased speed of the tractor put on the trailing implement. However that too was in time corrected and the implement manufacturers are now building machinery that is of high quality and efficient in operation.

As the farms grew larger we entered into the era of the four wheel drive, high horsepower diesel tractor with its large matched tillage equipment. We still grow the same cereal crops but have also added some new ones, namely, sugar beets, soy beans and sunflowers. The growing of sugar beets has come a long way since it started in the valley and has undoubtedly added much to the economy of the area. The development of hybrid seed, fertilizer, insecticide, and weed spray, have all contributed to almost doubling the tonnage per acre yield, also improved machinery and cultural practices among the growers, has played an important part. There is a lot of input in a beet crop before the final harvest so for that reason the grower realizes he has to do a good job and this we feel carries over into the rest of his farming practices too.

Soy beans have been grown profitably for quite a number of years but sunflowers are a relatively new crop in the area. It is an easy crop to grow and to harvest and is drought resistant, also a fairly good consistent yielder. It is subject to some insect damage but it is hoped that as resistant varieties are developed and perhaps different cultural practices are applied it is believed to have a good potential for being one of the crops that fits well into our rotation practices.

Agriculture has come a long way since the early pioneers opened up this area for farming and while the farmers are now doing a real good job let us bear in mind the many advantages we are enjoying today that were not available to them. Also let us not forget to give due credit to the scientifically minded individuals who through agronomy, chemistry, mechanical engineering, etc., plus trials and errors have through dedi-

cation and devotion to their work contributed immensely to the potential for a good life on the farm.

Written by Carl Underlee

WINTER FUN

In the winters of the late 1940s and early 1950s, Hamstads made a toboggan slide which started from the roof of the barn and down across the Wild Rice River on the ice and up the other side. The toboggans were made of oak boards, and a trench was dug on the slide about four inches deep and eighteen inches wide. Twelve to fifteen toboggans were used. Water was carried from the river to freeze an inch of ice or more in the trench. Later, water was piped to the barn, and hoses were used. If the sun was shining this had to be done often.

It kept Hjalmer, Gerald and Harlan busy keeping the slide in shape, as old and young people came to use it every day. Folks would walk from Hendrum, and home again, and nobody minded the cold weather. Others came by bus from other schools on Saturday and Sunday.

Two to three people would sit on a sled which would reach high speeds by the time they hit the river and way up on the other side, and one-fourth of a mile. What a walk up the hill again pulling the sled! Nobody complained because they could have another ride when they reached the top. Very few accidents occurred, with only one broken nose and one pair of broken glasses.

The Hamstads stayed home most of the time, as they had to watch so nobody would slide from the other side. There would have been serious accidents if two sleds had met on the slide. There were no charges, but just a fun time for anybody who enjoyed the out-of-doors. When electricity came to the farm, the slide was well lighted.

By Clarice Hamstad

PRESIDENT TO RECEIVE AFGHAN

A gift of a red, white and blue afghan, two stocking caps and a rug is being sent to President and Mrs. Reagan this week (May 1981) as a gift from Jens Landro and Dr. Glenn Brown, Halstad, Mn.

The articles were made by Jens Landro, 101, this year. Mr. Landro resides at the Halstad Memorial Home. The afghan is six feet long and three feet wide. The caps are red with a white or blue tassel. The rug was woven on the loom at the home.

Landro has been a resident of the home since December 4, 1979, when he moved here after spending 12 years with his daughter and son-in-law in Ohio. He first began knitting when he was eight years old. His fingers are nimble, but his eye sight has failed. His health is very good and he continues very active.

When Dr. Brown first saw the afghan he suggested it be sent to President Reagan. Jens was hesitant, stating, "I've been a Democrat all my life." When Dr. Brown commented that "President Reagan is our national leader and deserves our support," Jens responded, "Yes, the people have spoken and majority rules."

When he made his first afghan, he wasn't satisfied with the results and tore part of it up and reworked it. He wants his workmanship to be correct.

His birthday was February 8, when he reached the age of 101. He farmed in the Hendrum area from 1904 to 1928, having been born at Hendrum in 1880.

"Farming was hard work in those days," he reported, so in 1928 he moved his family to St. Paul where he was unemployed for a part of a year. He got a job at the University of Minnesota as a caretaker of yards and buildings remaining there until 1948 when he was forced to retire at 68 years because of retirement laws.



Dr. Glenn W. Brown and Jens Landro, 101, display an afghan knitted by Jens this year, and which is being sent to President and Mrs. Ronald Reagan.

A short time later he took a job as janitor of University Lutheran Church at Hope where he remained for many years until moving to Ohio. When he started at University Lutheran, Dr. Joseph Knutson was pastor there. Dr. Knutson later became president of Concordia College of Moorhead, Mn. One of the later pastors was Dr. David Preuss, who is now president of the American Lutheran Church.

Jens' wife, a daughter (Alice Scherfenberg) and a son (Ingvald) preceded him in death. Alice and Ingvald died only three weeks apart in 1950.

Jens reports he usually arises at 6:30 a.m., eats breakfast and starts knitting about 8:30 or 9:00 a.m. He starts again after his noon meal. Sometimes he will rest after his noon meal, after which he again knits. He takes his turn on the rug-making loom whenever it is open.

He reports he feels "real good" and commented, "I've improved with age."



Jens Landro knitting on his 100th birthday, February 8, 1980 — wearing a sweater he made.

A VISIT TO A PIONEER HOME

As we visit some of these pioneer homes we see a wood burning stove which was used for cooking, baking and for heating the home. By the side of the stove stood a big wooden box, called a "wood box" which held an enormous amount of wood and kindling. This box was filled many times a day, usually a chore which the youngsters were expected to do, and probably hated.



A typical log house. (From Clay County Historical Society)

The men and older boys spent many days in the slack season driving to the Red River woods where

they could buy standing trees which were carefully selected by both buyer and seller, as this commodity was precious and much in demand. Trees rot and fall down, the woods are full of dead branches and trees. In pioneer times only certain trees, which probably stood too close together and needed to be thinned out or some that showed signs of deterioration or had other flaws, were sold.



A typical tar paper house. (From Clay County Historical Society).

Some of the farmers who lived out on the prairie would buy a few acres of wooded land and clear out the trees, as needed for firewood, as the years went by. It kept the men busy in the winter months, cutting, splitting and hauling firewood.

Many farms had no wells so water had to be hauled a great distance. There was always that morning, noon and evening chores, as all the pioneers had some livestock which had to be fed and cows to be milked.

As for the women, I wonder if they ever had an idle moment. The housewife did all the baking, cooking and churning. She also sewed yards and yards of flannel for shirts and dresses for everyday use and calico and gingham clothes for Sunday use. In the evening, while resting, she would knit stockings for all members of her family. For wash day she had a boiler full of water heating on the stove, a wash tub was put on a bench, the tub was filled half full of warm water, then with the help of a washboard and homemade soap she went rub, rub, rub until the clothes were clean. The white clothes were always washed first, then put into the boiler half filled with water and some soap and boiled until they



A typical sod house. (From Clay County Historical Society).

were considered white as snow. With a long stick she gathered up the clothes and put them into the rinse water. They had to be rinsed twice, the last time with some bluing in the water. In the winter there was always a problem of drying them.

In winter after the snow came, snow was gathered and put in a boiler on the back part of the stove, and as it melted more snow would be added until the boiler was full of water. This was a great help because of the shortage of water.

Most of the early settlers had large families, but there was always room for grandma and grandpa. The sleeping problem was solved by homemade bunk beds for the children. These were pushed under the other beds during the daytime. A hammock was hung from the ceiling which made a snug little nest for the baby. Others had homemade cradles.

Since many of the settlers lived far from town, and the roads were often impassable and the weather inclement the trips to town were infrequent, consequently many were the times people would run out of supplies, but among these early settlers there was comradeship and concern for each other and a willingness to share their meager possessions with those in need. Among the articles which they more frequently ran out of were sugar, yeast, coffee, kerosene and tobacco. The children were elated for the opportunity to run over to the neighbors on these errands.

The parents, usually the mothers, would instruct the children in religion, the ABC's, catechism, explanation, Bible history and the Bible. All would be memorized and in the Norwegian language. While reading for the minister, the confirmands often had to walk many miles. To further the religious life of the community, Prayer Meetings were held in the evenings at a school house or in various homes by different laymen. Three-day meetings were sometimes held at the church. The women would bring lefse, sandwiches, sweets and coffee for noon and afternoon lunch meals.



Ryen's Cottage, Hendrum, Minnesota.



Lily Todd at the age of 9 years.



From Hendrum, Minn. Photo by Sverre

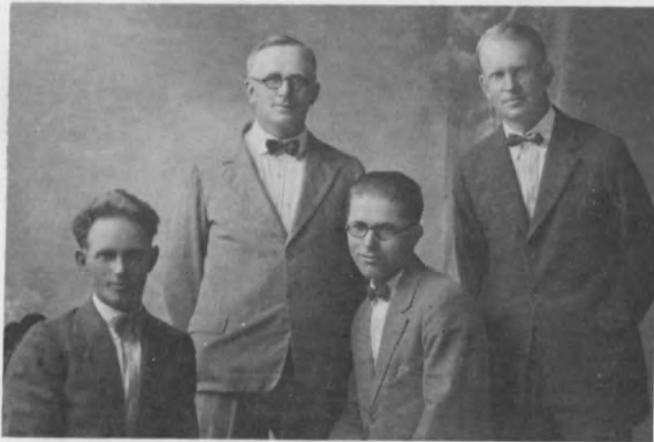
Hendrum - 1910 - Taken from the Farmer's Elevator. Note Parsonage and Rogness Homes, Grain shocks in field. Present Gilman Hagen house in foreground.



Joint 50th wedding celebration of Alfred and Annie Enger, Anna and Oscar Ingberg on June 19, 1955 in Hendrum.



Kari (Grandma) Bergh - 100 years.
Lived to be 102½ years of age.



A Hendrum Quartette
Lawrence Underlee, Carl Snustad, Joseph Tarvestad, Charles Grothe.



Thomas Todd boys: Arnett, Kenneth, Glenn Todd - 1915.



Patricia Lee and Juel Anderson.



James A. Johnson moving a building with horses. Johnson is grandfather of Harry and Duane Johnson.



Watkins peddler — Remedies, Extracts, spices, and perfumes. Ole Sand, Henry Kroshus.



Tom and Lily Todd Home Farm, June 1901



Lily Todd in 1975 — May 14, 1979 was her 100th birthday.



On a leisurely afternoon.



Frank and Elizabeth Harrington, William



E.M.F. Car, owned by Ole Rogness - 1912. Mrs. Woflestad, Christine, Ole Rogness, Jensine, Marie, Jennie Rogness, unknown.



Thomas Todds: Lily, Thomas, Fred Todd
Children: Glenn, Keith, Lester Todd.



Logging in Hendrum Area — Wild Rice Lumberload.



The old and new in John Deere
Clayton Berg



Hauling home some hay.



Albert Christopherson on the binder.
Boys: Lester, Engman, Roy, Art, Hjalmer.



Threshing back then.



Unloading hay at Ingberg.



Cleaning grain at Ingberg Brothers.



Rustvold Threshing Crew



Peter Larsons, Lawrence Tarvestads



Jens Venn, Toby Nelson, John Storsved, Ole Boe



William Hall and his Hudson car. 1922 - Grace Hall and Gladys Marsden.



Carl Breck and Oscar Ness



Joe Berg and his Metz Car.



Frank Scherfenberg round barn.



John Nelson leaving on his mail route.



Bundle loads waiting to be threshed.



Old grain drill and horses of Ingbergs'.



Ole A. Berg - Grain binder.



Steam engine and threshing machine with its crew.



Oscar Tommerdahl and his grain binder.



Frank Scherfenberg, mixing his own blend of feed for his cattle.



A straw roofed, log, cattle shelter.



The Herbranson threshing rig and crew.



Men attending Tractor School in Minneapolis, about 1900. George Rockstad, Sven Olson, Oscar Ingberg, Gust Rockstad, Joseph Stennes, Albert Estenson.



It Isn't Your Town — It's You.

If you want to live in the kind of a town
That's the kind of a town you like,
You needn't slip your clothes in a grip
And start on a long, long hike.

You'll find elsewhere what you left behind,
For there's nothing that's really new;
It's a knock at yourself when you knock
your town;

It isn't your town — it's you.

Real towns are not made by men afraid
Lest somebody else gets ahead;
When everyone works and nobody shirks
You can raise a town from the dead.

And if while you make your personal stake,
Your neighbor can make one too,
Your town will be what you want to see;
It isn't your town — it's you.

—Berton Braley



A LOOK AT PRESENT DAY HENDRUM



Hendrum, 1980. Taken from water tank, west. Farmer's Elevator Grain Elevator and Fertilizer tanks.



Hendrum, 1980. Taken from water tank, south along Highway 75.



Hendrum, 1980. Taken from water tank, northwest direction. Farmer's Elevator, Hendrum Manufacturing, Mobil Oil.



Hendrum, 1980. Taken from water tank, Northeast direction. School buildings.



Hendrum, 1980. Taken from water tank, west toward Red River. American Legion Hall, Norman County Highway Dept. Hendrum Manufacturing.



Hendrum, 1980. Taken from the water tank, east toward the Wild Rice River. Left side: School, Immanuel Church, Anda Leiseth Apartment, Hendrum Maintenance Shop.



Hendrum, 1980. Taken from water tank, north. Note sewage lagoon in distance.



Hendrum, 1980. Taken from water tank, northwest. Norman County State Bank, Hartz Grocery, Upholstery Shop.



Hendrum, 1980. Taken from water tank, northwest along Highway 75. Foreground: Mobil Station, Lumber yard.

NORM AAMOTH

Norm Aamoth, son of Sanford and Gladys Aamoth, grew up in the Faith, Minnesota area and attended public schools and graduated from Twin Valley High School and Concordia College. He served in the Air National Guard and was an examiner with the F.D.I.C. Norm was assistant cashier with the Red River State Bank at Halstad before moving to Hendrum in 1978 where he is currently Ass't. Cashier with the Norman County State Bank in Hendrum.

THE AAS FAMILY

In 1886 at the age of 26, Andreas Aas migrated from Mosvik, Norway to Norman County. He worked on local farms and in the North Woods, going back to Norway in 1890. There he met a young midwife, Oline Folling, from Steinkjer. In 1891 they were married in Moorhead, Minnesota and moved to his small farm north of Hendrum along the Wild Rice River. Andreas worked on the railroad for several years, then as a carpenter, building elevators on the prairie as far north as Manitoba, Canada. Oline served as a midwife for the area, delivering babies (including her own three) bandaging sores and bruises, and vaccinating children for the dreaded diseases, smallpox, diphtheria. Her fee for a two day stay during childbirth was \$2.00. Doctors were called upon only if illnesses were critical. Oline herself underwent an emergency appendectomy on her own kitchen table, recovered and continued her work. Andreas died in 1923. Oline died in 1939.

Their first son, John, was married to a local teacher, Anna Reiersen, from Fosston, Minnesota. They lived on the adjoining farm until 1939 when they moved to the 'home farm'. John was a carpenter working with his father, Andreas, until the depression years when construction was very limited. He then worked for the Minnesota Highway Department for about 30 years. He and Anna had five children; Alfhild Larson, Gary, Minnesota; Ralph, Bismarck, North Dakota; John Jr., Rugby, North Dakota; Valborg Smith, Hendrum, Minnesota; Wallace, Greeley, Colorado. John died in 1968. Anna died in 1980.

The second son, Alf, died in 1915 in his late teens.

Their daughter, Ingeborg became a schoolteacher, married Nils Ladderud, farmed for a short period of time in the Detroit Lakes, Minnesota area and then moved to Everett, Washington. They have a son, Alf, and daughter, Karen.

The 'home farm' is now owned by John Aas, Jr.

CHARLES O. AASEN - MARJORIE WALTERS

Charles O. Aasen was born March 27, 1893 near Perley, Minnesota. He was the youngest child of Ole and Mary Lien Aasen. He attended the Perley school and North Dakota Agricultural College in Fargo, North Dakota. He married Marjorie Walters, daughter

of Charles and Mary Walters in 1918. They moved to Hendrum in 1923 and bought the Hendrum Hardware from O.D. Larson. Their two children, Ann Marie and Charles Theodore were born and raised in Hendrum and attended the Hendrum Public School.

Mr. Aasen sold the Hardware store to Mr. Ted Ziegler of Perley, Minnesota in 1942, after which he went to the West coast during World War II, and worked in the shipyards. After the War was over, he returned to Hendrum and worked on several farms and also was a plumber.

In 1947, they moved to a farm near Frazee, Minnesota, where they lived for two years and then returned to Hendrum, Minnesota. Mrs. Aasen died in September of 1950, and Mr. Aasen went to Minneapolis and worked in a factory until he reached the age of sixty-five, when he retired to his home at Twin Lakes, Minnesota, until his death on December 1, 1979.

LESTER ALEXANDER - MARIE BOLSTAD

Lester Alexander, son of Jesse and Martha Alexander was born in Waverly, Illinois. He moved to Ada as a teenager and continued his education at Ada High School. In 1934 he married Marie Bolstad, daughter of Ole and Ida Bolstad of rural Hendrum. They lived on a farm near Hendrum until 1962 when they moved to LaGrange Park, Illinois. They had two daughters, Marcelyn Faye and Darlys LoAnn.

Marcelyn was born in 1935, attended Hendrum School and graduated in 1953. She then went to St. Luke's School of Nursing and graduated in 1956. After graduation she went to Chicago and worked at Cook County Hospital. In 1960 she married to Herman Oberli of Chicago.

Marcelyn and Herman now live in Elmhurst, Illinois with their four children. Michele is in her second year at the University of Wisconsin, White-water. Katherine is in her first year at Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa. John is in eighth grade and Jennifer is in seventh grade at Sandburg Junior High School in Elmhurst.

Herman is teaching at York High School in Elmhurst. Marcelyn has completed her Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Education and is a School Nurse at Glenbard North High School in Carol Stream, Illinois.

Darlys LoAnn was born in 1937. She attended Hendrum School and graduated in 1955. She attended North Dakota State University for one year. She graduated from Minnesota School of Medical Technology in Minneapolis and accepted a position as medical secretary for a group of doctors in Chicago. In 1960 she married T. Edmond DiFiore of Chicago.

Darlys and Edmond live in Palatine, Illinois and have three children. Deborah is in her second year at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois. Thomas is a senior at Palatine High School. Desiree is in the sixth grade at St. Theresa's School in Palatine.

Edmond is employed by the Vernon McMillan Bonded Paper Company. Darlys is a supervisor for

Equitable Life Assurance Company in their Palatine office.

Lester Alexander passed away in 1965. Marie is living in Addison, Illinois.

ARNOLD S. ANDERSON - HAZEL QUAM

Arnold was born May 27, 1909 (fourth in a family of eight) on a farm northwest of Kragnes, Minnesota along the Red River. His father (Julius) came to America from Oslo, Norway in 1885 at the age of 18. In 1902 he was married to Emma Nelson of Kragnes, who was born in Fargo, N.D. in 1884 to Swedish immigrant parents. Arnold has visited his father's home in Norway and met many relatives there, including thirteen first cousins.



Hazel and Arnold Anderson

Arnold received his education at the Oakmound School (affiliated with Moorhead State Teachers College for practice teachers) through the tenth grade and graduated from Moorhead High School. After a few years of doing farm labor, he started farming with a brother just south of the Georgetown, Mn. bridge. He quit farming in 1934 to manage the Standard Oil Bulk Station in Georgetown. In 1937, he left that to become co-owner-manager of a garage in Georgetown and to sell Skelly Oil Products, driving a truck.

In 1938 he married Hazel Quam, daughter of H. Herman and Caroline (Engebretson) Quam of rural West Fargo, N.D. Hazel's grandparents all came from different parts of Norway in the early 1870's. Hazel has had the privilege of visiting all four of the grandparents homes and churches in Norway and has met many relatives there.

Hazel was born one mile south of Harwood, N.D. on July 6, 1917 (third in a family of three) on a farm along the Sheyenne River; moving three miles south to the Quam homestead in 1918. She received her education at the rural "Quam" school (8 grades), the Fargo

Central High School and at M.S.T.C., returning to the "Quam" school to teach two years.

Arnold and Hazel started their married life in Georgetown where Arnold was in business. Their son, Juel, was born in 1939 while they were living there. Arnold was Mayor of Georgetown from 1937 until he moved to Hendrum in 1940.

The family moved to Hendrum in May of 1940 where Arnold was again employed by the Standard Oil Co. as manager of the bulk station there, a position he held for 34 years, retiring May 27, 1974 at the mandatory age of 65. Two daughters were born to them while living in Hendrum: LaVonne in 1942 and Carol in 1947.

While they lived in Hendrum they were busy with the usual small town organizations. Arnold served on the village council, was Mayor, Cub Scout Leader, trustee of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, member of the Hendrum Commercial Club, (serving as its secretary), member of the Hendrum Community Club (serving on the board), was chairman of the Bond Sales for Hendrum and Lee Townships and the villages of Hendrum and Perley during World War II, was a charter member of the Valley Sportsmen's Club and its first secretary (a position he held for a number of years), Assistant Fire Chief and so forth. Hazel worked with P.T.A., Band Mothers, Cub Scouts, Choir, Ladies Aid, Sunday School Teacher and Superintendent. Arnold and Hazel were school bus drivers for about fifteen years. At present Hazel is co-chair person of the Hendrum Centennial History Committee. Hazel also helped compile the Immanuel Lutheran Church Centennial History in 1975.



LaVonne, Arnold Anderson, Hazel, Carol, Juel

Juel graduated from N.D.S.U. in Speech Therapy and also received his Masters Degree in Audiology from there. Juel is now an Audiologist in an Army Hospital in El Paso, Texas. He was a Captain in the Army serving in Hospitals in Fort Meade, Maryland and in Nuremberg, Germany. (Arnold and Hazel visited them there.) Prior to that he worked in a Clinic in Sioux City, Iowa; and before that was a Speech Therapist in the Richland Co., N.D. and the Campbell-Tintah, Mn. schools. Juel has two children: Rhonda 18, now enrolled in the N.T.S.U. at Denton, Texas and Troy 16.

LaVonne graduated from N.D.S.U. and was a Home Economics Teacher in Climax, Mn. and the Ben

Franklin Jr. High School in Fargo. She is married to Russell Maring of Georgetown, Mn. who is presently an attorney in Fargo. They have three sons, Barry 13, Michael 11 and James 4.

Carol graduated from M.S.C. receiving an Elementary Degree in Education. She is presently employed by the Fargo Public School System. She is married to Larry Strande of Fergus Falls, Mn. Larry is a representative of Investors Diversified Services in Fargo. They have two daughters: Tammy 13 and Michelle 5.

All the children participated in many school activities. Juel was active in sports. They were all active in dramatics, singing, vocal groups, choir, band and so forth. They were all confirmed at the Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Arnold is a member of the Eagles, Elks and Sons of Norway in Fargo. He is an avid archer and goes big-game bow-hunting every fall. Arnold and Hazel have done extensive traveling since retirement and have seen many interesting things in many foreign countries and the United States. Arnold and Hazel are presently living on the farmstead northwest of Kragnes, where Arnold was born, purchasing it and moving there in 1979, after living in Hendrum for forty years. They are presently members of the Oakmound Church west of Kragnes.

OSCAR and GLADYS ANDERSON

Oscar Anderson was born August 25, 1902 at Lanesboro, Mn.; son of Ole L. Anderson who was born at Lanesboro on August 18, 1861 and Mrs. Anderson who was also born at Lanesboro on August 13, 1868. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson both died at Jessie, No. Dak. Ole on Sept. 27, 1925 and Mrs. Anderson on June 4, 1957.



Oscar and Gladys Anderson 1980
Lindstrom, Minnesota

Gladys Olson was born August 3, 1900 at Coopers-town, No. Dak. Gladys father and mother were born in Norway: father on Jan. 11, 1863 and mother on Aug. 21, 1865. Gladys' parents both passed away at Tacoma, Wash.: father on Feb. 3, 1931 and mother on Feb. 10, 1944.

Oscar and Gladys were married August 26, 1925 and lived for awhile at Jessie, No. Dak.



Seated: Lois, Marlin Ness. Back Row: Martha, Mary, Eric, 1981

Oscar and Gladys Anderson moved to Norman County from Griggs County, North Dakota in 1934. They rented a farm located in the "Y" where highway 75 is joined by highway 200, which is now owned by Nolan Underlee. They lived there only one year, moving then to the "Hagen" Farm across the road from the "Viking" rural school. Arden, who had gone to the "Wide Awake" school (Stella Schiede was his teacher and Amelia Grothe was his "release time" teacher.) then went to the Viking School where Myrtle Olson of Ada was his teacher.

In 1936 the Andersons rented a farm in Traill County, North Dakota which was owned by the Equitable Reserve Insurance Co. of Neenah, Wisconsin. They lived there until the fall of 1944 when they purchased the Charles Grady farm. They took active parts and offices in Elm River Township, Elm River School District and Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum. They lived in this same location for 35 years until August of 1979.



Seated: Bertie and Arden Anderson 1981
Kevin, Oran, Gayle, Tim Ober, Brian, Beth

Lois Anderson, who was born in Klamath Falls, Oregon in 1939, came to live with Oscar, Gladys and Arden in 1940.

Arden graduated from Hendrum High School in 1944 and enlisted in the U.S. Navy that same year. He was discharged in 1946 and enrolled in the University of Minnesota. He graduated from the U. of M. in 1949 and enrolled at the University of North Dakota in 1950. In 1951 he married Bertha C. Weitensteiner. They have five children and live in Brainerd, Minnesota where he is a Medical Doctor.

In 1959, Lois married Marlin Ness of Ada, Minnesota. She graduated from Hendrum High School in 1957 and from Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota in 1963. They have three children and live near Amelund, Minnesota. Marlin and Lois teach in the North Branch, Minnesota schools.

Oscar and Gladys now live near Lois and Marlin in Lindstrom, Minnesota; where they moved after leaving the farm in 1979.

JAMES A. ANDERSON FAMILY

The James A. Anderson Family were all born in North Ireland and after the death of James, the mother Annie, and her eight children migrated to Green, Iowa around 1875. After a few years they came to the Hendrum area.

James managed the Chas Canning farm after Canning's death. He later homesteaded in Canada. He returned to the Quincy area and married Mary McAndrew.

Elizabeth married Arthur Marsden who rented the de Cazenove Farm until 1916, and then moved to a farm on the North Dakota side of the Red River.

William married Elizabeth Semple. He operated a grocery store in Hendrum and later moved to a farm west of Hendrum in North Dakota.

Mary Ann married Chas Canning. After Canning's death she married Edward McGreger. They lived in Duluth and later moved back to Hendrum.

Robert married Jennie Witherow. He managed the Canning farm and died as a young man in 1895.

Margaret married Henery Bryant and lived in Green Iowa.

Thomas never married, was an elevator fieldman, living for some time at Minot, North Dakota.

David never married, died as a young man in Duluth, Minnesota in 1887.

Annie, the mother, and all of the family but Margaret, are buried in a Hendrum Cemetery.

JOE ANDERSON - LEILA ENGER

Joe W. Anderson was the son of William and Eliza Anderson who came from Ireland in the 1880's. About 1890 William moved to Hendrum and lived there until they purchased a farm west of Hendrum (in North Dakota) in 1911. Joe was born March 14, 1900. On January 5, 1939, he married Leila Eleanor Enger (9-10-13), the daughter of Alfred and Annie Enger. Around 1940 Joe took over the family farming operation and

they lived on the family farm until about 1960 when they moved into Hendrum.

Joe farmed most of his life and during the winter would help Leila's father remodel houses. Leila was a housewife and also did various jobs such as supervising a crew of sugar beet workers, working in the sugar beet weighing station and assisting in the Post Office. In their later years, Leila and Joe enjoyed refinishing furniture and had many pieces which they had done in their home. Their community activities consisted of Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star, and First Presbyterian Church in Hendrum.

Joe and Leila had three children and all are married: Elizabeth Nelson (5-18-40) is teaching home economics at Fort Yates, North Dakota. She has six children — Jessica Rae (2-24-67), Andrew Joe (11-26-69), Matthew Lee (11-18-70), Bethany Ellen (12-31-72), Melissa Sue (3-10-77) and Andrea Cecile (3-22-80).

Thomas Joe (11-9-43) lives in Farmington, Minnesota and is a salesman for a computer company. He has six children — Lisa Ann (8-5-65), Jill Ranea (9-15-67), Nick Edward (7-7-68), Jane Michelle (9-24-69), Marcus Jay (9-19-72) and Thomas Joe (12-16-74).

Susan Hills lives in Lakewood, Colorado and is a nurse. She has two children — Jennifer Andrea (12-29-77) and Abigail Tyler (1-11-82).

Joe died February 4, 1972 and Leila died that same year on September 27th.

MARTIN ANDERSON - CLARA MJOLSNESS

Clara Mjolsness was born in Finnoy, Norway, February 22, 1871. She came to the United States and Hendrum in 1891. Clara married Martin Anderson at Moorhead, Mn. in 1893. Martin was born in Wisconsin and came with his family to Hendrum by covered wagon in 1877. They settled in the Red River Valley. They were pioneer farm residents.



Brothers and Sisters
Martin Anderson, Edwin Rustad
Mrs. Gunner (Kari) Riste, Mrs. Gina Halvorson

Martin and Clara raised three foster children: Joseph, who went to Canada when he was very young. He died in World War I, while living there. The other two were Hannah and Raymond. Martin and Clara had six grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Martin died in 1954. Clara died November 21, 1964 at 93 years of age.

WILLIAM ANDERSON - ELIZA SEMPLE

William Anderson and Eliza Semple were born in Northern Ireland and came to the Red River Valley during the latter part of the nineteenth century. They were married in Hendrum in 1897 where Mr. Anderson was postmaster. He later owned and operated a grocery and general merchandise store. Two sons, Thomas and Joseph, and one daughter, Anne were born to this union. Tom, after a short illness, passed away in 1926. Joe was married to Leila Enger of Hendrum in 1940, and Anne married John Brady in 1933. The family moved to Elm River, North Dakota in 1911 where they farmed until 1940.

Mr. Anderson was very active in Presbyterian Church activities, serving as trustee, elder and superintendent of the School Sunday. He also taught Bible Classes at Elm River and Grandin, North Dakota. Twice he was honored by the Fargo, North Dakota Presbytery as an official delegate to National Delegate Assemblies at Philadelphia and San Francisco.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Anderson were charter members of the Eastern Star Organization at Hendrum and Mr. Anderson was a member of the Masonic Lodge for more than fifty years.

They retired in 1940 and moved back to their home in Hendrum.

PASTOR and MRS. ELMER O. ANHALT

Elmer and Lillian (Thompson) Anhalt were born and grew to adulthood in Divide County, North Dakota. Their parents were among the early pioneers who first settled in the northwest corner of that state. Lillian's dad homesteaded in the area of the present Crosby, ND in 1903 and built the first building (shack) in Plummer Township. Elmer's mother homesteaded 4 miles south of Canada and one-half mile from the Montana line in 1906. This is just north of the present Westby, Montana, but in North Dakota. His dad came, together with his parents and brothers, and homesteaded in the same area in 1907. The two met when Elmer's mother taught school in his dad's homestead shack on the prairies in what is now known as Elkhorn Township.

Elmer and Lillian both have a Norwegian heritage and Elmer also has a German heritage. Both attended a one-room school in their respective communities (Lillian near Crosby, ND and Elmer near Westby, MT). Even though they lived only thirty-nine miles apart they never met each other until they took part in a mission play at a Bible Camp, sponsored by the former Evangelical Lutheran Church, at the State Park, north

of Bottineau, ND about 200 miles from their homes. During the 1920's Elmer's family would make an annual trip to Crosby, the county seat, to attend the County Fair. On one occasion it was a rodeo! It was very rare when more than one trip a year was made to Crosby, and it was not unusual to have one or more flats on the Model "T" Ford touring car on each trip! There was no spare and no demountable rims! In due time it was discovered that the road the Anhalt family travelled to Crosby went right past the farmstead of the Thompson's. The Soo Line railroad water tank verified that fact in later years when the two families had become acquainted. The present North Dakota State Highway No. 5, between Crosby and Westby, was first built in 1929 using horse-drawn equipment in much of the construction. If the hill was too high, or the low-spot too low, the road was built around the obstacle. This resulted in a very winding road but one became accustomed to the curvy situation very rapidly.



Pastor and Mrs. Elmer Anhalt 1980
Lillian (Mrs.), Elmer, Darlene, David, Dennis

On June 11, 1944 Lillian and Elmer were married at Concordia Lutheran Church of Crosby, ND by the Reverend E.O. Gilbertson, past President of the South Dakota District of The American Lutheran Church. This building has been replaced by a newer structure on the same location. This one was dedicated in 1957.

They made their home on the groom's farm which he had been operating for a number of years. The farmstead, where they lived, was his parents home where he had lived his entire life. It was also the location of his mother's homestead. They found spiritual fellowship in their church at Westby where they were both active in the activities, especially with the youth, Boy Scouts, etc. Elmer was the president of his home congregation when he left the community. A group of neighbors from a 20-mile radius would gather in one of the homes each Saturday evening for fellowship, prayer-meeting, etc. During the summer of 1945 the Lord called at least two of the couples thus involved into what is called "full-time" service for the Lord. Therefore arrangements were made to transfer the farming operations to

other hands. Elmer began his four-year college course at Augsburg College at Minneapolis, MN in February of 1946. He graduated from that institution in the spring of 1950. He stayed out of school one semester to make a little extra money to help carry the family through. He also worked five evenings a week. In the summer months he worked a full-time job during the day in addition to his evening job. They were also janitors of a Presbyterian Church in south Minneapolis for one season when they would take the baby along in a folding buggy so the cleaning work, etc. could be done together. Lillian sold Stanley products for several years during the time Elmer was at the seminary. They worked together to make ends meet. There were no 'hand-outs' from anyone in those days, but the Lord was faithful! The Lord found first an apartment, and then a small house on a 40' lot, for them in south Minneapolis when there were no houses available and provided for their material needs, oftentimes in miraculous ways.

In the spring of 1953 Elmer graduated from Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul, MN. He was ordained at First Lutheran Church (now named 'Immanuel') of Westby, MT on June 22, 1953 and was installed in their first parish at Minnewaukan, N.D. shortly after that date.

They have served four congregations at Minnewaukan, ND (Immanuel, St. Peter, Stony Lake, and West Minnewaukan Free - 1953-57); three congregations at Buxton, ND (Immanuel, Highland, and Norway - 1957-65); and are at present at Hendrum, MN serving the congregations of Immanuel and Concordia. They came to this community on March 1, 1965.

The Anhalt's have been blessed with three children. Dennis is employed in Sales and Production at the KBMR Radio Station at Bismarck, ND. He and his wife, Karen, have three children, Arika, Alivia, and Leia. David is manager of the Sirloin Stockade Steakhouse at Clinton, IA. His wife's name is Patricia. Darlene was married in 1980 to Gary Gunkel and lives in Golden Valley, MN, a suburb of Minneapolis. She is a nurse at the Methodist Hospital at St. Louis Park, MN.

At this point in life, the Anhalts are nearing the time of retirement when they will take up residence at their "do-it-yourself-project" on Lake Carlos, north of Alexandria, MN. Only the Lord knows the future and they continue to look to Him for guidance and direction for each day they live this life on earth.

The family picture was taken at Darlene's wedding in the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Hendrum, Mn. on May 24, 1980.

JOHN ARONSON - ALMA GRIMSTVEDT

Although we were not pioneers in the Hendrum community, we bought our home in Hendrum Township fifty years ago. We made our first payment in January 1931 and moved here that fall. We came from Hunter, ND, where we had lived since our marriage April 10, 1920.

We rented the H.H. Carr farm four miles west of Hunter where we had all new buildings. I cooked for all the carpenters in a new granary while the others were built.

Our children were born while we lived there. Maurice was born March 7, 1923 and Viola was born November 7, 1926. They were 8 and 5 when we came here.

John Aronson came from Vermland, Sweden when a young man. He was born February 8, 1886.



John and Alma Aronson
April 10, 1920

I, Mrs. Aronson, nee Alma Grimstvedt was born December 4, 1896 in Bloomfield Township, Traill County, North Dakota, where my parents were pioneers in 1879 when Fargo was the nearest town, though they drove their oxen with covered wagon to Caledonia, ND for groceries which came by ferry on the Red River. Blanchard and Hillsboro were their nearest towns.

My parents were from Norway, the Ole Grimstvedts. Mother's maiden name was Marie Aarstad from Kongsvinger, east of Oslo, Norway.

We bought our land in depression days at \$42.00 per acre but by the time we had it paid for it had cost us exactly \$100.00 per acre. Land sold for \$100.00 or more before the depression but many folks who came from Illinois, Missouri and other states lost their land and moved away. This was from 1915 and through the twenties, especially in Traill County, ND.

Some years we had little rain, so our crop was poor, and some years too much rain when we were buying our land.

Our children attended the Wide Awake school near the John Quam farm on Section 7. Later, this school was sold and moved to Halstad, Mn. Now it is a Sons of Norway Hall.

We joined the St. Pauli Lutheran (country) Church, a very friendly group which we truly enjoyed with our grand Pastor J.J. Jacobson. This church was struck by lightning and burned to the ground Sept. 9, 1937. Then

most members joined the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Hendrum as Rev. Jacobson was also the pastor there. The congregation served a big dinner for the new members from St. Pauli. All of my seven grandchildren were confirmed at Immanuel.

Our son Maurice and Lorraine Wang from Halstad were married June 13, 1942. They have two sons, Gaylon and Monte.

Viola and James Paulsrud from Nielsville, Mn. were married March 6, 1943. They have five children and all live in North Dakota. Eugene married LuVerne Lien from Twin Valley in 1963. They have three children, Kevin, Mardi, and Bruce. Wanda and Roland Wall, from Lisbon, ND, were married in 1966 and they have three children, Daniel, Darren, and Angela. Judy and Gene Christianson from Halstad, Mn. were married in 1965 and they have three children, Scott, Kelly, and Ross. Randy and Pamela Deitz of Halstad were married in 1973. Their children are Jeremy, Nicholas and Abigail. Nancy is not married and lives at Fargo, ND. Viola and James Paulsrud built a home in Halstad in 1979. He bought the Ford dealership in partnership with son, Randy who with his family lives on their farm southwest of Halstad.

Maurice and Lorraine Aronson's story tells about Gaylon and Monte's families.

In 1947 John and I went by train to visit relatives and friends in Oregon, California, Washington, and Utah. Indeed a wonderful trip, accompanied by my sister, Mrs. Carrie Anseth of Williston, ND. By 1953 we flew to Europe to visit John's two brothers and two sisters in Sweden where we were royally entertained, also with his cousins and childhood friends. Meals were three or four courses and sometimes we had two special invitations a day.



A.M. Lunch, John Aronson
Alma, Maurice

We also visited my aunt and cousins at Kongsvinger, Norway, where we also enjoyed our visit. Also went to Denmark to shop.

When we came home in April we visited a niece and family in Maryland. They took us sightseeing in Washington, DC. Her husband worked there.

That year - 1953 - in June was when we got our first television program from Fargo and had bought our first TV.

Just a few years after we thought our buildings were all completed, some new, John passed away on July 15, 1954 at age 68 years and 6 months after an operation and found cancer of the spleen. Burial place at Sunset Memorial Gardens at Fargo, ND.

After John's death I stayed on the farm and helped when I could. Maurice then 31 years took over all the farming besides his own. He and Lorraine moved downstairs and I moved upstairs and used all rooms except the boys' bedroom. Gaylon and Monte were then nine and four years - such happy and cheerful little lads.

Maurice bought my land in 1963 although I lived there till I was 80 years old. After two strokes I moved to Twin Valley Memorial Home where I stayed seven months, then the Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home opened July 12, 1977, and I was the first woman to enter the home. George Henderson was the first man. Next month December 4, I will be eighty-five years old. I am so thankful I still have my own mind and can visit with relatives and friends and work in the craft room. I love macrame.

November 2, I mailed my first letter with a 20¢ stamp. How well I remember when we mailed letters with a 2¢ stamp and postal cards were 1¢. Now, November 1981 cards need a 13¢ stamp. At present everything costs so much. Shoes are \$50.00 a pair. Looked at dresses at Fargo last week they were from \$42.00 to \$118.00 at one store.

In 1936 we had a very hot summer and in the winter we had so much snow it cost each county thousands of dollars to keep the highways open.

In 1937 many horses got sleeping sickness, called encephalitis, and died from it, we lost our Black Beauty then.

Although tractors were used a lot before then, they became more useful and work horses were not used anymore or rather not so much from then on.

MAURICE ARONSON - LORRAINE WANG

Maurice Aronson, son of John and Alma Aronson, was born on March 7, 1923 at Hunter, N.D. He has one sister, Mrs. James (Viola) Paulsrud.

The family moved to a farm in the Hendrum area in 1931. He was eight years old at the time. He attended the Wide Awake school.

He married Lorraine Wang, daughter of William and Martha Wang, on June 13, 1942 by Pastor J.J. Jacobson at Hendrum. She was born at Halstad on August 14, 1922, and attended school there.

They have two sons, Gaylon DeMyles, born January 9, 1945 and Monte Cornell, born August 17, 1949.

Gaylon married Maysie Kolle and they have two children, Tamera Janell and Timothy John.



Aronson Cousins
Chris standing, sister Emily sitting
Tamera standing, brother Timothy sitting

Monte married Linda Ruebke and they have two children, Christopher Ryan and Emily Lou.

They are members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Hendrum.

They are farming in the Hendrum-Halstad area.



Seated: Lorraine, Maurice Aronson
Standing: Gaylon, Monte

ODIN AUNE - LOIS HEYER

Odin and Lois Aune moved to the village of Hendrum, Minnesota on September 30, 1957. At that time they had one child, a son David, who was born in Ada, Minnesota on September 9, 1957.

Odin was born near Gary, Minnesota on February 24, 1933 and has worked for the Norman County Highway Department for the past twenty five and one half years, operating the road maintainer out of the Village of Hendrum.

Lois Heyer was born on August 3, 1935 in Faribault, Minnesota; Lois Heyer and Odin Aune were married on December 1, 1956 at Faribault, Minnesota.

Lois worked for the Hendrum Independent School District #525 for eleven years as secretary for Supt. Theodore Olson. For the past five and one half years Lois has been bookkeeper at the Halstad Municipal Utilities at Halstad, Minnesota.

After David graduated from the Hendrum High School in 1975, he attended Brown Institute in Minneapolis, Minnesota and is now employed at Radio Station KDLM in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, he has been employed here since August 1977. David married the former Mary Foley of Halstad in February of 1980. They have a daughter, Chantelle, who was born August 30, 1980.

Diane graduated from Hendrum High School in May of 1977, afterward she enlisted in the United States Navy and received her discharge on February 28, 1982 after four and one half years. Diane will be married on July 10, 1982 to Curtis Philumalee of Norfolk, Virginia. Curtis is also in the Navy.

MANLEY BERG - INANDA OTTERSON

Manley A. Berg was born February 22, 1911 in Whitecourt, Sask., Canada, son of John and Selma, Berg. Manley came to the Hendrum area in 1919 at the age of 8. He went to school in Lee Township and at Ada.

Manley was united in marriage to Inanda Otterson of Twin Valley, November 2, 1935 in Ada, Mn. Inanda was born at Crookston, Mn., November 19, 1918. In 1921 the family moved to Twin Valley, Mn. where she went to school. Manley and Inanda lived one year in Ada. They then moved into Hendrum Township.

To this marriage were born four children: Shirley Mae, born December 16, 1938 in Ada. Shirley went to school in Hendrum and Concordia College in Moorhead, Mn. Shirley passed away January 18, 1968.



Front Row: Milo - Beverly - Shirley - Manley J.
Seated: Inanda and Manley Berg

Beverly Ann was born August 7, 1940 at Hendrum. She went to school in Hendrum and Concordia College. Beverly married Ronald Vilmo of Ada. They now reside in St. Paul, Mn. Beverly is Supervisor of the Burlington-Northern and Ronald is a Computer

Programmer traveling all over the world. They have two girls, Rose Ann and Christine.

Manley Jr. was born February 17, 1942 at Hendrum. He went to school in Hendrum and Concordia College. Manley Jr. married Sandra Carroll of Austin, Mn. They now reside in San Diego, California where Manley is head of a Formica Co. They have two boys, Jonathan and Jason.

Milo Alfred was born March 26, 1943 at Hendrum. He went to school at Ada. Milo married Vickie Turnquist of Ada. They are residing in Ada where Milo works for the Strand Bros. They have four children: Lorie, David, Jean and Daniel.

Manley has worked at the Canning Farm for forty-five years of which the last twenty-five he has been foreman; the position he still holds at the present time. Manley and Inanda are residing in the town of Ada at the present time.

CLARENCE BELL - MINNA HOFF

At the tender age of 13, I was working for my board and room and attending school at Hendrum. I had hoped to become a teacher, but health and other factors denied me that privilege.

On April 12, 1936, I married Clarence Bell and our home is four and one half miles from Ada and it is there that our interests lie. We have been married forty-five and one half years - and have never moved.

We have three children: (1) Sandra Marie Lee of Cheyenne, Wyoming - age 43. Very busy with community work-husband a very successful Salesman. (2) Lynda Iris Strum - age 41, is bookkeeper and financial administrator of the Ada School System. And (3) Dr. Graydon Willia Bell - age 39 a Statiscian and head of the Math Department at Northern University in Flagstaff, Arizona.



Emma and Clarence Berg

Arthritis became a real problem over 20 years ago and the disability has progressed and these past 12 years I have been confined to a wheel chair and require almost total care. I am also house bound. In fact, I was taken out of the house four times in 1980 and 3 in 1981.

I enjoy our African Violets, playing Scrabble, Documentaries or National Geographic Specials on T.V., some reading and handwork as I am able.

ROBERT and HELEN BENSON

The Bensons lived in Karlstad two years after leaving Hendrum. In 1959 they moved to Detroit Lakes, Mn. Bob taught in the High School and Helen taught first grade and kindergarten. It was there that they adopted their two children. They are now in college. John attends NDSU and Jeanne Concordia College.



Helen and Bob Benson
Jeanne and John

They moved to Moorhead in 1966. Bob continues to teach Chemistry and Physics in the Moorhead High School and Helen teaches private piano lessons. They are both still very interested in musical activities and enjoy attending concerts and singing in the church choir.

CLARENCE BERG and EMMA KROSHUS

Clarence R. Berg was born November 4, 1900, son of John Berg. Emma H. Kroshus, daughter of Halvor A. and Kristine Kroshus was born February 13, 1901. They were married at Moorhead, Mn. on September 30, 1924. They farmed east of Perley, Mn. for two years and then moved to the present farm in Traill County, North Dakota. "The now extinct town of Quincy was located on this farm".

Clarence and Emma Berg have two children, E. Clayton and H. Delaine. E. Clayton was born

November 23, 1925. He married Helen M. Scherfenberg and farms east of Hendrum. They have two sons, William C. and Robert A. William C. married Kathy Halvorson at Perley, Mn. and farms east of Hendrum. They have two daughters, Jennifer E. and Theresa M. Robert A. lives in Fargo, ND and is employed by the UPS.



Delaine and Clayton Berg

H. Delaine Berg was born August 8, 1927 and is married to Vern Petry. She lives in Fargo, ND and is employed at the Fargo Clinic. Her husband is an inspector with the Fargo Fire Department.

CLAYTON BERG & HELEN SCHERFENBERG

Edmund Clayton Berg was born November 23, 1925 at his parents farm east of Perley, Minnesota and from there the family moved to a farm in Traill County, North Dakota, which is known as the Quincy Farm. Here was located a thriving river port on the Red River in early days. His parents are Clarence R., formerly of Ada, Minnesota and Emma Kroshus Berg of Perley, Minnesota. They are retired and still retain their residence on the farm. Besides Clayton, a sister Delaine (Mrs. Vernon Petry) resides in Fargo, North Dakota where she is employed at the Fargo Clinic. Her husband Vernon is a Fire Inspector with the Fargo Fire Department.

Clayton attended the Elm River Elementary School in North Dakota and the Hendrum, Minnesota High School. After his marriage to Helen Marie Scherfenberg on June 15, 1948, they rented the Jim McAndrew farm on the west bank of the Red River in North Dakota, which they farmed for a number of years.

Two boys were born to this union, William Clayton (Billy) and Robert Allen (Bobby). Billy was born August 2, 1952 at St. Luke's Hospital. He attended the Hendrum School and graduated from High school in 1970. He has also attended sessions at the North

Dakota State University and Moorhead State College. He was a member of the North Dakota Air National Guard. On August 19, 1972 he married Katherine Elaine Halvorson, daughter of the late Pastor and Mrs. Phillip Halvorson of Perley, Minnesota, who were both tragically killed in an automobile accident February, 1972. Katherine is a graduate of Moorhead State College and taught school in Hendrum, Minnesota. Billy and Kathy lived in Perley, Minnesota for a time before moving to the former Frank Scherfenberg farm. They have two little girls, Jennifer Elaine, born November 6, 1977 and Teresa Marie born April 29, 1980. Billy farms with his Dad and raises Purebred Duroc hogs. Kathy is the clerk at the Perley, Minnesota Post Office. Bobby was born November 8, 1954, at St. Luke's Hospital. He also is a Hendrum High School graduate, completing the course in 1973. He attended Moorhead State College, majoring in Industrial Education. Bobby now lives in Fargo, he has been with United Parcel Service for about five years.



Clayton and Helen Berg

Helen Marie Berg, daughter of the late Frank and Alice Landro Scherfenberg of Hendrum, Minnesota, was born in St. Cloud, Minnesota, April 27, 1930, where she lived for a short time before her parents moved to the farm east of Hendrum, Minnesota. Helen and her three sisters were graduates of Hendrum High School. Her Mother died of cancer in 1950 and her Dad was killed in a horrible accident while looking for Lutheran Mission sites in Mexico on December 6, 1974. Helen has been an active member of the Dakota Maids Homemakers' Club Traill County for over 25 years.

The Bergs attend Immanuel Lutheran Church at Hendrum and are very active in community affairs. They were 4-H Club leaders of the Hendrum Hustlers. They are Shaklee Distributors and have a business in their home.

Clayton and Helen purchased the P.O. Ingberg farm in 1963 where they have made considerable improvements, including a modern ranch style home and a large machine shed. He farms over a thousand acres including the three hundred and fifty acres which

he purchased, renting other land in North Dakota. He is truly one of the community's industrious farmers.



Helen - Bob - Clayton Berg
Bill standing in back

JOSEPH & IDA (TOMMERDAHL) BERG FAMILY

Joseph O. Berg, oldest child of Ole and Sophia Berg, was born November 5, 1890 at Hendrum, Minnesota. He married Ida Tommerdahl (born June 1, 1891) daughter of Ole and Ellen (Ellingson) Tommerdahl on October 3, 1917. (The parental family histories appear elsewhere in this book). Joseph and Ida attended the District 40 School east of Hendrum and Joseph attended High School in Hendrum and Dakota business School in Fargo. They resided on his parental home place until 1921 - when they moved to their own home 1½ miles east of Hendrum. Joseph established the Berg Hatchery and Pet Farm and published or held editorial positions with several newspapers and magazines. (A descriptive history of the Berg Hatchery and Pet Farm and Joseph's printing and editorial writing appear elsewhere in this book).

Joseph and Ida had six children: Sherwood, Ellsworth (deceased December 22, 1938), Joyce (deceased December 31, 1978), Roselle, Spencer, and Maurice (deceased January 8, 1934). The family were active members of Pontoppidan Lutheran Church and involved in many civic and school activities. Joseph died August 27, 1936. Ida cared for her crippled sister, Minnie, in her home for over twenty-five years. She also opened her home to many children whose lives had been disrupted by illness or death. Ida remained on the home place until her death August 15, 1960.

Sherwood was born May 17, 1919 and graduated from Hendrum High School in 1936. He served in the U.S. Army, 78th Infantry Division, as a First Lieutenant from 1942-46. Their division helped distribute relief wheat and foodstuffs shipped from the USA to the devastated areas of the American Zone in West Germany. He retired from the Army Reserve as Lt. Colonel in 1975. Sherwood attended South Dakota

State University at Brookings, South Dakota and received his Bachelor's degree in Agricultural Economics in 1947; his Master's degree from Cornell University in Ithaca, New York in 1948 and his Doctorate from the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis in 1951.



Bradley, Elizabeth, Sherwood, Mary Berg

Sherwood married Elizabeth Hall, daughter of William and Grace Hall of Grandin, North Dakota in August 1944. Elizabeth also graduated from Hendrum in 1939. She received her Bachelors of Arts Degree in Education from Jamestown College and taught at the High School in Cooperstown, North Dakota from 1945-46. Elizabeth was secretary to the President of Jamestown College 1946-47. Sherwood was named U.S. agricultural Attache to Yugoslavia where he and Elizabeth served from 1951-54. In 1952 he travelled over 25,000 miles in a military jeep across the country assisting the drought-stricken victims. From 1954-57 he was attache to Denmark/Norway, with headquarters in Copenhagen. He received the Superior Service Award from the University of Minnesota in 1955.

They returned to the University of Minnesota where Sherwood was head of the Department of Agricultural Economics from 1957-63. In 1963 he was named Dean of the Institute of Agriculture. Elizabeth served as President of the University of Minnesota Faculty Wives and spent many hours at the University Hospitals as a volunteer for the Women's Auxillary.



Joseph and Ida (Tommerdahl) Berg. June 1891

In 1973 Governor Wendell Anderson declared 'Sherwood O. Berg Day' in recognition of Sherwood's and Elizabeth's contributions to the state of Minnesota. Sherwood became Project Director of the Midwest Consortium for International Affairs in Jakarta, Indonesia in 1973. Elizabeth served as Chairman of the Women's Club of Jakarta and taught English to the lovely Indonesian women in her home. They returned to the US in 1975 where Sherwood assumed the position of President of South Dakota State University, Brookings, the position which he now holds. Sherwood and Elizabeth have two children: Mary Elizabeth born October, 1951. She graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1979 with a degree in Fine Arts. Mary resides in Berkeley, California. Bradley Joseph was born September 1957. He graduated from Lakewood College 1979 and received a Diploma from the Commercial Diving Center, Long Beach, California in 1980. At present, he is diving professionally for Oceaneering International, Singapore.

Joyce was born January 9, 1922. Graduating from Hendrum High School in 1940, she attended St. John's School of Nursing in Fargo, North Dakota, 1941-44 and St. Louis University, Mo. 1944-45. She returned to St. John's Hospital where she worked as a Night Supervisor. Joyce married Keith Todd, son of Thomas and Lily Todd, Hendrum, on September 29, 1946. Keith graduated from Hendrum High School in 1938. They resided on the Todd homestead where Keith was engaged in farming until 1967 when ill health forced him to rent out his land. He worked for Hendrum Manufacturing Company for several years. Their children are Jacquelyn, born August 1, 1948, in Glendale, California. Jocelyn (deceased June 25, 1949) and Ellsworth, Hendrum. Joyce passed away December 31, 1978. (Further information on the family included in Thomas L. Todd family history).

Roselle was born August 25, 1923 and graduated from Hendrum High School in 1941. She received her Nursing Diploma from St. John's School of Nursing in 1944. Roselle served as the first president of the Fargo-Moorhead Lutheran Nurses Guild, an organization that served as a liaison between nurses in the armed services and the home church and community. Attending St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo. 1944-45, she transferred to the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, where she obtained her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing Education and a certificate in Public Health in 1947. While attending the University of Minnesota she cared for victims of the polio epidemic, occasionally several in the same family. During her Public Health internship she interviewed polio patients and families of polio victims in Southern Minnesota counties, compiling information for a research team seeking a vaccine for the dreaded disease. Roselle supervised at Fairview Hospital, Minneapolis, and at the University of Iowa Hospitals, Iowa City and was a Nursing Instructor at St. Lukes Hospital in Fargo, 1947-51. She has assisted in audiometer (hearing) testing in the Fargo Public Schools and is a

volunteer at St. Lukes Hospital as a patient escort.

Roselle married Monrad Hofrenning, son of Bernt and Anna Hofrenning, Fargo on July 21, 1951. Monrad was employed by the US Government as an auditor in the Internal Revenue Service and as a Pension Consultant for 32 years. He is now employed privately in Pension Consulting and Estate Planning.



Left to right: Spencer, Sherwood, Roselle, Ida, Joyce Berg

Their children are: Ilene, a graduate of the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks in Nursing and is presently employed as a visiting Nurse in Cambridge, Mass. She was a nurse in her ancestral land of Norway in 1979-80.

Barbara was an exchange student to Brazil in 1971 and in 1976 graduated from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, in graphic arts and communications. She resides in Austin, Texas. Sharon graduated from San Diego State University, California in 1978. She is a Personnel Administrator for a Computer Coin San Diego.

Maureen, a graduate of St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota did her practice teaching in Mussoorie, India. She taught several years in the Rochester, Minnesota school system and at present is a Reservation Sales Agent with Northwest Airlines in Mpls.

The family have been active members of the Messiah Lutheran Church. Roselle serves as Church Librarian and Monrad is treasurer of the Church TV Ministry.

Born March 23, 1928, Spencer graduated from Hendrum High School in 1946. He served as Corporal in General McArthur's Honor Guard during World War II 1946-48. He attended the Platoon Leader School in Quantico, Virginia in 1950 under the United States Marine Corp. Spencer received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from St. Olaf College, Northfield, Mn. in 1952. From 1952-55 he was field representative in Northern Minnesota for the Mutual Creamery Insurance Co., Mpls., Mn. He owned and operated the A & W Drive-In Restaurant at Dilworth, Mn. during 1955.

In 1956 Spencer attended the American Institute of Foreign Trade in Phoenix, Arizona. He joined the

General Motors Corporation office in New York in 1956 and worked as Supply Department supervisor until 1966. He joined the Foreign Trade Division of GM and served as Supply Manager in Mexico City, Mexico from 1966-70; in Montevideo, Uruguay 1970-75 and in Bangkok, Thailand from 1975-77. While in South American he was President of The American Association of Uruguay and of the Christ Church of Montevideo, Uruguay and a Board Member of the Uruguayan American School.

At present Spencer is Administrative Assistant in the Central Office of General Motors in Detroit, MI.

Spencer married Phyllis Larson of Yankton, South Dakota also a graduate of St. Olaf College, in 1955. Phyllis is a Director of Transart Industries and Art Consultant/Owner of Paylus-Beng Art Interiors in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan where the family resides.

Their children are: Geoffrey, graduate of Albion College, Albion, Michigan and is now employed by Airline Tariff Publishing Co., Washington, D.C.; Per, a senior at the University of Michigan, Ann Harbor, Mich.; and Claudia and Cecilia at home in Bloomfield Hills.

OLE A. BERG - SOPHIE JACOBSON OLGA BERG

Johan Sagberg immigrated to America in the spring of 1882. He came from Melhus, near Trondheim, Norway where he was born. He came to Hendrum in Norman County. In the summer of 1884 he sent for his wife, Rebekka, and the two youngest sons, Ole and Tor. On July 17, 1884 they arrived in Ada by train where Johan met them. They journeyed the prairie trails, as there were no roads, to the home of Johan Strodahl east of Hendrum. They stayed there until November. The next summer, they built a house on their land and moved there. Mrs. Sagberg died on April 16, 1896. In 1898 Johan married Pauline Johnson. They sold the farm in 1906 and moved into Hendrum. Sagberg died on December 7, 1917 and Mrs. Pauline Sagberg died on February 11, 1920.

Ole A. Berg, son of Johan Sagberg, (he changed his name from Sagberg to Berg) was born on June 6, 1868. He worked on farms, then started doing carpenter work. On March 15, 1890, he was married to Sophie Jacobson. She came here in 1888, from Hitra, Norway. They were members of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

They had three children: a son, Joseph, born in 1890, and two daughters - Christine, born in 1893, and Olga in 1902. All three attended District No. 40, later name the Clover Blossom School. They had about two miles to walk, the school house stood a short distance south of the Pontoppidan Church.

Ole Berg died on August 15, 1936 after being in poor health many years. Mrs. Berg and Olga stayed on the farm many years before moving into Hendrum. Mrs. Sophie Berg died on August 20, 1959 at the age of

93. The farm was sold in 1960. The forty with the buildings on is owned by a grandson, Oscar C. Tommerdahl.

Olga continued living in Hendrum after her mother's death. She is now residing in a Home in Twin Valley.

Joseph married Ida Tommerdahl, daughter of Ole and Ellen (Ellingson) Tommerdahl, October 1917. Joseph and Ida had six children: Ellsworth (deceased), Sherwood, Joyce (deceased), Roselle, Spencer and Maurice (deceased). Christine married Oscar Tommerdahl, a brother of Joseph's wife Ida, in June 1919. Christine and Oscar had four children: Eleanor (deceased), Orris, Eleanor, and Oscar. Olga was never married. *Taken from the book Norman County Histories 1976*

TORE J. BERG and MARIE OPHEIM

Tore J. Berg and Marie Opheim were married in April, 1895, both had immigrated from Norway and settled in the Hendrum area. Tore was born on July 31, 1873 and he passed away on January 11, 1956. Marie was born on March 3, 1875 and passed away March 13, 1958.



Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Berg

He was a well known carpenter, he worked in North Dakota, Minnesota and in the Glenside, Sask. area.

Seven children were born to this union: Alma Marie was born on February 21, 1896, died on May 29, 1952; Carl Morgan was born June 8, 1898 and died on September 13, 1981; he was married to Jane Peterson of Gary, Indiana, he was a carpenter like his Dad; Alvin Julian was born on September the 23rd, 1899, he is at present a resident at a Nursing Home in Twin Valley, Minnesota; Anders Martin was born on September 4th, 1901, he married Johanna Boyle, he served in the United States Navy for thirty years, retiring in Seattle, Washington; Edna Josephine was born November 4th, 1903, she married Joe Groenenboam, who is deceased, and she is a resident of Prairie Park, DeSmet, South Dakota; Julia Magdalene was born on September 19, 1905 and died on July 10, 1971, she married Jens Nelson, they retired in Hendrum, Minnesota; Tillie was born on February 3, 1909, married James M. Schlis, they live in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Carl and Edna Berg attended the Wide Awake Rural School but the remaining children attended school in Hendrum. As a family they were members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Hendrum.

WILLIAM BERG - KATHERINE HALVERSON

William Berg was born August 2, 1952, to Clayton and Helen Berg of Hendrum, where he has lived all his life. He graduated from the Hendrum High School, attended Moorhead State University and North Dakota State University; married Katherine E. Halverson in August 1972. William joined the Air National Guard in 1970 and was employed there for several years. He began farming and now operates a grain farm in part with his Father, and owns and operates a purebred hog operation and a Purina Feed business, on his Grandfather's farm east of Hendrum, the late Frank Scherfenberg.



Bill Berg Family — Kathy, Teresa, Billy, Jennifer, 1981

William is actively involved with pork producer groups and a member of the Norman County Fair Board. He is also a director of the Crookston Winter Shows and is involved with the North Dakota Winter Shows.

Katherine E. Berg, born July 23, 1952, to the late Rev. and Mrs. Philip Halverson, she was born in Minneapolis, lived in Pukwana, S.D., Pembina, ND and moved to Perley in 1964. Graduated from the Hendrum High School and the Moorhead State University. Married William Berg at Perley in 1972; taught two years at Hendrum; is now employed by the United States Postal Service at Perley, where she has been since 1977.

Both are members of the Kirkebo Lutheran Church in Perley, where William is trustee and Katherine is on the Board of Education. they have two children: Jennifer Elaine, age four, born November 6, 1977; and Teresa Marie, age one and one half years, born April 29, 1980.

EDMOND C. BERGH - MINNIE NELSON

Edmond C. Bergh was born June 5, 1884 in Traill County, Hillsboro, N.D., a son of John J. Bergh and his wife Kari J. Bergh, both natives of Norway. Edmond C. Bergh grew up on a farm of his parents. He attended school at Hendrum and graduated from the University of Minnesota. He worked for a time as superintendent for Dalrymple Farms, near Casselton, ND. He married Minnie Nelson June 14, 1911 at Hendrum and moved to Bemidji shortly afterwards, first living at Cass Lake and in 1913 moved to Big Lake, Sugar Bush Township, homesteading a quarter of land there which was mostly timber.

To Edmond and Minnie G. Berg five children were born: Katherine, Harvey, Marion, Arne and Helen.

Harvey Bergh attended school there, and helped his father with logging and clearing the land. They had a saw mill where they would saw logs into lumber and haul it sixteen miles to Bemidji with four horses on a sled. There it was sold to the Crookston Lumber Company and the Box Factory. Some of this lumber was used to build their house and other buildings, but the barn was built of logs.

Those were the years of prohibition, so there were plenty of moonshiners in the woods around there, and at one time they were shooting at each other until the bullets hit the houses. The Edmond Bergh and the neighbors smashed up some of the stills and carried them out of the woods, thus ending the moonshining there.

In 1929, the Edmond Bergh family moved back to the Hendrum area to farm and in 1933 moved onto the John J. Bergh farm. Edmond Bergh passed away in the fall of that same year. Harvey and his mother continued to farm until 1937 at which time the Bergh farm was sold to Edmond Tommerdahl, his widow and son still live there and farm it.

Minnie lived in the village of Hendrum until the time of her death. She lost her life in a severe snow storm. Two of the children are also deceased, Katherine and Arne.

Taken from the book Norman County Histories 1976

HARVEY BERGH - GRACE A. ROCKSTAD

Harvey E. Bergh was born January 28, 1915 in Beltrami County, Sugar Bush Township, Bemidji, Mn., a son of Edmond C. Bergh and his wife Minnie (Nelson) Bergh. Harvey attended school there, and helped his father with logging and clearing. They had a saw mill where they would saw logs into lumber and haul it sixteen miles to Bemidji with four horses on a sled.

In 1929, the Edmond Bergh family moved back to the Hendrum area to farm, and in 1933 moved onto the John J. Bergh farm, Edmond Berg passed away in the fall of that same year. Harvey Bergh and his mother continued to farm until 1937 at which time the Bergh farm was sold to Edmond Tommerdahl.

On October 6, 1937 Harvey Bergh married Grace A. Rockstad, daughter of Hans A. Rockstad and his wife Isabel (Brooks) Rockstad. To this union three children were born: Darrel Eugene, May 6, 1940 at Hendrum; Hugh Arden, December 9, 1943 at Ada; and Cheri Lynn, October 19, 1949 at Ada, Mn.

In 1942, Harvey decided to go into construction work, and with his family moved to the Iron Range, and worked for Holman Cliff Mining Company at Taconite and Coleraine, Mn., as heavy duty operator in the mines. In 1943 the family moved to Ada, Mn. and Harvey began construction on the Alcon Highway as a heavy duty operator. The highway started at Edmonton, Canada, and ran on through Fairbanks, Alaska at that time. Upon his return he entered the service in April, 1944 and served with the U.S. Navy aboard the L.S.M. in the South Pacific during World War Two until January 28, 1946.

In 1951 Harvey was employed on a project called "Blue Jay" which was the building of an air base, at Tule, Greenland, located just above the Arctic Circle. This air base took ten years to be completed. At the time of Harvey's arrival the only thing there was a small air strip and a few army personnel, plus a weather station. The only inhabitants were some Eskimos, and polar bears. Near there the seals would come up on the Island to have their young.

In 1956 Harvey worked on the construction of an irrigation dam for the government of Venezuela. the dam was thirteen miles long and located one hundred and fifty miles west of Caracas, Venezuela.

Next he worked on the construction of the air base at Grand Forks, ND.

Harvey still lives in Ada, Minnesota, and is a member of Grace Lutheran Church. Grace passed away in January, 1982.

Darrell married Carol Bennefeld and they have three children: Colleen, Tracee, and Michael. They live at Wickenburg, Arizona. Hugh married June Francis at Mahnomen and have one son, Steven. They live at Fisher, Mn. Cheri married Paul Simons at Ada and they have one son, Hans. They live at Wilmar, Mn

This is the fifth generation of Berghs.

Taken from the book Norman County Histories 1976

JOHANNES (John) and KARI BERGH

In May 1966 I was in Norway. I had the pleasure of joining a bus load of tourists for a trip through Gudbrandsdalen. It is a beautiful valley. I had often heard my grandparents talk about it. Kari Bergh and Johannes were born there.



Kari (Grandma) Bergh 100 years

They heard of the promised land in America where some of their friends had already gone. Johannes (John) was ten years old. They settled in Vernon County, Wisc. The Civil War was on. Johannes was nineteen. In August 1862, he joined the 25th Wisconsin Regiment. They fought against the Indians and were also in the siege at Vicksburg. They took part in General Sherman's march to the Sea. He was mustered out in June 1865.



Stephen Bergh 97 years

When the war was over Kari and Johannes Bergh were married. They farmed for many years at Westby, Wisconsin. Nine of their fourteen children were born there.

In 1881 they decided to homestead in Dakota Territory. (Traill County, N.D., Hillsboro) That was where the buffalo used to roam.

In 1893 they got "itchy" feet again. This time they bought a farm near Hendrum, Minnesota on the banks of the Wild Rice River one and one-half miles east of Hendrum. The boys had fun catching catfish when they had spare time from their farming duties. To John J. Bergh and his wife Kari, fourteen children were born: Emeline, Clara, Justus, Tinan, Ella, Hannah, Manda, Otto, Casper, Karina, Edmond, Steven, Herman and Palmer.



John Berg Farm — Along the Wild Rice River



Boat ride on the Wild Rice River - near Bergh Farm. Cousin Orlando, Joseph Rauk, Little Helen Frances, Mrs. S. Bergh, Stephen.

Johannes Bergh died in 1904. Kari Bergh moved into the village of Hendrum where she spent many happy years. She lived to be 102½ years old. She was affectionately known as "Grandma Bergh" by all who knew her. The only one of the Bergh children who is still living is Stephen. He is 97 and refers to himself as "The Last of the Mohicans". He and his niece (Belinda Rauk) live together in an apartment in San Diego, California. They often speak of the good times they had on the Bergh farm when many of the folks were still living there.



Time for Tennis — John Berg Farm

By Belinda Rauk

JUSTUS C. BERGH - CLARA AABYE

Justus C. Bergh was born on a farm in Vernon County, Wisconsin, November 1, 1869, a son of John J.

and Karia J. (Bergh) Bergh, native of Norway, who later became residents of Norman County. John J. Bergh was about ten years of age when his parents came to this country from Norway, settling in Vernon County, Wisconsin, where he grew to manhood and began farming on his own account, being thus engaged at the time of the outbreak of the Civil War. (His story is also in this book.)

Justus C. Bergh was about eleven years of age when his parents moved from Wisconsin to North Dakota and he completed his elementary schooling in the district schools of Traill County, N.D. supplementing the same by a course of two years of study in Willmar Institute at Willmar, Mn. His father had a tract of timber land in northern Minnesota and after he left school he was for two years engaged in getting out the timber there and then, in 1892, settled in Hendrum Township, Norman County, where he lived, engaged in farming. In 1913 he bought the home farm of two hundred and ninety acres in Hendrum Township, having one of the best-improved farms in that part of the state.

In addition to his farming interests, Mr. Bergh was interested in various concerns of a local character and did much to help develop the resources of the community in which he lived. He was one of the incorporators of the Equity Co-operative Grain Exchange of St. Paul and was a member of the board of directors of the same. He also was a member of the board of directors of the Equity Packing Plant at Fargo; was a director of the State Bank of Hendrum, a director of the Farmers Elevator Company there and a member of the board of directors of the Hendrum Creamery Company, in the affairs of all of which concerns he took an active interest. Mr. Bergh also was closely attentive to local civic affairs and was a member of the village park board. He served for some time as justice of the peace in and for his home township and also served as president of the local board of education, giving his most intelligent attention to the interest of the schools.

On February 19, 1913, Justus C. Bergh was united in marriage to Clara Aabye, of Perley, Mn., daughter of Andrew Aabye, and to this union three children were born: two sons, John Vincent and Malcolm; and one daughter, Irene. Vincent lives in New Mexico, Malcolm lives in Grand Forks, N.D. and Irene lives in Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Bergh were members of the Lutheran Church and took proper part in church work, as well as in other neighborhood good works, ever helpful in advancing the cause of the common welfare in the community in which they lived.

Taken from the book Clay and Norman Counties 1918

INGVAL BJERKAN - MAGDA ROTHE

Ingval Bjerkan was born Aug. 25, 1894, in Minneapolis, Minn. In 1902 he moved with his parents to the homestead at Lansford, N. Dak. For three years, he

attended N. Dak. St. University and during World War I, he served in the Army. On Dec. 15, 1926, he married Magda Rothe at Bottineau, N. Dak. They farmed in North Dakota. He was a member of the No. Dak. Legislature and served during the 1957 Session. He also was a Bottineau County Commissioner for 10 years and a charter member of Trinity Lutheran Church at Lansford, N. Dak.



Ingval and Magda Bjerken

Magda Rothe was born Dec. 5, 1897 on a farm near Bottineau, N. Dak. She attended schools there and Business College at Fargo, N. Dak., and worked in the Court House in Bottineau, N.D.

In 1964, they retired from farming and moved to Hendrum, Minn., Members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church there.

Mr. Bjerkan passed away, Nov. 11, 1979.

They have three daughters, Mrs. Norman Johnson, Mrs. Donald Hall, and Mrs. Arthur Kyper and five grandchildren.

HANS BJORDAHL and BERTINA ORVEDAHL

Hans and Bertina Bjordahl and family lived in the Hendrum Community for over thirty years. They were married in 1897 and six children blessed this union, namely: Annie (Mrs. Bernt Ness), Bernice (Mrs. Oliver Nygaard), Grand Forks, N.D., Orville, Helen (Mrs. Wyman Custer) Lindstrom, MN., Hans, and Eleanor (Mrs. Ken Emerson) Wolverton, Mn. Annie, Orville and Hans are deceased.



Bertina Bjordahl, Eleanor

Hans H. Bjordahl was born in Sogn, Norway in 1874. When he was seventeen, he came to the United States with his cousin Hans Strand to Perley, Mn. He came to the Jens Hest home. Mr. Hest had a Hotel and Livery Stable and Hans worked for him and also attended Concordia College, Moorhead, Mn. to learn the English language. He married Bertina Orvedahl at Fargo, N.D. and because of the big flood in 1897, they were unable to get back to Perley for two weeks.



Hans Bjordahl, Eleanor
New 1916 car

Bertina Orvedahl was born at Spellville, Iowa in 1877 and later moved to Dawson, Mn. When she was sixteen she came to Fargo, N.D. and worked at the Metropole Hotel and the Dalrymple and Nokken farms near Fargo and Moorhead. After her marriage to Hans Bjordahl they lived at Perley for nine years. Hans was now a mailman there and also farmed east of Perley. It was at this time Clara and John Hest came to live with them as their mother, Mrs. Jens Hest, had died. They lived with Hans and Bertina for about nine years.

In 1906 the Bjordahls moved to the Rask farm north of Hendrum with their two children, Annie and Bernice. It was on this farm that Orville, Helen, Hans and Eleanor were born. The family belonged to the St. Pauli Lutheran Church north of Hendrum and all the children except Eleanor attended the Wide Awake Rural School. Later they joined the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Hendrum and Eleanor attended grade school there and all the children attended High School at Hendrum.

Hans and Bertina loved the Hendrum Community. Hans served in many positions of trust. He served as township supervisor for twenty years and was a director on the Hendrum Elevator and Creamery Boards. He was a trustee in the Immanuel Church.

Bertina worked hard for her family and she always felt she should stay home to tend to things when everyone else would go. Her church and mission work meant a great deal to her and she continued to work for her church as long as her health permitted. She truly loved helping people and her home was always open to everyone who wanted to come and stay. In her later years, when she visited in her children's homes, she became

very dear to her grandchildren who still talk about "Grandma Bjordahl" and how they loved her.

As I write this history (with the help of my sisters) there were so many memories of our home and of Hendrum. I can still see the red checked tablecloth Mom used when the "Threshers" came. She cooked for a large crew of twenty or more for every meal and some stayed overnight. Then I think of the Sunday mornings when Dad would read from the Norwegian Bible at the breakfast table. It was hard to sit quietly because some chapters seemed so long and I was always the hungry one.

There are so many, many memories of the Hendrum School, church and the many friends, making this Hendrum Centennial very special to all of us.

Written by Eleanor Bjordahl Emerson

JENS BJORDAHL - OLAVA KARIN QUAM

Jens Nelson Bjordahl came to the United States in 1884. Olava's parents wouldn't let her travel alone so when Fred Opheim and Elias Gausen came over, she got permission to go on the same boat in 1887.



Jens Bjordahl Family

Back row, left to right: Gust, John, Carl, Alfred, Oscar, Lawrence
Front row: Clara, Jens, Nora, Olava, Stella

Jens was born January 10, 1862, in Sogn, Norway and Olava Karin Quam on September 5, 1867 in Trondheim, Norway. They were married on June 20, 1888 in Perley, Minnesota. They lived near Perley until 1908 and belonged to the Bethlehem Lutheran Church there. They moved to Hendrum and farmed until 1918 or 1919 when they retired and moved to the Hendrum Village. They joined the Immanuel Lutheran Church and Jens was a Sexton for a few years.

Jens passed away July 20, 1932 and Olava passed away August 6, 1934. Born to them were twelve children:

1. Alfred Martin Bjordahl
2. Carl Peter Bjordahl
3. Clara Amanda Bjordahl - married Nickolia Dalen and they had five children: Jarl Norman, Olga Marie, Sylvia Marie, Helen Jean (twin), Lyle Sanford (Helen's twin). There are 13 grandchildren.

4. John Helmer Bjordahl - married Lillian Martindale. They had two children.
5. Lawrence Nicolia Bjordahl
6. James Oscar Bjordahl - married Luella Driskell. They have two children, nine grandchildren, and fourteen great grandchildren.
7. Gust - married Julia Duning. They have three children and nine grandchildren.
8. Nora Luella - married Edward Renold Holmbo. They have five children and 8 grandchildren, and one great grandchild.
9. Theodore Bjordahl
10. Stella Agnes Marie Bjordahl - married Montgomery Wright. They have two children and 7 grandchildren.
11. Hanna Alisa (Twin)
12. Ella Otelia (Twin)

All children have passed away except James Oscar living in Spokane, Washington, and Nora Luella in Champlin, and Stella Agnes Marie, in Minneapolis.

DUNCAN BLACKKETTER and ANN STENNES

Duncan Blackketter, son of George and Desmona Blackketter, was born in Indianapolis, Indiana. In 1910 the family moved to Bradenton, Florida. Duncan came to Hendrum in 1926. For several years he worked on the Charles Harrington Farm in No. Dak. On September 14, 1929 he was united in marriage to Ann Stennes, daughter of Helmik Stennes. There was a double wedding performed that day at the Stennes farm when Jacob McLaughlin and Stella Stennes were also married.



Duncan and Ann Blackketter

They rented the Stennes farm land and continued to live there. In 1939, they purchased the 200 acre farm. He raised small grain, corn and alfalfa. He kept a dairy herd, had hogs, sheep and chickens. He delivered cream to the Hendrum creamery and in the later years sold the milk to the Fairmont Creamery in Fargo. He sold the dairy herd in 1958 and then raised beef cattle. Later they purchased 94 acres from an adjoining farm.

Duncan served on the Viking School Board District #2 for several years, and for 16 years served on the Hendrum School Board, he also served on the Hendrum Township Board. He is a member of Masonic Lodge and the Sons of Norway. They are members of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

In 1979 they purchased a home in Hendrum and sold the farmstead to John Storsved who also rents the farm land.

ELMORE E. BOWHALL - ALMA SKAUGE

Elmore E. Bowhall was born January 23, 1897 at Perley, Mn. to Melvin Armin and Berntina Dorothea Johnson Sand Bowhall. Melvin Bowhall was born in N.Y. state July 15, 1856. Berntina was born in Norway January 19, 1863. Berntina was married to Hans Sand in Norway. Two children were born to them while living in Norway, Hegbert and Margaret. Another daughter, Alma (Mrs. John Helland), was born after they came to America and were residing at Perley, Mn. Hans Sand passed away and later Berntina married Melvin Bowhall. To this union were born: - Mabel, Elmore, Clara and Wallace.



Alma and Elmore Bowhall

Elmore Bowhall married Alma Skauge, daughter of Ellef and Ingeborg Skauge of near Hendrum. Ellef and Ingeborg were born in Norway and grew up there. They were married in Skaun Church, Norway on December 2, 1880. Ellef emigrated to America in June 1881. Ingeborg and daughter Marit followed in 1884. They settled in Norman County near Hendrum.

In May 1931, the Elmore E. Bowhall family moved to the Albert Ingberg farm one half mile east of Hendrum. Ethel entered the 7th grade, with Mrs. Albert Ingberg teaching. Lillian entered 6th grade in the fall with Alice Thompson teaching 5th and 6th grades. Maurice entered the 4th grade and Glenn started the first grade. One thing that stands out in our memories is the unique looking school bus driven by Johannes Stennes. It had wheels in the spring and fall and sled runners for the deep snow in winter.



Elmore Bowhall Family
Maurice, Lillian, Elmore, Alma, Ethel, Glenn

Favorite activities for the Bowhall youngsters were the 4-H Club, all school athletics, especially the basketball games; and church functions. Ethel and Lillian enjoyed singing and playing in the band. All four graduated from Hendrum High School and all were confirmed in the Pontoppidan Lutheran Church.

Fun times were had with parties in the homes at Christmas time. Sleigh rides, home made ice cream and all those goodies. Elmore Bowhall had as much fun as the children. He spent days digging out a toboggan run down the banks and across the Wild Rice River. We also tobogganed at "Humpy's" — (Hjalmer Hamstad). Ice skating parties on the Wild Rice River, after Mr. Bowhall shoveled all the snow to the sides, were enjoyed by many in the area. In the summer, children from town liked to come down to the same river to swim.

Because of a congenital heart problem Maurice could not enter into athletics, but brother Glenn made up for it on the basketball floor.

Alma "Skauge" Bowhall had been a resident of the Hendrum area all her life and was an active participant in Pontoppidan Lutheran Church and in all other activities in which her children and family participated.



Glenn Bowhall, on horse, left; Garfield Douglas, on horse, right; Billy Ingberg, on bike, left; Maurice Bowhall, front, right.

Elmore Bowhall served on the School Board for several years and was a busy farmer in the area all his life. Elmore and Alma lived for awhile just west of the Perley bridge in North Dakota. Elmore passed away on July 19, 1965. Alma continued living on the farm a few years and then moved into Perley, Mn. Alma is presently living in an apartment in Edmonds, Washington. Their son, Maurice is deceased.

JOHN BRADY and ANNE ANDERSON

John started teaching in Hendrum in the fall of 1929 — the year that became known as the beginning of the "great depression". He married Anne Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Anderson of Grandin, North Dakota in 1933. Anne had previously graduated from Hendrum High School and had taught two years in the third and fourth grades in Hendrum before their marriage.

A son, William, who is now Research Analyst and Statistician in the Fargo Public Schools, was born in Hendrum. William ("Bill") is married to Bernadine Eid, of Ada, Minnesota. They have three children — Robyn, Reid, and Erin.

The Bradys lived in Hendrum until 1945. During this time frame John went from teacher-coach to principal, and then to superintendent of schools. His basketball teams were usually strong contenders in District 30 competition. In 1941 and 1944, Hendrum won district championships and came close to qualifying for entry for the Minnesota State Tournament. When he was superintendent, the school district was enlarged, school bus transportation routes were expanded, and several new courses were added to the curriculum.

Their early years in Hendrum was a period of difficult financial times for Minnesotans and the nation as a whole. Still, in retrospect, it was a good decade to be living in the Red River Valley where most people had plenty to eat and recreation was inexpensive. Most of the latter was centered around the school and the community churches.

Bradys' later residencies included: seven years at Mayville State College, Mayville, North Dakota where John was Professor of Education; one year at Ada, Minnesota as owner of a Coast to Coast Store; a half year as a substitute teacher at General Beadle College in Madison, South Dakota; and twenty-one years at Bemidji State University where he served as chairman in the Philosophy and Psychology Departments; and as Director of the Placement Bureau. He retired September 1, 1975 as Professor Emeritus.

The Bradys continue to live in Bemidji.

ANDREW A. BRATLAND - NETTIE OLSON

Andrew A. Bratland was born in Wisconsin on January 4, 1853, and was two or three years old when his parents moved with their family into Minnesota and settled on a farm in the neighborhood of Minne-

apolis, where he grew to manhood and where he remained until after his marriage in 1874, when he came up here into the Red River Valley and settled in Norman County, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was one of nine sons born to his parents. Andrew was the oldest brother, then O.A. (Ole) who was the first white child born at Otisco, near Waseca, Minn. Michael was next and Gilbert A. the youngest.

On June 19, 1874, in the vicinity of Minneapolis, Andrew A. Bratland was united in marriage to Nettie Olson, who was born in Norway on May 16, 1859, and who was fifteen years of age when she came with her parents to this country. To Andrew and Nettie Bratland eight children were born, namely: Inger, Michael, Olin, Albert, Toluf, Edgar, Chester and Andrew; all of them deceased.

Andrew A. Bratland bought land in Lee Township and became the owner of a fine farm in section 12. Upon the establishment of the townsite at Hendrum, Mr. Bratland became a storekeeper there and continued in the mercantile business at that place for twelve years, his brother Ole meanwhile farming the Lee Township farm.

The store must have been the first General Store in Hendrum. Such a store must have had, "Just about everything!" And it seemed to be in a "Turmoil" much of the time trying to expand enough to carry everything the growing community demanded. About the store management, the eldest brother, Andrew, had to give in to the persistence of his brother O.A. who insisted that women's shoes should be "hard working shoes". The women refused to buy them, insisting on having something "more dainty" — So until the store closed, they were still plagued with a large stock of women's shoes, they could never sell!

When Andrew sold the general store, he bought his brother's interest in the farm and moved from the village onto the farm and spent the rest of his life there, passing away in June, 1903.

Their name was Anderson at that time. Because there was a great number of people living around there by the same name, a court proceeding was used to change all of their names to Bratland. Such change of name was likely after the store was closed and perhaps about the time that Michael went to the U of M. It appears that their father had come from a farming community in Norway named "Brateland" or "Brattland". It was the practice to take the "Farm name".

Their father gave each son a tract of land on the Red River and besides farming they also cut the timber off to sell to the steam boats, then plying the river and burning cord wood.

Andrew Bratland helped organize a bank at Hendrum, creameries in Hendrum and Perley. For some time he served as a member of the local school board and was treasurer of the same.

The general store in Hendrum was known as the Anderson Bros. Mercantile.

CARL T. BRECK and SENA INGBERG

Carl Breck was born at Waseca, Mn. on April 27, 1877 and came to Hendrum around the turn of the century.



Carl and Sena Breck — 1905

He taught school in District 2, also known as the Stordahl School. Later he worked at the G.T. Ingberg store until the time of his illness and death in 1924.



Carl Breck Home in Hendrum

He was married to Sena Ingberg on June 1, 1905. Sena was born in Norway on February 7, 1877 and came to Hendrum around 1895 with her sister Mary Ingberg Ness and their brother G.T. Ingberg.



Sena, 18 and Mary, 15 Ingberg — 1895

The Carl Brecks had two sons, Bennie and Thomas, who died at ages two and three respectively, and two daughters, Jeanette (Cedarholm) of Badger, Mn. and Stella (Askegaard) of Ontario, California.

Carl held an office in the Village of Hendrum, possibly it was Treasurer.

THOMAS BRENDEN - AGNES GAUSEN

Thomas Brenden, son of August and Lena Brenden, was born at Flom, Minnesota. When he was still a youngster, the family moved to a farm near Scobey, Montana.

He returned, as a young man, to Fargo, North Dakota, and worked at the Viking Hotel. Here he met Agnes Gausen, who was attending a business school. She was the daughter of Annie Opheim Gausen and Elias Gausen; Annie was born in Norway and came to the United States in 1890, and Elias, also born in Norway emigrated in 1887. He was a skilled carpenter.

After Agnes and Thomas were married, they operated a cafe in Hendrum, Minnesota for a few years. He also worked for the Minnesota Highway Department.

In 1936, they moved back to the Scobey area to farm. Both Agnes and Thomas are deceased.

Their children are: Eileen, Mrs. Lowell Burgett and Thomas Alan married to Ana Vargas, all of Scobey, Montana; Mrs. Floyd (Audrey) Vallie of Great Falls, Montana; Mrs. Donald (Ilo) Sorte, of Olympia, Washington. They have ten grandchildren.

OLE BRODAHL - NETTIE DYRENDAHL

Ole Brodahl was born in Rissa near Trondhjem, Norway March 17, 1844 and arrived in Fillmore County, Minnesota, 1877. From there he traveled with Albert Hagen and others to Hendrum, where he took a homestead in section 10 in Norman County. He had some schooling to study the English language. After having a house built, he went back to Norway to marry Nettie Dyrendahl in 1885. They returned to Hendrum and to this union eight children were born.

1. Elise (Mrs. Christian Richardson) was born May 1, 1887 - died July 13, 1947. They had 5 children: Vernon, Howard, Evelyn, Henry, and Donald.
2. Emilie (Mrs. John Erickson) born July 7, 1888 died June 19, 1959. Their 2 daughters: Lorraine and Esther.
3. Oline (Mrs. Edwin Samuelson) born Oct. 16, 1889 and died Feb. 1967. Their 2 children are Orville and Edna.
4. Christian was born May 19, 1894 and died Feb. 1964.
5. Clara (Mrs. Joseph Stennes) born Nov. 24, 1895. They had 6 children: Leslie, Ruth, Jerome and Josephine. 2 died in infancy. Joseph died Oct. 17, 1975.
6. Olaf born May 23, 1897 and died Oct. 1956.

7. Bessie (Mrs. Gjert Dosland) born Jan. 13, 1899. They had 3 children: Betty, Daniel and John. Gjert died Dec. 17, 1971.

8. Minnie born Oct. 7, 1903 and died Aug. 28, 1915.

Our Mother would shear the sheep, wash the wool, card and spin the yarn. The older girls would help with the knitting. We all wore long woolen socks in winter to keep warm. We also knit mens socks that we sold for exchange in groceries at 50¢ a pair. We went to school in District #2 in a one room school, sometimes as many as 50 pupils in the eight grades. Mother died in the Christmas holidays in 1917 and Father died on May 2, 1927 and both are laid to rest at Pontoppidan Cemetery. Both our parents loved the Lord. Father was blind the last 10 years of his life, but would recite Scripture and hymns which were dear to him. We are thankful to God for a good heritage. Father also wrote a poem after Mother died so suddenly, admonishing us children to be ready to meet God which made a deep impression on me at the time.

OLE BROHAUGH - ALBERTINA HANSON

Ole Brohaug was born in Eidsvold, Norway and his wife, Albertina Hanson was born at Oslo, Norway. They came to the United States, to the Minneapolis area where Ole was engaged in the meat market business. Later he and his family moved to the Ada, Minnesota area where Ole continued managing a meat market. Ole and Albertina had a family of nine children: Clara, George, Agnes, Joseph, Minnie, Philip, Edwin, Luella and Esther. Agnes and Luella are the only survivors, they reside at Laurel, Montana.



Edwin, George, Joseph, Philip, Ole (father) Brohaug



Edwin and Ole Brohaug — Alfalfa field

Ole and Albertina and family moved to Hendrum where he served as postmaster from February 26, 1890 to April 28, 1894; in 1895 he founded the dry goods department in the Hendrum Mercantile Association up to about 1900, when Ole Brohaug moved to Shelly, Minnesota. He had purchased the Anthon Gordon farm of 320 acres from his former business associate. This farm is presently owned by two grandsons, Hubert and Weldon Brohaug.



Brohaug Sisters: Esther, Clara, Luella, Agnes, Minnie, Mother: Albertina

Agnes Brohaug served as Norman County Superintendent of Schools for several years, and taught in the St. Cloud School System for over forty years. Edwin became a County Agent in Tomah, Wisconsin. George taught school locally in the Wide Awake School, later at the St. Cloud Teachers' College for years. Philip and Joseph were farmers.

JAMES and JESSIE BROOKS

James Brooks was born in Canada. Jessie was born in Minier, Illinois. After their marriage they farmed at Traill County North Dakota until moving to Hendrum about 1929. They were members of the Presbyterian Church. Jessie was a member of the Eastern Star and James was Hendrum's policeman for quite a few years. Both were active in all the towns projects and activities. In 1948 they moved to California and settled at San Bernardino, California. James died at the age 83 and Jessie at the age 88.



Leland and Bonita (Hanson) Brooks

They had four sons: Leland, Delmar, James and George. James is the only one living and he lives at San Bernardino, California.



Jim and Jessie Brooks Family
Delmar, Jimmy, Leland, George

DONALD BUSSE - CAROL NELSON

Donald Busse, originally from Cavalier, North Dakota, came to Hendrum, Minnesota in 1951. He was manager of the Peavey Elevator, Feed Mill and Lumber Yard for ten years.

Donald was born at Cavalier, North Dakota. His parents are Roy and Vera Busse of Cavalier. He attended the Cavalier schools and enlisted in the Armed Forces in 1946 and served in the Philippines as a Surgical Technician with rank of Tec. 5. He received the World War II Victory Medal.

Donald started in the elevator business at Cavalier, North Dakota, then to Lake Park, Minnesota and started in the Hendrum, Minnesota plant in 1951.

Donald married Carol Nelson of Hawley, Minnesota (Carol's parents: Carl and Mildred Nelson of Lake Park, Minnesota). Carol attended Lake Park schools and was clerk in a department store in Hawley for several years prior to their marriage. They have three daughters:

Diane, Mrs. Gerald Walswick, of Finley, North Dakota. They have four children: Mindi and Jason Walswick and Kari and Don Goughnour. Debra Leedahl and daughter, Dawn, live in Moorhead.

Denise, Mrs. Rick LaVoy, lives in Bismarck, North Dakota. They have a daughter, Amber.

Twins, Catherine Marie and Robert Donald, were born March 11, 1953 but died shortly after birth.

Carol and the girls were members of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum. Carol was a member of the A.L.C.W. and Legion Auxiliary and Donald was active in the Legion, Commercial Club and Volunteer Firemen.

Donald drowned in South Twin Lake on June 7, 1961. Funeral Services were held in St. John's Catholic Church of Georgetown, Minnesota. Burial was at Cavalier, North Dakota.

Carol married Duane Stordahl on June 2, 1964 at Moorhead, Minnesota. They have made their home in Moorhead except for the year Duane was with IBM Corporation in Tucson, Arizona.

THE CANNING FAMILY OF HENDRUM CHARLES, J. H. (Harry), and RICHARD

One of the early pioneer families of Norman County is the Canning family of Hendrum. The founder of the family, Charles Canning, was an Irish immigrant from county Londonderry who arrived in the area now known as Hendrum, in the spring of 1876. He had walked the nearly 30 miles from the nearest railroad at Moorhead.



Harry Canning — P.V. Grain Elevator

In May, 1876 Charles Canning paid \$1,600 to Mary Rogers for 311 acres on the bank of the Red River, in Section 25 of Hendrum Township. Two years later he added an adjoining 480 acres, which is still retained by the family.

Charles Canning called the place Ferry Farm for the nearby ferry crossing to Quincy on the Dakota side of the river. Canning operated the ferry under a lease granted by Traill County, Dakota, which authorized him to charge five cents per head of cattle, 10 cents per horse or mule, and 25 cents for a team with wagon. In return, he paid the county \$10 per year. The ferryman was Charles William Canning, a distant cousin who later married Charles' younger sister, Mary. Charles W. and Mary were parents of Mac Canning.

The landing at the ferry was known as Canning's Landing, or simply Canning, and it was a regular port of call for the Red River steamboats of the time. It was naturally expected that Canning would be the name of the new town to be laid out opposite Quincy. However, Comstock and White, the developers, later that year bought an 80 acre site for the town a mile east of Quincy from A.L. Gordon, and the Norman County Index on August 24th, reported the town was to be called Gordon. But both Canning and Gordon were shunted aside in favor of Hendrum.



Hon. Charles Canning — 1880

Though not a "bonanza" farmer, Charles Canning ran a large operation for a family farm, employing fifteen hands in the harvest season. Ownership of his own storage facilities was necessary for Canning, both to store his own and his relatives crops and to shield himself from the elevator monopolies that he consistently opposed.



Log House (1876) on Martin Anderson farm — now owned by "Chuck" Canning. Charles Canning walked 30 miles from Moorhead to buy the present Dick Canning farm. Charles slept in the loft that night.

Charles Canning was a member of the legislature in 1885, where he represented the sprawling Fifth District as a Republican. In the legislature he fought hard to checkmate the Millers Association and to lower freight rates for grain. At times a hot-tempered Irishman, Canning one day in the legislature got so mad at Hill's (railroad magnate - and personal friend) lobbying efforts, that he threw his hat to the ground and jumped on it — challenging Hill to a fist fight!



Birthplace of J.H. Canning Sr., son Dick and nephew Leonard Whittles (1972 picture).



Back Row: Sara, Elizabeth, Harry, Charles
Front Row: Lillian, Richard, Dick Canning

With his continued opposition to the abuses of the railroads and the Miller and elevator interests, Canning parted ways with the Republican Party. In 1887 he helped the Farmers Alliance in their bid to open Duluth as a competitive port for export of wheat from northern Minnesota, a move strongly opposed by powerful Minneapolis and Chicago grain interests that long conspired with the railroads to prevent the development of a northern rival. Canning moved to Duluth, Mn. in 1888 where he opened his own grain brokerage in the new Board of Trade Building.

On February 11, 1894, his business in the Board of Trade Building was reduced to ashes after five hours of raging flames. With the loss of his business in Duluth, he returned to Ferry Farm where he died April 8th, at the age of 52. Surviving were his wife Mary Ann, also an Irish immigrant, son J.H. and a daughter Sara. R.G. Canning is a grandson.

Charles Canning had helped build the Quincy and Hendrum Presbyterian Churches.

Sara Canning married The Rev. T.D. Whittles, sometimes pastor of the Hendrum Presbyterian Church. They had two children, Leonard and Miriam. Miriam died after a forest fire in the Duluth area.

James Harry Canning, son of Charles, married Helen Gordon, daughter of A.H. Gordon of Hendrum, in 1911. They had three sons; Richard Gordon, George Charles and David Gordon. Dave moved to Virginia in 1940 and George did the same shortly after. George married Sylvia Hanson, daughter of Art and Clara

Hanson of Hendrum. They have two children, Nancy and Arthur Harry. Dave married Alphield Rudd. They had four daughters; Sharon, Carol, Coleen and Kaylin.

Richard (Dick) Canning married Lillian Sonsalla, of Casselton, N.D. Their children are: James Harry, Elizabeth Helen, Sara Ann, Charles Thomas and Richard Gordon. The Dick Canning children were raised on the original farm, which is now over 100 years old. The old log cabin, with its hand hewn logs and square nails is still standing on the farm.

As a final note it might be added the Cannings who came to Hendrum were from the old Ulster family by that name. Their ancestor was George Canning who first went to Ireland from Warwickshire, England in 1690.

CHARLES CANNING FAMILY

Charles Canning, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard G. Canning of Hendrum, Christine Canning, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Mjolsness of Perley, were raised on their parents' farms in the immediate area. Both Chuck and Chris graduated from Hendrum High School in 1970, and were married September 22, 1973 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum.

Chris attended L.B.I. in California for one year and graduated from Interstate Business College in Fargo after which she worked for an insurance firm in Minneapolis and Billy Graham and World-Wide Publications.

Chuck graduated from the College of Business Administration, University of Minnesota with a degree in Accounting in 1974.

They have been involved in the family farm operation since 1974 and are now owners of Canning Farms, Inc. Chuck is Treasurer for the Red River Valley Sugarbeet Grower's Association.

They were blessed with two children, Benjamin born on January 31, 1977 and Andrea born on December 18, 1978.

CHARLES W. CANNING - MARY CANNING ROBERT HENRY McLEAN (Mac) CANNING - MAY WATTERS RYERSON

Charles William Canning was a native of Ireland, but was a resident of Norman County since he was twenty years old. Charles W. was born in Ireland August 15, 1865, son of Robert and Mary (Wilson) Canning, both of whom had been born in Ireland. Charles W. came to this country in 1885 at the age of twenty, landing in Philadelphia. He worked there for one year, then went on to Pittsburgh. After a short stay there he came to the Red River Valley. Upon his arrival here he secured a tract of land in Section 25 of Hendrum Township, Norman County, and there established his home. The farm is ideally situated along the Red River. In addition to his farming, Mr. Canning

engaged somewhat extensively in the raising of a good grade of live stock and had on his place about 20 head of horses and more than 40 head of cattle.

On January 18, 1893 — Charles W. Canning was united in marriage to Mary Canning, sister of Charles Canning, who was also born in Ireland, and to this union was born one son, Robert Henry McLean (Mac) Canning who was born in Norman County on July 15, 1895.

Mr. and Mrs. Canning are members of the Presbyterian Church at Hendrum and take interest in church affairs, as well as other good works and in the general social activities of the community.

Charles William Canning, a distant cousin of Charles, was ferryman for the ferry operated by Charles Canning.

Robert Henry McLean (Mac) Canning married May Watters Ryerson, the step-daughter of Dave Watters of Hendrum, who was a nephew of Charles William Canning, Mac's father. Mac's mother was "Big Mary". May's mother, Tillie, came from Philadelphia. She was a relative of the Semples, another early pioneer family in the area.

Both Mac and Mary are now deceased.

Taken from the Northern Minnesota 1902

THE ALBERT J. CHRISTOPHERSON FAMILY

Every aspect of history is a constant source of knowledge, excitement and fascination. It is equally true of ones family, except more so. For it holds at least part of the answer to why we are as we are.



Albert Christopherson
Gloria, Audrey, Marilyn, Avis

For the second and successive generations of the Christopherson family it is of more than passing interest to contemplate the influence of the warlike Sioux upon their family history. After the great Sioux uprising of the 1800's settlers left Minnesota by the hundreds. To ensure the survival of the area,

Europeans were encouraged to immigrate. In Norway a government official, Paul Hjelmin-Hansen thought the move to America made sense for the young and the ambitious as land was free, or nearly so. In 1867 he followed his own admonition and settled in La Cross, Wisconsin. We are told that two years later the Minnesota Board of Immigration hired him to explore the Red River Valley by oxcart. He was so impressed that he wrote articles in praise of what he felt would become one of America's greatest farming regions. His articles praising the Red River Valley were published in Norway.



Ulricka Christopherson
Gloria, Audrey, Marilyn, Avis

So much for recorded fact. Whatever the connection, and here history left us no discernible trail, Albert I. Christopherson was born three years later on March 26, 1872 in (or near Trondheim) Norway. Although he came from a large family, he alone followed Hjelmin-Hansen's advise and even traced his earlier course. Albert arrived in La Crosse from Norway at the age of seventeen to work in a saw mill. After several years he too travelled to the Red River Valley most likely by train rather than oxcart or wagon. It is noteworthy that Albert Christopherson and the steamboat "Ason Northrup" both appeared in the Red River area for the first time in 1895.



Albert and Ulricka Christopherson

Steamboats as is their nature wander but Albert Christopherson was to remain for over six decades and to leave his mark on the land and in the hearts of his family, friends and community. He went to work for Albert M. Eckman a former banker, on a farm one and one-half miles east of Hendrum Township. In the true

and time-tested tradition of American success stories he would later purchase 120 and then another 400 acres of adjoining land to support his wife and growing family. It was on the Eckman farm that he met and married Ulricka Jacobson. Not like Albert's family, Ulricka's parents, Jacob and Christine Pederson of Hitra, Norway followed their son to rural Hendrum.

Following their marriage, Albert and Ulricka moved onto their first farm and into a log cabin. Here eight children were born: two daughters, Marie and Alice; and six sons, Hjalmer, Arthur, Roy, Engman, Lester and John.

Besides devoting their energies, talent and a good measure of love to a successful farming career and raising their large family, Albert and Ulricka served their adopted community with an equal measure of devotion. As was the custom Albert ("Al" as he was affectionately called by family and friends) gave himself directly to his community with the full support of his wife and family. His service totaled over 50 years (mostly continuous through appointments or re-elections), including elevator and creamery boards; District 40 School Board (later Clover Blossom School) for 20 years; and as a Trustee, Deacon and Secretary of Immanuel Lutheran Church for 32 years. One can not doubt that "Al" and Ulricka Christopherson acknowledged and paid in full the only demand made by their adopted country — to serve their community, State and Nation as responsible citizens. In so doing they provided a better life for themselves, and for their children and future generations of fellow citizens.

During these same years all of their children (except John who died in 1911) grew-up, attended church and local public schools, married and followed a wide range of careers.

Ulricka Jacobson Christopherson died December 8th 1936 and Albert nearly twenty years later on January 8th 1956. Surviving were seven children, 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, each charged to carry on the traditions of one American family with its roots and developing heritage now firmly planted in Minnesota.

ALLEN CHRISTOPHERSON - HARRIET SLININGER

Allen (Chris) Christopherson —
And His Life at Hendrum

On a farm, just north of Hendrum, Minnesota, May 23, 1938, Grace and Lester Christopherson gave birth to Allen Jay Christopherson. Chris grew up in Hendrum and has spent most of his years there. For a short period of time the Christopherson's lived in San Francisco, Calif. There Lester worked in a ship yard. The family always worked hard together, and after awhile, they decided to move back to Hendrum. At this time Lester started work on the construction of the P.V. Elevator. Chris helped his mother with odd jobs around the house, hauling groceries, and "fix-it" jobs

around town whenever possible. In 1953 Lester fell from the elevator, and broke his back. At this time Chris' help was even of more importance. At an early age, he began farming with his uncle Carl Underlee, and also another uncle Hjalmer Christopherson at an elevator in Hadler, MN.

On a brisk night in October of 1955, Chris met Harriet Slininger of Ada, Mn., while roller skating at the Ada Coliseum. Chris was 17 and Harriet was about to turn 16. On October 29, Chris was invited to the birthday party, and the courtship continued on. In the spring of 1956, Chris turned 18, graduated from Hendrum High School, and continued on with his job at the Dick Canning farm. It was there that he picked up very easily how the farm machinery and equipment all worked. In November of 1956, Chris and Harriet became engaged on the eve before Chris enlisted in the U.S. Navy. In the four years that Chris was aboard the U.S.S. Hancock, the cruises took him to many far away places. Some of these places included Hawaii, the far east, Japan, Philippines, and many more. Chris was a petty officer on the hanger deck, keeping track of planes at the air control station.

December 22, 1956, Chris is home on leave, their wedding takes place at the Grace Lutheran Church in Ada, MN. A few days later, and Chris is once again aboard the ship. Harriet stays on in Minnesota and enrolls in the cosmotology course offered at the Thief River Falls A.V.T.I.



Emily, Harriet, Allen Christopherson, Peggy, Steven Miller, Susan, Jason, John Darco.

It is now November 1960 and the four years of service are completed. And the Christopherson family has grown. Peggy Jane, born in Fargo, N.D. on June 23, 1957, and Susan Dee, born in Ada, MN. December 11, 1959. The family is now together residing in Hendrum. Chris is employed by the Hendrum P.V. Elevator, and Harriet starts working in Ada, at the "Modern Beauty Shop". During the next two years, Chris had worked for Sherman and Einar Kolnes hauling grain. Also for Stewart Ystebo helping out in the sheetrock business. After a few years Chris started working for the Hendrum Oil Co. and Harriet opened

her own beauty shop business. In 1964 Chris began working for Harvey Ystebo as a welder. Harvey's shop was located just northwest of Hendrum. Harvey rented his business in 1967 to Lindsay Bros. of Mpls. Chris then became the manager of the Hendrum Mfg. Co. and shortly after in 1973 the plant moved to a new location in Hendrum.

While keeping very busy in the new business, Chris was also very active in the "American Legion", "Norman County Fair Board", "Perley Rod and Gun Club", "V.F.W.", "Elks", "Eagles", and "Hendrum Community Club".

Both his children, Peggy and Susan were educated in the Hendrum Public School. There they were both quite active in sports, band, declam, annual staff, newspaper staff, choirs, and six years of cheerleading.

The Christopherson family attended the Immanuel Lutheran Church, and were members of Luther League, choirs, and Ladies Aids. Peggy and Susan graduated from the Sunday School there and also were confirmed there.

Peggy was married to John Darco of Mahnomen, MN, on August 1, 1975 in Immanuel Lutheran Church. They are now living in a new home near Mahnomen. They have two children, Jason Daniel, born January 18, 1977, and Emily Jean, born October 10, 1979. Peggy keeps very busy being a housewife and mother, while John is employed by Mahnomen Wholesale.

Susan was married to Steven Miller of Ulen, MN. on September 6, 1980 in Immanuel Lutheran Church also. They are now residing in Racine, Wisconsin. There Steven is furthering his education in accounting and Susan is an L.P.N. and employed by the St. Lukes Nursing Center in Racine. Their future plans are to someday move back to Minnesota.

When grandchildren started to enter into the Christopherson family, Harriet soon became known as "Nanny". Chris and "Nanny" started to build a new home in 1976. They've enjoyed building the house themselves. It is located in Lynwood on the South Twin Lake, east of Mahnomen. The very successful business of Hendrum Mfg. Co. has kept Chris very busy. While Nanny spends much more time at the lakes, doing what she enjoys most — oil painting, and watching the fireplace in their new home.

On December 22, 1981, Chris and Nanny will celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary — An event they both are looking forward to — since they feel their time spent together has been a very fulfilling and happy time.

ARTHUR CHRISTOPHERSON and CLARA GILBERTSON

Arthur was born to Albert and Ulricka Christopherson on August 6, 1901. He attended the Clover Blossom School and Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum.

As a young man he helped his brothers and father farm. As he grew up, he and another brother took turns working for other area farmers. In the winter Arthur and his friend Gust Blomseth, would go with the ice gang to cut and pack ice, often to Montana.



Clara and Arthur Christopherson — 1926

In the winter many of the young people attended Literary Society. This tended to be a social event with humorous programs, newspapers, and games. Arthur attended Literary Society in Districts 2 and 3. It was here that he met Clara Gilbertson.

Clara was the daughter of Ole and Serina Gilbertson. Born on January 2, 1903, she attended Meadow Lark School and the North West School of Agriculture in Crookston. She returned to Hendrum to graduate from High School. After her graduation she clerked in Hansen's General Store.

Arthur and Clara were married on October 7, 1926, in her parent's living room. They spent that winter taking care of the Wangberg farm, where Arthur had been working. They rented a farm east of the Gilbertson farm. While they lived there, their three daughters, Gloria, Audrey, and Marilyn, were born.

In 1937, the family moved to a farm near the John Helland's.

On July 26, 1941, Arthur contracted encephalitis. Many people were infected. Many of these people lost their lives, but Arthur survived the high fevers. He was hospitalized in Fargo at St. John's Hospital for many weeks. Later he stayed with his sister-in-law, who was a nurse. Because of the encephalitis he had to learn to walk again. He never fully regained good speech.

When Arthur became ill, the neighbors and friends gathered on August 6th, to thresh. John Helland and Andrew Rustvold each brought a threshing machine. The women brought lots of food.

Arthur lived the last fifteen months of his life in the Halstad Memorial Home. He died on May 15, 1979.

Clara is still quilting and involved with the mission projects of the church. She resides at rural Hendrum.

Gloria attended Hendrum School and Moorhead State Teacher's College. She married Arnold Jossund. They farm near Perley. Gloria teaches first grade in the Hendrum-Perley Public School. They have three children: Julie, a speech clinician for the Thief River Public Schools, John, farming in the Perley, Hendrum area and Mark attending N.D.S.U.

Audrey attended Hendrum School. After graduation she worked in Fargo until she married Merlin Peterson. They presently live in Wyndmere, N.D. They have three children: Lynne, married to Dan Larson, they work in California, David, working in California and Patti, a file clerk also in California.

Marilyn attended school in Hendrum and Business School in Fargo. She married Richard Cortesi. They live in Albuquerque, NM, where they have an animal clinic and kennels. They have two children: Craig, attending N.M.S.U., and Janet attending school in Albuquerque.

LESTER CHRISTOPHERSON and GRACE ENGER

Lester Christopherson, son of Albert and Ulricka Christopherson, was born in Hendrum Township. He married Grace Enger, daughter of John C. and Regina Enger, December 22, 1937, just one year after Lester's mother passed away.

They lived at the Albert Christopherson residence on the farm and helped him with farming there.

Lester and Grace have four children, two boys and two girls: - Richard Enger, Lester's stepson, who resides at Denver, Colorado. He married Donna Larsen and has three children. He is an engineer.

Allen Christopherson married Harriet Slinninger and they have two children. Allen manages the Hendrum Manufacturing Shop at Hendrum, MN.

Rita married Marvin Moen of Jamestown, N.D. Rita, a Registered Nurse, works at the Jamestown Hospital. They have three children. Marvin is a pharmacist.

Norma married John Haack of Detroit Lakes, Mn. They have two children. John works at Lake Region Travel Agency of Detroit Lakes, and Norma works with the Agency also.

The Christophersons have ten grandchildren (5 boys and 5 girls) and two great-grandchildren, one boy and one girl.

After working for some time on his father's farm, Lester decided to try his hand at some other kind of work. They went out to Oakland, California in the fall of 1941. There Lester worked at the Ship Yard. They returned to Hendrum, MN. and bought the house in which they are now residing, in 1942. Lester returned to California, for another year to work, leaving his wife and two children in Hendrum. He returned to be with them in 1943.



Grace and Lester Christopherson

Lester then did carpenter work on elevators, repairing and building them for a number of years — until he had the misfortune of falling, and injuring his back on April 28, 1953. He was hospitalized for some time and when released from the hospital, was in a body cast from April until September 1953. Lester could not go back to carpenter work now, so he had to get some easier work. In 1954, he started driving a school bus and working as a custodian in the Hendrum School. He was a custodian and bus driver for 21 years there.

On December 16, 1962, they celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary in the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Hendrum. Many friends and relatives were present to wish them many more years of married life together.

After Lester retired from the Hendrum School in 1975, he got a job as a farm hand for several farmers helping with the spring and fall work. On October 31, 1980 Lester suffered a heart attack and was hospitalized for a couple of weeks at St. Ansgars Hospital. Since his recovery from the attack, he has not been able to work on the farms.

SIVERT DALEN - BERTHA OHNSTAD

Sivert Dalen farmed at Perley, Minnesota and operated a Mercantile Store at Hendrum for a few



Sivert S. Dalen, General Merchandise Store, about 1900.

years in the early 1900s. He probably was the first commuter, coming from Perley to Hendrum every day. Mr. and Mrs. Dalen moved into Perley, and in 1914 he opened the Farmers Merchant Bank of Perley, Minnesota.



Sivert and Bertha Dalen

Sivert Dalen was the father of Clara Hansen and grandfather of Bonita Brooks.

GARFIELD E. DOUGLAS - MYRTLE HESTAD

Garfield Edmund Douglas (Denny) was born September 10, 1898 at Hendrum, MN. On January 30, 1923 he married Myrtle Hestad of Hendrum. Denny died October 13, 1946 at the age of 48 years.

Denny had been a member of the Board of Education, active trustee of the local Presbyterian Church and a member of Alpha Lodge 230 of the Masons. Denny did commercial grain trucking and also farmed.

Myrtle graduated from the Dakota Conservatory of Music in 1922. Myrtle taught piano for many years.

Denny and Myrtle had three children. Garfield Jr. lives at Max Meadows, Virginia. He married Patricia (Patty) Keller of Climax, MN. They have five children. Garfield has raised purebred Angus cattle since 1950. They have two sons, Jay and Timothy who are continuing in the same line of agriculture. Two girls are married, Julie and Kelly. Holley, at home, is a teacher. Patty was elected president of the Virginia Angus Association in 1981. She is the first woman in the history of the Angus Association to be made president.

Helen married Harley Stennes of Hendrum. They have three daughters, all married and live in California. Helen and Harley live in Bakersfield, California.

Bruce was born January 16, 1936 at Hendrum. He graduated from Hendrum High School in 1954 and from Moorhead State College in 1958. He coached three years at Buffalo Lake, Mn. He has taught and coached at Detroit Lakes, Mn. since 1961.

Bruce married Marlys Nordstrom of Benson, Mn. in 1958. They have four children, Andrea age 22, Dan age 17, David age 16 and Mike age 11.

Myrtle married Charles Harrington on November 9, 1968. Charles died October 13, 1971. Myrtle has spent the winters in Mesa, Arizona since 1968, and at Hendrum in the summer months.

JOSEPH DOUGLAS - LETITIA FERGUSON

Letitia Ferguson and Joseph Moffit Douglas, unknown to each other, arrived in Hendrum Community about 90 years ago. They were married there, and returned to Ontario, Canada where they were both born. Joseph entered a veterinary school from which he graduated in two years.

They returned to Hendrum, and he practiced veterinary medicine in the Red River Valley until 1918 except for a brief time spent in North Battleford, Canada.

Their family consisted of nine children, Sandy Douglas and Denny Douglas, who married two Hendrum girls, Bertha Brooks and Myrtle Hestad, and they became farmers in the Community; Mabel Ruf, Gertrude Still, Josephine Bramkamp, John, Clifford, Merrill, and Beryl Jerome moved elsewhere.

Sandy, Mabel, Denny, and John are deceased.

The remaining children are all retired and live in San Diego, California.

ANTON and INGA DUKLETH

Anton Dukleth and his sister, Tena, were born in Norway. Anton was two years old and Tena was eight years old when they came across to the United States. Anton was born September 19, 1886 and passed away March 11, 1967 at Eventide Nursing Home in Moorhead, Mn. He was eighty years old when he passed away. The last three years of Anton's life he lived at "Dukie" and Delores's home.



Inga and Anton Dukleth

Inga was born May 29, 1891 and passed away June 4, 1958 in the Crookston Nursing Home, Crookston, Mn. Inga was born in a log cabin on a farm by Argyle, Mn. Inga's health was failing for the last sixteen years of her life. She was sixty-seven years old when she died.

Anton and Inga were married January 2, 1911 on a farm in Argyle. They had six children; four girls named Alvina, Lillian, Mariam and Lucille. The two boys

names were Olger (Dukie) and Marvin. Marvin died as an infant on July 25, 1915.

Anton and Inga lived most of their lives on the Iron Range in Bovey, Mn.

OLAF and JENSENA DUKLETH

Olaf and Jensena Dukleth came to the United States from Norway in 1888. It took six weeks for them to come across on the boat. They had to pack their own food from Norway for the long journey. Olaf and Jensena arrived from Norway at Argyle in Marshall County, Mn. They stayed for a couple of years with a cousin named Stern Berg. Then they moved to Hendrum, Mn., where he tried farming. The first three years he lost everything. The first year rust took it, the second year rain took it all and the third year he was hailed out. That was the end of his "hard luck" farming with horses. (They farmed with horses then). Olaf and Jensena bought twenty acres of land by Hendrum, Mn. He worked out for all the other farmers and he also did a lot of grubbing. It was no easy task!

Olaf and Jensena had eleven children. Two of them died in Norway. The other nine children were Conrad, Tena, Marie, Frankie, Anton, Oscar, Oliver, Esther and Ruth.



Olaf and Jensena Dukleth

Olaf was a Deacon at the St. Pauli Church north of Hendrum, Mn. for 30 years. He never missed a service. When he retired, the church gave Olaf an Aladdin lamp. They were so thrilled, you would have thought they gave him \$1,000. They were very happy! St. Pauli church was hit by lightning and burned down years later.

OLGER and DELORES DUKLETH

Olger (Dukie) Dukleth was born in the same log cabin that his mother was born in, near Argyle, Mn. Olger was the son of Anton and Inga Dukleth. Anton and Inga Dukleth lived most of their lives on the Iron Range near Bovey, Mn. Grandma (Jensena) Dukleth came to the Iron Range and Dukie went back with her.

"Dukie" finished school in Hendrum and was confirmed in Hendrum, Mn. at the Pontoppidan Church on April 25, 1926. Dukie was confirmed in Norwegian. After that Dukie worked for most of the farmers around Hendrum, Mn.



Olger (Dukie) and Delores Dukleth

Dukie got a job at the beet plant in Moorhead, Mn. and that is how he met his wife, Delores. Delores was working in the restaurant there and "they fell in love!" Dukie said, "all good things come in small packages." She really was small, only four feet ten. A year later, Dukie and Delores were married.

When they were first married, Dukie worked at the Fargo Foundry for five years. Then he got a job at Hornbachers Store in Moorhead, Mn. He worked at Hornbachers for eighteen years until he retired at the age of sixty-two, when Delores had her heart attack. They both have been doing painting since then — both interior and exterior.

They have three girls and an adopted girl. Delores, Dukie's wife, was married before to Myron Week. Delores had one girl named Beverly with Myron. Myron passed away of sleeping sickness on March 14, 1949. Beverly was only seven months old. Delores married "Dukie" five years later on September 7, 1954. Dukie then adopted Beverly.

Beverly married Orris Holland, son of Erling and Lillian Holland of Hendrum, Mn. on May 5, 1971. They now live in Mankato, Mn. They have three lovely children, so we are proud grandparents. Beverly makes crafts and purses and then she goes to flea markets to sell them. Beverly is thirty-three years old. Orris works at Kayot Boat Factory in Mankato, Mn.

Christinia is of Beverly's first marriage. Beverly's first husband, Kenneth Rowlett of Sabin, Mn., passed away of cancer on December 28, 1946. Kenneth was only twenty-four years old. Christinia is the oldest of the children. She is thirteen years old and in the 7th grade. Marshall is the first child of Beverly and Orris. He is seven years old and in the 2nd grade. Henry is the baby of the family. He stays home and helps his

mom when his sister and brother are at school, as he is not old enough to start school yet. Henry is three years old.



Dukie and Delores children
Virginia, Tammy, Beverly

"Dukie" and Delores celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversary in Triumph Lutheran Brethren Church in Moorhead, Mn. We were so happy to see so many friends from Hendrum, Mn. and from Moorhead, Mn.



Cindy Dukleth
"Bodeguard"

Virginia is the first child of Dukie and Delores. Virginia had such curly hair when she was little, everyone called her Shirley Temple. Virginia married Holly Powell of Vermont on June 24, 1978 in Triumph Lutheran Brethren Church in Moorhead, Mn. They bought a farmstead north of Aberdeen, S.D. They have twenty acres of land and a nice home. They raise wild turkeys, ducks, geese, chickens, guinea hens and of course cats and dogs. Virginia is twenty-four years old. She works for Control Data in Aberdeen, S.D. Holly is manager of a Country Club in Aberdeen, S.D.

Cindy is the second oldest of their family. She is twenty-two years old and not married yet! Cindy lives in Borger, Texas and works for Daniels Construction Crew. She is a cement finisher, carpenter helper and a time keeper. Cindy is a real animal lover.

Tammy is the youngest of the family. She came along as a surprise package, but we are very happy for her as she keeps us young. Tammy is fifteen years old and a sophomore at Senior High School in Moorhead, Mn. She likes sports, so I guess she takes after her dad and Grandpa Dukleth.

OLUF DUKLETH - ELLEN QUAM

Oluf Dukleth and his wife, Ellen Quam, were born in Trondhjem, Norway and came to the United States. They were married and purchased a farm two miles north of Hendrum in Sec. 7-144-48. The buildings were built around 1897.

They farmed here until 1907 when they bought a farm and moved to the Flathead Valley near Kalispell, Montana.

There were nine children: Emma, Oscar, Gust, Anne, Martin, John, Olga, Alvin and William.



Oluf and Ellen Dukleth



Oluf Dukleth Family

Back row: (left to right) Alvin, Oscar, Emma, Gust, Martin, and John. Front row: Olga, Mrs. Ellen, William, Mr. Oluf, Anne.

JOSEPH DULLUM - SOPHIA STENBERG

Joseph Dullum was born May 24, 1899; the 4th son of a family of 18, to Peder and Bertina Dullum on a farm near Grandin, North Dakota.

Sophia Stenberg was born December 21, 1900, the 3rd daughter of a family of 10, to Andrew and Martha Stenberg on a farm near Hendrum, Minnesota.

Joseph met Sophia while he worked in a hardware store in Hendrum. They were united in marriage on January 21, 1921. They then moved to a farm near Grandin, North Dakota and farmed until they moved into Hendrum in 1941.



Joseph Dullum Family: Virgean, Joseph
Sophia, Larry, Donna, Marona
Insert: Marvin, Arden

Joseph worked in a machine shop until they moved to Moorhead in 1953. In 1957 they moved to Port Orchard, Washington, where he owned Dullum Construction until he retired.

To this marriage were born six children: Marona, now Mrs. Oliver Row of Port Orchard, Washington.

Virgean, now Mrs. Byron Pederson of Mora, Minnesota.

Marvin, who was killed in an automobile mishap in Hendrum in 1947 at the age of 20.

Donna, now Mrs. Donald Ystebo of Moorhead, Minnesota.

Arden living in Port Orchard, WA, and Larry, living in Port Orchard, WA.

There are 19 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

In their retired years, Joe and Sophie have five acres of land on which they spend time gardening and raising chickens and beef cattle.

ALFRED DYRENDAHL - GRACE HOUSKE

Alfred Dyrendahl was born September 10, 1895 at Hendrum, the son of Christian and Emilie Dyrendahl. He attended school in Hendrum, worked as a section hand for the railroad and at a very young age bought his own business "The Dyrendahl Freight and Express". In 1921 Alfred married Grace Houske of Halstad, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lars Houske. She grew up in Halstad where she attended school.

Alfred and Grace had five children and they are; Doris, born on July 13, 1921 graduated from Hendrum High School and attended a beauty school. She is married to George Carmickle and lives in Portland,

OR. Russell was born in Hendrum on March 10, 1924. He graduated from High school and served in the Army. In May of 1953 he married Rethal Schmidt and has one daughter Janet. Rethal passed away in May of 1976. Buddy lives in Eagle Lake, Mn. and is a mechanic at Mankato State College in Mankato, Mn. Harris was born on October 20, 1925 in Hendrum. He went to the Hendrum School and has worked as a carpenter and a painter. He lives in Hendrum. Francis, born on January 18, 1927, graduated from high school in 1945, served in the U.S. Navy, and married the former Beverley A. Johnson on June 11, 1950. They have four children and live in Hendrum where he is the head custodian at the Hendrum School. Ramona was born on June 17, 1929 in Hendrum. She graduated from High School in 1947, and has a daughter Julie. Mona is a custodian at the Hendrum School.

Alfred was retired several years. He passed away in December 1981. Grace passed away in November of 1961.

CHRISTIAN A. DYREDAHL - EMILIE B. STEGAVIK

Christian A. Dyrendahl, son of Arnt and Andrea Dyrendahl from Rissen near Trondheim, Norway, and his cousin Martha Dyrendahl, immigrated directly to Norman County in the year of 1886. His sister (Anna), Mrs. Paul Rinnan, lived on a farm three and one-half miles northeast of Hendrum, Mn.

During his first few years he worked in logging camps near Eau Claire, Wisconsin. He was a carpenter but he also worked at other jobs. When the first telephone lines were installed at Hendrum, he was along with his neighbor, Sivert Syverson. A post auger was used at that time for digging holes since they had no power machinery.



Dyrendahl brothers and sisters: Alfred, Emil, Davey, Alma Lura, Minnie Johnson.

He owned a steam threshing rig which he operated for forty years, threshing for farmers as far south as Georgetown, Mn. and west into North Dakota and also north and east of Hendrum. When crossing bridges that were not very sturdy in the early years, the heavy engine was pulled across by using a rope on the fly-wheel; this way it did not jar the bridge too much.

In the early days before electric refrigeration, he cut ice blocks on the river during winter months and stored them in sheds packed with sawdust for insulation. It was necessary every spring that the Red River Bridge had to be taken up before the ice would move and destroy it, so he was along with Mr. James Johnson from the North Dakota side, taking it up, and again replacing it.

In 1889, Emilie B. Stegavik, daughter of Olaus and Dorthea Stegavik from Lexvik near Trondheim, and her brother Christ Stegavik came. When she first came here she worked for Albert Hagen, farmer living north of Hendrum. A few years later, she married Christian Dyrendahl. Her brother did not stay here long but settled in Vancouver, British Columbia, where he was in the fishing industry.

In the early days the Dyrendahls, as well as others, had a cow for their own milk. In the year of the flood, 1897, the cow was taken to the elevator, and a boat was used to get to the elevator to care for her.



1912 — Martin Enger, Sam Holland, Christ Dyrendahl, Alfred Enger, Knute Ostby.

In 1910, Mr. Ole Rogness, a well digger, dug a well on the Dyrendahl property. It was a good flowing well which supplied the school and neighbors with water for 25 years, but when the city well was dug, the water in the flowing well slowly diminished.

Mr. Dyrendahl had two other sisters that came here a few years later, namely; Mrs. Stephen (Olise) Jacobson and Mrs. Anton (Agusta) Westvik. Mr. Jacobson and Mr. Westvik built and operated a cement factory here for many years.

Christian and Emilie Dyrendahl had five children: Alma married Oscar Lura - had two sons; Alfred married Grace Houske - had 3 sons and 2 daughters; twins David and Emil; David married Marian Houske - had one daughter and one son; Emil married Inga Trom - had two daughters; Minnie married Ernest Johnson - had two sons and two daughters.

Christian passed away in December, 1932 and Emilie passed away in May, 1948. Only Minnie is left of the five children, Minnie resides in Hendrum.

By Minnie Johnson

EMIL C. and INGA (Trom) DYRENDAHL

Emil C. Dyrendahl son of Christ and Emilie (Stagavik) Dyrendahl was born September 26th, 1898. Inga (Trom) Dyrendahl was born December 30th, 1903 to Knute Trom and Sonnav (Lykken) Trom. They were



Standing: Myron and Olive Maurstad, Shirley and Donald Visser
Seated: Inga D., Barbara M., Emil Dyrendahl

married at Halstad, Mn. November 23, 1927. Emil worked for the F.H. Peavey Co. for several years. Two children were born to this union. Olive Beverly born February 24, 1929. She married Myron Maurstad at Moorhead, Mn. June 25th, 1958. They have one child, Barbara born June 9th, 1963. The Maurstads have a bulk oil dealership in Georgetown, Mn. where they also reside. Shirley Elaine was born on January 27, 1939. She married Donald Visser at Hendrum, September 23, 1962. They own and operate Vissers Nursery and Greenhouse, Ada, Mn. and also reside in Ada.

Emil passed away December 20th, 1970 and Inga December 9th, 1968. Both resided in Hendrum until their deaths.

FRANCIS DYRENDAHL - BEVERLEY JOHNSON

Francis Dyrendahl, the son of Alfred and Grace Dyrendahl, was born in Hendrum on January 18, 1927. He attended the Hendrum School and graduated in 1945. The following year was spent in the U.S. Navy. When he returned from the service he and his brother Buddy bought the Standard Service Station across the street from the Norman County State Bank. In 1953 they sold the station to Leroy Lee who moved to his new building on Highway 75.

Beverley Ann was born in Gwinner, N.D. on March 21, 1931 to Arthur and Beulah Johnson. She attended school there before moving to Hendrum in 1940, where she graduated in 1949. Francis and Bev were married on June 11, 1950 by Reverend J.J. Jacobson. Bonnie Jacobson and Buddy Dyrendahl were their attendants.

In 1956 they remodeled the old station into a cafe and operated it for 13 years when it was sold to Joe Berg.



Francis Dyrendahl Family
Tim, Gail, Randy, Susan, Becky, Donovan
Francis, Bev, Ryan, Nathan, Chad

They have four children; Rebecca (Becky) was born on June 25, 1951. She married Donovan Kolness on May 23, 1970. They have two sons, Chad and Ryan and reside in Hendrum. Becky is a teller at the Norman County State Bank and Donovan works for Flint Advertising in Fargo. Timothy, born on November 19, 1953, graduated from Hendrum in 1972 and is presently attending Mr. Don's College of Beauty. He is married to the former Gail Colby of West Fargo, N.D. who works in the office of Steiger Tractor Co. Randy was born on June 2, 1958. He is a graduate of Hendrum and Detroit Lakes Technical School, and is employed as a structural engineer at Fargo Tank Co. in Fargo. He married Susan Hoff of Perley in June of 1978, they reside in Fargo where she is a beautician at Tom Towers 3. Nathan, the youngest, was born in Ada on September 12, 1970. He is attending the fifth grade in Hendrum. Francis is the head custodian at the Hendrum School and Bev is clerk at the Post office and is a city councilwoman.

ECKMANN FAMILY

- (1) Jacob Eckmann - barrel maker
- (2) Borghilde Mjolsness - his wife
- (3) Carsten Eckmann - sea captain
- (4) Malene Eilertson (Eilertsdatter) his wife
- (5) Hans - 1859
- (6) Kaia - 1861
- (9) Carsten M.
- (10) Malfreid
- (11) Roy
- (12) Lief
- (13) Margaret
- (14) Fritjof
- (7) Albert - 1864
- (8) Carsten J. - 1866
- (15) Carsten S.
- (19) Chester
- (16) Alice
- (20) Carsten J.
- (17) Myrtle
- (21) Lillian
- (18) Stella
- (22) Millard
- (23) Vivienne

(1) Jacob Eckmann came to Stavanger, Norway from Gluckstad, Germany around 1800. He sailed from Hamburg, Germany. Eckmann means corner man in German. He built small boats and worked in a boat building factory. He died in Stavanger.

(2) Borghilde Mjolsness was married to Jacob Eckmann. She came from Finoy, Norway. Finoy means island and was a half day journey by boat from Stavanger. Hans, Kaia, Albert and Carsten J. used to spend summer vacations at Finoy. She died in Stavanger.

(3) Carsten Jespersen Eckmann (the captain) was born about 1835. He was a sea captain of sailing vessels. He must have gone to a school where navigation was taught, as he was a captain of at least eight different sailing vessels during his life time. He came to Hendrum, Minnesota in 1891, as Albert and Carsten J. were already there. Carsten died in Hendrum in 1920 and is buried in the Lutheran Cemetery one mile north of Hendrum.

(4) Malene Eckmann (Captain Carsten's wife) came to Hendrum, Minnesota in 1891. She was born in 1836 and died in 1915, and is buried in the Cemetery one mile north of Hendrum. Carsten and Malene had nine children, five died in infancy.

(5) Hans Eckmann was a sailor on English ships. He lived in Hull, England and was married to Terressa, an English woman. They had one son, Carsten Michael (Carsie), who died when he was 20 years old. Uncle Hans was killed when Hull was bombed during World War II, on May 9, 1941, and is buried in England.

(6) Kaia Eckmann came to Hendrum, Minnesota in 1891. She married Bernhard Johnson, and their son Roy's articles, when he visited Norway (published in the *Fargo Forum*) told many interesting things about the Johnson family. Kaia lived in Hendrum and Halstad, and later with her daughter Margaret in Minneapolis, Minn. Kaia ran a millinery store in Hendrum for many years. She had articles printed in the *Dacorah Posten*, a Scandinavian newspaper published in Dacorah, Iowa. She is buried in Minneapolis, Minn.

(7) Albert Melvin Eckmann was born in Stavanger in 1894. He came to Hendrum, Minnesota when he was 21 years old. He worked for a while for John Mjolsness (Captain Carsten's cousin). John Mjolsness had a farm along the Red River. Albert had attended a private boys' school, Kingsgaard, in Stavanger, and had studied English, French and German. He worked in an office in Stavanger, Norway. After he emigrated to Hendrum from Norway he worked in a grocery store, later in a lumber yard, and in 1900, he and several other Hendrum folks organized and opened the State Bank of Hendrum, of which he was president and cashier. He was married to Marie Romeriem Nelson. Marie died in 1902. They had five children, but one died in infancy. In 1918, Albert moved to Yakima, Washington, where he was interested in a hardware store and in real estate. He died in 1922 while on a trip to Norway with his new wife, Helene. Albert is buried in the Lutheran Cemetery, one mile north of Hendrum, Minnesota.

(8) Carsten J. Eckmann, Sr. was born in Stavanger, Norway and came to Hendrum, Minnesota around

1888. He married Julia Selness. He was manager of one of the grain elevators, and later owned and operated the local lumber yard in Hendrum, Minnesota. He retired and moved to Fargo, North Dakota in 1927. He was assessor for Cass County in Fargo, for several years. They had seven children but two died in infancy.

(9) Carsten M. (Carsie), son of Hans Eckmann was born about 1888, but died when he was 20 years of age, and buried in Hull, England.

(10) Malfried Otila, daughter of Mrs. Kaia and Bernhard Johnson was born in Hendrum, Minnesota in 1898 and was married to Joe Howard. They had three daughters.

(11) Roy Paul, son of Mrs. Kaia and Bernhard Johnson, was born in Hendrum, and was married to Cuddy Mary Levtre. Roy Johnson worked for the *Fargo Forum* as a reporter and photographer for many years. He wrote many historical articles about North Dakota. He died in Feb. 1963 and is buried in Fargo, North Dakota.

(12) Lief Erickson, son of Mrs. Kaia and Bernhard Johnson was born in Hendrum, Minnesota in 1902. He married Esther Gutschmidt, and they had one daughter and two sons. Lief worked for the telephone company in Minneapolis, and lived on Lake Minnetonka. He died in 1969 and is buried in Wayzata, Minnesota.

(13) Margaret Albertina, daughter of Mrs. Kaia and Bernhard Johnson, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota in 1906. She was married to Oscar Bye, and they made their home in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and were parents of one daughter.

(14) Fridtjif (Fritz) Nanson, son of Mrs. Kaia and Bernhard Johnson, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota. He and wife Gertrude had one daughter and two sons, and they live in Bremerton, Washington.

(15) Carsten Sigurd, son of Albert and Marie Eckmann, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota in 1891. He married Lil Koester, and to this union were born three sons. They lived in North Dakota and in 1919 they moved to Selah, Washington, where he was a building contractor. He died in 1960 and is buried in Seattle, Washington.

(16) Alice Beatrice, daughter of Albert M. and Marie Eckmann, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota. She was married to Chris Leffler, and they had one son and one daughter, and lived in Seattle, Washington.

(17) Myrtle Idella, daughter of Albert M. and Marie Eckmann, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota in 1895. She was married to Rolfe Shellenberger, and they had three daughters. They made their home in Belvidere, New Jersey.

(18) Stella Rosinia, daughter of Albert M. and Marie Eckmann, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota in 1897. She was married to Bert Pugsley, and they had two daughters and one son. They lived in Zillah, Washington, where she died in 1948. Rossinia was one of Capt. Eckmann's favorite names, as two of his daughters who died in infancy were named Rossinia.

(19) Chester Lloyd, son of Carsten J. Eckmann, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota in 1898. He was married to Helen Moore and they lived in Billings, Montana. They had one daughter.

(20) Carsten Jennings, son of Carsten J. and Julia Eckmann, was born in Hendrum in 1900. He was married to Grace Brekke, and they lived in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They had three sons, but one died at the age of seventeen.

(21) Lillian, daughter of Carsten J. and Julia Eckmann, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota in 1903. She was married to Maurice Robinson, and they lived in Morris, Illinois, where she died in 1965. They had two sons.

(22) Millard Clinton, son of Carsten J. and Julia Eckmann, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota. He was married to Mabel Kinney, and they had five children. They lived in San Diego, California.

(23) Vivienne Hope, daughter of Carsten J. and Julia Eckmann, was born in Hendrum, Minnesota in 1910. She is married to Chester Westberg, and they have one son. They reside in Moorhead, Minnesota.

Note: Carsten is a family name. I had Grandpa Carsten, Uncle Carsten, a brother named Carsten, and two cousins named Carsten. There are two Carsons in the next generation. — Alice.

ALVIN EDMUNDS - ALICE NELSON

Alvin Edmunds, son of Ed and Myrtle Edmunds, was born at Gardner, Illinois in Grundy County. Alvin came with his folks to Hendrum Township in 1920 from Gardner, Illinois.



Arvid, Alice, Alvin Edmunds, Dean

Alvin Edmunds married Alice Nelson of Rothsay, Mn. at the Edmunds home on November 1, 1943. Alvin and Alice farmed east of Hendrum until 1974.

Alice passed away July 5, 1976. Alvin lived in Ada for awhile and passed away October 21, 1978.

To them were born two sons, Arvid of Ada, Mn. and Dean of Fargo, N.D.

ED EDMUNDS - MYRTLE MATHISON

Ed Edmunds was born in Stavanger, Norway in the year of 1878 and came to America at the age of three years, with his folks. They settled in Gardner, Ill. in Grundy County.

In the year of 1905 in February, Ed Edmunds married Myrtle Mathison of Gardner, Ill. Myrtle Mathison was born in Gardner, Ill. in the year of 1890. Born to them were four sons and one daughter, Alvin, Marguerite, Forrest, Clifford and Lester.



Ed and Myrtle Edmunds

In the year of 1919 Ed Edmunds of Grundy County, Illinois, came to Norman County, Mn. to buy the farm located four miles east of Hendrum and one mile west of Concordia Lutheran Church, from Andrew Hagen.

In the spring of 1920 he moved his household goods, furniture and farm machinery by immigrant car — or in other words, by rail. His wife and family of five, the youngest being only six months old, came by passenger train.



Clifford, Alvin, Grandma Edmunds, Ed, Myrtle, Lester, Marguerite

For many years he hauled cattle by truck to West Fargo as a side line, besides his farming. He lived on this farm until 1948 when he moved to Ada, Mn., but remained very active in farm interests.

Ed Edmunds passed away in 1960 and his wife died in 1965.

Marguerite is presently living in Ada, Mn.

Forrest married Marguerite Moore of Twin Valley, Mn. They now reside in San Antonio, Texas. To them were born two sons and two daughters. Darrell, Margene and Marlow, all married and live in San Antonio, Texas. Ronald is married and lives in Columbus, Mo.

Clifford died in the year of 1972 in May. He had one daughter, Renee.

LESTER EDMUNDS - HELEN PETERSON

Lester Edmunds, son of Ed and Myrtle Edmunds, was born at Gardner, Illinois in Grundy County. He came to Hendrum Township in 1920 with his family at the age of six months.



Lester Edmunds Family

Back Row: Ray Ward, Lester, Kit Grove, Darryl Alsager, Craig Borgen. Front Row: Nancy, Helen, Pamela, Jorgene, Joan.

Lester married Helen Peterson of Hendrum, in the year of 1944 while in the Navy. They were married at Concordia Lutheran Church, Hendrum. They farmed the Ed Edmunds farm for many years. Lester and Helen now spend the winter months in Mesa, Arizona.

To them were born four daughters. Nancy married Ray Ward of Humbolt, Mn. Jorgene married Darryl Alsager, Walcott, N.D. They have one son. Pamela married Kit Grove of Fargo, N.D. Joan married Craig Borgen of Georgetown, Mn. They now live on the Edmunds farm. They have one daughter.

TOBIAS and ANNA EGELAND

Tobias and Anna Egeland came from Norway in 1904. Later they bought a house in Hendrum. He was associated in the cement block business. Anna Egeland was a sister of Mrs. Viig (Henrikka Rognes).

Tobias died in 1951. Later on Anna moved to Wibaux to live with her daughter Christine Hagen Carey. Anna died on March 17, 1966.

A son, Olaf, lived in Chicago until his death September 29, 1974.

EUGENE ENGEL - ARDIS LEE

Eugene Engel was born in 1926 in Traill County, N.D. He moved with his parents, Walter and Mary Engel to Lee Township in Minnesota in 1945. He served in the Korean Conflict and was discharged in March of 1953.

He married Ardis Lee, daughter of Lawrence and Alma Lee of Hendrum on September 15, 1951. Ardis was working as an R.N. at St. Lukes Hospital in Fargo, N.D. prior to their marriage.

Upon his return from the service they rented the H.O. Rask farm from the Rask daughters, Ruby Peterson and Stella Krageland. It was a beautiful spot located between the Wild Rice River and the Red

River. When Gene wasn't farming you could find him walking in the woods, as he loved the outdoors and hunting was a favorite pastime for him. They bought the farm from the Rask's in 1969.

They had three children, Kathryn Lee, born January 12, 1954, Kari Lynn born May 20, 1955 and Douglas Eugene born September 10, 1964.

Kathryn will receive her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Illinois at Champaign Urbana in the spring. She is currently completing her residency at Michael Reese Medical Center in Chicago, Illinois.



Eugene and Ardis Engel Family
Kari, Douglas, Kathy

Kari Lynn was employed at the American Bank and Trust at Moorhead prior to her marriage to Wayne Borgen of Perley, Mn. They have an eight month old daughter, Lauren Ashley.

Douglas Eugene was killed with his father in a plane crash on September 28, 1975.

Ardis Engel moved to Fargo and has returned to some part time nursing.

Wayne and Kari Borgen now farm the home farm.

ALFRED ENGER and ANNIE HAALAND

The ancestry of Alfred C. Enger has been traced back to Jacob Nilson Enger (June 6, 1814 - February 21, 1899), and Martha Christophersdatter Enger (11-24-1815 - 12-28-1891), both natives of Norway. Jacob and Martha were the parents of seven children, all born in Norway. A daughter died in infancy. The others were: Christian, Olaus, Martha, Anna, Ellen, and Nels.

Alfred Enger's father was Christian Enger, who was born on October 24, 1846, in Norway in a subdivision called Nanstad, Prestigjeld, in the vicinity of Oslo. At age 21 he left Norway and came to America in a sailboat. There was an epidemic of smallpox among the passengers, so they were quarantined on an island near Quebec, Canada. The voyage lasted ten weeks, and there were eighteen deaths and five births enroute. Christian then traveled by train to Rushmore, Fillmore County, Minnesota, in 1867. Three years later, in 1870, Olaus, then 21 years of age, emigrated from Norway to join his brother Christian, and for about two years they had a shoemaker's shop in Newburgh, Minnesota.

They lived on a farm near Mabel, Minnesota which they first rented, then bought it, and sold it in 1878.

Christian married Ellen Mathieson in Mabel, Minnesota. Ellen was born in Hemne, near Trondheim, Norway on June 15, 1852. Nine children were born to Christian and Ellen Enger. They were: John C. (12-9-1874); Gina (1877 - died the same year); Margaret Enger Ingberg (10-24-1879); Alfred C. (9-21-1882); Martin C. (7-21-1885); girl and boy twins (died at birth 1888); Emma Enger Rustad (2-17-1889); and Clara Enger Anderson (4-3-1892). Clara is the only survivor.

In 1872, Jacob and Martha with their remaining children came to America to live with their two sons who were already here, and settled with family and friends in Fillmore County, Minnesota. On May 9, 1878, Christian, his parents, and his family moved from Fillmore County north to homestead in Section 14, Hendrum Township. The trip took one month with a covered wagon drawn by oxen.

Christian and Ellen were among the founders of Pontoppidan Lutheran Church which was dedicated in 1891. Ellen died in Hendrum during the influenza epidemic in 1918. Christian died on May 15, 1930, in Fargo, North Dakota. They were buried in the cemetery adjoining their church.

Annie Enger's father, Andrew Haaland, was born in Sogn, Norway, in 1851, and died in 1910 as the result of an accident while hauling grain to Perley. He married Gertrude Moran, who was born in Norway on 10-8-1860, and died in 1940. Andrew and Gertrude first came to Goodhue County, Minnesota, in 1877, and three years later they bought 160 acres of land in Section 1, Lee Township in the Red River Valley. They later acquired additional acres in Hegne Township and in Lee Township, making a total acreage of 240 acres.

There were twelve children born to Andrew and Gertrude: Andrew (10-10-1885); Annie (Mrs. Alfred Enger); John (6-3-1886); Selmer (2-28-1889); Odin (11-27-1890); Ansgard (3-27-1894); Hannah (Mrs. Herman Gordon) (6-4-1896); Gena (1-27-1898); Mabel (Mrs. Robert Jones) (6-28-1900); and Paul (12-31-1903).

Andrew became a naturalized American citizen on November 8, 1897. The Haaland family were members of the Bethania Church and Andrew was one of the first "klokkers" of the church. Both Andrew and Gertrude are buried in Bethania cemetery.

Alfred C. Enger was born on September 21, 1882, in Section 14 of Hendrum Township on the farm of his parents, Christian and Ellen Mathieson Enger. He attended the local country school and pursued further studies in Grand Forks. As a young man he became interested in carpentering, and engaged in this work for the rest of his life.

On May 30, 1905, Alfred married Annie Haaland, who was born on December 1, 1883, the daughter of Andrew and Gertrude Moran Haaland, who owned a farm in Section 1, in Lee Township. They lived in a hotel in Hendrum for two years, and in 1907 Alfred built the house in Hendrum in which they lived the rest of their lives. All their children except Arnold, the

oldest son, were born in that home. They were: twins Norman and Irene (Mrs. Carl F. Albrecht), Leila (Mrs. Joe W. Anderson), Earl, and Doris (Mrs. Chester Pope).

At a very young age, Alfred learned to play the violin from his paternal grandfather. Nothing pleased him more than to have a group of friends bring their instruments over on Sunday afternoons to make music together. Music was always an integral part of any gathering of relatives and friends. In the early days, city band practice took place in the kitchen of their home. At one time, Alfred and all six children played various instruments in the city band.

As a young woman, Annie aspired to study dress-making, but at that time her brother Andrew went away to school to study barbering instead. Annie sewed her own wedding gown and veil, and continued for many years to use her dressmaking skills by sewing for family, friends, college girls, and teachers.

Alfred acquired a steam engine and a separator, and each year all this equipment was moved into the yard to be overhauled and made ready for fall threshing. It was a great relief to Annie when the threshing run started each fall. One winter, possibly more, Alfred worked in Hibbing in the mining industry. His miner's cap with its detachable light made a big impression on the family.

In the early 1940's, Alfred bought a farm about three miles east of Hendrum, which he rented out. It was sold after his wife died. Alfred was an insurance adjuster for storm damage for a company in North Dakota for about 30 years before his death. All three of his sons worked in construction with him until 1942 when they and their families moved to Beaverton, Oregon, where they formed Enger Brothers Construction Company.

Both Alfred and Annie were actively involved in community concerns. Alfred served as Mayor of Hendrum, as City Constable, and in many other areas of responsibility over the years. As members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, their six children were confirmed in that church. On December 17, 1922, their fourteenth birthdays, Norman and Irene were confirmed by Reverend J.J. Jacobson in the English language. All preceding confirmands had been confirmed in the Norwegian language, including Arnold. Mildred Ingberg was also confirmed that day, and there was a reception held for these confirmands at the Gilbert Ingberg home in Hendrum. All the children graduated from the Hendrum High School.

On June 19, 1955, Alfred and Annie Enger, and Oscar and Anna Ingberg celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries together at an open house in the Hendrum Community Center.

Alfred died on September 9, 1968. Two children, Arnold (11-14-1906 - 1-2-61), and Doris (11-6-1918 - 9-9-65), preceded their father in death. Annie Haaland Enger died on September 28, 1975. Preceding her in death were: Earl (8-8-1915 - 12-25-69), Norman (12-17-

1908 — 9-3-71), and Leila (9-10-1913 — 9-27-72). The only survivor of their children is Irene. Carolyn Pope Kobler, (born 9-30-1943), a granddaughter whom they reared, also survives.



The joint fiftieth wedding celebration of Alfred and Annie Enger and Anna and Oscar Ingberg held on June 19, 1955, in Hendrum.

The Alfred Enger home was hospitable and joyful. There was always room for a guest or anyone in need of a temporary home. Early in their marriage, Hendrum school teachers roomed there, and this continued until long after the children were grown and moved away. To their family, this home always extended a welcome, and coming home never failed to recharge them with its deep and lasting human and spiritual values.

The descendants of Alfred and Annie Enger include six children, seventeen grandchildren, forty two great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren. Oct. 1981.



Andrew and Gertrude Haaland and children: Annie and Andrew in the 1880's.

Arnold Clarence Enger married Agnes Rockstad (9-27-1900 — 8-9-60), and to them four children were born. Son Arden Clark Enger (1929) married Connie Lou Byrd (1931), and two sons, James Arden (1949), and Jeffrey Scott (1952), and two daughters, Julie Louise (1957), and Susan Elizabeth (1960), were born to them. Daughter Adair Rue Enger (1933) married Thurston Allen Gates (1928), and they have three sons: Ted Arnold Gates (1953), Gary Keith Gates (1958), and

Douglas Thurston Gates (1964). Daughter Audrey Irene Enger (1933) married Harley Stanley Keicher (1931), and they have one son, Daniel Mark Keicher (1960), a daughter Karen Adair Keicher (1962), and a daughter Melinda Irene Keicher (1963). Son Dennis Ray Enger (1935) married Joan Florence Hall (1937), and their son is Randy Jay Enger (1956).

James Arden Enger (9-13-49) married Linda Jo Beck (11-8-51), and they have a son, Justin James Enger (4-7-80). Jeffrey Scott Enger (9-30-52) married Linda Sue Coddington (2-27-52), and their children are: Nicholas Scott Enger (2-24-78), and Christopher Anderson Enger (2-25-80). Ted Arnold Gates (6-29-53) married Paula Jean Schuld (1-5-51). Dennis Ray Enger (1935) married Deanna LaMerve Dean, and they have a daughter, Vicki Lee Enger (3-16-57), and a son Dennis Michael Enger (5-11-67). Vicki Lee Enger married Donald Joseph Schumacher, and their children are: Daughter Veronica Sue Schumacher (12-14-72), son Brandon Joseph Schumacher (7-17-78), and daughter Jennifer Deanne Schumacher (8-15-80).

Norman Clifford Enger married Evelyn Odella Hviding (12-8-1913), and four children were born to them. Son Gale Norman Enger (9-12-34) married Lorraine Pillitiar (3-15-33), and two daughters, Sharon Evelyn Enger (5-29-58), and Sandra Marie Enger (5-21-59), and two sons, Norman Enger (5-24-62), and David Enger (1-6-66), were born to them. Daughter Virginia Faye Enger (6-21-37) married Dale Eugene Thomas (6-13-37), and their three children are: Lori Elizabeth Thomas (7-15-65), Juli Lynne Thomas (7-15-67), and Christopher David Thomas (6-9-69). Daughter Janice Kay Enger (10-14-39) married Sheryl Earl Garrick (10-8-39), and their children are: Steven Garrick (8-7-72), and Mary Beth Garrick (6-11-77). Son Ronald Paul Enger (6-26-43) married Eloise Margaret (4-13-46), and their children are: Kristin Elizabeth Enger (2-18-70), and twins Jennifer Kay and Carri Ann Enger (9-2-71).



Wedding picture of Alfred and Annie Enger, May 30, 1905. Left to right: Martin Enger, Miss Lura, Andrew Haaland, Clara Gaare, John Haaland, and Inga Odegard.

Grace Irene Enger married Carl F. Albrecht (12-9-1908), and their first daughter Carole Ann Albrecht is deceased, (7-28-41 — 7-29-41). Son Timothy Carl Albrecht (1951) married Mary Lynn Maxey (1952), and they have two daughters: Amanda Lynn Albrecht

(1976), and Andrea Nicole Albrecht (1978). Daughter Elizabeth Irene Albrecht (1955) married Robert M. Vollmer (1953), and their children are: Michelle Irene Vollmer (1974), Michael Robert Vollmer (1976), and Holly Elizabeth Vollmer (1979).

Leila Eleanor Enger married Joe W. Anderson (3-18-1900 — 2-4-72), and three children were born to them. Daughter Elizabeth Ann Anderson (1940) married Dennis Nelson (1931), and they have six children: Jessica Rae Nelson (1967), Andrew Joe Nelson (1969), Matthew Lee Nelson (1970), Bethany Ellen Nelson (1972), Melissa Sue Nelson (1977), and Andrea Cecile Nelson (1980). Son Thomas Joe Anderson (1943) married Dorothy Pederson (1947), and their three children are: Jill Anderson (1967), Janie Anderson (1969), and Thomas Anderson (1974). Daughter Susan Jane Anderson (1945) married George Bliss Hills (1940), and they have one daughter, Jennifer Hills (1977).



The Alfred C. Enger family in 1955. Back row: Leila, Arnold, Earl and Norman. Front row: Doris, Annie, Alfred, and Irene.

Earl Russell Enger married Florence Lillian Olson (1912), and they have two children: Daughter Dianne Linda Enger (1943) married Walter Robert McWhorter (1931), and two children were born to them: Michelle Renee McWhorter (1970), and Darrin McWhorter (1973). Son Bradley Earl Enger (1950) married Janet Lee Leonard ().



Alfred C. and Annie Enger and children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, on their 50th wedding anniversary in 1955. Clockwise left foreground: Arnold, Agnes, and children: Arden holding son Jeffrey, wife Connie, Arnold, Audrey, Adair holding son Ted Arnold Gates, Agnes, Dennis, and James Arden. Doris Pope and Carolyn. Earl, Florence and children, Dianne and Bradley. Joe and Leila Anderson and children: Tom, Elizabeth, and Susan. Norman, Evelyn, and children: Virginia, Gale, Janice, and Ronald. Middle: Carl and Irene Albrecht and son Timothy.

Doris Leona Enger married Chester Pope, and their daughter is Carolyn Theresa Pope (1943), who is married to Raymond Kobler ().

By G. Irene Enger Albrecht



Irene and Carl Albrecht

CHRISTIAN ENGER - ELLEN MATHIESON

Christian Enger was born in 1846 in Norway in a subdivision called Nanstad, Prestigjeld, in the vicinity of Oslo. At the age of 21, he left Norway and came to America in a sailboat. Not only were they tossed and rocked about by the elements, but there was an epidemic of smallpox among the passengers — deadly sickness in those days. There were 18 deaths and 5 births enroute. The passengers were quarantined on an island near Quebec, Canada. The voyage lasted ten weeks. Christian arrived in Rushford, Fillmore County, Minnesota, in 1867. He married Ellen Mathieson in Mabel, Minnesota. She was born in Hemne, near Trondheim, Norway.

Christian and his brother Olaus Enger had a shoemaker's shop for a time. Later he farmed near Mabel, Minnesota. Adverse conditions struck Fillmore County and farming was unprofitable. The chinch bugs were especially troublesome. Hearing about the fertile land in the Red River Valley, they decided to move north. He sold his holdings and on May 9, 1878, they loaded their meager belongings in a covered wagon hitched to a team of oxen, driving their cattle before them. They arrived in Norman County on June 9, 1878. Their homestead was in Section 14, Hendrum Township. The land was wild prairie, and they had very few possessions. Christian built a sod shanty with a leanto for their cows and oxen.

With a two year old toddler at her side and a heavy stone bowl of bread dough Ellen walked a mile through tall prairie grass to the nearest neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Lars Sudness to bake her bread. They had built a stone oven outdoors. The bread dough had soured by the time the loaves were ready for the oven. When she

reached home in the later afternoon the Indians were waiting for her and claimed the bread.

Christian walked behind the oxen from Hendrum to Alexandria to grind feed and flour. This laborious journey took many days.

Time brought neighbors; good, kind people. They helped one another in every way possible even to acting as midwives when their babies came. Much could be told of their many experiences and heartaches — some humorous — some harsh — but that would be many chapters.

Nine children were born to the Engers — John C.; Margaret (Mrs. Gilbert Ingberg), Alfred, Martin, Emma (Mrs. Elmer Rustad); Clara (Mrs. Alfred M. Anderson); Gena died at the age of three and also the infant twins.

Christian and Ellen were among the founders of Pontoppidan Lutheran Church dedicated in 1891. The farmers contributed oak logs, sills and other materials besides their labor to build this beloved church. Before that they worshipped in their homes. The congregation bought a reed organ for \$45, very costly by their standards. Their eldest daughter Margaret (Mrs. Ingberg) was the first organist and served for many years. Christian was one of the "Klokkers".

Mr. and Mrs. Enger moved to Hendrum in 1908. Ellen died in 1918 at the age of 66. After her death, Christian made his home with the Gilbert Ingbergs family. He died in 1933 at the age of 86.

Taken from the book Norman County History 1976

EARL R. ENGER - FLORENCE L. OLSON

Earl, Son of Alfred and Annie Enger, was born August 8, 1915. He attended school in Hendrum. He was a Lutheran and he loved and participated in sports. . . especially Basketball. He and several other Hendrum fellows enjoyed playing in a Semi-Pro team. Earl was a jovial-type fellow . . . enjoyed companionship and loved to dance, sing and harmonize. He worked for his Dad in construction and also for P.V. Elevator Company.

March 17, 1938 he met Florence L. Olson, daughter of Carl K. and Linda Olson of Anthony. The courtship lasted for nearly 2½ years. We were married July 21, 1940.

We lived on Main Street in Hendrum for 1½ years. After Pearl Harbor, we decided to move to Portland, Oregon. We moved in February and settled in Beaverton, Oregon, just outside of Portland. Earl found work in the Ship Yards.

Our first child, Dianne Linda, was born February 19, 1943. She later learned to enjoy tap dancing, ballet and piano.

July, 1943, with the draft staring him in the face, Earl decided to enlist in the Construction Battalion of the Navy. He went in as a First Class Seaman and in no time earned a Chief Carpenters Mate Rating. He

spent three years in the South Pacific. While he was serving his country, Dianne and I lived in Beaverton, hosting the Engers and Olsons visiting from Minnesota, from time to time.

Returning to Beaverton in November 1946, Earl, Arnold and Norman worked as Enger Bros. Builders. Later Earl went into business on his own as Earl R. Enger, Construction, specializing in Commercial Construction. Earl enjoyed activity and was a member of the Beaverton City Council, First President of the Beaverton V.F.W., an Elk Member, Mason Lodge Member, A Shriner, a Member of the Portland Golf and Country Club, and an active Lutheran Church and Choir Member.



Frank and Florence Enger Bertagnolli



Earl Enger

Our son Bradley was born on June 24, 1950. At age 8 he found his first love to be horses and horseback riding. He spent every spare moment at the Portland Riding Academy and has many ribbons from Competition of which he is most proud. He also enjoyed playing the piano and the trumpet.

December, 1962 we moved to Sacramento, California where Earl continued in the construction business. He first worked with Roy P. Olson, building motels and later for S. Olson Construction Company, building large California State Office Buildings. It was on one of these jobs where he was shooting grade, 20 feet below ground level, with temperatures of 120 degrees, that he first had any indication of a heart problem. In July, 1967, he had major heart surgery. This open heart surgery left him partially disabled and with impaired vision.

During our years in Sacramento, I was Manager for Luzier Cosmetics. I trained over 100 ladies to teach skin care and demonstrate and sell cosmetics. It was

enjoyable work and I won and earned many trips including annual trips to Kansas City, Mo., and also occasional trips to the Bahamas and Jamaica. At this time our daughter Dianne worked as a Service Representative with Pacific Tel. and Tel. Company and our son Brad attended High School. They later both attended College in Sacramento.

In October 20, 1968 Dianne married Robert McWhorter and they made their home in New Smyrna Beach, Florida. They now have two darling blond haired children, Michelle, 11 years, and Darrin, 8 years. They are the joy of my life.

December 17th, 1969 Earl suffered a severe heart attack and passed away on Christmas Day, December 25, 1969.

Brad and I continue on making a home together with our strong family ties reaching to Dianne and her family in Florida. Brad began work for Western Pacific Railroad and he now has eleven years of seniority. He continues to live in Sacramento and I still am with Luzier Cosmetics.

Through a mutual friend, Bette Davis, I met Frank Bertagnolli. Frank is a past Professor of English, Latin, Spanish and a coach of various sports. Later he had his own paving business and is now retired.

We married April 11, 1975, and are enjoying spending our lives on a little farm in the center of the Metropolitan area of Walnut Creek, California. Walnut Creek is a suburb of San Francisco . . . City by the Bay.

I make annual fall visits to New Smyrna Beach, Florida to enjoy Dianne and her lovely family. Frank keeps himself busy doing the fall gardening while I enjoy the beautiful Florida beaches and weather.

Our hobbies are gardening, canning and freezing our produce, bowling, hiking and fishing. We have family and friends in Lake Tahoe, Sacramento, Kenwood . . . the wine country, as well as at home in Walnut Creek and we have great get togethers and visits.

JOHN C. ENGER and REGINA STORDAHL

John C. Enger, son of Christian and Ellen Enger, was born in Fillmore County, Mn. on December 9, 1874. When he was about five years old, the parents made the decision to move to Norman County, after hearing reports of the fertile farm land that could be had either through purchase or homestead rights. With their belongings loaded in a covered wagon pulled by a team of oxen and driving their cattle before them, they set out on May 9, 1878 arriving in Hendrum Township June 9, 1878. They homesteaded in Section 14, where their first house was a sod shanty with a sod lean-to for the cows and oxen.

John Enger farmed with his father during his youth. On October 21, 1896 he was united in marriage to Regina Stordahl, daughter of Conrad and Johanna Stordahl. To this union were born eight daughters and two sons, namely: - Mrs. Albert (Lilly) Holland, Cora



John C. and Regina Enger

Enger, Mrs. Carl (Geneva) Underlee, Ernest Enger, Mrs. Arnt (Judith) Letness, Mrs. Harvey (Mildred) Olsen, Mrs. Arthur (Helen) Gordon, Mrs. Lester (Grace) Christopherson, Loren Enger and Mrs. William (Rose) Schmitz. All the children are living except Cora, who passed away August 1, 1972. Their oldest grandson, Earl Holland, born on his grandfather's birthday December 9, 1920, gave his life for his country in World War II. Earl was a tail gunner in the U.S. Air Force on a bomber based in England. On a bombing mission over the Coast of Norway, they were shot down by enemy fire and the plane with its crew plunged into the North Sea. The bodies were never recovered and were classified as missing in action for several months, but were officially declared dead August 20, 1945.



John C. Enger Family

Back row: Grace, Mildred, Rose, Helen, Judith

Middle row: Cora, Geneva, Lilly

Front row: Ernest, John, Regina, Loren

After Mr. Enger's marriage, he purchased 80 acres of land from his father in the same section and made arrangements to farm on his own. He rented additional land from neighbors and at one time he also farmed on the North Dakota side of the river, moving horses and equipment back and forth as needed. As Mr. Enger grew older, and he and his wife were alone on the farm, he had an auction sale and sold his surplus horses and machinery, keeping only four horses and necessary equipment to farm the home eighty acres, which he did for a few years until failing health made retiring necessary.

Their golden wedding anniversary was celebrated after fifty years of married life, in the same church,

Pontoppidan Lutheran, in which their wedded life began. All the attendants except the organist, a Miss Lien, a Concordia College class mate and friend of Mrs. Enger, were there to help them celebrate this occasion. Also in attendance were their two sons and eight daughters and twelve grandchildren. Other immediate relatives as well as a large gathering of neighbors and friends were there. On the occasion of their fifty-fifth anniversary another gathering was held in the same church hosted by their daughters, where many relatives and friends came to wish them well.

Mr. Enger and his family were always active supporters of the Pontoppidan Church to which they belonged and which their parents had helped to organize. In his younger years he taught Sunday School and was Sexton for many years while the Norwegian language was still in use. The duties of that office was to read the opening prayer and lead the hymn singing during the service.

Mr. Enger passed away March 18, 1955 and Mrs. Enger passed away April 12, 1953.

TENNY ENGER - LILLIAN ISAACSON

Tenny Enger, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Nels Enger of Halstad, Minnesota and Lillian Isaacson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stinus Isaacson of Stephen, Minnesota were married and settled on a farm north-east of Halstad. In 1932 they moved to the then Skauge Farm, now the Meline Farm, at Hendrum and farmed here for eight years. In 1940 they bought a farm near Glyndon, Minnesota and farmed till their retirement.



Tenny and Lillian Enger

They had a family of four children: Merle of Fargo, N.D.; Jean Martin of Wayzata, Minnesota; Shirley Ventolo of Sarasota, Florida; Roger who was killed in a pickup mishap. Jean and Erwin Martin have three children: Steven, Connie, Roger, and one grandson, Erik R. Johnson.

Tenny Enger died March 3rd, 1969; and Lillian, July 21, 1970.

KNUTE ENGLUND - MARTHA DUNN

Knute Einor Valentine Englund was born in Sweden, January 22, 1891. He came to the United States in 1912 and moved to Norman County in 1919.

Knute Englund married Martha Dunn of Hendrum on March 20, 1928. Martha was the daughter of Jack and Jenny Dunn. Jack came from Iowa, he married Jenny Watters. Martha was their only child, born on October 4th, 1900.



Knute and Martha Englund, about 1930

Martha Englund passed away on January 15, 1946 at the age of forty-six years. Knute passed away November 24, 1947 at the age of fifty-six years.

Knute and Martha had a family of five children, they are: Robert born in 1933; Richard born in 1934; James born in 1935; Greta born in 1936; and Ingrid born in 1940.



Robert Dunn, Englund childrens' Great Grandfather, taken in 1907, he died in 1911.

Robert, Richard and James graduated from the Hendrum High School and Greta graduated from the Twin Valley High School. Ingrid lived at the Brainerd Hospital and Training Center until 1962, when she was transferred to the Fairview Hospital and Training Center in Salem, Oregon, so she could be near her brothers and sister.



Martha Dunn, about 1920.

Robert, Richard and James all live in the State of Oregon, in the Eugene and Springfield area and Greta lives in San Jose, California.

Robert and his wife, Jean, have three children, they are: Robert Jr., Laurel and Carrie. Robert Jr. is married and has one child, Stefanie.

Richard and his wife, Fay, have two children: Ron and Shelley.



Taken on the C.W. Canning Farm, at threshing time. Jack Dunn is the first on the left of picture.

James and his wife, Sharon, have two children: Scott and Stacie.

Greta and her husband, Lochiel Rinerson, have three children, they are: Daniel, Robin, and Debbie. Daniel is married and has one child, Jodi Lynne.

SIGFRED ENOCKSON - JULIA STENNES

Sigfred Enockson was born in Norland, Norway September 24, 1881. He worked as a carpenter. He spent several years in Canada, working as a carpenter. At different times he would come and visit and also assist his aunt Lucia Johnson, who died of cancer. On June 30, 1931, Sigfrid married Julia Stennes and they made their home in Hendrum. He constructed houses and barns and later was manager of the lumber yard. He died suddenly of a heart attack June 25, 1954.



Julia and Sigfred Enockson

Julia suffered a stroke in Feb. 1972 and May 1st that year entered the Wimmer Nursing Home where she is a resident.

PAUL FISK - CHARLENE JOHNSON

Paul was born in Moorhead, Mn. on July 10, 1957, the fourth child of John and Betty (Temple) Fisk. Paul lived in Moorhead until 8th grade when the family moved to Hendrum, Mn. where he graduated from the Hendrum-Perley High School in May 1975. He worked at the Hendrum Co-op Elevator for four years and is currently employed by Anheuser Busch in Moorhead, Mn.

Charlene was born in Fargo, N.D. on January 29, 1958, the only child of John and Carol (Roe) Johnson. Charlene attended and graduated from the Hendrum-Perley High School in May of 1976. Upon graduation, she attended Moorhead Technical School, completing a course in key punching. She is currently employed at the Fargo Clinic in Fargo, N.D.

John and Charlene were married on September 16, 1978 in Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum, Mn. They lived in Hendrum until August of 1979 when they moved their trailer to Moorhead, Mn. In May of 1980 they bought a house at 1404 17th St. S. in Moorhead, Mn. and are currently residing there.

On June 25, 1980, a son was born to them at St. Lukes Hospital in Fargo, N.D. He weighed 7 lbs. 14½ oz. and was 19¼ inches in length. The name Jon Paul was chosen as both grandfather's names are John and Jon Paul's father's name is Paul.

MANFRED FOLSTAD - TILLIE DYBING

I, Manfred Folstad, the son of Kristoffer and Margarethe Folstad, was born on July 29, 1902. I have been a resident of Norman County since I was one and one half years old. I grew up on a small farm along the Red River in the southwest corner of Shelly Township and went to a country grade school called the Serum School District #9 in Halstad Township about one and three-fourths miles from our home. There was no school bus at this time and the only way we could get to school was to walk — rain or shine.

I worked on several different farms in the area. By the time I was 18 years old, I had saved enough money to buy a new Model T Ford touring car for \$620. The farm where I stayed the longest was on the B.N. Oien Farm, one and one half miles south of Shelly. I have many fond memories of the Oien farm. Julia, Marie and Johnny Oien, who were always full of fun, kept a diary written in Norwegian about my social life. In one part they had written, "I, Kveld var Manfred ute med polse makerens datter." (Tonight Manfred was out with the sausage maker's daughter.) This of course was Tillie Dybing.

On July 2, 1929, I married Tillie Dybing, daughter of Enock and Olga Dybing, at their home in Shelly. It was the first wedding Pastor M.G. Hagen performed after coming to the Shelly Parish. We were blessed with four children — Ione, Nancy, Elroy and Helen. (Nancy and Elroy were born while living in Hendrum.)

On January 1, 1930, I began working in the Shelly Meat Market for my father-in-law, Enock Dybing. In

January 1933 I, with my wife Tillie and daughter Ione, moved from Shelly to Hendrum where I purchased the Meat Market from Olaf Sivertson. It was located where the present Post Office now stands.

There were two well stocked grocery stores run by Art Hansen and Carl Hertsgard, so I stocked only fresh meat products. The main specialty was fresh all beef hamburger and also home made weiners, bologna, mince ham and pork links which were supplied by the Shelly Meat Market in Shelly. During the Holiday Seasons we had the traditional Scandinavian specials of lutefisk, home made head cheese and rullepolosa.



Manfred and Tillie Folstad
1979 — 50th anniversary

The 1930's were the days of the great depression and money was very scarce. A farmer would receive about \$6 for a 200 lb. hog. I remember selling 2 pounds of hamburger for 25 cents and home rendered lard for 2 cents a pound. It was really hard times for everyone. One day a jolly old man from the shoe repair shop on his way to the Post Office stopped in for a chat and I asked him how business was, he smiled and replied, "Oh fine — I had another 10 cent job today."

At harvest time I had a daily meat delivery route going as far west as Grandin, N.D.; south to Gardner — east to the Red River and north to the Hendrum road. Delivery was made in the latter part of the afternoon so the meat was good and fresh for the following day. It was a thriving business that lasted for 6-8 weeks every fall. I was fortunate to employ the following dependable workers, Arnold Oistad, Harold Malen, Nick Nelson and Marshall Dullum.

Outside of a short time, when we returned to Shelly, we lived in Hendrum for 4 years. We lived in the Carl Underlee house across from the school. In September of 1937, I sold my Meat Market business to Nick Nelson and moved back to Shelly to work for my father-in-law, Enock Dybing, a position I held until

1945 when Enock retired and I took over the management of the Meat Market. At Christmas time Tillie would make hundreds of rolle polsa, this she continued to do for several years — even after Merlin Dale took over the meat market. In 1955, I became the Postmaster at Shelly, a position I held for 18 years, until I retired in 1972.

Although our stay in Hendrum was not lengthy we have many fond memories of friendly community and cherish the friendship we developed.

BURLEY and MAUD FORD

Burley and Maud Ford and their three children, Norma, Irene and Evaline came to Norman County from Canada in October of 1937. They settled in the Hendrum area, and lived there until about 1948, when they moved into the Ada vicinity and lived there until their deaths. Burley passed away in 1960 and Maud in 1967.

Irene married Maurice Undeland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ole Undeland of Ada. They farmed east of Ada for some years, then sold out and moved to Aurora, Mn. where they owned and operated a motel. They had five children, Maureen, Duane, Donald, Warren and Corrine who at the age of six years, was struck by a car in Aurora and died a few hours later in Duluth. Duane is married and has four children, Aaron, Paul, Katie and Kyle. Maureen is married and has two children, Michelle and Mark. Donald is still single and lives in Aurora. Warren is married and has one daughter Leah and lives near Aurora.

Evaline married Herman Pinske, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Pinske of Ada, Mn. They lived at Silver Bay, Mn. and later moved to Two Harbors, Mn. They had four children, Carol, Larry, Denise and Cynthia who are all married and living around Two Harbors.

Norma married Edmond Tommerdahl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nels Tommerdahl of Hendrum. They lived on the old John and Kari Bergh farm one and one-half miles east of Hendrum, which they bought in 1948 and where Norma and one of their six children still live. Edmond farmed all his life in the Hendrum area, and also was Township Supervisor for many years. Edmond passed away in 1969. Edmond and Norma had six children.

David married Marlys Anderson, daughter of Merle and Nora Anderson of Ada, Mn. and are living on the home farm at Hendrum. They have two daughters, Karla and Crystal.

Dale married Vickie Ambuehl, daughter of Maynard and Jean Ambuehl of Perley, Mn. and live east of Hendrum with their three children, Shane, Lauri and Danielle, (Dani to us).

Howard married Terryl Jacobson, daughter of Harry and Joan Jacobson of Moorhead, Mn. They have two children, Jeremy and Angela. They live on a farm east of Hendrum.

Linda is married to Larry Sargent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sargent of Ada. They live near Mahnomen and have two daughters, Shannon and Stephanie.

LeeAnn is married to Alroy Ambuehl, son of Maynard and Jean Ambuehl of Perley, Mn. They live east of Hendrum and have two children, Ryan and Shelby.

Gregory is still unmarried and is the favorite uncle of eleven little nieces and nephews.

EARL and EDITH FORD

Earl Ernest Ford was the son of William and Violet Johnson Ford. He had 2 brothers, John and Jim; and 1 sister, Mary. Earl was born at Grandin, North Dakota, December 25, 1897. He was engaged in farming until he retired in 1962. He married Edith Beck, May 6, 1926.



Edith Ford



Earl Ford

Edith was the daughter of Daniel and Ellen Morrison Beck. Born October 28, 1903. She had 4 brothers, Richard, Perry, William and Jack; and 1 sister, Helen Robertson.

Earl and Edith had 2 sons, Leslie and Lloyd.

Earl passed away July 31, 1971 and Edith on February 25, 1979.

LESLIE B. and CARMEN (Waite) FORD

Leslie is one of 2 sons of Earl and Edith Ford, born in Traill County, North Dakota in May 1932. He has one brother, Lloyd, living in Walnut Creek, California. In 1952 he married Carmen Waite of Halstad, Minnesota. They have 2 children. Mrs. Roxanne Hagen of East Grand Forks, who teaches music in the East Grand Forks school system; and Scott who is employed in the supplies department of the North Dakota Air National Guard in Fargo.

The Fords lived on the family farm till 1965, when they moved into Hendrum.

While in North Dakota, Les served on the Elm River School Board. He was on the school board in

Hendrum and also the City Council as Councilman and Mayor. He is currently involved with farming.



Leslie and Carmen Ford, Roxanne, Scott

TOBIAS FORSNES - ANNA ANDERSKOG

Tobias Forsness was born July 22, 1856, in Norway. Not much is known of early life, except that he was skilled in harness-making, tanning all the needed hides himself.

Anna Aderskog, the future Mrs. Forsness, was also born in Norway on January 21, 1866. She came to the United States and Norman County around 1896. It is believed that she was a dressmaker, working around the Hendrum-Halstad area.

Tobias and Anna were married in 1897 and settled in Section 14 of Hendrum Township. Little did they know that the future years held much tragedy for them.

When Tobias came from Norway, he brought along a large number of treasured mementos — among which were a collection of bells, some guns and several other "Norwegian" items. However, within one afternoon all these were reduced to ashes.

One summer day Tobias and Anna journeyed to Halstad to purchase supplies. While they were away, fire had started in their home. Several neighbors, noticing the smoke, rushed to the house to save some of the possessions. Unfortunately, the fire had already reached the guns and ammunition; shells began to shoot off in all directions. The neighbors dared not approach the burning structure lest they be injured by the flying bullets. Thus, the house, with all its precious mementoes as well as those treasured bells, went down in flames. Tobias and Anna returned late that afternoon only to find, to their shock and dismay, a pile of smoldering debris where their house once stood.

But life went on — Tobias and Anna immediately set up temporary living quarters in their granary, while another house was being built. The presence of a stovepipe protruding out of the granary roof soon became a familiar sight to their many friends and neighbors.

During the next dozen years, until 1913, Tobias and Anna were overjoyed at the births of two children — a son, Gilbert in 1900; and a daughter, Ida, in 1906. Gilbert especially was a delight — perhaps because he was the first-born, or perhaps it was just knowing that he would carry on the Forsness name. At any rate, this joy of their lives would soon become their greatest tragedy which would haunt them to their dying day.

During the summer of 1913, word was received by Tobias that his brother had been killed in an accident. Tobias offered to care for two of the widow's children until further arrangements could be made. The children arrived in August, one of whom had just recovered from diphtheria

A few weeks later Gilbert, who had just turned thirteen a month earlier, began to complain of a sore throat. Thinking that it was "quincy" (swollen glands) at first, his parents were not too concerned. But when the days passed with no improvement, they began to be alarmed as Gilbert's condition was worsening.

Tobias hurried to the nearest neighbor where he called the Halstad doctor and pleaded with him to come as quickly as possible. The doctor was heard to say some time later that he knew when reaching the Forsness home what sickness lingered in that house. There was the "smell of diphtheria" in the air . . . and death was ready to claim the young boy. There was nothing that the doctor could do; Gilbert died August 22.

As was the practice in those days, the entire family had to be quarantined for about six weeks; they were to stay as close to home and as far away from other people as possible.

Two of the neighbors, Ole Gilbertson and Jacob Stennes, journeyed to Hendrum where, at the hardware store, they chose a casket and brought it back to the Forsness home. Here they also helped place the body in the coffin.

As there was no undertaker available at that time and as it was necessary to bury the dead quickly, these same two neighbors, along with Christopher Jacobson, brought the casket to the Pontoppidan Cemetery for burial. Tobias and Anna, of course, were not allowed to leave their home.

In the meantime, neighbors and friends dared not venture too close to the Forsness home, but instead left food near the mailbox and shouted words of encouragement to the grieving family inside.

Mrs. Forsness was heart-broken at the loss of her son. The grief overwhelmed her, and even years later, she could not carry on a conversation without shedding tears. Tobias carried his grief silently, he had to be strong for his wife's sake.

Although the rest of their lives were comparably easier, the Forsness family never was quite the same again; Tobias died in 1935 at seventy-eight years of age.

Anna died in January, 1946, nearly eighty years old, and Ida, the last remaining child, died of tuber-

culosis in a sanitarium a few months after her mother. She was forty years old and had never married.

As if a commentary on Mrs. Forsness' sad life, a snow storm arose the day of her funeral forcing cancellation of services. In fact, her body along with another, Mrs. Andrew Strand, lay in the Pontoppidan Church for nearly a week before burial. The grave, because of the storm, had to be redug. The drifts were so high that the pallbearers carried her casket over the fence to the cemetery. Even death was not kind to her.

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ORVIN and LILLIAN FOSSEN

Orvin and Lillian Fossen of Heimdal, N.D. purchased the Corner Cafe at Hendrum from Henry and Hattie Hansen in March 1946. With their four children they operated the cafe, besides farming interests at Heimal and Hickson, N.D. until the summer of 1947 when the cafe was sold to Chester and Thelma Smith.

The Fossen's moved to Hickson to continue farming. On a vacation trip to California in November of 1956, where two of their married children lived, namely Lois and Donald, they were accidentally asphyxiated at a motel in Wells, Nevada. Their surviving children are Della (Mrs. Harvey Ystebo) of Hendrum, Lois (Mrs. Howard Mathison) of Reseda, California, Francis (Mrs. Lloyd Skinner) of Portland, Oregon and Donald of Dilworth, Mn.

ARTHUR FREESTAD - BERTHA KVANDAL CARL and FLOYD FREESTAD

Arthur Freestad was born in Stavanger, Norway, December 12, 1875 and came to Freedom Township, Ottawa, Illinois about 1895.

Bertha Kvandal was born in Hardanger, Norway, January 11, 1883 and came to Ottawa, Illinois in 1900 travelling alone.

The couple met and were married February 16, 1903 in Illinois. They worked on farms near Ottawa and came to this area in 1914 with their three children. They purchased the Iver Lien farm three miles north of Hendrum. This farm consisted of about 310 acres.

Mr. Freestad was a capable and hard working man. He and his family were members of the St. Pauli Lutheran Church until it burned in 1937 when they joined the Pontoppidan Lutheran Church east of Hendrum. Their fourth child was born after they came to Hendrum. The children all attended Wide Awake School.

As the years passed, Mr. Freestad bought more land, namely; a 160 acre tract southeast of Halstad and the K.K. Trom farm south of Halstad. When Mr. and Mrs. Freestad retired, they moved to the Andrew Strand place one mile east of Hendrum.



Bertha and Arthur Freestad

Arthur Freestad died in February, 1956. Bertha Freestad then moved into Hendrum and lived there until July, 1974. She then went to Grand Forks, North Dakota to live with her daughter. In January 1976, she entered the Lutheran Memorial Nursing Home where she now lives. Mrs. Freestad made a trip back to Norway in 1936 and again in 1956 to see her many relatives. The couple had four children: Carl, Floyd, Josephine and Helen.

Carl Freestad was engaged in farming with his father until he purchased the Trom farm. He married Nora Grothe in 1930. Upon selling the Trom place, they bought the A.J. Grothe farm north of Hendrum and lived there. Nora passed away in 1957. He later married Thea Rud of Hillsboro, N.D. They farmed until 1979 when they moved into Halstad where they are now living. He and Thea made a trip to Norway in 1968 to visit relatives.

Floyd Freestad farmed with his father a number of years. He married Violet Behnke June 14, 1932. They lived on a farm southeast of Halstad. When his parents retired, Floyd moved back to the home farm. For nineteen years, he also worked at the American Crystal Sugar Company at Crookston, Minnesota, during the processing season. They visited Norway in 1970. In 1978, they moved to Ada, Minnesota where they now reside. The couple had two children: Betty and Audrey. Betty is married to Robert Kessel who has been with the North Dakota State Tax Department a number of years but has accepted a position as Director of Audit for the Alaska Dept. of Revenue in Juneau, Alaska. They have four children: Denise (Mrs. Kim Hoff) in California, Julie (Mrs. Dennis Ensz) in Bismarck, North Dakota, Theresa and Robin at home. Audrey was married to Earl Gabrielson who is employed by the Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. at Jamestown, North Dakota. They had three children: Bradley, Barry and Amy. Audrey died in May 1977.

Josephine married Arthur Rustvold and they live in Grand Forks, North Dakota. They had three children: John (deceased) Katherine at Santa Monica, California and Mark at Boca Raton, Florida.

Helen married Ingvald Skavlem and they live in Grand Forks, North Dakota. They have two children: Donald in Chicago, Illinois and Alan in Grand Forks. Donald passed away in April 1982 as a result of an auto mishap.

MARTIN FREMSTAD - CARRIE HOLMSTAD

Martin Fremstad was born December 29, 1855 in Mostel, near Trondheim, Norway. At the age of twenty-six he came to America, coming to Ada July 2, 1881.

Martin married Carrie Holmstad November 11, 1888. Carrie was born in Norway in 1859.

The Fremstads lived for many years on a farm northeast of Hendrum. Along with his farming interests, Martin operated a threshing rig with Iver Sterton, threshing for the farmers in the area. In 1920 the Fremstads moved into Hendrum.



It took manpower to run a threshing rig. The above photo shows the Fremstad & Sterton rig on the H.H. Hanson farm 2½ miles east of Hendrum in about 1920. The photo was by the late Joseph Berg of Hendrum.

Martin and Carrie had six children: Martin, Alfred, Sophie, Clara, Lillian (Lily), and Ida. Clara was an excellent seamstress and did sewing for many people in the community. Lily was an acting Postmistress in Hendrum.

Clara and Lily moved to Fargo, North Dakota where Lily still resides. Lily lives in the Bethany Retirement Home. Ida South also resides in Fargo, the only two still living.

Martin had a sister Mrs. Serina Gronwold and Carrie had a sister Mrs. Christine Bjerk.

In early March, Martin Fremstad fell and broke his hip and wrist; and died from complications on March 17, 1937, at the age of 81. Carrie died September 19, 1938 at the age of 79. The Fremstads lived in the Hendrum Community for over fifty years.

THE FAMILY OF HERB and GERRY GADBERRY

Herbert H. Gadberry was born at Bellflower, Mo.; he was one of ten children born to Walter and Rose Gadberry. At the age of one, Herb with his family traveled to N.D. They purchased a farm and settled in the Hillsboro, N.D. area. Herb graduated from Hillsboro High School. He then attended N.D.S.U. at Fargo and U.N.D. at Grand Forks.



Gerry and Herb Gadberry

Geraldine Keller was born at Buxton, N.D., the daughter of George and Amanda Keller; she was one of four children. Gerry graduated from Hillsboro High School.

Herb and Gerry were married and began farming in the Hillsboro area. In 1943 they purchased land in the Hendrum-Grandin area and moved to that area. In 1947 they moved into the city of Hendrum. Herb continued farming in N.D. and Mn. In 1963 Herb and Gerry built a new home on Hendrum's north side and lived there until 1981 when they moved to north Fargo where they presently reside. Herb and Gerry and family were active members of the Hendrum Presbyterian Church; they were also active in school and community affairs. They have four children.

Sandra Gadberry Hedlund graduated from Concordia College and taught music at Wheaton, Mn., Richmond, Mo., and Liberty, Mo. She married John Hedlund of Willmar, Mn. John is employed by Hallmark Co. of Kansas City, Mo. They now reside at Barrington, R.I. They have two children: Kristen age 11 and Greg age 9. They are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Liberty, Mo.

Wayne H. Gadberry attended Concordia College. He then enlisted in the U.S. Army and served two years at Fort Monmouth, N.J. as an instructor in meteorology. Upon completion of his Army duties, Wayne entered college at New Jersey Institute of Technology and received a degree in mechanical engineering. He accepted a position with Stone & Webster of Boston, Mass. as a consultant engineer. He continued his education at Boston University and received his Master's degree in Business Administration. He married Cheri Smith of Kent, Ohio, in 1967. They lived in Needham, Mass. until they, with their son David of 4 months, returned to the Hendrum area, and Wayne joined his dad in the farming operation.

They now reside in Fargo. They have three children: David W. age 6, Matthew W. age 3½, and Kara Lynne age 21 months. Wayne and Cherie and family are active members of the First Presbyterian Church of Fargo.

Michael D. Gadberry graduated from Hendrum High School. He then enrolled at Virginia Technical School in Abbingdon, Va. in a civil engineering course. He later enlisted in the U.S. Navy and took his basic training at San Diego Naval Base. He then served two years at Rota, Spain. Mike returned home and joined in the farming operation with his father and brother. Mike married MaryAnn Gramon of Forman, N.D. They have one daughter, Kristine age 20 months. Mike is presently trucking with Gadberry Inc.; he, MaryAnn, and Kristine live on Gadberry Farms east of Grandin. Mike and MaryAnn are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Fargo.

Kim Gadberry Madson, following high school graduation, entered Moorhead State College and graduated with a music degree. She taught elementary music at Swanville, Mn. and East Grand Forks, N.D. She married Roger Madson of Gardner, N.D. They moved to south Fargo. Kim is presently employed at Moorhead State Bank. Roger is employed at Gadberry Farms where he is a partner. They are active members of the First Presbyterian Church of Fargo.

OLAF GAUSTAD - JULIA HALVORSON

The Olaf Gaustad family lived in Hendrum during the mid-1920s. They had farmed in Norman County (near Ada, Halstad and Shelly) for several years and had operated a small bakery and restaurant in Shelly before moving to Hendrum. In Hendrum, they continued in the bakery and restaurant business. Mrs. Gaustad (Julia) was well known for her delicious bread, buns, doughnuts and lefse and for her work as a dressmaker. Their first bakery was located on the north side of the street, west of the railroad tracks, in a small building which evidently had been a print shop at some time. Later, they moved into a larger building a short distance to the west, directly across the alley from George Halverson's garage. Olaf operated the restaurant, selling pop, candy, sandwiches and home-baked goods. The four oldest Gaustad children attended the Hendrum school.

Olaf Gaustad was born in Houston County in southern Minnesota in 1880. He moved to Norman County in the early 1900s. Julia Halverson and George Halverson were brother and sister. In 1912 he married Julia Halverson from Anthony (in Norman County). They had six children:

Hazel was born in 1913. She married Bert Benson of Halstad in February 1935. She passed away in June that year from "quick consumption."

Orel, born in 1917, married Tenny Vigen of Ada in 1941. They have a son and a daughter, both married, and five grandchildren. Orel owned and operated a beauty shop in Ada until about 12 years ago. She

moved to Minneapolis and operated a beauty shop there until she retired two years ago. She still lives in Minneapolis.

Doris, born in 1918, married Ordean K. Olson of Halstad in 1941. They had no children. Before and during her marriage, Doris taught school near Hendrum and Halstad. In 1948 she moved to Minneapolis, where she was employed as a secretary until her retirement in May 1981. She now lives near Michigan City, Indiana.

Pearl was born in 1920. She worked at several defense plants (in Washington, Florida and New York). She was killed in an automobile accident near Moorhead in March 1946, three months before she was to have been married.

Clarence (Kelly), born in 1923, married Dorothy Ann Strand of Ada in 1941. They have three sons and a daughter, all married, and six grandchildren. Kelly and Dorothy lived in Cuba, New York, and Cincinnati, Ohio, before moving to Michigan City, Indiana, where they now live. Kelly is employed as a corporate industrial engineer in Niles, Michigan. His wife operated her own beauty shop for many years until December 1980.

Marjorie was born in 1934, several years after the family had left Hendrum. She married LeRoy Larson of Bagley, Minnesota, in 1952. They have two married daughters. Marjorie is employed by the Clearwater County Social Services Financial Department in Bagley. Her husband is Clearwater County Register of Deeds.

In the early 1940s, Olaf bought a small farm near Bagley, Minnesota, where he lived until his death in January 1965 at the age of 84. Julia was 94 when she passed away in June 1979. She had been living in a rest home near Bagley for about 10 years.

OLE GILBERTSON - SERINE STENNES

Ole Gilbertson was born on December 26, 1854, (christened Gulbrand Asak) at Sorems Prestegjeld, near present day Oslo, Norway. At the age of eleven years (1865) he came with his father and two sisters by sailboat to America. His mother and a sister died in Norway. His father died in Fillmore County Minnesota.

In 1879, Ole left Fillmore County and came with friends by covered wagon, driving an ox and a horse. The next year (1880) he bought a quarter section of land in Section 23, Hendrum Township. He paid \$5.00 an acre to the Northern Pacific Railroad. Taxes the first year were sixteen dollars. The farm is now a Century Farm. It has been in the family for 102 years. It is currently owned by Ole's son Stephen and Ole's great-grandson, John Jossund, who is currently farming the land.

In 1884, Ole built a one room house. It was in this house that he married Serine Stennes on December 13 of that same year. (It is interesting to note that four of their daughters were later married in the same room.) This house has been added onto and is still in use.

Serine Stennes was born on a small island, Finnøy, just off the southern coast of Norway, on September 20, 1864. When she was nine years, she came with her family to America by sailboat. It took six weeks to cross the ocean. They landed in Quebec, Canada, where they were loaded like cattle onto a cattle train headed for Fillmore County.

After the cinch bug ate their crop in 1881, they came by covered wagon to Hendrum. The trip took 27 days, walking and chasing the cattle. St. Paul and Minneapolis were so far apart, that they camped between the two cities.

Two miles east of Ole and Serine's farm was prairie land and wild strawberries. Here all the neighbors would go in wagons, buggies and hayracks, to pick berries and visit over lunch. Later in the year the prairie was cut for hay.



Ole Gilbertson Family
Standing: Clara, Gena, Olga, Selma, Marie, Stephen
Seated: Ole Gilbertson, Serine

Ole was a great lover of trees. He planted cottonwoods, boxelders, elms, oaks, ashes, poplars, crabapples, evergreens and maples. These trees are still being enjoyed today.

During the snowstorm in 1897, the well was covered by drifts. It took three days to shovel it out. Snow was shoveled for the livestock and snow was melted for the house.

Ole died in 1917, at the age of 62, and Serine died in 1949, at the age of 84. They are both buried in Pontopidan Cemetery. Ole and Serine had six daughters and one son: Marie, Sena, Gena, Olga, Selma, Clara, and Stephen.

Marie married Alfred Stennes. They homesteaded in Canada and had two children: Sena Hannaford and Delmore. Marie died in 1960 and Alfred in 1966.

Sena died in 1906, at the age of 13.

Gena married Selmer Peterson. They farmed at Perham, Minnesota, and had two children: Audrene Breitenfeldt and Robert. Selmer died in 1979.

Olga married Carsten Jacobson. They had one son Maurice who died in 1974. Both Olga and Carsten died in 1971.

Selma married Louis Dussere. They had two sons: Paul and David. Louis died in 1977, Selma lives in Moorhead.

Clara married Arthur Christopherson. They had three children: Gloria Jossund, Audrey Peterson, and Marilyn Cortesi. Arthur died in 1979, and Clara lives near Hendrum.

Stephen lives on the home farm.

ANDREW J. GORDON - ANNA LARSON

Andrew J. Gordon, 8th born to Andrew L. and Jane Gordon, married Anna Larson, daughter of Mads and Julia Larson, November of 1904 at Concordia Church east of Hendrum. They were married by Pastor Ness. They lived their early years in the Village of Hendrum where Andrew operated an elevator — later going into farming in the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ -26 in Hendrum Township. There they built a house. In 1924 they moved to Section 19 of Hendrum Township which was Mads Larson's farm. Andrew farmed this land until 1936 when the Estate had to be settled. The farm was sold to Russell Viker. We then moved to the Ada-Borup community. During this period of time fifteen children had been born to Andrew and Anna. They were members of Concordia Church. Most of the children were baptized and confirmed by Rev. J.J. Jacobson. Andrew sang in the Country Choir and in a quartet consisting of Adolph Restad, Joe Tarvestad, Selmer Haaland and Andrew. They were both very active in church work.



Andrew J. and Anna (Larson) Gordon Family
Merrill, Freda, Arthur, Clarice, Irving, Agnes, Marcus, Alice,
Chester, Louise, James, Andrew, Ann, Anna, William.

In 1945 they retired from farming and moved to Moorhead. They were charter members of Our Saviors Lutheran Church. They also helped organize Eventide Nursing Home. Andrew worked at Cass Clay Creamery and Concordia College. They enjoyed trips to the East and West coasts visiting their children and grandchildren. The winter of 1952 and '53 they spent in Salem, Oregon. Anna passed away January 31, 1954. In 1959 Andrew married Gilma Armstrong from Fargo. They lived in Hitterdahl. Andrew passed away July 20, 1969 and Gilma Gordon now resides at the High Rise in Fargo.

Children of Andrew J. and Ann Gordon: - Jane, born August 28, 1905 - deceased Dec. 29, 1906, James I., born April 5, 1907 - deceased Dec. 22, 1922, Merrill, born Jan. 10, 1909, married Alyce Torske, now living in Sonoma, Cal. Arthur, born Oct. 12, 1910, married Helen Enger, living in Kerkhoven, Mn. Chester, born Mar. 6, 1912, married Eva Jo Clark, Bigfork, Montana - deceased April 4, 1972. Survivors living near Bigfork, Montana. Agnes, born Sept. 29, 1913, married Roy Nygaard, Bemidji, living in Indianapolis, Ind. Marcus (Mark), born June 2, 1915, wife Jane living in Miami, Fla. Irving, born Oct. 24, 1916 - deceased Nov. 6, 1957. Freda, born Nov. 26, 1917, married Robert E. Berg, Fargo, living in Huntington, N.Y. Alice, born Sept. 1, 1919, married James O. Frankosky, Fargo, living in North Arlington, Va. Clarice, born May 3, 1921, married Maurice Freedman, living in Victoria, B.C., Canada. James II, born Mar. 9, 1924, married Phyllis Johnson, Perley, Mn., farming SW of Borup. Louise, born May 23, 1925, married Clyde Olson, living in Minnetonka, Mn. William, born Sept. 20, 1926, living in St. Paul, Mn. Ann, born Mar. 5, 1930 married Graydon Larson, farms 3 miles south of Ada, Mn.

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ANDREW L. GORDON - JOHANNE NEWLAND

Andrew L. Gordon born September 14, 1852, came to America with his parents, Hans L. and Kjersti, his brothers, Lars, Charles, Hans Jr., and sister Karen in May 1860. They lived near Storhammar, Tingsaker, Hedemarken, Norway. Besides farming Hans L. was a cobbler and made all clothes and shoes for his family.

The family name was originally Odegaarden. Ode meaning empty and gaarden meaning farm — thus, empty or abandoned farm. An epidemic known as Black Death swept Europe in the 14th century and people and animals were completely destroyed. Some entire farms and villages stood vacant in Hedemarken — hence, Odegaarde. Hans L. also used the name of "Hans Larson" which was registered in local Parish at Brottum, Hedemarken, Norway.

These seven Gordons emigrated to the U.S. in a vessel named "Norlyset" taking six weeks and two days, docking at Quebec July 3, 1860. From Quebec they traveled by horse-drawn canal boats to Great Lakes and lake steamer to Chicago then train to Onalaska, Wisconsin which is now a suburb of LaCrosse. Here they lived eleven years. While there Hans L. and son Lars were in the Civil War. Hans L. was paid \$600 by someone to serve in his place. Five more children were born to the Gordons after reaching the U.S., Gilbert, Martin, Anton, Bennett and Clara.

After the war was over land fever infested everywhere. Indians had been forced into submission and free tracts of land were offered as homesteads in the Red River Valley. In May, 1871, the Gordons packed all belongings in two prairie schooners and started on their journey. When they reached the Wild Rice River

north of what is now Hendrum, they built a bridge of logs and poles to get their wagons across. On June 22, 1871, they reached their new location about three miles southeast of the Village of Shelly. Hans L. and sons, Charles L., Lars and Andrew L. settled on a quarter section each along the Marsh River. Later the sons found out the land they had settled on was railroad property and were compelled to leave. St. Petri Lutheran Church at Nielsville was organized at the home of Hans L. Gordons. First official pastor was Rev. Bjug Harstad. Hans and Kjersti Gordon continued to live on their homestead until they passed away. The log house which they built was destroyed by fire in 1960.

After leaving the Shelly community, Andrew L. and Johanne Newland Gordon, whom he married in 1871, went to Hendrum in 1876. Together they had eight boys and two girls — Caroline, John H., Albert, James, Hans L., Andrew John (Andreas Johannas), Mary, Irving, Olaus and Peter. Andrew L. and Jane homesteaded in Section 30 — Hendrum Township, what is now the Village of Hendrum. They purchased the first store in Hendrum. Every week Andrew L. would go to Moorhead for supplies — buy them by the 100 lb. barrels — flour, sugar, salt, etc. After selling the store, the Andrew L. Gordons moved to St. Paul — later coming back to Section 35 Hegne Township, where they built a 7-bedroom house and farmed until Andrew L. deeded this property to his sons and left for Shevlin, Mn. where he owned a general store and was Mayor there.

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ANTHON H. GORDON

Anthon H. Gordon, one of the pioneer businessmen of Hendrum, is widely known throughout Norman County, as he has resided there for many years and gained a good standing as a prosperous and worthy citizen. He was a senior member of the firm of Gordon and Rogness, general merchants, and the firm was one of the prosperous business firms of the town.

A.H. Gordon was born in LaCrosse County, Wisconsin, April 1, 1867 and was a son of Hans Larson and Christie (Larson) Gordon, both of whom were natives of Norway. His father was a shoemaker by trade and after he came to America he followed farming, locating in Wisconsin in the early days of the settlement of that state. He enlisted in the army in 1863 and was in active service throughout the south. He resides in Shelly Township, Norman County, and was one of the first settlers of that locality.

Mr. Gordon was the tenth of a family of eleven children, and he was one of twins. He was reared on the home farm in Shelly Township in Polk County, now Norman County, the family having removed to that place when he was but four years of age. They made the trip from LaCross County, Wisconsin, by team,

taking about six weeks for the trip of five hundred miles. Our subject attended the common schools and one winter at Augsburg Seminary, in Minneapolis and in 1885 he began clerking for his older brother, A.L. Gordon, in Hendrum. He remained thus engaged for a year and then taught school two terms and clerked in a hardware store and lumber yard a good share of two years in Hendrum. He then, in company with A.M. Eckmann purchased the hardware and lumber business of H.M. Parker, and they continued thus under the firm name of Eckmann and Gordon for about three years. Our subject built a hardware store and conducted the same in Hendrum about one year for himself and then retired to farm life, taking up his residence on the tract which he purchased in 1891. He continued his labors there about three years, making a success of his farm, and he owned three hundred and twenty five acres of land. In 1897 he moved his family to Hendrum and engaged in buying wheat for the Hendrum Elevator Company for about three years. He entered into partnership with Ole P. Rogness, July 25, 1900, purchasing the business from the Hendrum Mercantile Association. The grocery department was established by Anderson Brothers in 1890 and the dry goods department was founded by O.O. Brohaug in 1895. These last named stores were united in 1897, and were afterward conducted under the firm name of the Hendrum Mercantile Association. The stock was complete and occupied a building 52 by 60 feet, and was one of the largest general merchandise establishments of the town.

Mr. Gordon was married, in 1890, to Miss Susanna Mjolsness. Mrs. Gordon was born in Norway and came to America alone in 1887. Her parents resided in Norway, and several of her brothers were in America. Mrs. Gordon died September 21, 1900, after a short illness, leaving a husband and five children to mourn her loss. The children born to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon are: Clara, Helen, Theresa, Herman, and Lloyd. Mr. Gordon was one of the rapidly rising young men of Norman County. He was deservedly popular in public affairs and took a hearty interest in the same. He served as chairman of the township board and as justice of the peace and town clerk, and during his residence in Shelly Township took a leading part in public affairs. He was a staunch Prohibitionist.

CHARLES E. GRADY - ANNE FORESTER

Charles E. Grady was born April 1, 1875 to Charles and Isabel (Gimmel) Grady in Lucknow, Ontario, Canada, coming to Traill Co. in 1877 with his family. His father, Chas. Grady, was born in England. Chas. went by boat from Canada to Duluth in April 1877 — then by rail to Fargo, and by stage coach on to Quincy, Dakota Territory. He filed on Section 22 Elm River Township. His wife and 4 children — three boys and one girl — followed in July. Chas Grady worked for the Grandins before he had a crop of his own.



Charles, Merrill, Anne Grady

He drove mules for the Grandins.

Chas Grady farmed the rest of his life in the Quincy area and is buried at the Quincy Cemetery. His son, Charles, farmed until 1944.

Charles married Anne Forester of Hillsboro, North Dakota. Anne's grandfather came from Scotland. She was the niece of James McCradie.

Charles and Anne lived in North Dakota and farmed. About 1915, Charles sold the farm he was on to Rogness and built a beautiful new house across the road on some land that Anne owned.

In 1944 Charles and Anne Grady sold their farm to Oscar and Gladys Anderson and they moved into Hendrum.

Anne is to be remembered for the many years that she was organist at the Elm River Presbyterian Church at Quincy, N.D. She was organist at the Presbyterian Church in Hendrum for awhile also. Anna taught Sunday School for many years also.

Charles Grady's mother was known for her outstanding baking, especially her pies. She baked and cooked at the Quincy Hotel.

Charles and Anne had one son, Merrill. All three of the Gradys are now deceased.

GEORGE GRADY - AASTA HANSEN

George Grady was born on the Grady farm in Quincy, N.D. His parents were Charles and Isabel (Gimmel) Grady. His father emigrated from England and his mother came from Scotland. They came to Canada, were married there and settled in Lucknow, Canada. From there they moved to the United States, got a claim at the present site of Quincy. Their son

George was born in Quincy, N. Dak. He operated the family farm and took care of his mother after his father passed away. He was telephone line man for lines located between Hendrum and Grandin until 1926 when they cooperated with the Norman County Telephone line. He later worked for Hendrum Elevator.



Aasta Grady



George Grady

Aasta was born January 28, 1892 in North Norway near Lofoten. Her parents were Nicoli and Ingeborg Hansen. They had ten children and three of the children came to America. Her mother passed away when she was one and one half years of age. She was taken care of by five different families until she was five years old. Then a cousin, who had no children, wanted her to stay with them. When Aasta was seventeen years of age, her father passed away and she went home to be with her sister. When she was nineteen years of age, she left Norway by boat for America. She came to Perley to her Uncle Andrew Granfor. She stayed there for two weeks. After that she obtained house work at several homes. In the fall of 1911, she came to help at the Charles and Annie Grady farm and stayed there for three years. While she was there, she attended the Elm River school and received her eighth grade certificate. Mrs. Grady was a help to her, they were like sisters.

In the fall of 1915, she went to Rugby, N.D., where Josephine Stennes was Superintendent at the Hospital and entered nurses training. She graduated in 1918. She worked at various hospitals. In 1925, she was united in marriage to George Grady and they moved to Hendrum. The first years of their married lives, they lived in an apartment at the Ole Rogness residence.

George and Aasta have three children: Ernestine, born August 2, 1926; she is married to Elgar Paulson and they have one child, Scott. They live in Hannaford, N.D. Sonia was born August 27, 1928. She married Wallace Watland and have two children, Barbara and Mark. They live in Moorhead, Mn. George was born May 24, 1938. He married Shirley Harland and have one child, Anna Lee. They live in Alexandria, Mn.

George Sr. passed away September 27, 1967. Aasta continued to work as a nurse. She worked for some time for Dr. Erickson at Halstad, Mn. George and Aasta were active members of the Hendrum Presbyterian Church. Aasta was honored by Hendrum Community Club in 1978 as an outstanding citizen of Hendrum Community. She retired from nursing in 1950 and came to her little house in Hendrum. (Except for the winter of 51-52 when she worked in a hospital at Mahnomon, Mn.)

"This community has been wonderful to me from the time I arrived as a Newcomer girl. The people have helped me whether in joy or sorrow, and I take this opportunity to express my thanks and appreciation to all; and pray that God will hold us in his mighty hands."

CHRISTIAN (Balvik) GRANDE - RAGHNILD OIEN GERTRUDE GRANDE

Christian (Balvik) Grande was born June 25, 1861 to Ragnhild and Lodver Balvik of Mosvik, Norway. He came to America in 1881 at the age of nineteen years. After arriving in America, he changed his name to Christian Grande. He worked on farms until 1892, then he bought a farm in Hendrum Township in Norman County.

Christian Grande married Ragnhild Oien on July 2, 1892. To this union were born seven children: Gertrude (never married). Petra married Carl Hage of Halstad, Mn. Carl (never married), passed away December 4, 1957. Rudolph married Mabel Bergum of Audubon and spent most of his life around Detroit Lakes, Mn. Rudolph passed away February 18, 1967. Marie passed away in infancy. Peter married Marion Prozky of Grafton, N.D. Peter lived at Austin, Mn. and passed away in December 1963. Sigurd married Ruth Zaske of Renville, Mn. Sigurd resides at rural Renville.

Christian Grande passed away on December 19, 1922 and his wife Ragnhild passed away on November 4, 1950.



Gertrude Grande

Gertrude Grande attended the Wide Awake grade school and then two years at Concordia College in a parochial school training, after which she taught parochial school during the summer in various towns of the area. She was confirmed in the Pontoppidan Church in 1908 by Pastor J.L. Redal. The church was a very important part of Gertrude's life. She was very interested in Mission work, belonging to and entertaining her mission society for many years.

She never married, but was an important part of her own home caring for her aged parents and keeping house for her unmarried brother Carl. She is now a resident at the Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home.

JOHANNAS GRANDE - MALI NORBY

Lodver and Ragnhild Balvik married and lived their entire life in Mosvik, Norway. They had three sons: Jorgen, Johannas, Christian, and three daughters: Lovise, Anna and Marie. Jorgen and Marie remained in Norway, but Johannas and Christian came to America in 1880 and settled in the rural Halstad area. Lovise also came to America and settled by Hendrum. She later married Johannas Hamstad. Anna came to North America, married Andrew Sundin, then settled in Canada. Johannas and Christian changed their last name from Balvik to Grande when they came to America. In 1884 Johannas married Mali Norby at Ada. They lived northeast of Halstad on what is known now as the Albert Gilbertson farm. In 1891 they moved to Hendrum Township on the N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 6. Christian then lived a close neighbor as he lived on the S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 6.

Johannas and Mali had seven children: three sons and four daughters. Anton the eldest, Ragnhild, Betsy, Jennie or Clara, Minnie, Leonard and Joseph, the youngest. They lived in a log house which at that time was located on the west side of a coulee which flows now into county ditch #1, and into the Wild Rice River. High water was a problem for them several different years, so in 1908 they moved their house and buildings to the east end of the "Eighty", which was higher in elevation. The log house still stands, although from the outside, it wouldn't appear as a log house as it has siding. However, it is very much

evident on the inside from the beams in the ceiling. It is one of the oldest homes in Norman County, being built in 1876 by Mr. Brottem. Mali died in 1936 and Johannas died in 1953 at the age of 95.

Anton was killed in service in France in the 1st World War. Betsy married Marcus Christianson in 1917. She died in 1963. Leonard was also in World War I. He worked in North Dakota and later moved to Washington where he died in 1960. Minnie was a school teacher, teaching most of her life in Oregon, retiring in Halstad. She died in 1972. Joseph was home and farmed with his parents. He died in 1973. Clara took up nursing and was an Army nurse in the 1st World War and then did nursing in Oregon until her retirement at Halstad. She died in 1974.

Ragnild now resides in the John Wimmer Memorial Retirement Home in Ada. Betsy, the only one who married, taught school prior to her marriage. She and Marcus had five children: Beatrice, Roy, Donald (Buddy), Marvin and Howard.

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P. A. GRANDE - HELGA D. PETERSON

P. A. Grande is a native son of Minnesota and has lived in this state all his life. He was born on a farm in Houston County on January 25, 1867, son of A.P. and Annie (Peterson-Quale) Grande, natives of Norway, the former born in Trondheim and the latter in Westlieder, who were married in the summer of 1865 in Houston County, Mn. They located in Houston County, where they remained until the spring of 1871, when they came up into this part of the state and settled in Becker County. A.P. Grande made his home there until 1879, when he disposed of his holdings there to advantage and moved up into the country, at that time Polk County, that later was organized as Norman County, and which then was beginning to attract numerous settlers. His death occurred there on March 18, 1915. A.P. and Annie Grande had eight children: P.A., G.B., L.C., M.J., Clara, A.J., Ole and Anna.

P.A. Grande was but four years of age when his parents came up here from Houston County and he grew up amid pioneer conditions, receiving his schooling in the schools of Lake Park and of Fossum. From the days of his boyhood he was valued help to his father in the labors of improving and developing the home farm in Fossum Township and remained there until he was twenty-six years of age, when he bought a farm up in the neighborhood of Grand Forks and remained there until 1897, in which year he married and located at Ulen, in Clay County, where he engaged in the harness business and was thus engaged at that place for four years, at the end of which time, in 1901, he returned to Norman County and bought a quarter of a section of land in the vicinity of Hendrum, where he made his home and where he was engaged in farming until 1906, in which year he traded for a half interest in a general merchandise store at Hendrum and was there

engaged in business for three years. He then moved to Waubun, Mn. and was there engaged in the restaurant business for six months, or until in February, 1910, when he moved to Twin Valley, where he made his home and was engaged in the Twin Valley Hardware and Implement Company. In addition to his interests at Twin Valley, Mr. Grande is the owner of a section of land up in Beltrami County. During his residence at Ulen Mr. Grande served as a member of the village council and also served the public in a similar capacity during his residence in Hendrum.

On January 15, 1897, P.A. Grande was united in marriage to Helga D. Peterson, daughter of P.G. Peterson and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Grande are members of the Lutheran (Synod) Church and take a proper part in church work.

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ALBERT J. GROTHE - KAREN SNUSTAD

Albert J. Grothe, the son of John and Kare Grothe, both natives of Norway, was born November 7, 1856 in Selbu, South Trondheim, Norway. At the age of eleven years, together with his parents, brothers and sisters he emigrated to America by sailboat. This was a slow means of transportation and the crossing of the ocean took several weeks. The family arrived in Fillmore County, Mn. in 1867 and settled on rented land, remaining there until July 1871. Seeing the opportunity to become landowners by settling in the Red River Valley, the family joined a party of nine covered wagons, drawn by oxen, which had for its destination "somewhere in the Red River Valley". John Grothe took a "squatters" claim in Halstad Township, Norman Co. He did not prove up his claim and in 1876 he moved to Hendrum Township and took a homestead of one hundred acres and there lived the rest of his life.

John and Kare were the parents of eight children: Beret, Oline, John Nicolai, Christ, Karen, Peter and Albert. The Grothe family were staunch adherents to the Lutheran faith and during their residence in Hendrum Township were instrumental in the establishment of the St. Pauli Lutheran church there.

Albert moved to Hendrum Township, Norman County with his parents and there he continued to live. In 1882 he bought one hundred and sixty acres of railroad land in Hendrum Township which was wild prairie land, however, with cultivation and good farm buildings, around which he planted groves, his land improved and eventually he had two hundred and sixty-five acres. He was active in church and civic affairs. He served as a deacon and trustee of the church, township supervisor, Norman County commissioner and for years as a director of the Halstad Fire Insurance Co.

He was married in May 1883 to Karen Snustad who was born in Norway October 15, 1865, the daughter of Ole and Karen Snustad who came to this country in 1881. They were the parents of eight children: Oliver,

James, Christian, Carl, Bennit, Oline, Alma and Nora. Mr. Grothe passed away January 12, 1943, at the age of 86 years. Karen died May 4, 1945. They are both buried in the St. Pauli Lutheran cemetery of which they were charter members. All the children are also deceased.



Albert J. Grothe
 Back row: Bennit, Oline, Oliver, Alma, Christ
 Front row: James, Albert J. Grothe, Nora, Karen, Carl

Oliver was born Oct. 3, 1883, was never married. James was born Aug. 30, 1886, married Amelia Grothe, passed away Feb. 15, 1962. Christine was born Nov. 17, 1888, never married. Carl was born Sept. 9, 1890, was never married. Bennit was born July 23, 1893, married Helga Stennes and had four children, passed away in 1964. Alma was born Apr. 25, 1897, never married. Nickolay was born Mar. 25, 1902 and passed away at two years of age. Nora was born Mar. 2, 1905, married Carl Freestad. She passed away in 1959.

BENNET GROTHE - HELGA STENNES

Bennit Grothe, son of A.J. Grothe, and Helga Stennes, daughter of Helmik Stennes, were married March 20, 1918. To this union were born 4 children. Lorene Kathleen, Allen Jerome, Howard Stennes and Donald Bruce.

The family moved to Seattle, Wash. in September 1942, where Bennit worked and died in June 1964. Helga still resides in Seattle, Washington.

Lorene was married to William R. Iverson April 14, 1941. To this union four children were born: Wyman Ronald, David, Shelia Rae and William Dale. The family moved from Seattle, Wash. to San Jose, Cal. where William R. Iverson died March 1972. The family still live in San Jose.

Allen J. was married to M. Adeline Horn at Seattle, Wash. August 24, 1952. They moved to Camano Island, Wash. in 1973. Jerome has two step children: (Bill) L.W. Horn and Sandra K. Horn Mack. Both reside at Camano Island, Wash. homes.

Howard S. was married to Margie Armstrong on February 15, 1957. They reside at Everett, Wash. Howard has two step children: Robert Armstrong and Sherry Armstrong Price. Both of them reside at Seattle, Wash.



Bennit Grothe Family
 Back row: Helga, Bennit, Jerome
 Front row: Howard, Donald, Lorene

Donald B. was married to LeAnne Aasness on June 1, 1957. They reside at Seattle, Wash. To this union were born 4 children: Crystal (married Dean Auve April 1977 and has one child, Katie), Cynthia, Gail and Melanie.



Bennit and Helga Grothe 1918

CHARLES GROTHE - AGNES TARVESTAD

Charles Grothe, the youngest son of Peter and Christine Grothe, was born August 2, 1896, at Hendrum. He attended the Wide Awake school and graduated from Hendrum High School.



Agnes and Charles Grothe

On June 15, 1921, he married Agnes Tarvestad, daughter of Christ and Amelia Tarvestad also of Hendrum. They farmed one and one-half miles northeast of Hendrum until their retirement in 1966. They then moved into Hendrum.



Charles and Agnes Grothe 1921

Mr. Grothe was interested in the civic, church and community affairs of Hendrum and served on several boards. He served as County Commissioner in Norman County for several years and was President of the Halstad Mutual Fire Insurance Co. for some time.

The family were active members of the St. Pauli church until it burned in 1937. They then joined the Immanuel Lutheran church in Hendrum, where Charles served as Sunday School Supt. for some time and also as the church custodian.

The couple raised five children: Helen, who married Thomas Hall. They have two daughters, Kathryn and Debra and are now living in Fargo. Roger, who married Edna Williamson. They live at Waseca and have four children, Judy, William, Gail and John. Philip, who married Delores Moen and lives at Thief River Falls. They have four children, Diane, David, Donald and Darlene. Raymond, who married Ruth Anderson. They live at Hendrum and have four children, Paul, Steven, Jonathan and Mary Ruth. Renee, who married Rev.

Ralph Pedersen. They live at Fergus Falls and have four children, Bradley, Kevin, Teresa and Michelle. One daughter, Corrine Elizabeth, died in 1936 at eight years of age.

Mrs. Grothe died Nov. 23, 1976 and Mr. Grothe died Feb. 6, 1980. They are buried in the St. Pauli cemetery east of Hendrum.



Charles Grothe Family
Back row: Renee, Helen, Charles, Agnes, Raymond
Seated: Philip, Roger

JAMES GROTHE - AMELIA STENNES

James Grothe, son of Albert J. and Karen (Snustad) Grothe, was born August 30, 1886. He married Amelia Stennes at Hendrum, September 12, 1917. Amelia was the daughter of Hadle and Christine (Myrah) Stennes. Amelia was born August 6, 1887.

James and Amelia farmed two miles northeast of Hendrum until 1949 when they moved into town, where he resided until his death February 15, 1962 at the age of seventy-five years. He is buried in the St. Pauli cemetery of which church he was a member until the church burned at which time he joined the Immanuel Lutheran Church, and remained a member until the time of his death.

James and Amelia, having no children of their own, opened their home to two young boys while they were attending high school; Henry Orvedahl (deceased) and Wallace Sahl (Tempe, Arizona), giving them love and a home.



James and Amelia Grothe - 1917

Amelia was a school teacher. She taught Parochial school at Wide Awake each week. After the St. Pauli Church burned James and Amelia joined Immanuel in Hendrum, in 1940. Here she taught Sunday School, Parochial School, release-time church school and catechism classes for many years. She is lovingly thought of and remembered by many Hendrum people who were blessed by her teaching and guidance.

James was active in brotherhood, Sunday School and other church activities. James wrote policies for the Halstad Fire Insurance Co.

Amelia resided in Hendrum until April 1981, when she entered the Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home. She is presently ninety-four years old.

JOHN J. and KARI GROTHE

John and Kari Grothe lived at Selbu, Norway, prior to coming to America in 1867. Their children, all born in Norway, were: Beret, Oline, John P., Nicolai, Peter J., Albert, Christen and Karen.

Their trip to America on a sailboat took 14 weeks. They landed at Quebec and later settled in Fillmore County in Minnesota. Seeing they had an opportunity to become landowners in the Red River Valley, in 1871 the family joined a party of nine covered wagons drawn by ox teams which had as its destination Norman County. The journey took about six weeks, as they looked over the land enroute. Mr. Grothe took a claim in Halstad Township at first, later moving to Hendrum Township. He homesteaded 160 acres in section 18 in 1875 and there he lived the rest of his life.

The Grothe family were staunch adherents of the Lutheran church having helped organize the Marsh River Church, and after moving to Hendrum, the St. Pauli Lutheran Church.



John J. and Kari Grothe

John Grothe was the second postmaster of Hendrum, having both the postoffice and a little store at the original site of Hendrum before 1881. This was two miles north of the present site of Hendrum.

Mr. Grothe died March 22, 1895 and his wife Died Dec. 16, 1906.

PETER J. GROTHE - CHRISTINE BJERK

Peter J. Grothe, a son of John and Kari Grothe, was born Feb. 27, 1854 in Selbu, Norway. At the age of 13, he came to America with his parents settling in Fillmore County. In 1871 the family came to Norman County by covered wagon and settled at first on the Marsh River near Halstad. In 1876 Peter homesteaded a piece of land 2 miles east of Hendrum. A part of this land he later donated to the St. Pauli cemetery Association.



Peter J. and Christine Grothe

On March 12, 1881, he married Christine Bjerk, also a native of Norway. In 1894 they purchased a farm one and one-half miles northeast of Hendrum. The buildings were located on the banks of the Wild Rice river. The flood of 1897 caused him to move his family out in the middle of the night to the home of a neighbor, Elias Nelson, where they stayed until the water subsided. The following year he moved the buildings to higher ground one-half mile further east where he lived until his death, April 16, 1930. His wife died six years later.

Peter Grothe was a charter member of the St. Pauli church located two miles north of Hendrum. He served as a deacon and had a deep spiritual interest in its mission work. His mother lived with the family until her death.

Six children were born to this union: John, who married Gena Riste; Bertha, who married Charles Anderson; Henry, who married Alma Helland; Carrie, who married Elwin Ramstad; Alma, who married Oscar Riste; and Charles, who married Agnes Tarvestad.

RAYMOND GROTHE - RUTH ANDERSON

Raymond Grothe, the son of Charles and Agnes Grothe, was born October 2, 1931 at the Grothe home. He is the brother of Helen (Mrs. Thomas Hall), Roger, Philip and Renee (Mrs. Ralph Pederson). He attended the Hendrum schools and graduated in 1949.

On June 24, 1952 he was married to Ruth Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, rural Halstad, at the East Marsh River Lutheran Church.

The following sons were born: Paul Edward, April 8, 1953; Daniel James, born June 22, 1955, died June 24, 1955; Steven James, May 28, 1957 and Jonathan Ray, May 10, 1960. In 1969, Mary Ruth joined the Grothe family at the age of six weeks.



Ruth and Raymond Grothe
Jonathan, Mary, Steven, Paul, Rebecca, Cindy

Paul is a graduate of Hendrum-Perley High School, California Lutheran Bible School, Concordia College and Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa. He spent one month in Ethiopia and Tanzania, Africa when he was a Senior at Concordia College. Paul was married September 5, 1981 to Rebecca Bolz, Dubuque, Iowa. Both Paul and Rebecca were 1981 graduates of Wartburg Seminary with Rebecca receiving a Master of Arts Degree in Christian Education. Rebecca's first husband died in Missionary service in Madagascar when their baby, Cindy, was five months old. Paul and Rebecca are serving three churches in a parish at Black Earth, Wisconsin.

Steven is a graduate of Hendrum-Perley High School and Concordia College. He has spent some time studying at Phoenix and also in Boston. Steven spent six weeks near Jerusalem, Israel on an Archeological Dig when he was a Senior at Concordia College.

Jonathan is a graduate of Hendrum-Perley High School and is presently living on the Grothe Farm where he raises hogs and does the farming.

Mary is in the sixth grade at Hendrum-Perley School.

Ray and Ruth have lived on the home farm since they were married. After having driven a school bus for seventeen years, Ray decided to enroll at the University of Minnesota at Crookston where he attended for two years and graduated in 1971. Soon after that he became manager at Minn-Dak Supply, Hendrum, and later bought the store, the name being changed to Hendrum Hardware. In 1976 the store was sold and Ray received his license for selling insurance. He was first employed by Farm Bureau in Ada, Mn.

and now has his own agency known as Grothe Insurance Agency. Raymond was a Deacon of Immanuel Church for many years, was treasurer of the Crookston Conference of the ALC for four years, and has served on the school and township boards. Raymond was recently chosen Layman County Co-chairman for the Crookston Conference; and is also a member of the Gideon International for Ada and Mahnomon County.

Ruth has been and, is presently, Choir Director of the Immanuel Church Choir. Ruth is now employed by the Valley Journal, Halstad, Mn. doing office work.

ROGER GROTHE - EDNA WILLIAMSON

Roger Allen Grothe, the eldest son of Charles and Agnes Grothe, was born in Hendrum Township on June 17, 1923. He attended Wide Awake School and graduated from Hendrum High School in 1941. During World War II he served with the 31st Division stationed in the Philippine Islands.

On November 23, 1946 Roger was united in marriage to Edna Mae Williamson. Edna graduated from Hendrum High School in 1943 and attended the University of Minnesota and worked in Minneapolis before their marriage.

They bought the former Tobias Forness farm east of Hendrum and farmed there until 1953 when they moved to Greeley, Colorado. In the spring of 1956 they moved back to Minnesota and have been living in Waseca since. Roger is employed as Field Department Supervisor with Birds Eye Division of General Foods Corporation, just recently completing 25 years service with the company.

They have been blessed with four children: Judith (Judy) Kaye born at Ada on October 24, 1947, is married to Glenn Abraham. They have two sons, Mark, age 11 and Jeffrey, age 9. They live in North Mankato, Mn. Judy is a graduate of Lutheran Deaconess School of Nursing and is Assistant Director of Nurses at Oaklawn Nursing Home in Mankato. Glenn is an engineer with Minnesota Automotive Inc.

William Roger (Bill) born at Fargo on May 7, 1950, is a graduate of Trinity College and the University of Minnesota. He served in the Army Security Agency in Korea. He is married to Mildred Kavich and they have a daughter, Johanna, aged 3. Bill is owner-manager of the "Christian Book and Gift Shop" in Waseca and Mildred works at E.F. Johnson Company.

Gail Louise was born at Waseca on June 18, 1956 and is married to Rev. Paul Soderquist, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Colfax, Iowa. Gail graduated from Mankato State University and is Director of preschool classes in Colfax.

John Charles was born at Waseca on June 27, 1963. He is attending Mankato State University.

Both Roger and Edna are active in the affairs of their church, the ministry of the Gideons International

and several civic activities. They still have a keen interest in the Hendrum Community and have made many trips back to the "old home town" during the past 30 years. They hold dear the Christian heritage they received from their parents and the Hendrum community and, as the years go by, realize more and more the abundance of God's grace and mercy through Christ Jesus, given so freely to them and their family. For this we give thanks.

FRANK GRUSKE FAMILY

Frank Gruske was born in Germany in 1890. At the age of six months he came to America with his parents, brother and sister. They settled in Rock Island, Illinois. As a young man he came to Hendrum, with his brother John and friends to work in the harvest fields.



Ruby and Frank Gruske
Marvin and Belle Reno

In 1916, while in Minnesota, he married Hattie Thompson, daughter of early pioneers, Rasmus and Annie (Hanson) Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. Gruske made their home in Milan, Illinois. It was here, their only daughter Arline was born. Mrs. Gruske became ill and the family returned to Hendrum, where she passed away in 1920.



Ruby and Frank Gruske

Mr. Gruske and daughter went back to Illinois. In 1924 he married Ruby Johnson of Rock Island. They came to Minnesota to make their home on the farm east of Hendrum, now owned by Frances Nelson. Through the years Mr. Gruske acquired additional lands, one of which was later the Alvin Edmund's home. Mr. Gruske continued farming for a number of years.

After spending several winters in Glendale, California, they decided to make it their permanent home. At this time the farms were sold.

Mr. Gruske's daughter married Arne Johnson of Fargo, N.D. They moved to Barberton, Ohio where they make their home. They have three children and six grandchildren.

After a long illness, Mrs. Gruske passed away in Glendale, California in 1973. Mr. Gruske moved to Ohio to make his home with his daughter, where he passed away in 1975 at the age of 85 years.



Burley Ford, Frank Gruske, Ross Peterson
Harry Marsden, William Hall

ORVILLE GUNDERSON - LEANN YVONNE LITTLEFIELD

My Great Grandfather in Norway was Gunder Nilsan, who lived at Hoff, Norway, close to Gjovik, Norway. He married Karen Skarsaeterbakken. She was from West Toten, Norway.

My Grandfather Mathias Gunderson was born April 21, 1877 and lived at Sondrengen, Norway, near the town of Sondreland, Norway. Mathias had two brothers, Olaf and John who came to America and settled in Traill County, North Dakota. Mathias was married in 1900 to Hanna Sandsengen. Their children were all born in Norway: Gust Gunderson, born October, 1900; Inga (Gunderson) Weng 1902; Casper Gunderson, my father, November 23, 1904; Martin Gunderson 1907; Signe (Gunderson) Smith 1910; Ole Gunderson 1915; they had one daughter that died. Mathias left Norway in 1916 and moved back to Norway in 1920 for ten months, when he returned to the United States in 1921 and settled in Traill County to farm on the Elliot farm near Cummings, North Dakota.

My Great Grandfather on my mother's side was Erick Erickson Johnson, born on July 20, 1836, his wife was Ranghild Jorgenson born May 17, 1838. My Grandfather Erick Dvergsten, born June 30, 1864 at Gran Hadeland, Norway. He left Christianson, Norway for the United States on May 2, 1878; to Hull, England, May 5th; to Liverpool, England May 6th; got

on the Allen Liner on May 9th, 1878. There was a big explosion on May 10th at 5 o'clock, quite a few people were killed. The survivors were taken to London, England by rescue boats and were there until noon on the 13th, while their belongings were being retrieved. My Grandfather's trunk sunk to the ocean bottom but it was retrieved and I have it. They got another ship and arrived in Quebec, Canada on May 21, 1878 and got to a cousin's place at Albin, Iowa on May 25th, 1878. They settled at Spring Grove, Minnesota for seven years, then moved to Hillsboro, N. Dak. area on June 20, 1885, my Grandfather was then almost twenty-one years old.

Erick married Alina Christianson on January 10, 1895. She was born September 19, 1864, at Grue Solar, Norway. They had seven girls and two boys: the first Ellen Rachel (Dvergsten) Ritter, August 3, 1895; Carl Arthur Dvergsten, December 2, 1896, died April 4, 1897; Alma Sofie (Dvergsten) Thompson, February 2, 1898; Nora Christine (Dvergsten) Reel October 18, 1899; twin Carl Johan Dvergsten, October 18, 1899, died January 31, 1900; Mary Magdeline (Dvergsten) Hauge, January 30, 1902; Laura Josephine (Dvergsten) Gunderson, my mother, March 8, 1904; Florence Elvina (Dvergsten) Rognlie, April 10, 1906; Olga Serine (Dvergsten) July 2, 1908.

My father Casper Gunderson married Laura Dvergsten in 1928. They had six children: Adeline Lois (Gunderson) Nordheim, born April 8, 1929; Margaret Gunderson, July 12, 1930 stillborn, Arnold Herman Gunderson, March 14, 1932; Orville Casper Gunderson, December 4, 1933; Lawrence Olaf Gunderson, August 1, 1935; Donald Leroy Gunderson, August 16, 1937. We lived at Fargo, N.D. when I was born, then moved to Hillsboro, N.D. where my father worked on the railroad several years. I started school in a small country school in 1939 at the age of five and three fourths years, on the far east edge of Hillsboro. We started farming one mile west of Buxton, N.D. in 1940. We had an old F-12 International tractor that was very slow, but at the age of seven and nine, my older brother and I did some of the plowing, we also cultivated some corn together using horses, one on each side of the cultivator as we could not reach the peddles and do it alone; my father had to keep working on the railroad for awhile to keep the bills paid. We moved from Buxton late fall of 1944 to a farm by Hillsboro, N.D. for the 1945 crop year; then we moved to the Serls farm one mile west of Beltrami, Mn. for 1946, 47, 48 crop years. We had not found another farm by the winter of 1949 and had to get out of the Serls place, so we moved to a building site by Caledonia, N.D. For one month. Then we rented a farm eight miles north of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, the Joe Knutson farm, for the 1949 and 50 crop. We moved to the Tinus Tollefson Farm eight miles east and two and one half miles south and one half mile west of Crookston, Minnesota, there for the crop years of 1951 through 1955. I went in the Army in July 17, 1955, was through in July 17, 1957. The family had then moved to a farm by Kelso, N.D. for the 1957 crop year on the Weibel

farm, and to the Benny Johnson farm by Buxton, N.D. for the 1957 crop, where they lived when I came out of the army. We then moved to a farm five miles west and one mile north of Hendrum, Minnesota in August or September of 1957, the Dalrymple farm.

I took my basic training at Fort Chaffee, Arkansas. The balance of my army time at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. So while I was skating one night at Flether, Oklahoma, I met a Beautiful Young Girl by the name of Leann Yvonne Littlefield, born August 12, 1940. Who, I decided after some dating, I just had to have for my wife. So in the early winter of 1958 I convinced my father and mother to come along to Oklahoma, not telling them I was even thinking of getting married. So we went to Oklahoma and rented a small apartment in Cyril. Leann and I were married in the First (Southern) Baptist Church at Cyril, Oklahoma on February 14, 1958.

Leann Yvonne Littlefield was born to Edmond and Dora Littlefield in Amber, Oklahoma. A member of about the eighth generation of Littlefields in America. The Littlefields were originally from near Southampton, England, and came to the English Colonies in America in the 1600s. They came to the new world seeking freedom to worship God and to teach the Holy Scriptures to their children without the fear of persecution, they were similar in tradition to the pilgrims. Through the generations Leann's ancestors came to include a number of nationalities, English and Scotch-Irish on my father's side of the family and English, German, Irish, Dutch and one sixteenth Cherokee Indian. When I was a small child my parents moved the family to a farm near Cyril, Oklahoma, here I attended school, helped my father and mother on the farm. After marriage to Orville Gunderson, we worked together in our farming businesses and when our four children were almost raised, I started back to school part time. I am currently taking a few college classes each year, also piano lessons part of the year.



Standing: Gregg, Velvet, Brian, Kim
Seated: Orville Gunderson, Leann

After our marriage we came back to Grandin, N.D. and farmed with my Dad until September 19, 1959 when he died. We continued to farm that farm and some others until the fall of 1978 when I quit the large

scale farming. I also started selling Insurance part time in 1968 and still do, also started custom combining in 1978 and still do.

In December 16, 1958 after ten months of marriage we were blessed with a son, Brian Corey Gunderson, who graduated from Hendrum High in 1978, went to Moorhead State University one year and then started in the oil fields of Oklahoma with my wife's brother Edmond. Brian has now finished his training to become a driller and feels he will get that job by this spring.

May 17, 1960 we were blessed once more with a beautiful Dau, Kimberly Star Gunderson, who graduated from Hendrum High in 1979, she went to Moorhead State University one year and is presently going to N.D.S.U. of Fargo, N.D., majoring in Home Economics and Music.

April 19, 1962 we were blessed once more with a beautiful Dau, named Velvet Karen Gunderson graduated from Hendrum High in 1980 and lives in Fargo, N.D. and has worked at the First National Bank of Fargo since graduation and is moving up the ladder very well.

Then in April 30, 1963 we were blessed with our last son, Greggory Timothy Gunderson, who graduated from Hendrum High School in 1981 and is now working as a roughneck in the oil fields of Oklahoma.

We bought the Old Lutheran parsonage in June 1963 and moved from the Grandin Farm in November of 1963 and lived there ever since, we moved the house across the alley and turned it half a turn, where it presently sits. The majority of the interior has been remodeled.

JASPER HAALAND - ALICE LINDQUIST

Alice Lindquist Haaland was born September 28, 1908 at Borup, Mn., the daughter of Swen and Alida Lindquist. Her parents were both immigrants from Sweden. Her father was the first Postmaster at Borup.

Alice had three half sisters and a half brother, all older and now deceased. Rueben Hendrickson (Alice's half brother) lived in Hendrum. Her sister, Edith Slawson lives at Warroad, Mn.

Alice was educated at Borup School and after High School attended Interstate Business College in Fargo, N.D. for a year and then two years at Moorhead State Teachers College. She taught school for ten years. Part of this was during the Great Depression. One year her salary was \$40 a month.

In the early 1900's, Jasper left the Hanley Falls, Mn. area to go to Montana, where he taught school for a number of years. He quit teaching to homestead a farm in Montana with other members of his family. Jasper served in the Legislature in Montana. He came to the Traill County, N.D. farm in the early 1930's.

Alice and Jasper were married November 20, 1940 and moved to his farm six miles west of Hendrum in Traill County, N.D.



Alice and Jasper Haaland

In the fall of 1947, they bought a house from Winston Marsden in Hendrum and moved there. In the summer of 1961, the house was sold to Alfred Rinnan and the Haalands built a new house in the same neighborhood.

Alice had many hobbies, so was busy all the time. She belongs to Immanuel Lutheran Church and takes part in its activities.

The Haalands enjoyed traveling so spent a number of winters in warmer climates.

Jasper Haaland died July 7, 1968. Alice has continued to live in Hendrum. "Forty-one years is a relatively very short time, but when I think back of the changes that have occurred, it is almost unbelievable," says Mrs. Haaland.

JOHN HAALAND - CLARA INGBERG

John and Clara (Ingberg) Haaland and five of their six children moved from Perley, Minnesota to a farm north of Hendrum in 1927.

They had owned and operated the hotel in Perley for fourteen years. Both were active in church and community activities.

Clarice married Helmer Oseth and lived in Perley, later moved to Hendrum, Alan and Blanche graduated from the Hendrum High School.

Alan married Esther Hviding, Blanche married Raymond Sterton (they are both deceased).

John and Clara moved to Twin Valley, Minnesota in 1935, lived there until their deaths. The three younger girls: Janet, Lorraine, and Helen were then still in school.

Janet married Roy Hoiem; Lorraine married Lawrence Smutzler; and Helen after serving in World War II married Rex Nemitz.

ALBERT J. HAGEN - SOPHIE CHRISTIANSON

Albert J. Hagen (1859-1931) was born in Trondheim, Norway. He received the little education he had in the common schools of Houston County, Mn. For several years Albert helped his father improve his holdings, then began buying land for himself. He first bought eighty acres of railroad land then pre-emption rights to eighty acres more. He lived on and improved those eighty acres for two and a half years. From 1885 to 1896 he lived on the railroad land. He then moved to his father's homestead which he lived on (with the exception of a few years spent in Moorhead) until his death.

Albert was a charter member of the church, served as a township clerk, and a member of the township board for several years, helped organize the school district and served for over twenty years on the school board, helped organize the Farmers Elevator, the creamery and the Farmers State Bank in Hendrum, on which he served as director.

On July 11, 1889, Albert married Sophie Christianson (Johnson). They had nine children: Olga, Julia, Mathilda, Alfred, Christian, Clara, Stella, Hilda and Margaret — all of whom survived to adulthood. In those days having children was most often accomplished with the help of a midwife. Among the interesting entries in Albert's account book for February 26, 1891, Alfred's birthdate, is this notation — midwife — \$2.25.

Christian Dyrendal and Albert Hagen had a steam engine, so threshed for closest neighbors and then on other neighboring farms. The Albert Hagens' had a large orchard which brought them particular pleasure. Eventually his orchard came to include at least ten different varieties of apples covering several acres, plus gooseberries, currants, plums and strawberries. Some of these would be sold in Fargo, Moorhead, Perley, and Hendrum. Some would be canned and some might be used in the homemade ice cream that each person got on the Fourth of July. Of course there was never enough ice cream to get ones fill — only enough for a taste. In the 1920's a state highway was run through Albert's orchard involving the loss of over a hundred trees. Albert, who had lived in Moorhead a few years leaving Alfred to run the farm, moved back to the farm feeling as if a part of himself had been lost with the trees.

Taken from the book Clay and Norman Counties 1918

GILMAN J. HAGEN and HILDA O. OLSON

Born to Gilman and Hilda Hagen are the following children: - Beverly J. born May 31, 1935 and graduated from Hendrum High School in 1953. Gene H. was born June 19, 1939 and graduated from High School in 1957. Linda R. was born June 4, 1946 and graduated from High School in 1964.

Beverly married Vic Klassen in 1955. They have five children, Valerie L. married Dennis Nedrebo and has one son Nicholas born in 1980. Kevin S., Bret T., Kelly S. who married Jeff Tish and has one son Mathew born 1981; and Dana J.

Gene married Barb Klaus and has one son David Gene.

Linda married Robert Hoff. Their children are, Timothy R., Shawn R., and Corey L. Tim, Shawn and Corey are all in sports in school. Tim is a junior, Shawn a sophomore and Corey is in 8th grade. They live at Perley, Mn.

Bret T. Klassen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vic Klassen, 1111 8th Ave. N. Fargo, a 1977 graduate of Fargo North High School, graduated from the United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado, May 27, 1981. He received a Bachelor of Science Degree and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Air Force. He attended three months school at Lawry Air Force Base in Denver before assignment to Davis Monthan Air Force Base, Tucson, Arizona. He was an honor student at the Air Force Base in Denver.

Kevin S. works in Fargo, N.D. Dana graduated last spring (1981) and also works in Fargo, N.D.

JOHANNAS HAGEN - OLAVA V. HINDRUM

Johannas O. and Olava Andreasdatter Hindrum Hagen came to this country in 1867 from Levanger, Norway. They lived in Winneshiek County, Iowa and Houston County, Minnesota for the first ten years after they arrived in America. Johannas worked as a tinner, carpenter and farm hand in those early years. Then like many other Scandinavian immigrants, the family decided to move to northern Minnesota. In 1877 Johannas headed north to Norman County by train. His family, along with a part of three other families, including that of Ole Tommerdahl, followed overland with the farming implement, a team of oxen, a team of horses, and the household goods. In 1878 or 1879 the family homesteaded a quarter section of land in Hendrum Township. Johannas had a tin shop near the junction of Highway 75 and 200.

Johannas was active in the community. He helped organize the township and the first church in the community, St. Pauls Lutheran Church. Hendrum's first post office was established in the house on his homestead and he was the first postmaster. The township itself was named in honor of his wife, Olava, whose maiden name was Hindrum. Johannas and Olava had eleven children. Only six of the children - Greta, Ole, Nicholai A., Albert J., John and Martin - survived to adulthood. Johannas was born November 29, 1820 and died May 26, 1902. Olava was born January 25, 1831 and died September 25, 1897.

Taken from the book Norman County History 1976

JOHN J. HAGEN - BERTHA BOLSTAD

Johannas O. Hagen (1820-1902) and Olava A. Hindrum Hagen (1831-1897) came to America from Norway in 1867. With their five children: Ole, Nickoli, Albert, John and Greta, they settled two miles north of the present town of Hendrum at what is now the Junction of Highway 75 and 200, where Johannas had a tin shop, in 1877. They called the place Hindrum which was a small village close to Trondheim, Norway. This was Mrs. Hagen's name. The town moved to the present site between 1890 and 1910.

John J. Hagen, the youngest son, owned the Feed-mill and Flour Store in Hendrum. He married Bertha Bolstad and to them were born thirteen children. Bessie married Carl Ohnstad and had one son Orvin Curtis. Josie never married. Oliver married Helga Ellingson and had three children, Beverly, Linda and Irene. Alvin married Christine Egeland and they had three children, Craig, Thomas and Bruce. Melford married Isunhild Evenson and they had two children, Milton and Josie. Gilman married Hilda Olson and they had three children, Beverly, Linda and Gene.



Bertha Bolstad (Married J.J. Hagen)

Gilma never married. John never married. Henry married Nora Sorensen and they had six children, Helen, John, Richard, Harlan, Alan and Sharon. Bennie never married. Helen, born prematurely, lived only eleven days. Walter married Helen Jalbert and had four children, James, Mildred, Maxine and Shirley. Eddie married Dolores Hansen and they had two children, Jerald and Robert.

Taken from the Norman County History 1976

NICHOLAS J. HAGEN - KAREN GROTHE

Mr. Hagen was born on a farm in Trondheim, Norway, February 4, 1856. His father, John O. Hagen, was a farmer, cabinet maker and ship builder by trade. He came to America in 1867 and settled in Houston County, Mn. The mother of our subject bore the name of Olava Anderson. She was born and raised in Norway in the same place as his father. Mr. Hagen was the fourth in a family of ten children, and he was reared on the home farm and received a common-school education. When he was twelve years of age the family

removed to America and he was reared in this country, in Minnesota. At the age of eighteen years he began earning his own way and went to Norman County, Mn. in 1874 and followed steamboating on the Red River of the North for three years for the Hudson Bay Company.

March 10, 1877, he entered claim to land and began farming in Hendrum Township Section 8. He erected a log cabin, 14 x 16 feet, and in 1878 bought an ox team and a wagon and began the improvement of his place, living the first five years alone on his farm. His parents settled on a farm in Hendrum Township in 1877. Mr. Hagen farmed with oxen three years and broke considerable land in the meantime. The farm was wild prairie when he went there, and later bore no semblance to the place he first beheld and where he spent so many years in active work for its improvement. He was the owner of three hundred and twenty-five acres of land, of which about seventy acres was pasture and the balance under cultivation. He erected good buildings, and planted plenty of small fruits for family use. He engaged in grain-raising mostly, and met with some severe losses by storm, but in the main prospered and was one of the substantial men of his locality.

Mr. Hagen was married, in the fall of 1880 to Miss Karen Grothe. Mrs. Hagen was born near Trondheim, Norway, and was a daughter of John Grothe, who was a farmer by occupation and who died in America. She came to America with her parents in 1867, and the family were among the first settlers on the Marsh River in Norman County, Mn. Mrs. Hagen died August 15, 1895, after an illness of some six or seven weeks. She did not enjoy good health for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Hagen were the parents of five children, who are named as follows: Bertha, Martin, Clara, Jane and Hannah. All were born in Norman County, Mn. Mr. Hagen was prominent in local affairs and town clerk. He was a Democrat politically and was an earnest worker for party principles, and attended numerous conventions of his party as a delegate. He was a member of the Independent Order of Good Templars, and was connected with the Lutheran Church. He practiced strict honesty in his dealings with his fellow men, and in turn was accorded a high station as a citizen by those among whom he resided.

OLE J. HAGEN - MARY OLSON

Ole J. Hagen was born on a farm in Norway January 4, 1852, and at the age of fourteen years came with his parents to America. He received a good education in his native land, and after his arrival to this country settled with his parents in Houston Co., Mn., where he was reared to manhood. He has made his own way since he was fourteen years of age, and in the fall of 1873 he and his brother, N.J. Hagen, went to Clay County and during the two seasons worked for

the Hudson's Bay Company, boating on the Red River of the North. Ole took government land in Clay County in 1875, and remained there one year. He located in Hendrum Township, Polk County, now Norman County, in 1876, and purchased railroad land and began improving the same. He built a small log cabin, but resided there little during the first few years of his ownership of the place. His first team were oxen, and he farmed with them about ten years and broke all his land and many acres for others of that locality. He had many experiences with prairie fires and losses from hail and grasshoppers, and can recount many pioneer experiences and hardships. While going to Ada from Clay County in 1876 he came to a prairie which had been burned and was water-soaked at that time, so soft that he was forced to leave his ox-team tied to the wagon and walk through water and marsh lands seven and a half miles to his brother's home, reaching there about midnight, almost exhausted from the exposure and tramping. Despite these discouragements, he was the owner of two hundred and twenty acres of well-improved land, and was engaged in grain raising with good success. He had a complete set of farm buildings of modern finish and construction, and his buildings included residence, barn, granary, repair shop and such outbuildings as were necessary for conducting a model farm. He engaged in threshing each season for over fourteen years, but in 1897 sold his outfit. He had plenty of small fruits, a nice grove, plenty of good water, and altogether the farm was one of the best of the township.

Ole married Mary Olson in 1888. She was the daughter of Ole Odden, who still lived in Norway. Mrs. Hagen came to America about 1886. Mr. and Mrs. Hagen were the parents of six children, who were named as follows: John, Olaf, Matea, Christian, Gena and Ragnheld. Mr. Hagen took an active interest in the organization of his township board, and was assessor four years. He also served as school clerk many years. He was an independent voter.

Taken from the book Northern Minnesota — 1902

REV. TORSTEIN HAGEN - ANNA OLSON LIA

Torstein, the first-born, was born in Telemark, Norway, March 12, 1863. He emigrated to America, alone, in June, 1883, and went first to Pomme de Terre near Ashby, Minnesota, where his cousins, Gunder and Lars Volltveit, were farming. In 1885 he married Anne Olson Lia, who also was born in Telemark. Following a tendency for religious work revealed in the lives of several anecdotes on his mother's side of the family, he was soon engaged in teaching parochial schools and carrying on evangelistic work; at least he was doing this in the late 1880's in and near Twin Valley, Minnesota. For several years in the 90's he owned and operated a farm besides doing much evangelistic work in and around Waukon, Minnesota. On June 17, 1900, he was ordained a minister in the Norwegian Lutheran

Church of America or a forerunner of that body, and was given his first parish at Teien (post office at Drayton, North Dakota), Minnesota. He left Teien in 1913 to take over a charge at Hendrum, Minnesota, and from there he went to Halma, Minnesota, in 1920 where he remained until 1928. In that year he accepted the assistantship pastorate in the First Lutheran Church, Fargo, North Dakota, where he took over the duties of preaching the Norwegian services and otherwise administering to the older parishioners in the congregation. He served here for eight years and then retired in 1936 for a well earned rest but also because of poor health. He had been suffering for several years from diabetes, and found his work very difficult. He lived in California for a short time and died there on January 8, 1937.



Rev. Torstein Hagen Family
 Back row: Alfred, Anna, Esther, Olaf
 Second row: Klara, Olga, Bertha
 Front row: Alys, Torstein, Anna, Valborg
 Golden Wedding, Summer 1934

Pastor Hagen, as he was usually called, was held in very high esteem by everyone; he had the respect and admiration of those who knew him best: his relatives, parishioners, and fellow ministers. Though it was common for most persons in his time to consider ministers a somewhat privileged and special class of men, yet his stature as a servant of God and as leader and adviser was also enhanced by his own stalwart and forthright character and personality. He had attained his goal by self-help and by a strong minded singleness of purpose. He did his duty and service in all frankness and yet with a full measure of understanding and sympathy that won the confidence and deferential regard of his associates.

Besides being well grounded in the scriptures, Reverend Hagen was well endowed with a fine singing voice and marked fluency as a speaker, particularly in Norwegian. In the early years of his service, he would play his harp and sing in the homes he visited and in that way effectively bring the gospel message to the people; also, he used his ability in music to instruct and direct choirs in many communities, which certainly must have added much to the cultural and spiritual life of young and old alike. His sermons were lucid and instructive, and were given with considerable eloquence.



Rev. and Mrs. T.A. Hagen, Early 1900s

Being a minister during those early days in relatively newly settled areas was a challenge to the faith and fortitude of any man. While at Teien, for example, he had at least four regular congregations, three of which were between twelve and twenty miles from his home. Horses, with buggy, or cutter, were the only means of getting from one place to the next and this was done when roads were largely trails or at best poorly graded, and in snow and dust storms that would blind both horses and driver. During winters he would bundle up in good furs and use special foot warmers but driving over the prairies at night in bitter cold or blinding snow storms for hours and hours called for strength, courage, and faith. His wife too shared in these same admirable qualities because when he was gone from home, and he was rarely at home more than a week at a time, she managed the place with a skilled and competent hand.

Contrary to the general tendency that ministers are poor financiers, Reverend Hagen was thrifty and showed qualities of good business management. He raised a family of nine children and gave to each at least a high school education and in some instances one to four years of college. He also was able to save sufficient from his meager salary to acquire a little property so that he should have some income in his old age. It must be noted too that his wife must have had a material influence in such matters too.

Klara Runsvold, born June 5, 1886, died in 1954; graduated from school at Hallock, Minnesota; took teacher training at Concordia College; taught school; married Reverend Conrad B. Runsvold, a Lutheran minister; home at 623 So. 6th St., Moorhead, Minnesota. Children: David Hagen, born September 18, 1912 died September 27, 1912; Anne Dorothy, born June 27, 1914, died June 28, 1914; Sylvia Irene, adopted, but listed as Bertha's child below.

Bertha Emanuelson, born December 24, 1892, died in 1954; graduated from Hallock high school, has had considerable college work; taught school; married John Emanuelson who was a farmer at the time but later became a barber; separated; Bertha now lives in Minneapolis. (Home: 1000 Essex Street, S.E., Mpls., Minn.) Their children: Alyce Margaret, born January 26, 1914, married to Ercyl Hamilton a salesman, living in Fargo, No. Dakota; John Leslie, born May 12, 1919 -

Address: 903 - 5 Ave. So.; Sylvia Irene, born September 22, 1920, adopted by Rev. and Mrs. Runsvold; B.A. graduate of Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota; teacher. John Leslie was in the armed forces.



Rev. T.A. Hagen - 1913-1921

Anna Solberg was born April 1, 1895 and died in 1975; high school graduate of Hallock, Minnesota; teacher training at Concordia College; taught; married Harry Solberg an insurance agent, lives at 1513 - So. 7th St., Fargo, North Dakota. Children: Harry J. Jr., born October 26, 1924, Ph. D. - Wisconsin, U. Madison; Robert Hagen, born March 14, 1927, a graduate of Columbia U., New York.

Alfred Hagen was born July 17, 1897; secured a business education at Concordia College; married Anna Loffler; has worked in the office of a fruit exchange in Seattle, Washington; lives at 1624 - 54th St., Seattle. One child, Ann Louise, born November 26, 1925, a Seattle, Wash. U. graduate.

Olga Sayles was born January 7, 1901, died in 1972; high school graduate Hendrum, Minnesota; teacher training Mayville State Teachers College; taught school; married Henry Sayles who is a sheep rancher near Meeteetse, Wyoming. Children: Karen Louise, born October 4, 1940.

Esther Stine was born November 15, 1902 and died in 1945; high school graduate of Enderlin, N. Dak. and teacher training at Mayville, North Dakota; taught school; married Walter Stine, a salesman and grocer. Esther died June 30, 1945. They had lived in Los Angeles, California. Children: Richard George, born April 26, 1933; Lee Hagen, born January 20, 1936.

Olaf T. Hagen was born September 7, 1904 and died in 1948; B.A. graduate from Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota; taught in public high schools in Minnesota; attended University of Minnesota for post-graduate work in history and received his master's degree from that institution and has done considerable work toward his doctorate, having only his thesis left to complete; is Director of Historical Sites and works under the direction of the National Park Service with headquarters at Chicago, Illinois, where he resides at 6908 No. Ashland, Chicago, 26, Illinois. He married

Margaret S. Newell. Children: Lynn Newell, born September 20, 1938 — Graduate, William and Mary College; Katherine Anne, born November 10, 1944 — Graduate, William and Mary College.

Valborg Hull was born May 29, 1909 and died in 1980; graduate of Lancaster High School, Lancaster, Minn.; is a graduate nurse of St. Luke's Hospital, Fargo, No. Dak.; married David Hull, an insurance salesman; home at Santa Monica, California. No children. (Address: 1748 B. Lincoln Blvd.) They retired at Meeteetse and later after husband's death lived in Minneapolis with Alys.

Alys Hamry was born January 19, 1911; Moorhead high school graduate and took teacher training at Moorhead State Teachers College; taught school; married Kenneth Hamry a salesman and field representative for the Curtis Publishing Company; lived at 1120 N. 1st St., Fargo, North Dakota. Later 5832 12 Ave. S., Minneapolis, Mn. (since 1952) Children: Kenneth David, born June 21, 1940, wife Barbara, R.N.; Mary Lee, born September 1, 1945; David Hamry is Hospital Administrator near Seattle, Good Samaritan Hospital, Puyallup, Wash., Mn. U. graduate. Mary Lee is a MacCallister Graduate, social worker at Mt. Sinai Hospital, later married Al Albrecht, attorney in Wayzata, Minn., 2 children.

DONALD W. HALL - MILDRED BJERKAN RASK

Donald W. Hall was born in Elm River Township, No. Dak. in February of 1925, to William and Grace Hall. He has a brother, Thomas, now of Fargo, No. Dak. and a sister, Betty, of Brookings, So. Dak.



Mildred and Donald Hall

Donald attended Elm River elementary school and later, the Hendrum public schools. He served in the U.S. Navy for two years, and was graduated from the North Dakota State University in Agriculture in 1950. He spent the next several years in sales, traveling through, and living in many states.

In 1974, he returned to Hendrum, and in June of 1976, he was married to Mildred Bjerkan Rask, of Hendrum, where they now reside.

THOMAS HALL - HELEN GROTHE

Thomas Marsden Hall, son of William and Grace Hall, was born at Kelso, N. Dak. January 22, 1920. When he was three months old, the family moved to a farm in Elm River Township, two miles west of Hendrum. He graduated from Hendrum High School and attended North Dakota State University. He farmed a few years with his father, taking over the operation when his father retired.

On June 28, 1942, he married Helen Grothe, daughter of Charles and Agnes Grothe of Hendrum. She graduated from Hendrum High School and attended Moorhead State Teachers College. She taught at the Elm River School.



Thomas Hall Family
Robert Trousdale, Debra, Thomas, Helen
Rev. James Carpenter, Kathryn, John, Elizabeth

They were members of the Presbyterian Church in Hendrum and when it closed they joined Immanuel Lutheran Church. Tom is a past master of the Masonic Lodge. Being a civic minded citizen, he has served on many church and community boards including the Norman County Fair Board and the Hendrum Elevator Board. He is a former member of the North Dakota Livestock Board and was active in the livestock business many years showing purebred Duroc

hogs at area shows and fairs. The 1981 North Dakota was dedicated to him in appreciation for his contribution to the livestock industry.

Tom and Helen are the parents of two daughters: Kathryn Ann and Debra Jan. Kathryn is a graduate of Concordia College. She taught for five years in St. Paul, Minn. and Spokane, Wash. She is married to Rev. James Carpenter, who serves the St. Olaf Lutheran Church at Bode, Iowa. They have two children, John and Elizabeth. Debra is a graduate of the St. Lukes School of nursing and is married to Robert Trousdale. They reside at Bloomington, Minn. where he is with Sears Roebuck and she works at Methodist Hospital.

In 1981 the Halls retired and moved to Fargo, N. Dak.

WILLIAM HALL - GRACE MARSDEN

William Hall was born at Kelso, N. Dak. May 29, 1895. He was the son of Thomas Hall, who was born in Ireland, and Hulda Anderson, who was born in Sweden. They were farmers in Kelso township. William was left an orphan at ten years of age.

He lived for a time with the William Anderson and Arthur Marsden families at Hendrum. In 1917 he married Grace Marsden, daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth Marsden. For a while they farmed in Kelso township and in 1920 they purchased a farm in Elm River township. They farmed there until retirement.



Grace and William Hall

The Halls were members of the Presbyterian church in Hendrum and were active in church and community affairs. William served on the Hendrum Elevator Board for several years and also on the Village Council.

The couple raised three children: Thomas, who married Helen Grothe; Elizabeth, who married Dr. Sherwood Berg. They live at Brookings, S. Dak. where

he is president of the South Dakota State University; and Donald, who married Mildred Rask. They live at Hendrum.

In 1961 William and Grace moved into Hendrum. He passed away in 1975. Grace moved to the Halstad Memorial Home in 1981.

WALTER HALVERSON - ALMA HOUSKE

Walter Halverson was born on April 7, 1899 at Halstad, Minnesota; son of Ole R. and Bell Halverson.

Alma Houske, daughter of Lars and Annie Houske, was born on April 10, 1901 at Halstad, Minnesota. In 1923 Walter and Alma were married and moved to the Halverson farm east of Halstad where they farmed till 1955. In 1957 they moved to Hendrum to make their home. Walter worked as a mechanic at the Halstad Motor Company for many years. Walter passed away in 1978.

They have one son, Harold, who resides in Hendrum, he is employed at the Paulsrud Ford Motor Company at Halstad. Harold married Carol Cassman of Felton, Minnesota; they have two children, Keith and Debbie who are both married. Walter and Alma have four great grandchildren.

GEORGE HALVORSON - EMILY FLYBERG GENEVIEVE E. "Sue" HALVORSON RIBAL

Paternal Grandparents

Ole Bernt Halvorson (1847-1907)
Belle Catherine Halvorson (1861-1948)

Maternal Great Grandparents

Olaus Lindberg (1823-1906)
Johanna Lindberg (1820-1908)

Maternal Grandparents

Peter P. Flyberg (1848-1892)
Inga Stina Flyberg (1855-1950)

Paternal History

I'm sorry to say that I know very little information about my father's ancestors. My grandfather, Ole Halvorson, was born in Decorah, Iowa. He married Belle Catherine Jacobson, born in Wisconsin near Viroqua. They farmed not far from the Flyberg Farm. Six children were born to Ole and Belle: Harley, 1882-1961; Mamie, - ; Julia, - ; Lottie, 18 -1978; George, 1892-1964; Walter, 1899-1978. Walter spent his last years in Hendrum. His wife, Alma, and son, Harold, and family live in Hendrum.

Maternal History

Olaus Lindberg was born in Sweden. He had a daughter, Inga Stina, by his first marriage. His first wife passed away and he married a second time to Johanna. Three children were born to this marriage:

John, Herman, and Sophie. Olaus and family came to America in 1872 with their three children and settled in Hastings, Minnesota for a short period of time and then moved to Carver. They moved to Warren, Minnesota a few years after their son, John, moved to Warren in 1882.



Sue Halvorson Ribal

Inga Stina Lindberg, my grandmother, followed her father to America when she was twenty and resided for a time with her family in Carver. She found work in Minneapolis and there she met Peter P. Flyberg. They were married in St. Paul on March 5, 1880. That same month they moved to Anthony to homestead. Peter and Inga were among the earliest pioneers in that area. I was told by my mother that Grandfather changed his name from Pederson to Flyberg because there were so many Pedersons and the mail was always getting mixed up. My grandparents had nine children: Richard, 1880-1954; Esther, 1883-1964; Rose, 1885-1979; (twins) Ella 1886-1964, and Emma 1886- ; (twins) Adolph, 1887-1929, and Elida, 1887-1939; William, 1890-1977; and Emily, my mother, 1891-1968. Mother was the youngest. She lived and worked on the Flyberg farm until she married George H. Halvorson on July 4, 1919.

George and Emily started their married life on a farm, where my brother, Wallace, was born. They soon moved to Hendrum where Dad started his garage business. I was very fascinated when Dad would shoe horses. I would turn the handle of the forge as Dad sharpened plow shares. Dad would give me five cents for that and in those days, five cents bought a big sack of candy.



George and Emily Halvorson - 1919

Mother canned much of our food from her vegetable gardens beside our house and in back of Dad's garage. She had a beautiful flower garden every summer and flowers all around the house. I fondly remember coming home from school and smelling the aroma of her fresh baked bread. An active member of the Lutheran Ladies Aid, a lovely lady and hard worker til the day she passed away.

We moved to California in the fall of 1941. World War II broke out in December and Mom and Dad went to work in the plane factories. Wallace became a Lieutenant in the Air Force. I finished high school, married at 18, have a marvelous husband, four wonderful children, six beautiful grandchildren, a comfortable home, and good health.

I couldn't ask for more.



Sue and Robert Ribal - 1945

JOHN HAMSTAD - LOVISE GRANDE HJALMER HAMSTAD - CLARICE JOHNSON

John Hamstad (born 1855 and died 1936) and Lovise Grande (born 1864 and died 1937) came from Trondheim, Norway in the early 1900's and were married shortly afterwards. They lived east of Halstad for a short time, after which they moved to Hendrum and lived one half mile east of town.

While at Halstad, he used to haul flour from the Caledonia flour mill to the nearby towns with horses. After moving to Hendrum he drove the school bus, which was horses and wagon in the spring and fall and sleigh in the winter. It was a long way when the wagon was used, but in the winter they would cut across the fields and rivers to make a shorter trip.



First Hendrum School Bus
Along the river — P.O. Ingberg farm

A daughter, Mary, was born in 1906 and a son, Hjalmer, was born in 1908. Mary married Arthur

Monson of Perley, Minn. in 1925 and lived in Norman County until 1943 when they moved to Gardner, No. Dak. and are still living there. Arthur died in 1972. The Monsons had six children: Archie, Neil, Lester, Philip, Marvin and Marie. Lester was killed in a car-train accident near Twin Valley, Mn.

Hjalmer married Clarice Johnson of Gardner, No. Dak. in 1937. They lived on the home place until 1976 when Hjalmer passed away. They had a truck farm and raised strawberries, raspberries, garden vegetables and also had 1,000 laying hens.

Later, Hjalmer worked for Hallet Construction of Crosby, Minn. for seventeen years and also worked at the Crystal Sugar Plant at Moorhead, Minn. He was active in 4-H, Boy Scouts and was manager of the PeeWee Baseball Team for many years.

They have two sons, Gerald, who married Marcy Anderson of Pelican Rapids, Mn. They live in Lompoc, California where Gerald teaches and Marcy is in Real Estate. They have two children, Jeffery and Kelly Ann.

Harlan married Janice Lerud of Gardner, No. Dak., and lives at White Bear Lake, Minn. He works at Towsley Ford. Janice is secretary at Christ the King Lutheran Church, White Bear Lake. They have two children, Gregory and Brenda.

LEWIS HANDEGAARD - DORIS (Dora) WILKENS WILLIAMSON

Lewis Handegaard was born on June 6, 1896 at Jondal, Norway and came to this country in 1923. He attended school in Minneapolis. He was a carpenter by trade and for many years worked for the T.E. Ibberson Construction Company which built elevators, and then later for the Eickhoff Company. In October of 1950 he was married to Dora Williamson.



Lewis and Dora Handegaard

Both Lewis and Dora enjoyed working in their yard. Dora was president three times of the seven-county Eleventh District of the Horticultural Society

and served on the board of the Minnesota Horticultural Society several terms. In 1958 she was awarded the Distinguished Service Award in the field of horticulture and in 1969 she received the Life Membership Award in the Minnesota State Horticultural Society. She was a member of the gladiola society, rose society and iris society. She enjoyed making up flower arrangements for church services and weddings, and judging flower shows.

Dora was active in the Ladies Aid of Immanuel Lutheran Church and a former vice-president of the Norman County Historical Society and took part in several other civic activities. Lewis received a Life Membership in the Sons of Norway.

Due to poor health, Dora moved into the Wimmer Memorial Home in Ada. Lewis sold their home in Hendrum in 1979 and he and Dora moved to the Valley Home in Thief River Falls, Mn. Dora died on May 21, 1980. Lewis is still living at the Valley Home.

HENRY HANSEN - HATTIE HOUSKE

Henry Hansen, son of Knute and Gina Hansen was born on August 14, 1898 at Hendrum, Minnesota.

In 1923 Henry Hansen married Hattie Houske in Moorhead, Minnesota, daughter of Lars and Annie Houske of Halstad, Minnesota. Hattie was born on November 9, 1899.

Henry and Hattie operated a restaurant in Hendrum for many years, the first restaurant was located on the south side of Main Street, later they purchased the Corner Cafe located on the northside of Main Street. During the World War II, Henry worked as a carpenter in the shipyards in Bremerton, Washington, then they moved to Billings, Montana, where they operated a grocery store for fifteen years until his retirement. When he enjoyed hunting and he occasionally worked as a carpenter and painter. Henry died on January 25, 1982.

His wife, Hattie resides in Billings, Montana, as does his son, Ronald. Their daughter, June Mullanex resides in Seattle, Washington; there are two grandchildren.



Hattie and Henry Hansen, June and Ronald

ARTHUR and CLARA HANSEN

Arthur Hansen was born at Tacoma, Washington March 17, 1889. Clara Dalen was born at Georgetown, Minnesota May 6, 1891. They were married at Perley, Minnesota September 11, 1913.



Arthur and Clara Hansen

They started their married life at Tacoma, Washington where Arthur was employed by Fleishman's Yeast Company.



Arthur Hansen, Bonita and Leland Brooks

They had two daughters Bonita and Sylvia both born at Tacoma, Washington. They moved to Hendrum in 1918 and Arthur operated a grocery store until the time of his death in 1964. He was a grocer in Hendrum for 46 years. He was a member of the Hendrum Commercial Club, a mayor for quite a few years and a member of the Masonic Lodge. Clara had a deafness handicap since the age of 13, but did lip reading very well so her handicap was scarcely noticed as one spoke to her. Her talents were china and oil painting. She fired her china dishes at her home in a kerosene operated kiln. Her dishes and pictures are treasured by countless numbers throughout the United States. Clara passed away in 1973.

Their daughter Bonita was married to Leland Brooks in 1937. They worked at the Hansen Store for eleven years and moved to California in 1947. Leland continued in the grocery business until 1952 when he became a Business Agent and later President of the Retail Clerks Union in Long Beach California. Leland passed away May 13, 1967. They have one son Douglas and two grandsons living at Springfield, Oregon. Bonita moved back to Hendrum in 1969 and operates Bonita's Gift Shop.



Clara Hansen painting china.

Sylvia married George Canning in 1936. They moved to Virginia some years later where George worked with cattle and later Real Estate. They have two children Nancy and Arthur and five grandchildren. They all live in the Staunton, Virginia area.



George and Sylvia (Hansen) Canning



Sylvia and Bonita Hansen

DR. MARIUS HANSON

Wherever this gentleman has extended assistance to suffering humanity he is well known and highly esteemed. He now enjoys an extensive practice in Norman County, Mn. and some of North Dakota, and conducts his practice from Hendrum, Mn., where he has resided for some years. He is a skilled practitioner, and his surgery is well known, owing to his unbounded success in this line. He is a gentleman of progressive spirit and his studies never cease, while he makes the best of his opportunities and has adopted only the most approved methods and devices of modern ideas in his profession.

Dr. Hanson was born in Denmark, Europe, in 1870, and was a son of Nicholas and Marian (Sove) Hanson. His father was a baker by trade and came to America in 1885 with his family, and settled in Michigan, where he resided five years, after which they took up their residence in St. Paul, Mn. Our subject was reared in St. Paul and attended the city schools and graduated from the St. Paul high school in 1889. He then attended the medical department of the State University of Minnesota, graduating from the same in 1894, when he accepted a position as resident house physician at the Minneapolis city hospital, and followed his practice there one year. He then went to the Red River Valley, when he established his office there, and has continued his practice there since with the best results. His patronage has steadily increased, and he now enjoys the largest practice of any physician of that locality. His office is well equipped with instruments, and he has a large practice in surgery alone.



Dr. M. Hansen residence Hendrum, Minn.

Dr. Hanson was married, in 1896, to Miss Florence Fronney, a native of Wisconsin. Mrs. Hanson's father, George Fronney, is a prosperous farmer, and he and Mrs. Hanson's mother are of German descent, and were early settlers of Ohio. Dr. Hanson is a gentleman of exemplary character and enjoys the esteem of his fellow men. He is a Democrat in political sentiment, and lends his influence for the support of the principles of that party. He is not actively engaged in public affairs, devoting his time exclusively to the practice of his profession.

Taken from the book Northern Minnesota — 1902

CHARLES HARRINGTON and CLARA KNUTSON

Charles and Clara Harrington were life-long residents of the Hendrum area. Charles was born in Elm River Township in Traill County, N.D. on October 1, 1898, the son of Frank and Elizabeth Harrington. He had one sister, Maude, and one brother, William. His grandparents were early settlers of Quincy, N.D. before the railroad came and the city of Hendrum came into being. His mother was Elizabeth Johnson and was born in Ontario, Canada. His father's ancestors came from Massachusetts. He attended grade school at an Elm River country school.

Clara was born September 13, 1898 in the Town of Mary Township, Norman County, Mn., the daughter of Knute and Julia Knutson. She was the oldest daughter, with four older brothers, two sisters and two brothers younger. Namely they were: Carl, Albert, Martin, Rudy, Emma, Alice, William and Norman. Her parents were of Norwegian descent, both of her parents came to the Hendrum area from Fillmore County, Mn., where their parents had settled when coming from Norway.

Clara attended school in Hendrum, having moved there when she was four years old. She was confirmed Dec. 21, 1913 by Rev. T.A. Hagen in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum. She graduated from the Hendrum High School and during this time worked for different people working her way through school. She attended Mayville Normal School to become a teacher. She taught at Clifford, N.D.

Charles and Clara were married in May of 1921 and farmed in Elm River Township all their life, with the exception of one year in the 20's, and this was at what was called the Hagen Place, or where Nolan Underlee lives now. I think at this point, I should include this bit of interest. At this time in their life, they and the John and Anna Aas family became dear friends and these two families spent twenty-four Christmas and Thanksgivings together.

They lived at Charles home farm on the Red River until the fall of 1930, when they moved out to what they referred to as "out on the prairie". It was better known as Grandin Farm No. 111. They resided there until the time of their deaths with the exception of spending the winters in warmer climates and for the most part in Mesa, Arizona.

Three children were born to them. Frank, residing across the road from their home. Frank married Nyla Nelson in 1942 and they have two sons and a daughter. His oldest son, Lynn, lives on his grandparents' farm. Terry is a teacher in Fergus Falls, Mn. and Doreen at Grafton.

Richard married Myrna Foster in 1950 and lives near by and farms. They have two sons, Steven, farming with his father and Rick in the Navy.

Frances (Mrs. Harold Hge) lives near Halstad in N.D. and is a farmer's wife. Four children were born to them. Curtis, Patricia, Virginia and Mary Jo. Charles

and Clara then had nine grandchildren that they took much pride in and gave much love to.



Charles Harrington Family
Standing: Frank, Frances, Richard
Seated: Charles, Clara

Charles and Clara were members of the Elm River Presbyterian Church at Quincy, N.D. until its closing and then, like most of the members, joined together with the Hendrum First Presbyterian Church. Clara was an active member of its Ladies Aid.

Like all farmers, who lived in his era, a days work was very physical and long. They were diversified farmers, hence many ventures in different ways make a good living. Their two sons grew up farming with their dad and continued to until he retired from an active part of the farming only a few years before his death.

Clara lost the battle with cancer in June 1967.

Charles married Myrtle Hestad Douglas in November 1968.

He had for several years wanted to make a trip back East to see where his ancestors had come from. So in October 1971, he and Myrtle made this trip to the East and on their return trip home visited in Virginia with Myrtle's son Garfield and his wife.

Death came suddenly on October 13, 1971.

FRANK HARRINGTON - ELIZABETH JOHNSON

Frank Harrington came to Dakota Territory from Maine in the early 1880's. He farmed for several years near Kelso, North Dakota.

He married Elizabeth Johnson, daughter of George Henry Ford and Margaret (Spaulding) Johnson of Quincy, Dakota Territory in 1887. There were five children born to them: Maud (Mrs. V.M. Pike), Charles, William and two daughters that passed away in infancy.

Charles Harrington married Clara Knutson of Hendrum in 1921. Three children were born to them: Frank, Frances and Richard, all married, living in the Grandin, North Dakota area.



Frank and Elizabeth Harrington, Maud

William married Ann Lee December 28, 1935. Two children were born to them: William Dean and Jack; both of them married. William Dean lives in Casper, Wyoming and Jack lives on the home farm at Grandin, North Dakota.

Maud and Charles are deceased.



Frank and Elizabeth Harrington
William and Charles

JACK HARRINGTON - ARLOTTE HOLLAND

Jack Harrington, son of William and Ann Harrington, was born in Fargo, N.D. on June 6, 1939. He graduated from Hendrum High School in 1957 and attended NDSU in Fargo. He presently is engaged in a farming and hog operation in Traill County, ND.

He married Arlotte Holland, November 12, 1960. She was born in Halstad on June 5, 1942 and is the daughter of Erling and Lillian Holland. She graduated from Hendrum High School in 1960.

They are the parents of 3 children. Kim, born August 13, 1961, who graduated from Hendrum-

Perley School, in 1980 and MAVTI in Moorhead in 1981, is presently employed at American Life and Casualty Insurance Co. in Fargo as a filing supervisor. Tod, born December 27, 1962 graduated from Hendrum-Perley School in 1981 and is attending NDSU and helping on the family farm. Wendy, born October 29, 1970, is a 5th grader at Hendrum-Perley School.



Jack Harrington Family
Standing: Kim, Tod
Seated: Arlotte, Wendy, Jack

They are all members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, where Jack is on the Church Board and Arlotte is an officer of the ALCW. They have been leaders of the Hendrum Hustlers 4-H Club for several years. Jack is past president of the Hendrum Community Club and active in many community organizations. Jack received the Pork All-American award in 1976 and is presently president of the North Dakota Pork Producers and Arlotte is president of the Porkettes, the women's auxiliary of the Pork Producers.

WILLIAM HARRINGTON - ANN LEE

William Harrington was born to Frank and Elizabeth Johnson Harrington November 4, 1904, at the farm in Trail County, North Dakota. William attended the Elm River School and Hendrum School. William has resided all his life in this area.

December 28, 1935, he married Anna Lee of Ada, who graduated from the school of nursing. Two sons were born to them. William Dean of Casper, Wyoming and Jack Lyle of Grandin, North Dakota. There are six grandchildren.

William Harringtons moved to Hendrum in 1963, where they now reside.



Ann and William Harrington

DAVID HAUG - ANDREA OLSON

David Glen Haug was born in 1942 on a farm near Ulen, Mn., the son of Gilman and Ruth Haug. He later moved to Moorhead, Minnesota.

On June 29, 1968 he married Andrea Susan Olson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Olson of Fargo, N.D. David and Andrea resided in Moorhead for eight years before remodeling and moving into the former Alfred Enger home in Hendrum.



David Haug, Chris, Barry, Andrea, Sarah

David is a bricklayer, working for Commercial Contractors and doing residential work. Prior to moving to Hendrum, "Andy" worked for eight years at the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, starting as an operator. Some of the other work she did was service representative; engineering clerk and frame person, wiring equipment in the central office.

The Haugs have four children: Barry, age 20 (1961); Christopher, age 5 (1976); Sarah, age 4 (1977) and Timothy, born January 8, 1982.

BERDIN HAUGSTAD

Berdin was born and educated in the Cummings, N.D. area. His father died when he was nine years old. Still in his teens when war began, he went to Oakland, California and worked in the ship yards there about

two and one half years. At war's end, he returned to Cummings and in the Spring of 1946, he began farming on his own.

That was the year (1946) when nearly 500 N.D. people were stricken by infantile paralysis. Berdin became ill in August. When his ailment was diagnosed as polio, he was brought to Fargo, N.D. So many cases were under treatment there that a special polio ward had been established at city hospital and he was admitted August 20.

Following a period of isolation he was transferred to St. Lukes Hospital September 12 for further physiotherapy. He was suffering from complete paralysis of both legs and had some weakness in his shoulders. He was discharged January 17, 1947 and returned home to continue treatment there.

While a patient at home, chance determined his new career. His mother, Mrs. Anna Haugstad, wanted to upholster a chair and Berdin suggested that chair and tools be placed on his bed and the work left to him. So deftly did he accomplish his task that the idea of a shop was born and he continued to "practice" on other furniture. He also "did over" upholstering in his car.

In October 1947, he and his mother moved to Hendrum into the Leland Brooks house to make their home near Berdin's sister, Mrs. Noble Nelson, who was operating Gerda's Cafe. Berdin continued working at upholstering as jobs could be obtained. Then came a blow - Mrs. Nelson became ill and her physician told her she would have to close the restaurant and rest. Berdin took over the closed restaurant, distributed what equipment he had on the shelves and in the booths and his venture was launched. He works from a specially constructed chair with rollers, so as to have almost the mobility of a healthy man. His machinery has been mounted on a stand, which he constructed, so it can be operated while he is seated. Berdin repairs shoes and does other repair jobs along similar lines as well as the upholstering.

With an eye for the future, when the cafe might be reopened, Haugstad made provision for his own shop. When Norman County offered for sale the no-longer-used "Western Star School" building in District #26 about 5½ miles south of Hendrum, Berdin was the successful bidder. Next summer he plans to move the building to Hendrum where he can equip a shop for complete upholstering service.

Despite his own troubles, Berdin has time too, to think of others. His mother has been caring for a Hendrum invalid, Mrs. Anton Dukleth. Because Mrs. Dukleth is unable to walk, Berdin has fitted a chair with rollers similar to those on his own chair, giving her freedom of movement in her room.

Taken from the Fargo Forum

In 1964 Berdin moved to Halstad and set up a new shop, where he is still operating his shoe repair, upholstery and other repairs business. He also sells shoes and other items in this shop.

ORVILLE HEDRICH - ORPHA UELAND

Orville Charles Hedrich grew up at Gary, Minnesota, a son of Charles and Emma Hedrich. He was employed at Hendrum as grain truck driver for Sherman Kolness.



Hedrich Family — 1978

Brian and Debbie (Hedrich) Borgen, Pamela and Orpha Hedrich

On October 18, 1958 he married Orpha Ueland of Shelly, Minnesota, daughter of Oscar and Gina Ueland and they continued to live at Hendrum.

They have two daughters; Debra Kay born on December 31, 1959, and Pamela Jane born on October 8, 1962, both are graduates of the Hendrum High School.

In July 1979 Debra Kay and Brian Borgen were married, they have one daughter, Angela, and are farming at Perley, Minnesota.

Pamela Jane is attending Moorhead Technical School.

ATLE O. HELLAND - INGA SIEM

Atle O. Helland was born in Lordal, Sogn, Norway, June 14, 1851. Coming to the United States when eighteen, he located at Soldier's Grove, Wisconsin and came to Norman County to a farm in Lee Township which he homesteaded in 1881.



Inga and Atle Helland

He married Inga Siem of Viroqua, Wisconsin in 1882. She died April 6, 1923. They had three daughters and four sons. Oscar taught school for five years in the county before entering the drug and restaurant business in Hendrum. Anna and her husband Frank Nelson owned and operated a restaurant in Hendrum for many years until her death in 1939. Alma taught

school for several years and after the death of her husband Henry Grothe in 1914 she graduated from the St. Lukes School of Nursing and worked as a nurse until her death in 1957.



The Helland Farm



Standing: John, Anna, Alma
Seated: Atle Helland, Bennie, Oscar, Albert, Inga

Bennie married Effie Ranger and worked at a bank in Perley and for many years was president of the bank in Arthur, N.D. He died in 1956. John married Alma Sand of Perley in 1913 and operated the Helland family farm until retiring in 1952 when they moved to Hendrum. He passed away in 1953. Albert worked for Menzel Drug of Pipestone, Mn. where he met his wife Anne Sather. They moved to Huntington Park, California where he bought his own drug store. He passed away in 1942.

Atle and Inge moved to Hendrum when he retired from farming. He passed away in 1930 at the age of 79.

JALMER HELLAND - ANNA IDSO

Jalmer Helland was born in Norway June 22, 1892. He came with his family to America when he was one year old. Jalmer was raised on a farm near Casselton, North Dakota.

Jalmer married Ann Idso on September 9, 1921. She was the daughter of Tore T. and Paulina Idso. Anna was born in O'Brian County, Iowa on November 13, 1899. The Idso family moved to a farm at Ayr, North Dakota in 1914.



Jalmer and Anna Helland

Jalmer and Anna farmed at Amenia and Argusville until 1948 when they bought a farm at Hendrum. They farmed there until 1961 when they moved to Fargo. Anna is remembered for her beautifully decorated wedding cakes and her proficiency in sewing.

Jalmer and Anna had six children. Lester, Robert and Bernice live in Fargo. Kenneth and Mildred live in California and Uneva lives at Mapleton, North Dakota. Robert, Bernice and Uneva graduated from the Hendrum High School. While living in Hendrum, the family belonged to the Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Jalmer died April 10, 1976. Anna is living in Fargo at the present time.

JOHN L. HELLAND - ALMA SAND

John L. Helland was born Dec. 21, 1890 at Hendrum, the son of Atle and Inga (Seim) Helland who were among the early settlers of this community. He had three brothers, Oskar, Ben and Albert, and three sisters, Anna (Nelson), Alma (Grothe) and Ida who died in infancy.

John attended the schools of his home district and grew up on his parents farm south east of Hendrum where he lived and farmed until he retired in 1952 when his son Donald took over the farming business.

On Spetember 17, 1913 he married Alma Sand of Perley. They raised six children, Bernice (Coleman), Spokane, Irene (Hovland), San Mateo, Margaret (Helgoe), Redwood City, Frances (Gaare), Pelican Rapids, Lucille (Garness), Halstad and Donald, Detroit Lakes. Twins, Ruth and Victor died at birth. There are fourteen grandchildren and twenty great grandchildren.

John was loved and respected by family and friends alike. He was a mild-mannered man who was always

interested in his church, schools and civic affairs. He served on the school board for District 26 and on the church council for Immanuel Lutheran, and on the Lee Township board. He served on the Norman County Board of Commissioners for twenty years and was chairman for twelve years. He was a member of the Norman County Welfare Committee, the Norman County National Farm Loan Assn. and was active in the Farmer's Union Coop of Perley. He was a director of Red River Valley Cooperative Power Assn., and served as president for a number of years and was director of Minnkota Power Cooperative, at the time of his death March 4, 1953.



John Helland Family
Back row: Bernice, Irene, Margaret
Front row: Alma, Frances, Donald, Lucille, John

He was a charter member of the board of directors of Eventide Lutheran Home in Moorhead and gave of his time, talents and money in order to help establish what he considered to be a worthwhile project. John and Alma were among sixteen farm couples recognized by the Red River Valley Development Association at the Crookston Winter Shows in 1951.

Alma continued to live in their home in Hendrum until July 1975 when she moved into an apartment in Halstad where she lived until August 1981 when she moved to the Halstad Nursing Home.



John and Alma Helland, 1913

OCEANUS HERBRANSON - EMMA ESTENSON

Oceanus Herbranson's lived on a farm southeast of Hendrum. Emma Estenson became his 2nd wife. He had one daughter Cora and a son Henry. Cora married Lars Larson, son of Mads Larson of Hendrum.

Emma was a very kind woman. She helped her brother's family when their mother died while they were very young. Also Ernest, her nephew stayed with them and attended school in the country. Another niece made her home there until she got married.

They moved into town and purchased the Arnold Enger home and continued living there til death. Oceanus died first and Emma later. It was said that Oceanus was born on the ocean; hence his name.

CARL HERTSGAARD - MARGARET LARSEN

Carl Hertsgaard was born at Kindred, North Dakota on January 20, 1896. He married Margaret Larsen in September, 1921. They have one son, Craig.

They came to Hendrum, Minnesota, having bought the general merchandise store from Mr. Hovind Lindbergh. Craig was nine years of age at that time, and he entered the public school. Mrs. Anne Brady was his first teacher. He was on the high school basketball team for 2½ years.



Craig, Margaret, Carl Hertsgaard

They were members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church and Carl was a member of the choir, and Margaret was a member of the Ladies Aid. Craig was confirmed in the Immanuel Lutheran Church, at which time, Reverend J.J. Jacobson was the pastor.

In January, 1938, they moved to Lake Park, Minnesota having purchased a store in Lake Park. They had a closing out sale before leaving.

Craig Hertsgaard and his family live at Faribault, Minnesota. They have four daughters, three of them married and one is a Junior at Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota and two grandchildren.

Carl and Margaret are retired and live in Mesa, Arizona. They miss their many friends in Hendrum, and enjoy having them call, even though they are far away.

BRUCE ALAN HEST - MAUREEN ALICE SMART

Bruce Alan Hest, born in 1959 in Fargo, N.D. and Maureen Alice Smart, born in Ada, Mn., in 1958 were married in 1980 in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum. Bruce was the fifth child of seven born to Ethel and Ralph Hest of Perley, Mn. Maureen was the third child of four children born to Margaret and Duane Smart of Hendrum.

Bruce attended grade school in Perley, Mn. and high school in Hendrum, playing on the football, basketball and track team. He graduated from Moorhead State College in 1981.



Bruce, Maureen, Joshua Hest

Maureen attended grade school and high school in Hendrum, playing on the girls basketball team. After graduating from high school she was employed by J.C. Penney Co. several years.

They have one child, a son - Joshua Alan. Bruce is presently employed by American Crystal Sugar in Hillsboro where they reside.

GILBERT HESTAD - PETRA LARSON

Petra Larson came from Finnoy, Norway in 1872. Petra came with friends to Halstad, as they had friends there. They walked from Ada to Halstad. She worked for a while at Halstad and then went to Grandin, N.D. She thought that she might be able to learn to speak English quicker there.

She then came to Hendrum. Petra worked at the C.W. Canning home where she met Gilbert Hestad. He had also come from Norway. They were married and came in to town where they had a boarding house. They had one child, Myrtle, born August 11, 1901.



Gilbert Hestad, Petra, Myrtle
Nephew Albert Omdahl

Gilbert died in 1933. Petra died June 14, 1947 at the age of 84 years.

WAYNE HETLAND - MARLENE TOLLERUD

Wayne Hetland, son of William and Mildred Hetland, Shelly; and Marlene Tollerud Hetland, daughter of Gust and Ida Tollerud of Ada, Mn. were married August 25, 1956 at Ada, Mn. Wayne, a graduate of Halstad High School, was enrolled at NDSSS, Wahpeton and Marlene had finished nurses training at Crookston, Minn. and was employed at St. John's Hospital in Fargo, N.D. After their marriage they moved to Breckenridge where Wayne finished school and was employed at Wing Pontiac and Buick and Marlene was employed at St. Francis Hospital. A daughter, Laurie Marie was born December 12, 1957.

Through a friend, Darlyd "Bud" Carlson, we heard there was a Standard Station for sale in Hendrum, Minn. They decided to go into partnership and name the new venture Hendrum Standard Service. The station was opened October 31, 1960. Bud lived in Hendrum for approximately two years and Wayne has continued as owner-operator for twenty-one years.



Paul, Steven, Mardi, Lauri Hetland Hanson, Darrell Hanson, Patricia, Wayne and Marlene Hetland

Four children were born to Wayne and Marlene since moving to Hendrum. Laurie, born in Breckenridge, now Mrs. Darrell Hanson, Fargo, is a Dental Hygienist employed in Moorhead. She was a 1976 graduate of Hendrum High.

Patricia Lynn, born April 13, 1961 - graduated from Hendrum High in 1979. Is now employed at T.N.I. St. Lukes as a medical secretary.

Mardi Jayne, born May 22, 1962 graduated from Hendrum High in 1980 and is also a medical secretary and is now enrolled at NDSSS in the nursing program.

Steven Wayne, born June 29, 1964 is a Senior at Hendrum High. He plans to attend college after graduation and take engineering.

Paul, born August 8, 1972 is nine years old and is a fourth grader in the Hendrum School.

The family has been active in all areas of the Hendrum Community. Wayne having served twelve years as City Councilman, seven years as trustee of Immanuel Lutheran Church, and president of Men of Immanuel for several years. Both Wayne and Marlene have taught Sunday School and sung in the church choirs.

The children have been active in their school years as cheerleaders, piano accompanist of various band groups and choirs, members of band choirs and school plays.

EDWARD HOLLAND - MINA AUSTBO

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thomas Holland came to Hendrum Township two and a half miles north of Hendrum in 1913. They bought the farm from Oluf Dukleth in Sec. 7-144-48.

Mr. and Mrs. Holland were both born in Stavanger, Norway; Edward in Kvitsoy in 1860 and Mina (Austbo) Holland in Renesoy on August 4, 1867. He came to Freedom Township, Ottawa, Illinois earlier than Mina, who came in 1888. They were married in Ottawa in 1890, and rented farms in Illinois before coming to Hendrum. They farmed till Edward's death on June 16, 1927.

Fire destroyed the farm house the summer of 1915 on July 5, caused by heating varnish on a kerosene stove. A neighbor girl, Signe Letness, ran wading knee deep in water due to recent rains to the nearest phone to call for help. The new house was built that fall.

In 1918 they put in Delco lights. The farm was wired the day the first world war ended, Monday, November 11, 1918. These lights were used until the R.E.A. came through. They bought a Dodge touring car with side curtains in 1919.

A threshing club was formed in 1913 known as the "Wide Awake Club." There were eight members; but after two years they formed two clubs. Threshing day was from dawn to dusk. Grain was harvested by horse-drawn binders and shocks were put up by 2-3 extra

men. A period of two-three weeks were needed to further ripen the grain. Each farm had two bundle teams to haul the grain to the machine and grain haulers. One to haul water in a water tank, also with horses from the Wild Rice River. The fireman was up at 4:30 a.m. to get "steam up" firing with straw before the threshing began for the day. When steam was up, they blew the whistle, trying to beat the other rigs around.



Edward T. and Mina Holland

They were up early to feed the horses and milk the cows; most men ate breakfast at home and then to the threshing rig. Some years there were field pitchers to help the men load the bundles on racks and the haulers hurried to get back to the machine to rest and josh with the other men. Three full meals plus two lunches were served. Sometimes in the afternoon lunch was potato cakes and waffles made on a wood burning kitchen range. Lunch was taken out in big clothes baskets and large coffee pots with extras put in for visitors.

Three children were born to the Hollands. Tyler Grant, born October 6, 1891, farmed the home place after his father died, passed away in January, 1975. Albert was born May 15, 1893, farmed the H.O. Rask farm from 1919 until he moved to Moorhead in 1945. He married Lilly Enger January 24, 1918. He passed away in October, 1976. Erling Marshall, born November 11, 1906, married Lillian Quam on July 19, 1931 and has the home farm. They lived on the home farm until 1942 when they moved to Hendrum to the house owned by David Dyrendahl. In 1943, they moved next door where they still reside.

There were six grandchildren and now seventeen great grandchildren and seven great-great grandchildren. The grandchildren are: Earl Holland and Jarvis Holland, sons of Albert; Orris Holland, Mrs. Irving (Mavis) Storsved, Mrs. Dean (Leone) Forseth, and Mrs. Jack (Arlotte) Harrington, children of Erling.

Mrs. Mina Holland passed away on December 19, 1954. Grandson Earl Holland was lost at sea November 18, 1943 in World War II in an airplane on a mission from England to Norway.

ALVIN HOLM - CINDY LUANN ARNOLD

Alvin Adolph Holm was born May 15, 1948 at the Ada Hospital, son of Miss Selma Holm of Hendrum. I have lived in the Hendrum Township all my life, and graduated from Hendrum High School in 1967.



Alvin Holm, 7th grade

I have been working at home and part time farm labor, helping my uncle with the farm work since 1978. I started farming when Edgar retired. From that year, I have also farmed my mother's land and share half the crop with her. I started to cash rent my Uncle's land in 1980. Farming isn't easy because of high interest and low prices for all grain production to keep up with all our expenses. It is hard to fight inflation.

I was married on June 25, 1977 to Cindy LuAnn Arnold of Shelly, Minn. We have two nice boys. Ryan Adolph was born on November 8, 1977 and Cory Thomas was born on July 30, 1981. Both the boys were born at the Hillsboro Hospital, Hillsboro, N.D.

We live on my mother's farm where I am in the business of farming.

EDGAR and MONICA HOLM

Edgar Holm was born on a farm in Hendrum Township, in the year of 1915. He grew up on the same farm. He worked as a farm laborer until 1942. He then entered the Armed Forces in World War II.



Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Holm, married April 5, 1975

After returning home, he continued for some time to work on the farm until 1954. At that time he started to do construction work and continued that for twelve years. He then started farming in 1966, and retired from farming in 1979.

Edgar Holm met his wife, Monica, at Fargo, N.D. They were married April 5, 1975, at Ada, Mn. in the St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Monica has two sons, Clarence and Robert John. Their wives are LeeAnn and Bonnie. We have four lovely grandsons.

ERLING HOLLAND - LILLIAN QUAM

Erling Marshall Holland was the youngest son of Edward and Mina Holland. He was born in Freedom Township, Ottawa, Illinois, and came to Hendrum with his parents and two brothers in 1913, at the age of six years. They lived on a farm his parents bought from Oluf Dukleth.

Lillian was the youngest daughter of Martin and Olga Quam, lived by the Wide Awake School District No. 7. They both attended school in Wide Awake and high school in Hendrum.

District seven was a two-room school and had an eight-month school year. The school was also a place for meeting folks at plays, basket socials, and literary societies. The school house was bought and moved to Halstad. The teachers put on the Christmas programs for St. Pauli Church and it was a big day to practice the final program in church before the evening program. The church was struck by lightning during an electrical rain storm in September, 1937, and burned. They joined the Immanuel Church in 1940, with most of the other members of St. Pauli.



Erling and Lillian Holland

Lillian and Erling were married on July 19, 1931 and lived on a farm until 1942 when they moved to Hendrum. Erling farmed until retiring in 1972. He had a *Fargo Forum* newspaper route hauling bundles of the evening edition to eight towns for 32 years, retiring in 1975. The winter of 1942 Erling worked at a defense

plant in Washington as a lumberjack. He also drove school bus and was a substitute for a number of years. Was a caretaker for the Hall while working for the Village and also helped Bob Watters and Davie Dyren-dahl dig and repair water and sewer lines. He was a substitute rural mail carrier for 27 years, and was a grave digger for a number of years also, digging by hand.



Mavis, Orris, Arlotte, Leone

Lillian would answer the phone in the mornings as Hendrum folks would ask to ride to Fargo. This would give you a half-hour to 2 hours in downtown Fargo stores before it was time to pick up the papers to return. In the later years they would also pick up parts and deliver to service stations along the route.



Orris, Leone, Lillian, Erling, Arlotte, Mavis

They have four children:

— Orris works for Kayot boats in Mankato and has seven children. He married Mabel Ellingworth and have four children.

— Wayne married Norma DeLaCruz and have two children. Tina and Donovan.

— Diane married Lupe DeLaCruz, Jr. and has one child, Diego.

— Colette married Curtis Orsland and have three children: Carla, Christopher, and Carissa.

— Melody lives at Thief River Falls, MN.

— Orris married Beverly Dukleth Rowlett and they have three children, Christina Rowlett, Marshall and Henry.

— Mavis works at Norman County State Bank in Hendrum, married Irving Storsved and is assistant county highway engineer. They have three children:

— Douglas works for Honeywell, Minneapolis, lives in St. Paul, MN.

— Vicki, married Jim English, has one son, Sean, and lives in San Antonio, Texas.

— Brett, at home.

— Leone married Dean Forseth, president of Hensway, of Corvallis, Oregon, which hatches turkey and chicken eggs. They have four children, David, Deanna, Steven and Scott.

— Arlotte married Jack Harrington, Grandin ND farmer, has three children: Kimberly, Tod, and Wendy.

JULIUS HOLM and EMMA HOLM

Julius Holm came over from Norway with his parents, Anders J. Holm and Anne Sophie A. Holm, in the year of 1882, when he was one year old. His folks settled down on the farm east of Hendrum. Julius and his brother, Abraham, took over the farm after their parents retired. Julius also had a threshing outfit and did a lot of threshing for his neighbors as long as he farmed. He also did some road grading for Hendrum Township.



Julius Holm Threshing

Julius Holm married Emma Holm in the year of 1908 on January 27. Julius and Emma had six children. Julius passed away in the year of 1953 in August. Emma passed away in the year of 1976 in November. Three of the children have passed away.

Gotvold and Selma are living on the home farm now and Edgar is living in Ada.



Julius Holm Family

Standing: Selma, Joseph, Edgar, Gotvold, Adolph
Seated: Julius, Gladys, Emma

ALVIN HOUGE - MILDRED LERE

Alvin Houge and Mildred Lere were married October 21, 1945 at the High Prairie Lutheran Church of rural LaMoure, N.D. They moved to their present home east of Hendrum, Mn. in the fall of 1947.

Many changes have been made on the place since they moved there. A complete set of new buildings were put up, trees planted and improvement made to the land. The hours of work were long, but rewarding. They had a herd of dairy cows, at first selling cream and then milk. They sold their herd in 1965. They also raised laying hens until 1979 when they were sold.

They have three children. Larry was born November 5, 1949. Carolyn was born December 27, 1953 and Susan was born December 25, 1959. They belong to Concordia Lutheran Church of rural Hendrum. The family has always been active in the activities of the church.

Carolyn was married to Lloyd Olson of Outlook, Sask., Canada September 12, 1976. They lived in Minneapolis until 1978 when Carolyn graduated from the U. of Minnesota. They have one little girl, Tova Marie, born in 1978. In June of 1978, they moved to Camrose, Alberta, Canada, where they are employed at the Lutheran Bible School.



Alvin Houge and Mildred Lere Family
Susan, Lloyd & Carolyn (Houge); Olson, Donita (Naylor) & Larry
Little Tova Marie Olson, Mildred & Alvin Houge.

Larry attended schools at Crookston Tech, Lutheran Bible School and Shoreline College at Seattle, Wash. In 1974, he bought some land and is farming together with his dad. He married Donita Naylor of Fargo, N.D. December 27, 1980. At the present time they are living in Hendrum, Mn.

Susan attended one year at Concordia College of Moorhead, Mn., after graduating from Hendrum-Perley School in 1978. The following year, she traveled with a gospel team, touring the Midwest and the East Coast. At the present time she is attending Lutheran Bible School of Seattle, Wash., where she will graduate in May of 1982.

HENRY HOUGE - OLGA SOLBERG

Henry Houge was born near Kragnes, Minnesota, October 26, 1883. He spent his boyhood in the Kragnes

area, and as a young man went to Williston, N.D., where he was in the Insurance business and Auto Livery. It was in this town that he met his future wife, Olga Solberg, who was born at Trondheim, Norway, January 4, 1889. At the age of twenty-one she decided that she wanted to make the United States her home, so she came across by steamship. She went to Wallen, S.D., and spent that winter with some of her cousins. The following spring she went to Williston, N.D. to attend school for a short time to learn to speak and write the American language. She got a job working at the Great Northern Hotel and it was here that Henry met her when he came for his meals.

They were married Christmas Day, 1912, and the following spring they went to Malta, Montana, where they settled on a homestead seven miles south of town. At first their only way of travel was by foot until they could afford a team of horses. They built up their own buildings, times were hard, as they had dry weather and rocks to contend with. While on the homestead their only child was born, a son, Alvin, born to them February 16, 1914.



Olga Houge

In the fall of 1915, they sold their homestead and moved back to Williston, where they rented a farm a few miles from town. In his spare time Henry worked for the Star Coal Mining Company, and Olga did some sewing and sold vegetables to help along with the income.

In 1919 they bought eighty acres of land near Backoo, N.D. They belonged to the Walhalla Lutheran Church and it was here that Alvin went to Sunday School, was confirmed and finished his grade school education.

In 1928 they sold their land at Backoo and moved to Portland, N.D. where they rented a farm. But Henry always had a longing to get back to the Red River Valley where he was born, so in the spring of 1932, they bought a farm in Hendrum Township five and one-half miles east of Hendrum. This was the former home of Alfred Voje. That has been their home ever since. They belonged to the Concordia Lutheran Church.

The 30's were hard years for them as they were for everyone else. They dressed and sold meat and poultry,

and Olga raised large gardens and sold vegetables to help meet their land payments and other expenses. In the winter months she made and sold lefse. Henry and Alvin were members of the church choir. Another big phase of Houge life was the 4-H. This was not the conventional area 4-H, but it was a group of families in the area whose last names all started with "H". Ole Huseby, Oceanus Herbrandson, Martin Hamre and Henry Houge. They spent many evenings together, sharing suppers, games and songs.

Henry died in 1948. Alvin has farmed the land since then. Olga lived at the farm until 1979, when she became sick and was not able to live alone any more. At the present time she is a resident of the Lutheran Memorial Nursing Home in Halstad, Mn. She is 92 years old.

Taken from the book Norman County History 1976

HUSEBY FAMILY

Olaus Huseby was born in Drammen, Norway, November 4, 1884. He married and settled on a farm near Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. In 1881 he moved his family to Norman County, Minnesota, where he bought a farm seven miles east of Hendrum. In 1907 his wife passed away, (Martha born in 1845) and shortly after located in the Village of Hendrum. Olaus was a long time member and janitor of the Immanuel Lutheran Church. He passed away on June 11, 1927. Survivors were: Mrs. O.C. Hellrud, Mrs. E.L. Myrah, Conrad O. Huseby, George Huseby and Annie Huseby. Conrad O. Huseby was born May 26, 1884, raised on his parents farm east of Hendrum; on April 11, 1907 he married Emma Pauline Myrah, daughter of Hans and Sophia Myrah who also immigrated from Norway and farmed east of Hendrum in Hegne Township. Emma Myrah, born October 15, 1892. Conrad Huseby farmed for several years and then moved into the Village of Hendrum, where he worked as a farm worker, mechanic, and carpenter.

Hans Myrah's wife who was born in 1864, passed away in 1906. They also had two children who preceded her in death; they were, Clara Myrah born 1882 and died 1898, and Edgar Myrah born 1884 and died 1903. Hans Myrah born 1845 died in 1922.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Huseby had ten children: Stella Thompson who passed away in 1936; Evelyn Reidel, Agnes Houske and Esther Erickson, all reside in Brainerd, Minnesota; Mrs. Charles (Verona) Anderson, Fargo, N.D.; Herman, Mound, Minnesota; Clarence, St. Paul, Minnesota; Vernon of Moorhead, Minnesota; Lowell of Hendrum; and Clayton of New Jersey. Also four grandchildren raised by Mrs. Emma Huseby: Wallace Thompson, Nashville, Tennessee; Arlen Thompson, Troy, Kansas; Yvonne (Thompson) Mrs. Roland Johnson, Halstad, Minnesota; and Raymond Huseby, of Osage, Iowa. They all attended school in the Hendrum area and all were confirmed in the Lutheran Church under the late Rev. J.J. Jacobson.

Conrad O. Huseby passed away, January 4, 1954 and Mrs. Conrad (Emma) Huseby passed away December 31, 1969.

At the present, Lowell D. Huseby is the only immediate family living in the Hendrum area. Born January 22, 1928, graduated from Hendrum High School 1946, entered the United States Army September 6, 1946 to 1948, worked in construction the following two years, and reinlisted in the United States Air Force on July 26, 1950.

Lowell met and married Jill Wood while stationed in England, June 5, 1954, in Birkenhead, England, Jill's home residence. Jill's father, Edward Wood was foreman for a shipbuilding firm for forty years. Her father passed away December 1965. Jill has a sister living in Cardiff, Wales and three half brothers living in the Birkenhead, England area, which is located across the Mersey River from Liverpool, England. Jill's mother passed away when she was a small child.

Lowell and Jill have two sons, Donald and Gregory, both born at Edwards, California, they attended schools at Edwards, California; Ankara, Turkey; McChord, Washington; Illinois; both attended school at Hendrum, Minnesota on different occasions 1961, 67, 68, 69, 70. Being stationed in Korea, England, Turkey, Vietnam and Japan, after twenty years in the Air Force, Lowell retired and settled in his home town of Hendrum in October 1, 1970.

Donald graduated from High School in 1973 and Gregory in 1975. Gregory is living in Fargo, attending Moorhead State University, after spending six years in the Navy. Donald is presently at Hendrum, he has attended two years at Moorhead State University, two years at Moorhead Tech School and was employed with Tri County Electric for three and one half years at Carrington, N.D. Jill Huseby is presently occupied as teachers aide at Hendrum School and Lowell is employed at the Veterans Administration in Fargo, North Dakota.



Mrs. Emma Myrah Huseby

We the surviving members of the Huseby and the Myrah Families pay our respect, and in tribute to our families who have passed on, who pioneered the farmland for our existence for a better tomorrow. Especially to the late Emma Huseby, who was a kind, gentle, Christian woman, while in the process of raising fourteen children — was asked on several occasions to assist in the delivery of a new born child and to assist in the health and welfare of others. At eighty one years she asked for the hand of God and left a legacy of love to her family and friends.

PAUL HVIDING - AGNES MAGNUSON

Paul was born on a farm east of Perley, Minnesota. At a very early age he, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Hviding, and his eleven brothers and sisters moved to Hendrum. His parents had purchased the Hendrum House (Hotel).

Paul attended the Hendrum Public Schools. After graduation he worked in Detroit Lakes and Lake Park, Minnesota, a year or so later he attended North Dakota State School of Science in Wahpeton, North Dakota. In 1941 Paul enlisted in the Navy and served in the South Pacific during World War II. He was discharged from the Navy in 1945, returned to Hendrum and then purchased one-third interest in the Hendrum Oil Company. Other owners were Norval Nelson and Winston Marsden. About a year or so later Marsden sold his interest to Paul and Norval. They continued in business on the same location until 1954 when the highway department rerouted highway "75". They then built a new station four blocks east and one block south of the old station. Coincidentally, the new station was built in the same area where Norval's father had managed a livery stable years before. In 1963 Norval sold his share to Paul, who became sole owner. He continued operating until 1973 when he sold the business because of health reasons.



Agnes and Paul Hviding

In 1947 Paul married Agnes Magnuson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peder Magnuson. They have one daughter Sharon born in 1949.

Sharon attended and graduated from the Hendrum School. She graduated from Concordia College with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education and a minor in Biology. In 1970 she married Loren Tungseth. Loren graduated from M.S.U. with a degree in Business. Three sons have been born to Sharon and Loren: Michael Leigh was born in 1974, he died shortly after birth, Ryan Paul was born in 1976, Trevor Michael was born in 1978. The Tungseths live at Fergus Falls, Minnesota. Sharon is a substitute teacher at the Fergus Falls Public Schools and Loren is farming.



Sharon Hviding

The Hvidings have been active in their Church and community activities, through the years. Paul received the Distinguished Citizens Award from the Hendrum Community Club in the spring of 1980.

Paul passed away on September 16, 1980.

SIMON HVIDING - JOHANNA OLSON

Simon Peter Hviding was born in Stavanger, Norway, July 6, 1871. He immigrated to America in 1889, coming directly to Perley, Mn. where his Uncle Burtodes Hviding lived.

He married Johanna Olson October 9, 1897. She was the daughter of Martin Olson, early settlers in the Perley community. This family had arrived in the Perley territory by covered wagon from Story City, Iowa.

The couple worked as farm hands, until he leased land in 1898, and they started out on their own. They farmed east of Perley until 1923, when they purchased the Hendrum House from Oscar Ness. They rented out their farm and moved to Hendrum in March of that year, because there was a High School in Hendrum, and they still had seven children to educate. At that time this was a thriving business, serving meals to train crews, traveling salesmen, school faculty, not to mention all the steady boarders who made their home at the Hotel. They continued to operate until Simon's death on September 8, 1936.

To this union twelve children were born: Kruger, Erskine, Mn.; Theresa Ogaard, Hendrum; Stella Ystebo, Moorhead; Ruth Ness (deceased); Judith Rustad Trom, Hendrum; Martin (deceased); Anna Hulett Hevly, Seattle, Washington; Luella Nelson Kelly, Bradenton, Florida; Esther Haaland, Salem, Oregon; Silas, Minneapolis; Evelyn Enger, Portland, Oregon and Paul (deceased).

ALBERT INGBERG FAMILY

Albert Ingberg was born in Hendrum Township in Section 32 on September 26, 1893, next to the youngest of a family of ten children. His parents were Peter O. Ingberg and Ingeborg Johnson Newland who were immigrants from Norway.

Albert attended the rural elementary school in District No. 40 about two miles northeast of the farm home until the completion of the schooling offered there. Some summers for two or three week periods parochial school was taught there or in the village schoolhouse in Hendrum. The instruction was in the Norwegian language and was given mostly by some itinerant teachers who were usually students from one of the Lutheran Church schools seeking some practical experience and also for monetary reasons. These teachers boarded and roomed free a week or so at the different homes in the community.



Albert and Alice Ingberg

After attending the rural school, he enrolled in the Hendrum School where he completed the eighth, ninth and tenth grade. In the late fall of 1911 he entered the Moorhead Normal School graduating from the advanced course at the end of the spring term in 1915.

The first experience of his long teaching career began the following fall as head of the school at South Haven, Minnesota. In August of 1917 Albert Ingberg accepted a position in Killdeer, North Dakota, as superintendent. He resigned the following February as he had received his draft call from Norman County and spent a few days with his family and friends in the Hendrum area before leaving for service duty.

May, 1919, Albert was on his way home. His brother, Samuel, arrived home a few days before Albert. A brother, William, succumbed to the influenza epidemic which raged in the United States during the war.

On July 23, 1919, Albert Ingberg and Theresa Gordon, daughter of A.H. Gordon, were married in Immanuel Church in Hendrum.

Plans were made to take over the "Gunderson Farm" originally known as the Ole P. Nygaard homestead, located by the Wild Rice bridge east of Hendrum.

While at the farm Peter Owen and William Albert were born, Peter was born in St. Luke's Hospital, Fargo, North Dakota, on June 10, 1921. He married Shirley Casper, Minneapolis, Minnesota on October 31, 1943. Shirley was born on April 19, 1924, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Casper, of Wahkon, Minnesota. They have two children, Bruce Peter and Susan Kay. Peter, located in the Los Angeles, area after his service in the Air Force, as an auditor for a chain of stores. William was born on his parents' farm near Hendrum, Minnesota, on July 16, 1925. He married Elda Engebretson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Engebretson, Brainerd, Minnesota on October 18, 1952. Elda was born on September 21, 1931. They have four daughters; Theresa, Elizabeth Mary, Laura and Jo Anna. William, after his services in the Navy, located in Des Moines, Iowa, with the newspaper business.



Peter, Owen, Tracy, Albert Ingberg

Albert and Tracy were both interested in community and church work, being members of Immanuel Lutheran Church. Tracy had a very pleasant singing voice and was often called upon to sing at church services, school, and community functions. She sang in both the Norwegian and English languages.

In the latter 1920's the market price of nearly all farm products began to show a marked decline, so in 1928 they sold off the stock and the machinery, which was very fortunate as depression soon followed.

Albert went back to school, and from then on stayed in the teaching profession until his retirement. He received his B.A. degree from Moorhead State College and his Master of Art degree from the Uni-

versity of Minnesota. He served as superintendent of schools at Doran, Hollaway, Isle, Grand Marais, and Laporte, Minnesota.

Theresa, his wife, passed away February 1, 1958, at Laporte, Minnesota.

On February 21, 1963, Albert was married to Alice Thompson Bentley, Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Thompson of Hendrum, Minnesota, at Twin Valley, Minnesota. She had served as elementary principal of the Twin Valley schools for several years following H.N. Bentley's death in 1949.

Albert and Alice spent their retirement years in Twin Valley, Minnesota, where both took part in church and community activities. Albert was very active in the American Legion and the Lion's Club. He served as Civil Defense Director, board member of the Lutheran Memorial Home, and financial secretary and treasurer of Zion Lutheran Church. He passed away suddenly at his home in Twin Valley, Minnesota, May 15, 1971.



Albert and Tracy Ingberg

Alice, who taught at schools at Argyle, Bemidji, Hendrum, Ada, Cloquet and Twin Valley, Minnesota, was very active in the Garden Club, and other community activities. She spent many hours visiting the residents at the Memorial Home and was very much loved by all who knew her. Alice was a very wonderful person. Alice passed away January 10, 1979, at the Ada Hospital, being ill from cancer.

Albert, Tracy and Alice are buried at the Immanuel Cemetery.

MRS. ALICE THOMPSON BENTLEY INGBERG

Mrs. Alice T. Ingberg, retired elementary teacher and principal, and resident of Twin Valley for the last 31 years, passed away at the Ada Municipal Hospital on Wednesday forenoon, January 10, 1979 at the age of 84 years.

Mrs. Ingberg, the former Alice Thompson, was born September 23, 1894, at Hendrum, the daughter of R.H. and Annie Thompson, who immigrated from Norway. Baptized in the Lutheran faith, she was confirmed in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum. Attending country schools, she also graduated from Moorhead State College.



Alice Thomspon Bentley Ingberg

She taught in elementary schools in Argyle, Bemidji, Hendrum, Ada, Cloquet and Twin Valley, Minn. She also served as elementary principal at Ada and Twin Valley. Retiring in 1961, she was given special recognition for outstanding contribution to education and the welfare of children.

On August 11, 1946, she was united in marriage to Helmer N. Bentley at Twin Valley and they made their home there. He passed away April 20, 1949.

On February 21, 1963, she married Albert Ingberg at Zion Lutheran Church. He passed away May 15, 1971, and she continued living in Twin Valley.

A member of Zion Lutheran Church for many years, she also served as financial secretary, and was a member of Zion ALCW and its Circles for a long time. She was conferred a Life Membership in the ALCW. She was also a member of the Twin Valley Garden Club for many years, and did a lot of visitation work at Lutheran Memorial Homes.

She is survived by two step-daughters, Mrs. Charles (Lillian) Painter, Austin, Mn.; Mrs. George (Irene) Anderson, Atlanta, Georgia; four step-sons, Oris Bentley, Twin Valley, Dr. Donald Bentley, Hawley; Peter O. Ingberg, Irvine, Calif., William Ingberg, Des Moines, Iowa.

One brother, Gilbert Thompson, Badger, one nephew, Arnold Thompson, Roseau; two nieces, Mrs. Arnie (Arline) Johnson, Barberton, Ohio, and Mrs. N.B. (Elinor) Gustafson, Roseau.

There are 16 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and some cousins.

Submitted by Elinor Gustafson

CHESTER INGBERG and AMANDA ROE

Chester (December 3, 1900-September, 1971), son of Gilbert and Margaret Enger Ingberg — Amanda (January 1, 1899), daughter of Thomas and Anna Rinnan Roe were born and grew to adulthood in the Hendrum Community. They, along with Julia Ingberg,

Mae Sempel, and Martha Dunn were members of the Hendrum High School graduating class of 1920. After graduation, Amanda attended Moorhead Normal School and Chester was employed in the G.T. Ingberg General Store.



Chester and Amanda Ingberg — June 22, 1922

Childhood sweethearts — “Packy” courted Amanda with candy from his father’s store. They were married on June 22, 1922 by the late Rev. J.J. Jacobsen in the Immanuel Lutheran Church. A reception was held under a huge tent in the yard of the Roe farm. The wedding cake was a fruit cake baked by Amanda’s sister, Belle Roe Jensen and mailed from Canada where she resided. They spent their honeymoon at Itasca Park and at the family cottage at Lake Belletaine at Nevis.

Three children were born to this union — Gurdon Thomas, Margaret Ann and Richard Chester.

Chester was employed at his father’s store and for a time farmed north of Hendrum.



Amanda and Chester Ingberg — 25th Anniversary

The family moved from Hendrum to Ada in 1934 where Chester was manager of the Ada Cooperative Oil Association for many years. Prior to his retirement, he worked for Northwest Oil and Equipment.

Chester passed away in September of 1971. Amanda still resides in the family home. Gurdon, handicapped with cerebral palsy, resides in the Wimmer Home in Ada; Margaret (Mrs. Keith Forsythe) lives in St. Louis Park; Richard lives in White Bear Lake. Margaret and her husband are parents of three children, Susan, Steven and Daniel. Richard and his wife Gloria (Grothe) are parents of three children, Julie, Laurie and Bradley.

CLARENCE INGBERG - TOMINA OSTRENG ALLAN INGBERG - ARLENE PETERSON

Clarence Ingberg’s father, John G. Ingberg, was born on a farm near Hamar, Norway in 1849. He received his education at the local schools and continued to work on the farm until 1880, when he bought a steamship ticket to America and landed in New York. From there, he came by railroad to Moorhead, Minnesota. He worked on several jobs for the next three years until he made enough money to make a down payment on 80 acres of land in Hendrum Township, Norman County, Minnesota. He started farming in 1882 with a yoke of oxen and a breaking plow. In 1885 he was married to Andrine Ormsrud, who had come from Norway a few years before this time. To this union, eight children were born: George, Lawrence, Alfred, Clarence, Josie, Martin, Olga and Adolph.

Clarence was born in 1892. He received his education in school district #3 of Hendrum Township. He continued to work on the farm until he was twenty years of age. He also took other jobs such as on the Grandin farms of North Dakota, and on the Henry Henderson farms at Halstad, Minnesota. He also worked in construction as a carpenter assisting in building of barns and other buildings. In 1914, in partnership with his brother Alfred, they bought a 160 acre farm from Gust Elefson in Section 36 of Hendrum Township and started to farm there in 1915.

In 1919, Clarence married Tomina Ostreng. Rev. T.A. Hagen performed the ceremony at the Hendrum Parsonage. Tomina was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Ostreng. To this union, three children were born: Carol, Allan, and Ardis.

In 1920, Clarence bought out his brother’s interest in the farm and continue its operation. He also expanded it to 400 acres. They built a new house in 1934, and a new barn in 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Ingberg continued to operate this farm until 1950, when they built a home in Moorhead, Minnesota to which they moved and left the operation of the farm to Allan. In the early 1920’s, in partnership with his brothers, they acquired their own threshing machine and continued operating it until about 1940 when they switched to combines.

Carol, their oldest daughter, attended grade school in Meadow Lark school district #3, and later went to Hendrum High School. She attended Concordia College for one year and from there went to Fargo Business College. She worked for the Wylie Piano Company in Fargo for four years. She married Jerald Stordahl, and they had eight children: Debbie (Mrs. Larry Matson) lives on a farm near Winger, where they farm and have dairy cows; Jerry, Jr. lives on a farm near Shelly and works at the Hillsboro Sugar Plant; David lives in Hendrum and works in construction; Tim lives near the Iron Range, as does Cynthia; Susan (Mrs. David Christianson) lives near Winger, Minnesota, and her husband works for the railroad, while she works at a bank; Becky attends Moorhead State University; and Candace is a high school senior at Winger, Minnesota, where Carol resides.

Ardis also went to Meadow Lark School and graduated from Moorhead High School. After school, she worked for B.E. Brokerage for six years. She was then secretary for G. Satre, Judge of Probate, of Clay County in Moorhead, Minnesota. She attended Moorhead State University and graduated with high honors. She later moved to Minneapolis. She married Cas Zantek, who is with the Minnesota Department of Corrections, and they live in Roseville, Minnesota with their son, Paul. Paul is very interested in athletics and is playing hockey.

Allan received his education in District #3 and Hendrum High School from which he graduated in 1943. He is now the present operator of the farm which he purchased from his father in the early 1950's. He married Arlene Peterson in October of 1950 and they have two children. Their daughter, Cheryl, attended Moorhead Area Vocational Technical Institute in Moorhead, Minnesota, and is now a medical transcriptionist at St. Ansgar Hospital in Moorhead. Their son, Mark, farms at home and for James Stennes as well as doing some carpentry work for Norman Stennes. Allan and Norman also have a trailer business which they work at occasionally.

In December of 1980, Clarence suffered a stroke and was hospitalized at St. Ansgar Hospital for two months. He returned to his home in Moorhead for a period of time, after which he spent the summer on his home farm with Allan. However, he was always anxious to get back to his own home in town. A companion was hired for him, but after being home for only one month, Clarence suffered a severe heart attack and died unexpectedly at St. Ansgar Hospital on July 14, 1981.

By Cheryl Kay Ingberg

EARL INGBERG - GLADYS JOHNSON

Earl Eugene Ingberg was born in Hendrum, Minnesota to Oscar and Anna Ingberg. He attended school there and graduated from Hendrum High School in 1934. He then attended North Dakota State

sity, which at that time was called the A.C. He served in the Merchant Marines and also in the United States navy. He married Kathryn Perkins and they had two daughters, Dixie and Barbara. While serving in the Navy, his wife Kathryn died. The two children were then taken care of by his sister Clarice Nygaard until he married Gladys Johnson of Halstad, Minnesota.

They moved to Washington, D.C. where Earl worked for the Bureau of Standards. It was there their son Earl Jr. was born. Becoming homesick for the Red River Valley, they moved back to Minnesota and began farming on a farm five miles east of Hendrum. In April of 1960 a daughter, Lori, was born. They continued farming for years till Earl became ill and died in March of 1971.



Earl Jr., Mike, Gladys, Earl Sr., Lori
Dixie, Barbara

Gladys continues to live in Hendrum and is now employed in the office of Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home in Halstad, Minnesota. Their daughter Dixie is married to Gary Paseka and they live presently in Lewistown, Montana. They have five children. Daughter Barbara is married to Richard Herbst and lives in Palos Verdes, California. They have three children. Son Earl is married to Becky Brantseg and they live in Fargo, North Dakota. They are blessed with two sons. Daughter Lori is learning to become a beautician in Fargo, North Dakota.

GILBERT T. INGBERG - MARGARET ENGER

Gilbert Ingberg immigrated to America from Ringsaker, Norway in 1888. He came to the Hendrum community in 1890 where he farmed until 1897 when he and Ole Ingberg formed a partnership in a general store. A year later, Gilbert started his own general store which he was engaged in for approximately thirty years.

Gilbert was married on June 8, 1897 to Margaret Enger, affectionately known as Maggie. Six children

were born to this union. Thomas, who died at the age of two from scarlet fever; Chester, Julia, Thomas (Tony) — all deceased; Edna, residing in Ada; Mildred, residing in Pelican Rapids. A niece, Marion was raised by Gilbert and Maggie.

Several years after their marriage, Maggie opened a millinery store in conjunction with Gilbert's general store. Here she created custom designed hats for the ladies of Hendrum and surrounding communities.

While living in Hendrum, the family resided in the home of the late Paul Hviding and his wife Agnes. All were "Velkommen" to their home. Maggie always had a large pot of Norwegian meat balls on the back of the stove for Sunday dinner and more than likely there were additional guests to share in the meal. You will still find the name, G.T. Ingberg, in the front sidewalk at this residence.



Gilbert T. Ingberg Family
Chester, Gilbert T., Julia, Edna, Thomas (Tony), Margaret, Mildred

The Ingberg's were active members of the church and community. At the age of fourteen, Maggie was organist in the Pontoppidan Church. She continued to play for church services for many, many years.

After liquidating their business, the Ingberg's moved to Fargo and lived there until Gilbert's death in 1958. Maggie lived in Ada with her daughter, Julia until her death in 1960.

Gilbert and Maggie were kind, compassionate and a devout Christian couple.

HANS O. INGBERG - KRISTINE ASK

Hans Olsen Ingberg was born March 10, 1844, at Ringsager, Hedemarken, Norway, and Kristine in Vermland, Sweden, October 29, 1939. Mother's family moved to Norway when she was a little girl and lived in land on the other side of Lake Mjosen from Ringsager. Her father was a forester on an estate called Gram.

Our family came to this country in 1881 landing at New York from the ship Arizona of the Guion Line on June 6. The record of our entry is still at this port. Ole was then 13, Olof 11, Ingebor (Emma) 8, Lisa 6, Simon

3 and Bertha 1. We came to uncle Peter at Hendrum and lived for a while on the Mads Larson place until our house was completed on the farm six miles east of Hendrum, that with a few additions to it was to be the family homestead. It was the family home until some time after the children had married or moved outside of the state and was later bought by Christ Kirkesater and sister Lisa. Only the two youngest of the family were thus born in this country Oscar and Clara.

The main reason for the family coming to this country was the very restricted economic conditions, with little outlook for anything better for the children. Mother told us of sewing long after midnight on the children's clothes, which of course were all home-made from home-spun cloth, besides working hard all day. In Norway, father worked as a carpenter most of the time. He had an idea of spending his old age in Norway after mother died, which was on January 14, 1905. After living there a year or two a few years before the first World War, he came back and lived with his daughters Lisa and Clara until his death on December 26, 1924.

The children of Hans O. and Kristine Ingberg are; Ole married Tena McGibbon - two children, Irene and Olof. Emma married Even Qualley - ten children, Martin, Henry, Neil, Norah, Hilma, Martha, Alvin, Victor, Ida and Edwin. Lisa married Christ Kirksater - six children, Olag, Evelyn, Ruth, Mabel, Clara and Kenneth. Simon married Blance McManus - five children, Martin Howard, Kathryn, Philip Sigurd, Norval Owen, and Lawrence Edward. Bertha Mary married Gustav Ellefson - four children, Cora, Agnes, Orville, and Harry. Oscar married Anna Rockstad - three children, Clarice, Herbert and Earl. Clara married John Haaland - six children, Clarice, Allen, Janet, Blanche, Lorraine and Helen.

Taken from the Norman County History Book

JOHN G. INGBERG - ANDRINE ORMSRUD

America is the gigantic melting pot of peoples. Into this great crucible opportunity leads a cosmopolitan concourse of peoples with who are mixed the wonderful natural resources of this wonderful land and in a few years emerges a distinct type of man, the American. He has the sense of justice in government of the Englishman, the quick and artistic aptitude of the Latin and the tireless industry and indomitable perseverance of the Scandinavian; and, in addition to this, he has acquired a distinctly new characteristic which is American, that of enterprise. Such a man was JOHN G. INGBERG, a well-known and prosperous farmer of Hendrum township, Norman County, where he owned 235 acres of well-improved land. It was on September 23, 1849, the year when the California gold fever was raging in the United States that John G. Ingberg first saw the light of day in the land of his nativity, Norway. He was the son of Gilbert and Karan (Olson) Ingberg, both natives of that country, where they grew up, married, and reared their family, the father being a

farmer. They were the parents of five children whose names were Thomas, John G., Mary, Olena, and Andrew.

John G. Ingberg spent his boyhood on the old home place in the old country where he grew to manhood helping his parents on the farm until he was 32 years old. At that time the spirit of enterprise entered his being and he decided to come to America which meant to him a wonderful field of opportunity for a young man of industry, perseverance, and purpose. Accordingly, he gathered his personal effects together and came to this country in 1881 and located at once among his countrymen who had preceded him in Hendrum township, Norman County, Minnesota. Not having much capital after he arrived upon the scene of his operations, nothing daunted he set to work with zest on the neighboring farms and after three years his resources enabled him to buy a tract of land, which he immediately began to improve and cultivate. As years passed and his resources grew, he enabled to add to his original tract until he was the proprietor of 253 acres on which he raised good substantial farm buildings and planted a grove.

About the time he began farming on his own account, Mr. Ingberg married Andrine Ormsrud who, like himself, was born in Norway. She was the daughter of Lars Ormsrud. Mr. and Mrs. Ingberg were the parents of eight children, namely: George, Lawrence, Alfred, Clarence, Josie, Martin, Olga, and Adolph. He and his family were devout and conscientious members of the Lutheran denomination, and Mr. Ingberg helped to organize the Concordia Lutheran congregation of Hendrum. He was also interested in the co-operative business agencies of his community having helped to organize the creamery, the farmers elevator and Farmers State Bank, all of Hendrum. Any movement which had for its aim the social or material betterment of the community received from him his heartiest support.

OSCAR INGBERG - ANNA ROCKSTAD

Oscar H. Ingberg was born June 25, 1882, and grew to manhood on the family farm East of Hendrum. Oscar was the son of Hans O. Ingberg and Christine (Ask) Ingberg, Norwegians who had emigrated from Sweden thence to Norman County from Gaupen, Rinsaker in 1881. Sons and daughters who arrived with them included Ole H.; Olof; Emma (Mrs. Even Qualley); Lisa (Mrs. Christ Kirksater); Simon H. and Bertha Marie (Mrs. Gustav Ellofson); Oscar and sister Clara (Mrs. John Haaland).

In 1905, Oscar married Anna S. Rockstad, daughter of Martinus and Olava Rockstad, who also were pioneers of Norman County. The following year, Oscar and Anna emigrated to the vicinity of Saskatoon, Sask., Canada, to prove up a homestead and engage in further extensive grain and cattle ranching.

They later moved to Saskatoon where Oscar was engaged in insurance business.



Anna and Oscar Ingberg
Clarice Ingberg Nygaard, Earl

The years in Canada were ones of high adventure for Oscar and Anna and their two children, Clarice O., and Earl H. The vicissitudes of pioneering on the vast unsettled plains of Western Canada were of unending hardship. A trip to the well for water required a shotgun to keep off the timber wolves. The coyotes were bystanders during summer milking sessions. But the times were also very rewarding with Dukobhors, Indians and Cockneys from England all seeking advice and friendship in the new frontier. There were deep buffalo trails for the children to follow. Their son, Earl Herbert Maynard, passed away in 1914 while enroute to Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

In 1914, the family returned to the United States and made their home in the Village of Hendrum. Oscar became bulk agent for the Standard Oil Company.

All gasoline, oil, grease, etc., had to be transported by horse-drawn vehicles — sleighs in winter and wagons in summer until the modern trucks appeared. Oscar was also engaged in farming East of Hendrum for many years.

Anna Ingberg participated in civic endeavors carrying a heavy load of responsibilities to the betterment of a closely-knit community. In 1917, a second son, Earl Eugene, was born.

Oscar Ingberg passed away April 13, 1957, and son Earl on March 20, 1971. Daughter Clarice resides in Sherwood, Oregon. Anna Ingberg passed away May 23, 1980 in Hendrum. Her long life a memorable tribute to the finest of God-given virtues.

PETER O. INGBERG - INGEBOR JOHNSON NEWLAND

Peter O. Ingberg, a well-known and highly respected citizen of Hendrum Township, was born near Ringsaker, Hedemarken, Norway on October 31, 1852. He came to the vicinity of LaCrosse, Wisconsin in 1872 where he remained for several years. In 1876 he came to Norman County, Minnesota and settled in Section 32 in Hendrum Township taking 80 acres of government land as a homestead. There he built a log house and a log barn and used only oxen on his farm for the first six years. The nearest trading post was Moorhead, Minnesota, a distance of thirty miles which required three days for a completed trip. During those early years he traded to some extent with the Indians from the eastern part of the valley, and those from the Dakota Territory who met on the river bank south of the buildings. Never did they know if the Indians came in peace or war.



P.O. Ingberg farm as it was in 1933 — Hand painted by A.M. Stenstorm, Bemidji.

Mr. Ingberg was married in 1878 to Ingebor Johnson Newland. She also was a native of Ringsaker, Norway. She was born on January 18, 1852, the daughter of Johannes and Marie Johnson Newland, who were also from the Ringsaker area in Hedemarken, Norway. Her father was born on April 10, 1810, and passed away at their home near Hendrum, Minnesota on April 12, 1877. Her mother was also born in Norway in the Ringsaker area, she was born on July 10, 1813, and passed away at their home near Hendrum, Minnesota on December 28, 1915. Mrs. P.O. Ingberg, Ingebor, passed away at the family home on May 28, 1930.

The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Ingberg on their farm at Hendrum, Minnesota. Oscar was born in 1879 and Martha in 1880. Both died during the diphtheria epidemics. Ingvald was born in 1882 and passed away March 2, 1902, in a Fargo Hospital from pneumonia, which he contacted while attending the North Dakota Agricultural College. Mary was born on November 5, 1883. On November 26, 1903, she was married to Jens N. Landro. To this union was born four children namely: Ingvald, Alice, Ida, and Palmer. Mary died in St. Paul in 1954 where she and Jens were living at that time. Joseph was born in 1885. He lived on the home farm most of his days, where he assisted with the farm operations and also operated his own land. He attended several sessions of the Farm School in St. Paul, Minnesota. He passed away January 2, 1974 at the Ada Hospital, Ada, Minnesota. Helen was born August 28, 1887 and

passed away very suddenly of a heart attack at the farm home September 25, 1937. She was a very kindly and friendly person and spent her time aiding with the family duties. Bernhard was also born at the farm home on August 19, 1889. He too, was engaged in the farm home operations, and for a number of years ran a threshing outfit each fall. He suffered a stroke and died June 28, 1943. William - born July 30, 1891, grew to be an active young man but was stricken with influenza and passed away October 26, 1918. Albert - born at the family farm home on September 26, 1893. He married Theresa Gordon, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthon H. Gordon, on July 23, 1919. She was born near Shelly, Minnesota, on May 19, 1894. She passed away on February 1, 1958. Albert married Alice Thompson Bentley, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Thompson on February 21, 1963. Alice was born on September 23, 1894 and passed away at the Ada Hospital on January 10, 1979. Albert, Theresa and Alice were all in the teaching profession. Albert and Theresa had two sons, Peter Owen and William Albert. Albert passed away May 15, 1971. Samuel was born at the farm home April 23, 1895. He attended the rural school District No. 40 and the Hendrum Public School. In 1918 he and his brother Albert were drafted into the armed forces with ten others from Hendrum and vicinity. He returned home in May, 1919, after seeing active service in the European conflict. He, with his brother, farmed and later he bought the home farm. For a number of years he served as the treasurer of the Hendrum School Board and also was active in the American Legion. His death came unexpectedly at his farm home October 28, 1962.

After his death the Ingberg Farm was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Berg. Mrs. Berg (nee Helen Marie Scherfenberg) was a grandniece of Samuel. Joseph Ingberg who continued to live on the farm place and made his home with Helen and Clayton for eleven years before his death.

Peter O. Ingberg was a gentleman of active public spirit. He served for sometime as County Commissioner, also served on the Town Board, was clerk of the school district and later was treasurer. He helped organize Hendrum Township and the State Bank of Hendrum, of which he was vice president from the day of its organization, until the time of his death. He was an organizer of the Farmers Elevator Company and the local creamery. Under the leadership of P.O. Ingberg and A.M. Eckmann an eleemosynary corporation was formed for the purpose of purchasing twenty acres near the village of Hendrum to be forever set aside as a public playground. The farmers in the surrounding community have declared Saturday afternoon a half-holiday, and there they gather for their favorite games. Mr. Ingberg was also a leader in the movement which brought about the building of the Hendrum Auditorium to be used for a community building.

He was ever giving of his time, energy, and talent for the promotion of these worthy community projects. He was an active member and Sunday School teacher

of Immanuel Church, which he had helped organize.

He had acquired 840 acres of rich farmland and continued his successful farming operations with the help of his sons until his death December 20, 1915.



Peter O. Ingberg Family

Albert, Ingvald, Mary, William, Helen, Joseph, Mrs. Ingberg, Sam, P.O. Ingberg, Ben.

Mr. Peter O. Ingberg and his family are buried in the Immanuel Cemetery north of Hendrum, Minnesota.

JACOB OLOUS JACOBSON

Jacob Oλους Jacobson was born near Lake Park, Minn., on Dec. 16, 1871, and in the spring of 1894 he moved up to Norman County and established his homestead on the Wild Rice River, one and one-half miles east and three and one-half miles south of Hendrum, Minn.

On May 27, 1897 he was married to Tina Margaret Dukleth. Tina was the oldest daughter of Olaf and Jensine Dukleth. She was born on Feb. 12, 1878, near Trondheim, Norway, and came with her folks to U.S.A. in 1888. They also homesteaded on the Wild Rice River, one-half mile east and one-half mile north, about the same time as Jacob Jacobson.

Jacob and Tina became parents of thirteen children — ten boys and three girls, but they didn't all grow up. On Nov. 23, 26, and 30, of 1902, all three of their children died from Black Diptheria, and again in 1906 their oldest living child fell out of his high-chair and stabbed his throat on a pair of scissors. He bled to death in a matter of minutes. There were nine children that grew up, but only three of them are living now.

Those who grew up were:

1. Annette Jensine — born Sept. 25, 1904. She married Clarence Kuvaas Sept. 21, 1947. Nettie died May 11, 1958.

2. Olger Jennings — born Mar. 22, 1906. Served in W.W. II in Germany. Olger died Sept. 24, 1969.

3. Palmer Orlando — born July 26, 1908. He died July 14, 1949.

4. Chester Julian — born Feb. 2, 1910. He married Evelyn Houske, Nov. 2, 1940. He had two daughters and two sons. Chester died Aug. 18, 1979.

5. Meloyd Augustine — born Aug. 15, 1912. He married Opal Pollitt, Nov. 11, 1945. He had three sons and one daughter. Served in W.W. II in the Pacific. Meloyd died May 29, 1976.

6. Walter Norman — born Dec. 2, 1914. He served during W.W. II here in U.S.A. He married Beatrice Larson Aug. 22, 1942, and they have four sons and one daughter.

7. Rueben Melford — born Nov. 18, 1917. He married Margaret Natwick, Aug. 2, 1941. They have two sons and two daughters.

8. Doris Junelle — born Sept. 21, 1919. She married Arthur Iverson on Sept. 21, 1947. She has five sons. Art died in July, 1967.

9. Alton Frankie — born Nov. 17, 1923. Alton died Sept. 22, 1949.

Rueben, Doris, and Alton graduated from Hendrum High School.

Jacob died Jan. 20, 1945, at the age of seventy-three years and one month. He had four grandchildren.

Tina died Nov. 27, 1968, at the age of ninety years and nine months. She had twenty-two grandchildren.

Walter is living south of Audubon, Mn.; Rueben is living in Hendrum, Mn., and Doris is living south of Tioga, N. Dak.

REV. J. J. and MRS. JACOBSON (Mabel Helen Lynner)

Rev. J.J. Jacobson was installed as pastor of Immanuel, Concordia, Pontoppidan and St. Pauli Churches in the fall of 1921. Rev. Jacobson was born on a farm near Pelican Rapids, Mn. February 14, 1884, where he grew up and spent his summer vacations while attending school. He graduated from Red Wing College in 1906 and Red Wing Seminary in 1909, and was ordained into the ministry at Jewell, Iowa on October 10, 1909. On September 7, 1910 he was married to Mabel Helen Lynner of Sharon, N.D. Three children blessed their marriage, Luther and Obed of Fargo, N.D. and Helen, wife of Pastor Tellefson of Fertile, Mn. Pastor Jacobson served four years as pastor at Grafton, N.D. (1909-1913), eight years at Viroqua and Highland, Wis. (1913-1921). In 1921 he was called to the Hendrum charge, serving there about thirty-three years until his retirement in March 1954. He continued as interim pastor at churches in North Dakota and Minnesota until 1958 when he accepted a call to be visitation pastor at Crookston, where he died December 7, 1960 and was buried in the Riverside Cemetery in Moorhead.

Rev. Jacobson had a deep spiritual concern for his church members and became known for his friendliness to all. He had a gift for writing, also memorizing and eloquently reciting verse and poetry. The pastors before Rev. Jacobson wore a gown with ruff collar, but he meticulously wore a Prince Albert style suit.



Rev. J.J. Jacobson — Served 1921-1954.

RUEBEN JACOBSON - MARGARET NATWICK

Rueben Jacobson was born at Hendrum, the son of Jacob and Tina (Dukleth) Jacobson. He attended Western Star grade school and Hendrum High School. He retired in January 1980 after 32 years at the Hendrum Co-op elevator.

He was married in 1941 to Margaret Natwick of Ada, daughter of Theodore and Mathilda Natwick. Margaret is currently employed as Postmaster at the Hendrum Post Office. Rueben and Margaret have four children — Jerald, Barbara, Ronald and Deborah.

Jerald is Project Manager for Midwest Environmental Services of Grand Forks, North Dakota. He is married to the former Judy Knapp of Moorhead. They have three children, Jason, Jeremy and Jill.

Barbara, who lives at Paynesville, is a Social Worker and Counselor at the New London and Spicer School Districts. She is married to James Elseth, formerly of Newfolden, Minnesota. They have one daughter, Sara.

Ronald lives in Shakopee and is a Civil Engineer with Minnesota Pollution Control of St. Paul. Ronald is married to the former Mary Hanretty of Towner, North Dakota. They have two sons, Erik and Ross.

Deborah lives in Thief River Falls and is an instructor at Northland Community College. She also serves as Women's Athletic Director and Coach.

WALTER NORMAN JACOBSON

Walter Norman Jacobson was the tenth child of Jacob and Tina Jacobson. He was born Dec. 2, 1914. He went into the U.S. Army on Oct. 8, 1942, and received a medical discharge June 29, 1943. He was married to Beatrice Larson, on Aug. 22, 1942. They have four sons and one daughter; Layden Roy, Sandra Faye, Wayne Nolan, Thomas Mitchell and Parry Alan. All five attended school in Hendrum until 1960, when

they moved to Audubon, Mn. Layden and Sandra were confirmed at Immanuel Luth. Church of Hendrum. All four of the boys served in the Armed Forces. Thomas served a year in Vietnam.

Walter is retired now, he and Beatrice live south of Audubon, and enjoy being entertained by their three grandsons and eight granddaughters. Layden and Hope have a country home between Audubon and Lake Park; Sandra and Tom Olson have a home on Swan Lake, six miles south of Fergus Falls, they have two daughters and one son. Wayne and Sandra have a farm home six miles north of Detroit Lakes, Mn. They have one daughter and two sons. Thomas and Diane have a farm home three miles north of Audubon, and have three daughters. Parry and Cindy have their home in Audubon, they have two daughters.



Walter Jacobson Family 1977
Layden, Wayne, Tom, Parry, Beatrice, Sandra, Walter



Walter and Beatrice Family 1977
Layden, Hope; Tom, Sandra Olson; Wayne, Sandra, son Jeremy; Diane, Tom; Cindy, Parry; Michelle, Jody Olson; Amy (Parry's); Tina (Tom's); Stephanie, (Wayne's).

OLAF JODOCK - VERA PETERSON

Olaf Jodock was born of Norse parents, John and Guri Jodock, December 31, 1913, near Kempton, North Dakota. He grew to manhood and attended country school and farmed there.

He married Vera Peterson June 29, 1946. She is the daughter of Ross and Edith Peterson of Hendrum. They made their home in North Dakota for five years. Two children, Joan Edith and Julian Roscoe were born to them while they lived there.

They moved to the Ross Peterson farm east of Hendrum in 1951. Three more children were born to them: Oliver Nels, Ronald Martin and Paul Leland. The family attended the Presbyterian Church and the children attended school in Hendrum. Edith graduated from Jamestown College as a nurse. She married Paul Gasparin in Chicago; they have a son Peter Mark born in 1974.

Julian or "Bud" served in the Army, spending some time in Germany. After his discharge he installed and repaired computers, but now repairs and erects wind generators. He and his wife Marijo live in Gardner, North Dakota and have adopted a son Mark.

Oliver was in the Air Force for two terms. He was discharged in May 1981 and builds computerized simulators.



Standing: Olaf Jodock, Vera, Nels, Paul, Ron. Front row: Julian, wife Marijo, Edith Peterson, Edith, husband Paul Gasparin.

Ron has been living with his parents on the farm.

Paul is a mechanic and works in the Mobile Service Station in Hendrum. He races stock cars in the summer.

Olaf and Vera moved from Hendrum in 1978 to a farm southwest of Bagley, Mn.; then in 1980 to a farm south of Fosston, Minnesota.

ARTHUR JOHNSON - BEULAH PUTMAN

Arthur Johnson was born in Sweden on May 2, 1901. He immigrated to the U.S. when he was about 22 years old. He worked in Chicago, Ill. for several years before moving to Gwinner, N.D. where he clerked in a grocery store for his brother-in-law, C.V. Larson. There he met and married Beulah Putman, the daughter of Warren and Myra Putman. Beulah was born on July 17, 1911 in Gwinner.

In 1940 Art purchased a building in Hendrum and started a Fairway Store. They sold groceries, meat and dry goods. After buying the house formerly owned by Henry and Hattie Hanson, he moved the rest of the family to Hendrum. The family consisted of his wife Beulah and three children, Beverley, age 8, John, age 5, and Richard age 3, and the family dog Sambo. Some of the clerks that worked in the store were; Margaret



Beulah and Art Johnson

Helland Helgoe, Doris Jacobson Iverson, Olger (Dukie) Dukleth, Lowell Thorson, Loren Viker, Eleanor Tommerdahl Lamb, Bonnie Jacobson Stordahl. The last few years the Johnson family did all of the clerking at the store. Seven children were born to Art and Beulah;

Beverley, born in Gwinner, N.D. on March 21, 1931. She attended the first two years of school at the Gwinner school and graduated from Hendrum high on June 2, 1949. On June 11, 1950 she and Francis Dyrendahl were married. They have four children, Becky, Tim, Randy, and Nathan. They live in Hendrum.

John was born in Gwinner on November 4, 1935. He attended the Hendrum school, graduating in 1953. He is married to the former Carol Roe of Hendrum. They have one daughter Charlene and reside in Hendrum. John is the cashier at the First State Bank in Ada, Mn.

Richard, born in Lisbon, N.D. on September 24, 1938, graduated from high school in 1956, and attended Moorhead State College. He became a State Farm Insurance Adjustor after graduating from college. He married Marcia Efteland of Moorhead and they have two children, Erin and Eric. They live in Cottonwood, Mn.

Sharon was born in Halstad, Mn. on February 10, 1941. She is a Hendrum graduate and also attended Interstate Business College. She is married to Eugene Arnold, lives in Brookings, S.D. and has two children Deron and Dawn.

Myra was born on Sharon's birthday, February 10, 1943, in Hendrum during an old fashion snow storm. She is a graduate of both Hendrum High and Moorhead State and is a kindergarten teacher at Halstad. In June of 1970 she married Duane Johnson of Hendrum. They have two daughters Jennifer and Jessica and live in Hendrum.

Linda, born in Hendrum on August 25, 1944, is also a Hendrum and Moorhead State graduate. The past years she has taught school in Flint MI. She married Kenneth Weathers of Detroit, Mich. and has two daughters Kristin and Logan. They reside in Ortonville, Mich.

Barbara was born in Fargo, N.D. on January 30, 1948, after graduating from High School she attended Moorhead State too. After getting her college degree she married Richard Hest of Perley and moved to Eagle Bend, Mn. where she teaches kindergarten at the Bertha-Hewitt School. They have two sons Patrick and Grant.

Art and Beulah retired from the store in November of 1974. After only a few months of enjoying their retirement Art became ill. He passed away on November 19, 1979. Beulah still resides in Hendrum.

DUANE JOHNSON - MYRA JOHNSON

Duane C. (Dewey) Johnson, son of Ernest Johnson and Minnie (Dyrendahl) Johnson was born March 13, 1930 in Hendrum. He attended the Elm River School before coming to Hendrum High School where he graduated in 1948. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1951 to 1955.

Myra Johnson Johnson daughter of Arthur Johnson and Beulah (Putman) Johnson was born in Hendrum on February 10, 1943. She graduated from Hendrum High in 1961, attended Moorhead State University for four years, graduating in 1965. She taught school in St. Cloud, Minnesota and Flint, Michigan before returning to teach kindergarten at Hendrum and Halstad.

Duane and Myra were married on June 27, 1970 at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum. They have two daughters, Jennifer Loy born May 23, 1973 and Jessica Claire born October 1, 1974.

Duane farms near Hendrum and Myra teaches school at Halstad.

ERNEST JOHNSON FAMILY

Ernest W. Johnson, the son of James and Elizabeth Falconer Johnson, was born in Elm River Township, North Dakota, November 1897. He had six sisters and two brothers. One brother drowned in the Red River in 1924. Ernest attended school at Quincy and Elm River, North Dakota. Ernest was always a farmer, but he also worked with his father as a building mover in his younger years.

He married Minnie Dyrendahl in 1924. They resided in Hendrum until moving to their N.D. farm in 1929. They moved back into Hendrum in 1943. Ernest and his brother-in-law bought the old Hendrum school house in 1927 and from that lumber they built their homes.

Ernest and Minnie had 2 sons, Harry and Duane; and 2 daughters, Beverly and Shirley.

Harry married Junice Riggers in 1949. They have 1 daughter, Claudia, and 2 sons, Roger and Cory. Harry has farmed all his life near Hendrum except for 4 years when he was Field Engineer for General Electric

Computer Systems and Honeywell Information Systems at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and Cedar Rapids, Iowa.



Ernest and Minnie Johnson Family
Beverly, Harry, Duane, Shirley

In 1951 Duane enlisted in the Navy and served 4 years. Since his discharge he has been farming West of Hendrum. He married Myra Johnson in 1970. They have 2 daughters, Jennifer and Jessica. Myra teaches kindergarten in the Halstad School System.

Beverly married Frank Todd in 1949. Beverly is an Assistant Supervisor with Shaklee Corporation and Frank is a Master Mechanic with a construction company. They have 2 daughters, Pam and Connie; and 2 sons, Curtis and Scott. Bev and Frank live in Tempe, Arizona.

Shirley married Leo Zick in 1958. Shirley graduated from Moorhead State College with a BS Degree in English and speech and taught school for a few years. Then she attended Hamline University and graduated with a law degree, passing the bar exam in 1980. Leo is Field Auditor with Wausau Insurance Company. They have 1 daughter, Charlene; and 1 son, Jonathan. They reside in White Bear Lake, Minnesota.

Ernest passed away April 2, 1969.

By Minnie Johnson

HARRY JOHNSON - JUNICE RIGGERS

Harry J. Johnson, oldest son of Ernest and Minnie (Dyrendahl) Johnson, was born at Hendrum, Minnesota March 29, 1928. He has one brother, Duane of Hendrum, and two sisters Beverly (Mrs. Frank Todd of Tempe, Arizona) and Shirley (Mrs. Leo Zick of White Bear Lake, Minnesota).

The Johnson family lived in Hendrum several years and then moved across the river to North Dakota, to a farm where they resided and farmed until 1943 when they moved back to Hendrum but continued to farm in North Dakota.



Cory Johnson, Claudia and Jerry Danelke, Karen (Ness), Roger, Harry and Junice Johnson.

Harry attended grade school at Elm River School No. 1 Grandin, North Dakota and his high school years were at Hendrum graduating in 1946.

Harry and Junice Riggers of Lockhart, Minnesota, daughter of John and Amelia Riggers of Ada, Minnesota, and foster daughter of John and Clara Merkins of Lockhart, Minnesota, were married October 9, 1949 at First English Lutheran Church of Lockhart. They lived on a farm at Grandin, North Dakota until 1953 when they moved into Hendrum, they continued to farm at Grandin and Argusville.

There are three children and two grandchildren in their family. Claudia Marie was born September 18, 1953, Roger James February 13, 1955 both at St. John Hospital Fargo, North Dakota. Cory Wade was born April 27, 1963 at St. Ansgar Hospital Moorhead, Minnesota.

In 1968 Harry enrolled at Control Data Institute in Minneapolis. He graduated from there in 1969 and worked for General Electric Computer Systems as a Field Engineer in Minneapolis. In 1971 the family moved to Cedar Rapids, Iowa where Harry was with Honeywell Information Systems.

Farming was still in Harry's blood and in 1973 the family moved back to Hendrum where Harry is farming on the North Dakota side of the river.

The Johnson's are members of Immanuel Lutheran Church where Harry is secretary of the church board and past president of Men of Immanuel. He is active in community affairs having been on the city council, is secretary of the elevator board, fire department, past president and is treasurer of the community club, was Master of Masonic Lodge for four years and is the present treasurer. He is also serving on the Community Education Board.

Junice attended school at Ada, Lockhart and graduated from Halstad in 1949. She was employed at Fargo, North Dakota before her marriage. She has been a Sunday School teacher for many years and also a member of the A.L.C.W. of Immanuel Lutheran Church and the Dakota Maids Homemakers club where she has held offices in both. She is with the Food Service Department of the Hendrum-Perley School. Both Junice and Harry have been active with the youth in Luther League, 4-H, and Scouting.

Claudia graduated in 1971 and attended AVTI in Moorhead, she married Jerome Danelke of Brandon,

Minnesota July 29, 1972. They live at Alexandria, Minnesota where she is office manager with a siding and roofing company and Jerry is with Midland Co-op. They have two children Bryce David born March 12, 1977 and Shayna Marie born November 23, 1978.

Roger graduated in 1973 and attended AVTI where he graduated in Sales and Marketing. He married Karen Ness of Ada, Minnesota May 7, 1977. They live at West Fargo, North Dakota where he is with W. W. Wallwork and Karen is a nurse at St. Lukes Hospital and Fargo Clinic.



Shayna and Bruce Danelke

Cory graduated in 1981 and is attending M.S.U. in Moorhead. He has been active in church as well as in local county and state 4-H work where he has held offices. He has also served on the community club board and has been a Boys State Representative.

JOHN P. JOHNSON - HILDA C. HANSON

John P. Johnson was born in Trondheim, Norway on August 27, 1861. He came to Norman County and located at Hendrum, Minnesota.

Hilda C. Hanson was born February 24, 1871 in Goodhue County, Minnesota. She was nine years old when her family moved to Hendrum. Her father was section foreman for Great Northern Railway. She was united in marriage to John P. Johnson on October 19, 1889 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Hendrum.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson lived on a farm northeast of Hendrum, for a short while then moved to Hendrum where Mr. Johnson owned and operated a harness shop. He also managed an elevator at Hendrum until his death August 30, 1906.

Mr. J.P. Johnson was a member of the band of Hendrum, which Doctor Hansen directed. Dr. Hansen was the Hendrum Doctor and later moved to Ada, Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson had eight children; Johnnie, Nora, Hilda, Sarah, Amanda, Clarence, Lily and Johanna.

Johnnie worked in a general store in Hendrum, then moved to Ulen, Minnesota, where he was in business for a number of years. He married Clara Alme. They had ten children; Francis, Macel, Olaf, Lillian, John,

Donna, Charles, Audrey, Paul and Joan. Johnnie retired and lived with his daughter and husband, Lillian and Courtney Carlson of Hawley, Minnesota. Johnnie is now living at the Ulen Nursing Home.

Nora and Hilda worked for the Hendrum Telephone Company. Nora married Rudolph Hanson, who worked in the Hendrum bank. They moved to McLeod, North Dakota, then to Glover, North Dakota, where Rudolph was cashier of these banks. After Mr. Hansen's death Nora and their daughter Dolores moved back to Hendrum. Nora later moved to Portland, Oregon. She passed away October 23, 1879.



John, Hilda, Hilda, Nora Johnnie Johnson

Hilda moved to Grover, North Dakota, where she worked in the Glover bank. She married Art Frojen, they had six children; Joy, Corrine, Bonnie, Bruce, Sydney and Myron. Art passed away in January 1981. Hilda still resides in Fargo, North Dakota, in their family home.

Sarah taught school a number of years. She married Clarence Stenquist and lived at Glover, North Dakota. They had two children; Lois and Clarence. Sarah's husband died in 1923. In 1928 Sarah married Robert Grosshans. They had one daughter Roberta. They resided in Oakes, North Dakota. Sarah died in February 1978.

Amanda and Clarence Johnson worked for the telephone company of Hendrum. Amanda was the day operator and Clarence did telephone repair work and was also the night telephone operator.

Amanda was operator for around 35 years. "Mandy" was well known around the Hendrum area. If anyone called in trying to find some member of their family, Mandy could always find them and get them to the telephone. Clarence died in February 1964 and Amanda in June 1974. They had never married.

Lily worked for the telephone company also. She married Clifford Lee of Hendrum. They had three children; Ronald of Renton, Washington, Robert of Saratoga, California and Sherry Lee Fleury of Auburn,

Washington. Lily and Clifford live in Kent, Washington.

Johanna went to Ada in 1929. She worked at George Olsons Cafe. Johanna married Harold M. Olson of Ada. He passed away in November 1947. Johanna and Harold had two children, DeLoris and Howard. Howard is a buyer for Boeing Aircraft and lives in Buckley, Washington. DeLoris is a Colorist and retouches photographs. She lives in Ada, Minnesota. Johanna was employed at C.R. Andrews and Company and the Ada Bootery and lives in Ada, Minnesota.

Some time after her husband's death, Mrs. Johnson sold her home and moved to the upstairs of the harness shop. The harness shop was divided in part for the Telephone office and the other half for the Red River Review. Jacob Snustad was the printer of the Review.

Mrs. Johnson died in June 1958.

Submitted by Johanna Olson

JOHN W. and CAROL E. (Roe) JOHNSON

John W. Johnson son of G. Arthur Johnson and Beulah (Putman) Johnson was born November 4, 1935 in Gwinner, North Dakota. He moved to Hendrum along with his parents in 1940. He is a graduate of Hendrum High School. He was employed by the Norman County State Bank from 1956 to 1979 and since has been employed by the First State Bank of Ada. He married Carol E. Roe on August 5, 1956 at Hendrum.

Carol E. Johnson daughter of Theodore Roe and Clara (Trom) Roe was born June 8, 1936 at Hendrum. She is a graduate of Hendrum High School and was employed by the O.J. deLendrecie Co. of Fargo for a time, also Hendrum School Secretary, Immanuel Church Secretary and presently employed as a Nurse Aide at the Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home.

Daughter Charlene Rae was born on January 29th, 1958. Charlene married Paul D. Fisk at Hendrum, September 16th, 1978.

THE HISTORY OF THE NILE JOHNSON FAMILY

The Nile Johnson family came to Hendrum in February, 1952. They purchased the Red Owl Store from Joe and Laura Petterson and renamed it Nile's Grocery. They came from Miltona, MN, where Nile had managed a Co-op Grocery Store.

The Johnsons have three children. The eldest, Jeannine, is married to Philip Kiltie, originally from Gary, MN. They are both Elementary teachers and live in Alexandria, MN. They have three children, James, Gail and Janalyn.



Flora, Nile, Brian, Keith, Jeannine Johnson

Keith lives in Columbia, MD. He is married to the former Jane Waller of Seattle, WA. They are both employed by the National Security Agency at Fort Meade, MD. They have two children, Theresa and Brian James.

Their youngest son, Brian David, lives in Tempe, AZ. He is Sales Manager for the Seven-Eleven Stores in the Phoenix area. His wife is the former Laura Saatela of Minneapolis. She is an Elementary teacher.

Both Kevin and Brian spent some time in the United States Air Force.

Flora started working as clerk in the Hendrum Post Office in 1964. On November 27, 1970, she was appointed postmaster after serving for two and a half years as Officer-in-Charge. She retired October 20, 1978. Nile sold out the groceries and retired in July, 1974.

Since their retirement they have been spending their winters in Mesa, AZ where they have a home in a Mobile Park.

OLIVER and RANDI JOHNSON

Oliver Johnson was born in Norway and came to America some time during the middle of the 1800's.



Oliver and Randi Johnson

On June 24th 1885 Randi Gangaunet left Bors, Norway with her father Halvor Gangaunet and her daughter Marit. They came to Ada, Minnesota.

Randi met Oliver Johnson, they were married and settled in Hendrum, Minnesota where Oliver worked on the railroad.

Their home was in Hendrum where they lived until death. Oliver died several years before Randi, who lived to age ninety.

Their daughter, Marit died at an early age.

PEDER O. JOHNSON - ANNA LIEN

Peder O. Johnson was born in Stockholm, Sweden November 8, 1853. He traveled to America to join his brother John in Wisconsin. Peder worked in the Sparta, Wisconsin and Black River Falls, Wisconsin areas. It was there that he met and married Anna Lien. She was born June 13, 1859 in Lillehammer, Norway and moved to Wisconsin with her family.

Peder and Anna Johnson moved to the Hendrum area where they homesteaded east of the village. They farmed in the late 1880s until retirement about 1910 when they purchased a house in town. It was here they lived the rest of their lives. Peder lived until 1937 and Anna until 1939.

They had four children. Clara married Martin Venn. They farmed east of Hendrum. Their children are Palmer, Gilbert, Chester and Isabel (Oien).

Jennie passed away in 1908 after a sudden illness.

Adolph worked at banks at Crosby and Larson, N.D. and then at the Standard Oil business office at Fargo, N.D. He married Agnes Simonson from Finley, N.D. Their children are; Cecil, Ardeth (Rosendahl) and Eunice.



P.O. Johnson Farm - 1895

Ella married Alfred Rinnan. She taught school at Syre, Mn. and Hendrum, Mn. They farmed east of Hendrum. Their children are Adele (Rustad), Ethel (Viker) and Wanda (Nightengale).

JAMES JOHNSON

James (Long Jim, Big Jim) Johnson (son of John Johnson and Mary Ford of Northumberland, England), and his second wife, Louise Sparling, came to Traill County from Bruce County, Ontario in about 1878. James' brother George H.F. Johnson and his wife, Margaret, a sister of Louise Sparling, had settled in Quincy, Dakota Territory about four years earlier. Long Jim and his first wife, probably Ann Sparling, had seven children: Joseph, John H., Mary Elizabeth (Black), Margaret Ann (Stevens), Jane Matilda (Fulton), Susannah and James A. Louise and James had nine children: Cylista (Banks), Armanella (Black), Violet May (Ford), Martha Eleanor (Grady), George Wellenton, William Joseph, Florence Louise (Montgomery), Bertha (Wright) and Curtis Wesley.

The January 27, 1885 *Hillsboro Banner* tells of James Johnson of North Elm setting up a saw mill opposite the county line in Minnesota. "The heavy belt of wood on the Red River might as well be utilized now as anytime. People will be able to fence . . ."

James became a naturalized citizen November 3, 1890 at Fargo, North Dakota. He later moved to Canada and died March 6, 1911 in Bow Island, Alberta.

Submitted by Shirley Johnson Zick, great granddaughter of James (Long Jim) Johnson, 2323 Birch Street, White Bear Lake, MN 55110.

JOHN and MARGARET FALCONER

John (son of James and Jane Johnson Falconer) and Margaret (daughter of James and Elizabeth Nichol Falconer) Falconer were married February 3, 1874 in Lucknow, Ontario, Canada and moved to Kelso Township in about 1878. The first two of their seven children were born in Canada: Elizabeth Nichol, 1874, (Johnson), James Alexander, 1877; Thomas George, 1880; Adam Douglas, 1883; John Simon, 1886; Jane Helen, 1888; and Charles Cable, 1891.

John and Margaret homesteaded the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 14 in Kelso Township. Margaret's brother, Thomas Falconer had the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ and Margaret's father, James Falconer, had the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ as a tree claim.

John, Margaret and their sons later moved to the Leonard, Minnesota, area. Elizabeth married James Johnson, Jane died before she was year, and Charles eventually moved to Everett, Washington with his family.

Margaret Falconer's sister-in-law, Katherine, wife of George Falconer, was the first person to be buried in the Quincy Cemetery in 1878.

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JOHN H. JOHNSON

John H. Johnson was a son of James Johnson and born in Varna, Ontario in the year of 1857 and died in Kelso, North Dakota on April 22, 1900. He was a

nephew of George H.F. Johnson, one of the earliest settlers at Quincy. John J. Johnson arrived at Quincy with his father in 1878.



Threshing on Johnson Farm at Kelso, N.D.

He married Margaret Falconer of the Kelso-Quincy area. The children born to this union were James, Mary and David.

After the death of his wife he married Nettie Nelson from Hadeland, Norway who was born June 1, 1872 and died June 22, 1954. To this union were born the following children: Alfred Henry, Bennie Norman who married Margaret Calley McInnes and Della Louise, who married Joseph Peter Waters.

John H. Johnson lived in Kelso Township. In addition to farming, he and his father did considerable business in the erection of farm buildings in the area and in Minnesota.

RUDOLPH KNUTSON - MARGARET LUSSO

Rudolph Oliver Knutson and Margaret Isabelle Lusso were married in November, 1925. Mr. and Mrs. Knutson moved in the fall of 1931 to the City of Hendrum. Seven children were born to this union: Elvera (Mrs. Wayne D. Hoger), of Coon Rapids, Mn.; Robena (Mrs. Robena Johnson), of Brooklyn Center, Minn.; Anna Mae (Mrs. Reino Tikkanen), of Brooklyn Center, Minn.; Robert of Moorhead, Minn.; Allan of Anoka, Minn.; Roger, of Coon Rapids, Minn.; Helen (Mrs. Keith Morris), of Casselton, North Dakota.

Mr. Knutson was employed by Tobias Eglund, who manufactured cement blocks, when he was quite young. Later he was a carpenter with Ebersson Construction on grain elevators, and later on his own, doing concrete work. He helped build the new school in Hendrum.



Wedding — Nov. 24, 1925
Rudolph Knutson, Margaret Lusso

In the early 1930's, many transients came to the door and were never refused a sandwich. This was the time when times were very hard for the working man.

Mr. Knutson played basketball and baseball, travelling far and wide before the advent of the Pro teams as we know them today.



1971 Rudolph Knutson Family, Bruce, Anna Mae, Elvera, Roger, Robena, Helen, Allan.

From June 4, 1854 to December 4, 1895, Mr. Knutson's father, Knute, was postmaster in the Town of Mary. The post office was called Goldner. The original post office is on loan to the Norman County Historical Society at Ada, Minn. The area served by this post office was discontinued on May 15, 1903.

All seven of the Knutson children were baptized and confirmed in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum, Minnesota.



Rudolph Knutson and his new car, 1924.

Rudolph was born in 1895 and passed away in 1971. He is buried in the Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery at Hendrum, Minn. Mrs. Knutson, Margaret, resides in the Lutheran Memorial Home at Halstad, Minnesota.

KNUTSON FAMILY HISTORY FROM 1872

ANDERS KNUSEN KOLSTAD born May 17, 1831 in Norway and his wife RANGDI OLSDOTTER born May 20, 1827 in Norway immigrated to the U.S. in 1870 with son KNUTE A. KNUSEN born November 1, 1865. They first came to Wisconsin and then

arrived in Chicago when the great fire was still burning. They arrived in Town of Mary Township 1872, being some of the first settlers there. ANDERS died March 6, 1898 of asthma and kidney failure after eight days illness. RANGDI died June 9, 1912 in Hendrum where she resided with her son KNUTE A. KNUTSON and his wife JULIA SOPHIE married Dec. 4, 1886. Julia was born Feb. 27, 1861 and came from Fountain, Fillmore Co., Mn. Knute was the first postmaster of Golden, Mn. and the original post office desk is on loan to the Historical Society in Ada, Mn. The original desk was made by Andrew Hagen. KNUTE passed away Apr. 25, 1917 of pneumonia and JULIA died Apr. 7, 1923 of cancer. They had eleven children.



Julia Knutson, wife of Knute Knutson - 1920



Knutson home built by Rudolph, where Knute and Julia resided, later the home of Rudolph Knutson.

ALBERT K. KNUSEN, born Nov. 23, 1887 - died Jan. 21, 1888.

ALBERT KNUTSON, born Nov. 15, 1888 - died Nov. 10, 1975 (cancer).

CARL JOHN KNUTSON, born July 12, 1891.

MARTIN ANTON KNUTSON, born May 15, 1893 - died fall 1978.

RUDOLPH OLIVER KNUTSON, born July 2, 1895 - died May 9, 1971 (C).

CLARA JOHANNA KNUTSON, born Sept. 13, 1898 - died June 7, 1967 (C).

ALICE RAGNA MARIE KNUTSON, born Mar. 10, 1903 - died Dec. 13, 1908, burns.

EMMA CHRISTINA KNUTSON, born May 3, 1906 - died Apr. 7, 1934, accident.

ALICE MILDRED KNUTSON, born July 25, 1909.

WILLIAM HERMAN KNUTSON, born Apr. 20, 1913.

NORMAN RAY KNUTSON, born Apr. 12, 1914.



Knutson Family — 1967
Rudolph, Alice, Albert, William, Norman

ALBERT KNUTSON

Albert married Agnes Flaa of Roseau, Mn. Dec. 16, 1914 and homesteaded in Canada. They had two daughters, Josephine and Ruby. Albert begged a 'fiolin for Jule' (violin for Christmas) from age 6. He finally got it at 10 and practiced behind the barn. He was a farmer but he played violin for dances and even his own wedding dance. He still played until age 88, and played all night at his brother Martin's 50th wedding anniversary. His violin was passed on to Josephine who with her sister Ruby, who plays piano have an orchestra with other ladies from the St. Walburg, Sask. area. They play all over central and western Canada at dances and social functions. They call themselves the "Sodbusters". Josephine is a nurse and was Director of Nursing for many years. Ruby is still teaching in Medstead, Sas. Ruby has one son Terril Lee.

CARL JOHN KNUTSON

Carl married Ella Josephine Knutson Dec. 17, 1917 in North Battleford, Sask. residing in Raddisson, Sask. area. They had four children. Clarice (Mrs. Donald Jahr), Hitterdal, Mn. Donald, Sudbury, Ont. Can. Eileen, (Mrs. S.V. Mathiasen) Richfield, Mn. Ellis, school principal in Mayfair, Sask. Can. Carl's wife died in March of 1929 when Ellis was born. Carl is living in Medstead, Sask. at the present time.

MARTIN ANTON KNUTSON

Martin married Annie Knutson and they resided in Medstead, Sask. raising their family. Martin died in the fall of 1978.

RUDOLPH OLIVER KNUTSON

Rudy married Margaret Lusso of Grandin, N.D. on Nov. 24, 1925. After a brief stint on a farm in Traill Co., N. Dak. they moved back into Hendrum where Rudy worked as a carpenter and cement finisher. He played basketball and baseball travelling all over to play games in his younger years. He passed away of cancer on May 9, 1971 and his wife Margaret remained in the family home until ill health (diabetic) forced her to enter Halstad Nursing Home in Dec. three or four years ago. She enjoys doing her fancy work there. they had seven children.

ELVERA MILDRED married Wayne Denzal Hoger, Aug. 11, 1955. They have one son, Tracy Scott born July 13, 1964, a senior at Coon Rapids Sr. Hi. A step-son Thomas is deceased and a step-daughter Patricia has two daughters and one grand-daughter. Elvera worked for Western Union Telegraph Co. from June 18, 1945 to Jan. 1, 1979 when she retired. Her husband retired from Amtrak in June of 1974 after 44 years on the railroad. They live in Coon Rapids, Mn.

ROBENA MARGARET JOHNSON works for Honeywell in Minneapolis and resides in Brooklyn Park, Mn.

ANNA MAE TIKKANEN married Reino Tikkanen Mar. 28, 1953. They had two children, Debra Ann married to Larry Williams and living in West St. Paul, Mn. Roy Reino, single and working for Northland Properties. Anna Mae worked for the Postal Service until her retirement and Reino was a tool and die maker for Honeywell in Minneapolis until forced to retire with a heart condition. He passed away May 25, 1980 of a heart attack. Anna Mae lives in Brooklyn Park, Mn.

ROBERT BRUCE married Myrtle Thompson of Moorhead, Mn. May 12, 1962. They have three children, Kimberly Ann, Robert Kevin and Dale Craig all in school. Bruce worked as a mechanic for Fairmont Creameries for many years. They reside in Moorhead, Mn.

ALLAN LEROY married Elizabeth Amundson Lian Dec. 2, 1967. Allan works as a metal fabricator and has three step-children and two step-grandchildren. They live in Anoka, Mn.

ROGER GENE married Kathleen Pickett of Mankato, Mn. Sept. 9, 1967. He is employed by Pioneer Metal Finishing Co. in Minneapolis as Maintenance Supervisor. They have two children Randy Gene age 12 and Julia Margaret age 7. They reside in Coon Rapids, Mn.

DOROTHY HELEN MORRIS married Keith Douglas Morris of Wheatland, N.D. June 30, 1962 in Moorhead, Mn. They have one daughter Judy Ann and one grandson, Justin Douglas. Helen worked for Remington Rand and M N & S Railroad as a key punch operator until the birth of her daughter. Keith is an auto mechanic and they reside in Casselton, N. Dak.

CLARA JOHANNA KNUTSON

Clara Johanna married Charles Harrington and farmed in Traill Co. N. Dak. until their deaths. They had three children, Frank and wife Nyla farming in Traill Co. N.D., Frances married to Harold Hage and farming west of Halstad, Mn. in Traill Co. N.D. Richard and Myrna his wife farm in Traill Co. N. Dak. also.

ALICE RAGNA MARIE KNUTSON

Alice Ragna Marie passed away of burns at age 5.

EMMA CHRISTINA KNUTSON

Emma Christina married Robert Fremont and resided in Grand Rapids, Mn. until an auto accident took both their lives on April 7, 1934.

ALICE MILDRED KNUTSON

Alice Mildred married Erle Lamont Campbell June 29, 1940 and they reside in Robbinsdale, Mn. Alice was a nurse at the University Hospital in Minneapolis until her retirement.

WILLIAM HERMAN KNUTSON

William Herman is a bachelor and resides in North Dakota. He served with the Army in the European sector during W.W. 2.



Mr. and Mrs. Carl Knutson married Dec. 1917

NORMAN RAY KNUTSON

Norman Ray and his wife Margaret reside in Rockford, Ill. He retired from Barber Coleman. They have four children, Norma Jean, Ray, Doris and Randy all married and living in Rockford, Ill. They have several grandchildren.



Martin and Annie Knutson 50th anniversary
Rudolph, Albert, William, Carl Knutson



MR. and MRS. DONOVAN KOLNESS and FAMILY

Donovan Kolness, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Kolness married Becky Dyrendahl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Dyrendahl, all of Hendrum.

Donovan is a 1967 graduate of Hendrum High School. After high school he spent two years in the United States army, serving 13 months in Vietnam as an infantry man. Following his military service, he enrolled in a two year commercial art course at the Moorhead Area Vocational School. Upon graduation, he began working in Fargo, North Dakota with the Herbst Department Store in the Advertising Department. In 1972 he went to work for the Harold E. Flint & Assoc. Advertising agency, also in Fargo, as an artist. Presently, he is Production Manager of the agency.

Becky is a 1969 graduate of Hendrum High School. After graduation she attended the Moorhead Area Vocational School completing the medical secretary

course. Upon graduation Becky began working at the Neuropsychiatric Institute in Fargo, North Dakota, as a medical secretary. In 1972 she began working at the Norman County State Bank in Hendrum where she is presently employed.

Donovan and Becky have two sons, Chad is 11 years old and a 5th grader. Ryan is 5 years old.

EINAR KOLNES - ANN MARIE AASEN

Einar Kolnes was born December 26, 1923 in Halstad, Minnesota to Torvald and Gerda Kolnes, and at an early age, he moved with his family to a farm north of Hendrum, Minnesota. He attended the Wide-a-Wake country school until they moved to Hendrum, and then attended the school there. He served in World War II in the African and Italian Theaters.

On September 11, 1946, he married Ann Marie Aasen, daughter of Charles and Marjorie Aasen of Hendrum, Minnesota. They have a son, Perry, who married Candace Skalsky of Ada, Minnesota. Perry and Candy and their son, Jefferey, live in Hendrum, where Perry is Cashier of the Norman County State Bank, and Candace is a pharmacist in Ada, Minnesota.

Einar is a licensed grain buyer. They moved to their lake home at Twin Lakes, Minnesota in Mahnomen County in 1971, where they presently reside.

THE SHERMAN KOLNESS FAMILY

Sherman Tyler Kolness, second son of Torval and Gerda Kolness, was born on a farm near Halstad, Minnesota, April 9, 1922.

On May 23, 1942, he married Mildred Harriet Mjolsness, daughter of Ordin and Helen Mjolsness of Perley, Minnesota, in Hendrum.



Mildred and Sherman Kolness

Sherman entered into the U.S. Military during the height of World War II in November 1942, and saw action in Germany and Austria before being discharged January 25, 1946.

They made their home in Hendrum where Sherman operated a commercial trucking business. They raised five sons. Leydon, born May 20, 1943, who married Beverly Cotton. They have four sons and one daughter and live in Hendrum. Billy, born August 2, 1947, resides in East Meadow, New York. Thomas, born August 8, 1948, who married Deborah Johnson. They have two sons and live in Moorhead, Minnesota. Donovan, born July 17, 1949, who married Rebecca Dyrendahl. They have two sons and reside in Hendrum. John, born November 24, 1960, lives in Moorhead, Minnesota.



Sherman and Mildred Kolness Family

Bill, Leydon, Tom, Donovan, Mildred, Sherman, John, Michael, Jason, Beverly, Debbie, Ryan, Becky, Chad, Darin, Christopher, Kelly.

Sherman served as mayor and councilman for the city of Hendrum, and as a director of the Minnesota Trucking Association for 25 years.

Sherman passed away September 25, 1981, after a 14 month battle with cancer.

TORVAL KOLNES - GERDA JOHNSON

Torval was born at Sola near Stavanger, Norway, on the Kolnes farm. He came to the United States about 1909.

Gerda Johnson was born at Kragaro near Kritiansand, Norway and came to the United States about 1912.

They met while living in Illinois and were married there in 1915. Shortly after their marriage, they moved to the Hendrum area. In the early 30's the family moved into Hendrum.

Torval and Gerda were the parents of four boys: Lawrence, married to Elenore (deceased) Dyrdaahl, has three sons; Dennis, DuWayne and Ronald.

Sherman, married to Mildred Mjolsness, with five sons; Leydon, Bill, Thomas, Donovan and John. Sherman passed away September 25, 1981.

Einar, married to Ann Marie Aasen, has one son; Perry.

Gurdon, who is unmarried.

Torval and Gerda celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in 1966.

Gerda passed away on February 28, 1971. Torval is presently residing in the Wimmer Nursing Home in Ada, Minnesota. He was ninety years old on November 6, 1981.

DON KRSTNAK FAMILY

Don Marle Krsnak, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Krsnak, Gary, Minnesota (now of Hendrum, Minnesota) and Marilyn Aileen Ellingworth, daughter of Mrs. Clara Ellingworth and the late Jesse Ellingworth of Ada, Minnesota, were married November 30, 1958 at the Grace Lutheran Church in Ada, Minnesota. We have been richly blessed with four lovely children. Jody Lynn (21) was born February 17, 1960 at Ada, Minnesota and is now a secretary for Montgomery & Sons at West Fargo, North Dakota; a son, Todd Marlon (20) born November 30, 1961 (our 3rd Anniversary) is now a Freshman at Moorhead State College in Moorhead, Minnesota; our second daughter Jana Mae (18) was born on October 5, 1963 and is a Senior in the Hendrum-Perley High School; our second son Rodd Allen (17) was born on December 5, 1964 and is now a Junior at the Hendrum-Perley High School.



Don Krsnak Family — 1980
Jody, Todd, Jana, Rodd, Marily, Don

We all moved to Hendrum in March of 1969 from Halstad, Minnesota. We previously had lived in Ada, Minnesota and Rochester, Minnesota. Don has been a Professional Truck Driver for the major part of his life. He is currently employed by the Hendrum Fertilizer Company of Hendrum, Minnesota as a truck driver. Marilyn is the Parish Secretary of the Immanuel and Concordia Churches of Hendrum, Minnesota.

ALBERT LAABS - LENA SCHMIDT

Mr. Laabs lived on a farm near Crookston, Minnesota. He also worked on farms in North Dakota, 1920. He attended barber college in 1921 at Minneapolis, Minnesota. He married Lena Schmidt. They had two children, Marion and Norman. He had a barber shop in Crookston for several years, he had two men working for him then. At that time there were twenty-three barbers in Crookston. In 1928 Lena and Albert came to Hendrum. Albert had his barber shop in the Art Hansen's building. Later he built his own shop across the street from the Hansen building. He also managed a pool hall in the Frank Nelson building. During the war he closed his shop and we went to Portland, Oregon, where we both worked in the shipyards for three years. We returned to Hendrum and Albert started barbering again. He had to quit barbering due to his ill health. He passed away at the age 72. He was a barber for 37 years and hair cuts were only 35¢ then.



Al Laabs Barber Shop in Art Hansen building. Ross Peterson in chair.

Marion married Mat Corcoran and they had their home in San Jose, California. They had a son Timothy, and two daughters Lenae and Mary Ruth. Marion passed away at the age 45. Her son Timothy, is a dentist, he and his wife have two daughters, Christie and Coleen live in San Jose, California. Lenae, lives in San Francisco, California and does office work. Mary Ruth is at home and in her second year of college. She also works part time for her brother Timothy in San Jose.



Laabs Barber Shop — Mr. Nesdaal in chair.

Norman married Annabell Schroeder and they have their home in San Carlos, California. He has worked for the Simmons Mfg. Co. for 37 years or ever since he returned from the service.

Mrs. Laabs lives in Hendrum.

JENS N. LANDRE - MARY INGBERG

Jens Landre was born on his father's homestead in Hendrum Township, section 22 on February 8, 1880, the son of Nils J. and Anna (Stordahl) Landro who were both natives of Norway coming from the Tronjem area where they grew up and were married. They came to Fillmore County where they remained for three years. Learning of what opportunities awaited them in Norman County they loaded their household goods and farming implements into a wagon and pushed northward behind their slow moving ox team toward Norman County where they took a homestead of 80 acres. Here they lived until R.H. Thompson bought their farm and they retired to the village of Hendrum. To this couple were born John, Ole, Johanna, Nels, Jens, Albert, Julia and Martin.

Jens Landro received his common school education in the home district #40. In November 26, 1903, he married Mary Ingberg, the daughter of P.O. Ingberg. Two sons and two daughters were born to this marriage. Ingvald Martin Landro was born in 1904. He married Ethel Browsersfield, and passed away in 1950, leaving one son, Larry. Ethel is deceased too.



Mary and Jens Landro

Alice Landro was born in 1906. She died in 1950. She married Frank Scherfenberg who passed away in 1974. To this union was born four girls namely: Helen, Margaret, Janet, and Charlotte.

Ida Landro was born in 1909 and married Clay Martin. They moved to Ohio where they are presently living. Their four daughters are: Palma, Camilla, Penelope, and Patricia.

Palmer Landro was born on the Hendrum farm as were the other children. He married Oive Bishop and is living in St. Paul, Minnesota. They have one daughter, Roberta.



Jens Landro — learning to crochet at 101. Afghan was sent to President Reagan.

After Jens sold his farm four miles east of Hendrum in 1931 he and his wife, Mary, moved to St. Paul where he lived for a number of years. Mary passed away there in 1954. Mary Ingberg Landro is buried in the Sunset Memorial Gardens, Minneapolis, Minn.

While on the farm he had a fine farm house erected and also made another valuable improvement by building a large circular barn which was seventy feet in diameter. Besides his general farming, he made a specialty of raising thoroughbred Holstein cattle. He helped organize the creamery and reorganize the Farmers' Elevator Co. of Hendrum. In addition he was interested in the Farmers' State Bank of Hendrum. Jens sold his farm to his son-in-law and daughter, Frank and Alice Scherfenberg.

After his wife died, he moved to Ohio to a retirement village where he lived with his daughter and son-in-law, Ida and Clay Martin.

His favorite pastime is knitting. His immediate family as well as his grandchildren and great-grandchildren (also the great- great- grandchildren) have received afghans and mittens and scarves. Besides afghans he has made mittens, scarves, and knitted articles for charity.

Jens is a resident of the Lutheran Memorial Home in Halstad, Minnesota, coming in December of 1979. He is still very active and healthy, continues to knit as his fingers are nimble but his eye sight is failing some. Since coming to Halstad he has learned to work the rug loom (at 100 years of age) and does a beautiful job. Just this past year he learned to crochet, making an afghan six feet long and three feet wide, that is Red, White and Blue, along with two caps that were red with white and blue tassel, also a rug that he made on the loom at the home, these were shipped to President and Mrs. Reagan, this past summer. Jens is almost 102! He is proud of his family, he has two living children, 10 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and 7 great-great-grandchildren.



Seated: Jens and Mary Landro
Standing: Palmer, Ida, Alice, Ingvald

Truly a most industrious gentleman despite his age! He reports he feels "real good" and comments, "I've improved with age."

NILS LANDRO and ANNE STORDAHL

Opportunities seemed so much better in America, that in the year 1875 — the Nils Landro family emigrated to America, settling about 13 miles south of Rushford, near Choice, in Fillmore County, Minnesota. They chose Fillmore County because it was so much like Norway. Nils and his wife Anne (Stordahl) worked so hard in the harvest fields, they followed the reaper and tied the grain together into bundles and shocked the grain. They together could keep up pretty well and they got paid 75¢ a day for this. When it wasn't harvest time, they worked grubbing trees and clearing land, for this they got 50¢ a day. Nils had been a first class shoe maker in Norway and brought his equipment with him to America but found store bought shoes were selling cheaper than he could make them so he gave up his shoe making trade. They came to America to farm and own their own land anyway.

The word had come that there was still much land available in the Red River Valley — RICH FARM LAND — where one could take homesteads. The government was negotiating in treaties with the Indians and white men were just starting to move North to farm. They had heard that some Norwegians had moved there and were farming on the banks of the Wild Rice River. The government was offering — FREE — 160 acres of land for a homestead. They made the trip by ox cart from Rushford, Minnesota. In our day (1981) a trip from Fillmore County to Norman County would mean only one day's drive, but in 1878, how different! In place of stepping on a self-starter of a modern automobile, they laid the yoke on a pair of oxen and started out, leading one cow. Mr. Landro did more walking than riding as the wagon or cart was heavy loaded. The longest distance they could travel in

any one day was not more than we today can travel in less than 20 minutes. In place of a one day trip, it meant a long, tedious journey lasting more than three weeks. Anne's baby got sick along the way, so Nils put Anne and the children on the train in St. Paul. When Anne arrived in Ada, she didn't know anyone, and there was no way to let anyone know that she was there. She sat in the train depot three days, waiting. Finally a brother-in-law of her sisters' (Christine Stordahl Houske) noticed her and brought her to her parents home in western Norman County (east of Hendrum).



Back row: John, Jens, Ole, Albert, Nels Jr.
Seated: Julia, Nels Landro, Anna, Johanna

Mr. and Mrs. Nils Landro took homestead and settled in what is now Hendrum Township. They started with a sod house and progressed to a log cabin.

Nils and Anne were married in Norway, near Trondheim Fjord. Anne was 28 when she came from Norway, she was one of 8 children, born May 31, 1847 at Stordahl, Stadsbygd Prestigjeld, Norway, her parents were Johan and Jonetta (Beckedahl) Stordahl. Nils was born in 1845, his parents were Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Landro, little is known of his parents as his mother died when he was but a small child. Mr. Isaac Landro lived near Alesund, Norway.

Eight children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Nils Landro. Johan — born in Norway April 23, 1871 — he and his wife had 4 children; he passed away in 1926. Oleo was also born in Norway on February 8, 1873, Oleo and his wife had 8 children. Oleo passed away in 1957. Anne Johanna Landro Holmstead was born in Fillmore County February 11, 1876, they had 5 children, she passed away in 1926. Nels was born on December 21, 1878, he and Mrs. Landro had 5 children, Nels passed away 1959. Jens was born on the farm at Hendrum February 8, 1880, Jens and Mary (Ingberg) Landro had 4 children, Jens is still living and is 101½ at the time of this writing. Albert was born January 1, 1882 and passed away in 1966, he and his wife had 7 children. Julia Landro Johnson was born September 28, 1884 and Julia and Peter had 12 children. Julia passed away in 1947. Martin was born June 11, 1889. He died very suddenly of what was then called "summer sickness". He died in the busy harvest season, but his father found time to haul planks to the newly constructed Pontoppidan Church. The funeral was the first meeting to be held in the church, it was so new that they had no pews or chairs in the church, they

had used the planks in the homes for group meetings and for prayer meetings.

Many of the Landro children moved to new homesteads around Grygla, Minnesota. Nels went to college and was a teacher for a few years. Later he went to business college and worked in banks, settling in Almo, North Dakota. Albert worked around Hendrum, clerking in the William Anderson and Gilbert Ingberg Stores, he later moved to Devils Lake, North Dakota. Julia and her husband also homesteaded near Grygla, Minnesota.

Mr. Landro passed away February 1931 at the age of 86 years. Mrs. Landro passed away March 22, 1937 at the age of 89 years.

Nils, Anne and Martin Landro are buried in the Pontoppidan Cemetery east of Hendrum, Minnesota.

ALBERT LANG - MYRTLE WAGNER

Albert Lang's parents names were John and Louisa Lang, John was born in Germany and moved to Russia where he met and married Louisa. They left Russia and came to the United States. They left New York City and headed west by wagon and spent their first winter in Yankton, South Dakota, then moved up into North Dakota and settled in the area where Zap, North Dakota is now. This is where Albert Lang was born.



Albert and Myrtle Lang — Feb. 1978.

Myrtle Lang's parents names were Carl and Minnie Wagner, they farmed in the Stephen, Minnesota area until Carl's death, after his death Minnie moved to Drayton, North Dakota where she bought a hotel. Myrtle Wagner was born while they lived at Stephen, Minnesota.

Albert started working for a telephone company when he was about seventeen years of age. He worked for several different telephone companies until he retired in 1970.

Albert and Myrtle were married in Drayton, North Dakota and this is where their first three children were born, Jackie, John and Albert.

They moved to Toronto, South Dakota, where Larry was born. In the early 1940's they moved to Seneca, South Dakota, where Louise, Colleen, Arlan,

Myrtle and Lee were born here. We moved to Estelline, South Dakota in 1950, here Alberta was born. Then in 1956 the family moved to Hendrum, Minnesota. The children from Larry on down graduated from the Hendrum High School.



The Albert Lang Family — 1978
Lee, Larry, Dad - Albert, John, Arlen, Albert
Myrtle, Coleen, Louise, Jackie, Alberta

Myrtle Lang died on June 8, 1978; Albert and two of his sons, Arlen and Lee Lang still live in Hendrum, the rest of the family are scattered here and there from east to west coast.

MADS LARSON

Mads Larson, an early settler of Hendrum Township, was born in Norway, June 4, 1854, of parents Lars and Anna Nilson. He was the youngest child in a family of seven children. The early part of his life was spent in Norway, but being aware of the greater opportunities available in America, he left his homeland in 1876 at the age of twenty-two. Arriving in America, he settled for a time in Winneshiek, Iowa, and about that time, (being the son of Lars), he followed the quite prevalent Norwegian custom of changing his name to Larson.

Knowing that homestead land was available in Minnesota, he acquired a team of horses and a covered wagon, and joined a group of two hundred other people who were headed north. Another one in the group also had a team of horses, so the two soon left behind the slower moving ox teams and made the trip in two weeks. Ox teams were at that time, the most practical animal, both for transportation and farm work. They were readily available, cheaper to purchase, could live off of the prairie without the additional grain required by horses, and when they were too old for work, they could be slaughtered and used for food for the family.

Mr. Larson came directly to Hendrum Township and homesteaded 160 acres in Section 34, and resided there until the year 1907. During that time, he improved the homestead with a grove of trees and a set of farm buildings, also purchasing additional land and owned a total of 640 acres, practically all in one piece,

half of which was in Lee Township. In 1907, he sold this farm and purchased a 200 acre farm on the Wild Rice River, one half mile north of the Hendrum Park, later adding to it additional acreage, totalling 360 acres.

In 1880, Mr. Larson married Julia Johanson, who was born in Norway, the daughter of Johan Tangnes, and to this union were born five children, one son died in infancy. Mrs. Larson passed away at an early age, in 1897. Mads married again a Julia who also died a few years later.

March 1, 1914, Mads married Mrs. Hilda Redal Underlee, a widow with four children, Carl, Lawrence, Laura and Christine. Mr. and Mrs. Larson, together with the help of the boys, farmed the land until the parents retired and moved to Hendrum in 1917, having already purchased a home there. Carl and Lawrence make their home in Hendrum, and Laura and Christine have passed away.

Mr. Larson was an organizer of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum, Minnesota, to which he had always belonged, and both he and his wife were active supporters until they passed away, Mr. Larson on October 25, 1930 and Mrs. Larson, April 17, 1934.

OLE D. LARSON - EMMA BYE

Ole D. Larson was born in Manitowoc County, Wisconsin of Norwegian immigrants Lars and Martha (Johanneson) Knutson, on February 11, 1860.

Reared on a pioneer farm, Ole D. Larson had little opportunity for acquiring extensive schooling in his youth. He came to Hendrum in 1882 and became engaged as a carpenter. In 1892 he started in business here in Hendrum as a hardware and agricultural implements dealer. He also had a complete line of furniture, and was the agent for the Overland automobile.

Mr. Larson for years has given his earnest attention to local affairs, has served as a member of the village council and as treasurer and president of the village, in all his public service having ever had at heart the best interests of the community which he has helped to build up. At five or six terms served on the jury in Norman County.

Ole Larson was married to Emma Bye of Spring Grove, Minnesota on December 23, 1891. They had five children, all deceased, namely: Alva, Edmond (who died in infancy), Edmond, Arnold and Viola. They were members of the Lutheran church where they were very active. Both Ole D. and Emma Larson are buried in the Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery. Mr. Larson died on October 12, 1931 and Mrs. Larson on April 14, 1947.

JOHN LAUGHLIN - ARDELLE PETERSON

Ardelle Peterson, daughter of Ross and Edith Peterson, married John Laughlin and lived on the

home farm for the first five years. They lived in several communities before moving to Wisconsin in 1955. There again they lived on several different farms before they settled in Luck in 1966. It was while they lived here that John passed away in January of 1967.

Ardelle now lives in St. Croix Falls and is working part time at St. Croix Falls Hospital as a nurses aide. She also enjoys Senior Citizens, bowling, playing cards and traveling. They had five children.

Myron lives in St. Paul and works at the Standard Block Company. Myron married Sherry Sanchez with two children, Jennifer six years and Joseph who is 3½ years old. Sherry works part time at United Hospital in St. Paul.

Hazel lives near Amery. She married Lorenz (Larry) Nelson II. They have two children, Kari who is six years old and Lorenz III, who is three years old. Hazel works in Amery at the Electro Craft Company and Larry works at the Hartzell Plastic Plant at Turtle Lake, Wisconsin.



John and Ardelle Laughlin Family

Irving married Lisa Buhr and they have one little girl, Jessica, who is three and a half years old. They are living in St. Croix Falls, but are presently building a home near Luck, Wisc. Irving is foreman for McLeans Construction. Lisa is a homemaker.

John married Marie Wagner. They have two girls, Amanda who is three and a half years and Bridgett who is two years old. They have a home in Cushing. John is a trucker and Marie trucks part time with her husband.

William (Bill) spent four years in the Army, two years of which was in Germany. He lives at home when he is not trucking.

FRANK R. LAWRENCE - JOHANNA HAGEN

Frank R. Lawrence was born in Scotland in 1864, and came to Grandin Community in 1883.

He married Johanna Hagen, who came from Norway. They married in 1889 and farmed southeast of Grandin until 1936. They spent two years in California, then lived in Alexandria, Minnesota until retiring to Hendrum, Minnesota.

Mrs. Lawrence died in 1950, and Mr. Lawrence died in 1954. There were no children.

ADOLPH M. LEE and FAMILY

Adolph M. Lee was born on a farm about four miles northeast of Hendrum on January 9, 1899. He is a son of Martin and Gunhild Brown Lee, long time pioneers of the Hendrum community. There were nine brothers and sisters in the family who survived infancy, all of whom are still living.

He is a 1918 graduate of Hendrum High School and also attended Moorhead State and Dakota Business Colleges, after which he taught a term of school in Lee Township and later edited the Norman County Post at Ada, Minn. a weekly newspaper.

He accepted a position with the Farmers State Bank at Hendrum in the early twenties and has been associated with the banks in Hendrum in various administrative capacities for some 57 years. He was also Vice President of the First National Bank at Halstad, and the First National Bank at Roseau, Minnesota for several years. In the early thirties he spent three days with the bank at Hendrum and three days at Roseau of every week during a change of administration in the Bank of Roseau. In 1930, the Farmers State Bank of Hendrum was consolidated with the Norman County State Bank, and he became the Executive Vice President of the Bank at Hendrum, a position which he held for many years prior to active retirement. In 1979, he formally retired from the Board of Directors and as Vice President, and since that time, he and his wife have spent their winters in Arizona, but each spring they come back to their home here in good old Hendrum.



Adolph M. and Dora G. Lee

In 1934, he married Dora G. Bueling of Sheldon, North Dakota, and they have two daughters and five grandchildren. Patricia is married to Major Dennis A. Sundseth. They live at Denver, Colorado and have two children, Douglas and Erin. Sandra is married to Douglas L. Drees, and they live at Tumwater, near Olympia, Washington and have three children, Kristene, Mark and Jennifer.

Adolph is a veteran of World War I, and has been a member of the Hendrum American Legion Post since it was organized in 1939. He and all the boys in the

1918 High School Class enlisted shortly after graduation, and he is the only living member of this group.

He was Clerk of the Hendrum School Board for many years, and at one time or another has held most of the Offices in the City Council at Hendrum, from Councilman to Mayor. Both he and Mrs. Lee are members of the Immanuel Church at Hendrum and both have been very active in church, business, civic and community affairs all their lives.

During the Depression of the 1930s, he worked hard for the original installation of the City Water and Sewer systems in Hendrum. This was a Federal P.W.A. project, and he relates that both systems were dug almost entirely by hand.

He took a very active part in convincing the Minnesota Highway Department to run Highway #75 straight through the center of Hendrum, rather than circle the town, as originally planned and blueprinted by the State Department. This resulted in a paved, four-lane street, with curb and gutter, through the City. Many trips were made to Minneapolis and St. Paul to bring this about, since additional space had to be acquired from the Railroad Company Right-of-Way to provide sufficient room for the 50 foot wide street. This was the first paved street in Hendrum.

The windbreak north of town was practically a one man project. The City Council encouraged it and paid for the trees obtained from the State Conservation Department, but the work of planting and caring for the young trees was a different matter, not to mention the annual sacrifice of all income from crops on the acreage involved over the past years.

He argued with the Contractor on State Highway #75 through Hendrum, and the City Council for the original pavement of the Main business block, and he was first to suggest construction of the curb and gutter on the County Road on the north street in town.

He and Allen Christopherson were chiefly responsible for the relocation of the Hendrum Manufacturing Company within the City limits. At the time this matter came up there were several other municipalities vying for this business, even to the extent of offering free lots for the plant. Hendrum won out in the negotiations with Lindsay Bros. Co., of which Hendrum Manufacturing Company is a subsidiary.

He was chiefly responsible for the location of the City Lagoon one-half mile north of Hendrum. The State Inspector suggested a location for the Lagoon either near the St. Pauli Cemetery on the Albert Roe farm east of the Wild Rice River, or southwest of town, near Love Lake. Both locations would have been very expensive for the City. He suggested to the City Council that the lagoon be located north of Hendrum and made the first arrangement for purchase of land for this purpose. The lagoon could not have been constructed at this site without his permission, since it did not comply with State Regulations as to distance from farm buildings. He also provided easements for access to the lagoon and the construction of the sewer system across his land.

He was the Financial Secretary for both the Immanuel Church Building Committee and the Hendrum Parsonage Committee, and served on the Church Council and the Board of Directors until both of these projects were paid in full.

As an editor of this Centennial book, I write this as a tribute to my husband for his selfless devotion to these projects, and many others not referred to, but which are a part of the history of the Hendrum Community over this period of years.

C. K. LEE - ANNE BERG

C.K. Lee was born in Norway and came to America with his parents when he was a young boy. He came to Quincy, Dakota Territory in 1880 from Houston County, Minnesota. He was engaged in the mercantile business in Quincy.

When the railroad was built from Moorhead to Halstad, being completed in 1883, he moved to Hendrum, where he had a general store.

In 1904 he was elected Register of Deeds and moved to Ada in 1905. This was his home until his death in 1933. He was Register of Deeds four terms, and was Clerk of Court, serving his fourth term at the time of his death.

He was joined in marriage to Anne Berg. She was the daughter of Ole and Martha (Ostby) Berg. Anne was born in Norway also. She came with her parents to Alexandria, Minnesota first; then came to the Hendrum area where the Bergs farmed. To the Lees were born twelve children, six boys and six girls. Eight were born in Hendrum and four in Ada. They were: Warren, Oscar, John, Clarence, Ruth, Harry, Clara, Florence, Merrill, Helen, Eleanor and Jane. All six sons participated in World War I or World War II. Mrs. Lee passed away in 1947. The surviving Lee children are: John in California, Ruth in Montana, Clara in Michigan, Florence in the Memorial Home in Halstad, Merrill in Ohio, Eleanor in Michigan and Jane in California.

Mr. Lee was interested in the welfare of Hendrum. He was helpful in establishing the creamery there. He served on the school board and was given the privilege of choosing the site for the present school. Mr. Lee built the old Immanuel Parsonage, selling it to the congregation when he moved to Ada. Florence was born at the parsonage and was named for Dr. Hanson's wife. Mrs. Hanson thought she should be named Florence. Florence was a year old when they left Hendrum. Mr. Lee also built the store that he operated in Hendrum, selling it to G.T. Ingberg.

Interview with Florence Schornick

CLIFFORD LEE - LILLY JOHNSON

Clifford is the son of the late Martin and Gunhild Lee. He was born on the Lee farm located northeast of Hendrum on September 7, 1902. Lilly is the daughter of the late John P. and Hilda Johnson of Hendrum. Mr. Johnson operated a Harness Shop in Hendrum.

Clifford attended grade school at Wide Awake District 7 and started high school in Hendrum, however, he had to leave school in 1918 to help with the farm work at home as his brothers Adolph and Lawrence were going into military service. He attended the Northwest School of Agriculture from 1919 to 1921 and graduated from the Fargo School of Business in 1922. Lilly attended grade and high school in Hendrum. Clifford was manager of Sundal Mercantile Co. a co-op store northeast of Gary for two years. Lilly worked with her sister Mandy as a telephone operator for the Hendrum Telephone Company.



Clifford and Lilly Lee — 1980
Fifty-fifth wedding anniversary

On January 26, 1925, Cliff and Lilly were married and they moved to Minot, North Dakota, where he was a salesman for Northern Packing Company of Grand Forks, North Dakota.

From 1927 to 1929 they operated a restaurant in the building owned by Mrs. John P. Johnson. It was later operated by Lilly's brother Johnnie and after he left Lilly's sister Nora Hanson boarded the local teachers for a number of years.

In 1929 Cliff went to work for Halstad Motor Company, which was the beginning of a life time career in automobile sales. In 1930 they moved to Ada and Cliff was employed by Larson Motor Company until 1936 when he became owner of the Dodge Plymouth Dealership. However in 1942 he was forced out of business because of World War II and the family moved to Seattle, Washington, where he was employed as a Security Guard for Boeing Aircraft Company and Lilly worked for the Alaskan Communications System.



Clifford and Lilly Lee's Granddaughters
Debbie, Kirsten, Katy Lee

After the war was over the family moved back to Granite Falls, Minnesota, where Cliff was sales manager of the Dodge Plymouth Agency. The family missed the West and in 1951, moved back to Washington and settled in Kent where Cliff and Lilly still reside. Cliff continued in auto sales and is a charter member of the Dodge 400 Club, Ford Motor Company 500 Club and a member of Buick Motor Division Professional Salesmaster Club. After fifty years of selling automobiles he retired in July 1980, however, retirement didn't last long and he went back to selling Factory homes and travel trailers in April 1981.

Cliff and Lilly have three children. Ron who is married to Cynthia Duarte. They live in Renton, Washington, and have two daughters. A son passed away in May 1980. Bob who lives in Saratoga, California, has four children. Sherry is married to Walter Fleury and they reside in Auburn, Washington.

GEORGE M. LEE - EUNICE H. HOLTE

George M. Lee is the youngest son of Martin and Gunhild (Brown) Lee, he was born at Hendrum, Minnesota, on August the twenty third, nineteen hundred eight. He received his elementary education in the two room rural school named, 'Wide Awake', district seven; afterwards he attended the Northwest School of Agriculture at Crookston, Minnesota.

After completing his schooling, George helped his brother Oscar with his farming on the three hundred twenty acre farm, and to gain further farming experience George did some seasonal work on farms in the area, also on the John Perry Farm at Crookston, Minnesota. When his brother Oscar, secured employment as Farm Manager at the State Farm at Cambridge, Minnesota, George took over the farming of the Lee Farm on his own in 1935. He raised wheat, barley, oats, corn and potatoes; kept a dairy herd and some pigs. He delivered cream to the Hendrum Co-op Creamery. When the Rural Electric Association (REA) built their power lines through this area in 1940, electric power was used to operate the milking machine and the milk separator. In 1944 he began to sell whole milk when dairy pick-up service was supplied, this was continued until 1964 when the dairy herd was sold. He then added more acres of cultivated row crops to his farming operation, like sunflowers and soybeans. In the late thirties and early forties grain combines were replacing the threshing machines and George bought his first combine, and a new tractor replaced the horses for power. In 1950 the house on the farm was modernized with running water and the installation of bathroom facilities and an oil furnace.

On June 15, 1941, George Lee married Eunice H. Holte of Shelly, Minnesota, who was born on June first, nineteen hundred twelve, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Holte; they have continued to live on the

Lee farm, which they bought in 1960 and since then have added another two hundred acres to their farm. George and Eunice retired from farming in 1975 but continued to live out on the farm until 1980, when they bought a house in Hendrum and moved off the farm in June the same year.

George was a member of the St. Pauli Church until 1937 when the church was destroyed by lightning; then he and his mother joined the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum in 1940. George and Eunice are members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church where he has served on the church council as its president and trustee; and other organizations and offices of the church. Eunice has been member of the Church Choir; president of the Immanuel WMF and ALCW and as its historian, treasurer and other offices. In 1975 George and Eunice served as Chairpersons for the History Committee in compiling the church history of the Immanuel Lutheran Church for its Centennial celebration held on the fourteenth and fifteenth of June. Eunice has served as treasurer of the Moorhead Circuit WMF two terms; secretary for the Crookston Conference ALCW; and the County Welfare Advisory Board for a term.

George has been active on several of co-operative boards. He served on the Hendrum Co-op Creamery Board for several years until it liquidated in 1962; served as director and then chairman on the Farmer's Co-op Elevator board from 1947-1971; served as director on Land O' Lakes District Board several years and its president for three years; represented the Hendrum Township on Agricultural Stabilization Committee (ASC) for a few years; served three years on the County Farm Home Administration Board (FHA); and on the County Planning Commission. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Sons of Norway.

At present they are directors for the Norman County Historical Society for Hendrum; George is serving as chairman of the Hendrum Centennial Committee and Eunice is co-chair person of the Centennial History Committee, and secretary on the Parish Parsonage Board.

JOHNNIE LAWRENCE LEE FAMILY

Johnnie Lawrence Lee, son of Martin and Gunhild Lee was born in Hendrum Township, October 13, 1896. He attended Wide Awake School and was employed by the Great Northern Railway. He enlisted in the Military Service in World War I and was sent to Camp Forrest, Ga. He was discharged December 26, 1918.

Lawrence married Sara Elizabeth Lee December 1, 1921. They were engaged in farming. Sarah passed away of pneumonia in January of 1927. They had three sons. Leroy Sherman born May 26, 1922, Herman Hilford born October 7, 1925 and Irving Maurin born August 7, 1926.



Lawrence and Alma Lee Family: Ardis, Herman, Irving, Leroy.

Lawrence married Alma Helena Ness and they had one daughter, Ardis Lorraine, born June 9, 1928. They continued farming until they retired and built a house in Hendrum in 1965. All the children attended Wide Awake School and graduated from Hendrum High School.

Leroy was in World War II after which he worked in the Norman County State Bank at Hendrum for nine years. He then bought the Standard Oil Service Station which he operated for two years. He is presently a Federal Examiner for Savings and Loan living in Brainard, Minn. He has two sons, Duane and Gregory; and three grandchildren, Brett, Ryan and Eric.

Herman farmed with his Dad for four years after high school. On June 4, 1949, he married Lenora Mae Maurstad of Borup. They have two children, Harlan and Lenae; and three grandchildren, Anthony, Jeffrey and Brandon.

Irving joined the Navy after high school. He was in the retail lumber business for several years and has been employed by the Postal Service for the last twenty years. Irving married Alvina Hanson in 1947 and they have three children, Bruce, Barbara and David; and one grandchild, Andrew.

Ardis attended St. Lukes Hospital School of Nursing in Fargo, North Dakota and graduated in 1949. She was employed in the Pediatric Department there until her marriage to Eugene Engel in September 1951. They moved to Augusta, Ga. where Gene was stationed in the service. While he was overseas in Korea, Ardis returned to nursing at St. Lukes Hospital. Upon his return from the service, they settled on a farm north of Hendrum. They had three children, Kathryn, Kari Lynn and Douglas Eugene. Douglas Eugene and his father were killed in a plane crash on September 28, 1975.

MARTIN LEE - GUNHILD BROWN

Martin G. Lee was born in Valdres, Norway on May 30, 1863. In 1883 he emigrated to Stevens County, Minnesota where other relatives had previously located. He came to Norman County, Minnesota in 1884 and worked for a time on a steamboat plying the Red River from Fargo-Moorhead to Winnipeg, Canada,

and later as a farm hand in the communities of Hendrum and Halstad. In 1889 he bought the Homestead Rights on a quarter section of land in Section Nine, Hendrum Township, where he established a tree claim and started a home.



Martin and Gunhild (Brown) Lee

On November 30, 1889, he married Gunhild Brown of Halstad, Minnesota. Her parents had settled a few years earlier on a farm one mile south of Halstad, having also emigrated from Norway to Wisconsin, where Mrs. Lee was born. To this union nine children were born who survived infancy. They are: Mrs. T.E. Nelson (Gena); Adolph and George all of Hendrum, Minnesota; Oscar of Cambridge, Minnesota; Lawrence of Halstad, Minnesota; Mrs. John (Minnie) Wallace of Livingston, Montana; Mrs. Hugh (Ida) Young of Oakland, California; Clifford of Kent, Washington; and Gilmer of Springfield, Oregon. An interesting note in this family of nine children is that, at the date of this edition, the youngest is seventy-three years of age.



July 1979 — Adolph, George, Clifford, Gilmer, Oscar Gena, Ida, Minnie, Lawrence

Mr. Lee was always a liberal minded man. He was active in all civic and community affairs, being one of the original organizers of co-operative elevators, creamery, banks, and other co-ops in the community. He was always ready to lend a helping hand to a friend or to a stranger in need. He was a member of the St. Pauli Church near Hendrum ever since he came to this country. He passed away on August 7, 1933, and Mrs. Lee died on March 14, 1958.



July 1979 — George, Clifford, Oscar, Adolph, Lawrence Lee, Ida Young, Minnie Wallace, Gena Nelson and Gilmer Lee.

OSCAR LEE - SIGNE LETNESS - LAVERNE ERICKSON

I was born in June, 1893. My parents were Martin G. and Gunhild (Brown) Lee. I was born on the farm that is now the George Lee farm. My mother told me that I was born in the little building that has been used as a well house since 1908 or 9. It had been the bedroom of their house. The present house was built in 1896, Erling and Jeanette Opheim's grandfather was the carpenter. The barn was built in 1905.

I was the oldest of six boys in the family, and like most other boys my age, I had to stay home and help with the farm work, so I missed many school days in the grades. When I was 17 yrs. old I enrolled at the Agricultural School at Crookston. I was interested in farming then and have always been. I graduated in 1913.

Dad had homesteaded his first 160 acres. In the spring of 1913 he bought 120 acres at \$42.50 an acre, and in 1918 he bought 40 acres more at \$50 an acre. So he then had 320 acre farm.

After I graduated Dad wanted me to come and work at home so the other boys could go to school, so for the next 3 years I stayed home. In the spring of 1912 I had fallen in love with Signe Letness (she didn't know it until 2½ years later). In the spring of 1915 she agreed to marry me. However, I was not in a financial position to marry yet, so in the spring of 1916 I obtained a position as Farm Manager for a fellow in Crookston. He was employed at the Experiment Station at the School of Agriculture. I started work on March 1, but it snowed most of March, and field work did not start until May 1 or later. Grain was late in ripening and the wheat rusted so most of it was graded no. 5. I had hired out for a year but in Oct. my boss lost his job, so I was out of a job too.

Dad wanted me to stay home so he offered me a share in the farm income for 1917. The crops were good that year and the price of grain high because of the war in Europe. Signe and I wanted to get married in 1918 so Dad suggested that I build a small house next to the other farm buildings. So that is how the little house came to be built.

I was elected to the board of the Hendrum Co-op Creamery in 1918 and served until 1935. In 1919 the farmers organized the Hendrum Potato Growers Ass'n. and built a warehouse. I was elected to the board of directors and served until 1935. I was also the manager for several years. It was open for business only from the middle of Sept. until into Nov. each year.

In 1920 I bought 160 acres of land just south of the home farm, so I farmed that and Dad and the other boys farmed the home farm. By 1925 the other boys had found work and left home. George, the youngest was attending the Agricultural School at Crookston. Dad asked me to rent the home farm and to continue to improve and enlarge the Holstein herd. He was at the age where he didn't want complete responsibility for the farm management any more. He enjoyed very much to read and keep up with world affairs.



Oscar Lee Family
Back row: Gladys, Myron, Owen, Verona
Front row: Ethel, Oscar, Gerald, Karen, LaVerne

I farmed 520 acres for a while, but there were some dry years in the 20's and 30's and farm prices were going down. With butterfat at 15¢ a lb. it just didn't pay to hire labor and get just half the cream check. By 1931 the value of farm land had gone down to less than half of what I was paying for it, so I let my 160 acres go. By 1935 wheat was down to 28¢ a bu., rye 14¢, barley 9¢, oats 7¢. If you had good hogs to send to St. Paul you would net 2¢ a lb. It took a 1300 to 1400 lb. cow in fair condition to bring \$20 when shipped. I had hired a man with 4 or 5 children for \$20 a month for 7 months. I sold him 2 heifers that summer, one for \$18 and the other for \$20 with her calf. In the fall I sold him a 2 year old 525 lb. sow for 2¢ a lb. (\$10.50). That took \$50 of the \$150 wages he made that summer.

In Dec., 1933 I was offered the job of foreman of the State Highway Crew in Norman County, so I left the farm to George and went to work for the state. There was an epidemic of pneumonia in Jan., 1935 and Signe was one of those who died. We had six children, the oldest 16 years and the youngest 6 months.

In Feb., 1935 Senator Herman Sprung told me of an opening for the position of Farm Manager at the Epileptic Colony (now called the Cambridge State

Hospital) at Cambridge. I applied for the position and was hired, so I moved to Cambridge in March. The wages were not very high, \$105 a month with \$31 deducted for the house we lived in. As Farm Manager, I was required to live on the grounds. The house was furnished with heat, water, and electricity, and I could use milk and vegetables produced on the farm. Other employees could room and board at the institution for \$10 a month.

Men working in the dormitories at that time got \$75 a month if they lived at home and \$65 if they lived at the institution. Wages for women were \$65 and \$55. When Harold Stassen became Governor he raised board and room to \$30 a month so men got \$45 and women \$35 a month if they lived at the institution. My salary was not affected.

I usually had about 20 boys working on the farm, and at weeding and strawberry picking time up to 40. I enjoyed working with these physically and mentally handicapped people. If you showed them love, kindness and respect they responded by liking you and trying to do the right thing.

In April, 1938 I married LaVerne Erickson of Cambridge. We had one daughter so we now had seven children. The two oldest girls were on their own by then. We lived about 1½ miles from school and I was working for a salary, so the children never had to miss school to work. They all graduated from High School, three graduated from the University and one from Gustavus Adolphus. All three boys served in the armed forces.

I worked at the State Hospital for 26 years and retired in June, 1968 when I was 68 years old. LaVerne worked there for 25 years. Because of the low wages in the 30's and early 40's the State Employees joined the union. When I retired I was getting \$440 a month, and free housing with heat, electricity and water.

In 1937 I was elected to the board of the Cambridge Co-op Credit Union and served until 1974. I was the board secretary for 34 years and was their Real Estate Appraiser for 42 years. After retiring from the institution I worked for the Federal Census Bureau on a Civil Defense Survey in 1966, and was Township Assessor in 1967. I was superintendent of Horticulture at the Isanti Co. Fair for 3 years. My most interesting hobby has been gardening.

Six of the children are married and we have 11 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. Gladys, the oldest, lives in Montello, Wis., Ethel in Minneapolis, Verona in Madison, Minn., Owen in St. Paul, Myron in Palo Alto, Calif., Gerald in New Hope, Minn. and Karen, the youngest, in Washington, D.C.

Oscar M. and LaVerne R. Lee

SHERMAN LEE - DONNA BENSON

Sherman Milton Lee was born on March 1, 1937 near Hendrum, at the home of his parents, Theodore

M. Lee and Olga Kuvaas Lee. He grew up on the farm and attended school at Hendrum, graduating in 1956. Sherman was an active member of the Hendrum Hustlers 4-H Club for 13 years, showing many black angus cattle at the Norman County fair and achievement days.

Sherman served in the U.S. Army from May 1959 to April 1961. He had basics at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. and attended radio school. He then went overseas to spend 18 months near Hiedelburg, Germany as a parts man. He returned to the states to farm.

On November 18, 1961, Sherman and Donna Barbara Benson were married at St. Olaf Lutheran Church at Faith, Mn.

Donna, the daughter of the late Arthur O. Benson and Odell Svenson Benson, was born April 17, 1943, near Twin Valley. She graduated from Twin Valley High School in 1961.

The Lees have three children: Kimberley Dawn, born July 12, 1967; Kristofer Aaron, born April 23, 1972; and Matthew Sherman, born December 4, 1974.

The children attend Hendrum-Perley School. Kim and Kris are members of the Hendrum Hustlers 4-H Club. Kris plays baseball with the summer program and Kim plays volleyball on a team at school.

The Lee family attends Concordia Lutheran Church, rural Hendrum, This being Sherman's home church. He has been a trustee and Luther League treasurer. Donna is active in the ALCW, circles, Sunday School superintendent. The children attend Sunday School, Luther League, and youth fellowship.

At present Sherman is employed with American Crystal Sugar Company in Moorhead, working with the company 20 years. He has been a year round employee for the last 14 years. He works as a utility man.

Donna is working part time as a nurses aid at the Lutheran Memorial Home in Halstad.

The Lees have lived at their present home in Hendrum for the past 8 years.

THEODORE M. LEE - OLGA KUYAAS

Theodore M. Lee was born on April 22, 1905, son of Anna and Mikkil O. Lee. He married Olga Kuvaas on September 13, 1929 in Perley, Minnesota. Olga was born July 10, 1911 on a farm one mile southwest of the Lee farm. Her parents were John Kuvaas and Julia Soby.

Theodore and Olga purchased the Lee home farm in about 1940. He ran a diversified farm which included small grain crops, beans, flax and Black Angus cattle. Theodore retired from farming in 1970 and he now has rented his land to his children.

They have six children: Marvin Leroy, was born January 20, 1931 at home on the Lee farm; Betty Lou was born May 31, 1932 in Ada, Minnesota; Beverley

Jane was born December 20, 1934 at home on the Lee farm; Shirley Mae was born June 28, 1939 at home on the Lee farm; and Roger Dean was born April 1, 1957 at Ada, Minnesota.

Marvin Leroy Lee married Marlys Mae Echternach in Wheaton, Minnesota on September 5, 1954. She was born in Wheaton on January 6, 1932. Her parents are Carl Echternach and Lillian Templin. Marvin is the yard foreman for the Great Plains Lumber Company in Ada, Minnesota, and Marlys is a part time nurse in Ada, Minnesota. They have five children: Richard Leroy, born August 10, 1955 in Ada, Minn.; Cynthia Rae born November 22, 1958, Wheaton, Minnesota; David Michael, born June 15, 1961, Wheaton, Minn.; Kari Diane born June 7, 1968, Ada, Minnesota and Kristie Kay born August 12, 1970.

Betty Lou Lee was married to Kenneth Palmer Peterson on October 21, 1952 in Hendrum, Minnesota. Kenneth was born in Ada, Minnesota on July 17, 1925. He is the son of Eli Peterson and Helen Nepstad Peterson. They have three children: Douglas Mickkle, born August 1, 1953 in Van Nuys, California; Sandra Kay, born February 14, 1955 at Pasadena, California; Lori Renee, born August 27, 1956 in Pasadena, California.

Beverley Jane Lee was married to Jack Alexander Deitz on June 13, 1953 in the Concordia Lutheran Church east of Hendrum, Minnesota. Jack, son of John Deitz and Bessie Smart, was born September 30, 1932 in Fargo, North Dakota. They have three daughters: Debra Jane born April 9, 1954, Fargo, North Dakota; Pamela Ann, born June 10, 1956, Fargo, North Dakota and Kathy Renae born April 14, 1961 in Moorhead, Minnesota.

Sherman Milton Lee was married to Donna Barbara Benson in Twin Valley, Minnesota on November 18, 1961. Donna was born in Twin Valley on April 17, 1943. She is the daughter of Arthur Olaus Benson and Adell Serena Swenson. They have three children: Kimberly Dawn, born July 12, 1967 at St. Paul, Minnesota; Kristofer Aaron, born April 23, 1972 in Minneapolis, Minnesota; Matthew Sherman was born December 4, 1974 at Moorhead, Minnesota.

Shirley Mae was married to Harvey Larson on June 27, 1959 in the Concordia Lutheran Church east of Hendrum, Minnesota. Harvey was born September 3, 1936. He is the son of Adolph Larson and Clara Olson. They have two children: Brian Scott, born October 15, 1966 and Jennifer Lynn, born November 2, 1969.

Roger Dean was born April 1, 1957, and works at the Foss Drug Company in the Center Mall in Moorhead, Minnesota.

Pamela Ann, a granddaughter, married Randy Delno Paulsrud on November 24, 1973 in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum, Minnesota. Randy was born in Ada, Minnesota on January 10, 1951. His parents are James and Viola Paulsrud. They have three children, which are the great-grandchildren: Jeremy Wayne, born April 30, 1974 in Fargo, North Dakota; Nichlas Jon, born May 5, 1978, and Abbeagle

Marie, born February, 1981.

Cynthia Rae, a granddaughter, married Richard Gill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gill of Ada, Minnesota.

Lorie Renee Peterson, a granddaughter, married Kenneth Carpenter, and they have one daughter, Kristy, born June 16, 1975.

WILLIAM LEE - MARGARET SLINGER

William (Bill), son of Hector and Inanda Lee, was born April 15, 1924 on a farm about 9 miles southeast of Hendrum in Mary Township. There he grew to manhood. He attended the Live Wire school and Concordia Church. He served 2 years in the service and for a short time before that worked in the shipyards at Puget Sound, Wa.

On June 2, 1944 he married Margaret Slinger, daughter of Charles and Fanny Slinger of Ada, Mn. Early the next year the call came and Bill went off to training, then to the Philippine Islands. While he was gone Margaret moved to Ada where she worked at the Red Owl Store, also helping her dad on the farm during the summer.

Bill returned in 1946 and saw his 5 month old daughter for the first time. The three lived on his parent's farm to begin with but later moved to their own place (the Nepstad place). Here they raised pigs, chickens, and milked cows besides farming with his dad.

In 1955, after the death of his parents, they moved to the home place, where they live now. By this time 3 more children had been born and the big house was really needed. They went into dairying on a large scale. Besides the help the children gave, hired men were needed for the chores and field work so it became a busy time with lots of hard work. By 1963 two more children were born, making 3 girls and 3 boys.

The children attended school in Borup. The girls finished their last high school years at Oak Grove, Fargo, ND. The children were baptized, confirmed and attended Sunday school at Concordia Lutheran Church. Bill and Margaret are active members in the church, both having held many offices there. In spite of their very active and busy life they have taken time off these past years to travel in their Travelcraft mobile home to many interesting places. Margaret says, "God has created much for the eye to see and we enjoy seeing it."

Jean Marie was born May 7, 1946. She attended Humbolt Air Line School in Minneapolis right out of high school. She was reservationist for Western Airlines out of Los Angeles. She made many interesting trips and also made possible for her parents to get passes. She married Monte (Buzz) Todt and they live in

Apple Valley, Mn. where her husband is in the insurance business. They have 2 boys, Christopher Monty and Erik Lee.

Karen Kaye was born August 23, 1947. She attended California Bible School in Los Angeles for 2 years and business college in Fargo, N.D. She worked in Denver before her marriage to Stan Synsteliien of Ashby, Mn., whom she met on the L.E.M. team. They live on a farm near Dalton, Mn. and have 3 children, Jason Stan, Jennifer Ann, and Cory Dale.

Both Jean and Karen's families are active in Christian work.

Steven Wayne was born October 6, 1951. He attended C.L.B.S. in Los Angeles, and NDSU in Fargo. He married Judy Hazewinkle and now lives in Coon Rapids, Mn. where he works for Wards Auto Center, but plans to go in the insurance field. They have a daughter, 3 year old Amy Noel.

Wayne Roger was born December 22, 1952. He went to Concordia College for a year, then the next year went to C.L.B.S. in Los Angeles. He graduated from Moorhead Tech School in auto mechanics. He married Beth Pfund and they now live on a farm east of Hendrum (Lester Sorenson's) where he farms and works as field supervisor for Federal Crop Insurance out of Ada. Beth graduated from M.S.U. of Moorhead and is a medical social worker at St. Lukes Hospital in Fargo.

Marilyn was born December 1, 1956. She married Jerry Stordahl in the fall of 1975 and they live on a farm northeast of Halstad. They both work at the American Crystal Sugar plant in Hillsboro, ND. Several years ago they went to Alaska and found it very interesting and adventurous and now they are seriously thinking of going back again to make their home there.

Barry Alan was born March 24, 1963. He is now attending Moorhead Tech School taking diesel mechanics.

ARTHUR LENSEGRAV

Arthur A. Lensegrav was born August 21, 1908 at Webster, South Dakota to Carl and Anna Lensegrav. He was the second oldest in the family of four children. The parents homesteaded in western South Dakota and Arthur was only two weeks old when the family moved to that area which was wide, open prairie land where ranching and farming were the means of making a living. Drought, hail, grasshoppers, prairie fires and winter blizzards were common and life on the prairies called for a great deal of courage, hard work and persistence for survival. Sod houses and quickly built shanties dotted the prairies as the homesteaders could get a homestead of 160 acres free by erecting a home, digging a well, breaking sod for a field and living on

the homestead for a specified period of time. Many people from the eastern part of South Dakota (where we were from) Minnesota, Iowa, etc. homesteaded the west. Some intended to live permanently and others lived on the homesteads just long enough to qualify for ownership and then went back to their former homes hoping to profit by selling the land later on. The hardy homesteaders stayed on and many endured the harsh treatment often dealt out by the elements. The 1930's were especially severe. Drought for eight years brought on dust storms and privation. This was the period of the great depression and property was almost worthless. Only the hardiest of the hardy remained to carry on. Dad and Mother struggled on and then things began to improve. Nature smiled on us often enough with rain and favorable weather for crops and hay for the livestock. Prices improved and after years they were quite well to do through careful planning and hard work. They bought neighboring land that had been abandoned and enlarged farming and ranching operations.

As children we led a happy life and were content with life as we knew it. Riding horses was a favorite pastime for us as was skiing and sledding down the many hills on the rolling prairies.

The nearest railroad town, Lemmon, was 35 miles distant and in the early days this distance had to be covered with horses and wagon. It would take three days to make the trip — one day going, one day to rest the horses and do the necessary business, and the third day to come home. I remember making some of those trips as a small boy with Dad.

We attended a one room country school and walked unless the weather was bad. Then our parents would take us by horse and buggy or sled. During my first three years of high school I rode horseback nine miles each day. I finished high school at Bison, our county seat 20 miles from home, and then went on to Augustana College at Sioux Falls. After two years I transferred to North Dakota State College at Fargo and graduated in 1933 with a Bachelor of Science degree.

I met Oline Grothe from Hendrum while at Augustana and we were married in 1932. Arthur Jr. was born Jan. 6, 1933 and Phyllis June 11, 1934.

After graduation I taught for 5 years in South Dakota. The salary was \$50 a month the first year I taught so living entailed the bare necessities for three of us. In 1938 we moved to the Hendrum-Halstad area and later bought the small farm of 110 acres from Christian Grothe, Oline's brother. Here the children grew up in the happy wholesome life of the farm and many are the pleasant memories that still linger on. We farmed several years and I resumed teaching at Hendrum and Halstad from 1942-1945. The wide open spaces of North Dakota beckoned me and the rest of my 26 teaching years were spent there. My last 11 years of teaching were at Grandin, North Dakota which was 16 miles from home so I was able to commute. I retired from teaching in 1976.

After 2½ years of illness Oline, my good wife for 42 years passed away in 1974. To get away from the loneliness I sold our home in 1976 and located in Park Rapids, Minnesota.

Arthur Jr., lives in St. Paul and is employed with Minnesota Mining and Mfg. in computer work. His two children are David, 18 years of age and Anne Marie, 14 years of age. Phyllis, Mrs. Martin Schaffhauser, lives in Norwick, Conn. where she is head dietician in a hospital there. Daughter Mary Ann is 17 years of age.

In 1977 Wanda Schmidt, a home missionary in the Park Rapids area and I were married and are living in Park Rapids. This is a resort area and is in the beautiful heart-land of woods, lakes, and streams. Tourists come here from near and far as there are sports for all seasons of the year. There are many ski facilities but we enjoy cross country skiing at a ski trail close to town. We have 80 acres of timber land for lumber, firewood and hunting. This is 10 miles from town.

For the past four years I have been employed by Walsh Christmas Trees. The industry is seasonal and lasts from spring till December.

I have built a shop for wood-working and this is a good hobby. The tourist trade offers a good sale for all kinds of crafts.

We belong to a good, live church and are involved with various church activities. Wanda has two Bible Study groups. We are enjoying good health and are thankful for all the blessings and good friends God has given us through the years.

OLIVER and INEZ LETNESS

Oliver Letness, son of Ove and Anne Letnes, has lived his entire life in the Hendrum Community. He married Inez Snustad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Snustad on July 14, 1940. They have a family of two children, one daughter, Carolyn, who married Allen D. McInis of Hillsboro, North Dakota. Carolyn and Allen live in Glendale, Arizona, where she teaches music in the Glendale School System and he works for Sperry Rand Co. They have two daughters, Erin Kelly and Colleen Patrice McInis.

Their son Duane married Nancy Carroll on February 21st, 1974 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They are living at present in Houston, Texas, where he is working for the Oil Data Processing Company. They have a family of two, a son Randy and a daughter Robyn.

Both Carolyn and Duane are graduates of Hendrum High School and Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota.

Inez and Oliver are living in Hendrum, at present Oliver is custodian of the Immanuel Lutheran Church and Inez is the church organist.



Duane, Inez, Oliver, Carolyn Letness

OVE S. LETNESS FAMILY

Ove S. Letness was born in Norway in 1854, he married Anna Folen in 1885, Anna Folen was born in 1863. Two daughters were born in Norway, Oline was born in 1886 and resides in the Wimmer Home in Ada, Minnesota. Margaret was born in 1888 and married W.G. Hadler of Ada in 1911. Margaret died in 1971 and her husband in 1973.

Mr. Letness came to America in 1888 to find a home for his family; he went to Norway to bring his family to Hendrum in 1891, where they have lived the rest of their lives. Mr. Letness died in 1926 and Mrs. Letness in 1948.



Mrs. Ed. (Mina Ostby) Holland, Mrs. Ove (Anna Folen) Letness

Besides the two daughters born in Norway, seven more sons and daughters were born at Hendrum, Minnesota; Signe born in 1891 and died in 1895. Clara born in 1894, married William Heitman in 1920. She died in 1978. Clara and William lived at Ada, had a family of one daughter, Vernice, and one son, Howard Heitman. Vernice married Ordean Geddes in 1941 and Howard married Debra Benesh also of Ada, where they are farming.

Another Signe was born in 1894, she married Oscar Lee of Hendrum in 1918. They had a family of six children: Gladys, Ethel, Verona, Owen, Myron, and Gerald. Mrs. Signe Lee died in 1935.

Twin sons were born in 1898, namely, Lawrence and Arnt; Lawrence died in 1914. Arnt married Judith Enger in 1929, they had one son, Armond. Arnt died in 1955.

Alva was born in 1901, married John Hest of Perley, Minnesota in 1921. They had two sons, John and Ralph; John is Agriculture Teacher in Hawley, Minnesota and Ralph farms near Perley.

Oliver Letness was born in 1904, he married Inez Snustad in 1940. They have a family of two children, a daughter Carolyn, who is married to Dave McInnes and live in Phoenix, Arizona; their son, Duane married Nancy Carroll and they reside in Houston, Texas. Oliver and Inez Letness live in Hendrum, Minnesota.

By Oliver Letness

CLIFFORD LOGAN - ERMA LUCHAU - MARIE ROGNES

Clifford E. Logan was born near Story City, Iowa, November 5, 1893. He came to Minnesota with his parents when he was eight years old and was raised on their farm Southeast of Ada. This farm now belongs to Clifford. He attended school at Ada, at Concordia College in Moorhead, and business college at Grand Forks, North Dakota. Clifford worked at various places, including St. Paul, Duluth, Grand Forks and as assistant cashier at the bank at Lockhart, Minnesota until he entered the service in World War I. Shortly after the war, he began farming and farmed until he retired.



Clifford and Marie Logan

Clifford married Erma Luchau Bauer in 1933. In 1934 a son was born and was named Erling W. Logan. Erma passed away after a long illness in 1948.

Marie Rogness was born in Hendrum January 24th, 1907. She graduated from Hendrum High School. In 1930 she graduated from St. Lukes Hospital Nurses Training School. She worked at Grafton Deaconess Hospital, Ada Municipal Hospital and Mahnomen County and Village Hospital as Administrator and surgical nurse. She also did some private nursing at Hendrum and Ada.

Clifford and Marie were married at the Rogness home in Hendrum July 15, 1949. They lived in Ada until they retired when they moved to Hendrum in 1973 to the Rogness home which was built by Marie's parents in 1909.

Their son, Erling, graduated from Ada High School and Mayville State Teacher's College. After college, he was in the armed forces for two years. He taught and coached at Kindred and Lisbon, North Dakota, and Tintah and Campbell, Minnesota.

He married Sharon Torgerson of Kindred at Kindred, North Dakota, February 13, 1960. Sharon is a graduate of Kindred High School. She attended beauty school at Fergus Falls, Minnesota, for two years. She now operates a beauty shop at their home.

Erling and Sharon have three children, Tammy, Scott and Cathy. They now live at Campbell, Minnesota.



Erling and Sharon Logan, Tammy, Scott, Cathy.

LOUIS CLIFFORD LUSO - MYRTLE STORBERG

Louis Clifford was born on his parents farm near Grandin, North Dakota. He married Myrtle Storberg (who was born in 1903 at Hawley, Minnesota), in Moorhead in 1925. Their married life has been spent on their farm near Grandin, North Dakota.



Clifford Lusso Family

They have three children; Anita June married to Paul M. Schwalbe, lives in St. Paul Minnesota, Clifford Louis who married Josie Cannarozza is living in Revere, Massachusetts, Ronald Frederick, married to Margaret Larson live in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

There are fifteen grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

WILLIAM (Bill) LUSO - MAGDA SKANSGAARD

William (Bill) Lusso the youngest of Louis and Margaret Lusso was born on the home farm June 30, 1909. He lived and farmed with his father until Louis' death in 1960. Then Bill took over the farming operation. He married Magda Borghild Skansgaard July 17, 1962. Magda passed away December 20, 1970.

Bill has been active as Elm River Township Supervisor for fifteen years; Treasurer of Quincy Cemetery; and served as Trustee and Elder of Grandin Presbyterian Church. Retired from farming, Bill still makes his home on the original farmstead where he was born and raised.



Mr. and Mrs. William Lusso

LOUIS WILLIAM LUSO MARGARET MATESON

Louis William Lusso was born at Three Oaks, Michigan, October 27, 1876. He came to the Grandin area as a young man on July 7, 1896, as a farm laborer. Here he met Margaret Matheson who was employed on a neighboring farm. She was born June 25, 1874, at Inneskip, Ontario, Canada. They were married December 21, 1898, in Canada - returning to the Grandin area in the spring of 1899 to begin farming on their own.



Margaret and Louis Lusso

Louis and Margaret had five children:

Joseph C. Lusso married to Cecilia Boeddeker, farmed in the Hillsboro area until his death March 15, 1980.

Margaret married Rudolph Knutson and resided in Hendrum.

Louis (Clifford) married Myrtle Starberg, farming in the Grandin area.

William A. Lusso married Magda Skansgaard and remained farming the home farm.

Louis passed away January 6, 1960, Margaret following in death 4 years later on April 2, 1964.



Louis and Margaret Lusso's 60th wedding anniversary

MAGNUS MAGNUSON - IONE MICKELSON

Magnus was born in Halstad, Minnesota, in March of 1921, the son of Peder and Serina Magnuson.

The family moved to Elm River Township in 1925, living first on what is known as the Roderick Robertson farm. Later Peder also bought the former Bill McCoy farm and moved there in 1929. Magnus and Ione live on this place. Magnus has three brothers and three sisters: brothers, Elmer, Norman and Sherman, are all deceased. The sisters are: Mrs.

Kenneth (Clara) Jones of Moorhead; Mrs. Clarence (Thelma) Smerud of Cavalier, North Dakota; and Mrs. Paul (Agnes) Hviding, Hendrum, Minnesota.



Magnus Magnuson Family

Back row: Earl, Sig, Gary, Tim; Connie, Ione and Magnus

In 1942 he married Ione Mickelson of Shelly, Minnesota. Magnus and Ione took over the farming operation when Peder and Serina moved to Hendrum in 1951. They have five children: Sig, married to Linda Borgen, who have two children, Lisa and Troy, they farm at Georgetown, Minnesota; Earl, married Linda Anderson, lives in Fargo, where he is employed by the firm of Abbot, Arne and Schwindt; Gary, married Annette Baun and have two children, Bradley and Michelle and lives in Simi Valley, California, and is employed by Continental Can Co; Tim, married Yvonne Kragness, has two children, Jason and Jeremy, lives in Hillsboro, North Dakota and works for Cargill, Inc., in Grandin. Connie married John Nygaard, has one son, Aaron, and resides in Moorhead. John is employed at General Nutrition in Fargo.

All of the children attended the Elm River rural school until it closed, they finished their education in the Hendrum School.

Magnus farmed until retiring because of poor health. He served on the Elm River school board and the family are members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Hendrum, Minnesota.



Magnus Magnuson Family: Back row: Gary, Sig, Annette, Linda, Ione, Magnus, Connie, John, Yvonne, Tim, Linda, Earl. Grandchildren: Jeremy, Michelle, Bradley, Lisa, Troy, Aaron, Jason.

PEDER MAGNUSON - SERINA FOSS OHME

Peder Magnuson was born in Sola, Stavanger, Norway, January 6, 1891. He immigrated to the U.S.A., arriving in Freedom, Illinois in 1910, working a time there and then one year in Glendive, Montana, working on a ranch. He returned to Ottawa, Illinois where he married Serina Foss Ohme in December of 1915.

Serina and her first husband Knut Ohme and son Elmer, came to this country in 1910, from Hardanger, Norway. In October 1911 Knut passed away and a daughter Clara was born in December 1911. Elmer is now deceased, lived in Chisholm, Minnesota, his wife Ann now lives at Hibbing, Minnesota. Clara married Kenneth Jones of rural Moorhead, Minnesota, where they reside.



Serina & Peder Magnuson

Mr. and Mrs. Peder Magnuson and children moved to Minnesota in 1917. Making their home north of Hendrum for a time, then moving north to Halstad before purchasing a half of section of land four miles west of Hendrum in Elm River Township, North Dakota. In 1929 they purchased another parcel of land from Bill McCoy and moved one mile further west. One son Magnus resides on this farm.

Mr. Peder Magnuson was a Supervisor for Southeast Trail Soil Conservation District in 1944. He also served on the Elm River Township Board, and Farmers Elevator Board at Hendrum.



Serina Foss Ohme Magnuson



Peder Magnuson

Five children were born to Peder and Serina Magnuson: Thelma, Mrs. Clarence Smerud of Cavalier, North Dakota; Sherman, passed away in 1962; Magnus of Grandin, North Dakota; Norman, died in early infancy, Agnes, Mrs. Paul Hviding of Hendrum.

Mrs. Peder Magnuson passed away on January 26, 1958 and Peder passed away May 26, 1968.

ARTHUR MARSDEN - ELIZABETH ANDERSON

Arthur Marsden came to this country about 1880 from Ireland, first settling in Indiana, and about two years later coming to the Red River Valley to work at the Charles Canning farm. He married Elizabeth Anderson, who also was born in Ireland, in 1888. They settled on a claim near Cooperstown, North Dakota, but stayed there only two years when they returned to the Red River Valley to manage the deCazenove Farm located south of Hendrum. Here they lived for 25 years.

They raised six children: Mrs. Ann Bond of Fargo; Fred, deceased; Mae of Halstad Memorial Home; Harry, who farmed the home farm in Traill County, North Dakota; Mrs. Grace Hall of Halstad Memorial Nursing Home and Ruth deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Marsden were charter members of the Hendrum Presbyterian Church, which was organized in 1892. They remained active members there all their lives, he serving as an Elder for many years. They both passed away in the fall of 1942.

The farm was rented on a 50-50 basis from deCazenove. It was an operation that kept everyone busy including the children in the family. There were 100 head of cattle including 15 milk cows, to care for in addition to 100 hogs and 250 ewes. About 30 head of horses were kept for farm work. There was a chore man on hand the year around plus six additional men during the busy season. Three 4-horse drills and 2 drags were used during seeding. Later three 4-horse discs came into use.



Arthur and Elizabeth Marsden

160 acres of hay was raised and additional help was needed during haying. 15 acres of alfalfa was seeded in 1910. It was thought to be the first alfalfa seeded in Norman County. One year during the 1890's the wheat had to be reseeded three times. Another year 20,000 bushels of wheat were raised. In 1905, due to wet weather, only 100 acres of oats were harvested. This was done with 8 horses and a binder set on a wagon gear with a small gas motor to run the binder. In 1906 no crop except 40 acres could be seeded due to wet

conditions. It took two to three hours to haul a load of grain to town. Many newcomers sought employment on the farm as they found it helpful in learning to speak English to live with an English speaking family. Mr. Marsden exhibited purebred livestock at many livestock shows and at one time took top honors with his pigs at the International Livestock Show in Chicago, Illinois. He was instrumental in organizing the Livestock Shipping Association.

In 1916 Mr. Marsden purchased a farm in Traill County, North Dakota and with his family moved there. His son, Harry, farmed that farm until 1979 when he and his wife Gladys Smart moved to Hendrum, Minnesota.

Taken from the book Norman County History, 1976.

HARRY MARSDEN FAMILY

Harry Marsden, son of Arthur and Elizabeth Anderson Marsden, was born in 1894 on the deCazinove farm south of Hendrum. They lived there until 1916 when they moved to Traill County, North Dakota, where Mr. Marsden had purchased a farm.

In 1922, Harry rented the farm from his father and was married the same year to Gladys Smart, daughter of Alex and Margaret Smart.

Along with farming, they raised Shropshire sheep and Duroc hogs, and showed for many years at fairs. In 1926, they won grand champion on their Duroc boar at the Chicago International Livestock Show, and at the Crookston Winter Shows won a silver trophy for the best flock of sheep.



Harry Marsden Family
Grace, Gladys, Virginia, James, Harry, Howard

They have been active in church and community affairs over the years. Harry was an Elder in the Hendrum Presbyterian Church for many years and in 1961, was a delegate to the Presbyterian General Assembly in Buffalo, New York from the Fargo-Oakes Presbytery.

One of Harry's interests was the Rural Electrification Program and he was a member of the Board of Directors on the Cass County and Minnkota Co-operative for several years.

Four children were born to this union. Mrs. Gorden (Virginia) Dyrud of Conrad, Montana; Mrs. Carl (Grace) Krabbenhoft of Sabin, Minnesota; Howard of Pekin, Illinois; and James of Arlington, Virginia. The Marsdens left the farm in 1979 and reside in Hendrum.

THE HENRY MARSDEN FAMILY

In Cootehill, County Cavan, Ireland, as Henry Marsden read letters written by his older brothers, Arthur and George, he thought life must be better and easier in the New World. Thus, Dad left Annalee Farm and went to Minnesota around the turn of the century. He stayed on the deCazenov farm south of Hendrum with his brother's family. With James Masterson, our father managed the hardware store in Hendrum until his health made it necessary to relinquish the partnership and sell farm machinery for a number of years. He, also was an agent for the New York Life Insurance Company in the 1920's.

Our Mother, Edith McNee, who was born in south-eastern Minnesota at Spring Valley, graduated from Carleton College in Northfield in 1910. She traveled to her first teaching position in Lakeview, Oregon by train and stagecoach. The following year she taught Latin and other subjects in the Hendrum High School.

On June 20, 1912 in Spring Valley, Edith McNee and Henry Marsden were married. They were members of the Hendrum Presbyterian Church and together they were very active in church, school and community. Our Dad was one of the promoters for building the Hendrum Auditorium a center for many community and civic activities. As a Sunday School teacher and Superintendent and member of the Ladies Aid Society, our Mother believed very strongly in the missionary efforts of the church. In 1942, she was the first woman elected as elder of our local church.



Henry and Edith Marsden Family: 1929
Alice, Fred, Winston, Dave, Bob, Jim

The membership and activities of the Masonic Lodge meant much to our Dad, as did the Eastern Star to our Mother. As local postmaster, our Mother served faithfully the people of the Hendrum Community for 33 years.

This rich heritage of loving concern and outreach will always be a source of gratitude to the six of us who

were blessed with wonderful parents. We are Fred, Winston, Alice, James, David and Robert.

The business pursuits of our father perhaps led Winston and James in their life work. Three of us, Fred, Alice and Bob, chose the teaching field. The profession of law, more particularly, the District Judgeship is David's area of endeavor.

When Dad died in 1933, Bob was only 6 years old and Dave was not yet 9. All of us are well aware of the heavy responsibilities which our Mother carried. She often said she didn't carry them alone for she knew who helped her. In 1969 when she passed away, David wrote this poem in her memory. The rest of us heartily agree.

MOTHER

She never had many material things,
but she was a wealthy person.

She encountered adversity, but she
never acknowledged despair or defeat.

She experienced disappointment, but
never displayed self-pity or rancor.

She knew pain, but never complained.

Her life was concern and compassion
for others, to share their joys and
to forgive their shortcomings, which
perhaps can be better said thus - her
unfailing love for her family, her
friends, her fellow man.

In her final days and hours, her
total calm, her inner peace and
happiness were always evident as she
patiently and joyfully awaited joining
her Lord.

She was a great and good woman.

ALICE MARSDEN - WESLEY ST. JOHN

Alice Marsden was born October 6th, 1917 and married Wesley St. John at Hendrum, Minnesota on June 5th, 1943.

Her profession was a teacher. She taught in Clay County, Minnesota and in Clayton, Wisconsin. Day care teacher in Sioux City, Iowa, day care cook in St. Paul, Minnesota at the present time.



Wesley, Alice, Mary Kay St. John, 1978.

Wesley is a professor of Political Science at Hamline University, St. Paul, Minnesota since 1953. Also is Director of International studies since 1958.

They have two children: Dwight, who was born September 26, 1946. He is a professor of English at Auburn University at Auburn, Alabama. He is married, wife Margaret and they have three children, Eve, Clarissa and son Wesley. Daughter, Mary Katherine was born April 20th, 1955. She is a Peace Corp Volunteer teaching English at Lycee Ennakhil, Erfound, Morroco.



Dwight & Margaret St. John
Clarissa and Eve, 1975

FRED MARSDEN - ELIZABETH MONSON

Fred Marsden was born April 9th, 1913. Attended school in Hendrum and graduated from Concordia College in Moorhead and Graduate School at UND in Grand Forks, North Dakota. He taught school for 39 years in the Red River Valley area. Forced retirement due to a stroke while Superintendent of Schools in Breckenridge, Minnesota and at that time also retired from the Minnesota State High School League Board of Directors.

He married Elizabeth Monson from New Effington, South Dakota. They have three children who reside in the Minneapolis area. Fred and Elizabeth reside in Hopkins, Minnesota.

Linda is married and they have two adopted children. Linda teaches English to many immigrants and her husband is employed at Honeywell. She is a Concordia College graduate.

Jon is married and has three children. He is also a graduate of Concordia College and manages a Northwestern Book Store in Burnsville.

Elizabeth Ann is married and is presently attending her last year of college toward a degree in Special Education. Her husband is Youth Director in the Episcopal Church at Minnetonka Beach.

WINSTON MARSDEN GENEVIEVE SPIEKERMEIER

Winston Marsden was born May 26th, 1915. Attended grade and high school in Hendrum and one year at Concordia College, Moorhead. During the depression years, joined a CCC Camp, a government project for unemployed youth. In 1939, he and Norval Nelson went into business and owned and operated the Hendrum Oil Company. In 1941, he married Genevieve Spiekermeier of Sheldon, North Dakota who was employed in the Norman County State Bank in Hendrum. They have four children: Gary and Thomas who were born while living in Hendrum. In 1948, we moved to Sheldon and he operated a General Merchandise Store in partnership with his father-in-law. Joan and Bruce were born while living at Sheldon. In 1958, we moved to Hillsboro, North Dakota and operated a Grocery Store until 1969. He was then employed by Traill County and in 1971 became the first Director in the office of Tax Equalization, where he worked until retirement in January 1979.



Winston Marsdens: Nancy, Tom, Gary, Joan, Genevieve, Winston, Bruce, Jane, Jennifer, Steve, May 24, 1981.

Gary was born January 1st, 1942, graduated from UND, in Grand Forks with a degree in Business. He is married to the former Jane Georgeson of Grand Forks, and with their two children, Steve and Jennifer reside in St. Cloud, Minnesota. He and his partner own and service Marco Business Products in St. Cloud.

Thomas was born July 12th, 1943, graduated from UND, at Grand Forks as a Certified Public Accountant. He is married to the former Nancy McCarty of Bismarck, North Dakota who teaches at Holy Spirit School in Fargo, North Dakota where they live. Tom and a partner now operate a Tax and Business Service in Hillsboro, North Dakota.

Joan was born July 19th, 1951, graduated from UND in Grand Forks with a degree in Education. Also attended Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington and has a degree in Counseling. She taught several years in Portland, Oregon and now works for a book firm, travels five states selling college text books and resides in Boulder, Colorado.

Bruce was born May 12th, 1954 also graduated from UND in Grand Forks with a degree in Business and Banking. He is employed by Northwest Banco as a Loan Inspector and resides in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

JAMES MARSDEN - MARY MCKENZIE

James Marsden was born on August 17, 1920, the son of Henry and Edith Marsden at Hendrum. He attended Hendrum Public School and graduated in June, 1938.



James Marsdens: 1977
Mary Jane & Phil Martens; Dick & Beth Marsden
Mary, Chad, Chris, Jim, Amy.

Marsden attended Upper Iowa University, Fayette, Iowa from September, 1939 until June 1941, when he accepted employment as a salesman for Rath Packing Co., Waterloo, Iowa.

In June 1942, he was drafted into the U.S. Army. He served in the Army Ordnance in the U.S. and overseas in the Aleutian Campaign. Marsden was honorably discharged from the service as a Technician, Third Grade, on October 27, 1945.

He enrolled at Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota in January, 1946 and received his B.A. degree, with a major in Business Administration in August, 1947.

His wife, the former Mary KcKenzie, taught seventh and eighth grades at Hendrum Public School during the years 1945-46 and 1946-47. Jim and Mary were married in Grandin, North Dakota on June 8, 1947 and most of their married life has been spent in Fargo. They have two married children, Dick and Mary Jane and four grandchildren.

Jim is the state legislative director for North Dakota Farm Bureau and he and Mary are presently living in Bismarck.



Jimmy Martens

DAVID MARSDEN - MARY FISCHER

David Marsden was born January 23rd, 1924 at Hendrum, Minnesota. Graduated from Macalaster College, St. Paul, Minnesota and received his law degree from the University of Michigan. He was in private practice from 1951 to 1960, then as Municipal Judge from 1960 to 1965 then as District Court Judge all in St. Paul, Minnesota.



David Marsdens: Brian, Mary, Dave, Craig, Betsy, Annie, 1981.

He married Mary Fischer of Pipestone, Minnesota, August 27th, 1950. Mary is a Macalaster graduate and is in Estate and Appraisals sales in St. Paul. They have four children: Betsy, 27, married and lives in New York City. Ann, 25, is a Photographer and lives in St. Paul. Brian, 22, is a student as the University of Minnesota and lives at home. Craig, 20, a student of Wesleyan University at Middletown, Connecticut.

ROBERT MARSDEN

Robert Marsden, youngest child of Henry and Edith Marsden, was born July 1st, 1927. He is a graduate of Jamestown College and also did graduate work at UND in Grand Forks, North Dakota. He was

married August 4, 1958 to the former MaryCay Earhart of Pipestone, Minnesota now deceased. Bob has been teaching since 1950 and is currently employed by the School District in Alamogordo, New Mexico for the last twelve years.



Robert Marsden, 1981

MARVIN MARTINSON - BEVERLY KNUTSON

My grandfather, Samuel E. Hovland, was born May 14, 1848, in Skudesnas, Norway and came to America in 1875. In his early years Sam had been a seaman. After coming here he worked at the Grandin Farms as did many of the old timers.

Sam homesteaded the N.W. ¼ of Section 18-144-49 in 1887. This is where we now live. Later he bought the S.W. ¼ of Section 7-144-49. The abstract shows it had been N.P. land, later belonging to the Dalrymples.

Sam Hovland first married about 1879 to Malena Olson who died in 1885. Later he married Inga Eganæs. Two girls and one boy were born to each of these marriages. My mother, Lena, was born of the second marriage in 1891.

Martin Martinson, Dad, was born in Nordraland, Norway on January 17, 1884. In May 1903 he came to Hillsboro and worked as a section hand on the railroad. He also spent three years working for Asle Ingrebritson who farmed north of Hillsboro. Later he farmed in Kelso Township in partnership with Charlie Steen. Dad and mother were married in Hillsboro in 1922. They then farmed here in Elm River Township until 1950. They moved to Hillsboro about 1948 and resided there until they passed away.

I was born to Martin and Lena Martinson in 1927, and married Beverly Knutson of Neilsville, Minnesota in 1950. We have two children: a daughter, Kay, was born in 1953 and our son, Paul, was born in 1956. Kay teaches at Starbuck, Minnesota, and Paul is farming with me.

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ANDREW and BERTHA MATHIASON

Andrew was born in Norway on October 12, 1882. He came to the United States at the age of 17. He worked on various farms in the Perley area. His first job was cutting "bundles" of grain which were then fed into the thresher.

Bertha Skauge was born and raised on a farm between Perley and Hendrum. (Meline Farm).

Before and after the marriage, Bertha was often called upon to be midwife.

Bertha was married to John Johnson in 1915. He died during the 1918 flu epidemic.

Bertha and Andrew were married July 1, 1926.

They farmed in the Perley area until they moved into Hendrum to take care of Bertha's Aunt and Uncle, Oliver and Randy Johnson.



Andrew Mathiason
Mrs. (Randi) Oliver Johnson
Bertha Mathiason

During this period of his life, Andrew was a "handyman." He mowed lawns, caned chairs, made repairs and sold McNess products.

Bertha and Andrew were long time members of the Bethania Church at Perley. They were both very active in the church. They were custodians for many years and Andrew spent many hours keeping the yard and cemetery attractive.

In the late 1960's Bertha entered the Ada Nursing Home, where she died.



Bertha and Andrew Mathiason, 1955

Andrew continued to live in Hendrum until he became ill in May of 1973. He was taken to Ada and then to a nursing home in Twin Valley. He died there on June 4, 1973.

ALBERT MELINE - BERNICE DALHAUG

Albert Meline married Bernice Dalhaug from rural Twin Valley on July 23, 1944. They have farmed with Albert's brother, John, specializing in the dairy business, until their son, Roger and son-in-law, Jeffrey Pausch took over the farm.

Their other children are Arlen who is presently in Germany. He has been in the Army since graduating from NDSU. His wife, Janis and children, Dawn and Erik, comprise his family.

After graduating from NDSU Roger has worked on the home farm in Lee Township. His wife, Theresa, is from Barnesville, Mn. They have 2 children, Sheryl and James.

Lois Meline, now Mrs. Kenneth Ketcham, attended Humboldt Institute in Minneapolis before being employed by Control Data there. For the past 8 years she has been employed as reservationist for Republic Airlines. They have a son, Matthew, and live in Egan, Mn.

Following graduation from Azusa Bible School in California, Byron and his wife, Lois lived in Minneapolis until he graduated from Luther Seminary. He accepted a call from the Alamo, ND parish where he serves as pastor in Calvary and Hauge Lutheran Churches. Their daughter, Sarah, was born at Albion, Neb. where they lived during Byron's year of internship.

Karen, whose husband Jeffrey Pausch, farms jointly with Roger, is a graduate of the NDSSS. Before moving to the farm, she was employed at Dakota Hospital in Fargo, ND. She is employed as L.P.N. at the Lutheran Memorial Home in Halstad. Their daughter, Suzanne was born April 6, 1980.

C. G. MELINE - MARTHA SUNDVAL

C. G. Meline and Martha Sundval were both born in Sweden. After his discharge from the cavalry, they were married in 1905, acquired a few acres of land and built a new home. They made their living by selling milk and operating a livery.

Five children were born in Sweden: William, Gus, John, Margaret, and Anne. Albert was born in Orion, Illinois.

In 1913 the family sold out and moved to America, arriving in Orion, IL, March 1913. Mr. Meline worked for different farmers that summer and in the fall went

to work in North Dakota, later having his family come to live on a farm he had arranged to rent near Blabon, ND. The mother traveled alone by train with their 6 children, the oldest 8 years old, and the youngest a baby. They lived there until finding better land, a much better house northwest of Colgate, ND in 1917. During the years after World War I, all commodities dropped drastically, for example, they hired a man to shear the sheep at 25¢ per head, shipped the wool and received a bill stating that the wool did not pay for the freight!

In 1923, the Melines rented a section of land 7 miles east of Hillsboro, ND and farmed there for 20 years. At that time they purchased the farm southeast of Hendrum which is presently being farmed by Albert's son, Roger and his wife, Theresa, and daughter, Karen and her husband, Jeffrey Pausch.

CORNELIUS MJOLSNESS

Cornelius Mjolsness was born in Stavanger, Norway in 1891. He came to America when he was sixteen years of age. He married Olga Lee, and to this union, two children were born: Mrs. Luther (Adeline) Monson of Mesa, Arizona, and Clayton Mjolsness of Fargo, North Dakota. Mrs. Mjolsness passed away in 1939 and is buried in Landstad Cemetery at Perley, Minnesota.

Cornelius married Mabel Bowhall in 1942. They came to Hendrum in the fall of 1964, when they moved their farm home into Hendrum, which he had built in 1921. They have it on a nice corner lot and have lovely trees, flowers and shrubbery.

The Lord has been good to them with many fruitful and blessed years together.

ARNOLD O. MJONES - LAVERNA MOORE

Arnold Mjones was born on December 14, 1923 at Hendrum and attended Clover Blossom #40 school. He later finished his education at Hendrum High School.

In the summer of 1944 he entered the military service and served as infantryman in General Patton's 3rd army. He was discharged from the service in 1946 and thereafter was employed at various automotive wholesale firms in Fargo.



Mjones Residence

In the spring of 1951 he met LaVerna Moore, who is the daughter of Matt and Clara Moore of Pelican Rapids. They were married on June 28, 1952 at the 1st Lutheran church in Fergus Falls, Mn. Arnold and LaVerna have four children. Roger, who is a court reporter assigned to District Judge McQuire in Cass County. Richard, who is married and employed at Steiger Tractor Co. Linda, who is employed at American Crystal Sugar Co. and Mrs. Brian (Sandra) Torgerson who is employed with Dr. Colliton.

LaVerna Mjones is employed as office manager in the Clay County Assessor's Office in Moorhead. Arnold became a letter carrier in the U.S. Postal Service in 1963 and worked there for about 16 years, prior to being medically retired at the end of 1978.

The Mjones family lives at 1015 10th Ave. North in Moorhead.



Noel, Avis, Orville, Anna, Allen, Arthur Mjones

They have 4 children, Orville the oldest is married and lives in Sterling, Virginia, where he is with the Ace Doran Trucking and Rigging Company. They have 1 son.

Allen is married and lives at Glenwood, Mn. He has been teaching there for 14 years. They have 3 children.

Noel, the youngest son is married and lives on a farm south of Northome, Mn. Noel and his wife, Doris, have no children.

Avis, the only daughter, is married and lives at Richmond, Mn. They have 3 children.

Arthur and Anna have lived around Hendrum since they were married and in 1943 moved into Hendrum where they bought their home.

OLE MJONES - ANNA KROGNESS

On the 5th of June, 1872, in Indre-Ostfjorden at Mjones, located about 75 miles west, southwest of Trondheim, Norway, Anders and Ellen Mjonestro became the parents of a son, whom they named Ole. He grew to manhood there and in 1893 he came to the United States and he at first worked on the Vilik Wold farm in Clay County. They had immigrated earlier from the same neighborhood in Norway. Later he came to Hendrum and worked for Andrew Rustvold as a farm hand for several years. He also spent some winters in the northern Minnesota logging camps. It was while he was employed at Rustvolds that he met Anna Krogness. She was born on the Krogness farm in 1883, the daughter of Paul and Julia Krogness. This place is located on Rissa, which lies directly across the waters of Trondheimsfjorden from Trondheim, Norway. It is also a short distance from there where Hindrem, Norway is located which is the place from which the Village of Hendrum got its name. The Paul Krogness family immigrated to America in 1886 when their daughter Anna was about 2½ years old.



Arnold and LaVerna Mjones
25th Wedding Anniversary

ARTHUR MJONES - ANNA WOLD

Arthur Mjones was the son of Ole and Anna Mjones and grew up on the family farm southeast of Hendrum, together with 5 brothers and 4 sisters.

He started working out for others at an early age — doing all kinds of farm work.

On July 26, 1927 he was united in marriage to Anna M. Wold of Glyndon, Mn. by Pastor Sigrud Sorenson of Moorhead.



Birthplace of Anna (Krogness) Mjones at Rissa, Norway

In December of 1902, Ole and Anna were married in the John Rustvold home by Rev. N. Lunde. She was 19 and he was 30 years old. Anna worked as a hired girl for the John Rustvold family at that time.

In 1906 Ole purchased a 120 acre farm from John Sagberg in section 33 in Hendrum Township and commenced farming. With the help of good neighbors who were willing to loan needed machinery, Ole prospered as a farmer and in the early 1930's purchased another 80 acres which formerly belonged to Anna's parents, Paul and Julia Krogness.



Birthplace of Ole A. Mjones, located at Mjones, Norway

The years between 1903 and 1923 were busy and difficult ones for the Mjones family. Twelve children were born during this period of time. Ole and Anna Mjones were both industrious hard working people and they appreciated the opportunities that this country afforded them. They were life long members of the Pontoppidan Lutheran church east of Hendrum and they are both laid to rest there. In the summer of 1936, after having been gone from his native Norway for 43 years, Ole returned to visit his aged father and other relatives. It was a tearful but happy reunion. His father came running down the hill toward the boat that his son was arriving in and they embraced there, and tears of joy were shed by both father and son. Ole's mother had passed away since he had left Norway and his father had remarried to a widow on Stavness, so as the custom was in Norway in those days, he had taken the name of Stavness. His father, Anders Stavness passed away in January, 1940, just a few months before the German Troops occupied the land of Norway.



Ole Mjones

The birthplaces of both Ole and Anna Mjones are still in use in their native land, in spite of the fact that they are both more than 150 years old. Ole's cousin lives in the Mjonestro home and Anna's second cousin resides on the Krogness place. These two homes are about 30 miles apart in Trondelag, Norway.

Anna Mjones became ill in the spring of 1939 and after a few months she died in August of that year at the age of 56 years. Ole, with the help of his sons, continued farming. In the early summer of 1941, he became stricken with encephalitis and within a few days he passed away at age 69.

Of the twelve children in the Mjones family 6 have died, two in infancy and Marie who died in 1959, Bernard in 1969, Petra in 1976, and Palmer in 1977.

Those surviving are Arthur of Hendrum, Mn., Mrs. Joe (Olga) Kuvaas, Halstad, Mn., John of Fargo, N.D., Mrs. Ernest (Josephine) Skogerboe, Randall, Iowa, Albert of Hillsboro, N.D. and Arnold of Moorhead, Mn.

HARRY MONSON

Luther Monson - Adeline Mjolsness

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Monson, their sons, Luther and Marlin lived on the deCasenove farm and rented the entire farm from 1921 through 1928. This farm consisted of 1400 acres. Luther and Marlin attended the Hendrum, Minnesota grade school, until they moved to the Perley area and continued farming.



Marlin and Luther Monson

Marlin entered the military service, and when he returned, he married Marie Zimmerman and they settled in Spokane, Washington where he worked as a contractor in custom homes. They have three children, LeRoy, Roger and Shirley (Mrs. Robert Hood).



Harry and Mabel Monson, on the A.J. Grothe farm.



House on deCazenove farm, moved to Hendrum.

Luther continued farming with his father. In 1942 he married Adeline Mjolsness. They have two children, both of whom graduated from Hendrum High School. They are Mary Jane (Monson) Vasconez and Pastor Allen Monson.



Harvesting on the deCazenove Farm — July 1928

Luther and Adeline also operated the Hendrum Cafe for about a year from September 1968 to August 1969. At the present time they are living in Mesa, Arizona, and are managers of the Mesa Christian Villa (retirement apartments).

THE McANDREW FAMILY

James McAndrew (1841-1928) was born in Scotland, was educated as a school teacher and emigrated to Ontario, Canada as a young man. Here he met and married Margaret Johnson in 1864. Six of their seven children were born during the seventeen years they lived in Canada.

In 1881, they were persuaded, by Mrs. McAndrew's brother, to join him in the Red River Valley at the Village of Quincy. James was promised the position of teacher at Quincy School and they arranged to purchase 100 acres near the village where the two oldest sons, John and James H. started to farm as young boys. Their sisters and brothers were Mary, Margaret, Annie, George and the youngest; Alfred who was born in Dakota Territory.

The family worked well together and gradually created one of the larger farms in this community. Their mother, Margaret Ann (1841-1925), was always an inspiration to the family by example as she was very industrious and expected the same from her children.

James H. McAndrew (1871-1964) operated the home farm in Traill County for many years, became well known as a grower of seed corn. He is well remembered for a good sense of humor and a large repertoire of stories. He was a faithful member and worker in the Presbyterian Church, also served the community as a Director at Hendrum Co-op Elevator and Township positions. He married Grace Ogg of California, quite late in life, and she survives him at this writing.



McAndrew Bros., prior to 1900, hauling prairie hay, taken between Hendrum and Ada.

John D. McAndrew (1868-1953) farmed 1½ miles south of the home farm in Cass County after he married Margaret Lamont of Ontario, Canada in 1918. They were both active in the Presbyterian Church and Community affairs. John was instrumental in organizing the Hendrum Co-op Elevator and served on the Board of Directors for many years. He was also involved in some of the early banking efforts in Hendrum. After 1928, much of their time was spent in California although they returned to the farm for the summer months. They raised two children, Agnes (now Mrs. Robert Coit of Ventura, Calif.) and James A.

James A. McAndrew, born 1921, married Doris Gage of Pasadena, Ca. in 1943. They operated the farm in Cass and Traill Counties from 1943 until 1973. Both were active as Presbyterians and in the Masonic

Bodies. They also had a part in Hendrum Community and School affairs. James A. served on the Hendrum Co-op Elevator Board as did his father and uncle before him.

James and Doris raised two children, James A. Jr. and Margaret Ann, both of whom started their education in the Hendrum School.

In 1973, the Cass County building site was sold and James, Doris and Margaret moved to Solana Beach, California where James entered the real estate business. Margaret Ann, born in 1962, is currently attending Pepperdine University at Malibu, California.



McAndrew Farm about 1911 — Big Four tractor with four independent binders pulled in tandem.

James A. McAndrew, Jr., born 1945, attended Hendrum School and has the distinction of being the first athlete from this school to compete at the State level; the 1963 Minnesota State Track Meet. He received his Doctor of Optometry degree from Pacific University in Oregon before serving in the Air Force. He married Mary Erickson from Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, they have three sons, John, Steven and Scott. The family resides in Fargo where James is engaged in an Optometry practice.

ARNOTT McCRADIE - ROWAYN ELIZABETH CONNELLY

Arnott McCradie married Rowayn Elizabeth Connelly of Ortonville, Minnesota on September 25, 1936. She is the daughter of Ella Catherine Gallinger and Clarence Foree Connelly. They reside on the McCradie farm northeast of Grandin, North Dakota, but are retired from active farming. Arnott was born at Quincy, Dakota Territory on February 17, 1893.

Mrs. McCradie has been active in genealogy for thirty years and has traced her lineage back several years. (It was an easy task to try because I was well versed in history. I have also helped many people find their way, the end of their desire.) She contributed to a book on her Wright ancestry and helped with the book Lees and Kings of Virginia and North Carolina.

Along the Connelly line, 10 generations were traced to the father Henry Connelly, where he was born and raised. Henry Connelly raised his four sons to become sailors. Henry never came to America, but the sons

reached their manhood here and moved generally westward throughout the United States, leaving their posterity to thrive and increase.



Elizabeth and Arnott McCradie

Thomas Connelly and his brother, Edmond, came to Old Charlestowne, Carolina, in about 1689. John and his brother, Henry may also have arrived at the same time. These four Connellys owned ships and were colonizers who secured, from Lords Proprietors, large grants of land Westward and Southward in the Carolina, which they settled with colonists gathered from the more crowded regions in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia. In the Revolution, the Connellys were in the Patriotic Armies of Virginia, the Carolinas and Pennsylvania. They served under General George Washington, Green, Morgan, Gates, Howard (of Maryland) and Lincoln and Charles Cotesworth Pinckney.



Dan and Ardyce (Londo) McCradie
Danette Lee and Rebecca Anne

Henry Connelly, Jr., came to Charleston, South Carolina and had at least one son, Edmond who married Mary Edgefield and had children, among whom were Thomas, Harmon and other sons and daughters. Thomas and his brother had accompanied Daniel Boone on his first expedition North into Kentucky County, Virginia and Eastward to Jefferson County, Virginia, by way of the Cumberland Gap through the Appalachian Mountains into the Drapers Meadow region. Thomas' service in the French and Indian War was recorded in Chester County, Pennsylvania and at Fort Pitt (now Pittsburgh). Thomas Connelly was severely wounded by a shot that pierced his lung in the Battle of Guilford Courthouse during the Revolutionary War. He died at an elderly age one year after the battle. It is estimated that he was born shortly before or soon after 1700. Thomas Connelly married Mary Van Harlingen. They had a large family.

Mrs. McCradie also traced the lineage of 8 generations of the Gallingers back through various generations until they ran into the early Hebrew lines. Our grandmother told us where to look for the Ball and Wright Line. Then four generations had to be worked out to fill our places in turn.

The McCradies have one son Arnott Daniel who was born August 1, 1938. He graduated from Grandin High School and spent one year at the Moorhead State University. He then returned to Grandin to help his father with the farm. On June 10, 1963 he married Ardyce Londo of Naytahwaush, Minnesota, and to this union two children were born. Danette Lee on March 20, 1964 and Rebecca Anne on August 23, 1965.

The Arnott Daniel McCradie family reside on a farm northeast of Grandin, but Daniel is employed by the Allis Chalmers Company as a salesman.

JAMES McCRADIE - ISABELLA FORESTER

James McCradie was born in Ervine Parish, Ayrshire, Scotland April 21, 1856. When he was four years of age, the family immigrated to Lucknow, Ontario, Canada via Long Island, New York. James received his education at Lucknow, and in 1878 he came with his parents to Dakota Territory where they settled on a farm seven miles east of Grandin, near Quincy — a Red River port and stage coach stop. In a few years he purchased a nearby farm where he continued farming until his retirement in 1936.

He married Isabella Arnott Forster of Lucknow, Ontario, December 19, 1883. To this union were born four children: Jennie, Annie, Joseph and Arnott.

Mrs. McCradie died December, 1935.

Jennie McCradie died October, 1935.

Joseph McCradie died July, 1936.

Mr. James McCradie died September, 1944.

Annie McCradie, a senior high school counselor, died March 8, 1966.



Isabelle Arnott Forester McCradie

Arnott McCradie and family live at the McCradie farm in Elm River Township.

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James McCradie

ROBERT McCRADIE FAMILY

Robert McCradie Sr., was born in Ervine Parish, Ayrshire, Scotland, April 4, 1829. He married Annie Drinnan of Hurlford Kilmarnock, Scotland, November 25, 1853. To this union were born three children: Margaret, James and Stewart. Mrs. McCradie died September 1858.

Mr. McCradie married Margaret Drinnan, November 11, 1860. To this union were born three children: Annie, Fanny and Robert.

Mr. McCradie, a carpenter, immigrated with his family to Lucknow, Ontario, Canada via Long Island U.S.A. in 1861.

In 1878 they immigrated from Lucknow to the Dakota Territory, settling seven miles east of Grandin, near Quincy — a Red River port and a stage coach stop.



Robert McCradie, Sr.

Soon after the settlement was made at Quincy, Robert McCradie Sr. and James McAndrew Sr. began conducting Sunday School classes which later organized as a Presbyterian Church. This congregation continued as a church (and held the distinction of being the first rural Presbyterian Church in North Dakota) until it consolidated with the Hendrum, Minnesota, Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. McCradie died at Quincy in 1911, Mr. McCradie died in 1913.

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JACOB McLAUGHLIN - STELLA STENNES

Jacob McLaughlin was born March 21, 1905. His parents were Jacob and Jennie McLaughlin, who came to the United States from Ireland. He married Stella Stennes, a daughter of Helmik and Louisa Stennes, on September 14, 1929. They were united in marriage by the Rev. J. J. Jacobson. Jacob and Stella had six daughters: Joan, Geraldine, Lois, Sharon, Joyce, and Patricia.

Joan is married to John Ohler, and they have four children: Shirley, Michael, Barbara, and Kenneth.

Geraldine is married to Don MacMillan, and they have two children: Marilyn and Mark.

Lois married Don Kellar and they have two children: Lori and David.

Sharon married Roger Franklin, and they have two children: Jeffrey and Gregory.

Joyce married Ed Lambert, and they have one daughter, Susan.

Patricia was born in Portland, Oregon. The first five girls were born in Hendrum, Minnesota.



Jacob and Stella McLaughlin Family: Front row: Stella, Geraldine, Joan, Jacob. Back: Lois, Joyce, Sharon McLaughlin.



Patricia McLaughlin

After Jacob and Stella's marriage they farmed near Grandin, North Dakota for several years. In 1942 the family went to Portland, Oregon, where Jacob secured work as a foreman for Smithwick Concrete Products.

Stella passed away July 19, 1952, and Jacob passed away December 2, 1963.

HISTORY OF JOHN (Jack) I. McLAUGHLIN FAMILY

John I. McLaughlin (better known as Jack) was born in Ireland in 1868. At the age of 24 years he came to America, settling in Minnesota. Jack worked on the DeCazenove farm for Arthur Marsden and on the Ferry farm for Charles Canning. He also worked for Alex Smart and Ed McGregor.

Jane Semple was born in Ireland in 1873. At the age of 17 years she came to America, settling in Minnesota. Jane spent her early years in Minnesota working on the Ferry farm and for Thomas Canning.

In December 1900 John I. McLaughlin married Jane Semple. The McLaughlin's begin their married life farming east of Hendrum on what was then known as the Harvey farm. Later they moved to North Dakota and lived on the Weller Farm. From there they moved northeast of Perley on the Canning farm and then back to North Dakota on the Stewart McCradie farm. The McLaughlins sold out and quit farming in 1931.

The McLaughlins lived in the city of Hendrum for many years. Most of their family had moved to Portland, Oregon and this influenced their decision to leave Hendrum and spend their later years in Portland. Jack McLaughlin passed away on June 24, 1953 and Jane McLaughlin passed away on July 3, 1953. Jack and Jane McLaughlin were both buried in Portland, Oregon.

The marriage of John McLaughlin and Jane Semple produced seven children. Lydia, now deceased. Lydia married William Rathburn. The Rathburns had one child, who currently lives in Portland, Oregon.

John J. (Jake) now deceased, married Stella Stennes, also deceased. Jake and Stella McLaughlin had six children. Five of these children live in the Portland, Oregon area and one lives in Salem, Oregon.

Robert F., who married Hazel Kirknes. The Robert McLaughlins had six children. Robert, Hazel and the six children currently reside in the Portland and/or Milwaukie, Oregon area.



John McLaughlin - Jane Semple
and grand-daughter

Harry G. married Olga Fowler. The Harry McLaughlins raised two children, a niece and a nephew (Natalie and Donald Johnson). The Harry McLaughlins reside in Hendrum, Minnesota. Natalie Johnson Haas and family reside at Anoka, Minnesota and Donald Johnson and family reside in Oxnard, California.

Samuel D. married Marie Carlson. The Samuel McLaughlins had seven children. Sam, Marie and six of their children currently reside in or around Spokane, Washington. One child lives in Tacoma, Washington.

Margaret J.E. (Peggy) McLaughlin is married to Clause Hilhouse. The Hilhouses reside in Portland, Oregon.

David J. married Alice Erickson. The David McLaughlins have two children. Dave, Alice and their children reside in Yakima, Washington.

SAM McLAUGHLIN SAM McLAUGHLIN - JANE SEMPLE

Sam McLaughlin, the fifth child of John I. and Jane (Semple) McLaughlin grew up in the Hendrum area. In 1941 Sam McLaughlin and Glenn Riste left Hendrum for Portland, Oregon to seek work. They went on to Los Angeles, California to work in the shipyards there during the war and stayed there until April 1942, at which time, Sam decided to join the Navy. He served in the Navy for forty-one months.

Sam McLaughlin and Marie Carlson were married in 1945. They made their home in Portland, Oregon until 1948, when they moved to Hendrum and lived here for five years, when they returned to Portland, where he was again employed at the John Deere Company. Sam and Marie were later transferred to Spokane, Washington in 1954 and have been retired or semi-retired for the past three years.

Sam and Marie have a family of seven children, six of their children reside in or around Spokane, Washington and one child lives in Tacoma, Washington.

ANTON A. NELSON - MARTHA MOREN

Anton, son of Severt and Barbro Nelson, was born at Newburg, Minn. June 2, 1880. He came here with his family in 1882, where his father homesteaded the present place, three miles east of Hendrum.

Anton attended Concordia College, Moorhead and St. Olaf at Northfield, Minn. He married Martha Moren January 4, 1913. She was born at McIntosh, Minn. January 12, 1888. They had one daughter and two sons. He was active in Community affairs. They were members of Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Esther graduated from Hendrum High School. She did Laboratory and X-Ray work. Took training at Minneapolis, Minnesota and Cleveland, Ohio. She has been an X-Ray Technician for a number of years. Francis graduated from Northwest School at Crookston, Minn. and then pursued his interest in farming. In 1954 he purchased the farm, formally known as Frank Gruske farm. Later in the parents' retirement, they made their home with him. Vincent graduated from Hendrum High School. He purchased the home farm.

Anton died April 14, 1969 and Martha died May 24, 1974.



Vincent, Janice, Anton, Martha, Esther, Francis Nelson

ELIAS NELSON - LOUISE NYGAARD

Jacob Elias Nelson was born near Christiansund, Norway in 1858. He came to America with his parents, Jacob and Elizabeth Nelson. They passed away in 1881 and 1905 and are buried in the Pontoppidan Lutheran Cemetery east of Hendrum, Minnesota. Elias had six brothers and one sister. They came to America in 1866 and had their first home in Fillmore County, Minnesota. In 1881 they came to the Hendrum area. Elias first worked at the Grandin bonanza farms, and then purchased 200 acres of land northeast of Hendrum. His first house was a log cabin.

Elias married Louise Nygaard, daughter of Peder and Jonetta Nygaard. She was born in Trondheim, Norway in 1857. Her sisters and brothers were Jacob, Haldor and John Nygaard and Ingaborg Nygaard Johnson all of Halstad, Minnesota, and Mrs. Carl (Hansine) Stordahl of Hendrum, Minnesota. One sister remained in Norway. In 1892 they built a new home on their farm.

Elias and Louise had nine children: Tobias, Peder and Esther who remained in Hendrum, Minnesota area. Johanna, Elizabeth, Marie, Joseph and Josephine homesteaded in Montana. All have passed away except Esther, who resides at Bethany Homes in Fargo, North Dakota. They continued to live on their farm until 1921, when they retired.

The family were members of the St. Pauli Lutheran church at Hendrum, Minnesota and taking great interest in church activities. Elias was a layman and went to various churches to give sermons.

Both Elias and Louise passed away in 1925 and are buried in the St. Pauli Cemetery east of Hendrum, Minnesota.



Elias Nelson, Louise Nygaard

JACOB E. NELSON - LOUISE NYGAARD

Jacob E. Nelson, a well known farmer lived in Hendrum Township about fifty-five years. He was born in Christian Sund, Norway on October 3, 1858, the son of Tobias and Elizabeth Nelson. They were parents of Abraham, Ole, Nels, Soverin, Charley, Lars and Kathrina who also farmed in Norman County.

In 1886 at the age of eight he came with his parents to the United States. They crossed the ocean in a sailboat and it took eight weeks in rough weather. They nearly ran out of food. They established their first home in Fillmore County where they lived for a short time before coming to the Red River Valley.

Upon his arrival here he worked at the Grandin Farm and other farms for some time before establishing his own home. He bought two hundred acres of land and built a log cabin, planted a grove and made improvements.

He married Louise Nygaard, who was born in Trondheim, Norway, a daughter of Peder and Jonetta Nygaard. They were the parents of Jacob, Haldor, John, Hansine, Stordahl and Ingeborg Johnson who all settled at Halstad, Minnesota and Karen Lund who remained in Norway.

In 1896 he built a new house. Eleven children were born to them namely: Tobias, Johanna, Elizabeth, Marie, Peder, Joseph, Josephine, Carrie and Esther. Two died in infancy. Only Esther is now living.

There were hardships and lots of hard work. He started farming with oxen, a little later he bought two horses. In the next year he had the misfortune of losing his horses. When he went to the barn one morning he found both horses had been killed by lightning. His brother Ole helped him with money to buy another team of horses again.

In the winter of 1896-97 they had a snowstorm which lasted for three days. It was the worst storm the country had encountered. The people were unable to get to the barn to feed the livestock, but on the morning of the third day, Mr. Nelson decided he had to get to the barn so he tied a twine around his waist which was attached to the house so he would have something to guide him back to the house. When he had gone only a few feet from the house he hit a wall of snow so high he could not get on top of it, it almost covered the house so he had to give it up and waited until the storm abated. When the snow melted in the spring the result was a big flood. People living near the river had to move out and came up to the Nelson farm which was on higher ground. The Nelsons continued to live on this farm until they retired in 1921.

The family were members of the St. Pauli Church, taking great interest in the church activities. They always gave their heartiest support to any movement which had for its object the betterment of the community.

Mr. Nelson passed away on October 30, 1925. Mrs. Nelson passed away April 6, 1925. They were buried

in the St. Pauli Cemetery.

JOHN and JENSINE NELSON

John Nelson came to America from the northern part of Norway in 1900. He came to the Helmik Stennes home; working the first years on the Thomas Roe farm.

On November 29, 1902 he was united in marriage to Jensine Stordahl, daughter of Konrad and Johanna Stordahl. To this union three children were born: Norval, Clarice, and Berget.



Berget Nelson

Norval married Luella Hviding, and they had two children: Nancy and Jack.

Clarice married Webb Clemmer, and they had four children: Berget, Barbara, Frank, and Cathryn.

Berget passed away at the age of ten years, March 17, 1928.

After their marriage John and Jensine went to live with the John Kroshus family near Perley, where John helped with farm work. From there he came to Hendrum, and purchased the Livery Barn from the Crommie brothers. He operated this for several years, and was also part time rural mail carrier on the southern route. Later he was a full time rural mail carrier on Route 2, until he retired on account of ill health.



John and Jensine Nelson
Norval and Clarice

They continued to live in their home, which they built several years ago. It is the house where Oliver Letness' now resides.

After John passed away, on August 14, 1944, Jensine continued to live there. She later made her home with her son, Norval, and family. She was a resident of Eventide in Moorhead at the time of her death, on March 8, 1963. Norval passed away May 17, 1975. They are buried in Pontoppidan Cemetery.

NOBEL NELSON - GERDA HAUGSTAD

Nobel and Gerda Nelson came to Hendrum in the late thirties. They operated the Hendrum Meat Market and Grocery Store for Nick Nelson, Nobel's brother.

The early 1940's saw the Nelson family moving to California, and lived in Oakland for two years. Nobel was employed as a machinist, and Gerda was a welder on a vessel at the shipyard. Due to illness, the family moved back to Hendrum in 1944.



Nobel and Gerda Nelson
Viola, Dennis, Gloria, Shirley

After returning to Hendrum, Nobel was employed at the Lewey Ostenson firm and Gerda was a baker for the Sherman Kolness and brothers Cafe, and later for Ingeborg Brooks. They have four children:

Gloria, (Mrs. Lowell Bulson), graduated from Hendrum High School, and they have four children, all living in Breckenridge, Minnesota.

Dennis, graduated from Hendrum High School, and resides in Northwood. They have four children.

Shirley is married to Leonard Sorenson and they live in Crookston, Minnesota, and have two children.

Viola is married to Burton Sorenson, and they have two children and live in Fargo, North Dakota.

The family moved to Shelly in 1951 and Nobel and his brother, John, went into partnership in a garage. They resided in Shelly until 1961, when they moved to Glyndon, Minnesota, where Nobel was custodian at the Glyndon schools for thirteen years.

Nobel and Gerda retired in 1977, and live at the Park View Terrace in Moorhead, which they enjoy very much. They celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary there with an Open House on September 14, 1979.

NORDAL NELSON - SHIRLEY SCHROEDER

Nordal Nelson, son of Oscar and Hilda Nelson was born on February 7th, 1932, attended Green Meadow School near Gary, Minnesota, upon completing the eight grades he helped with the work on the farm. Nordal has two sisters: Carolyn and Betty, and one brother, Wallace. The Oscar Nelson family moved to Hendrum, Minnesota in 1949, when Nordal began working for a construction company in Fargo, he worked there up to the time he was drafted into the United States Army as a Military Police stationed in Germany. When he had finished his military duty he began to work for the Fargo Construction Firm again.

Shirley Schroeder, daughter of Otto and Charlotte Schroeder, was born August 24, 1937, she has one sister, Elaine; she grew up on a farm near Shelly, Minnesota. Shirley graduated from the Climax High School in 1955, the same year the Climax School burned so graduation was held in the Community Hall. After graduating, Shirley was employed as bookkeeper and secretary for a construction company at Crookston, Minnesota.



1981 — Nordal Nelson Family

Marilyn, Barry, Diane, Gary, Sharlene, Larry, Shirley, Nordal, Jerry, Baby Jessica.

After their marriage on June 10, 1956, they lived in their trailer home in Fargo, N.D. and Shirley continued to drive to Crookston to work. When Nordal was transferred to Grafton, North Dakota, Shirley drove to work but for three days a week. Soon Nordal was transferred back to Fargo again, at which time Shirley worked for Lutheran Hospital and Home Society. When Nordal went to work on a project at Harvey, North Dakota later, Shirley quit working out.

In January 1961, Nordal and Shirley bought the former home of Tobias and Anna Egeland in Hendrum, selling their trailer home. Two years later, in 1963, they moved their house back and built a new basement in which they continued to live in the following five years, when they completed the building of their new home over the basement.

Nordal and Shirley have a family of six children: Gary Dean was born on September 18th, 1957, he is a night manager at Hornbachers in Fargo, N.D. Marilyn Ann was born September 9, 1959, is employed in supplies department at St. Ansgar Hospital, Moorhead, Minnesota. They are both graduates of

Hendrum High School and Moorhead Area Vocational Technical Institute of Moorhead, Minnesota. Barry James was born June 22nd, 1964, is graduating from the Hendrum High School in 1982. Diane Kay was born May 23rd, 1965 and is a Junior. Larry Allen was born December 5th, 1966 and is a 9th grader; Jerry Jay was born December 7th and is a 7th grader. They are all members of Immanuel Lutheran Church and are involved in many activities and organizations in the community as well as in the area.

June 22nd, 1979, Gary Nelson married the former Sharlene Ellenson of Gardner, North Dakota, who also graduated from the Hendrum High School with Gary in 1975. She is employed as a receptionist for the Physical and Occupational Therapy Department at Dakota Hospital in Fargo, N.D. They have their home on Baja Lane in Fargo. On October 26th, 1980 they became parents of a baby girl, Jessica DeeAnn, and Shirley and Nordal became Grandpa and Grandma.

Sunday June 14th, 1981, Shirley and Nordal celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary when their children hosted the event at the Immanuel Church Parlors.

Nordal is a carpenter foreman for the Twin City Construction Company and commutes back and forth to Fargo or works at other job sites in Minnesota and North Dakota.

Shirley is the Hendrum news reporter, writing for the Ada Index and the Halstad Journal since 1968 and is a school bus driver for the Hendrum-Perley School here since 1974.

NORVAL NELSON - LOUELLA HVIDING

Norval B. Nelson, son of John and Jensine Nelson was born in Mary township but became a resident of Hendrum, where he spent the remainder of his life time. He was married to Luella Hviding on November 29, 1933. A son John was born April 23, 1935 and a daughter Nancy was born September 30, 1941.



Lou, Nancy, Norval Nelson

Norval and Winston Marsden formed a partnership and built a service station on the corner of old highway 75 and road coming from North Dakota. They opened

for business on June 12, 1937. Later a truck was bought to supply bulk delivery to farmers. Paul Hviding became the third partner in 1946. In 1948 Winston Marsden sold his share to Norval and Paul, they continued in business there until 1954 when that station became obsolete because highway 75 was rerouted to pass through Hendrum. A new station was built and operated until 1962 when Norval had to retire because of a disability. He sold out to Paul the following year.

The Nelsons continued to make Hendrum their home but spent the winters in California where both their children resided. Norval passed away in California on March 17, 1975. There are five grandchildren.

Luella Nelson was married to George Kelly on December 28, 1976 and they are presently residing at Bradenton, Florida.

PEDER E. NELSON - MABEL RINNAN

Peder E. Nelson was born in 1893 at Hendrum, Minn. His parents were Elias and Louise Nelson.

Peder and Mabel Rinnan, youngest child of Paul and Anna Rinnan were married by Rev. J.J. Jacobson in 1921. Their four children are Lois Jacobson of Renton, Wash.; Verona Haugen of Moorhead, Minn.; Dennis Nelson of Escondido, Calif.; and Marlan Nelson of Kindred, N.D. There are 10 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Peder passed away in 1969. Mabel lives in Ada, Minn.



Peder E. Nelson, Mabel Rinnan

JACOB TOBIAS NELSON - GENA LEE

Jacob Tobias Nelson was born on March 5, 1884, his parents were J. Elias Nelson and Louise (Nygaard) Nelson who were among the early pioneers of the Hendrum Township. He had six sisters and two brothers: Johanna, Elizabeth, Marie, Peder, Joseph,

Josephine, Carrie and Esther, besides two died in infancy. All have now passed away except Esther, who lives in Fargo, N.D.

Most of the children left home at an early age to seek employment, but Tobias (Toby as he was called) stayed home helping his father with the farming and the livestock. Whenever time would permit Toby would help O.P. Rogness, who owned and operated a well drilling machine.

In 1906 Toby purchased a steam threshing outfit, a couple of years later he sold the steam engine and bought a big Russell Tractor and plow, so he did custom threshing and plowing for several years.

In 1910 he went out to Montana to look for some land of his own, he also spent part of the winter working in a logging camp near Kalispell, Montana, the next fall he did the same thing but decided the Red River Valley looked the best for farming, so when he came back in the spring he bought one hundred sixty acres of land in section nine from O.P. Rogness. This land was only a mile and a half from his father's farm so Toby continued to farm with his father for a couple of years using the same machinery for both farms. Later he moved to his own acreage, rented another two hundred acres and started farming on his own; also started to raise feeder cattle and pigs.



Tobias and Gena (Lee) Nelson

Toby built a new barn in 1915 and a new house in 1919, that same year Toby Nelson and Gena Lee, daughter of Martin and Gunhild (Brown) Lee were married. Lees were close neighbors and also pioneers of Hendrum Township. Gena is a graduate of Halstad High School, also attended Moorhead State Teachers College, taught school for eight years in Norman County Rural Schools.

Both Tobias and Gena received their elementary education in the Wide Awake, District 7 Rural School, baptized and confirmed in the St. Pauli Lutheran Church. When the church was struck by lightning and burned to the ground in 1937 they joined the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum in 1940, and were active in church and community affairs. They retired from farming and moved into town in 1966. Tobias passed away on July 3, 1969. In the spring of 1978 Gena moved into the new Leiseth Apartment that was just built, where she still resides.

VINCENT NELSON - JANET DAHL

Vincent Nelson was born to Anton and Martha (Moren) Nelson, March 23, 1928 at Hendrum, Minnesota. He grew up on the farm and graduated from Hendrum High School. In 1952 he was drafted into the U.S. Army for two years, of which he spent eleven months in Austria. Then he returned to the farm at Hendrum.



The Vincent Nelson Family

Vincent married Janet Dahl, December 30, 1962 at the Ness Lutheran Church, Gary, Minnesota. She was born September 20, 1937 to Oalf and Cora (Hagy) Dahl in Waukon Township, Gary, Minnesota. She grew up on the farm, and graduated from Gary High School. After graduation she worked at the Norman County Highway Department in Ada, Minnesota until 1965.

Vincent and Janet lived in an apartment in the Ole Rogness house in Hendrum for two and a half years, and then moved to the Anton Nelson farm, which they had previously purchased.

They have two daughters, Lorraine Marie born, October 7, 1964. Vonnie Kay born, December 2, 1966. At the present time they are attending Hendrum High School.

The family are all members of Immanuel Lutheran Church and take active part in community activities.

CURTIS NEPSTAD FAMILY

Curtis Nepstad was born June 19, 1918 at Hendrum, the son of Albert Nepstad and Mabel Kirksetter. He lived on a farm east of Hendrum with his parents and two brothers, Arnold now of Moorhead, Minnesota and Howard now of North Carolina.

Curtis married Emma Treichel of Lockhart, Minnesota on November 4, 1939 at Hendrum, to this union were born four sons and two daughters, a daughter and two sons died in early childhood. Children still living are Leland born August 8, 1940,

Allen born July 29, 1943 and Carol born December 26, 1952.

Curtis farmed all of his life east of Hendrum. He passed away at the age of 47, in December of 1965, he had been ill for several months. His father Albert passed away in February of 1969 at the age of 83. Emma Nepstad now lives at Ada, Minnesota.

Allen Nepstad married Bonnis Boit, the daughter of Fred Boit and Annie Brantner of Georgetown on October 17, 1964. The Nepstad's have been living at Grandin since 1964 when Allen became Standard Oil Agent. The Nepstad's purchased the business from Standard Oil in the fall of 1976 and are now doing business as Nepstad Oil Co. Allen and Bonnie have four children, Richard, Leroy, Julie and Karen, they are all attending Cass Valley North School at Argusville at this time.

Leland Nepstad married Gloria Goodwin of Naytahwaush in 1966. Leland and Gloria live in Hendrum, Leland still farms the Nepstad farmstead. They have two daughters, LeAnn and Linda who attend Hendrum Public School. They are members of Concordia Lutheran Church of rural Hendrum.

Carol Nepstad graduated from Ada high School and attended college at Moorhead. She later moved to California to attend school. She married Mike DeCinque and they live at Aneheim, California.

Prepared by Bonnie Nepstad, Grandin, N.D.

ALVEY and LAURA NESDAHL

We arrived in Hendrum in June 1951 and rented a house from Alfred Enger and lived there for about a year. Then we rented a house from Lewey Ostenson and lived there until the fall of 1961. Alvey was employed at the Lewey Ostenson Garage as a mechanic.



Alvey and Laura Nesdahl

Arvid was twelve years old and finished school in Hendrum. He is married now and lives in Ashland, Oregon. He has a family, two boys and one girl. He married Loretta Hanson of Fargo, N.D.

We enjoyed living in Hendrum. There are a lot of warm and friendly people in the city and the community. We always enjoyed our visit whenever we made a trip back there.

We are presently living in Fergus Falls, Minnesota.



Arvid and Alvey Nesdahl

REV. J.M.O. and MRS. NESS (SUSANNA AMUNDSON)

Rev. J.M.O. Ness was born in Austefjordan, Volda, Norway in 1851. He came to America in 1872. After working at jobs for a couple of years, he attended Luther College in Iowa for six years, finishing his education at the Theological Seminary in Madison, Wisconsin. He was united in marriage to Susanna Amundson in 1884. Four girls and three boys were born to this union: Sarah (Mrs. Art Anderson), Oscar, Olga (Mrs. Davis), Stella (Mrs. Carl Aabye), Freda (Mrs. Oscar Lindem), John and Ralph.

When Rev. Stromme resigned (from Immanuel Church) in 1883, a letter of call was sent to Rev. J.M.O. Ness who had just been ordained into the ministry from the Theological Seminary of Madison, Wisconsin. He came to serve full of vigor and zeal. He threw all his youthful energy into his ministry, ever faithful to labor for his Master from dawn to sunset.

In 1884, the Immanuel, Kirkebo and Nora Congregations erected their first parsonage on forty acres of land purchased southeast of the Perley bridge, near the Red River. Here Rev. Ness made his home during his twenty-seven years of ministering to the needs of his people. Upon resigning, he bought it for his own. A stable was also built for his horses.

Rev. Ness held services both Sunday mornings and afternoons in order to serve all. He drove to these churches with a horse and a buggy, using a cutter when there was snow. He never missed a service. Stella said that her father had figured that he had driven a distance of two trips around the world in his twenty-seven years here.

In 1910 Rev. Ness resigned to take up his work as teacher of Christianity at Concordia College. Rev. Ness was president of the organization that started Concordia Church. Rev. Ness could speak four languages.

ADAM NICHOL FAMILY DOUGLAS NICHOL - LOVILLA TWEETEN

Adam "Ad" and Alison Nichol came from Canada in the early 1800's settling on a farm west of Hendrum on the banks of the Red River. They had six children. The oldest and youngest of the family, Margaret and Elsie, became school teachers and spent most of their lives in the Portland, Oregon area with their husbands and children. Margaret died in 1948 and Elsie in 1980.



Douglas Nichol Family
Elizabeth, John, Mary Allison, Loville, Stuart, Douglas

Of the sons of Adam and Alison Nichol, Andrew, Douglas, Frank and Donald, only Douglas lived in the Hendrum area. On November 26, 1931, he married Lovilla Tweeten of Comstock, Minnesota who was the primary teacher in the Hendrum school.

The Nichols continued to live on the farm until their retirement in 1969. They were members of the Hendrum Presbyterian Church. They moved to Pelican Rapids, Minnesota in May 1969, where Lovilla still lives. Douglas passed away July 30, 1974.

Douglas and Lovilla have four children: Mary Alison, Mrs. Paul Payne, lives in Marietta, Georgia; John married Silvina Gonzales and they live near Pelican Rapids, Minnesota; Elizabeth married Vernard Hirsch, and they live in North Palm Beach, Florida; Stuart, married Cheryl Rudd of Gardner, North Dakota, and they live near Wolverton, Minnesota.

ROBERT NYGAARD - CAROLYN HENDERSON

The Robert Nygaard family came to live in Hendrum in 1960. They moved from Fisher, Minnesota where Bob had been teaching Vocational Agriculture since 1954. As there were no homes available in Hendrum, they built a home on the east side of the

village. Bob then began farming and trucking with his father Vernon. The farm was located three miles west of Harwood, N.D. Vernon passed away in 1969, the farm was sold and Bob continued in the trucking business and was joined in that venture by his son Paul in 1975.

Bob and Carolyn met as freshmen at Halstad High School and were married in 1950. The children are John, born in 1951 at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, Kristine, born in Fargo in 1952, Paul, born in 1957 in Crookston, Minnesota, Julie born in 1962 in Moorhead.

John is married to Connie Magnuson. They have a son, Aaron born in 1969 in Moorhead. They live in Moorhead where Connie is attending Moorhead State College. John works in Fargo.

Kristine is a resident of the State Hospital in Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

Paul lives in Moorhead and Hendrum. He is in the grain trucking business.

Julie is a freshman at North Dakota State University.

Carolyn taught high school English at Amboy, Minnesota the first year of their marriage. Bob and Carolyn did a lot of moving around the second year they were married as he was serving in the U.S. Army. They recall moving no less than ten times in that year. Bob was sent to Korea during the Korean Conflict where he served in the infantry. He was wounded in action on July 10, 1952. He was returned to the Army Hospital in Camp Carson, Colorado for surgery and spent several months recovering from his wounds.

Bob served on the Hendrum-Perley School Board for twelve years. At present he is the mayor of Hendrum and an active member of the Holland-Swenson Post of the American Legion. Carolyn's interests have been in the Norman County Association for Retarded Citizens, Legion Auxiliary, Immanuel Lutheran Church and the Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home.

VERNON NYGAARD - CLARICE INGBERG

Vernon Nygaard was born in Halstad, Minnesota, January 25, 1905, the son of John and Josephine Nygaard. He attended public schools there and high school in Ada, Minnesota, where the family moved upon the election of John Nygaard as Sheriff of Norman County.

Clarice, the daughter of Oscar and Anna Ingberg of Hendrum, Minnesota, was born in 1905 and moved with her parents to Saskatchewan, Canada, where she attended grade school. Clarice's experiences pioneering with her parents on the vast plains of

Western Canada were exciting and unusual. She had to live and play on the "stairs" of their house to keep from freezing. Then, with their move to the original "homestead," a sod house and barn were built slicing sod from the virgin prairie. Neither human nor animal ever froze in the sod buildings, however - only on the long walk to and fro. The temperature would often go down to minus 65°F. School attendance was on horseback with a neighbor girl, then on her own horse, "Katie." The most memorable occasion was a visit to Saskatoon to join a welcoming party for the arrival of Patricia ("Princess Pat"), the daughter of the Duke of Connaught. The latter was a brother of King Edward the VII then on the throne of England. The Duke and Princess came to hunt wild geese on the Shannon farm near the Ingberg homestead. Clarice returned to the States with her parents to continue her schooling at Hendrum High School, and Moorhead State University. She taught school before her marriage to Vernon Nygaard in 1926. Vernon and Clarice moved to Morris, Minnesota, and resided there five years. Robert Vernon was born in Morris, September 19, 1928, and son Franklin Douglas was born in Morris, December 12, 1931.

The family returned to Hendrum and Halstad communities where Vernon engaged in grain trade and farming near Harwood, North Dakota. Vernon passed away September 16, 1969 after a long illness. Clarice has since resided in Hendrum and Sherwood, Oregon. Son Robert resides in Hendrum and is active in the grain trade and community affairs. Son Frank resides in Oregon and is a tour director for an International Travel Company.

(AAGAARD) - OGARD FAMILY HISTORY Carl, Charles, Alfred, Charles

Carl (Aagaard) Ogard came to the United States from Norway in 1866, with his family. His son Charles Maurice, settled in Hendrum, March 1907. He was married to Elizabeth (Jacobson) Christianson. They had five children, Johannah, Ella, Josephine, Alvin and Alfred.

Alfred W. Ogard was born August 7, 1892, died May 3, 1970. He farmed with his father Charles until the 1940's. Alfred married Theresa Marie Hviding July 20, 1927 at Hendrum. Theresa was born August 27, 1899 to Simon and Johanna Hviding at Perley, Minnesota. Alfred and Tracy had three children: Alice Marie, deceased, was born June 8, 1929, died July 14, 1978. She married William Borgen Jr. of Perley on June 8, 1948. They had four sons Richard, Wayne, Jeffrey and Randy.



Alfred Ogard Family: Alice, Charles, JoAnn, Theresa, Alfred

JoAnn Elizabeth, born January 31, 1934. She married Arne Strom of Ada, September 26, 1953. They had three children, Teresa, Ginger and Bradley.

Charles Maurice, was born October 5, 1930 at Hendrum. He farmed with his Dad until 1956 when Alfred retired and moved into Hendrum. Charles continued on with the farming. He married Carol Laidlaw, June 5, 1954 at Winnipeg, Canada. Carl was born to Casper and Ionw Laidlaw, August 3, 1935 at Winnipeg. To this union four daughters were born: Christy Marie, born August 23, 1955. She married Steven Jacobson of Perley on August 31, 1974. They have two daughters: Sarah Christine, born January 3, 1977, Kelly Marie, born November 24, 1977. They live on the Ogard farm at Hendrum.



Charles and Carol Ogard and four daughters

Paula Kay, born September 4, 1956. She married David Nelson of Perley on June 12, 1976. They have two children: Allison Kay, born December 31, 1977, died September 5, 1981; Adam David, born May 15, 1980. They reside in Fargo.

Debra Ann, born August 22, 1958. She married

Leonard Boehm, June 3, 1978. They live in Mandan, North Dakota.

Susan Elizabeth, born July 7, 1960. She married Paul Dennis Bailey, August 4, 1979. They have one son, Paul Charles, born December 10, 1980. They live in Mesa, Arizona.

CARL O. OHNSTAD FAMILY

John H. Hagen's oldest daughter Bessie married Carl O. Ohnstad, who was born April 21, 1888 and died February 3, 1972. He purchased the Hendrum Garage in 1911. In March 1913, he bought the first electric plant for his garage, and in 1914 he put electricity in the Ohnstad home next door. In 1916 the Auditorium was built and the village council asked Carl to wire it for the showing of silent motion pictures. The power plant was located in the Ohnstad Garage. It was called the Hendrum Power and Light Company.

The first electric plant consisted of a twenty-five h.p. gasoline engine and a generator. This set up gave direct current only so long as the plant was in operation, being shut off at a certain time every evening. The first year, 1917, Carl wired ninety-seven homes and businesses, and put up the street lights. In 1921 the Minnesota Electric District Company of St. Paul bought the plant.



Carl O. Ohnstad and Bessie Hagen

Carl continued in business with the Oakland-Pontiac Automobile Dealership and was very helpful in fixing and repairing automobiles and most everything that needed fixing or repairing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ohnstad had one son, Orvin Curtis (Tudy), born May 12, 1914, who was killed in a truck-train accident on July 8, 1958. Tudy was married to Edna A. Jegtvig, of Hawley, Minnesota, and they had four children; Mrs. Donald (Barbara) Duval of Fargo, North Dakota; Curtis of Denver, Colorado; Carol Ryskoski and Geraldine Masseth both of Glendale, Arizona.

Carl Ohnstad died in 1972 and is buried in St. Pauli Cemetery, and Bessie, at the present time resides at the Wimmer Home in Ada, Minnesota.

GERDA and LOUIS OHNSTAD

Gerda and Louis were married in Los Angeles in 1942. Louis was born and raised east of Argusville, North Dakota. His parents were Mr. and Mrs. Jens Ohnstad. His mother, Sena, was born in Osterdalene, Norway and came to America in a sailboat when she was five years old. Louis's grandfather came from the Sogne Fjord area in Norway. Before coming to Argusville the Jens Ohnstads lived in Goodhue County in Minnesota.



Louis, Gerda, James, Joan Ohnstad

Gerda was born near Amenia, North Dakota and later moved with her parents west of Argusville. Her parents were the Victor Bergmans. Gerda's father came from Dalarna, Sweden and her mother came from Bleking, Sweden. There were seven children in the family. The boys are farming west of Argusville.

Louis spent five years in the armed forces during World War 2, 1939-1945.



Louis Ohnstad Service Station on West Main, for 25 years.

Louis and Gerda came to Hendrum in the spring of 1946 after purchasing the Canning Service Station from H.J. Canning. Louis was in business there for twenty five years. In 1971 he retired and worked for the Hendrum Village for five years.

Gerda taught school for thirty two years. Nine years were spent in different rural schools in Cass County, North Dakota. One year in Wyoming, and twenty three in Hendrum.

There were two children in the family, James and Joan. James, at the present time manages a radio station at Litchfield, Minnesota. He married Julie Luthens of Hutchinson, Minnesota and they have two children, Corey and Amy. Joan married Roger Lee, son

of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lee of Perley. Joan and Roger live in Irvine, California where Roger is in the Computer business. They have one daughter, Katie.

FREDERICK and MARGARET OPHEIM FAMILY

Our parents, Frederick and Margaret Opheim, were born at Innery, Norway, Frederick on November 19, 1856, and Margaret on June 22, 1862. During their youth, they worked at the Opheim (gaard) farm. As time went on, they decided there was no future for them in Norway, so Fredrick came to the United States in 1887. While Dad was waiting for our mother, he worked on a bonanza farm near Grandin, North Dakota. Mother came to the Hendrum area in 1893, and they were married in 1894, and settled on the farm we now own. Frederick passed away May 20, 1944 and Martha on February 21, 1935.

Nine children were born to their union: **Julia**, who passed away at 26 years; **Josephine** and **Joseph**, who died as infants from diphtheria.

Anna, who married Marshall Dullum. He worked at the meat market in Hendrum in 1935, later moving to California, they are both deceased. They had two sons, Frederick, deceased; Marshall Armand, of Woodland, California, who married Elizabeth Martin. Their children are Jeffrey, Bridget, Charles and Carrie.



Frederick and Caroline Margaret Opheim

Josephine, a teacher for several years in Emmons County, North Dakota, married Edward Tracy. They moved to the Hendrum area in 1934 after suffering years of severe drought. Josephine passed away in 1958, and Edward is a resident of the Health Care Center in Moorhead, Minnesota. There are five in their family: **Ruth**, Georgetown, Minnesota, married to Herbert Bakko, who have three children, namely Mary, married to Marvin Eskildsen of Fargo, N.D. with two children, Mark, Michelle; Kathryn and Lee Bakko. **Dorrance**, Page, Arizona, who married Yvonne Baum, they have four daughters: Jacqueline Conners, Jerilyn, Josephine and Joan. **John**, Perley, Minnesota married Janice Hasz, have four daughters: Peggy,

Jane, Susan and Ellen. **Henry**, Palmdale, California, married Mikelle Korver, with one son, Scott. **Thomas**, Fargo, North Dakota, married Louise Schmidt, children: Theresa and Michael.

Frieda, who dedicated her life to the nursing profession, spent several years in various cities in California before retiring to our farm, and she passed away in 1967.



Back row: Frederick Opheim, John Opheim, Olive (Opheim) Larson, Mary (Opheim) Berg, Front: Anders Opheim, Annie (Opheim) Gauson, Peter Opheim, Ingborg Martha Opheim.

Mollie, married Nick Nelson, he also worked at the meat market in Hendrum in 1934, before moving to Perley, where he bought the meat market and grocery store combination. They are both deceased. They had four sons: **Robert**, Helena, Montana, married Ardell Grefsrud, have three children: Ross, Santa Clara, California, married to Pamela Weiss, Karen and Eric; **Howard**, Shelly, Minnesota, married Nancy Folstad, have two children: David and Janet. **Neal**, Albuquerque, New Mexico, married Lois Prischmann, have three children: Linda, Roger and Ellen. **Marvin**, Silverdale, Washington, married Marcella Schlichting, have two daughters, Nicole and Marie.



Erling (born 1908), Jeannette (born 1912) Opheim
Mark (1975) and Michelle (1978) Eskilsen
5th generation of Frederick and Margaret Eskildsen

Erling and Jeannette Opheim, who have resided on the home farm all their lives and have taken an active interest in all the Hendrum community and church affairs.

Our family attended the Wide Awake School, where we had several wonderful, faithful teachers, who

helped us learn our ABC's, etc. They did everything from teaching subjects, wiping children's noses and janitor work without any grumbling.

We were members of the St. Pauli Lutheran Congregation until the church was struck by lightning and burned on September 9, 1937. It was never rebuilt, so we joined the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum, Minnesota.

The Christmas programs and the lutefisk suppers held at St. Pauli church are a joy to remember. The recitations, new clothes, gifts, the visits from Santa Claus, the beautiful Christmas trees with all the decorations and real candles lighted, and the sleigh rides on the white snow at night are many pleasant memories.

Erling and I are retired now. We rent our land, also the farm we bought from our Uncle, Peter Opheim, to our nephew, Howard Nelson. This is the fourth generation farming on the land originally owned by our grandparents, Andrew and Ingeborg Martha Opheim. We keep busy with our garden, flowers, lawn care and reading. We have sheltered many travelers from severe blizzards, and given food to hungry unemployed transients during the depression of the 30's. Our nephews, nieces, friends and their families are always welcome. We hope to continue in good health, so we may live in our home by the side of the road, and be a friend to man.

Erling and Jeannette Opheim

PETER MARTIN OPHEIM

Peter Martin Opheim was born at Inneroy, Norway on September 24, 1881 to Ingeborg Martha and Andrew Opheim, who also were in Inneroy, Norway, Andrew in 1841 and Martha on April 2, 1837. Andrew came to America in 1881 and settled in the Hendrum area. He was a farmer and a carpenter.



Peter Opheim, 90 years

May 1891, Martha and her children, John, Odlau, Marie and Peter came to America to be with their husband and father.

Although Peter became handicapped from polio, he became a carpenter and farmer. Many homes in this area, and in other states, are still standing as a memorial to his skill and ability to build solid and beautiful homes.

Peter and his sister, Annie Gausen, cared for their mother until she passed away in August, 1935. Annie Gausen died on June 2, 1964 and Peter on June 4, 1975.



Knute and Betsy Ostby

MR. and MRS. KNUTE OSTBY

Knute and Betsy Ostby moved to Hendrum, Minnesota from Climax, Minnesota. They operated a drug, confectionery and notions store in Hendrum for many years.



Knute Ostby Family
Knute J., Betsy B., and daughter, Edna Ostby

Knute was on the School Board. The family was active in the Lutheran Church at Hendrum, and Knute was a member of a businessmen's and farmers' organization, called the Brotherhood. Knute and Betsy are both buried in the Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery, north of Hendrum, Minnesota.

They had one daughter, Edna, who graduated from Hendrum High School. She attended Valley City State Teachers' College and taught school at Arthur, North Dakota, where she met and married Alfred Smestad on September 14, 1926, where he was a pharmacist. They had two children: Coralie Hultquist, residing in Big Lake, Minnesota, and Kenneth, who lives in San Juan, Puerto Rico. They have five grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Alfred Smestad passed away on December 26, 1973. Edna now lives at the Monticello-Big Lake Nursing Home in Monticello, Minnesota.

LEWEY OSTENSON - IRENE ROGNESS

Lewey Edwin Ostenson was born on a farm northeast of Halstad, Minnesota. He was the fourth child of Archie and Celia Ostenson of Halstad. He came to Hendrum in 1924 to work for his brother-in-law, Emil Thorson, at the Hendrum Creamery, which was located Northeast of the village at that time. In 1928, a new creamery was built across the street to the west from the Lutheran Church where the "Mission House" was located. The Mission House had been moved to the lot east of the Lutheran Church.

In 1936, Lewey married Irene Rogness, a native of Hendrum. She was born January 23, 1912, the fourth daughter of Ole and Jensine Rogness (their family history also appears in this book). She graduated from the Hendrum High School in 1930 and received her R.N. from St. Lukes Hospital School of Nursing in Fargo in 1933. She did private nursing locally and worked about a year in a Grafton, North Dakota, hospital before she was married. In the early years following, her nursing consisted mostly of emergency calls and assisting the area doctors at a time when home deliveries were common and an occasional emergency surgical operation was performed in the home.



Ostenson Motor Sales and Service, center high building.

Lewey and Irene moved to Perley, Minnesota, in 1942, where Lewey was operator and manager of the Perley Co-op Creamery. He built this into a thriving business by starting a milk route and introducing other side lines as buying and selling of poultry, eggs, feed, etc.

In the fall of 1947, they moved back to Hendrum. Here, Lewey started a business of his own. He purchased the former "Hendrum Opera House" building from Mrs. Henry Marsden, remodeled and built an addition to it. When the business was first started, it consisted mostly of automobile sales and a service department. Cars being scarce in the post-war years, household appliances and televisions were added. Then Lewey was offered the Allis Chalmers farm machinery dealership. As the need and desire for farm home improvement became evident, Lewey took on the project of piping in and installing water systems in the farm homes in the area. Later, Case and several short lines of farm machinery were added to his business.



Lewey and Irene Ostenson

Although "Ostenson Motor Sales and Service" was a busy place, it was also a place where villagers, farmers, salesmen and customers from far and near could meet for a chat. In spite of the busy schedule, coffee breaks were very frequent, and most any time of day a group of men, with Lewey, could be seen parading to or from one of the cafes.

Lewey was supportive and active in civic, school and church affairs. He was a trustee of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in the 1950's, at the time the present church building was constructed. He served on the village council as Clerk in 1941 and 1942 and again as council man from 1959 through 1964. He was a member of the Hendrum Commercial Club and served as Chairman for several years.

While still in business, and after a brief illness, Lewey passed away on November 27, 1976. His wife,

Irene, continues to live in Hendrum in the home they built in 1950.

OSMUND PAULSRUD - PEARL HANSETH

Osmund Paulsrud was born near Lillehammer, Norway in 1902. His parents Anton and Mathea Paulsrud had eight sons, and realizing there was not much to do in Norway, they emigrated to America. They came to Fertile, Minnesota and later to Neilsville, by wagon and a team of horses. It took them 17 days to cross the Atlantic.



Osmund Paulsrud and Pearl (Hanseth)

Osmund took a freight train to Washington State, looking for work, but then decided to walk to California where he worked at several jobs. There he met and married Pearl Hanseth. They have one son, Gary, who is a graduate of Hendrum High School. Gary is married to Jennifer Rae and they have a daughter Kathryn, who resides in Fargo, North Dakota.

Osmund and Pearl have farmed at Neilsville and at Hendrum, Minnesota, having purchased the DeCasonove farm three miles south of Hendrum. They retired from farming in 1972, and moved to California where they now reside at Malibu.



Gary, Jennifer Rae, Kathryn Paulsrud

HORACE D. PERKINS - GERTRUDE NAEKEL

Horace D. Perkins was born in Northwood, Iowa, on May 11, 1877. Gertrude Naekel was born on November 29th, 1882, in Valley City, North Dakota. They were married on September 18, 1910, in Valley City, North Dakota.

Mr. Perkins was a grain buyer for many years. He started out at Rogers, North Dakota. Their two children were born there. Horace John, born July 8, 1911, and Katherine Elvira, born June 10, 1912.

The family moved to Max, North Dakota, when he became the manager of the Farmers Elevator there. The next move was to Grace City, North Dakota, where he purchased the elevator. Due to letting out too much credit and hard times, he lost the elevator. The next move was to Grace City, North Dakota, where he also became manager of an elevator. The grain dust was beginning to affect his health, so he decided to try another occupation. He purchased the general store at Sutton. He sold the store and moved to Valley City, North Dakota.

It was in the fall of 1932 that he and his family came to Hendrum when he accepted the managership of the Farmer's Elevator. They moved into an apartment in the former G.T. Ingberg home, and later were to build a small house of their own.

A few years after Mr. Perkins came, the old elevators were torn down and a new elevator was constructed.

Due to ill health, he retired in 1943 and moved to Fargo, North Dakota.

The government was drafting the young men into the services, and there became a shortage of grain buyers, so he was asked to fill in at Hallock, Minnesota, which he did. He also acted in the same capacity at Georgetown, Minnesota, after which they again moved back to Fargo.

Although both were in failing health, they were able to take care of themselves. Mrs. Perkins died January 19th, 1950, after a short illness. Mr. Perkins died eleven days later, January 30th, 1950, of a heart attack.

Katherine was married to Earl Ingberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ingberg of Hendrum. They were the parents of two children, Dixie Lee (Mrs. Gary Paseka) and Barbara Jean (Mrs. Richard Herbst). Katherine died August 25th, 1945, of embolism, following surgery.

Horace J. Perkins lived with his parents in Hendrum and helped his father in the elevator. In the spring of 1939, he went to work at the Goldberg Feed and Seed in Moorhead, Minnesota. The same fall, September 30, 1939, he married Charlotte Rustvold and they moved to Moorhead. They lived here for three years.

After a short while living in Beaverton, Oregon, while Horace worked in the Portland shipyards, they returned to Minnesota.

Horace decided to follow in his father's footsteps, and accepted the job as manager of the elevator at Glyndon, Minnesota. They remained here for seventeen years.

He accepted a similar position in Alvarado, Minnesota, and resided there six years.

In March, 1966, he went to work in the wheat department at the Farmer's Cooperative Marketing Association in East Grand Forks, Minnesota. He moved his family to East Grand Forks in June, 1966. He worked in this establishment until his retirement in 1977.

The family consisted of son, James Horace, and daughter, Susan Randa.

James and his wife, Linda, with their children, Kathern Sue and James John, live in Fresno, California.

Susan and her husband, Ronald Hagen, and daughter, Jennifer Sue, live in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

HENRY PETERSON - SOPHIE BENESH

Henry Peterson was born September 8, 1888 in Anthony Township, Norman County, the son of Nels and Bertha Peterson. He married Sophie Benesh, daughter of James and Frances Benesh on March 11, 1919, and settled on a farm east of Ada, farming there a few years until moving to a farm northeast of Hendrum. He farmed there until his retirement.

Nine children were born to Henry and Sophie: Marjorie, who died at the age of 20 of encephalitis.

Helen married Lester Edmunds of Hendrum and farmed east of Hendrum until retiring in 1977. They still reside on the farm. Helen and Lester have four daughters: Nancy who married Ray Ward and lives at Humbolt, Mn. and farm near St. Vincent, Mn. Jorgene married Darrel Aalsager on September 10, 1979. They farm and raise cattle near Walcott, N.D. They have one son Joshua, 10 months old. Jorgene is employed part time at St. Lukes Hospital in Fargo. Pamela married Kit Grove of Fargo, June 23, 1980. Kit is employed at Marguerites Music in Moorhead, Mn. They are in the process of building a log home near Detroit Lakes and will be living there in the near future. Joan married Craig Borgen of Georgetown, Mn., August 27, 1975. They now farm the Edmunds home farm. They adopted a 3-month old Korean girl named Bethany Marie.

James married Faye Lohmeier of Ada, Mn. and have farmed near Ada since. They have three children: Danny who married Denise Wagner of Ada and have a 2 year old daughter Angel. They live in Minneapolis, Mn. Cindy who is attending MSU, and Judy who is employed at the Ada School.

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Edgar married Leona Jacobson and resides at Hibbing, Mn. They have two daughters, Julie and Kami. Edgar is employed at a body shop in Hibbing.

Gerald married Marie Sazema of Wisconsin. They have five children; Terry, Denise, Randy, Sherise and Dean. Gerald served in the Air Force for 24 years until retiring to a small farm near Pueblo, Colorado. Marie is employed by the city of Colorado Springs.

Arlene married Allan Ingberg of Perley and are farming west of Hendrum. They have two children: Cheryl employed at St. Ansgars Hospital in Moorhead, Mn. and Mark at home.

Robert married Sandra Remboldt of Jamestown. They now reside at Lode, California where Robert is employed by Kenevorth Trucking Co. They have two children: a daughter Sarah who married Jim Larso and live at Stockton, California and a son, Ron in college.

Larry married Marilyn Zies and they live at Hardin, Montana where Larry is employed at a body shop. They have two sons, Michael and Eric.

Lyle married Alice Loe and live in Hendrum. They have one daughter, Tara. Lyle and Alice operated a grocery store in Hendrum for a few years. Lyle is employed by Grandin Manufacturing Co. at Grandin, North Dakota.

Henry Peterson died at the age of 75 in 1963. Sophie died in 1965 at the age of 66. Henry and Sophie have 21 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren.

PASTOR and MRS. HERBERT PETERSON

TO THE HENDRUM COMMUNITY:

Greetings: Congratulations to you all on these Anniversary Days in July 1982 in the Hendrum Community.

It is with pleasure I respond to your request relative to the occasion.

It is gratifying to rehearse our memory with you all, serving the Hendrum Lutheran Parish in the years 1954-1964, Immanuel, Pontoppidan and Concordia Congregations.

An added satisfaction of paramount interest, the ground-work, development and erection of the new Immanuel Church with facilities so accommodating for worship and speedy payment of the church edifice. This accomplishment in 1958 of the building and the payment of same and the burning of the mortgage speedily realized. Truly the blessings of God and apt response of the congregation, then, moving in thought to the parish; the building of the parsonage, so complete with its facilities.

The Petersons now reside at Forest City, Iowa. The children now live in the following cities; Miriam Mardelle at Sioux City, Iowa. Her husband Chuck Clayton working at the Wilson Manufacturing. Ruth Marlene at Rochester, Minnesota. Her husband, Dr. Bakken, a pathologist with Mayo Clinic. Herbert Jr. lives at Williston, North Dakota, in Social Work with the State of North Dakota. His wife, Elaine. Philip Luther living at Mora, Minnesota, graduated from Hendrum High School in 1959. Currently director Kanabec County Family Services. His wife, Susan.

The Peterson family moved from Minneapolis to Hendrum in April 1954. Pastor Peterson was installed in the Hendrum Parish at the High School Auditorium on April 11, 1954. It is with appreciation, the Pastor and Parish express their thanks to the area for so much cooperation for the use of the High School Auditorium while in the building program.

Now, with hopes, to visit the Community of Hendrum on its 100th Anniversary in July 1982.

Pastor and Mrs. Herbert Peterson



Pastor and Mrs. Herbert Peterson, Ruth, Miriam, Herbert, Philip

ROSCOE FESTUS PETERSON MARY EDITH THOMPSON

Roscoe Festus Peterson was born near Marne, Iowa, May 15, 1884 to John David and Mary Jane (Berry) Peterson. He attended school and grew up to manhood there and farmed in that vicinity.

Mary Edith was born September 11, 1888 near Petersburg, Illinois to Robert and Rozenia Ann

(Bowman) Thomson. She attended country school through nine grades, than later received a Certificate of Graduation from the American System of Dress-making, a correspondence school at Kansas City.

Ross and Edith were united in marriage September 15, 1909 at Petersburg and moved to Iowa to make their home.

In 1918, rents were being raised, so this family (now included two daughters) decided to go where land was cheaper and buy a farm. As a result Ross and Edith bought a farm east of Hendrum. It wasn't until March 1920 that Ross, Edith, Ardelle and Vera moved to this farm to make their home. The girls attended country school, District 40, the Clover Blossom School, one and a half miles from their home. Later they attended and graduated from Hendrum High School. The family entered into community affairs and attended the Presbyterian Church in Hendrum.

Ross owned a beautiful team of black horses and was called on to drive the hearse for many funerals.

One year Ross entered the race for Sheriff of Norman County but was defeated.

The flock of Buff Orphington chickens was culled each year and the eggs sold to the Joe Berg Hatchery east of Hendrum. Almost every farm had its own vegetable garden, its pigs and calves for butchering; chickens for the family's supply of eggs and meat and cows to supply milk, cream and butter. The cream was separated and hauled in cans to the creamery in Hendrum three times a week. This home was no exception. They always had a large garden and truck patch, raising enough vegetables for their own use and some to sell. They did lots of canning, pickling and preserving for winter use. They sold sweet corn for eating and canning for 10¢ a dozen or 12 dozen for \$1.00.



Ross Peterson Family
Ardelle, Ross, Edith, Vera

Ross and Edith retired from the farm and moved into Hendrum. Ross died in January 1949. Edith lived with her daughter awhile, then left for California to care for an ailing sister until the sister passed away. Then she cared for a brother until he died. She went back to Petersburg, Ill., and lived with a sister there. She was a babysitter for her nieces two children while their mother taught "special" classes at school. She spent the summers with her daughters in Minnesota and Wisconsin until her death in March 1976.

Ardelle married John Loughlin, lived on the home farm for five years, lived in several communities, but now resides in Cushing, Wisconsin. Ardelle and John had a family of five children, Myron, Hazel, Irving, John and William. John died in 1967 and Ardelle has been working as an aide in the St. Croix Hospital.

Vera married Olaf Jodock and the couple farmed near Kempton, North Dakota (on the farm where Olaf was born) for five years, then moved to the home farm three and one half miles east of Hendrum. To this couple were born five children; Joan Edith, Julian (Bud), Oliver Nels, Ronald and Paul. Olaf and Vera moved from Hendrum in 1978 to a farm southwest of Bagley, Minnesota, then in 1980 to a farm south of Fosston, Minnesota.

ALVIN and NELLIE QUALLEY

Alvin was the son of Even and Emma Qualley. He was born in Hendrum Township in 1904. Alvin attended the Meadowlark School and graduated from the Hendrum High School.

In 1926 he married Nellie Boerger of Thief River Falls, Minnesota. She attended grade and High School there.

Alvin was a trucker, farmer, and a county assessor. He was also a rural Mail Carrier for 29 years.

Nellie and Alvin were members of Concordia Lutheran Church and in 1958 they joined Immanuel Lutheran Church of Hendrum.



Alvin and Nellie Qualley Family
Arlo, Marlene, Alvira, Bonnie, Nellie, Alvin

Three daughters and two sons were born to Nellie and Alvin. One son passed away as an infant.

Alvira is a nurse and married Dr. H.J. Weyers. He is practicing in West Fargo, North Dakota. They have four daughters and one son; Kari Lea - Dental Hygien-

ist, Duluth, Minnesota, married Tom Plante. They have one son Gerard.

Karla - Medical Secretary, Fargo, North Dakota, married Bill Fellows. They have a daughter Sara and a son Andrew.

Nina - Nurse, Grafton, North Dakota, married Keith Nilson.

Jay - student at Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota.

Anna - student at Helena Montana College.

Eugene born July 18, 1958, deceased July 22, 1958.

Bonnie was employed at Norman County State Bank, married Howard Ellingson. They have one son and four daughters; Perry - farming with his dad. They have two sons and one daughter, Shawn, Stephanie, and Christopher. Peggy - graduate of Bemidji College, she works in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Paulette - graduate of N.D.S.U. Interior Decorator, San Antonio, Texas. Jill and Jodie - twins - graduates of Mr. Dons Beauty College, working in Fargo, North Dakota.

Marlene - Dietician, at St. Anthony Hospital of Denver, Colorado. She married David Allen, geologist with Bureau of Reclamation in Denver, Colorado. They have one son, Dan, attending Denver College.

Arlo - Vice President of Kapnick Insurance Company of Adrian, Michigan. He married Jan Sjoblom who was secretary at W.D.A.Y. They have two children; Andrew, senior at Adrian High School and Julie, 8th grade student.

Alvin passed away December 22, 1977.

EVEN N. QUALLEY - INGEBOR INGBERG

Even Qualley was born in Valdres, Norway, on October 9, 1854, son of Nils and Mary (Hoverud) Qualley who came to the United States in 1867. The family settled on a farm in Manitowoc County, Wisconsin, where his parents lived the remainder of their lives.



Even Qualley Family — Ida, Martin, Martha, Nora, Henry, Alvin, Even, Ingebor, Neil, Chester, Hilma.

Even came to Norman County in 1881. In 1882 he bought two-hundred and forty acres of land in section 36 of Hendrum Township. He rented the land out until 1887 when they took over the place. After his marriage the following year he established his home there.

In 1888, at Perley, Even Qualley was united in marriage to Ingebor Ingberg, who was born in Hedemarken, Norway, daughter of Hans O. and Kristine (Olson) Ingberg both natives of Norway. They came to the United States in 1881 and settled on a farm in Hendrum Township.

Even did grain farming and had a large herd of Holstein cattle. Cream was hauled to the Hendrum Creamery by horse and buggy.

Mr. Qualley was interested in community affairs. He helped organize the creamery and elevator in Hendrum. The family were life long members of Concordia Church which Mr. Qualley helped organize and build. Mrs. Qualley was a charter member of the Ladies Aid.

Even built all the buildings on his farm. An addition was made to the house in 1900 and a large barn was built in 1910. He was a carpenter and in the pioneer days built many homes in the neighborhood.

He later purchased eighty acres adjoining his farm and ten acres of timber along the Wild Rice River east of Hendrum, where wood was cut and hauled each winter to furnish fuel for the coming year. This was no easy job, as all logs had to be sawed and split by hand. The men would leave early in the morning, after the chores were done, they would take their noon lunch along which would sometimes freeze, a team of horses and a sled and work in the woods all day, coming home with a load of logs, which were later sawed and split for fuel for the next year. It was a cold, hard job.

Even installed a delco light plant, so they had electric lights, making it easier to do the chores and also lights and other appliances for the home.



Victor Qualley

Twelve children were born to Even and Ingebor Qualley. All the children attended country school in District 3 for eight years and some went on to graduate from Hendrum High School. Nora and Martha were teachers teaching in rural schools.

Nora married Martinus Flaten of Twin Valley

(deceased). They have one daughter, Irene Flaten Olson, who now lives on the farm with Nora.

Twins were **Martin** and **Hans**. Hans passed away at two years and Martin in 1957. **Hilma** married Gottvold Rockstad (both deceased). One step daughter survives, **Minnie** Rockstad Anderson of Moorhead, Minnesota. **Ida** married Edwin Williams (both deceased). One daughter, **Elsie** Williams Ikola remains and lives in Thunder Bay, Ontario Canada. **Martha** married Iver Rude (both deceased). They farmed in Mary Township. They had thirteen children of whom eight are living. Joseph Emery of Texas; Irvin, a World War II veteran, passed away at his home in Waukegan Illinois; Irene, Mrs. Sid Synder of Crookston, Minnesota; Chester, of Ada, Minnesota; Doris, Mrs. Ray Merkins, Hutchinson, Minnesota; Donald Perley, Minnesota; Mrs. Clarence Hekman, Ada, Minnesota; Richard, Morris, Minnesota; Iver Jr. of Halstad, Minnesota. **Alvin**, (deceased) married Nellie Borgen, who farmed in Hendrum Township and carried mail for twenty-nine years for RR 1 of Hendrum. They reside in Hendrum. They have four children: Alvira, Mrs. Henry Weyers, of Fargo, N.D.; Bonnie, Mrs. Howard Ellingson of Perley; Marlene, Mrs. David Allen, Denver, Colorado; and Arlo of Adrian, Michigan. Neil, married Tilda Olson, they live in Moorhead, Minnesota, and have one son Julian who lives in Lake Park, Minnesota. **Victor** (deceased), married Helen Henricksen, they live on the home farm. They have three children: David, of Stittville, New York; Margaret, Mrs. Kenneth Peterson of Prior Lake, Minnesota and Verne of Perley.

Even Qualley passed away in 1930 at the age of seventy two years and Mrs. Qualley in 1943 at the age of seventy one years. The other children were Olga, Chester and Henry, all deceased.

Written by Helen Qualley

VERNE QUALLEY - MARILYN CROWELL

Verne Qualley, son of the late Victor Qualley and Helen Qualley, married Marilyn Crowell from Gander, Newfoundland in 1964. Verne spent twenty years in the United States Air Force and had tours of duty in Japan, Newfoundland, Greenland, Alaska and various states.



Marilyn and Verne Qualley — 1981

Verne and Marilyn have two children: Steven, born in Rapid City, South Dakota in 1967; and Shari, born in Biloxi, Mississippi in 1969. Verne retired from the Air Force in 1977 in Anchorage, Alaska and returned to the Hendrum area to farm the land his grandfather, Even Qualley, homesteaded in the 1880's.



Steven Qualley



Shari Qualley

VICTOR QUALLEY - HELEN HENRICKSEN

Victor Qualley, son of Even and Ingebor Ingberg Qualley, was born in Hendrum Township in 1910. He was confirmed by Rev. J.J. Jacobson in the Concordia Lutheran Church and graduated from the Hendrum High School. He attended North Dakota State University and then became engaged in farming.

Victor married Helen Henricksen, daughter of Hans and Margaret Henricksen of Ulen in 1935, the ceremony was in Ada and was officiated by Rev. Symons. Helen graduated from the Ulen High School and the Normal School at Ada and she taught in the rural schools of our county.

Victor and Helen farmed in the Perley area until 1949, when they purchased his father's farm from the estate. They took an active part in the church: both serving in many offices of the church, Helen has been organist of the church for many years and is at present.

They did general farming and also had a large herd of Holstein cattle. In 1958 they did extensive remodeling of the family home, making it modern and was one of the first homes to have electric heat.

Two sons and a daughter were born to Victor and Helen. All three were baptized and confirmed by Rev. J.J. Jacobson in the Concordia Lutheran Church. All were active in 4-H.

Their oldest son, David, enlisted in the army after graduating from the Hendrum High School; being stationed in Louisiana and Virginia before going to New Foundland. After service he went to New York State and worked in the State Hospitals. David married Gail Rourke of Wingdale and they now live at Stittville, New York; where David is an Engineering Supervisor at the Merry and Utica State Hospital. They have two sons: Michael and Thomas.

After graduating from Hendrum High School with honors, Margaret, worked at the Norman County

State Bank at Hendrum, and later at the Dakota Clinic at Fargo, North Dakota before going to Los Angeles, California where she worked at Glendale Federal Savings and Loan. While in California she met Kenneth Peterson who was serving in the Marine Corps. They were married July 17, 1959. Kenneth is a carpenter and now spends most of his time teaching and exhibiting his oil painting. He has his studio in his home near Prior Lake, Minnesota. They have three daughters: Trudy, Tammy and Tracy.

Verne joined the Air Force after graduating from the Hendrum High School. He married Marilyn Crowell at Gander, Newfoundland. They lived in Anchorage, Alaska, where Verne was stationed at Elmendorf Air Force Base and Marilyn taught in the Alaska School system. They have two children: Steve and Shari. After serving twenty years in the Air Force they came back to Norman County to farm the family farm.

Victor Qualley passed away January 2, 1974 from cancer.

JOHN NORMAN QUAM - HELEN LORRAINE THARALSON

John Norman Quam born June 10, 1911 to Paul Martin Quam and Olga (Oien) Quam. He lives on the home farm 2½ miles north of Hendrum. He is now retired from painting. He married Helene Lorraine Tharalson daughter of Jno. O. Tharalson and Grace (Nielson) Tharalson June 10, 1939. They have two children a son Jerald Dennis Quam born Jan. 31, 1942 who is now living in Fargo, North Dakota. A daughter Susann Marie, born Oct. 31, 1946. Susann is now married to Gordon K. Bahner of Columbus, Nebraska on November 5, 1966. They presently reside in Halstad, Minn. They have one son, named Aaron John born Feb. 9, 1974.



John and Helene Quam; Gordon, Susann and Aaron Bahner; Jerry Quam.

MARTIN QUAM FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Martin Quam lived in Hendrum Township all their married life. Both were from Trondheim, Norway.

Martin was born April 24, 1870, and came directly to Hendrum community in April, 1891. Mrs. Olga (Ojen) Quam was born January 17, 1869 and came to Hendrum in 1887.

They were married March 21, 1896, and bought a farm two miles north of Hendrum. They lived in a log cabin until a house was bought and moved by horses from near the railroad where Hendrum was first started. The land was cleared of brush and trees and the slough drained to become farming land.

The Wide Awake Dist. 7 School was moved in 1901 to the southwest corner of the farm and a second room added. There were two teachers until the last years when the district consolidated with Hendrum.

The Quams lived by the school so Martin built fire in the furnace in the mornings. Mrs. Quam often had coffee and cookies for the teachers after a school day. The school closed in 1942, after this the children were bussed to town. The school building was sold in 1946 and moved to Halstad.



Mr. and Mrs. P. Martin Quam

Mr. Quam worked on a bridge construction gang on the Great Northern Railroad and also sold McConnens Products a few years. By then the land was cleared and rented out for a few years before Martin farmed it himself.

Threshing was done by the "Humdingers" threshing club, with a steam powered engine and threshing separator. The water was hauled from the Wild Rice River and straw was used as fuel to get the steam pressure up.

Mrs. Quam had an incubator which she hatched chicken eggs a couple times in the spring of year. She also raised turkeys, selling around the last of November, dressing them by hand and taking them to Halstad to be loaded on a freight car.

They joined the Immanuel Lutheran Church in 1940 with the other members after the St. Pauli church was struck by lightning and burned in September, 1937. Mrs. Quam was at one time president of St. Pauli ladies aid, walking to the meetings at the neighbors carrying a suitcase full of yarn and fancy work for members to work on at the meetings. Lunch was 10¢

which was usually tied in the corner of a handkerchief.

Mrs. Quam died in 1949 and Mr. Quam in 1951. Seven children were born to them: Albert, a fireman on Great Northern railroad, died in 1972. His wife, Emma, preceded him in death. They have one son, William, who lives in California. Mrs. Richard (Tillie) Reiersen lives in Moorhead and they have one son, Herman. Herman has four children: Ricky, Kevin, Cheryl and Carla.

Arthur was an engineer on the Southern Pacific Railroad. He died in 1950. His wife, Esther, lives in El Paso, Texas. Amanda Quam, a registered nurse and X-ray technician, died in 1980. Mrs. Nels (Tina) Ekanger, a retired school teacher, lives in Corvallis, Oregon. Nels died in 1955, they have one son, Dr. Dennis Ekanger of Eugene, Oregon.

Mrs. Erling (Lillian) Holland lives in Hendrum. They have four children: Orris, Mankato, MN., who has seven children and six grandchildren; Mrs. Irving (Mavis) Storsved, Hendrum, has three children and one grandchild; Mrs. Dean (Leone) Forseth of Corvallis, Oregon, has four children; and Mrs. Jack (Arlotte) Harrington, Grandin, N.D., has three children.

John N. Quam and wife, Helene, on the home farm at Hendrum. They have two children, Gerald Dennis Quam of Fargo and Mrs. Gordon (Susann) Bahner of Halstad and one grandchild.

THE HALVOR J. RASK FAMILY and THE HAROLD E. RASK FAMILY

In 1857, Halvor J. Rask came to Houston County, Minnesota, with his parents when he was three years old.

In 1877, he and his brother, H.O. Rask, came to the Red River Valley, looking for farmland. They walked north from Moorhead, Minnesota, about thirty miles, to where Hendrum is now located. Just north of Hendrum, between the Wild Rice River, and the Red River, they bought eight hundred acres, which they divided, and on which they built their homes.

The Red River was navigable at that time, and some of their furniture was shipped from Moorhead by boat.

In 1890, H.J. Rask married Ellen Spande, who came to this area from Norway, in 1885, and was living with her sister, Mrs. Johannes Stennes. Four children were born to this marriage; Olaf S., Inga D., Joseph C. and Harold E.

In 1906, Halvor J. retired and moved with his family to Kalispell, Montana, where he purchased a small farm. Here he lived until his death in 1929.

Olaf S. Rask, before his retirement, was an instructor at John Hopkins University. He married Ethel Norris and they have one son, Olaf N.



Halvor J. Rask



Ellen Spande Rask

Inga D. Rask studied and taught music for a number of years. She passed away in 1975.

Joseph C. Rask passed away at the age of four years.

Harold E. Rask went to college in Fargo in 1921, and took over the operation of the home farm until his death in 1929. He married Oline Eidem, in 1923. Two boys were born to this marriage, Harold J. and Allan B. His widow continued farming until their son, Harold J. took over. Harold farmed until his death in 1970.

Harold J. Rask married Mildred Bjerkan, and they had two children, James H. and Mary E.

Allan B. Rask was manager of the Gamble Store at Apache in Minneapolis at the time of his death in 1962. He married Darlene Timm. They had two sons, Richard and David.

The home farm is now rented out, but is still owned by the family.

HALVOR O. RASK - PETRONILLI BYE

One of the early pioneers of Hendrum Township was Halvor O. Rask. He was born in 1851 in Hallingdal, Norway and was only four and one half years of age when he came to America with his parents, Ole and Ingeborg (Vermager) Rask, and brothers and sisters; Christ, Peder, Carrie, Petter and Halvor J. Rask. They first located at Spring Grove, in Houston County, Minnesota and farmed there. In 1877, Halvor O. and Halvor J. Rask came to the Red River Valley with a caravan of people looking for land. Halvor O. purchased 300 acres between the Red River and Wild Rice Rivers and 160 acres further east in section nine, this land is presently owned by Mrs. Ardis Engel.

Halvor O. and Petronilli Bye were married May 20, 1878. Petronilli was born in May 1857, to this union eight children were born: Oliver, Ida, Alma, Arthur, Stella, Oliver, Stella and Ruby. Oliver died in 1882, Stella, Ida and Alma died in 1891 from the Black Diphtheria epidemic, all three within two weeks of each



Halvor O. Rask



Petronilli Bye Rask

other. This disease was so contagious no one cared to come near to help, so it became necessary to bury your own.

The second named Oliver was born in 1887, he later became owner of the hardware business with O.D. Larson in Hendrum, Minnesota. After a few years he moved to Erskine, Minnesota where he and Mr. Gilbertson owned a hardware store. He later purchased a hardware store in Zahl, North Dakota, where he died at the age of fifty three years in 1940, having never married.

Arthur was born in 1892 and passed away in 1906 at the age of fourteen years as a result of eating too much ice cream when he was very warm from running.

Stella was born March 12, 1895 and married Odin Krageland on June 21, 1922. Odin passed away in 1936 and Stella in 1979. They had a family of two children: Howard of St. Paul, Minnesota and Marian of Olympia, Washington.



Halvor O., Petronilli, Ruby, Oliver, Stella Rask

All of the members of the Rask family named above are buried in the Immanuel Lutheran Cemetery at Hendrum, Minnesota.

Ruby was born on June 15, 1898 and married Clarence Peterson on September 5, 1925; Clarence passed away in April 1965 at the age of 69 years. They

have one son, Clarence Jr. and four grandchildren; Sandra, Gary, Susan and Sharon.

Halvor Rask served as 'klokker' at the Immanuel Lutheran Church for many years, he was also faithful to collect annually donations for the pastor's meager salary, which also included food, canned goods, wood, and oats and hay for his horse.

The Rask family were active members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church and Halvor was deeply interested in furthering the business interests of his community, since he helped to organize the Hendrum Creamery, the Farmers Elevator, the local Telephone company and the State Bank all in Hendrum. He was director of the elevator and the telephone company and was President of the State Bank when it was organized. Through the leadership of Halvor O. Rask, A.M. Eckman, P.O. Ingberg a ten acre tract of land was purchased by the State Bank of Hendrum and donated to the village and township for a playground and park.

THE HAROLD J. RASK FAMILY

Harold J. Rask was born in Norman County November 9, 1924, son of Harold E. and Oline Rask. He grew to manhood on the home farm near Hendrum, attending "Wide Awake" elementary school, and later, Hendrum public schools, and a few quarters at No. Dak. State University, then known as Agricultural College, in Fargo, N.D. He had one brother, Allan, two years younger, who passed away in 1962.



Harold J. Rask Family
Mildred (Bjerkan), James, Mary, Harold Rask

When Harold J. was five years old, his father Harold E. passed away. His mother, Oline, continued operating the family farm with help of hired hands, until Harold J. took it over at a young age.

In 1958, Harold married Mildred Bjerkan, from the Minot, No. Dak. area, then working as a registered nurse at the Veteran's Hospital in Fargo, No. Dak.

Two children, James Harold and Mary Eline, were born to this marriage. James graduated from No. Dak.

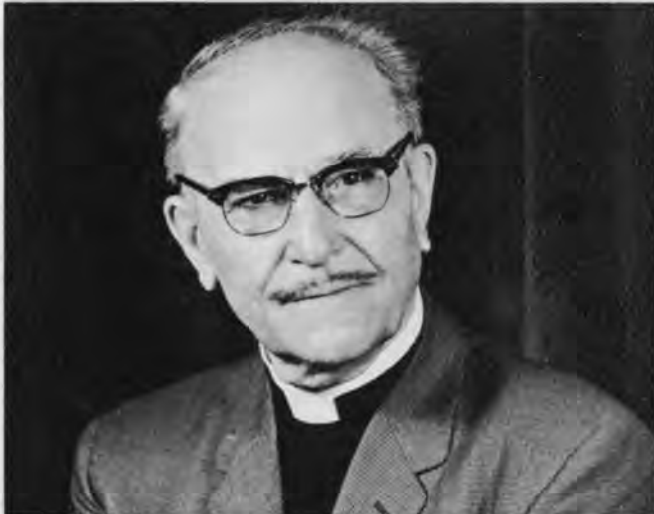
State University in 1980, and is now doing graduate work in geology at No. Dak. University, Grand Forks. Mary is a Junior at Moorhead State University, studying elementary and special education.

In 1968, Harold became suddenly ill, and passed away in July of 1970. Soon after this the family moved to Hendrum.

REV. JACOB L. REDAL - OLIVE AASEN

Jacob L. Redal was born in Sunfjord, Norway, on March 29th 1874, of parents Lars Redal and Marie Natvick Redal. At the age of seventeen, he came to America and engaged in construction work for a time in the Tacoma, Washington area. After deciding to enter into the ministry, he was educated at Augsburg College and the United Church Seminary and was ordained in 1904. He served parishes at Bagley, Minnesota, later coming to the Hendrum, Perley area, also for a time at Oslo, Minnesota and Souris, North Dakota. He also served larger city churches in Berlin, New Hampshire; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Tacoma, Washington. After his retirement he served various churches as interim pastor. At the time of his death at age ninety two years, he was Pastor Emeritus at Central Lutheran Church, Tacoma, Washington.

Pastor Redal was married to Oline Aasen of Portland, North Dakota and to their union were born four boys and four girls. Two of his sons, a grandson, and also a son-in-law are ordained pastors in the Lutheran Church. His surviving children continue to live on the west coast with the exception of one son who has remained in Philadelphia since the family had their residence there.



Rev. J.L. Redal 1910-1913

CHRISTIAN RESTAD - JORGINE JOHNSON

Christian T. Restad a son of Thore and Bertha Restad. He was born in Gudbrandsdalen, Norway March 22, 1877, about 1892 he left Norway for America with his parents, and coming directly to Norman County, where he worked as a farm hand.

Jorgine Johnson, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson was born in Sogndal near Stavanger, Norway, on October 14, 1879. She emigrated to Shelly, Minnesota in 1898, where she did house work there and at Hendrum. Jorgine married Christian Restad on December 2, 1902 at Grand Forks, North Dakota, and they made their home at Hendrum where Christian worked on the railroad until they rented a farm north of Shelly from Attorney Peter Sharpe of Ada, Minnesota in 1908. Here they farmed until they purchased a farm at Nevis, Minnesota and moved there in the spring of 1917. Farmed at Nevis for three years, then sold out and moved back to Hendrum the fall of 1920 and rented the Albert Anderson farm, southwest of Hendrum. In about 1924 they purchased a farm south of Hendrum from A.J. Johnson of Ada, Minnesota, moved onto it in the spring of 1927 and settled for good.

Five children were born to this union: twin boys who died in infancy; a daughter Mrs. Otto (Gladys Restad) Hoiland. Gladys lived in Hendrum and is now deceased. Terry is married to Ragna Lefstad of Twin Valley, Minnesota, they farm northeast of Hendrum. Gilmore is still single and farms the home farm south of Hendrum.

ALFRED RINNAN - ELLA JOHNSON

Alfred A. Rinnan was born September 6, 1894 on the farm near Hendrum which his father, Paul, homesteaded.

Alfred married Ella Johnson October 24, 1925. Ella was born and raised on a farm directly east of the Rinnan farm. She graduated from Moorhead State Teachers College on June 5, 1924 and taught at Syre, Mn. and at Hendrum before their marriage. Their daughters are; Adele (Rustad) of Moorhead, Mn. Ethel (Viker) of Grand Forks, N.D. and Wanda (Nightengale) of St. Louis Park, Mn.

Alfred farmed until the fall of 1964 when he retired and he and Ella moved to the village of Hendrum. Alfred passed away August 9, 1965. Ella now resides in an apartment in Hendrum.

PAUL RINNAN - ANNA DYRENDAHL

Paul Rinnan was born October 13, 1854 in Trondheim, Norway. He came to America with his mother, Inger, two sisters, Maren and Anna (Mrs. Thomas Roe) and his two brothers, Hans and John. He first lived in Fillmore County where he arrived in 1872. He moved to the Red River Valley where he was first employed as a horseman at the Grandin Farm near Halstad, Mn. He moved to land three miles northeast of Hendrum which he homesteaded.



Anna and Paul Rinnan

Paul's brother, Hans, lived in the Hendrum and Halstad areas. John moved to Great Falls, Montana. Maren and Anna (Mrs. Thomas Roe) lived in the Hendrum area. His mother passed away at Hendrum on May 14, 1913.

Paul married Anna Dyrendahl. She was born in Norway July 24, 1858 and came to the Hendrum area as a young lady. They had eight children: Alette (Mrs. George Woods) lived from 1887-1974, Ida (1889-1918), Julia (1891-1923), Alfred (1894-1965), and Palmer (1896-1931). Mabel (Mrs. P.E. Nelson) was born in 1902 and now resides at Ada, Mn. Two sons, John and Arthur died in infancy.



Paul Rinnan Family
 Standing: Ida, Alette
 Seated: Alfred, Palmer, Julia, Mabel

Paul Rinnan lived at the farm which he homesteaded until his death in 1913. Anna Rinnan passed away in 1921.

CHARLES OSCAR RISTE - ALMA GROTHE

Charles Oscar Riste was born April 5, 1888 on a farm east of Perley the son of Gunder and Kari Riste.

At an early age he moved with his parents to Hendrum.



Charles Oscar, Alma, Korman, Doris, Glenn, Marjorie Riste

In 1911 he married Alma Grothe daughter of Peter and Christine Grothe. They had four children Doris, Marjorie, Glenn and Korman.

Doris married Theron Moe, Audubon, Minnesota. They have four children.

Constance married LeRoy Munson. They live in Blaine, Minnesota and have two boys Jeff and Greg. Patricia married John Nelson and they live in Urbandale, Iowa. They have a son Trevor and a daughter Therese. Charles married Henriette Jeric of West Germany. They have a daughter Barbara and son Brian. They live in Shakopee, Minnesota. David married Carol Kohler and they live in Moorhead, Minnesota. They adopted a Korean baby and named her Christina.

Theron passed away in August 1976.

Marjorie retired after 42 years in the employment of Gamble Skogmo Inc. at Fargo, Denver, Fremont and Minneapolis and is now living with Doris in Audubon, Minnesota.

Glenn married Marion Christianson in Tacoma, Washington. They have 3 girls. Diane married John Kotlenecki in Tacoma. They have two sons Glenn and Mike. Marilyn Kay married Donald Zorn and are living in Burlington, Washington. They have three daughters, Suzie, Katie and Becky. Claudia married Orvan Olson at Tacoma. They have two daughters Teri and Arlys.

Clayton Korman married Juneth Johnson of Pelican Rapids, Minnesota. They live in Grand Rapids, Minnesota. Their daughter Cynthia married William Haynes. They live at Fort Huachuca, Arizona and have daughter Laura and son Daniel. Gerald married Jeanne Allen and they live in Kewaune, Wisconsin, with their two sons Eric and Scott.

In 1927 Oscar Riste published the Hendrum Review. He also managed Farmers Elevator for awhile. He owned and operated the Standard Oil Service Station for several years. Alma Riste passed away in February 1966 and Oscar passed away June 1972.

Submitted by Doris Moe

G. K. RISTE - KARI RUSTAD

Mr. and Mrs. Gunder K. Riste came to the Norman County area in the late 1870's or early 1880's in covered wagons along with Mrs. Riste's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rustad, and her five brothers and three sisters. Gunder Riste was an only child. His father died before Mr. Riste was born. They came from Waupaca, Wisconsin.

Mr. and Mrs. Riste settled on a farm one mile east of Perley, Minnesota, but after being hailed out two or three years in succession they decided to move. They settled on an 80 acre plot on the east bank of the Wild Rice River just southeast of Hendrum, Minnesota.

There were nine children in their family: Henry (who died of typhoid fever in the early 1900's); Caroline (Mrs. Rudser); Gena (Mrs. John Grothe); Ida (Mrs. M. Widston); Marie, who drowned in the Wild Rice River at the age of eight; Oscar, Luella and Marie. Luella had a twin sister (Mabel) who died in infancy.



Mr. and Mrs. Gunder K. Riste

Most of the children were baptized, confirmed and married by Pastor J.M.O. Ness. They later moved to Hendrum where they built a hotel called the Hendrum House, still standing near the Great Northern Depot, now used as small apartment areas. They lived here a few years but the idea of owning a farm seemed most desirable so they bought the Becken farm north of Hendrum by the Wild Rice River. There was a large log house and a cook shanty for summer cooking. The house was warm in winter and cool in summer. Later they built a nice big house. That summer they had so much rain they couldn't harvest a wonderful crop of grain, no matter how hard they tried. They put in an engine to help propel the grain binder and six horses but to no avail. This was a great hardship but with the stamina of the Norsemen and God's help things panned out all right. Oscar, Luella and Marie attended the two-room rural school, District Number seven. It was a very good school.

They belonged to the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum to which they drove two miles in bobsleds and buggies.

While in the Perley area, Mr. Riste served on the school board and in Hendrum he served on church committees.

Mr. Riste found farming a problem because his son, Oscar, was not interested in farming so they moved to Hendrum. They built the house Charles Grothe later purchased and lived in. They resided there until they passed away, Mrs. Riste in 1936 and Mr. Riste in 1939. Gunder Riste kept busy gardening and always threshing in the fall as separator man, which he enjoyed immensely.

The son, Charles O. Riste (Oscar) spent most of his married life in Hendrum. His wife was Alma Grothe and they had four children: Doris (Mrs. T. Moe) of Audubon, Minnesota; Marge, Minneapolis; Korman, Grand Rapids, Minnesota; and Glenn, Tacoma, Washington, now deceased as also are his parents.

Luella's career was nursing. She spent 37 years at Trinity Hospital in Minot, North Dakota. Marie's career was teaching all but two years in Norman County. Forty-two years in all.

GEORGE ROBERT ROCKSTAD and ELISE (Lizzie) JACOBSON

George, son of Martinus and Olava (Morck) Rockstad, was born on November 16, 1892 in Hegne township. He grew up on a farm near Hendrum in a family of 11 children, all of whom attended Concordia Lutheran Church. George went to grade school near Hendrum. Mrs. Elias (Ada) Stennes was one of his teachers. He also attended the Big 4 Engineering School in Minneapolis, Minn. and Agricultural College in Fargo, N.D. and received his engineering certificate as a steam boiler operator.

Lizzie, daughter of Lars L. and Petra Jacobson was born February 28, 1899 in a family of 10 children. They lived in Hendrum township and also Halstad and Mary township. Lizzie worked for Ole Bolstad, Robert and Jennie Olson, and Mike Hennens.

George and Lizzie were married on December 15, 1917. They lived on a farm near Hendrum and raised two children, Bernice and Ardis. They operated the Hendrum Cafe when Bernice was a baby, and customers fed her ice cream while she was in her buggy. Minnie (Dyrendahl) Johnson worked for them. They also had a cafe in Ada which they purchased from George Olson, where the Ada Bakery now stands. Alice Hemming was a waitress there.

George and Lizzie then moved to a farm in Mary township. George operated steam threshing rig for his brothers, Gust and Gottvald, and also for his brother-in-law, Peder Jacobson.

In later years they moved into Ada and George worked for the City of Ada Street Dept. under the supervision of Johnny Rasmusson. He made use of his engineering degree operating the boiler machine.

In 1967 George and Lizzie celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary and in June of 1968 George retired from the Street Dept. On December 22, 1968 George passed away at age 76. Lizzie continues to live in Ada. Their two children also live in Ada. Bernice Ramona, born on July 4, 1919, married Herman (Jeff) Balzum in 1939. Ardis Lorraine was born March 18, 1921. Jeff and Bernice had four children: Diane Elizabeth (April 28, 1940-May 1, 1940), Terry LaRue (December 14, 1946) who lives in Longview, Washington with his wife, Judith Meyer; Rory Jay (March 3, 1956-November 24, 1956); Elise Marcia (February 20, 1957) who lives with her husband Fredrick Thornton in Twin Valley, Minn. They have one daughter, Melanie Dawn, born November 18, 1976.

G. M. (Gottvald) ROCKSTAD - HILMA QUALLEY

G.M. (Gottvald) Rockstad, born in Hurom parish near Oslo, Norway, July 9, 1879, wasn't so sure he wanted to leave his grandparents to come to America with his parents, Olava (Mork) and Martinius Rockstad. However parental persuasion won out and he came with them, settling temporarily at McGregor, Iowa.

Later the family came to Ada, settling in Hegne Township. Gottvald, like many of the young men, worked for neighbors doing whatever was available to provide himself with the things he wanted. He was always very fond of horses, kept them well groomed, and had a fine carriage.

He chose to become a farmer and together with his first wife, the former Mary Knutson, a daughter of Reier Knutsons, early settlers of the area, they farmed in Mary Township. She became ill and in a short time died, leaving him with a daughter, Minnie, who was only two and a half years old at the time.

Minnie was married December 24, 1935, to Al W. Anderson of Detroit Lakes, Minnesota. He was a salesman and was affiliated with the Leo Johnson Furniture Co. of Moorhead for thirty-one years, first as a salesman and later as store manager. They are now semi-retired and live at Moorhead, Minnesota.

Gottvald and Hilma Qualley, daughter of Evan and Emma Qualley, were married June 3, 1914. She, too, was ambitious and a hard worker. They farmed on several different farms raising crops, livestock, and poultry. There was always a large garden.

There were no living children from this marriage, but they both had a love and concern for children and for many years provided a foster home for several children. They were active life-time members of

Concordia Lutheran Church east of Hendrum, and these children received their Christian instruction there, too.

Gottvald owned and operated a threshing machine with the assistance of his brother, George Rockstad, and Gilbert Estenson and a threshing crew of over twenty men. Weather conditions would often stop the threshing for days at a time. There was no let up for the housewife who had to prepare the meals and lunches for all. Sleeping facilities included many straw-filled ticks which served as mattresses.

They were always active and interested in community development and Gottvald was a member of the Norman County Fair Board for many, many years, and together with other board members saw it develop into one of the more successful fairs in the state.

Fair time was a fun time. Hilma would pack delicious picnic meals and the whole day would be spent enjoying the fair and leisurely visiting with many friends and relatives also attending. Having their only grandchild, Marilyn Anderson, there to enjoy the exhibits, the midway, and grandstand shows with them, made it complete.

Marilyn Anderson was born at Wheaton, Minnesota, August 30, 1937. She attended Moorhead Public Schools and Concordia College before going on to the University of Minnesota where she received her degree and also her R.N. She was employed at St. Lukes Hospital in Fargo, prior to her marriage to David L. Kerssen of Duluth, Minnesota, on December 17, 1960. They now live in Moorhead and David is with the First Trust Company of Fargo, North Dakota. They have three children, Jeffery, Jane and Julie.

In the fall of 1949, the Rockstads retired to a home in Ada, Minn. They enjoyed this less than three years together when Hilma died August 7, 1952. Gottvald continued to live there spending most of the winters in Arizona. Six years later, after only a short illness, he, too, died on October 25, 1958. Both Hilma and Gottvald are buried in Concordia Lutheran Church Cemetery east of Hendrum, Minnesota.

GUST ROCKSTAD - PETRA RAMSTAD

The greater part of Gust and Petra's fifty two years of married life was spent in farming.

Gust was the son of Martinius and Olava (Mork) Rockstad, early Hegne Township settlers. He grew up on the family farm helping with grain, cattle and sheep. With a large family to help with home duties, some of them left home to take other jobs. One winter season a group of fellows, including Gust, went to Spokane, Washington, to cut ice which was shipped east; this was used in ice boxes for refrigeration. Briefly he worked at the sawmill in Ada; went to Minneapolis to attend a mechanical school; and did threshing as machine man for Leonard Haaland. In

1916 he and Allan Brattland owned and operated a restaurant in Hendrum. Since both were to be included into the military service the restaurant was sold. Gust served overseas July 1918 to 1919, during World War I. After his discharge, he engaged in farming.



Gust Rockstad, Petra Ramstad Rockstad, Burton, Shirley, Howard

March 26, 1921, Gust Rockstad and Petra Ramstad were married in Ada. They first farmed in Hegne and Hendrum Townships. In the fall of 1927 they moved to Section Nine in Hegne Township which they later purchased; during this time they also purchased the quarter of land in Section 20 on which Gust's father had taken as a homestead.

Petra was born December 13, 1896, at Ada; her parents were Peter and Christine (Schriver) Ramstad who were early residents of McDonaldsville Township. She taught six years, four in Norman County and two near Bemidji, Minnesota prior to her marriage.

Farming activities were varied; preparation of meals, clothes washing, etc. for both family and men employed the year around occupied a large part of Petra's time. Gust did threshing for neighbors along with his other farm operations. In the mid-1930's during a severe drought in North Dakota he agreed to pasture a flock of 500 sheep from Medora for a Dr. Bodenstab. Tom Eddy, of Lockhart, chief sheep herder performed his job walking and running; Erling Carlson of Anthony Township rode horseback and herded; the herders were assisted by a sheep dog in the round-up. Early spring the sheep were infected with scabies and each one, head and all, had to be dipped in a tank of nicotine and water solution. The fumes from the dip were so powerful that the nontobacco chewers became violently ill over night; the others were immune. George Carr, Dr. Bodenstab's manager, came to assist during lambing season; where ever the ewe bore her lamb, a pup tent had to be up for protection. During that winter and spring, not only did the sheep need twenty-four hours of tending, but Cyrus Ness and Carroll Olson were kept busy hauling corn and hay every other day from shocks and stacks in the field for seventy feeder cattle, sixty hogs, eight milk cows, and eight horses. In a lull there was always wood to be chopped for the cooking and heating stoves. During

the drought in South Dakota a group of men, including two Welk brothers one of whom was the boss, came to the Rockstad farm to buy and bale straw to be trucked back to South Dakota. They set up their camp consisting of a cook car and a sleeping car in Rockstad's grove. This being threshing season there were many days of preparing dinner for twenty-eight people including family members, threshing crew, and baling crew. The food was cooked on a wood burning range and there was no automatic dishwasher either! With the advent of the swather and combine for harvesting the number of employees was reduced considerably.

Participation in community organizations and activities adds interest and concern to one's life. Throughout the years the family has maintained its membership in Concordia Lutheran Church, of rural Hendrum. Gust was a member of the rural school board, township board, 40 & 8, and a 50-year member of the American Legion. Petra has been a member of the Garden Club, a Homemakers Club, and was an adult leader of Hegne 4-H Club, and presently continues her membership in the American Legion Auxiliary and Hardanger Club.

Petra and Gust had four children — Shirley, born April 5, 1922; Marian, born November 11, 1923; Burton, born June 21, 1932; and Howard, born August 5, 1935. Shirley taught home economics in Montana and Minnesota and is presently the librarian in the Ada Public Library. Marian died in 1941. Burton farmed before and after his military service in 1955-1957. In 1960 he married Lorna Kragnes who taught in the Ada Elementary School. They have three children: Kent, born July 1, 1964; Erik, March 10, 1969; and Neil, April 5, 1974. The family resides on the home farm in Section Nine of Hegne Township, the NW and NE quarters being owned by them. Howard earned his Ph. D. from the University of Illinois and is a research physicist living in the Boston, Massachusetts area. He is now the owner of the land in the original homestead. Burton farms this land in conjunction with other land.

March 9, 1973, Gust passed away; Petra continues to reside in the family home in Ada.

MARTINIUS ROCKSTAD and OLAVA MORK

Martinius was born in Hurum, Norway, March 15, 1855 and in April 1878, he married Olava Mork who was born in Kongsvinger, Norway April 6, 1857. In 1882 they and their children, Gottvald born July 9, 1879 and Anna (Mrs. Oscar Ingberg) born January 28, 1881, emigrated from Norway to McGregor, Iowa, where Olava's sister Karen lived. Martinius worked in a lumber mill during that winter.

While they lived in Iowa, Jennie (Mrs. Robert Olson) was born December 1, 1882. In 1883 the family moved to Hegne Township in Norman County where Martinius applied for a homestead on the S.W. quarter of Section 20. In the family home, Ovidia (Mrs. Nels

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Rude) was born January 18, 1885; Clara (Mrs. Henry Nelson), March 14, 1887; Hilda (Mrs. John Stennes), September 8, 1888; Gustav, December 31, 1890; George, November 16, 1892; Stella (Mrs. Emil Thiel), June 26, 1895; Hjalmer, July 6, 1898; and Agnes (Mrs. Arnold Enger) September 17, 1900. Hilda (Mrs. John Stennes) still resides in Harwood, North Dakota.



Martinius Rockstad Family

Top row: Clara, Stella, Anna, Gutav, Hilda, Ovidia, Jennie, Bottom row: Gotvald (G.M.), Martinius, Agnes, Olava (Mork), George.

In 1919, the Martinius Rockstads retired from farming and moved to Hendrum, Minnesota in a house next door to their daughter Anna Ingberg. Martinius enjoyed reading and often would stay up until midnight reading the suspense-filled story supplement of the Decorah Posten. Each day he could be seen walking up town to get the mail. He was always dressed in a suit complete with vest and walked with excellent posture so he was an impressive figure. This daily trip was made until he was ninety years of age.

Olava knitted many of their clothing needs. She loved to sing, and she thought it important that parents sing to their children. At the age of eighty she was stricken with a stroke which caused her right side to be paralyzed. With determination, she learned to write with her left hand so she could continue her extensive correspondence.

In 1943 Olava and Martinius celebrated their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary with a group of friends from Concordia Lutheran Church east of Hendrum, of which

they were members. Olava passed away May 17, 1945 at eighty-eight years of age and Martinius on July 16, 1946 at ninety-one years of age.

GILMAN ROE and FLORENCE KIRKNESS

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kirkness and four daughters: Hazel, Florence, Levoine and Jeanette moved to Hendrum, Minnesota from Lake Park, Minnesota in the spring of 1928. Mr. Kirkness managed the Wilcox Lumber Company in Hendrum.

Gilman had started farming the Thomas N. Roe homestead of two hundred forty acres in 1932. Two children were born to Gilman and Florence: Shirley Ann on March 11, 1937 and Thomas Gilman on May 22, 1941.

Shirley attended first grade in the Viking School, one mile east of her home, same school where the Thomas N. Roe children attended school up to 1914 when the Thomas N. Roe family purchased another farm one mile east of Hendrum, Minnesota.

The Viking School was closed, then Shirley and Thomas attended and graduated from the Hendrum School.

Shirley married Edwin Sorenson on March 3, 1962. They were blessed with two children; Paul Allen born March 8, 1963 and Sarah Marie born September 10, 1967.

Thomas married Marilyn Johnson July 7, 1967, they have one son, Todd Allan born September 21, 1971.

Gilman and Florence bought and moved into the Herbert Gadberry home in Hendrum in the fall of 1981.

THEODORE and CLARA (Trom) ROE

Theodore (Ted) Roe, son of Thomas N. Roe and Anna (Rinnan) Roe was born June 6th 1890 in Hendrum Township. In his early years he farmed in Hendrum Township, but moved on to other business such as hardware, feed mill, cafe and carpentering. He worked in the shipyards on the west coast during World War II and worked as a carpenter for the F.H. Peavey Co. for several years. He married Clara Serina Trom December 12, 1931.

Clara (Trom) Roe daughter of Knute K. Trom and Sonnavé (Lykken) Trom was born August 27, 1907. She worked as a hot lunch cook at the Hendrum school for several years and worked for many years as the postal clerk at the Hendrum Post Office.

Of this marriage two children were born. Son Howard T. born November 24, 1932. He married Betty Peterson, Borup, Mn. June 16, 1956. Two children were born to them, Michael H. December 7, 1956 and Bonnie Jean August 5th, 1958. They reside in White

Bear Lake, Minnesota. Daughter Carol E. born June 8th, 1936. She married John W. Johnson at Hendrum August 5th, 1956. They have a daughter Charlene R. born January 29th, 1958.

Ted passed away April 27, 1973 at age 83. Clara passed away November 3, 1964 at age 57.

THE THOMAS N. ROE FAMILY

Thomas N. Roe was born February 5, 1860 in Gol's Prestejeld Hallingdal, Norway, he came to St. Ansgar, Iowa, May 5, 1881. Anna Sirine Rinnan was born on July 30, 1861 in Trondheim, Norway and came to Ada, Minnesota in 1881. While in St. Ansgar, Iowa, Mr. Roe met a man named Arne Golberg who owned a farm in the Red River Valley, one mile north of Hendrum. That farm is presently owned by Harvey Ystebo. Mr. Roe rented this farm for a short time.

Thomas and Anna Roe were married on May 30, 1885 in Ada, Minnesota by Rev. Peer Stromme. They became members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in 1891. This Church was located on the present Immanuel Cemetery grounds. After using the half finished church for a few years they felt able to complete the job and during the finishing touches in the winter of 1891 and 1892, the church one night mysteriously burned to the ground; the shock was a hard blow to them all in the community. No insurance covered the loss. In 1896 a new church was built, it was located in the village of Hendrum and served until 1958 when it was razed for a new brick church to be erected on the same lot.

After a few years Mr. and Mrs. Roe bought a farm from Ole Lee and his brother. It was located five miles northeast of Hendrum. The family grew up on this farm. There were ten children: Two died in infancy, Mr. and Mrs. Roe are presently living on the home place.

In 1913 Mr. Roe purchased a farm owned by Peder Larson, located one mile east of Hendrum; Julia, Albert and Alma reside there, Mrs. Chester (Amanda) Ingberg resides in Ada, Minnesota. Mrs. Norman (Bella Marie) Jensen, Leader, Saskatchewan, was born May 5th, 1888, she passed away April 18, 1958. Theodore Roe, Hendrum, Minnesota was born on June 6, 1890. He passed away on April 27, 1973. Ida Bertine Roe, was born on January 24, 1886 and passed away April 11, 1980.

We wish to mention a few loyal teachers in the Viking School District Number Two, who taught us how to read, write, spell and sing: Dena Davidson, Halstad; Regina Stordahl Enger, Hendrum; Elsie Jacobson, Halstad; Hattie McNeemar, Ada; Laura Peterson, 1902-1903, Hendrum; J. Marie Solien, Twin Valley; Oscar Stordahl, Hendrum; Rachel Schow, Halstad; Marie Opgrand, Halstad; and many more. They were all kind and considerate.

THE CARROLL ROGNESS FAMILY

Carroll L. Rogness was born at Hendrum, Minn. May 21, 1918 to Jensine and Ole Rogness. He attended school there and graduated from Hendrum High School in 1936. He was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Hendrum.

He began truck farming when he graduated from high school and later did grain farming in Norman County, Minn. and in Traill County, North Dakota until moving to Moorhead, Minn.

Carroll married Evelyn Toso December 28, 1952. They farmed during the summer months and worked winters in Minneapolis, Minn., and various places in California, Florida, and the State of Washington.

Evelyn Toso Rogness was born February 10, 1918 at Pelican Rapids, Minnesota to Mabel and Martin Toso. She graduated from Pelican Rapids High School and from Fairview Hospital School of Nursing in Minneapolis and became a Red Cross Nurse who was commissioned to serve in the Army Air Corp during World War II.

Evelyn returned to the University of Minn. from where she graduated as the first nurse-occupational therapist in the state of Minnesota in 1951. She worked in a professional capacity until retirement in 1979.



Evelyn, Peter, Carroll

Carroll and Evelyn adopted an infant son, Peter, who was born at Santa Ana, California March 1, 1960.

Peter attended school at Hendrum until the family moved to Moorhead, Minn. in the fall of 1968. He

graduated from Moorhead High School in 1978 and was awarded The National Merit Scholarship to St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn. While at Northfield College, he spent two interims studying at Paris and Avignon, France.

Peter is presently studying at the North Carolina School of Arts, where he is pursuing a career in production and design in the performing arts.

OLE ROGNESS - JENSINE FROILAND

Ole P. Rogness was born in Vats, Ryfylke (near Haugesund) Norway on May 17, 1870. In 1886, at the age of sixteen, he emigrated to America. He worked for a short time at the Overmoen farm near Hillsboro, North Dakota, before settling in Hendrum, Norman County, Minnesota, in 1887. He worked in this area until he became a partner in the "Gordon & Rogness General Merchandise Store" in the late 1880's. It was here at the back of the store in Hendrum at the town pump that he met Jensine Froiland who, as other villagers, would go for their household water supply.

Jensine Froiland also emigrated from Norway. She was born in Sokendal (now Hauge) i Dalene, near Stavanger, on June 20, 1881. She came to Hendrum to the home of her sister, Mrs. John Ness, in 1901. She then briefly attended the Hendrum Public School to learn the English language. She also worked in the home and office of Dr. and Mrs. Hanson of Hendrum. Her brother, John Froiland, who had come to Norman County a few years before, also worked for Dr. Hanson, the local physician, driving him around with horse and buggy or sleigh as he made his sick calls from house to house around the countryside. Many long, cold nights were spent waiting for a child to be born or the doctor's vigil over a sick one to end. He passed away a few years later while on a visit at his parent's home in Norway.

Ole and Jensine were married in Hendrum on May 29, 1902. They built their home in Hendrum in 1909, and it still remains in the family to this day. After trading off his interest in the "Gordon & Rogness"



Family of Ole and Jensine Rogness

Left to right: Ole Rogness, Jennie, Irene, Marie, Christine and Jensine Rogness, Carroll in center.

store for a farm, Mr. Rogness was engaged in various occupations. As farm homes were built, there was a demand for more wells in the country. Starting with a crude horse-powered well-drilling machine, he worked at this until and after gasoline-powered engines came into use. As time progressed, wind power to pump water for stock and household use became popular. Erecting windmills became an added occupation. Then, with the decline of the out-door privys and the building of a few public and commercial buildings such as schools, creameries, etc., indoor plumbing and heating was in demand. Thus, after studying and practicing in his own home, this became another line of work. Prior to this, the horseless carriage came into existence. After purchasing one, Mr. Rogness decided to take on the dealership. With the help of his wife, who spent much of her time, besides her household duties and rearing five children, out selling and teaching prospective buyers how to drive these cars. As farms grew larger and the steam-powered threshing machines came in, Mr. Rogness spent his autumn months as engineer on the steam engines.



Home of Ole Rogness, built in 1909

During the early years, he was active in the development of Hendrum Village and school. He served as village constable for many years and was elected Mayor of Hendrum in 1927. He was also a member of the school board. He also had a deep interest in mission work.

There were four girls and one boy born to Ole and Jensine. Mrs. Jens (Christine) Sterton, Hendrum; Mrs. Everett (Jennie) Laycock, Tacoma, Wash.; Mrs. Clifford (Marie) Logan and Mrs. Lewey (Irene) Ostenson, both of Hendrum; and son Carroll, who resides in Moorhead with his wife, Evelyn, and son Peter.

Mr. Rogness suffered a stroke in the summer of 1934, at the age of 64. He passed away on March 29, 1943. Mrs. Rogness, who had been ill for five months, passed away February 6, 1973. Their eldest daughter, Christine, passed away on January 1, 1972.

The Sterton's son, Owen, lives on a farm near Hendrum, with his wife, Ethel, and his children, Michael and Kimberly. The Logan's son Erling and his

wife, Sharon, and children, Tammy, Scott, and Cathy, live at Campbell, Minnesota.

THE RUSTAD FAMILY IN NORMAN COUNTY

(Prepared by Maxine Thorson, great-granddaughter of Andrus and Guri Anderson, granddaughter of Edwin and Sigrid Rustad and daughter of Elmer and Emma Rustad.)

The Rustad name originated in Norman County with Edwin Anderson. He had his name changed to that of his mother's family when he became exasperated at not receiving his own mail. His father and two brothers were A.B., A.E. and M.E. Anderson; and there was a large family of Andersons living on the North Dakota side of the Red River. With legal papers and the help of a judge in Ada, he became Edwin A. Rustad.

The family originated in Voss, Norway where Guri, daughter of the owner of the Roestad farm, married a "husman" (landless farm laborer) named Andrus of Bach. The young couple emigrated to the United States in the early 1840's. At Ellis Island, Andrus had become Andrus Anderson. They settled initially near friends in southern Illinois, and later moved to Wisconsin. Edwin was born at Scandinavia, WI on March 30, 1866.

The young couple must have prospered. Before moving his family to Norman County in 1877, he had bought enough land along the Red River to provide a farm for each of his sons and dowries for his daughters. The land was purchased from the Railroad for \$3.00 an acre.

The trip to northern Minnesota had been long and arduous according to Edwin, describing it to his great-grandchildren. The black flies and mosquitoes formed clouds around the horses and the oxen. To protect themselves from the vicious insects, everyone had to be swaddled from head to foot, their nostrils covered by kerchiefs. There was no bridge across the Mississippi River at LaCrosse, WI. Everything had to be ferried over the river — animals, wagons, people. Tragedy almost struck when Martin, the youngest child, was accidentally pushed into the swift, swirling waters by one of his playful brothers. Only the quick reaction of the ferryman saved his life.

The Red River of the North, their destination, was not as frightening as the Mississippi, but it was treated with respect by the family. The log house built as their first shelter was built back from the high banks.

As soon as he could, Andrus built a "real" house for his wife, building a replica of the house they had left, high on a mountain ledge, overlooking the lake at Voss, Norway. The Minnesota version was placed at the edge of the woods facing the open prairie.

The nearest school was across the river at Grandin, ND. The younger children enjoyed school. Edwin began dreaming of becoming a doctor. Martin, his kid brother, looked forward to being a farmer. Andrus and

Guri considered Edwin a bit ambitious, but they did send him to Red Wing, MN to attend an academy where he received a diploma and was able to enter Concordia College at Moorhead, MN. By now, he had decided to settle for becoming a minister. He had changed his name to Rustad.

The oldest son of Andrus Andersons, Albert, was a young adult at the time of the move. When he married, he was given the portion of the land furthest north, stretching from the river to the road which joined Moorhead to Crookston, MN. Both the daughters married farmers, Mrs. Riste living near the south edge of what became Hendrum, MN, and the second, Mrs. Halvorson, settled on a farm near Thief River Falls, MN. When Martin married, he received the land at the center of the original purchase, his land bounded on the north by that of his brother and on the south by that of his father.

Working for the Andersons as a hired girl was a Norwegian widow, Mrs. Ellingson, who had brought her family to Minnesota to start a new life away from what she considered the decadence of the Norwegian State Church. She had "hired out" her youngest daughter, Sigrid, to Edwin's sister, Mrs. Riste. Sigrid visited her mother on Sunday afternoons, and there met Edwin, home to help with the summer farm work.

When she was 16 years old, they were married at the Anderson home. Edwin must have been living at home in 1888, because the wedding license was taken out in Ada, MN in October and the wedding held on the 5th of December.

When Edwin returned to Concordia College, Sigrid went along, having taken a job as a cook at the college. Their first son was born August 18, 1889, and named Elmer. The family returned to Moorhead, MN in time for opening of the college in late September. Edwin continued his studies and Sigrid her cooking. A year later they both had to give up. Sigrid became pregnant and could no longer support them. They returned to the home farm in Hendrum where daughter, Alma, was born.

The Edwin Rustads took over the management of his father's farm, now his. The elderly Andersons moved back into the log cabin. After Guri died, Andrus lived alone there, but had his meals with the Rustads. Grandmother Sigrid said he liked partially cooked potatoes, unpeeled, and would slyly steal into the kitchen to spear one from the kettle. When she did peel potatoes, she would leave one or two with their peelings on for Andrus but she never escaped his tirade at how people were getting soft, wanting their potatoes peeled and even mashed.

The two Rustad children were in grade school when a brother was added to the family. Sigrid's sister died in child birth; and the newborn baby was adopted by the Rustads and named Edward. Like changing the family name, this was done legally, with official papers, even though it necessitated a special trip to Ada.

Edwin and Sigrid were happy and successful as farmers. Grandfather once encouraged his college bound granddaughter by saying that he wished that he had gone on to finish, that "he thought he would have made a good doctor or at least a very good veterinarian."

Hendrum was established as a town and was developing rapidly as an agricultural center. A cooperative elevator and a cooperative creamery were organized. Edwin served on the boards for both. A school house had been built near their farm. Of course they boarded the school teacher. Both Sigrid and Edwin served on the school board though Sigrid had no vote, women still not having been franchised. (Both were active supporters of the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment.) School consolidation and the establishment of a high school were of primary importance to them.

Though the Rustads did not believe in an organized church, they were very religious and puritanical. Along with their brothers and sisters and friends in Hendrum who were committed to the same religious beliefs, they built the Mission House on Main Street. Here services were held at irregular intervals depending on when fellow believers were in town or when Evangelists of their faith came. Evangelists were frequently accompanied by one or two young women who sang mournful hymns in high, whining voices, accompanying themselves on guitars or zithers. (1915 version of soul music.) Men in the audience would read from the Bible and sometimes he moved to speak. Once Grandmother explained that every person was his or her own advocate before God and completely responsible for his own behavior. "Preachers were only teachers." Years later, when Edwin, now over 80, was going through a new church designed by his architect son-in-law, he listened intently while each particularly beautiful symbol was pointed out. He didn't say a word. Finally, he could contain himself no longer but had to say that though the church was indeed beautiful, it was built for the pride and avarice of man, that God needed no edifices to establish His glory or to come between Him and His children.

The simple Mission House served Hendrum in many ways, as a community center, a meeting place for Ladies Aids, coop board meetings, for wedding receptions and other parties. It was not available when Alfred Enger introduced movies to Hendrum. He had to set up his projector in the gymnasium.

Elmer was the first of the three Rustad children to leave home. After finishing as much school as was available in Hendrum, he enrolled at the School of Agriculture at Crookston, MN. From there he transferred to the School of Agriculture in St. Paul where he studied business. He returned to Hendrum to become cashier at the Hendrum State Bank owned by a Mr. Eckman. In 1912, he married Emma Enger, daughter of Christian and Ellen Mattieson Enger, Norwegian immigrants who had met and married in Fairmont County. They had moved to Norman County where they homesteaded adjoining lands east of the Wild

Rice River. When their family was grown, they retired and moved to Hendrum with their two youngest daughters, Emma and Clara. Their other children, John, Martin, Alfred and Margaret were all living in or near Hendrum. Margaret, known as Maggie to everyone, had married Gilbert Ingberg, owner of the town's General Store.

Clara, the youngest, had studied music in Fargo at "The Conservatory" and moved home to care for her parents and to teach music. Emma had worked in Fargo and returned to Hendrum to work with her sister, Maggie, in her millinery shop. During the slow season for hats, she helped out during harvest at the Rustad farm. There she met Elmer.

After three years of summer courting (Elmer was away at school during the winters), Elmer and Emma were married. The wedding took place in the First Lutheran Church of Hendrum with Reverend Redal officiating. Between the service and the reception, the whole wedding party went to Halstad, MN in horse drawn buggies to have their picture taken. Clara, now Mrs. Al Anderson of Fargo, remembers the trip — hot, windy and disheveling!

The Elmer Rustads moved into what was later known as the Grandma Berg house. They were active in the First Lutheran Church and in the social life of the town — really swinging according to Mother Emma's stories. Elmer enjoyed his work at the bank, and he relaxed by playing baseball and basketball with the town teams. Raising money with which to build the gymnasium was a primary concern and a very satisfying achievement. They had two children, Maxine, born in 1913, and Allan, born in 1915. Shortly after Allan was born, Elmer moved to Alamo, North Dakota, where Mr. Eckman owned a bank. The family followed as soon as he found a place to live.

The United States was at war. Growing wheat to feed the world stimulated the opening of much new farm land and the bank busy as a lending agency. In a town of 200, more or less, the banker had status. The Rustads built a new house and traded in their Model T for a Maxwell.

When the war was over and the flu no longer epidemic, traumatic experiences, the Rustads returned to Hendrum where Elmer began farming the Rustad farm. The elder Rustads retired and, with son Edward, moved to town. Three years later, due to the agricultural depression, a grasshopper plague, and probably poor judgment, the Elmer Rustad family had lost its shirt.

The Edwin Rustads and Edward moved back to the farm. The Elmer Rustads moved into an apartment in town, and Elmer became a traveling salesman for a seed company. He traveled by train all over North Dakota and Minnesota. Farm foreclosures were epidemic. He was hired by the Federal Land Bank as a land manager. The family now included Donald, born in 1925; and traveling was done by automobile. When Maxine had finished college at North Dakota School of

Agriculture, Allan had finished high school and Donald was ready for high school, the family moved to St. Paul where Elmer had been promoted into the Regional Office of the Land Bank. In the meantime, Emma had been making a name for herself by designing and marketing an aluminum Krumkakke iron and aluminum molds for international delicacies. When Elmer retired, he helped her improve her mail order business.

The Edwin Rustad's only daughter, Alma, studied business and music in Fargo. There she met Philip Nelson, a pharmacy student at the North Dakota School of Agriculture. They were engaged. She continued working in Fargo until the war was over and Phil returned from the European theatre where he served as an officer. They were married and moved around as he worked in Drug Stores until he was able to buy his own pharmacy in Grand Forks, ND. They had two children, Phylis and David.



Edwin and Sigrid Rustad Family
Edwin, Alma (Nelson), Elmer, Edward, Sigrid Rustad

Son Edward had been delighted to return to farming. He worked with his father at all the tasks, but he especially liked working with horses. He had a special expertise and was known throughout the county for his ability to break young horses to harness. He married Judith Hviding of Hendrum. They continued to live with the Rustads until after the second son was born. They then moved into a home of their own. Their first son, Howard, is with the U.S. Postal Service. He served as postmaster in Hendrum for a time. Sarles, the second son, is married and lives in Minneapolis where he owns and operates a franchise for Service-Master in Edina, MN.

Between 1931 and 1935, tragedy struck the Rustad family. Edward was killed in an accident, leaving Judith with two small children. Alma died of peritonitis following an appendectomy. Phylis and David went to live with their father's sister in Fergus Falls, MN. Within a year, Sigrid died of a coronary occlusion.

Edwin continued to live on and run his farm for a few years. It was too difficult. He sold his land and moved to Hendrum where he lived until 1951. He had tried to live with the Elmer Rustad family in St. Paul, and even with his granddaughter, Maxine, in Waterloo, IA, but he was always lonesome for Hendrum. In September 1952, he entered the Retirement

Home in Twin Valley, MN. Even though he didn't feel well, he seemed very contented there. Two months later, he was operated on at Crookston, MN for cancer of the stomach. He lived only a few weeks. He was particularly mourned by his great-grandchildren to whom he is still "Gramp".

Elmer died four years later of a heart attack. Emma lived until 1976. Though she had lost her memory, she was still crocheting and insisting on wearing matching earrings and necklace until a few months before she died.

The third generation of Rustads are all alive and involved with their communities. These are the fourth generation descendants of the original Andrus Anderson family.

After graduating from NDAC (now NDSU), Maxine, daughter of Elmer and Emma, went on to graduate schools at Minnesota University and Columbia's Teachers College. She taught at various levels and was head of the Department of Home Economics at Georgia State Women's College when she married Oswald Thorson, architect. After service in the second World War, they moved to Waterloo, IA where Oswald (Oz) became head of his own architectural firm. They lived and worked there until 1979 when they retired and moved to Marco, FL. They have two children. Sigrin finished college at Antioch, OH and volunteered for the Peace Corp, and she served in Ecuador. Her husband, Jonathon Newell, was also a Peace Corp volunteer. They live in Glenmont, NY, and their two boys, Andrew and Raymond, are in the first and third grades. Thorwald (son) attended college in Colorado, taking his MBA from Denver University. He is a land developer in Seattle, WA.



Elmer Rustad and Emma Enger Wedding
Mr. Anderson, Alma Rustad, Jacob Snustad, Clara Enger, Oscar Stordahl, Ida Enger, Cora Enger, Geneva Enger, Julia Ingberg, Elmer Rustad, Emma Enger Rustad, Edna Ingberg.

Allan Rustad studied at the University of Minnesota and was with Glidden Paint when the second World War was declared. He enlisted, became a commissioned officer, and served in the United States and in India during that war. When the Korean War broke out, he was called back into Service and served in Korea. He had married Verna Bell of Minneapolis and

they have two children, Mark and James.

Mark is a research chemist with 3-M as is his wife, Nancy. They live outside St. Paul. James enlisted in the Army and was in Vietnam. He lives in Minneapolis where he is in real estate. Allan and Verna have separated. Allan lives in Fargo where he works with Senior Citizen programs.

The second son of Elmer and Emma is Donald, now of Marco Island, FL. While still in high school, he enlisted in the Navy. He served in the Pacific theatre of war. Upon returning, he entered the University of Minnesota where he earned a degree in business. He married Donna Dalquist, a medical technician. Business has been Don's business. He has been involved in the various aspects of sales and manufacturing management. When traveling and the cold weather got to him, he moved to Marco, FL where he sells real estate.

Donna and Don have six children and four grandchildren. Barbara studied at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, SD, where she became a specialist in teaching children with hearing disabilities. She has been in charge of developing and running schooling for the disabled at Hibbing and Virginia, MN. She is married and the mother of two children, Joel David Wigstadt and Suzanne Margaret Wigstadt.

Philip Donald Rustad has two daughters, Katherine Elizabeth and Stephanie Diane. He attended the University of Minnesota and was one of the musicians chosen to go with the University music group on a concert tour of China. He now sells agricultural and industrial chemicals out of Madrid, IA, where he lives with his wife, Cindy.



Sigrid (Ellingson) and Edwin Rustad

Peter Allan Rustad and his wife, Kimberly, live in Golden Valley, MN. He sells automobiles, especially Subarus. Kimberly is still in the process of becoming a certified public accountant.

Ruth Ann Rustad also lives in Golden Valley, MN. She is in food management with a Pillsbury Food chain.

Lisa Corrine Rustad is a junior at the University in St. Cloud, MN, combining music and business.

Julie May Rustad is a junior in high school and lives with her parents in Marco, FL.

Alma Rustad Nelson's daughter, Phyllis, studied business and worked as a private secretary until she joined her husband, Mr. Zauner, in the publishing business. She writes and edits for their various publications. The Zauners live in Sacramento, CA and have two children, Fred and Judy.

David, Alma and Phil Nelson's second child, is an intreprenuer. He owns and manages Wood Mark, a company manufacturing pre-built A-Frame homes, with headquarters at Wyoming, MN. He studied at the University of Minnesota and specialized in designing kitchens and offices before developing his present business. David has the distinction of being the only member of the Rustad descendants to be the grandfather of twins. His daughter, Christopher Ann Dunlap, is the mother of twins, as well as of 11 year old Emily. His son Michael owns and edits the newspaper at St. Peter, MN, and son Gregg works with his father.

Howard Rustad, son of Edward, is an Inspector for the United States Postal Service and lives in Moorhead, MN. At one time he was postmaster in Hendrum. He has two children, Mary, a daughter who graduated from North Dakota State University in Fargo, ND in 1981 and lives in Fargo, ND. Mark D. Rustad resides with his wife, Sonya, in Roseville, MN.

Sarles Rustad, second son of Edward and Judith, is married and lives in Minneapolis where he owns the franchise for and manages Service Master in Edina, MN. Their daughter, Susan, is still in school and lives at home.

Two common threads seem to run through the lives of the descendants of Andrus and Guri Anderson and their son, Edwin Rustad. All of them have finished high school and a large number have gone on to institutions of higher education. Many of the sons, grandsons and great-grandsons have had to participate in war.

JAMES HOWARD RUSTAD - ADELE RINNAN

James Howard Rustad was born March 17, 1927 and lived his early childhood in Perley and Hendrum. After graduating from Hendrum High School he entered the U.S. Marine Corps. He became Hendrum Postmaster August 1, 1949.

On August 5, 1950 he married Adele Rinnan. Adele taught school for ten years in Crookston, Hendrum and Halstad.

Howard was recalled into the Marine Corps January 1951 and served an additional year.

In 1968 he became a U.S. Postal Inspector. In 1969 the family moved to Springfield, Illinois where Howard worked in the Chicago and St. Louis Divisions. In 1973 they moved to Moorhead, Mn. when Howard was transferred to the Fargo office.



Howard Rustad Family:
Mark, Mary, Adele, Howard

They have two children. Mark is employed as an Informations Specialist for Minnesota Educational Computer Consortsium in the Twin Cities. He married Sonya Hanson of Boyd, Mn. on May 29, 1976. Sonya works for the Control Data Corporation as a writer. They live at Roseville, Mn.

Mary graduated from NDSU in 1981. Her area of study is Family Relations, Child Development and Sociology. She was homecoming queen in 1979. Mary resides in Fargo, N.D.

ANDREW A. RUSTVOLD

Andrew A. Rustvold, the son of Arnt Johnson Rustvold and Mali Anders datter Helland Rustvold was born in Trondhjem, Norway in 1862. His father was employed by the Postal Service in Norway for many years and also followed his trade as a shoemaker and craftsman. However, at that time Norway was over crowded and there were not too many opportunities for young people to engage in. With this in mind his father set out to seek new frontiers. In 1869, at the age of forty-two years he set out for America, via Quebec, Canada and LaCrosse, Wisconsin. He located in Fillmore County, Minnesota, where he secured work and established a home. The next year he was able to send for his wife Mali, age thirty-six, and four children: Ane eight years old, Andrew six, John four and Karen (Caroline) two.

In 1877, when Andrew was fifteen years old, his father loaded his oxen drawn covered wagon and along with six other families set out for the Red River Valley where they arrived after four weeks of travel.

For obvious reasons the first settlers chose the land adjoining rivers. By so doing they assured themselves of adequate water, timber for building and fuel. This area also provided instant food of fish, game, wild berries and nuts. The homestead site was near the Wild Rice River in Hendrum Township Section Thirty-Two. A temporary shelter was of necessity erected but by mid December of the same year they were able to move into their fourteen feet by sixteen feet two story log house. Through the years this proved to be very permanent. Substantial improvements were made on the farm and more land was purchased.



Andrew A. Rustvold Family: Back row: Mathilda, Alfreida, Arndt, Halvor, 2nd row: Nels, Andrew (Mr.), Martin, Ane (Mrs.), Alfred, 3rd row: Arnold, Anne, Mollie, Gerhard.

Arnt Johnson Rustvold died in 1908. Four years later his wife Mali died (1912). Andrew Rustvold took an active part in developing and improving the home farm in Hendrum Township. He also worked with his father in the numerous community endeavors in which he was engaged. Among these the building of the Pontoppidan Church, organizing Hendrum Township, and promoting cooperatives such as the Hendrum Creamery, Elevator and Telephone Company. Andrew received his education in Fillmore County and also in Hendrum Township in Norman County.

Andrew married Ane Gangaunet at Hendrum in 1888. She was also a native of Norway and a sister of Lars H. Rostvold. They settled on a farm of one hundred, sixty acres which he purchased from his father, and located in Section Five of Lee Township. He later acquired another quarter section of land in Section Four in the same township for a total of three hundred and twenty acres. All the improvements on the farm were done by him. In 1918 a large modern barn was built and two years or so later a silo was erected. In addition to grain farming Andrew gave considerable attention to the raising of live stock and did well in those endeavors. However, he was best known for his threshing operations. For sixty-five years he operated a threshing rig. To quote him, "I think that is

a record for the State of Minnesota". The road between the Andrew and John Rustvold farms is the dividing line between Hendrum and Lee Townships. With Perley, in Lee Township, six miles away and Hendrum four miles business transactions divided between the two towns. Andrew, John and their families lives and farmed side by side for a lifetime. Andrew's place is vacant now except for the memories of a once thriving enterprise. Ane Rustvold died in 1925 and Andrew in 1948. They were the parents of thirteen children: Arndt, Halvor, Mathilda, John, Alfrieda, Alfred, Martin, Nels, Mollie, Anne, Arnold, Edmund and Gerhard. Mrs. Harry Wallace, of Great Falls, Montana (Mollie) is the sole survivor.

JOHN and RANDA RUSTVOLD

John Arntsen Rustvold, one of the early settlers in Hendrum Township, was born in Trondhjem, Norway, September 23, 1864, the son of Arnt Johnson Rustvold and Mali Anders datter Helland Rustvold. His father was forty-two years of age when he set out to make a new home for himself and his family. He emigrated from Norway in 1869 via Quebec, Canada and LaCrosse, Wisconsin. He located in Fillmore County, Minnesota, where he secured work, established a home, and in 1870 was able to send for his wife Mali, age thirty-six, and four children: Ane eight years old, Andrew six, John four and Karen two.

In 1877, when John was thirteen years old, his father bought farming implements and household goods which he loaded into his ox drawn covered wagon, joined his family with six other families and set out for the Red River Valley, arriving there after four weeks of travel.

He homesteaded near the Wild Rice River in Hendrum Township Section Thirty-Two. The promise of one hundred sixty acres of free land was indeed a "dream come true." A temporary shelter was erected but by Christmas they were able to move into their fourteen feet by sixteen feet two story log house. Additions were made to this house and it was lived in until it was replaced in 1957 by the present dwelling on the original Homestead site. This farm from father to son has been in the Rustvold family for over one hundred years without changing ownership.

Arnt and Mali Rustvold and their family were early members of the Lutheran Church, and active participants in the organization of the Pontoppidan Congregation. He served as one of the first deacons and Mali was a charter member of the Ladies Aid. He with his son John helped to haul lumber from Ada, Minnesota to build the church and they helped to defray the cost in other ways also. On September 1, 1970 the Pontoppidan Church, a gift to the Norman County Historical Society, was moved to the Pioneer Village at Ada, Minnesota. Arnt Rustvold had a genuine love for his adopted country and the Red River

Valley which had enabled him to become the proud owner of four hundred, thirteen acres of productive farm land. It also gave him the opportunity to become a citizen which he immediately took advantage of.



John and Randa Rustvold 1942

John Rustvold grew to manhood at the homestead site, the present Rustvold Family Farm. He attended school in Fillmore and Hendrum Township. He was confirmed in 1881 by the Reverend A.A. Scheie, in a log cabin school house two miles east of the present Augustana Church near Halstad, Minnesota. In 1892, he married Randa Hviding, born in Stavanger, Norway, August 27, 1870, but then a resident of Perley, Minnesota. John and Randa were married in the Pontoppidan Lutheran Church and the recently installed bell was rung for the first time at their wedding. Randa was the daughter of Captain Bartholdus Hviding and Ellen Peterson Hviding, both of Stavanger, Norway. She was baptized in the Stavanger Cathedral and confirmed in 1885, by the Reverend J.M.O. Ness of Perley, Minnesota.

Captain Hviding was born in 1836 and came to America with his wife Ellen in 1883. He was commissioned as a navigator at the age of twenty-one and was engaged in commercial shipping. As captain of a ship he docked in many ports and of necessity had to become somewhat of a linguist. Besides his own Scandinavian language he spoke fluent German, conversational Russian and limited French. His greatest difficulty was with the English language which he never quite mastered. In 1888 he bought one hundred, twenty acres of land in Lee Township, Section twenty-one. The purchase price was five dollars, fifty cents per acre for a total of six hundred, sixty dollars. After eleven years of farming he sold his land to A.M. Eckmann of Hendrum, Minnesota. He retired to Perley and became an occasional carpenter, paper-hanger and lay preacher. Captain Hviding died in 1927 at the age of ninety-one years. His wife preceded him in death in 1916 at the age of eighty-one years.

When John Rustvold married, his parents built a house on the banks of the Wild Rice River, about one-fourth mile west of the homestead site where his father

spent the rest of his life. When he died in 1908 his widow's house was moved to her son John's farm. Here Mali Rustvold lived for four years until her decease in 1912. She was buried by the side of her husband and father-in-law, Johan Arnt Rustvold, who died in 1881 and was the first one to be interred in the Pontoppidan Cemetery.

Like so many other early settlers John Rustvold was a community minded citizen, who was active in many endeavors. He helped his father organize Hendrum Township and worked hard to promote cooperatives, such as the Hendrum Creamery, Elevator and Telephone Company. He served as treasurer of the Pontoppidan Congregation for many years. He joined the Hendrum School District and helped to effect its consolidation. Randa with her husband shouldered many of the heavy burdens borne by pioneers both to establish and support the church and Ladies Aid. She dedicated sixty years of her life to working for the missions through the Ladies Aid. Like so many women of her era she was adept at handwork consisting of embroidered, knitted and crocheted articles which were very much in demand at their sales.

In 1942 they were honored by the members of the Pontoppidan Congregation in observance of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary.

John Rustvold died in 1949 and his wife Randa in 1952. They were buried in the Pontoppidan Cemetery.

John and Randa Rustvold were the parents of eleven children: Arnt, Ellen, Mali, Bertha, Anna, John, Orpha, Bernhardt, Arthur (deceased), Arthur and Charlotte. A foster son Martin Kragnes who was orphaned at five years of age was also reared by them.



John Rustvold and Randa Hviding 1892

Arnt farmed with his father until he purchased a place of his own in Lee Township, near Perley, Minnesota. He also farmed eighty acres of rented land adjoining his. Ellen was a school teacher and died at an early age during the influenza epidemic of 1918. Bertha and Anna had lifetime careers in the teaching profession and both were highly successful in their chosen field. Martin and his wife Janet farmed in southern Minnesota. They are now retired and live in Bricelyn, Minnesota. The first Arthur died in infancy. Johnnie, Mollie, Orpha and Bernhardt have been engaged in farming and are still residing on the home farm. Mollie

served her church for over forty-years as organist and that is real dedication. Bernhardt spent three and a half years in the First Cavalry Artillery Division during World War Two. He was in the Asiatic Pacific Theater the first stop being in Australia, then New Guinea, a large island in the East Indies, north of Australia, to the Admiralty Islands. Then on to Leyte-Samar, Luzon and Manilla in the Philippine Islands. The last stop before embarking for home was in Japan. Charlotte, also a teacher, married Horace J. Perkins. They reside in East Grand Forks, Minn. Arthur married Josephine Freestad and Grand Forks, North Dakota has been their home. They had three children John, Katherine and Mark. John, a Certified Public Accountant, died in 1975. His wife Janice and sons Chad and Kirk survive. They reside in Grand Forks. Katherine, a graduate of the University of North Dakota is living in Santa Monica, California. She is the Director of the Biltmore Art Gallery in Los Angeles, California. Mark is a graduate of St. Olaf College, at Northfield, Minnesota. He is an editor and part time instructor with International Business Machines in Boca Raton, Florida.

Of the one time twelve children of the John Rustvold Family seven survive: Mollie, Johnnie, Orpha and Bernhardt of Hendrum, Minnesota. Martin Kragnes of Bricelyn, Minnesota, Charlotte of East Grand Forks, Minnesota and Arthur of Grand Forks, North Dakota.

WALLACE SAHL - LOIS MILLER

Wallace came to Hendrum and made his home with James and Amelia Grothe in 1939.

He graduated from Wide Awake eighth grade and from Hendrum High School in 1944. He served in the U.S. Army from 1944-1946.

He was married to Lois Miller of Ada, Mn. in 1949 and they farmed the James Grothe farm until 1953 when they moved to Greeley, Colorado and now reside in Tempe, Arizona.

They were blessed with 5 children: Cleone Barbara of Hoonah, Alaska; Glenn Douglas of Tempe, Arizona; Nathan James - drowned in 1970 in Montana; Keith Phillip of Hoonah, Alaska; and Norman Sahl of Tempe, Arizona.

James and Amelia opened their home to boys who stayed with them while attending high school and raised 2 foster sons. Henry Orvedahl, now deceased, and Wallace Sahl, Tempe, Arizona.

Amelia taught parochial school at Wide Awake each week. After St. Pauli Church burned they joined Immanuel in Hendrum, 1940. Here she taught Sunday School and parochial school. James also was active in brotherhood and Sunday School and church activities.

James also wrote policies for the Halstad Fire Insurance Company. James died February 15, 1962.

Amelia resided in Hendrum until April, 1981 when she entered Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home.

BERNHARD SAND - INGA LURA

Bernhard, son of John and Caroline Sand was born March 7, 1902 on a farm 7 miles west of Ada in south Hegne Township. His father had emigrated from Norway in 1883 and established a homestead here, after first settling in Joliet, Ill. In 1898 he and Caroline were married and to them 8 children were born. It was here Bernhard grew to manhood, attended the Irving school and Concordia Church, 4 miles east of Hendrum. He walked two and one half miles to school but that didn't stop him from maintaining a perfect attendance record. Rev. J.O.M. Ness baptized him and he was confirmed by Rev. M.A. Hagen. Farming has been his whole life. He stayed on the farm and became his father's right hand man.

In 1930 he married Inga Lura and they took over his father's home. It was during the depression when times were very bad but by hard work and sacrifice, they like so many others in the same situation, survived and went on to better times. Inga, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sivert Lura, was one of 10 children. She was born in 1900 in north Hegne Township, attended district 73 school and St. Petri Church. She was baptized by Rev. Thorvald Larson and confirmed by Rev. A.B. Hinkley. Before her marriage to Bernhard she had worked at various jobs around Ada, including housekeeping, working at the Ada Hotel, and working for a lawyer.



Bernhard and Inga Sand

During their married life on the farm they experienced many changes. From the hard work of the early days when most everything was done by hand to the present day with all the labor saving machinery, electricity, and modern conveniences both in the home and shop. They like to reminisce about the "good old days" but wonder if it was ever really that good.

In 1964 they retired from farming and bought a home in Ada. They celebrated their 50th anniversary November 23, 1980 in the Concordia Church. They enjoy living in town and are active in many groups, including the Norman County Historical Society, Senior Citizens choir, Sons of Norway, activities at Concordia Church of rural Hendrum. Bernhard is also coordinator for the Tri Valley Transportation Advisory Committee. The couple also participates in the work days at the Ada Day Center where Inga helps tie quilts and Bernhard helps in the weaving department.

BENJAMIN SANDNESS - KAREN SOPHIA ELSTAD

Benjamin Sandness was born in Trondheim, Norway in 1856 and he married Sophia Elstad in 1881. She was born in Vestresand, Lofoten in 1859. They came to America in 1882 and settled north of Hendrum. Benjamin was a carpenter and helped build their house northeast of Hendrum, where they farmed. He also made furniture, kitchen cabinets, sink cabinet and a roll top desk. They belonged to the Pontoppidan Church, east of Hendrum.



Bessie and Palmer Venn

Benjamin and Sophia had seven children: Emma, Cato, Gena, Selma, Bertram, Bennie and Bessie. Emma died in 1885 at the age of two years as a result of burns. Benjamin died in 1919 at sixty three years, after many years of suffering with arthritis and confined to a wheel chair. Cato was afflicted in the same way, they were cared for by family members. Karen Sophia died in December, 1936 at the age of seventy years. In 1920 Gena married Edward Peterson of Fargo, N.D., where he worked for International Harvester Company and she worked at the Telephone Company. They had four children: Archie, Bernice, Gladys and Erwin. They moved to Seattle when Edwin retired. Archie is in the Real Estate Business; Bernice works at General Electric. Gladys was a teacher of

Home Economics, married Bjarne Hammer, they had one son, Ken. Gladys passed away at thirty five years from leukemia. Erwin was married in Scotland, they had one daughter, June, she has been therapist in Washington D.C. hospital. Erwin's wife, Jessica, passed away, so now Erwin lives in Tacoma, Washington.



Benjamin and Karen Sophia Sandness and Cato

Archie and Phyllis have three boys: James, Bill, and Don.

Bertram was married to Inga Anderson and farmed near Gary, later moved to Twin Valley. He died in a car mishap, now Inga lives at the Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home.

Bennie married Mina Anderson and farmed near Gary, they reside in Twin Valley now. Their son Marlyn married Judy Rongen and live at Fertile where he has the Sandness Auto Sale and Texaco Business. They have four children: Mark, Lionel, Melissa and Dione. Selma died in 1971 and Gena in 1979. Bessie was married to Palmer Venn on December 1, 1926, at her mother's farm home on a very cold day — twenty two degrees below zero. They lived in Fargo where she worked at the Telephone Company and Palmer at N.D.S.U. They have two children: Mrs. Alden (Arlene) Motteberg of Detroit Lakes, Minnesota and Donald of Fargo, N.D. Donald works at Valley Imports and his wife, (Jane) at Gate City. Mottebergs have three children: Mrs. Craig (Susan) Olson, of Fergus Falls, Minnesota, where he works for the Radio Station. They have a baby son, Daniel James. Tony, aged two died in March from crib death. David is a meat cutter in a store in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota and lives at home.

Bessie and Palmer farmed near Gary, Minnesota for twenty years, in 1957 they moved to Fargo. Bessie

worked at the Fargo Clinic and Palmer with the Powers Hotel.



1908, Back row: Cato, Gena, Selma, Mrs. Sandness, Bertram, Bessie and Bennie.

THE JOHN N. SATHER FAMILY HISTORY

by Stella Sather Haugland

Both my parents came from Norway. My father was married before, and had lived in Moorhead. During a Typhoid epidemic, his first wife died. They had one daughter who died in infancy. They also had a son, Marius, and some years later, he became one of my favorite brothers.

On July 2, 1897, my father John N. Sather, and Berit Ulstad were married in the Norwegian Lutheran Church in Halstad, Minnesota. A delicious wedding dinner was served at the home of John and Julia Johnson. Following this, the young couple went to their farm home. My father had purchased the Dokken farm, located three miles south, and one mile east of Halstad.

Seven children were born to this union: Julius, Andrew, Edwin, Nathalia, Bernt, Stella and Alf.

My Elder Brother

Marius attended school at Halstad, Minn. and the Northwest School of Agriculture at Crookston, Minn.

He married Borghild Bjorvik, March 23, 1910 at Shelly, Minn. They had six children:

- R. Joseph, Gardner, North Dakota
- Mrs. Philip (Lillian) Berg, Eugene, Oregon
- Mrs. Elvin (Mathilda) Blomseth, Twin Valley, Minn.
- Mrs. Clair Myron (Judith) Fargo
- Mrs. Arnold (Hazel) Oistad, Rochester, Minn.
- Violet Sether, San Francisco, Calif.

Marius passed away May 18, 1968. Borghild passed away in 1971.

Julius passed away during the flu epidemic, at the age of twenty, Nov. 7, 1918.

Andrew grew to manhood, then contracted a serious illness. He never recovered from this, and passed away Jan. 10, 1931.

Edwin passed away August 16, 1970.

He attended Halstad High School, and was a graduate of the Northwest School of Agriculture at Crookston. He was employed as an engineer by Northern States Power Company in Fargo, and also by the City of Fargo.

Edwin was married to Clara Moe, formerly of Valley City. Their three children are: Mrs. Harold Mudderman (Carol) Moorhead, Minn.; Jon Norval, Los Angeles, Calif.; Sylvia Sather, Portland, Oregon.

Nathalia, a Teacher

Nathalia graduated from Moorhead State Teacher's College. She spent many years in the teaching profession.

Nathalia is the wife of retired Postmaster, Clarence P. Qualley. They spend their summers at Cotton Lake, where they have a cottage. Their winters are spent in Comstock, Minnesota.

Bernt, a Farmer

Bernt was engaged in large scale farming in the Davenport area. He is married to the former Ella Velo, Rothsay, Minn.

Both Bernt and Ella were active in Church and Community affairs. Ella was a long time teacher. After retirement they moved to Fargo, where they are presently living.



John N. Sather, Berit Ulstad — 1897

Bernt and Ella had one son, James Myron. He was a Lt. Col. in the United States Air Force. He was killed in a jet crash Jan. 17, 1981, at the age of 41 years. He is survived by his wife, Sharon, and two sons, Steven, a student at NDSU in Fargo, and Michael, a high school student in Tuscon, Arizona.

Alf and His Wife in the Field of Education

Alf attended Concordia College, then graduated from Moorhead State College. He earned a Master's Degree from the University of Minnesota. He did graduate work at the University of Washington.

Alf is married to the former Edith Anderson, St. Peter, Minn. Both Alf and Edith spent many years in the teaching profession. They are retired, and live in Salem, Oregon.

They have two children. Janet, wife of Dr. William Bush, Seattle, Wash. and a son John Stanley, a Social Service Worker in Portland, Oregon. They have three grandchildren.

Alf is continuing his devotion to Music. He plays the piano and sings. He and his wife recently returned from a Cruise taken with the Pacific Coast Singers Association, of which Alf is a member. The Cruise ship traveling by night, brought the group into various ports in Norway, for scheduled concerts. "It was fantastic," commented Alf, "and especially coming up Trondheim fjord, and performing in Trondheim!"

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My father passed away April 25, 1931, and my mother May 20, 1948.

As for myself, I graduated from Halstad High School, then attended Moorhead State College. I taught school for a few years, then returned to Halstad where my mother, Alf, and I owned and operated the Commercial Hotel.

June 18, 1939 I was married to Jens M. Haugland, formerly of Hillsboro, North Dakota. He was employed by International Harvester Company in Fargo, and later owned his own business in Hazen, North Dakota. We have two children, both graduates of Concordia College. Mrs. Larry Paskvan (Barbara) a registered Dietician at a Health Care Facility, in Chisholm, Minn. Roger Allen is a Conductor of Opera, and works part time in Los Angeles, and part in Germany. We have two grandchildren.

My husband and I are living in Moorhead, Minn. I retired last year from 16 years of employment at Bethany Homes, (a Nursing and Retirement Home) in Fargo.

FRANK SCHERFENBERG

Frank N. Scherfenberg, the proprietor of 1200 acres of well improved land in Hendrum Township, was engaged in general farming and a large cattle feeding business. He was born in January 10, 1907 in Haven Township near St. Cloud, Minnesota, the son of Wm. and Martha Scherfenberg. His paternal grandparents came from Germany in the 1860's. His maternal grandparents came from eastern United States.

As a teenager, Frank ran the 160-acre home farm in St. Cloud, with the help of his three younger brothers, because his father was ill. He joined 4-H in 1919 when

he was twelve. He raised calves and was very active in 4-H work. In 1926 he won a trip to the Minnesota State Fair and there he met Alice Landro, who had also won a trip from Norman County, *way up north*. Later both won a trip to the National Dairy Show in Indianapolis, Indiana. Frank paid little attention to Alice until Christmas time, when she sent cards to all who had been on the Indianapolis trip. Frank assumed he had been singled out and eagerly wrote back.



Frank Scherfenberg Family
Frank, Janet, Charlotte, Margaret, Alice, Helen

When Frank and Alice were married in 1929, they started out with just five baby bees. The next year they had increased the number to thirty-two, increasing the number almost every year since, until he had 1800 feeder cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Scherfenberg moved to the Hendrum area in Norman County in 1931, purchasing the farm from Mrs. Scherfenberg's father, Jens Landro whose parents came to Minnesota in 1876-1877 from Norway. Mr. Landro erected a farm house in 1913 and a circular barn in 1915 which was a landmark in the community.

The Scherfenbergs attended the Pontoppidan Lutheran Church, two miles east of Hendrum, where they played active parts in Ladies Aid, Sunday School, Church Boards; also supporting a missionary in Africa. Rev. J.J. Jacobson was the pastor, baptizing, confirming, and marrying all their children. The church now stands in the Pioneer Village grounds in Ada, Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Scherfenberg were leaders of the Hendrum Hustlers 4-H Club from 1941-1950. They were chosen as best homemakers and community builders at the winter shows in Crookston in 1950. For all this Frank would say, "I give the Lord credit."

Four daughters were born to this marriage. Helen was born in St. Cloud in 1930. She married Clayton Berg and they are parents of two boys: William (Billy) and Robert (Bobby). The Bergs farm east of Hendrum.

Margaret was born at the farm in Hendrum Township in 1932 and married Duane Smart. They are parents of four children: Mike, Dwight, Maureen, and David. They live at Hillsboro, N.D. where Duane is employed at American Crystal Sugar.

Janet was also born on the farm in 1933. She married Elroy Stienwand and they are parents of three children: Daniel, Jonathan, and Sarah. A fourth child, Deborah, passed away from a sudden illness when she was three years old. Elroy serves as assistant to the Bishop of South Dakota and they live in Sioux Falls, S.D.

Charlotte was born at the farm home in 1934. She married Earl Peterson and they are parents of four children: Mark, Laura, John David, and Eric. They live in Medford, Oregon where Earl is an Orthopedic Surgeon.

In 1949 Mrs. Scherfenberg became ill with cancer. She carried on her work until the middle of 1950 when she became bed-ridden. She passed away October 14, 1950, at the exact time that her second daughter's wedding began.

Mr. Scherfenberg later married Mrs. Marie Berg from Roseau, Mn. and they continued in the farm and cattle business. Frank and Marie became very active in the mission work, serving on many boards including the Bethel Indian Mission and the Latin American Mission in Laredo, Texas.

On December 6, 1974 Frank was killed in a tragic traffic accident in Mexico while he and other board members were looking for new mission sites for the Latin American Mission.

His wife Marie continues to live in Hendrum. She had five children by a previous marriage to Eddie Berg, who was a traveling evangelist. Her children are: Marian (Mrs. Jess Allen) who lives in California; Joseph (Joe) Berg of Fertile, Mn.; Edna (Mrs. Allen Todd) of Ankeny, Iowa; Ruth of Hawaii; and Harold of Ada, Mn. Three of the children — Edna, Ruth, and Harold were adopted by Frank.

by Mrs. Duane Smart

JOHN SCHEPP - LILLIAN YSTEBO

John Schepp was born December 8, 1911 at Newburg, North Dakota. John came to the Moorhead, Minnesota area in 1936. He began working for the Swanson Brothers one mile north and two and one-half miles west of Kragnes, Minnesota. John worked for the Swanson Brothers a good part of each year for five years — always working for them in the winter months. A lot of that time was spent cutting wood.

John worked in a machine shop in Fargo, North Dakota — the Branick Manufacturing Co. — in 1941 and 1942. In 1943 John came to the Perley area to drive the Farmers Union Oil truck and to be the manager of the business. He stayed at the Gena Ystebo home.

On Thanksgiving Day, 1944, John married Lillian Ystebo, daughter of Thomas and Gena Ystebo. They purchased a farm four miles east and two miles north of Perley and began farming.



Lillian and John Schepp - 1944

John and Lillian raised two daughters: Clarice born in 1945 and Lenore born in 1948. Clarice married Duane Haaland of Moorhead, Mn. and resides in Moorhead. Duane drives for the American Currier Co. and Clarice operates a licensed day nursery, with seven children enrolled at the present time. Duane and Clarice have four children, two girls and two boys: Dawn, Dana, Derrick and Darin.

Lenore married Duane Lee of Hendrum and now resides in Bloomington, Minnesota. Duane works for Honeywell in the engineering department. Lenore and Duane have two sons: Gregg and Brett.

Lillian passed away in 1972, after a lingering illness of about fifteen years. Along with his farming, John engaged in construction work. In 1968, John rented out his farm land and began doing construction work full time.

John moved into the Anda-Leiseth Apartment building in Hendrum in 1977. He is the caretaker of the building and grounds. John still does a considerable amount of various repair and construction work.

DELBERT and JOANN SCHLAPKOHL

Delbert, Joann, Brian, and Dawn Schlapkohl moved to Hendrum May 29th, 1978. They purchased the former Vernon Nygaard home in southeast Hendrum. Delbert started a new job as General Manager of Farmers Union Coop Oil in Perley after spending 7 years as office manager at Cenex in Canby, Minnesota. Canby, a city 200 miles south of Hendrum on Highway 75, was the Schlapkohl's first home. They were married in that area October 28th, 1972. At that time Delbert worked at Cenex and Joann was a secretary for the Superintendent of Schools in Canby. February 19th, 1974, Brian was born and January 25th, 1976, Dawn was born.

After moving to Hendrum with Delbert going to Perley everyday to work, Joann kept busy being the city clerk of Hendrum and November 6th, 1979 she



Joan, Brian, Dawn, Delbert Schlapkohl

began working at the Norman County State Bank. Brian and Dawn both attend Hendrum-Perley School.

Both Delbert and Joann are members of the Hendrum Community Club. Delbert is a member of the Holland-Swenson Legion Post 434 of Hendrum and Joann is serving as secretary of the Centennial Committee.



Delbert and Joan Schlapkohl home

HARLEY SCHOLL - BONNIE LINDSTROM

Harley Scholl, son of Raymond and Arlean Scholl, was born at Hillsboro, North Dakota, on August 6, 1948, and grew up on the farm near Grandin, North Dakota. He attended school at Hendrum, Minnesota, and from there went to School of Forestry at Bottineau, North Dakota. He completed his education at NDSU in Fargo.

On May 18, 1968, he married Bonnie Lindstrom. She was raised on a farm near Souris and was the second oldest in a family of four children. She attended school at Souris and NDSU in Fargo. Harley and Bonnie lived in Fargo for three years while he completed his education and she worked as a dental assistant. In the spring of 1971 they moved to Perley, Minnesota. While living there Harley began farming with his father Raymond and his brother Rayland. He also began raising registered Hampshire hogs. In 1973 they moved to a farm two miles from Harley's home place and in 1978 moved on to the home farm when the Raymond Scholls retired and moved in to Halstad, Minnesota.

Harley and Bonnie have two children, a boy, Kelly, and a daughter, Nicole, who attend school at Halstad, Minnesota.

Harley and Bonnie and family belong to the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum, Minnesota. Harley also serves on the township school board and is a member of the Northern Purebred Swine Association. Both are active in church and community affairs.

RAYLAND C. and BONNIE L. SCHOLL

Rayland C. Scholl was born in Washburn, North Dakota, August 22, 1943, to Arlean and Raymond Scholl. In 1947 the family moved to a farm near Grandin, North Dakota. The second oldest in a family of five children.

Rayland attended Hendrum Public School first through twelfth grades. Following high school graduation Rayland attended the N.D. State School of Forestry in Bottineau where he received an associate degree in Forestry in 1963. That summer he smoke jumped out of Missoula, Montana. In May 1963 he received his commission in the N.D. Air National Guard and the following April went to Navigator School in Waco, Texas, for fifty-three weeks of training. Upon completion of this training he flew the back seat of the F-89 for the Guard, attending NDSU taking Agricultural Economics, and farming with his father.

Bonnie (Peterson) Scholl was born May 27, 1945, to Ardis and Marvin Peterson in Bloomington, Minnesota. Upon completion of high school she attended Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Medical Technology and a minor in Chemistry. Following her twelve month internship at the Fargo Clinic Laboratory, she passed her National Registry test and became a Registered Technologist.



Rayland and Bonnie Scholl
Randy, Jeffrey, Missy

Bonnie and Rayland met during her internship and were married in July of 1967 following her graduation.

In October 1967 they moved to Enid, Oklahoma, where Rayland entered pilot training at Vance A.F.B. Randolph, their first son, was born there.

Upon completion of Rayland's initial pilot training they moved to Sherman, Texas, where he received specialized training in the F-102, Jeffrey was born there.

They returned to North Dakota in 1969 and rented the John Boit home across from the firehall in Grandin. Rayland resumed farming with his father and continued to fly for the Guard.

In 1970, the year Michelle Christine was born, the Scholls bought the Joel Erickson home in Grandin. This house had originally been located in Gardner and was owned by Dr. Gowenlock. Erickson moved it from Gardner to Grandin, and in 1974 Rayland and Bonnie moved it from Grandin to the Charlie Smart farm eight miles east of Grandin which Scholls' had previously purchased and farmed.

Presently, Randy, twelve; Jeffery, eleven; and Missy, ten attend the Halstad Public School. Rayland, a Major in the Guard, is flying the F-4 Phantom and farming. Bonnie is active in many organizations through the Halstad-Hendrum communities and is clerk of the Elm River School District. The family belongs to the Immanuel Lutheran Church of Hendrum.

RAYMOND SCHOLL - ARLEAN SCHAFER

Raymond Scholl was born at Washburn, North Dakota, October 10, 1917, to Lottie and Harry Scholl, the oldest in a family of five. He attended school at Conklin Township School and after completing his education he farmed and ranched with his father.

Arlean (Schafer) Scholl was born at Underwood, North Dakota, November 27, 1917, to Christine and Andrew Schafer, the oldest in a family of three. She attended school at Buffalo Lake Township School and Minot Teacher's College. After completing her education she taught in a rural school at Washburn and at Dunn Center Public School.

On February 1, 1942, Arlean and Ray were married at Underwood, North Dakota. They lived at Washburn on the farm where Ray was born and raised. Here they grain farmed and raised purebred Angus cattle.

In March 1947 they purchased a farm ten miles northeast of Grandin, North Dakota, where they lived until January of 1978 when they purchased a new home in Halstad, Minnesota, where they now reside.

Arlean and Ray have five children; Mrs. Milton (Sandra) Bowen, Minot, North Dakota; Rayland with the North Dakota Air Guard and farming northeast of Grandin; Calvin, of Fargo, who is N.D. assistant State Entomologist; Kay, Bogota, Colombia, with Wycliffe

Bible Translators, and Harley who is on the home farm.

The Scholls are members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Hendrum, Minnesota and both have been active in church and community affairs.



Raymond Scholl Family
Kay, Rayland, Calvin, Harley, Sandra, Arlean, Raymond

OTTO and CHARLOTTE SCHROEDER

Otto Schroeder was born in February the 23rd, 1902, he had two sisters and eight brothers. Charlotte was born September 13, 1903, she had one sister and one brother.

Otto and Charlotte were married, October 21st, 1925 in Crookston, Minnesota, then moved to their farm in the Shelly area to live. Besides farming, Otto was an electrician and Charlotte was a nurse, working in hospitals and nursing homes in the area. They were both very active in many organizations.

Otto and Charlotte have two daughters: Elaine, married Kermit Nordlum; Shirley married Nordal Nelson. They have eleven grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.

They sold their farm and retired, after Otto had experienced several heart attacks. Then they built a



Charlotte & Otto Schroeder

new home in Hendrum in the summer of 1963, located in the White's addition of Block two, lots 6, 7, 8.

Their son-in-law, Kermit, passed away in 1973. Then on January 12, 1975, Otto passed away unexpectedly as a result of a heart attack, as he was about to get out of his car at his daughter, Shirley's home, in Hendrum. Otto and Charlotte were about to celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary and in twelve days were to have enjoyed a trip to Hawaii. Later that spring Charlotte and her daughter, Elaine, did fly to Hawaii, then a year later visited Spain and the Canary Islands.

Charlotte was the winner in the contest to name the buses used for Senior Citizens. Her entry, "Pioneers Of The Valley", was chosen and used on the senior citizens buses in four counties. Charlotte received a life time bus pass.

Charlotte moved to a new apartment building in Crookston, Minnesota, to live in March of 1979, then in August 1980 she sold her home in Hendrum to Rueben and Margaret Jacobson. She is a member of Hendrum Immanuel Lutheran Church and keeps active in many organizations.

THE HARVEY SCOVILLE FAMILY

Harvey G. Scoville married Grace Dwyre at Hawley, Mn. in 1945. They raised five children and farmed the Grady-Scoville farmstead for many years. The family belonged to the First Presbyterian Church in Hendrum, the Masonic Lodge and Order of Eastern Star.

Richard Lawrence - graduated from Hendrum High School in 1963. Dick served in the U.S. Army, then attended Wahpeton State School of Science. He married Rachel Lenning of Hoyt Lakes, Mn. They have two sons, Ricky and Randy. The family resides in Two Harbors, Mn. where Dick is an electric hi-line employee for Minnesota Co-op Power Station.

William Linton - graduated from Hendrum High School in 1967. Bill graduated from NDSU with a masters degree in Agricultural Engineering. He served with the U.S. Army from 1971-1973. He married Wanda Larson from Climax, Mn. and they have one daughter, Amy Beth. The family resides in Jamestown, N.D. where Bill is employed by Jamestown Implement and Wanda works for Dodgson Furniture Company.

Harvey James - graduated from Hendrum High School in 1976 and Detroit Lakes Tech. in 1978. He married Julie Ohnstad and they have two sons, Benjamin and Justin. The family resides in Harwood, N.D. Jim works for Palliser Furniture Company in Fargo.

Connie Sue - graduated from Hendrum High School in 1972. She attended Moorhead Tech. Connie married Dale Cameron from Fisher, Mn. They have



The Harvey Scoville Family

two children, Jennifer and Eric. The family lived on the Grady-Scoville homestead for sometime then moved to Grand Forks, N.D., where Dale works at United Hospital as a computer analyst.

Kathryn Louise - attended Hendrum High School. She married Clayton Thurston. They have two boys, Cooper and Jason. The family resides in West Fargo.

INGRAM B. SCOVILLE - GRETCHEN GRADY

Ingram B. Scoville arrived with his parents, Harvey and Carrie Scoville, from Noblesville, Indiana, about 1910. The family settled in the Hendrum-Grandin area and farmed for many years. Ingram married Gretchen Grady in 1921. Two sons were born to them: Harvey and Lawrence. The family lived on the Grady-Scoville homestead and farmed there until they moved into Hendrum, Minnesota in 1949. Ingram served on the Presbyterian Church Council and was a member of the Hendrum Elevator Board for many years. They belonged to the First Presbyterian Church in Hendrum, Mn., the Masonic Lodge, and the Eastern Star.



Ingram B. Scoville and Gretchen Grady

Ingram died in 1962. Gretchen died in 1968.

Lawrence Scoville served in the U.S. SeaBees during WWII. He married Lillian Iken and they lived in Fargo, ND. Lawrence and Lillian had three girls: Jeri has one daughter, Dena, and lives in Fargo; Sonia,

married Ron Daniels, have two sons, Tim and Mathew and live in Billings, Montana; Ginney, married Ken Rogers, have two children, Todd and Erin, and live in Valley City.

SIGVALD SCHEIDE

John J. Sathre was one of the first four white settlers in Hendrum Township in 1874, having bought a piece of land about a mile and half north of the present village, on the banks of the Wild Rice River. He became one of the charter members of Immanuel Lutheran congregation in 1875.

In 1897, this farm, totalling ninety-seven acres was sold to Sigvald N. Skjeide (the name was later changed to Scheide), who had immigrated from Norway in 1888. The young immigrant worked on large farms near Perley for a number of years before he bought the Sathre farm. He told of losing his crop from hail, and that without hail insurance!

Sigvald Scheide married Ellen Bruaas in January 1901, at Perley, with the Rev. J.M.O. Ness pioneer pastor in the valley, officiating. The young couple settled in a log house on the banks of the Wild Rice, and lived here until 1902, when they built the house still standing on the Scheide farm. Mrs. Scheide had come from Norway in 1891, and for a number of years worked as household maid on the large Nels Herre farm west of the Red River.



Rev. and Mrs. Norman Scheide (Martha)

The Scheides cleared much of the woodland comprising their ninety-seven acres. It is note-worthy, that many of these trees were oaks. Later, when the present farmstead was established, Mr. Scheide planted boxelders.

Four children were born to their union: Sarah, Oscar, Stella, and Norman. Life was severe in the early days, for a livelihood had to be virtually wrung from the land. Mr. Scheide like others in the Hendrum area, believed in diversified farming, with milk cows and chickens supplementing the cash crops. Yet the small farm, much of it wooded, was no bonanza of rural affluence. Hard work and good planning were essential ingredients to survival, saying nothing about success! Yet in 1920, Mr. Scheide bought eighty acres more, adjacent to the old farm, and paid for it in cash. The farm was farmed by his son, Oscar, from 1928 on until he retired several years ago. Oscar Scheide passed

away in October, 1975, and is survived by a brother, the Rev. Norman Scheide, Marion Wisconsin. Sigvald Scheide passed away in 1947, and his wife the following year. Sarah, who lived on the home farm all her life, passed away in 1962. The other daughter, Stella, taught in the rural schools of Norman County for a number of years. She married Julius Sandberg of Attica, Indiana, and she died in 1972.

Scheides have lived on this Hendrum Township farm for seventy-eight years. Father and son were dedicated to good farming in this the finest land - the incomparable Red River Valley. They were hard workers; the elder Scheide could recruit the entire family come haying and harvest time! Food was simple, but usually abundant, especially in the winter time when the ice house was an important facility in that kerosene lamp, wood-burning age. Mother Scheide, an excellent cook, provided an abundance of the Norwegian cookery that was so much a part of life among the Norwegian-Americans in Norman County.

Life centered around the country school, the village church, the town, and the farm. Simple, yet a child's sense of values were formed here, and they were good values! One of the Scheide children, Norman, graduated from Concordia College, Moorhead, and went on to study for the ministry. He was ordained pastor in June 1941, the only son of Immanuel Lutheran Congregation in Hendrum to enter the pastoral office up to that time. He served churches in Wisconsin for better than thirty nine years, he died suddenly in March 1981.

Industry, hard work, a sense of high moral values. It was a Scheide hallmark, as well as that of countless other pioneer families in the Red River Valley!

Taken from Norman County History



Oscar, Sarah, Stella Scheide

THE CARL SELNESS FAMILY

Carl and Louise Selness came to America from Norway in 1873. They had three small children when they arrived. Their first home was in Fillmore County, Minnesota. Four years later, they settled in Hendrum

Township. Ten children - all deceased, were born to them: Maria (Mrs. Ed) Iverson, Ole, Ellen (Mrs. Christopher) Jacobson, Johan, Julie (Mrs. Carsten) Eckmann, Cornelia (Mrs. Anton) Gordon, Jens, Lewey, Anna (Mrs. D.H.) Liniban, and Clara, (Mrs. Martin) Hamre. Carl Selness died November 9, 1922, and his wife, Louise, who was born December 5, 1842, died May 2, 1936. They moved to Hendrum in 1912.



Carl and Louise Selness

Jens Jacob Selness was born February 12, 1881 and died April 8, 1968. His first wife, Mary Gordon, died November 1, 1918. He later married Hulda Gordon. She died September 30, 1969. Jens and Mary Selness were the parents of two daughters, Johanna and Louise Marie.

Johanna was born October 25, 1910. She married Victor Johnson, Grandin, North Dakota. They are retired now and still live on their farm west of Hendrum, Minnesota. Victor and Johanna are the parents of three children: Dr. L.J. Johnson, professor of animal husbandry at North Dakota State University. Cynthia Johnson at home, rural Grandin, North Dakota. Marlowe Johnson, Devils Lake, North Dakota. He is district manager for Ottertail Power Company. Marlowe married Darlene Holmen and they are the parents of three daughters, Machele, born November 20, 1969, Lisa, born March 10, 1972 and Tara Jo born September 5, 1977.

Louise Marie Selness was born December 19, 1911. She married Wilton M. Grady and they are the parents of one child, Mary Louise, born March 1, 1938. Wilton died December 13, 1980. He was a Civil Engineer with the Soil Conservation Service at Grand Forks, North Dakota where he and his family also resided. After retirement, he continued working as a consultant in water management. Mary Louise married Otis M. Gryde. They live in Kailua, Hawaii. Mary Lou is medical staff secretary at a hospital in Honolulu and Otis works for the State after many years with the Soil Conservation Service. They have four sons: Marvin, Kenneth, Michael and Richard.

**IVER SEMLING
ANNA MARIE TOMMERDAHL
CORNELIUS SEMLING**

Iver Semling was born in the parish of Vestre Slidre (Valders), Norway on September 7, 1851, the son of Ole and Marit Iversdatter (Bakken) Semling, both natives of Norway. The family left for American in 1867. The trip across the ocean was made in an old leaky boat that took three months, from March to June. They came to Rusford in Fillmore County, Mn. in June 1867. the children were: Anne-Iver, 16-Jakob-Haaken-Anne (Vesle Anne)-Marit-Ole and Knut, 2. Even (Eyvine), the youngest, was born in Fillmore County in November 1867.

Iver Semling, being sixteen years old when he came to American with his parents in 1867, attended the common schools in Norway, this constituting the whole of his schooling. His parents first located in Fillmore County, Mn. Iver obtained employment as a farm hand on farms in Houston and Fillmore counties during his stay of eleven years in those parts. He finally decided, when he was twenty-seven years old, to cast his lot with the settlers of Norman County, which had only recently been opened up for settlement; and, accompanied only by his oldest brother, Jacob, drove a mule team through to that county and at once made his home with his brother-in-law, O.T. Nelson. After some years of fruitful industry, Mr. Semling added to his holdings. The purchase of the land was only the first step, for much of the land needed clearing; but after the ground was placed under cultivation the owner began adding improvements and farm buildings.



Iver Semling Family: Around 1910

Front row: Arnold, Marie, Iver, Sarah, Anna Marie, Edwin. Back Row: Lydia, Joseph, Tillie, Cornelius, Oline, Martin, Hannah, and Ole.

On April 13, 1881, Iver Semling married Anna Marie Tommerdahl, who was born in Norway, the daughter of Ole N. and Ellen (Marie) Tommerdahl, the former of whom was born in Norway, the son of Nels Tommerdahl, and was there reared to manhood. There he met and married the mother of Mrs. Iver Semling. After being a widower for some years after the death of his first wife, he married Mrs. Ellen Ellingson, and the two came to America in 1864, bringing the family.

To Mr. and Mrs. Iver Semling were born thirteen children, namely: Oliver, Oline, Martin Olai, Anne Matilda, Joseph, Ole, Hannah Emlie, Iver Cornelius, Lydia, Jens Edwin, Marit, Arnold Norman and Sarah Elvie. Mr. Semling and family were adherents to the Lutheran faith, being members of the Pontoppidan Church, which Mr. Semling helped to organize. He was deeply interested in the upbuilding and well-being of the community, having helped to organize the creamery company, the Farmers Elevator Company and the State Bank of Hendrum.

Cornelius never married and remained on the farm. He remained in the Hendrum area until his death.

The two surviving children are: Arnold at Twin Valley, Minnesota and Sarah Meyers living in Portland, Oregon.

Taken from the Clay and Norman Counties Book - 1918

GEORGE I. and MARJORIE SHOLY

George I. and Marjorie Sholy along with one year old son, Steven, came to Hendrum in July, 1948, where Mr. Sholy was to be the new Superintendent of Schools replacing Dolson Hill. They were members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church.

During the years at Hendrum, George and family saw many exciting football and basketball games and many beautiful music programs. The gym or auditorium was built and the steel agricultural building was erected. It was very exciting the time they broadcasted a basketball game from the new gym. The game was between Ada and Hendrum. George was also Mayor of Hendrum.

David was born on October 1, 1949, and a daughter, Kay, was born on June 15, 1952 while the Sholys resided in Hendrum. Living in Hendrum was especially rewarding as the association between faculty and the residents of Hendrum was exceptional. Everything seemed to revolve around the school and the church.

In July, 1952, the family moved to Hancock, Minnesota, where Mr. Sholy served as Superintendent for five years. It was during this time that he earned his Doctorate degree. A son, George, Jr., was born on November 28, 1955.

In July 1957, the family then moved to Warren, Minnesota where they spent eight years and then moved on to Wahpeton, North Dakota in 1965. George terminated his position as Superintendent in March of 1970 to become Associate Professor of Education at North Dakota State University in Fargo, North Dakota. This college career was cut short when he passed away on December 1, 1970.



George I. Sholy

His wife, Marjorie, continued her education and graduated from North Dakota State University in the spring of 1973 with a B.S. degree in Speech Pathology and Audiology. She accepted employment with the Fargo Schools where she is presently employed.

Steven Sholy and wife Peggy and their daughter, Sara, live in Fargo where he is associated with Security Mutual Insurance Company. Peggy is associate manager of Seiferts at West Acres.

David and George Sholy operate their own business, the S&S Landscape Company of Fargo and Bismarck. George's wife, Kim, is employed at the First Bank of North Dakota in Fargo, North Dakota.

Kay and her husband David Currier and son Joseph reside also in Fargo, where Kay is office manager and legal secretary of a law firm and David is owner of Dakota Fence in Fargo, Bismarck and Williston.



George Sholy Family: Back row; Steven, George, Kim (George's wife), David, Dave Currier. Front row; Peggy (Steve's wife), Sara, Marge, Kay Sholy Currier and son Joseph Lee Currier.

OSCAR SJOBERG - LOUISE STENSRUD

Oscar F. Sjoberg was born in Telemark, Norway, in 1890, and came to the United States at the age of 18. His destination was Minnesota, where he met Louise Stensrud, a daughter of Norwegian immigrants who had come to America a few years after the Civil War. Oscar and Louise were married at Watson, Chippewa County, Minnesota, on September 6, 1916.



Louise and Oscar Sjoberg

Oscar and Louise and four of their children (Carmen, Ona, Lou, Earl and Oscar Jr.) moved to Hendrum from Moorhead in 1942. Oscar had been in the hardware business in one capacity or another most of his adult life, and came to Hendrum to take over the management of the Hendrum Hardware. He remained there until his retirement at age 68.

After Oscar's retirement in 1958, he and Louise spent the entire summer in Norway visiting with Oscar's sister and nieces and nephews, and also with Louise's first cousins in Hadeland. This was Oscar's one and only trip back to Norway, after nearly 50 years.



Oscar Sjoberg Family
Ona, Alice, Carmen, Oscar Jr., Curtis, Earl
Oscar and Louise Sjoberg

Oscar and Louise enjoyed their many years in Hendrum, with good friends and neighbors. Their home was the dwelling which had been known as the "Ostby house." They were members of Immanuel Lutheran Church. Oscar served on the town council for many years; Louise was a member of the Garden Club and belonged to a birthday club many of whose members had had close ties to the Hendrum community all of their lives. Carmen was employed at Norman County State Bank for several years, and during that time her daughter, Judy Parmeter, attended first and second grades in the Hendrum School. Ona Lou attended Hendrum High School for one year, but subsequently graduated from Moorhead High. Earl and Oscar Jr. are both graduates of Hendrum High School. Alice and Curtis never made their home in Hendrum, as Alice was married and with her husband in the service, and Curt had also enlisted at the time of the move to Hendrum. An older brother of Louise, Hans Stensrud, also lived with the Sjobergs in the 1950's and early 1960's.



Louise and Oscar Sjoberg and grandchildren

Although Louise was in poor health at the time, she and Oscar celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a gathering at Immanuel Lutheran Church in 1966. Later they made their home with Carmen in Moorhead for about a year, and following that they sold their home and moved to Montevideo, in Chippewa County, Minnesota, where they had many relatives and old friends. At that time they were both in failing health; Louise died in April, 1970, and Oscar passed away less than two months later.

Their children and their respective residences at the date of this writing are: Alice Gronner, Alameda, California; Carmen Parmeter, Fargo; Curtis, Waseca, Minnesota; Ona Humphrey, Salem, Oregon; Earl, Fergus Falls, Minnesota; and Oscar Jr., Denver, Colorado. Among them they have 12 children and three grandchildren.

ELLEF SKAUGE and INGEBORG

Ellef Skauge was born in Norway, November 6, 1857. His wife Ingeborg was also born in Norway on December 18, 1859. They were married in Skaun Church in Norway on December 2, 1880. They had one daughter, Marit, born April 14, 1882, while they were still living in Norway.

At the age of twenty five, Ellef immigrated to America on June 1, 1881 and moved to Ada, Minnesota. His wife, Ingeborg and daughter, Marit left Norway on June 14, 1884 after receiving tickets from her husband. They settled in Norman County near Hendrum, Minnesota, where they farmed.

They had eleven children after coming to America — four of whom died at an early age. The others are: Bertha, Halvor, Minnie, Alfred, Alma, Frederick and Randi. Alma and Randi are still living. Alma Bowhall resides in Edmond, Washington and Randi Johnson live in West Fargo, North Dakota.



Mr. and Mrs. Ellef Skauge

ALEX SMART

Alex Smart, born in Saskatchewan and Margaret Black, born in Ontario, Canada were married and moved to Kelso township in 1878. A few years later they settled on a farm in Elm River township about three miles from Quincy, North Dakota. They were members of the Quincy church and Alex served on the town board as well as in the N. Dak. legislature. He was always interested in good government. The town of Quincy dissolved when the Great Northern Railroad laid tracks on the Minnesota side. The Smarts had six children: Charles, deceased; Mrs. Al (Margaret) St.

John of Glendale, California; Dave and Willie, deceased; Mrs. John (Bessie) Deitz of Halstad and Mrs. Harry (Gladys) Marsden of Hendrum, Mn. The children attended grade school at Quincy and High School in Hendrum.

Alex died in 1921 and Margaret in 1950.

CHARLES ALEXANDER SMART - ROSELIA JOSEPHINE DULLUM

Charles Alexander Smart, born in 1886 in Kelso Township, N.D. and Roselia Josephine Dullum, born in Zumbrota, Mn. in 1897, were married in 1918. Charles was the first born of six children of Alexander and Margaret Smart. Roselia was the third child of eighteen born to Peter and Bertina Dullum. Both families lived in Elm River Township, N.D., across the river from Hendrum, Mn.

They both attended grade school in Elm River. Charles attended high school in Hendrum, playing on the basketball team. He excelled in sports; also managing and playing on the Quincy baseball team. He attended the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks, N.D.

Charles and Roselia lived on and operated a farm west of Hendrum in Elm River Township. They attended the Presbyterian Church in Hendrum.

Roselia was a fine seamstress.

Three children were born to this marriage: Doris Smith, now of San Antonio, Texas; Eugene Smart of Vacaville, California; and Duane Smart of Hillsboro, N.D.

Both are deceased — Roselia's death in 1972 preceded Charles, who died in 1977.

DUANE SMART - MARGARET SCHERFENBERG

Duane Charles Smart was born November 25, 1929 at a Fargo, North Dakota Hospital. His parents Mr. & Mrs. Charles Smart lived on a farm in Traill County, North Dakota just across the river from Hendrum, Minnesota. His mother, Roselia Dullum came to North Dakota from Filmore County, Minnesota. His maternal grandparents came there from Norway. Roselia passed away in 1972. Charles Smart's parents came from Scotland to Canada and down to the Red River Valley. Charles died in 1977. Besides Duane, a sister, Doris resides in San Antonio, Texas, and a brother Eugene resides at Vacaville, Ca.

Duane attended the Elm River Elementary School in North Dakota and Hendrum High School in Minnesota. After his marriage to Margaret Scherfenberg on October 14, 1950, Duane served 23 years in the

National Guard. The first two years of their marriage they resided in Alabama where Duane was stationed at Camp Rucker. Getting home from active duty he worked for one year at McLaughlin's in Halstad, then as a deputy sheriff in Hillsboro, North Dakota. From there the Smarts moved to his parents farm in Grandin, N.D. and helped his father run the farm. In 1955 he bought a farm in Minnesota known as the Tarvestad farm, where they lived for ten years. Duane farmed his father's farm in North Dakota at this time also. In 1965 they purchased a home in Hendrum and Duane left the farming business for a full time job with the National Guard, driving to Moorhead every day. Before moving to Hillsboro in 1979, Duane owned a bar in Georgetown, Mn. Duane is presently employed as Assistant Master Mechanic at American Crystal Sugar in Hillsboro.



Duane and Margaret (Scherfenberg) Smart Family
Dwight, David, Michael, Maureen

Four children were born to this union: Michael (Mike) Wayne, Dwight Allen, Maureen Alice (Hest), and David Charles. Mike was born in Alabama in 1952 in an army hospital. He attended Hendrum School all twelve years and then 2 years at N.D. State University. In 1972 Mike married Karen Berry of Shelly, Mn. They have four children — Chad, Eric, Carrie, and Jorden. Mike is presently employed by Nolan Underlee Farms and they reside in Hendrum, Mn.

Dwight was born July 6, 1954 in the Hillsboro, N.D. Hospital. He also attended school in Hendrum and then attended the Moorhead Technical Institute for two years. He is presently in construction work in Colorado.

Maureen was born August 8, 1958 in the Ada Hospital. She attended school in Hendrum. After high school she was employed by J.C. Penney in Fargo. In 1980 she married Bruce Hest of Perley. He graduated from Moorhead State University in 1981 and is presently employed by American Crystal in Hillsboro where they reside. They have one child, Joshua.

David Smart was born October 10, 1960, in the Hillsboro, N.D. Hospital. Like the others he attended school in Hendrum. He presently attends Moorhead State University as a Junior.



Duane and Margaret (Scherfenberg) Smart Families
Dwight Smart; Joshua, Maureen, Bruce Hest; David, Karen, Mike Smart; Eric, Carrie, Duane, Jorden, Margaret, Chad Smart.

Margaret Smart, daughter of the late Frank & Alice Scherfenberg was born on the family farm, March 28, 1932. She attended elementary and high school in Hendrum, graduating in 1950. Her mother died of cancer the night Duane and her were married and her dad was killed in a tragic accident in Mexico in 1974.

Before moving to Hillsboro, Margaret had been an active member in the Hendrum Community Club, serving as a board member, the Immanuel Lutheran Church as a Sunday School Teacher and member of the A.L.C.W., and the Dakota Maids Homemaker Club. She taught ceramic classes in her home for several years, and was head cook of the Hendrum High School for four years.

After the children finished school they sold their home in Hendrum to their son, Mike, and bought a home in the country west and south of Hillsboro.

MAUREEN SMART - BRUCE HEST

Bruce Alan Hest, born in 1959 in Fargo, N.D. and Maureen Alice Smart, born in Ada, Minnesota in 1958 were married in 1980 in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum. Bruce was the fifth child of seven born to Ralph and Ethel Hest of Perley, Mn. Maureen was the third child of four children born to Duane and Margaret Smart of Hendrum.

Bruce attended grade school in Perley, Mn. and high school in Hendrum, playing on the football, basket and track teams. He graduated from Moorhead State College in 1981.

Maureen attended grade school and high school in Hendrum, playing on the girls' basketball team. After graduating from high school she was employed by J.C. Penney Company for several years.

They have one child, a son — Joshua Alan. Bruce is presently employed by American Crystal Sugar Company in Hillsboro, N.D., where they reside.

MICHAEL WAYNE SMART - KAREN BERRY

Michael Wayne Smart, born in 1952 in Camp Rucker Alabama, and Karen Louise Berry born in

Kenosha, Wisconsin in 1953, were married in 1972 in the Lutheran Church in Neilsville, Mn. Mike was the oldest of four children born to Duane and Margaret Smart of Hendrum, Mn. Karen was the fourth child of five children born to Kenny and Irene Berry of Shelly, Mn.

Mike attended grade school and high school in Hendrum and N.D.S.U. in Fargo, N.D. He enjoyed sports and was a member of the football and track teams.

Karen attended grade school in Shelly and high school in Climax, playing in the school band.

Mike and Karen live in Hendrum, Mike is employed by Nolan Underlee Trucking Company.

Four children were born to this marriage: Chad Michael, Eric Benjamin, Carrie Alissa, Jorden Duane.



Eric, Chad, Jorden, Carrie Smart

CHET and THELMA SMITH

Chet and Thelma Smith came to Hendrum in September 1946. They moved from Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. When they came to Hendrum Linda was 2 years old, Diane was 6 months, and Lola was born in Hendrum.

They operated a cafe, renting the building from Mr. Reno until the Masons bought the building. In January 1948 they bought the Corner Cafe and continued their business there until closing in November 1971 due to Chet's poor health. They continued to reside in Hendrum until the spring of 1976. Then the Smiths moved to Austin, Texas in the fall. Lola and her husband, Dan Brown live in Austin Texas, they have two children. Dan's occupation is in the field of electronics. Linda and John Swanson live in Dodgeville, Wisconsin, where they own and operate a drugstore. Linda and John have two children, Todd and



Chester Smith Family - 1966
Thelma, Diane, Linda, Chester, Lola

Tamara, Diane and Dr. Hal Freeman live in Thief River Falls along with their daughter Kirsten. Diane is a nurse and Dr. Freeman is practicing in the field of optometry.



Chet's Corner Cafe, 1948 - Diane, Chet, Thelma, Linda Smith

CARL SNUSTAD - GILMA LARSON

Carl Snustad was the son of Nels O. Snustad. Nels came to the United States and married Inga Sorlien who came from Valdors, Norway.

Carl was born on April 4, 1892 in Hendrum Township. He married Gilma Larson (born August 1892) November 19, 1913.

Carl farmed north of Hendrum. He and his wife lived there all their lives. He was very interested in church work, and directed the church choir for many years. Among many other things, he was on the first board of directors of the Hendrum Creamery. He was on the first board of the Halstad R.E.A., and served as an officer of the Norman County Historical Society.

They had seven children. They are: Inez, who married Oliver Letness and lives in Hendrum, Minnesota. They have two children, Carolyn and Duane.



Carl and Gilma Snustad

Mildred who married Jim Glotfelty of Patterson, California. They have two children, Karen and Joanne. Carroll who married Eleanor Olson of Halstad, where they live. They have four children: Paula, Paul, Scott, and Steve. Carroll passed away June 15, 1967. Nels who married Myrtle Christianson of Minot, North Dakota. They live in Moorhead, Minnesota. They have four children: Jerry, David, Dianne and John. George who married Elaine Ermann of Breckenridge, Minnesota. They did live on a farm until 1980, when they moved to Halstad, they have five children: James, Jacque, Mark, Jay, and Sheryl. Willard married Carolyn Troxel of Iowa. They live in Fergus Falls, Minnesota, they have four children: Nancy, Jo, Sonja, Daniel and Peter. Grace who married Donald Vogler of California, they live in Lodi, California. They have three children: Jennifer, Marsha and Mike.

Carl Snustad passed away in March of 1972. Gilma resides at the home in Halstad.



Carl and Gilma Snustad Family
Willard, Carroll, Carl, Nels, George, Grace, Inez, Gilma, Mildred

GEORGE SNUSTAD - ELAINE ERDMANN

George Snustad, son of the late Carl Snustad and Gilma Snustad, who resides at the Halstad Memorial

Nursing Home, was born July 10, 1928 on the Snustad farm near Hendrum.

George married Elaine Erdmann of Breckenridge, Mn. on April 8, 1951.

George attended elementary school in the Wide Awake School and high school in Hendrum. In 1946 he enlisted in the Army and upon discharge in 1948 enrolled at Wahpeton State School of Science. In 1950 he worked at the Allis Chalmers Manufacturing Co. of Fargo as bookkeeper. In the fall of 1951 he moved to Finley, North Dakota where he worked as bookkeeper for the REA. In 1952 he moved to Breckenridge, Mn. where he worked for Johnson Oil Co. as bulk deliveryman. In January 1954 George and Elaine moved to Hendrum where George took over farming the James P. Grothe farm. At the same time he worked at the Halstad Ford Garage as partsman for Ernest Enger until 1957. In 1957 he started driving school bus for the Hendrum School District which he did until 1979.

George is a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church where he has been a choir member, choir director, ALCM member, served on the church council, Immanuel Cemetery Committee, Parsonage Board and on the Minn-E-Wau-Kan Board. He is Vice President of the Halstad Mutual Fire Insurance and served 22 years on the Hendrum Township board as Clerk.

In 1980 George and Elaine sold their farm home and moved to Halstad where George is employed by the Paulsrud Ford Co. as parts manager and Elaine at the Halstad Public School as bookkeeper.

They have 5 children. They are James Lowell, born November 15, 1952, who married Charlene Sandvik of Fairdale, N.D. They live at Apple Valley, N.D., A development out of Bismarck, N.D. Jim is a representative for Cuna Mutual Insurance Co. in North Dakota. They have one son Kirk. Jacquelyn Elaine born December 31, 1952. She married Jeff Radke of Twin Valley where they are engaged in farming and Jacque is employed by the Twin Valley Bank. Marcus Karl born December 8, 1955, married Carla Johnson of Sioux Falls, S.D. At present Mark is under a 6 months Assistant Manager Training Program with the Happy Chef Restaurant of Fargo. They have one daughter, Amber. Jay Allen born December 20, 1957 married Gail Brandenburg of Edgeley, N.D. Jay is employed by the St. of North Dakota in the computer science field and is also teaching a computer language class at Bismarck Jr. College. Sheryl Rae born Sept. 8, 1960 is also employed by the St. of North Dakota as a computer programmer.

CLARENCE JOHN SORENSON - LILLIAN GILBERTSON

Clarence John Sorenson, the son of Nels and Ingeborg (Qusissell) Sorenson was born in Moody, South Dakota. His father Nels spent his childhood and youth

in Denmark, coming to America in 1900. His mother Ingeborg came from Norway to America at the age of three. Nels and Ingeborg were married in 1904 and spent their first years in southern Minnesota. Clarence at the age of four years came to Norman County, Mary Township with his parents when they established their farm home there. Clarence attended the Wilson School, District thirty-three about one and one half miles from his home, he is a member of the Concordia Lutheran Church east of Hendrum, was confirmed by Rev. J.J. Jacobson. He farmed with his dad until in the fall of 1940.

Clarence was united in marriage on October 12, 1940 to Lillian Gilbertson daughter of Christian and Hilma Ellingson Gilbertson of Thief River Falls, Minnesota. Clarence and Lillian have two sons: Ronald DuWayne born November 23, 1941; Curtis Lynn December 19, 1948.



Clarence Sorenson Family - 1975
Curtis, Audre (Olson), Clarence, Judy, Lillian, Ronald



Shawn Sorenson - 1982
Graduate Fargo N. High

In 1941 they moved to the Oscar Ingberg farm in Hendrum Township and farmed for a few years in 1954 moved to the Thomas Holm farm in Hendrum Township and farmed until two years ago he retired

from farming but still works for his son Curtis part time with his farming.

Curtis was a member of the Concordia Lutheran Church baptized by Rev. J.J. Jacobson, confirmed by Rev. H. Peterson, graduated from Hendrum High School, attended Moorhead State College and Moorhead Technical Institute. He served in the United States Army and was Platoon Sargeant and Tank Commander in Vietnam and Cambodia for the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment. Curtis married Audre Olson on November 15, 1975. They farm in the Halstad and Hendrum area. He established a heavy equipment business and maintains a number of township roads in Norman County. Curtis and Audre are active in the East Marsh River Lutheran Church and Curtis serves on the Halstad Elevator Board of Directors.

Ronald was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church, baptized by Rev. J.J. Jacobson, confirmed by Rev. H. Peterson, graduated from the Hendrum High School. Ronald, his wife Judy and their three boys: Shawn - 18, Todd - 16, and Ted - 14 live in Fargo, N.D. Ronald works at General Nutrition Mills as a Maintenance Technician. He is retired from the North Dakota Air National Guard.



Shawn, Todd, Teddy Sorenson - 1980
Sons of Ronald and Judy Sorenson

ALFRED ST. JOHN - MARGARET SMART

Alfred St. John was born in Illinois in 1883. He grew up there and graduated from the University of Illinois in 1907 in the field of Mechanical Engineering. After graduation he secured a job in Chicago as a Mechanical Engineer. He decided that this type of work was too confining for him and in 1909 he moved to Elm River Township in N.D. where his father had purchased a farm for him and he farmed until moving to California in 1946. Alfred was very fond of music and was soloist and quartet member at the Quincy Church and later at the Hendrum Presbyterian Church and was often called upon to sing solos at neighborhood churches and community affairs. Alfred was a member of the Creamery Board and the Elevator Board in Hendrum and was a member of the township board in Elm River.

In 1914 Alfred married Margaret Smart. Margaret also was very musical and was organist at Quincy Church, having begun at the age of eleven years, and later at the Hendrum Presbyterian Church. She played mostly by "ear" and accompanied Alfred and the quartet and others for many years.



Margaret and Al St. John

There are two children, Wesley and Marge. Wesley received his PhD at the University of California at Berkeley in 1954, having graduated from the University of Iowa and Drake University prior to that. He is presently at Hamline University in St. Paul as a Professor of Political Science and Director of the International Studies Program. Wesley married Alice Marsden in 1943 and their two children are Dwight, who teaches at Auburn University in Alabama and Mary Kay who is with the Peace Corps in Morocco.



Carol, Clyde Rodningen, Marge, Janet

Marge married Clyde Rodningen from Petersburg, North Dakota in 1950 and their two children are Carol who is a Registered Nurse and is employed at County USC Medical Center in Los Angeles, and Janet who works for the Los Angeles Unified School District. The Rodningens live in Arleta, California and Marge is employed by the Los Angeles City Schools.

Alfred passed away in Glendale, California in January of 1964 at the age of eighty years. Margaret still lives in Glendale and is ninety-four years old. She lives alone and is still very active in church circles and plays the piano for Bible school, the Los Angeles Rescue Mission and for other church activities.

ANDREW STENBERG - MARTHA OSTELEE

Andrew Tennis Stenberg was born June 24, 1869 in Loneskaen, Norway and came to the United States, settling in the Shelly, Minnesota area in 1887. Andrew married Martha Ostelee in 1899 in Hendrum, Minnesota. Martha was born March 5, 1879 in Imeslind, Stavanger, Norway, coming to America with her parents, Ingebret and Siri Ostelee in 1882, settling at Joliet, Illinois, until 1887 when they came to the Halstad-Hendrum area. When Martha and Andrew were married, they lived in the Shelly area until they later moved to Grygla, Minnesota in 1933. There they farmed until he was accidentally shot to death at seventy years of age on July 24, 1939.

Andrew and Martha had ten children: Alvin, the oldest, married Myrtle Nybe of International Falls, Minnesota. They still reside there and have three children. Sophie, the second child, was married to Joe Dullum. They lived at Hendrum, Minnesota and later moved to Port Orchard, Washington, they have six children. Elmer married Selma Beulah of Gary, Minnesota and are now living in Ada, Minnesota. Clara, the fourth child, married William Christopherson, and lived in International Falls, until her death in 1971, they had a family of four children. Mabel, who married Herbert Seabold, lives in Fargo, they had three children. Joseph, married Lenora Melberg of Ada, Minnesota. They live in Moorhead, Minnesota, after farming for several years east of Ada. They have five children. Arnold, married Alice Brager and lived at Missoula, Montana where Arnold passed away from pneumonia in 1964. They have four children. Edgar married Florence Hjlmer, they have one son and live at International Falls, Minnesota. Morris, married Jean Bucholz. They live near Thief River Falls, Minnesota, they have six children. Mariam, married Lester Ruud and lives at International Falls, Minnesota, they had two children.

Taken from Norman County History

ELMER STENBERG - SELMA BEULAH

Elmer Stenberg, son of Andrew Tennis Stenberg and Martha Ostelee, was born at Hendrum, Minnesota. He was the third child of a family of ten children. Elmer married Selma Beulah from Gary, Minnesota. They farmed their farm located about nine miles west of Ada for several years, when Elmer built a grocery store with adjacent living quarters in Hendrum, in 1947, which he managed for a few years and then sold it to the Joe Pattersons. The store is now owned by the Nile Johnsons. Meanwhile the Stenbergs built themselves a new home in Ada, Minnesota, they now live in Ada for the summer months and in Mesa, Arizona for the winter months.

Elmer and Selma have a family of six boys: Eugene, married Arlene Farmer; they have five children and

live at Fertile, Minnesota until he died in an automobile accident in 1965. Duane, married Terry Laumeyer and lives at International Falls. They have a family of four children. Virgil, married Helen Sorenson of Ada and live at Grand Forks, North Dakota, where he is a professor of Chemistry at the University of North Dakota. They have three girls and a boy. Elmer Jr. married Marlys Samuelson of Ada and they now live in International Falls, Minnesota and they have a girl and a boy. Alden died as a result of a farm accident at eleven years of age. Richard married Dianne Hamm and they live in Fargo, North Dakota, where they teach. They have a daughter.

Taken from Norman County History

HADLE STENNES - CHRISTINE MYRAH

Hadle Stennes was born November 15, 1853 at Finnoy, Stavanger, Norway. At the age of nineteen years he, together with his parents, brothers, and sisters, immigrated to America by sailboat. The family arrived in Fillmore County, Minnesota, June 10, 1873, and remained there until May 13, 1881, when they moved to Norman County by covered wagon and settled five miles east of Hendrum, Minnesota.

Hadle was united in marriage to Christine Myrah on March 19, 1883. They farmed until 1923 when they retired and moved into the Village of Hendrum, where they resided until death. Hadle died January 14, 1929, and Christine died March 4, 1958. They were both charter members of Pontoppidan Lutheran Church.

They had six children; Sivert, Emma, Amelia, Peter, Sena, and Henry.

Sivert was born January 16, 1884. He remained unmarried and resided with his parents until their death. He died April 8, 1981.

Emma, born in October 1886, died in infancy.

Amelia was born August 6, 1887. She married James Grothe, September 12, 1917. They farmed near Hendrum until 1948 when they moved into the Village of Hendrum. James died February 15, 1962. Amelia presently resides at Halstad, Minnesota.

Peter was born August 19, 1889. He married Gertrude Finney June 21, 1916. Gertrude died October 30, 1970. Peter presently resides at Halstad, Minnesota. They had three children; Owen, Harley, and Ferne.

Sena was born December 14, 1891. She married John Larson March 19, 1922. They resided on their farm one mile north of Hendrum until 1947, when they moved to Washington and then on to Glendale, California. They presently reside at Los Angeles, California.

Henry was born April 23, 1893. He married Herma Logan June 27, 1923. Henry died October 27, 1961, and Herma presently resides at Halstad, Minnesota. They had five children; Elaine, Homer Clifton who died in infancy, Vivian, Homer, and Charles.

HARLEY STENNES - HELEN DOUGLAS

Harley was born in Georgetown, Mn. in 1923, son of Peter and Gertie Stennes. The family moved to Hendrum where they owned and operated the Townsite Dairy. Harley attended and graduated from Hendrum High School where he was active in sports activities. Harley delivered milk seven days a week by auto, sleigh and horse-drawn delivery wagon, much to the delight of the young boys and girls riding and following the vehicles.



Harley and Helen (Douglas) Stennes

Harley married Helen Douglas, daughter of Garfield and Myrtle Douglas in 1946. Helen was born in Bruno, Mn. and attended school in Hendrum, starting working at Norman County State Bank while still a Senior in High School and continued until moving to Bakersfield, California in 1947. Harley continues working in the Dairy Business and Helen, after raising three daughters, works in the business field.

The daughters are; Pam Wright, a school teacher in San Diego, Ca., Barbara O. Oldham, homemaker and mother of three sons at Mission Viejo, Ca. and Lori Russell, a Computer Programmer at Bakersfield, Ca.

The three grandsons are: Alex, Stuart and Keith Oldham.

HELMIK STENNES - LOVISE STORDAHL

Near the southern part of Norway, in the subdivision of Stavanger, Norway, found among numerous small islands, is one small island which is called Finnoy. The small rocky projection extending into the water and surrounding the island is Stennes, which literally means "Stony Point". On this island, Helmik Stennes was born January 13, 1862. His parents were Sjur and Serina Stennes. In 1873 he left Norway for America with his parents, sisters and brothers by sailboat. After six weeks of sailing, they reached Quebec, Canada.

They departed from Quebec by train and went to Rushford, Mn. in Fillmore County. In 1881 the family left this area in two covered wagons to go to the Red River Valley, where Johannes and Helmik had gone

previously. Helmik was nineteen years old when he came to Halstad, Mn. where he worked floating logs and carrying cargo on the Red River. In 1886 he bought eighty acres of railroad land in Section 15, and built a log house.

On May 19, 1887 he was united in marriage to Lovise Stordahl by Rev. O.T. Solem. Lovise Stordahl was born in Trondheim, Norway on June 7, 1869 and came to this country with her parents Konrad and Johanna Stordahl and her two sisters, Regina (Mrs. John Enger) and Oline (Mrs. Iver Sterton). They resided on the former Carl Tingesdahl farm until they moved to the Stordahl farm.

In the first years of their married life they lived in a log house. In 1910 they moved to the former Ole Hagen farm, which adjoined the home farm. Lovise passed away May 29, 1915. Helmik passed away September 22, 1942.

To this union twelve children were born: -

1. Sylfest, who died in infancy.
2. Hannah, who married Jacob Hoff. They had seven children: Arthur, Harriet, Margrate, Loyd, Harold, Clayton and Clifford. Jacob passed away Nov. 2, 1964. Hannah passed away March 18, 1976.
3. Selma married Gust Nygaard. They had two sons: Ray, who passed away Feb. 12, 1976, and Erwin, who passed away Sept. 9, 1965. Gust passed away October 5, 1957. Selma passed away April 28, 1964.
4. Sylfest married Grace Staves. They had four children. Orval, who passed away Nov. 26, 1976. Ruth and Ruby (twins) and Harris. Grace passed away Nov. 17, 1932. Sylfest married Marie Mannum. They had four children. Carol, Sherwood, Gary, and Trent. Sylfest passed away Nov. 10, 1973.



Helmik and Lovise Stennes

5. Lars married Alice Gaare. They had one son, Lowell, who passed away Sept. 17, 1973. Alice passed away Nov. 10, 1973.

6. Helga married Bennet Grothe. They had four children: Lorene, Jerome, Howard and Donald. Bennet passed away June 28, 1964.

7. Ann married Duncan Blackketter.

8. Oscar married Ann Back. They had five sons. John, James, Paul, Richard and Mark. Oscar passed away Feb. 2, 1966.

9. Charlotte married Clifford Halland. They have one daughter Marilyn.

10. Stella married Jacob McLaughlin. They had six daughters. Joan, Geraldine, Lois, Sharon, Joye and Patricia. Stella passed away July 19, 1956. Jacob passed away Dec., 1963.

11. and 12. Roy and Ruby (twins). Ruby died in infancy. Roy married Lavoine Kirkness. They have three daughters: Sherry, Linda and Roxie.

HENRY STENNES - HERMA LOGAN

Henry was born and raised on a farm five miles east of Hendrum. He married Herma Logan of Ada, Minnesota in 1923. To this union were born four children, two sons and two daughters. Elaine married Donald Gerk of Minneapolis, Minnesota. They have four children, Richard and Nancy, both married and live in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Barbara lives in West Fargo, North Dakota, and their youngest daughter Carolyn was killed in a car accident December 19, 1980 at the age of 22. They have five grandchildren. Vivian married Alton Storsved and they now live in Harwood, North Dakota. They have six children, Susan is married and lives in Grafton, North Dakota, Sandra is a nurse in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Paul was recently discharged from six years in the Navy. He is attending college and living at home along with Karen, Mary and Roy. They have two grandchildren. Homer married June Cook of Springfield, Illinois, they live in Los Gatos, California. They have three children; Patty is married, Mike and Pamela attend college. Charles married Marie Korda and they live in Minneapolis with their two children, Leilane and Delroy.

Henry died in October of 1961 of cancer and Herma now resides at the Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home.

JOHANNES STENNES - KAREN SPANDE

Johannes Stennes was born on Finnoy Island near Stavanger, Norway. He came to Southern Minnesota at the age of 16. There he met Karen Spande who was also from the same place in Norway and in 1873 they were married. In 1881 with their three oldest children they moved by covered wagon to Norman County. They resided east of Halstad, but later moved about seven miles east of Hendrum.

Johannes and Karen had eight children: Elias, Severin, Serina, Josephine, Anna, John, Julia and Joseph. Johannes taught Sunday School and Parochial school. For eleven years he was rural mail carrier. In 1915 he built a home in Hendrum, where he resided until his death. While living in Hendrum he drove a

horse drawn school bus for several years. He died in his home October 10, 1935 and is laid to rest beside his wife at Pontoppidan Cemetery. She died of a heart attack at an early age of 51 on July 14, 1901. Julia Enockson is the only survivor and she is a resident of the Wimmer Nursing Home, where she has been since she suffered a stroke in 1972.

JOSEPH STENNES - CLARA BRODAHL

Joseph Stennes was born Sept. 15, 1892 in Hendrum township, the youngest of eight children of Johannes and Karen Stennes who immigrated from Norway and settled in Norman County. He married Clara Brodahl March 5, 1919 at the parsonage in Hendrum by Rev. T.A. Hagen. Clara's parents, Ole and Mette Brodahl had also immigrated from Norway and settled on a homestead N.E. of Hendrum. She also came from a family of eight. Clara and Joseph lived in Montana for a while but came back to Hendrum area and farmed. Leslie was born Jan. 1920, and Ruth Oct. 1921, Jerome April 1925 and Josephine July 1929. Two boys died in infancy. All the children attended country school and Hendrum High school.



Josephine, Leslie, Jerome, Ruth, Clara and Joseph Stennes

In 1941 Joseph and Clara bought a farm east of town known as the Christian Enger farm, where they lived for 30 years, before moving into town.

Leslie graduated from Concordia College and Lutheran Brethren Seminary and received his Doctorate in Linguistics from Hartford Seminary in Connecticut. He left for Paris, France in 1950 to study more French and the winter of 1951 left for Cameroun, Africa. In June 1952 he married Rachel Heistad who had been there 2 years as a missionary. Their 3 daughters, Mary, Naomi and Suzanne were all born there. They spent 15 years on the mission field. At present they reside in Minneapolis working on translating for African Missions.

Ruth and Josephine both graduated from the Good Samaritan Hospital, Rugby, N.D. where their Aunt Josephine was Superintendent. Jerome attended Interstate Business College in Fargo and worked for some

time at the Sugar Beet Plant Office, Moorhead before going to Phoenix, Ariz. in 1951 where he works as an Accountant. He married Delores Wierson in 1957. They have a daughter Julie and a son, David. Ruth married Isidore Renner in 1970, they live in Fargo where she works at the Veterans Hospital. Josephine married Richard Beitzel in 1950 and they live in Bemidji, Mn. where they have lived for 24 years. Richard teaches at the University there. They have 4 children; Earl, Kathryn, Janet and William. Robert died at the age of 8 months. Joseph and Clara were active in church and Sunday School in the Pontopidan Church. Joseph died on Oct. 17, 1975 after several years in failing health. Blessed be his memory.



Joseph Stennes Grandchildren, 1970

LARS STENNES - ALICE GAARE

Lars is the son of Helmik and Lovise Stordahl Stennes. His father, Helmik, came to America in 1873 from Finnoy, Stavanger, Norway. His mother, Lovise, came from the Trondheim area. Lars stayed at home and worked on the farm until 1919 when he married Alice Gaare, the daughter of John and Annie Kroshus Gaare, of Perley, Mn. They then moved to the Gaare farm. In 1940, they purchased the Oscar Kroshus farm along the Wild Rice River, in Section 18. There they raised small grains and had milk cows, chickens and hogs.



Lars and Alice Stennes

They had one son, Lowell. He entered Military Service and served in World War II and in the Korean Conflict. Lowell remained in the Army a number of years and attained the rank of Captain. His formal education took place at N.D.S.U. in Fargo, N.D. and at George Washington College in Washington, D.C. He married Nancy Kingzett August 24, 1947. They had three children; Lee, Laurel and Nadine. They were divorced.

Lowell married Sharon Spitzer on May 13, 1963. They had two children, Lane and Darcie. Lowell passed away September 17, 1973.

Renting out their farm, Lars and Alice retired from active farming in 1972. After the passing of Alice, Lars lived out on the farm for two years. He then moved into Hendrum. Lars and Alice were active members of the Bethania Lutheran Church east of Perley, Mn.

Sharon Stennes and Harlan Swenson were married January 29, 1977.



Darcie, Lars, Alice, Sharon, Lowell, Lane Stennes

NORMAN STENNES FAMILY

The days come and the days go: Time moves on as we know. For Norman is living on the farm of his birth place which is 200 feet from his present home. He has operated the farm from youth and is now renting from his mother, Mrs. Ada Stennes. Norman purchased a 40 acre tract from the family of Severin J. Stennes. Norman's father Elias passed away November, 1973 at the age of 100 years and 2 months and his mother at the time of this writing is 88 years.

Norman married Vera Reutter who at that time was employed in the Register of Deeds office in Ada, Norman County. We were married June 1st, 1947 at the St. Johns Church in Green Meadow Township. To this union four children were born. Barbara Jean, October 23rd, 1948, Sandra Marie, June 21st, 1950, Paul Douglas, June 6th, 1952 and Elizabeth Louise March 7th, 1954. During the years of 1948 through

Sept. 17th, 1956, the mother was home, returning to office work, to fill a vacancy until Mr. Nornes found someone else. In the year of 1971 Vera was elected to the position of County Register of Deeds, which since that time is now known as the County Recorder. Norman has a variety of skills and interests, such as Carpenter work, home building, trailers of which he and Allan Ingberg have a mutual interest. Paul Stennes is married to Patrice Nelson and he is presently employed by United Parcel Service and they make their home in Alexandria, Mn. He discontinued his employment at Cenex in Perley in April 1976, having graduated from Hendrum in 1970. Patti graduated from Ada High School in May 1976 and is employed in Alexandria as a Dental Assistant. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Nelson, of Ada, former owners of the Sears. Barbara Jean married Stephen Miller in Sept. 1969 after having graduated from California Lutheran Bible School in May 1968. Stephen is Vice President of Cole Scientific Laboratories, Inc. in Granada Hills, Calif. They have four children, Beth, Nathan, Daniel and Joshus, which makes for busy days for the family as they are very active in school, and church and have a large host of friends. Sandra is married to Dave Zurawski and have a son Paul James born Sept. 10th, 1980, Dave is a machinist and a Veteran of the Vietnam War. Sandra as well as Elizabeth followed Barbara in graduating from California Lutheran Bible School in Los Angeles. Sandra and Dave make their home in Hawthorn, California and frequently visit with Barb and family. Both families are planning a vacation to Minnesota this summer.

Elizabeth returned to Minnesota and attended the Deaconess Hospital for training and graduated as a Radiologist — or an X-Ray Technologist, and in December 1976 married Jerry Kunnari, Jerry is a native of Minnesota, and graduated from High School in Minneapolis and Lutheran Bible Institute in Seattle, Washington. Jerry is a professional baker and they have one son Kevin who will be 2 years old Sept. 28, 1982.

Submitted by Vera Stennes

PETER A. STENNES - GERTRUDE FINNEY

Peter Alfred Stennes, son of Hadle and Christine Myrah Stennes, was born on a farm east of Hendrum, August 19, 1889. He attended rural School #3, Crookston Business College, and Dakota Business College. He worked in a bank in Hendrum and clerked in a store in Nielsville for a short time. In 1912 he began working at the Georgetown, Minnesota bank and later became Cashier of the bank.

On June 21, 1916 he married Gertrude C. Finney of rural Georgetown. She was the daughter of Martha and Ole Finney. Prior to her marriage, Gertrude did tailoring in Fargo, Moorhead, and the surrounding area.



Peter and Gertrude Stennes, Owen, Fern and Harley

Three children were born to Peter and Gertrude; Owen, Harley, and Fern.

Owen Marcus was born October 5, 1918. He married Terry Miller of California, and they reside at Leawood, Kansas. Owen is owner and president of SMB Financial Services, Inc., a finance and collection business. They have two children; Mark, Sandwich, Mass., and Mrs. Lowry (Debra) Jones, Kansas City.

Harley Clayton, born April 10, 1923, married Helen Douglas of Hendrum. Harley and Helen live at Bakersfield, California, where Harley is sales manager for Larson Dairy. They have three children: Mrs. Steven (Pamela) Wright of San Diego, Ca.; of Bakersfield, Ca. Barbara and Stacy Oldham have three sons: Alex Clayton, Stuart Gene, and Keith Edward.

Ferne Eleanor was born in Hendrum February 28, 1927. She married Lowell Thorson of Hendrum, and they now reside at Ada, Minnesota. They have one daughter, Mrs. Bruce (Dawn Marie) Benson. Dawn and Bruce live in West Fargo, North Dakota, and have two children; Kristopher Paul and Gretta Marie.

On October 10, 1920, there was a bank hold-up at the Georgetown Bank. Peter, who was then Cashier of the bank, was shot in the head which resulted in the loss of sight on his right eye.

Peter, Gertrude, Owen, and Harley left Georgetown January 1, 1925 and moved to Moorhead where Peter had accepted employment in a bank. They continued to reside in Moorhead until November, 1926, when they moved to Hendrum. Here he purchased the Townsite Dairy Farm from Peter's uncle, Jacob Stennes.

Milk was delivered with horse and buggy, and in the winter by bob sled. Later, deliveries were made by automobile, except when snow was too deep and the horses and sleigh came into use again. All three children helped with the deliveries. Daily milk delivery to the entire village was continued until early 1946 when home deliveries were terminated.

In 1961-62 the farm, excluding the dwelling, was sold. Part of this on the north edge of Hendrum was later platted into residential building lots, and several beautiful new homes were constructed.

Peter and Gertrude were active in civic and church affairs. Peter served as Mayor of the City of Hendrum, was Clerk of the Hendrum School Board for many years, was Trustee of Immanuel Lutheran Church for 27 years, and Treasurer of Immanuel for 5 years.

Gertrude died October 30, 1970. She had held offices in the Immanuel Ladies Aid and in the Mission Society.

Peter continued to live in Hendrum until the fall of 1976, when he sold his home. He then resided in Ada and Twin Valley, and presently resides at Halstad, Minnesota.

ROY STENNES - LEVOINE KIRKNESS

Roy Stennes, son of Helmik and Louisa Stennes, was born at Hendrum, Minnesota, April 11, 1911. After his education, he stayed on the farm and helped his father with the farm work. Roy was four years old when his mother passed away. He had a twin sister, Ruby, who passed away when she was eight months old.



Roy, Levoine, Roxie Stennes

On October 2, 1937, he was united in marriage to Levoine Kirkness. She was born at Lake Park, Minnesota, on April 29, 1919, the daughter of Dan and Nora Kirkness. After their marriage they purchased the former Christopher Jacobson farm and lived there

until 1945, when they moved to Portland, Oregon. Roy worked for Lambert Plywood company and Levoine for National Biscuit Company.

Roy and Levoine have three children: Sherry, Linda, and Roxie.

Sherry is married to Lou Bradshaw, and they have two children: Tamara and Christopher.

Linda is married to George Vetter, and they have three children: Scott, Jason, and Christine.

Roxie is married to Thomas Arp.



Sherry, Linda, Roxie Stennes

SYLFEST STENNES - GRACE STAVER - MARIE MAANUM

Sylfest Stennes, fourth child of Helmik and Louise Stennes, was born November 16, 1894, in a log house on the family farm, in the NW¼ of Section 15, Hendrum Township, Norman County, Minnesota. He later built a home for his family on this farm, where he lived until he died of cancer on December 21, 1960. He was a carpenter and a Livestock Buyer.

On May 17, 1919, Sylfest married Grace Staver. She died of pneumonia on March 17, 1932. They had four children: Orval, Ruth, Ruby, and Harris.

On December 31, 1933, Sylfest married Marie Maanum, daughter of Peter and Sarah Maanum of Borup, Minnesota. Born to Sylfest and Marie were: Carol, Sherwood, Gary, and Kent.

Marie presently resides with her son, Gary, near Nevis, Minnesota, on Owl Lake. She is an artist in residence with the Nevis Public School.

Orval Lester Stennes, oldest child of Sylfest and Grace, was born November 28, 1920. He was a carpenter and rancher in California; later moving to Falls City, Oregon, where he passed away on November 26, 1976. Orval married Luena Bramstedt in 1952. She passed away February 1, 1980. Orval and Luena had one child: Orval, Jr.

Orval Lester, Jr. was born March 6, 1953. He married Judy Bohn on April 6, 1978, and they have two children. Tara was born December 16, 1979, and Tylane was born May 10, 1981.

Ruth Sylvia Stennes, twin to Ruby, and daughter of Sylfest and Grace, was born December 2, 1922. On September 10, 1946, Ruth married James Adams. They live in LaMesa, California, where he is a retired cabinetmaker and she is a nurse at LaMesa Convalescent Hospital. Ruth and Jim have three children: Jay, Don, and Sheri.

Jay Adams, born March 14, 1948, married Margaret Cain on June 21, 1969. They live in LaMesa, California, where he is a merchandiser for a liquor company, and she is a loan officer at a bank.

Don Adams was born July 26, 1950. He married Dolly O'Brian in June, 1979. They live in El Cajon, California, where he is a cabinetmaker and she is in the office of a construction firm.

Sheri Adams, daughter of Ruth and Jim, was born July 7, 1961. She recently graduated from San Diego State University with a major in Social Science.

Ruby Geraldine Stennes, twin to Ruth, was born December 2, 1922. She married James Jones on November 13, 1945, and they had one child, Candee. They were divorced, and Jim passed away in 1977. Ruby married Warren (Bud) Kinne on November 18, 1976. They lived at Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey, until 1981, when Bud retired and they spent the year traveling.

Candee Ann Jones, daughter of Ruby and Jim, was born December 10, 1946. She was married to Dana Taylor on December 18, 1971. They live at Baldwinsville, New York. Candee and Dana have four children: Amanda, born December 17, 1974; Rebecca, born November 15, 1975; Eric, born September 17, 1977; and Carrie, born May 14, 1981.

Harris Stennes, fourth child of Sylfest and Grace, was born February 10, 1925. He married Mae Borgen on June 29, 1946. They presently live near Nimrod, Minnesota, where he farms and works for the Dairy Herd Improvement Association. Harris and Mae have four children: Karen, Kevin, Geraldine, and Lori.

Karen Stennes was born October 10, 1947. She was married to Robert Brophy on July 27, 1968, and they live at Sauk Center, Minnesota, where they sell real estate. Karen and Bob have four children: John, born December 29, 1970; Angela, born October 7, 1973; Lynne, born September 22, 1977; and Thomas, born October 12, 1980.

Kevin Stennes, second child of Harris and Mae, was born May 17, 1949. He married Vicki Roop on April 14, 1972, and they live near Hawley, Minnesota, where they have started their own business; Country 2 Interiors. Kevin and Vicki have two children: Jason, born December 5, 1970 (Vicki's by former marriage) and Joey, born April 2, 1977.

Geraldine (Geri) Stennes was born May 25, 1953. She married Myron Grefsrud on November 4, 1972.

They live at Moorhead, Minnesota, where she works for Edling Electric and he is with Archies.

Lori Ann Stennes was born January 22, 1961. She married Marvin Redetski on June 14, 1980, and they live at Sebeka, Minnesota. Lori works at Harv's Self Service Station and Marvin drives a milk truck. They have one child,



Sylfest and Marie (Maanum) Stennes

Carol Mae Stennes, child of Sylfest and Marie, was born December 24, 1934, on the home farm in Hendrum Township. On March 4, 1953 she married Oliver Sorenson, Jr. They presently own and operate a grain and sugar beet farm three miles west of Ada, Minnesota. They are the parents of six children: Jeffrey, Cynthia, Kim, Becky, Trudy, and Perry.

Jeff Sorenson was born December 17, 1953. He owns and operates a livestock farm in Green Meadow Township, northeast of Ada, specializing in Simmental cattle. He is presently in his third year with Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota; taking his internship at Albert Lea, Minnesota.

Cindy Sorenson, child of Carol and Oliver, was born April 29, 1955. She married Allen Boit on April 27, 1974. They live at Mentor, Minnesota, where they own and operate Boit's Horse Ranch. Cindy is presently attending the University of Minnesota, Crookston, in the nursing program. Cindy and Allen have two



Sylfest Stennes Family

Back row: Gary, Kent, Harris, Sherwood
Front: Marie, Ruby Kinne, Ruth Adams, Carol Sorenson

children: Jasen, born September 25, 1974, and Christi, born May 24, 1976.

Kim Sorenson was born October 18, 1956. He is presently co-owner of K & L Trucking, Ada, Minnesota.

Becky Sorenson was born March 6, 1958. She married Leroy Gnadst on April 7, 1979. Becky is a beautician at Headlines, Ada, and Leroy is co-owner of K & L Trucking. They have one son, Nicholas, born May 3, 1980.

Trudy Sorenson, fifth child of Carol and Oliver, was born November 29, 1959. She passed away December 14, 1959, from a heart defect.

Perry Sorenson was born March 18, 1962. He is in his second year at the University of Minnesota, Crookston.

Sherwood Leroy Stennes, son of Sylfest and Marie, was born March 3, 1938. He married Yvonne Baum in 1955 and they had two children: Jacquelin, born October 3, 1955, and Gerilyn, born August 8, 1957. They were divorced. In 1961 Sherwood married Betty Hill. They live in Circle Pines, Minnesota. He is a machine mechanic for Pioneer, Mfg. They have three children: Tammy, born January 21, 1962; Steven, born March 26, 1963; and Nancy Carol, born October 14, 1968.

Gary Juel Stennes was born November 25, 1942. On April 5, 1975, he married Connie Ahles. Gary is a music teacher in the Nevis Public Schools. They have two children: Erica, born April 15, 1977, and Shanna, born August 16, 1979.

Kent Arlan Stennes, child of Sylfest and Marie, was born September 1, 1947. On May 18, 1974 he married Barbara Zybrynski. Kent is Office Manager for Miles Homes, Minneapolis, Minnesota. They have one son; Corey, born August 12, 1976.

IVER STERTON and OLIVE STORDAHL

Iver Sterton was born in Lensvik, Norway (near Trondheim) in 1871. When his father, Anton Sterton, and a younger brother Jens and he emigrated to America in 1887, they came to a settlement east of Hendrum where other folks from the Lensvik area had homesteaded a few years earlier. Anton went back to Norway but returned to America a few years later, this time bringing his daughter, Elizabeth, with him. He returned to Norway, remarried and raised another family of three, two boys and a girl. He lived to a ripe old age of 94 years.

Oline Stordahl was also born in Lensvik, Norway on December 26, 1876. She emigrated to America with her parents, Konrad and Johanna Stordahl when she was two years old. She had two older sisters, Lovisa, who later married Helmik Stennes, and Regina, who married John Enger. The Konrad Stordahls homesteaded on a farm two miles east of Hendrum. His

father, brothers, and sisters had arrived a year earlier and had homesteaded in that area. It was to this area the Sterton men had come in 1887 and found employment until they found places of their own.

Iver and Oline were married in 1893 and settled on a farm just west of the Konrad Stordahl farm. They bought a larger farm a few miles northeast, but lived there only a short time, moving to the farm 5 miles east of Hendrum, where they lived the rest of their married life. They were members of the Pontoppidan church where Iver was a trustee for many years and where both were active in the church activities. Besides farming Iver did some custom threshing.

The brother Jens married Oline's sister Christine Stordahl. He was drowned in the Red River shortly after their marriage. Elizabeth married Ed Boe. Another sister, Dorthea, remained in Norway and never married.



Iver and Oline Sterton

To Iver and Oline Sterton 15 children were born, 12 of whom lived to maturity.

1. Adolph (deceased, Medford, Oregon, married Sara Moe (deceased). They had two children, Allen and Rodger.

2. Olga (deceased) - Los Alamitos, California, married George Hoff (deceased). They had one child, George Robert, Jr.

3. Constance - Buena Vista, California, married Clarence Lee (deceased). They had three children, Harris, Dorothy, and Don Leroy.

4. Letty (deceased) - Long Beach, California, married Frank Hall, no children.

5. Jens - Hendrum, Minnesota, married Christine Rogness (deceased), one child, Owen.

6. Ordean - Hendrum, Minnesota, married Harriett Strommen. They had three children, William (deceased), Robert, and Mary.

7. Raymond (deceased) - Vancouver, Washington, married Blanche Haaland (deceased). They had two children, Beverly and Don.

8. Ferdinand - St. Cloud, Minnesota, married Katherine Thawly. They had two children, Gaye Lou

and David.

9. Ruth - Santa Anna, California, married Bob Cameron, no children.

10. Conrad - Huntington Beach, California, married Marjorie Tieg. They had three children, Phillip, Bruce, and Kristine.

11. Margaret - Los Angeles, California, married Steve Szabo. They had two children, Linda and Ronald.

12. Verona - Tarzana, California, married John Carpenter (deceased). They had three children, Gary, Gregg, and Kim.

The three who died in infancy and early childhood were Ruth, Dora and Donald.

Only two families from this large number live here in the Hendrum area: Jens and Ordean.

JENS STERTON - CHRISTINE ROGNESS

Jens Sterton, born August 26, 1901, attended the Viking School and a year at the Agricultural College in Crookston, MN. He married Christine Rogness, daughter of Ole and Jensine Rogness of Hendrum, November 27, 1922.

Jens worked at the South Tacoma Railroad Shop in 1923. He started farming in 1926 on the Rogness farm 3 miles west of Hendrum on the North Dakota side before buying their present farm, 3 miles south of Hendrum on the Minnesota side. They later built a house in Hendrum where they lived until Christine's death on January 1, 1972. Jens now makes his home with his son and family on the farm, but still maintains his home in town. He is a member of the Immanuel Church of Hendrum.



Jens and Christine Sterton

ORDEAN STERTON and HARRIETT STROMMEN

Ordean, son of Iver and Oline Sterton, was born on a farm about 5 miles northeast of Hendrum on September 24, 1903, and grew to manhood there. He

received his elementary education at the Viking rural school. He helped his father on the farm, then later went out on several jobs, construction work in the Minneapolis area and worked at the Chevrolet plant in Flint, Michigan before returning to Hendrum where he started farming on his own.

He married Harriett Strommen of Halstad, Minnesota, daughter of Nels and Ida Strommen. She taught school in the Hendrum area, both at the Cloverblossom and Wide Awake schools.

They started their married life in 1929 on a farm about a mile north of Hendrum, which was then owned by his father, but which they purchased a few years later from him. In 1947 they purchased another 240 acres of land near Borup, which he operated for 20 years before they sold it.



Lt. Cdr. Bill Sterton lost his life in the line of duty October 23, 1967.

They were members of the Pontoppidan Lutheran Church, where Ordean was a trustee for many years. When Pontoppidan congregation dissolved in 1963 they joined the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum. They are members of Brotherhood and ALCW. Harriett sang in the choir for many years, directed the junior choir for several years and has taught Sunday School in both churches.

In 1979 they celebrated their 50th anniversary. They still reside on their farm, and, although retired from farming, are still active in several activities. Ordean enjoys gardening, especially planting and caring for evergreens. They have a cottage at Lake Cormorant, where they spend much of their time during the summer. They enjoy traveling, too, and have taken several interesting trips.

Three children were born to them.

1. William (Bill) Sterton. He attended North Dakota State University at Fargo and Mayville State of Mayville, ND. In 1955 he entered the Navy and became a pilot. In 1959 he married Martha Benito, a teacher from Guam, whom he met while he was stationed there. Four children were born to them: Stephen, Jody, Leslie, Kimberly. In 1967 Lt. Cdr. Bill Sterton was killed in a landing accident on the carrier Teconderoga, off the shores of San Clemente, California. His widow and children live in Coronado, California.



Sterton's 50th Anniversary
Robert, Harriett, Ordean, Mary

2. Robert Sterton. He graduated from North Dakota State University in the Pharmacy department in 1968. He married Linda Warner, a graduate of the same college, in speech therapy. At the present time they live in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota where Robert owns and operates the Service Drug Store. They have two children: Cara Sue and Brock William.

3. Mary Sterton. She graduated from Moorhead State University of Moorhead, Minnesota and taught school in California for several years. She taught two years in Germany in an American Military School. After returning to California and a few more years of teaching she switched to the insurance field. She is now employed by the Safco Insurance Company in Long Beach, California.

OWEN STERTON - ETHEL FJELD

Owen, son of Jens and Christine Sterton, was born January 8, 1923. He attended the Elm River Country School in North Dakota for the first eight years, and then he attended Hendrum High School where he graduated in 1941.

Owen farmed with this father Jens until they rented out their land a few years ago. Besides farming Owen has worked during the campaign season at the sugar beet plant in Moorhead, MN, since 1948.

On September 6, 1953, Owen married Ethel Fjeld, daughter of Carl and Goldberg Fjeld from Faith, MN. Ethel attended school in Faith and Mahnomen, MN,



Kimberly, Ethel, Owen, Michael Sterton.

and worked at Rexall Drug Store in Ada before her marriage to Owen. They reside on the Sterton farm and have two children, Michael and Kimberly. Michael graduated from Hendrum-Perley High School in 1980. He also attended a year at Moorhead Tech., where he graduated as a certified welder. Kimberly is a junior at Hendrum-Perley High School. They are members of the Immanuel Church of Hendrum.

ARTHUR STORDAHL - ALICE OSTENSON

Arthur Stordahl, was born at Hendrum, Minnesota, the son of Carl and Hansine Stordahl. He grew up on the family farm which was homesteaded by his father.

He married Alice Ostenson. Arthur, and his wife, took over the operation of the family farm when they were married and his parents moved into their residence in Hendrum.



Alice and Arthur Stordahl

The Arthur Stordahl's started farming in the dusty depression years of the late 1920's. They have not experienced the hardships that their forefathers did.

In the fall of 1939 they purchased a farm 1½ miles from Shelly, Minnesota, and in the summer of 1940 moved to their new home.

Their one child, a daughter, Darlene Joy attended her first year of education in the old country Dist.#40 school. All the former Stordahl children and neighbors had attended school there for many generations. Darlene being only five years old and the youngest one attending school in Dist. #40. The following year the district decided to transport the pupils to the Hendrum Public School, here she attended until she moved with her parents to Shelly. She finished up to eighth grade in Shelly and returned to Hendrum for her high school years. There is not a high school at Shelly.



Arthur and Alice Stordahl Farm at Shelly, Minnesota.

After graduation from Hendrum High School she attended Moorhead State College at Moorhead, Minnesota, and Mayville State College at Mayville, North Dakota and taught elementary school until her marriage to Vernon Hoie of Shelly.

The Stordahl family joined the Zion Lutheran Church of Shelly and take an active part both in the church and community.



Darlene (Stordahl) Hoie.

They still continue interest in the Pontoppidan Church of Hendrum, where Mr. Stordahl had been a life long member. Although, the church has now been moved to the historical site at Ada, Minnesota, they continue to contribute financially to the Pontoppidan Cemetery Association.

With many relatives and former neighbors and friends in the community they make frequent visits and take part in various occasions in Hendrum.

CARL J. STORDAHL - MARIE ELLINGSON

Carl Stordahl was born in Norway. Son of Johan and Jonetta Stordahl and immigrated to Fillmore County with his parents in 1875. They journeyed on with oxen, and all their worldly possessions, to the Red River Valley. Land was open for settlement here. They took homesteads in what later became Hendrum Township. The brothers and sisters also took homesteads near by, their family history will appear elsewhere in this book.

Carl Stordahl was 24 years old when he settled here. He married Marie Ellingson, but tragedy struck when his wife passed away, leaving the young husband with a ten day old son Martin, with the help of his parents and other relatives living close by he was able to keep his little son with him.

Some time later he married Hansine Nygaard, who had come to this country with her parents from Norway, Peder and Jonetta Nygaard.



Carl Stordahl and Marie Ellingson

Carl and his second wife became parents of eleven children: Oscar and Hilda died in infancy. The nine living were: John married Carrie Ellingson; Joseph married Mathilda Rustnold, after her death he married Mary Trainer; Gilma married Halvor Skauge; Olga married Anton Opgrand, he passed away and she later married Peder Johnson; Cora married Smith Rezner; Hilda married Robert Grant Hernandez; Arthur married Alice Ostenson; Victor never married; Edie married Bernice Menge.

Thus Arthur and Eddie were the only two that resided in the Hendrum community and their separate family history will appear elsewhere in this book.

Carl Stordahl helped organize the Pontoppidan Church, Hendrum Township and the District #40 School. He served many years as school clerk. He was one of the organizers of the Hendrum Cemetery, Farmers Elevator and the State Bank of Hendrum.

One by one the children married and moved away. In 1927 Carl and his wife left the farm home and moved to Hendrum, Minnesota, where they resided until their death. Carl passed away in 1929 and his wife in 1940.

As of this writing the only living children of the Carl Stordahl family are the following: Joseph who lives at Fairfield, Montana; Olga Opgaard Johnson, who resides at the Bethany Towers Retirement Home, Fargo, North Dakota; Arthur, who moved and resides at Shelly, Minnesota; Eddie, lives at Hendrum, Minnesota.



Carl and Marie (Ellingson) Stordahl Home

KONRAD STORDAHL

Konrad Stordahl was the son of Johan and Jonetta Stordahl. He was born in Stordahl, Norway and grew to manhood there. He was a tailor by trade like his father before him. He married Johanna Ysland. They had three children before leaving for America. They were Lovisa (Mrs. Helmik Stennis), Regina (Mrs. John Enger), and Oline (Mrs. Iver Sterton).

His parents with their unmarried children, Carl, Jens, Peter and Christine together with the Landro family had emigrated to America in 1875, first settling in Fillmore County in Minnesota then in 1877 moved to the Red River Valley. They settled and took homesteads in the Hendrum Township. The next year in 1879 Konrad, Johanna and their three children arrived in this area and they, too, settled and homesteaded about two miles east of Hendrum.

The Pontoppidan Church was built in 1877 on land donated by Johan, his father, and they took an active part in the newly organized congregation.

Besides the three children already mentioned, five more children were born to them in America, namely: Christine (Mrs. Jens Sterton and Mrs. Knute Roe), Jensine (Mrs. John Nelson), Julia (Mrs. Tom Cromme), Lydia (Mrs. Elmer Oftedal), John K. Stordahl, and Ida (Mrs. Olaf Enger).

Konrad died in 1911 and Johanna died in 1931.

EDDIE STORDAHL - BERNICE MENGE

Eddie Stordahl was born December 7, 1910 in rural Hendrum, Minnesota, the youngest of eleven children of Carl and Hansine (Nygaard) Stordahl. He attended for 7 years the rural school, district #40 (Clover Blossom) situated about a mile from his home, and finished his education at Hendrum High School.

He helped on the farm until 1927 when his parents moved into town, then worked for his brother Arthur who took over the home farm.

On December 16, 1931, Eddie married Bernice Menge, daughter of Ernest and Maria (Mayer) Menge of Ada. They were married at the Methodist Parsonage by Rev. Wallace Mikkelson.

In 1932 Eddie started working for the Norman County Highway. He got his start in the dairy industry in 1936 at the Hills, Minnesota Creamery. In 1938 he started at the Hendrum Co-op Creamery as cream hauler and general handyman - also was bus driver for the Hendrum School. Eddie was appointed manager of the creamery in 1947 after Mr. Emil Thorson resigned to take a position as a State Inspector. When the creamery started the egg purchasing, candling and grading, Bernice went to work there and also helped in other departments. The Hendrum Creamery closed in 1962.

In 1963 Eddie went to work for Cass-Clay Creameries, Fargo, North Dakota. There he was in the cream and milk buying and grading department, churn room and finally in the cottage cheese department until his retirement in 1973.

Eddie served on the Hendrum School Board and also on the Village Council for several years. He also was one of the original members of the Hendrum Commercial Club when it started in the fifties.



Dwight, LeeAnn, Eddie, Bernice, Duance, Carol, Elwood, Elaine Stordahl.

Eddie has always been an avid sport fan. He was the manager and coach for the Hendrum Bombers, an independent basketball team of the 1930's and 1940's. He also was the official score keeper for the High School Basketball team for several years.

Eddie and Bernice are members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Hendrum, its ALCM and ALCW. They have three sons: Duane, Elwood and Dwight.

Duane is a Senior Customer Engineer in the IBM Corporation and lives in Moorhead. He married Bonnie Jacobson in 1952 and had a daughter, Jody, of ElSequnda, California. He married Carol Nelson Busse in 1964 and she has three daughters: Diane Walswick of Finley, North Dakota, Debra Leedahl of Moorhead, Minnesota and Denise Lavoy of Bismarck, North Dakota. They have six grandchildren.



Back row: Cynthia, Jerold, David, Timothy
Front row: Rebecca, Debra, Carol, Susan, Candace

Elwood is a Special Education Co-ordinator for the Fargo Public Schools and Rural Cass County. He lives in Fargo, North Dakota. He married Elaine Bentson of Cogswell, North Dakota in 1954. They have three daughters: Brenda, a graduate student of Moorhead State University; Lori, a third year student at North Dakota State University; and Lisa, a ninth grader at Ben Franklin in Fargo.

Dwight is with the U.S. Postal Service at Brainerd, Minnesota and lives in Little Falls, Minnesota. He married LeeAnn Mahaffy of Isanti, Minnesota in 1965. They have two children: Todd, a ninth grader and Michelle, a seventh grader in the Little Falls Public Schools.

Eddie and Bernice celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this year and for the last 40 years have lived in the house his parents moved into on their retirement from their homestead in 1927.

The last three years Eddie has been doing seasonal farm work (disking, planting, harvesting) for the Tommerdahl Brothers, who have various holdings in the area.

JEROLD M. STORDAHL - CAROL INGBERG

Jerold M. Stordahl was born June 3, 1922, the oldest son of John K. Stordahl and Effie (Berg) Stordahl of Hendrum. He grew up there and attended school in Hendrum. During his teen years, he was active in 4-H, raising and showing hogs at local county fairs and winning several State Fair trips.

He served in the army during World War Two, spending two years in Europe, mainly Germany, and was awarded the Silver Star. He received his honorable discharge in the spring of 1946.

Jerold worked as a partsman for W.W. Wallwork in Moorhead and for various other car dealers, also for Earl Olson Produce of Moorhead.



Jerold married Carol Ingberg, daughter of Clarence and Tomina (Ostreng) Ingberg of Hendrum Township, on June 15, 1947. She was born August 16, 1923, graduated from Hendrum High School in 1940 and attended Concordia College and Fargo Business College. She worked for J.M. Wylie Piano Co. for several years prior to her marriage.

After their marriage in 1947, they lived in Moorhead, and after Jerold's father died they rented his home farm at Hendrum, moving there in the spring of 1954. Later they bought a farm five miles west of Waubun, moving there to live in 1961. They moved back to the Hendrum Community in the fall of 1962. In 1972, they purchased a farm one mile southeast of Winger, Minnesota, where he resided until his death in 1975.



Jerold M. Stordahl

Eight children were born to them, as follows: Debra Yvonne, born October 31, 1950, married Lawrence Matson on June 30, 1973; Jerold Tremaine, born November 25, 1951, married Marilyn Lee, August 23, 1975; David Wayne, born April 13, 1954, married Debra Hauck on August 12, 1974. They have two sons, Nicholas David, born March 22, 1978 and Nathan David, born April 27, 1981; Timothy Clare, born April

21, 1955, married Peggy Brown, December 31, 1977. They have three children: Melissa Sue, born July 9, 1978, Timothy Patrick, born September 18, 1979, Amber Lynn, born October 15, 1980; Susan Jill, born October 15, 1957, married David Christianson, October 23, 1976. They have one son, Reid David, born September 21, 1978; Cynthia Lynn, born March 24, 1959, married Thomas Horvath on October 31, 1981; Rebecca Ann, born June 24, 1960. She is now a senior at Moorhead State University; Candace Kay, born March 1, 1964. She is now a senior at McIntosh High School.

The first four children graduated from the Hendrum High School, the last four from the McIntosh-Winger High School.

JOHAN and JONETTA STORDAHL

As a starting point, we will go back to the year 1875 when Johan and Jonetta Stordahl emigrated to America, first settling in Fillmore County, Minnesota.

To this couple were born eight children: Louisa, Conrad, Anne, Ole, Carl, Jens, Peter and Christine. All being born in Norway on the place called Stordahl. Ole at the age of 19 was drowned in a fjord in Norway.

With the children growing up and the desire to strike out for American Johan and Jonetta and their unmarried children Carl, Jens, Peter and Christine together with their daughter Anne, who was already married to Nels Landro, left for the new land. Louisa, who had married Carl Selness, had come to American two years before.

They left Fillmore County and started a long tedious journey with a pair of oxen. This journey lasted more than three weeks. They settled and took homesteads in what is now Hendrum Township.

Johan Stordahl and his sons Carl and Peter took adjoining homesteads. Jens found his homestead a short distance from his parents. Jens met the same fate as his brother, Ole. He drowned in the Red River while attempting to wade across in 1879.



John and Jonetta Stordahl

All the children settled in the same area except for Christine, who was united in marriage to Laurits Houske and settled at what later became Halstad, Minnesota.

The Stordahl folks were interested in the welfare of the people in the community, not only materially, but also spiritually. They did not hesitate to associate themselves with church work.

The Pontoppidan Congregation was organized the same year that the Stordahls came here. Johan and sons Carl and Peter were all charter members.

Johan was much interested in the building of a church. There were several different ideas of a place to build, Johan solved the problem by donating part of his land for the site. Adjoining land was donated by Carl Stordahl for a cemetery which gave this congregation an ideal arrangement.

The cemetery is beautiful and well kept. A perpetual fund was started several years ago with former members and relatives donating financially each year. The sum has grown large enough to continue on with the upkeep for years to come.

After having served the Pontoppidan Congregation for three generations, the church was given to the Norman County Historical Society. The church was moved from the original site, two miles east of Hendrum, Minnesota, to the Pioneer Village at Ada, Minnesota.

The members of Pontoppidan felt no finer tribute could be given our forefathers than to establish a house of worship on the grounds of Pioneer Village.

PETER STORDAHL - ELLEN ENGER

Peter Andreas Stordahl came with his parents to Fillmore County, Minnesota. Along with brothers and sisters and settled in what is now Norman County.

Each one took homesteads adjoining the homestead of his parents and brother Carl Stordahl.

Peter, married Ellen Enger and they became parents of four children: John Alfred, Julia Mathilda, Oscar Julius, and Alma Josephine. All of Hendrum, Minnesota.



Peter Stordahl Family
Julie, John, Alma, Oscar Stordahl

Peter passed away at an early age of 29 years, leaving his widow with the four young children. The oldest child seven years and the youngest less than one year old. Ellen managed well, with the help of hired men, until her family became old enough to take on the work of the farming.



Peter and Oscar Stordahl Homes.

Oscar attended college and taught school for several terms, but decided to stay on the farm. After the death of their Mother in 1923 the two brothers and two sisters continued working together. They never married. John passed away in 1956, Julia in 1963 and Alma in 1965.

Thus leaving only Oscar. He remained on the home farm until his health failed and he entered the Wimmer Memorial Nursing Home, Ada, Minnesota.

He remained here until his death April 18, 1980 at the age of 94 years.

Although they left no descendents as they never married, they left a large sum of money, being a thrifty hard working family. This gift of money was divided among his favorite charities and will go on doing good work for many years to come.

grew to adulthood on a farm north of Hendrum and graduated from High School in 1950. He enlisted in the Army in July, 1952 and took his basic training in Fort Riley, Kansas.

Dorothy Frances Mahar, daughter of Ray and Delia Mahar, was born October 5, 1934, in Fargo. She attended Fargo schools till the summer of 1951. At that time, the family moved to Hendrum and operated the Telephone Office until they installed direct dial. Dorothy graduated from high school in 1952.

Floyd and Dorothy were married in Immanuel Lutheran Church, Hendrum, on December 26, 1952, while Floyd was home on furlough. Their first home was in Augusta, Georgia, where Floyd was stationed. In May, 1953, Floyd went to Korea for 18 months and Dorothy worked and lived in Fargo.

Next, Floyd and Dorothy moved to Washington, D.C., where Floyd was stationed. On July 14, 1955, their first son, Mark Steve, was born at Fort Belvoir, VA. Their three other children, Julee Dee, April 22, 1957; Kurt Allen, October 5, 1960; and Kelli Rae, October 28, 1967; were born in Moorhead where Floyd, Dorothy and Kelli still reside.

Floyd started to work at Northwest Oil Equipment, Inc. after he got out of the Army and has been there for 26 years.

Mark married Sherry Johnson on June 10, 1978, and they live in Fargo where Mark works at St. Luke's Hospital as a respiratory therapist. Julee married Lyle Nelson on July 20, 1974. They live in St. Paul and both work for the State of Minnesota. They have two children; Anthony John, born December 22, 1977 and Natalie Marie, born April 11, 1980. Kurt lives in St. Paul and also works for the state. Kelli is an eighth grader at Moorhead Junior High School.

The family has been active members of Our Savior's Lutheran Church since coming to Moorhead. They spend their summer weekends and vacations at their cottage on South Twin Lake.

FLOYD and DOROTHY STORSVED FAMILY

Floyd Henry Storsved, son of John and Rachel Storsved, was born in Hendrum, January 14, 1932. He



Floyd and Dorothy (Mahar) Storsved Family
Kurt, Floyd, Dorothy, Kelli Storsved, 1979

IRVING STORSVED - MAVIS HOLLAND

Irving Armond Storsved was born on the Thore Ven farm, 1½ miles northeast of Hendrum on April 18, 1929; one of eight children of John and Rachel Storsved. As was common in those depression years, all of the children were born at home with a midwife in attendance. The event was frequently referred to in later years by May Watters Canning each time she wanted to chide Irving she would say, "My mother should have spanked you harder when she delivered you".

He started school in Hendrum, under the popular and excellent primary teacher, Lillian Kankel or later to be Mrs. Stanley Eukel. As was quite common in those days with children of Norwegian speaking parents, the child would have to learn to speak English

upon beginning school. Fortunately in this case Miss Kankel was a very compassionate and patient teacher, as she could not understand any Norwegian either. Lillian taught primary and kindergarten in various schools after she left Hendrum, her career extending from 1936 to 1976, with the exception of approximately six years absence when her two sons were of pre-school age. She is now a cherished memory to her many students, as she passed away in Pittsburg, California, on July 24, 1981. Many times during those early years when the snow storms blocked the roads, transportation to and from school was in the horse-drawn, wagon box sleigh, outfitted with a cab constructed over the box to ward off the cold. Huddled on benches under robes for warmth, the only window to the front for the use of the driver and the only sounds were of the horses and the runners gliding across the snow. During the time spent in town, the team was tied up to the hitching rail behind Hanson's store.

School in town was interrupted in 1940 when the family moved to Grandma Storsved's farm. The next year and a half, Irving together with his brother Floyd, attended the country school (Viking), 4½ miles northeast of Hendrum along the highway to Ada. Mae Anderson from Halstad was the teacher as well as the custodian. She fired the coal stove and pairs of children manned the duties of carrying coal as well as going each day to the farm across the highway to bring drinking water in a can to be placed in the crock dispenser. To attend school here in the country meant walking a mile and a half to and from school each day on Highway 75, except when given a ride by a sympathetic motorist.

Irving returned to school in town to complete his schooling. In 1947 he graduated Valedictorian of that class from the Hendrum High School. From graduation through the end of 1948, he served in the Regular United States Army at bases in several locations within the states with the Second Infantry Division. Irving was employed until 1954 by Canning Farms and American Crystal Sugar Company. At the present is completing his twenty-eight year with the Norman County Highway Department where he serves in the capacity of Assistant Engineer.



Irving Storsved Family
Mavis, Vicki, Irving, Sean, Brett, Douglas

In 1950, he married Mavis Eileen Holland, daugh-

ter of Erling and Lillian Holland, who was born March 29, 1935, in Hendrum Township on the Holland farm where they lived until 1942 when they moved into Hendrum.

She would have started first grade at the Wide Awake School, District 7, however, the school closed that year. She attended Hendrum Public School and Interstate Business College in Fargo. She was employed as secretary of the Hendrum School from 1959 to June of 1965 under the administrations of Superintendents Vernon O. Strand and Theo. B. Olson; and is employed by the Norman County State Bank of Hendrum and was appointed Assistant Cashier in 1978.

They are the parents of three children: Douglas Michael, who was born January 22, 1951, at Fargo, N.D. Active in band, chorus, yearbook, newspaper, thespians, football, basketball, and track in the public school, Douglas achieved the Eagle rank with two palms, Boy Scouts of America in 1967, as well as Patrol Leader of Troop 11, Region 10, XII Boy Scout World Jamboree in Idaho. He also earned the Pro Deo Et Patria Lutheran Religious Award. Douglas graduated Salutatorian of the class of 1969 from Hendrum High School and achieved the position of Rank Lieutenant while performing for three years with the Golden Gopher Marching Band at the University of Minnesota. He graduated with Distinction in Aerospace Engineering in the class of 1973, and was president of Sigma Gamma Tau, vice-president of Tau Beta Pi and honor member of Plumb Bob while attending the University. Douglas then attended California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California, where he earned his Masters Degree. He was employed by Hughes Aerospace until returning to Minneapolis in 1977 and presently is Principal Systems Engineer with Honeywell Undersea Systems Operations.

Vicki Kathleen was born March 6, 1952 at Fargo, N.D. During grade school years, she studied piano under Mrs. Myrtle Douglas. In high school Vicki was active in band, chorus, yearbook, newspaper and FHA. As a Junior in 1969, she was honored by being selected as an All-State Band member, playing the bass clarinet. She also attended Moorhead Area Vocational Technical School. She married Sgt. Jim English, who was in the Marine Corps at Tustin, California, on August 16, 1974. After living in Chicago for some time, he took his discharge after serving over ten years in the service. They then settled in San Antonio, Texas, where he is employed with Swearingen Aviation. They have one son, Sean Derrick, who was born September 30, 1975.

Brett Randal was born April 7, 1969 at Fargo, N.D. As both parents were employed, he spent his pre-school years in the day time care of Hilda and Gilman Hagen. Brett attended kindergarten at the Halstad Public School and began grade school in the Hendrum Public Schools. He has studied piano under Mrs. Christy Jacobson and plays trumpet or baritone in the school band. He is very active in all athletics. He has won trophies in the area Ford-National Football

League Pass, Punt and Kick competition the three years he has competed. First place in 1977 and 1979, with a second place finish in 1978.

The family are members of the Immanuel Lutheran Church where Mavis has served as financial secretary and chaired the evening circle of the ALCW. Irving has taught Sunday School and is currently president of the church council.

They enjoy camping and are long time members of the Tri-State (MN, SD, and ND) Foresters Campers Club in which Irving served two terms as president. They are members of the community club where Mavis served as treasurer of the board. They are members of Hendrum Hustlers 4-H Club; both parents serve as project leaders. Both also helped organize the first All-School Reunion in 1977 where Irving served as treasurer and Mavis was in charge of the mailing list. Mavis was elected secretary of the upcoming All-School Reunion in 1982 and Irving was elected representative on the Centennial book committee. Irving is past chairman and currently secretary/treasurer of the Hendrum Community Park Board. He has served on the Hendrum Volunteer Fire Department since its reorganization in 1956, much of that period as secretary and also secretary/treasurer of the Hendrum Volunteer Fire Dept. Relief Ass'n.

For several years, Mavis typed and helped put out Garden Club and Ladies Aid program books. While a member of the Band Boosters Club, she has also typed the stencils for the first band cookbook and with other committee members, Agnes Hviding and Gerry Gadberry, ran off 600 copies of 96 pages on the school's mimeograph (took until 3 a.m.) of the "Red Book" before the rest of the crew put it together the next day to be ready for sale at the Fall Band Concert in 1962. They later ran off 550 more until the stencils wore out. These, too, were sold out quickly.

Mavis was appointed City Treasurer in June of 1971 and has served as president of the P.T.A., secretary of Town and Country Homemakers Club, elementary advisory committee and presently on the Home Ec Advisory Board.

Irving has served as treasurer of Sons of Norway, Nordland Lodge #492 of Ada, since it received its charter in 1970. He is secretary and Past Master of Alpha Lodge #230 of Hendrum. He holds memberships in the York Rite Bodies, Mobil Nobles unit and El Zagal Shrine Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S. all of Fargo, ND. He is past secretary/treasurer and currently president of the Heart of the Red River Valley Shrine Club of Ada.

STORSVEDS - HENDRUM TOWNSHIP PIONEERS JACOB INGEBRYTSON STORSVED - GERTRUDE K. HAUGEN

The patriarch of the Storsved name in this country was Jacob Ingebrytson Storsved, who was born in

Trondheim, Norway, July 6, 1840. He married Gertrude K. Haugen, who was born in Klabo, Norway, August 4, 1856. Their first two children were born at Klabo; Claus J. on May 12, 1877 and Anna Gjertine on June 21, 1879.

Jacob, so typifying the Viking heritage, with his full beard and a gold ring in his ear, a symbol of his days working on the Norwegian fishing fleets, came to this country alone in 1880. His wife, with their two small children, followed in 1881. They stayed with Joris C. Norbys while locating land for their new home. Other close friends, relatives and associates during this period were names like John Brottem, John A. Kallar, Peder Nygaard, Hans Rinnan, Lars Storsveet, Anders Opheim, Olaf Dukleth and Paul Rinnan. During this period of time their first child born in this new land was Ingebryt on March 30, 1882, followed by Julius Bernhard on December 24, 1883.

A plat book of 1896 shows parcels of land under his ownership in sections 2, 9 and 16 of Hendrum Township. However, records are sketchy on all but two parcels of these lands, the two which have been in the continuous possession of the family, the SW¼ and SE¼ of the NE¼ of Section 16. Under an act of Congress on February 26, 1857, the sections numbered 16 and 36 in every township of public lands were granted to the state for the use of the schools. So in 1885, one forty was purchased at \$5.25 per acre and the other at \$6.25 per acre. A patent on this land was not obtained until February 24, 1920. This portion of the prairie was very thickly populated with poplar and willow; so thick that boundary lines were difficult to discern. Possibly the reason that the first log cabin was inadvertently built on the abutting property to the south, resulting in the structure having to be dismantled, moving it north and reconstructing it.

Another son, John, was born June 3, 1887 and then a daughter, Ida Alette, February 8, 1889. Several diphtheria epidemics had swept through the settlements in prior years since 1881, but this was to be the year that tragedy struck the family heavily. In quick succession, four of the children contracted diphtheria and died. On October 26, Anna; on October 27, Julius Bernhard; on November 8, Ida on November 14, John. Jacob, a skilled carpenter, handcrafted the caskets. The disease was so contagious that probably only the father and a neighbor would take care of the private burials. As a result, these four little children lie in unmarked graves, somewhere within the grounds of the Immanuel Cemetery, northwest of Hendrum, which is still the family cemetery.

Jacob Storsved built many of the houses and other buildings in the area. The final two children born to them, were John Adolph, born February 6, 1890 and Julius Bernhard, born January 5, 1892. So out of the eight children, the four surviving, attended and received abbreviated grade school educations at the small country school located in the SW corner of Section 11, appropriately called Viking or District No. 2.



Mrs. Gertrude Storsved, widow, with her two younger sons, Julius and John. About 1912.

About the year 1900, Ingebryt left for Crookston and some time later for the west coast not to be heard from again.

Claus, about the same time, went to attend electric-steam courses at the Agricultural College of North Dakota at Fargo, while working at the Fargo Foundry. Following this he worked at light or heating plants in several locations: Escanaba, Michigan was one of them, before permanently settling in Chicago, Illinois. Here with his wife Hulda, they raised two daughters. At the time communications were lost with them in the mid-forties, both daughters were married, one living in Chicago and the other in Florida.

Jacob Storsved passed away September 25, 1907 at the age of sixty-seven years.

Julius lived with his mother and farmed on the "Storsved farm" in Section 16, except for the two years, 1940-1941, when they lived in Hendrum in the house later to be owned by the Leroy Lees, Lots 8 and 9, Block 1, Hancocks Addition. He passed away, during surgery, on May 5, 1945 at the age of fifty-three years. Gertrude Storsved passed away the following year on June 13, 1946 at the age of eighty-nine years. She lived in this country for 65 years of her life without the benefit of ever having learned to speak the English language. An indirect benefit to the older grandchildren who knew her and developed a basic understanding of the Norwegian language in communicating with her.

John Adolph Storsved married Rachel Josephine Ven, a native of Elk Point, South Dakota, on February 28, 1918. They raised eight children, all of whom are living at this date. John contracted chronic leukemia and after three and a half years illness, passed away August 16, 1961 at the age of seventy-one years.

JOHN STORSVED - RACHEL VEN

John Adolph Storsved married Rachel Josephine Ven, a native of Elk Point, South Dakota, on February

28, 1918. Rachel was one of the eight children of Jens J. and Randi Ven and was born December 13, 1894.

They were living on the farm occupied by Peter Opheim in recent years, along the highway in Section 8 of Hendrum Township when James Joris was born on July 26, 1919. They were living on the John Restad farm in Section 11, when Gladys Roselle was born September 9, 1921. The remaining six children were all born while the family lived on the Thore Ven farm in Section 20 and which John rented and farmed for nineteen years: Clifford Bernhard on June 11, 1924; Alton Raymond on September 14, 1926; Irving Armond on April 18, 1929; Floyd Henry on January 14, 1932; John Richard on May 8, 1937 and Glenora Annette on October 18, 1939. All eight children were confirmed in the Immanuel Lutheran Church by Rev. J.J. Jacobson.



John and Rachel (Ven) Storsved's wedding.
Joe and Rose Ven

James, Gladys, Clifford and Alton began their education at the country school house in Section 28, called District 40 or "Cloverblossom", with teachers Anna Rustvold, Harriet Strommen, Elsie B. Ogard, Blanche Haaland, Thelma Carlson and Helen Enger.

Irving and Floyd attended the Viking school for about one and a half years in 1940-1941, with Mae Anderson from Halstad, the teacher. Otherwise their other years of grade school were spent in the Hendrum school. All eight are graduates of the Hendrum High School. The seven older of the eight saw duty in the military service. James taking part in the bitter fighting of the South Pacific theater of operations, until hospitalized and decorated with the Purple Heart for injuries sustained on Mindanao Island.

It was on the Ven place in August of 1932, during silo filling operations that John, in attempting to fasten a water hose to the blower door opening, slipped, getting both hands into the fan, losing parts of all his fingers on both hands.

In 1941 John purchased the eighty acres that had belonged to his parents. In addition, the family rented and moved onto the Thompson farm in Section 22 from 1942 to 1945. In 1945 John purchased the Sandness property and moved onto this farm adjoining his



Alton, Floyd, Clifford, Irving, James, Gladys, Rachel, John Jr., Glenora, John Storsved.

parents' land which he already owned. This has been the family home since, with a new house being built in 1975, where James lives with his mother and farms. The farming which in the early days was very little acreage and a small grain-livestock operation, has now grown to more than 1,300 acres of small grain farming. The only livestock are a herd of nine buffalo which are quite a sight. Out of four farm building sites originally on Section 16, only this one remains, as through the years more and more land has been cleared for agricultural purposes.

John contracted chronic leukemia and after three and a half years of illness, passed away August 16, 1961 at the age of seventy-one years.

The married children are Gladys, now Mrs. Arthur Forseth of Halstad, who is employed by the Red River Valley Coop Power Assn. They have four children: Kenneth, Sharon, Shirley and Philip. Also seven grandchildren.

Clifford of Fargo, ND who is with the U.S. Postal Service, has three children by his first wife, Patricia Mack, who passed away in 1967. They are Cullen, David and Timothy. There are two grandchildren. Cliff is now married to the former Margaret Schlosser.

Alton of Harwood, ND who is with Standard Oil Transport, married to the former Vivian Stennes and they have six children: Susan, Sandra, Paul, Karen, Mary and Roy. They have two grandchildren.

Irving, who resides in Hendrum, is Assistant Engineer with the Norman County Highway Department at Ada, is married to the former Mavis Holland, who is employed with the Norman County State Bank, and they have three children: Douglas, Vicki and Brett. They have one grandchild.

Floyd of Moorhead is Service Manager with Northwest Oil Equipment, married to the former Dorothy Mahar and they have four children: Mark, Julee, Kurt and Kelli. They have two grandchildren.

John Richard resides in Hendrum, is farming in a partnership with his brother James, married to the former Nida Rice and they have four children: Nancy, John Richard II, Randi and Eric.

Glenora who is Mrs. Roger Onsgard of Halstad and

is employed at the Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home. They have four children: Kimberly, Robert, Connie and Christy. They also have one grandchild.

JOHN R. STORSVED - NIDA RICE

John R. (Dick) Storsved son of John A. and Rachel Storsved was born May 8, 1937 in Hendrum Township, Section 20, Norman County. He attended Hendrum Public School and graduated from Hendrum High School in June 1955. He served six years in the 119th Fighter group of the North Dakota Air National Guard, based at Hector Airport in Fargo, North Dakota. After graduation John went into farming and is now in partnership with his brother James in the farming operation.



John R. Storsved Family

Nida (Rice) Storsved was born July 12, 1941 in St. Paul, Minnesota, daughter of Harry and Lillian Rice. She attended and graduated from No. St. Paul High School June 1959. She worked six and a half years at the First National Bank of St. Paul, Minnesota.



Threshing in Hendrum Twp. early 1900's. Iver Sterton rig, Lawrence Lee standing, John A. Storsved seated.

John and Nida were married on August 27, 1966. They have four children, Nancy fourteen, John II thirteen, Randi ten and Eric six, attending Hendrum Public School. The children are members of Hendrum Hustlers 4-H Club and Immanuel Luther League.

Nida belongs to the Immanuel ALCW, Dakota Maids Homemakers and American Legion Auxiliary.

John served on the City Council from January 1972 to December 1975 and was Mayor from January 1976 to March 1979. John is now County Commissioner for Norman County District Three, representing townships of Hendrum, Lee, Mary, Hegne, McDonaldsville, Winchester and Rockwell. Cities of Hendrum, Perley and Borup.

REV. PEER STROMME

Rev. Peer Stromme came to serve the Immanuel Congregation in 1879 to 1883. During this time Immanuel joined with the Nora and Kirkebo Congregations of Perley to form a more compact charge. Pastor's salary at this time was four hundred dollars a year and three festival offerings in each church, and income from other ministerial acts.

The first two years in his ministry here, Rev. Stromme lived at Hendrum, and in his writings in "Erindinger," he tells about bringing his young bride to their first home (on the present Albert Roe farm). He calls it a shed, "12 feet short and six feet narrow." Stromme did not stay long in those quarters as he shortly moved to a larger home on the former Adolph Lee farm. The lumber for this house was floated by raft on the Red River from Moorhead. Quoting further from "Erindinger", Rev. Stromme states that, "his friends were so loyal during those days when we were poor together. My, but that was a happy time, when we were as one family and were young and full of hope and gladly shared the poverty of one another, the while we cherished all sorts of ambitious plans for the future."

In telling of his borrowing a skiff to cross the Red River and then walking to his destination, "One time during the spring freshet, the light canoe which I had borrowed capsized and I came near losing my life. I was encumbered with a heavy overcoat and, though I am a good swimmer, I was unable to make any headway toward the shore in the swift current. And the water was ice-cold so that it chilled me to the marrow and took away my strength. I lost consciousness, and when I came to I was lodged among branches of a tree, which the ice had broken down. And on the shore were some men with a long rope who succeeded in coming to my rescue." Rev. Stromme tells that often to meet his appointments did he, with one hand holding high and dry his clothing, swim in ice-cold water across the Red River during the spring floods.

OLIVER M. SWENSON - EMMA HANSON

Oliver M. Swenson, son of Nels and Carrie Swenson, was born on a farm near Gardner, North Dakota, September 7, 1895. He was a veteran of World War I and served in France.



Ardis Swenson Fredrikson



Oliver M. Swenson

He married Emma Hanson of Hendrum, daughter of Knute and Gena Hanson, on May 28, 1921. She was born August 9, 1895 and died December 10, 1959.



Oliver and Emma Swenson, 1955



Donald "Punky" Swenson

They farmed east of Gardner for eight years. Two children were born to them there: Donald "Punky" was born July 16, 1921 and Ardis was born April 6, 1924.

About 1929, the family moved to the de Cazenove Farm near Hendrum which Oliver managed until retiring to Perley in 1952. He died September 2, 1962 at Perley.

Donald attended school at Hendrum and graduated from high school there. Lt. Donald Swenson served in World War II as a Navigator. He married Betty Ann Kramer of Fargo August 28, 1943 at Wichita, Kansas. He was killed February 7, 1945 in Italy.

Ardis Swenson attended the Hendrum School and graduated there. She now lives at Independence, Kansas with her husband Robert Fredrikson, formerly of Fargo, N.D. They have two children: Julie and Douglas. Julie, Mrs. E.J. Daniel, resides with her family at Snellville, Georgia, and has two children, Miles and Kelly Daniel. Douglas Fredrikson is an architect at Tempe, Arizona.



Oliver Swenson, DeCazenove Farm - 1949

OLAF and MARIE SYVERSON ARNETT LARSON - PHOEBE SYVERSON

Olaf and Marie Syverson came to Hendrum, Minnesota from Climax, Minnesota on March 17, 1926 with

their children, Odin born in 1909; Phoebe born in 1917 and Lois born in 1922.

Mr. Syverson had purchased the Meat Market from Oscar Ness. Olaf had owned meat markets in Badger and Climax, Minnesota. The years the Syversons had the Meat Market in Hendrum were lean years, being 1929 and early 1930s, and Olaf was known for his generosity. He retired in February, 1933 because of ill health.

Olaf Syverson died in February, 1942. His wife, Marie passed away in February, 1934. Their son, Odin, was killed in Minneapolis, Minnesota by a hit and run driver on October, 1939. He was in the U.S. Army at the time.

Phoebe Syverson married Arnett Larson of Hendrum, Minnesota on October 8, 1939. They are presently making their home in Moorhead, Minnesota. Arnett was a driver for Dan Dugan Transport Company, but he is now retired. He served his Country in the United States Navy during World War II in the South Pacific.

Arnett and Phoebe have three children: Charleen Svingen of Mosinee, Wisconsin; Ted Larson of Frederic, Wisconsin, and a foster son, Robert Jay Garlie of Moorhead, Minnesota. They have two granddaughters, Jennifer and Jessica Larson of Frederic, Wisconsin.

Lois Syverson married Hervey Carlson of Argyle, Minnesota in November, 1942, and they are now living at Lake Movil, Bemidji, Minnesota. Hervey Carlson was a mail carrier, now retired. He served his country in the Army during World War II in the European Theater. They have two children: Randy of St. Paul, Minnesota and Claudia of Trinidad, California.

by Phoebe Larson and Lois Carlson

GILBERT TANGNESS - KJERSTI NEPSTAD

Gilbert and Kjersti Tangness were early settlers in Hendrum Township, homesteading one hundred sixty acres, five miles east of Hendrum. They also owned forty acres further east that was used only for hay land.

Gilbert Tangness was born March 15, 1852 in Naes Prestegjeld, Gjovik, Norway. He came to Norman County in 1880.

Kjertsti Nepstad was born October 17, 1854 in Vang, Norway. Her family, the Ivar Nepstads, came to America in 1865. There were nine children. They settled at Highland Prairie in Fillmore County, Minnesota. Shortly after arriving there the family was stricken with typhoid fever. The mother died first, then a son and a daughter. As a young woman, Kjersti Nepstad cooked several years in southern Minnesota hotels. She remembered the day Jesse James' gang robbed the Northfield Bank. She was a good cook, made the best sweet rolls and white cake (from scratch). A sister of Ivar Nepstad was married to Ole Hoyme. They settled in Hendrum Township in 1880.



1904 - Sunday gathering at Gilbert Tangness home. Back row: Rev. J.M.O. Ness, Peder Larson, Mr. Tangness. Front row: Mrs. Tangness, Mrs. Ness, Mrs. Peder Larson, Hilda Larson, Ellen Tangness, Mrs. and Mr. Andrew Gordon.

Gilbert Tangness and Kjersti Nepstad were married by Rev. J.M.O. Ness in 1887. They had two children, Ellen Cecilia and John Gilbert, Ellen died in 1926, she was not married. She was a good seamstress, I have pieces of hardanger and crochet work done by her.

After his father's death in 1911, John farmed the home place until his death in 1953. John married Gladys Feragen of Goodridge, Minnesota in 1929. They had two daughters: Olive Elizabeth, born in 1933 and Arlene Judith, born June 1936.

John also did custom threshing for many years. During the later years he had a hobby of wood lathe turning. On the first binder used on this farm some of the frame work was oak plank, from this John turned out several small oak barrels; souvenirs of an era past.

The girls and I farmed for one year. In the fall of 1954 we sold the farm to Edmund Tommerdahl. His heirs are the ones farming it now.

Both our daughters graduated from the Hendrum High School. Olive spent several years in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she married Gottfried Lind. They were divorced, later she earned two degrees from N.D.S.U., Fargo, N.D. She is now employed as a Computer Programmer with the Federal Reserve Bank, Chicago, Illinois.

Arlene got her degree from University of North Dakota at Grand Forks, N.D. She is married to Kenneth Kowaliski of Phoenix, Arizona. They had one daughter, Kimberly Ann, who died in infancy. They are now living in Pinetop, Arizona; operating a custom Communication Service for two way radio and mobile telephone.

I am retired, still living at 821 N. 8th St., Fargo, N.D., just back from visiting with Olive. Crossword puzzles, reading and correspondence are my hobbies.

Gladys E. Tangness

CHRISTIAN TARVESTAD - AGNES CHRISTIAN

Christian L. Tarvestad, son of Lars C. Tarvestad

was born September 3, 1854 at Prabel, Minnesota, Fillmore County. Here he grew to manhood. On May 17, 1879 he was united in marriage to Agnes Christian. Five children were born to this union. Augusta, (Mrs. B.L. Larson), Minnie, (Mrs. Oscar Nygaard), Lawrence, Cyrus and Elmer, (all deceased). In 1882, the family moved to the Red River Valley and settled on a quarter section of land, five miles east of Hendrum, Minnesota, living in a log house. In 1892, Mrs. Agnes Tarvestad passed away.



Joseph, Walter, Florence Tarvestad, Ruth (Tarvestad) Underlee Isabel (Tarvestad) Todd, Agnes (Tarvestad) Grothe



Mrs. Christian Tarvestad

Sometime later Christian L. Tarvestad with his five children returned to Fillmore County, living on Lars Tarvestad's farm. On July 11, 1895, Christian L. Tarvestad was remarried. He married Amelia McCallson. To this union two children were born in Fillmore County, Clarice, Mrs. Emil Peterson (deceased in 1955) and Agnes, Mrs. Charles Grothe (deceased November 23, 1976). After living in Fillmore County for three years the family returned to their Red River Valley home and resided there permanently.

Mr. and Mrs. Christian Tarvestad were pioneers in the community and shared the hardships as well as happy times with other early settlers. Seven more children were born to this union in their Red River

Valley home. They are: Isabel, (Mrs. Arnett Todd), Hendrum, Minnesota, 7 children; Joseph Tarvestad, Ada, Minnesota, 6 children; Ruth, (Mrs. Lawrence Underlee), Hendrum, Minnesota, 4 children; Marie Tarvestad, Burbank, California; Florence Tarvestad, Fargo, North Dakota; Vernon Tarvestad (deceased June 3, 1933); Walter Tarvestad (deceased January 4, 1981), 3 children.

Christian L. Tarvestad passed away July 18, 1930 and Mrs. Amelia Tarvestad passed away February 25, 1953.



Christian Tarvestad

JOE TARVESTAD - ALICE LEE

My grandfather, Lars Tarvestad, came from Haugesand, Norway, to Fillmore County, Minnesota in 1847. There my father, Christ, was born, grew to manhood and married. In 1882 they, with their five children, moved to Hendrum, Minnesota. After the death of his wife he moved back to Fillmore County where he later married Amelia McCallson. Sisters Clarice and Agnes were born there. He then moved back to Hendrum where Isabel, Ruth, Marie, Florence, Walter, Vernon and I were born. Vernon passed away at an early age.

Our home was a small five room log house. We had to go eight miles with horses and sled to get the wood. Coal was used in a hard coal heater with isinglass windows. The red glow of the coals showing through the windows was a cozy sight when we came home late at night. The temperature often dropped to fifty degrees below zero those days. Even though we were usually ten to twelve seated at our table for meals, Miss Bradine, the school teacher, insisted on staying at our place. I went to a rural school and the Hendrum High School. I was a barber by trade, but due to my father's death in 1931, I had to take over the farm operation. Fun? Oh yes. No high-powered cars or snowmobiles, but we had community organizations, farmers' clubs where young people gathered, basket socials after school programs. Community and church choirs were directed by Margurite Edmunds and Carl Snustad. There were also male quartets and family Luther Leagues. I played a trombone in the Hendrum-

Perley Band. The neighbors did a lot of visiting, especially at Christmas time. We even did some "Jule-boking".



Joe Tarvestad Family

Back row: Sharon, Loren, Alice, Mary, Joe, Kimberly, Glenda, Barbara. 1975.

Let's go back to the "dirty thirties", depression years. Times were bad. One year oats sold for six cents a bushel, barley seventeen cents and wheat forty-three cents. Hogs and cattle hardly paid their way to market. Then we had grasshoppers. One year I spread tons of poisoned bran to kill them. Disaster claims, food stamps, and welfare were unknown. We even had dust storms so bad that one man died from dust pneumonia.

Now about myself and family. By the forties things were getting better and I figured I could afford to get married. In 1942, I married Alice Lee of Gary, Minnesota. She too was a descendant of pioneers. A year later we bought mother's farm and so began the happiest years of my life. Here five of our six children were born.

These were busy years. We raised certified seed, kept about fifteen cows which were milked by hand before the milking machine era, and had five to ten sows to farrow each spring. About the first of April each year we would buy 400 baby chicks.

There were good years and also some bad. Some so dry the seed wouldn't sprout while other years so wet we couldn't get into some of the fields. There were years of rust, hail, storms, and army worms. Snow? Some winters the snow was so deep on the level, it was hard to get out of the yard, even with a team of horses. The car was kept on a road ninety rods from the buildings. When my family was going visiting, I'd take them to the car in a sleigh, bring the horses back to the barn, run back and away we'd go!

Our house was small and we needed better buildings. We sold our farm near Hendrum in 1956 and bought a farm three miles east of Ada. Kimberly was born four years later.

By now our children were involved in many extra school and church activities. At this "taxi-driver" was

added to Mom's already busy schedule.

Now our children: **Sharon**, Mrs. Darvin Temanson, attended Concordia College. They live at Barnesville, where Darvin has a mink ranch. Sharon teaches in Moorhead. They have a daughter, Angela. **Glenda**, Mrs. Curt Hage, is a nurse, graduated from Augustana College. They live at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where Curt does computer programming for Home Federal. They have two sons, Eric and Matthew. **Barbara**, Mrs. Ken Moland, attended L.B.I. and Concordia College where she was privileged to sing in the concert choir. She taught school in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota. They now live in Kenyon, Minnesota, where Ken, a Lutheran pastor, serves a two congregation parish. They have a daughter, Lydia, and a son, Luke. **Loren**, our only son, is a graduate of NDSU. After working for Westinghouse in Philadelphia, he returned to Minnesota and attended U. of Minnesota to get his masters' degree in computer science. **Mary**, attended Moorhead State University, one year, attended school at Grand Forks to study Home Furnishing and Decorating, she married Allen Neiderhaus. **Kimberly** after completing her education, was married to Steven Flo.

In 1971 we retired and moved into Ada. We have been blessed with good health, good friends, neighbors, church and school. We have much for which to be thankful. Let us rejoice and give thanks to our Lord.

LAWRENCE TARVESTAD - HILDA LARSON

Lawrence Tarvestad, son of Christian and Agnes Tarvestad, was born October 2, 1884. He spent his childhood and youth on the home farm, located five miles east of Hendrum, Minnesota. On June 24, 1907 he married Hilda Larson. After farming a few years, they moved to the town of Hendrum, Minnesota where Lawrence was a drayman. He was also custodian at the Hendrum Public School. Mrs. Tarvestad was church organist. She died in 1922. Two years later Lawrence became ill with sleeping sickness. He suffered from this malady the remainder of his life and passed away December 14, 1930.



Lawrence and Hilda (Larson) Tarvestad — Nov. 17, 1917



Lawrence Tarvestad — Drayman

THE TENGESDAL BROTHERS

Seven children, six boys and one girl were born to Klaus and Mallie Tengesdal in Tengesdal, Norway. All seven decided to emigrate to America. When they arrived in Stavanger, the daughter, thinking of her parents being left alone and possibly never seeing them again, returned home. The six brothers arrived in America and settled in Hendrum.



Back Row: Martin, Ole, Klaus, Severin
Seated: Rasmus, Carl

Martin and Klaus Tengesdal worked in the area for awhile and left for Sask., Canada and became very successful farmers. Martin married and Klaus remained a bachelor. Both just recently passed away in their mid ninety's.

Carl Tengesdal remained in Hendrum all his life. He never married. Carl was a caretaker of the Pontopidan Church and grounds and lived next door.

Ole Tengesdal married Serina Stennes from Hendrum. Margaret, Chester, Joe and Myrtel were born at Hendrum. Ole moved by covered wagon to Grygla to heavy wooded country.

Rasmus Tengesdal worked on the de Cazenove farm, now the Paulsrud farm. He married Kristina Gunderson, 15, who lived with her Uncle Ole Hovden at Hendrum. She arrived from Norway the year before.

Their children, Clarence, Bertha, Selmer, Ommund and Stella were born at Hendrum. Two others died as children.

Severin Tengesdal and his wife Olga had four children, Harold, Mildred, Lila and Alvin. Severin had a dray service and was dearly loved by his customers. He later delivered for Interior Lumber.

Rasmus, Carl, Severin and Olga are buried at Pontoppidan Cemetery. (Clarence, a nephew), Carl and Ole died within two weeks of one another in 1956.

GILBERT R. and CORA A. THOMPSON

Gilbert Thompson was born in 1892, a son of Rasmus and Annie (Hanson) Thompson, who lived east of Hendrum, the farm presently owned by Arnett Todd. Gilbert had two sisters and one brother, he being the third in the family of four. After attending Hendrum Schools, Gilbert attended Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, later worked in banks at Cottonwood Lake and Felton. In 1916 he bought a farm near Ross, Minnesota. He married Cora Gislason on December 21, 1918. The next year they moved back to Ross. Later Gilbert and his sister Alice bought out the heirs of their Dad's farm and sold it to Arnett Todd who still lives on the farm at Hendrum.



Gilbert R. and Cora A. (Gislason) Thompson — 1978

Our daughter, Elinor married Nathan Gustafson and they reside at Roseau, Minnesota. Our daughter, Carol died of polio on November 11, 1933 at the age of five. We have five grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Gilbert served as Director of the Badger State Bank from 1954-1972, and President from 1959 through 1972. In 1960 they sold their farm at Ross and moved to Badger. While at Ross he served over 30 years on the Town Board and several years on the Creamery Board, School Board and Church Council. After moving to Badger we have continued to be active in church and community affairs.

Gilbert's oldest sister was married to Frank Gruske. She died March 19, 1920. Thomas the second child died March 19, 1922. Alice Thompson the youngest in the family of four, taught school for many years, was married twice, first to Helmer Bently, after his death, she married Albert Ingberg. After their retirement they made their home in Twin Valley where they were both active in church work and functions of the community. Alice died on January 10, 1979.



Gilbert R. and Cora A. (Gislason) Thompson

RASMUS H. THOMPSON - ANNIE HANSON

Rasmus H. Thompson was born in Tysvar, Hauge-sund, Norway, on July 4th, 1857. He came to America with his parents in 1859, when they settled near Cresco, Iowa. When Rasmus was only fifteen years of age his father died, after which Rasmus, his mother and four brothers moved to Newburg, Minnesota. In 1882 Rasmus came to Norman County, where he worked as a day-laborer until he purchased a farm three miles east of Hendrum in section 22. He still owned the farm at the time of his death.

He married Annie Hanson, on June 14th, 1887, a daughter of Hans Hanson Aaden and Gulbrandson, who moved to Norman County the year it was organized, after disposing of their interests in Fillmore County, southern Minnesota. The fertile land of the Red River Valley was most attractive to folks of south-eastern Minnesota following the grasshopper infestation.

Rasmus and Annie Thompson had four children: Hattie Luella, Thomas, Gilbert Roy and Alice.

Hattie Luella the eldest married Frank Gruske, who died in March 19, 1920. Their only child, Arline, married Arne Johnson. They made their home in Bargerton, Ohio.



Rasmus H. and Annie (Hanson) Thompson, June 14, 1887

Thomas born in 1890, married Regina Kaasa. They had two sons, Arnold and Maynard. Arnold lives in Roseau, Minnesota. Maynard passed away in 1970 and Rasmus Thompson on March 19, 1922.

Gilbert was born in 1892, married Cora A. Gislason on December 21, 1918 and in 1978 they celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary. They are at present living in retirement at Badger, Minnesota, still active in church and community affairs.

Alice born in 1894, taught school in Norman County many years. She attended Moorhead State College. On Aug. 11, 1946 she married Helmer N. Bentley of Twin Valley, Minnesota, a retired lumber merchant. He passed away April 20, 1949. The fall of that year she became Elementary Principal of the Twin Valley Schools, a position she held for some time. On February 21, 1963 she married Albert Ingberg who was at that time Supt. of Schools at Laporte, Minnesota. After retirement they made their home in Twin Valley where they were both active in church work and functions of the community. Albert died suddenly at his home May 15, 1971 and Alice died January 10, 1979.



Hattie, Alice, Gilbert and Thomas Thompson 1896

EMIL THORSON - CALMA OSTENSON

Emil Thorson was born September 9, 1895 in Cass County, North Dakota, near Perley, Minnesota. He

was the son of Erick and Kari Thorson, immigrants from Hallingdal, Norway.

In 1900 he moved with his parents, two sisters, and twin brother to East Park Township, near Middle River, Marshall County, Minnesota, where they homesteaded. He attended school in that area and later attended Dairy School at the University of Minnesota. As a young man he worked in creameries at Strandquist, Mankato, Preston, and Darwin; all in Minnesota. In the spring of 1919 he succeeded Mr. Leffler as manager and operator of Hendrum Co-op Creamery. The creamery was then located in the north-east corner of Hendrum.

On September 1, 1923 he married Calma Ostenson, daughter of Archie and Celia Ostenson of rural Halstad. Both her parents were born in Fillmore County, Minnesota.



Emil and Calma Thorson - Lowell, Wayne, Ronald, Karen

Emil and Calma had five children; Lowell, Wayne, Eloise, Ronald, and Karen.

Lowell was born August 3, 1924. He graduated from Hendrum High School and attended Concordia College in Moorhead. He married Ferne Stennes of Hendrum. They have one daughter Mrs. Bruce (Dawn) Benson. Dawn and Bruce reside in West Fargo, North Dakota, and have two children, Kristopher and Gretta. Lowell and Ferne live at Ada, Minnesota.

Wayne was born March 12, 1926. After graduating from Hendrum High School and serving in the Navy during World War II, he attended Concordia College in Moorhead. He married Beverly Ness of Mahanomen, and they live in Bemidji, where Wayne owns and operates Thorson, Inc., a road construction company, and other businesses. They have four children, all residing at Bemidji; Scott, Kari Beaman, Mark, and David. Scott and his wife, Pam have a daughter, Jessica Ann.

Eloise was born December 8, 1931 and died March 7, 1932.

Ronald was born November 11, 1933. Ronald graduated from Hendrum High School and from Moorhead State College, where he also earned his Master's Degree. He married DeLayne Riedberger of Moorhead,

and they now live in Fargo, North Dakota, where Ron is Principal of Washington Elementary School. They have three children; Carla, Gregory, and Janna.

Karen was born January 6, 1940. She also graduated from Hendrum High School and from Moorhead State College. She married Darrell Kaldor of Halstad, and they live in Lake Nebagamon, Wisconsin. Karen is an elementary teacher at Solon Springs, Wisconsin, and Darrel is a high school teacher at Maple, Wisconsin. They have three children: Mary Kay, Kelly, and Jeffrey.

In 1928 a new creamery was built, located across the street from Immanuel Lutheran Church, on the site where the Mission House stood. Emil was manager and operator of the Hendrum Coop Creamery for 27 years, and resigned in 1946 to accept a position with the State of Minnesota as a Dairy and Food Inspector. In 1956 he suffered a disabling stroke, which compelled him to resign. He died March 24, 1968.

Emil and Calma, members of Immanuel Lutheran Church, have taken an active part in community and church affairs and various organizations. Emil served as Mayor of Hendrum, President of the Hendrum Board of Education, and officer of the Masonic Lodge. He took an active part in dairy organizations such as the Red River Valley Dairymen's Association, and the Minnesota Creamery Operator and Manager's Association, in which he held office for several years.

Calma presently resides at Hendrum.

LOWELL THORSON - FERNE STENNES

Lowell Thorson, the eldest child of Emil and Calma Thorson, was born August 3, 1924 at Hendrum. After graduating from Hendrum High School he attended Concordia College, Moorhead, and served in the Army during World War II and again during the Korean War. In June, 1947 he became employed at the Norman County State Bank at Hendrum.

On June 18, 1950 he married Ferne Stennes, daughter of Peter and Gertrude Stennes of Hendrum. Ferne was born February 28, 1927 at Hendrum and graduated from Hendrum High School. She graduated from Moorhead State Teachers College and taught mathematics and music in Newfolden, Minnesota prior to her marriage. After she was married Ferne taught in Hendrum and in Grandin, North Dakota.

Lowell and Ferne were active in local civic and church affairs, and both served as organist of Immanuel Lutheran Church for many years. Ferne also directed the Junior and Senior Choirs for several years. Lowell was accompanist for the Senior Choir under several directors.

Lowell was City Clerk of Hendrum and held offices in the American Legion Post, Commercial Club, and Masonic Lodge. He graduated from the Midwest School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin and the Rural School of Banking at University of Minne-

sota, Morris. In the Republican Party of Minnesota he held the offices of local chairman, county chairman, district vice-chairman, and state treasurer. He served as a director and President of Eventide Lutheran Home, Moorhead. After moving to Ada he was director and President of Lutheran Memorial Home at Twin Valley, director and treasurer of Norman County Developmental Activity Center, president of Ada Lions Club, director and on executive committee of Independent Bankers of Minnesota, deacon of Grace Lutheran Church, and accompanist of Grace Lutheran Senior Choir for ten years.



Lowell Thorson Family

Front Row from left: Dawn Benson, Gretta Benson, Ferne Thorson, Kristopher Benson. Back Row from left: Bruce Benson, Lowell Thorson.

Ferne was president of Immanuel Ladies Aid and the American Legion Auxiliary, and taught Sunday School at Immanuel Lutheran Church. She was active in many annual charity finance campaigns, and served as local committee woman in Republican organizations. Later she was president of the Ada American Legion Auxiliary and directed the senior choir at Grace Lutheran Church for ten years. She has served on the Norman County Cancer Board and has been Norman County Cancer Crusade Chairman for ten years.

In 1967 Lowell resigned as Executive Vice President of Norman County State Bank to accept a position as Vice President of The Ada National Bank, Ada, Minn. In 1970 he became president and executive officer of the bank and continued until August 1978, when Ferne and Lowell sold their interest in the bank, and he retired from banking. They continue to reside in Ada.

Lowell and Ferne have one daughter, Dawn Marie, who was born July 17, 1953. She attended Hendrum School through the eighth grade. Dawn graduated from Ada High School and Moorhead State University. On March 8, 1975 she married Bruce Benson of Ada. They have two children, Kristopher Paul and Gretta Marie. Dawn is a speech and hearing pathologist in the West Fargo schools, and Bruce is office manager and comptroller at Gaffanays in Fargo. They reside in West Fargo, North Dakota.

F. ARNETT TODD - ISABEL TARVESTAD

Arnett Todd, owner of 400 acres of fine land in Hendrum Township, Norman County, is now retired. He lives three miles east and one fourth mile north of Hendrum on the farm formerly owned by Gilbert Thompson.

Arnett was born November 26, 1904 in Hendrum, Minnesota to the late Thomas L. Todd and Mrs. Lily Todd. Thomas L. Todd and his parents, Samuel and Elizabeth Todd, came from Quebec, Canada in 1869 by oxen, when Thomas was four years old.



Arnett Todd Family

Thomas, Frank, Vernon, Arnett, Donald, Allan, Elizabeth, Isabel and Lillian Todd

On May 23, 1901, Thomas married Lily Mae Vanstrum of Willmar, Minnesota. To this union six sons were born: Earl (deceased); Arnett, a Hendrum farmer; Kenneth, who died January 20, 1975; Glenn; Lester, who died November 26, 1977; and Keith.

Arnett Todd married Isabel Tarvestad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Tarvestad on February 8, 1927. They lived in Glendale, California for six years, where Arnett was affiliated in an auto-trim shop. Later they came back to Minnesota to farm.

Arnett and Isabel have two daughters and five sons: Frank Dwain of Tempe, Arizona, mechanic of heavy equipment; Elizabeth and husband in Kirkland, Washington; Lillian and husband in Bellevue, Washington; Thomas living at Perley, a crane operator; Donald, Westminster, California, also a crane operator; Vernon, living at Bandon, Oregon, a



Farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnett Todd, built in 1890.

carpenter; Allan, at Ankeny, Iowa, a crop-duster and crane operator.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnett Todd take a proper interest in church affairs, as well as in the other good works, and in the general social activities of the community in which they live.

ELLSWORTH TODD - LEE ANN HATHAWAY

Ellsworth is the son of Keith and Joyce Todd. He was born in Fargo, North Dakota on January 20, 1954. He grew up in Hendrum, attended the Hendrum school from Kindergarten through the ninth grade, then he attended the Oak Grove Lutheran High School in Fargo, North Dakota, graduated in May 1972. Ellsworth then went on to attend the Lutheran Bible Institute in Seattle, Washington in 1972-73.



1975 — Ellsworth Todd, Lee Ann Hathaway, Jacquelyn, Keith, and Joyce Todd.



Joel Loren Todd, 5½ months.

On October 20, 1972 Ellsworth met Lee Ann Hathaway at L.B.I. Lee Ann is the daughter of James and Marjorie Hathaway of Roslyn, Washington. She was born June 26, 1953, in St. Paul, Minnesota. Her family moved to Seattle when she was two years old. She grew up and attended school there and graduated from High School, June 1971, the following year she attended Lutheran Bible Institute in Seattle.

Ellsworth and Lee Ann were married July 19, 1975 in Seattle, Washington, at the Glendale Lutheran Church. They returned to Hendrum, Minnesota to live, where they lived for one year.

Then after living away from Hendrum for four years, Lee Ann and Ellsworth moved back to Hendrum and are living on the Keith Todd farm.

Ellsworth and Lee Ann have a son born April 15, 1981, at the home of his parents and grandfather, (Keith Todd). Ellsworth and Lee Ann named their son Joel Loren.

KEITH TODD - JOYCE BERG

Samuel Todd came to the Red River Valley in the fall of 1879, on his way back to his home at Ormstown, Canada. He had been in search of a place to farm, staking out a claim in Griggs County of North Dakota. As he came through the valley he was persuaded to purchase land in section 30 of Hendrum township. He returned in the spring of 1880 with his wife, Eliza Jane (Ligget) and children, John, Roxana, Fred, Thomas, William, Chester, and Victor.

Roxana became one of the first charter members of the Presbyterian church of Hendrum where all later joined.

Fred and Thomas L. remained in the Valley the longest. Thomas L. till his death October 31, 1950.

Thomas L. married Lilly M. Vanstrum May 23, 1901, at Dassel, Minn.

Lilly was born at Kirkhoven, Minn. May 14, 1879, daughter of C.W. Vanstrum and Ida (Bunting) natives of Ohio. Vanstrums natives of Chicago and later of Minneapolis. Lilly now resides in the Wimmer Memorial home of Ada, Minn.

To this union were born Earl (deceased), Arnett, Kenneth (deceased), Glenn, Lester (deceased) and Keith.

Arnett married Isabel Tarvestad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Tarvestad, Feb. 8, 1927. To this union seven children were born. Frank, Elizabeth, Lillian, Tommy, Vernon, Donald, and Allen.

Kenneth married Faith Wilder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilder October 6, 1927. To this union a daughter was born. Dorothy who married Charles Palmer now of Glendale, California.

Glenn married Inga Nelson of Williston.

Lester married Eunice Hovden October 24, 1935, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Hovden of Perley. To this union Dale, Denney, Diane (Penney), and Dean were born.

Keith married Joyce Berg September 29, 1946, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Berg. To this union came Jacquelyn of California, and Ellsworth of Hendrum. Ellsworth married Lee Ann Hathaway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hathaway of Roslyn, Washington. To them has been born a son Joel.

Keith farmed the home farm for 30 years till poor health forced him to retire in 1967. Joyce passed away December 31, 1978, after many years of illness.

SAMUEL and ELIZABETH TODD

Samuel Todd was born in the Province of Quebec, Canada, where he received his education. Samuel Todd and Elizabeth Jane Ligget were married in 1869. While they lived in Canada they were farmers, but the opportunities for men in such work being better farther West, they moved their family to Minnesota, and bought land in section 30 of Hendrum township, Norman County, becoming an important landowner and grain farmer, having eight hundred acres in the home place, four hundred elsewhere and at one time was the owner of about two thousand acres. He and his wife were parents of seven children, namely: John A.; Roxana Margaret; Samuel F.; Thomas L., a farmer in Hendrum township; William Thorton; Chester A.; Victor Charles. The family were members of the Presbyterian Church, in the affairs of which they have always taken an active part. On the death of Samuel Todd, in January, 1907, his widow moved to Minneapolis, where she since lived, leaving the care of her holdings to her sons.



Samuel Todd



Elizabeth (Ligget) Todd

THOMAS L. TODD - LILLIE M. VANSTRUM

Thomas L. Todd was born on July 25, 1876 in Montreal, Canada, the son of Samuel and Eliza (Ligget) Todd. Thomas spent the early years of his childhood in the province of Quebec, Canada, and was four years of age when his parents came to Minnesota and located south of the village of Hendrum, where he attended the local schools. Later he entered Fargo College and after he had finished his schooling there returned to the home place and began his very successful career on the farm. Soon after he began farming on the home place where he derived much useful experience in wresting the treasures from the soil he decided to extend his operations by purchasing some land on his own account. He increased his holdings until he had four hundred acres of fine land which he improved by skillful cultivation and by erecting modern farm buildings; he also farmed four hundred acres for his mother. He was also a breeder of Shorthorn cattle and thoroughbred Duroc-Jersey hogs, in addition to his general farming pursuits.



Four generations:
Elizabeth, Arnett, Thomas and Frank Todd

On May 23, 1901, Thomas L. Todd was united in marriage to Lillie M. Vanstrum, who was born at Kirkhoven, near Willmar, Minnesota, May 14, 1879, the daughter of C.W. and Ida (Bunting) Vanstrum, natives of Ohio. To their union were born the following children: Earl, Kenneth, Glenn, Lester and Keith. Mr. and Mrs. Todd were members of the Presbyterian in affairs of which they were active. In addition to his most successful efforts in up-to-date farming, Mr. Todd gave a good citizen's attention to the local affairs of his community. At the time of this writing Mrs. Thomas Todd (Lily Todd) is a resident at the Wimmer Home at Ada, Minnesota, over a hundred years of age.



Four generations:

Standing: Mrs. Thomas (Lillie) Todd, Arnett, Ida Vanstrum and her great grandson Frank.

LILY TODD

The Grandma Moses of Norman County

Lily Vanstrum Todd was born in Dassel (or Kirkhoven), Minnesota, May 14, 1879. Her mother, Ida

Bunting, came with her parents from Ohio to Dassel at the age of eight. Her father, Will Vanstrum, was born in Chicago. He met Ida at Dassel where they were married.

Lily, together with her mother and brother, came to Hendrum to visit her aunt, Mary Bangs. Lily stayed with her aunt most of the winter. It was here she met Tom Todd, whom she married in 1901, wearing the same dress her mother had worn at her wedding.

Lily and Tom Todd lived on a farm near Hendrum for many years. After the death of her husband, Lily's mother came to live with them. Tom and Lily had six children: Earl (deceased), Arnett, Glenn, Lester (deceased), Keith and Kenneth (deceased). Lily moved to Hendrum after her husband's death and lived there until 1974 when she entered the Wimmer Memorial Home in Ada.

Lily's hobby was painting. Like Grandma Moses, she had no formal training but she had great natural ability. She painted dozens of pictures in her distinctive style, chiefly of landscapes. The walls of her home were covered with them. She continued painting until her eyesight failed.

She is now ninety-six years old (1975). In December of 1981, she was 102½ years old. She donated the wedding dress she and her mother wore to the Norman County Memorial Museum in Ada where it may be seen. The dress was a hundred years old in 1976. In the picture Lily Todd is wearing the dress.

Taken from the book Norman County Histories 1976

CLARENCE TOMMERDAHL - CLARA JACOBSON

Clarence Raymond Tommerdahl was born February 19, 1908 on a farm in Hendrum Township, the son of Nels and Marit Nepstad Tommerdahl. He was the youngest of ten children. Clarence was two years old when his father died suddenly.

Clarence attended school not too far from his home. He took over the farm for his mother at an early age after his older brothers had moved away. Clarence's father bought the farm in 1887 and in 1935 Clarence bought the farm from his mother, sisters and brothers. Today the home farm remains in the family and is owned by Clarence's son, Ronnie.

Clarence attended Pontoppidan Church where he was baptized and confirmed. Clarence was serving as chairman of the Pontoppidan Cemetery Association at the time the church was donated to the Norman County Historical Society and moved to Pioneer Village at Ada. He was also a director of the Hendrum Elevator for a number of years.

In 1933 Clarence married Clara Jacobson of Perley, the daughter of Jacob Julius and Karen Johannson Jacobson. Clara attended grade school at Western Star, close to her home, later high school at Hendrum

and Interstate Business College in Fargo. She was employed as a secretary in Fargo.

Clarence died in 1975 and Clara now lives in Fargo.

Clarence and Clara had six children — Ronnie, Dorothy, Billy, Raymond, Carolyn, and Tommy. They all attended grade and high school at Hendrum.

Dorothy graduated from North Dakota State University, was employed in San Francisco, Ca., and from there moved to Quito, Equador, and Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, where she was a teacher; then moved to Lisbon, Portugal, and is now working in New York City.

Raymond attended NDSU short courses, is presently farming at Hendrum and lives in Fargo.

Carolyn graduated from Concordia College, Moorhead, Mn., moved to Battle Creek, Mich., where she was employed as a medical technologist. She married Frank Quinn and they have two children, Jennifer and Frank. They live at Battle Creek.

Tom farms at Hendrum.

Ronnie and Billy's histories appear separately.

EDMOND TOMMERDAHL - NORMA FORD

Edmond Tommerdahl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nels Tommerdahl of Hendrum married Norma Ford, daughter of Burley and Maud Ford also of Hendrum. They lived on the old John and Kari Bergh farm one and one-half miles east of Hendrum, which they bought in 1948 and where Norma and one of their six children still live. Edmond farmed all his life in the Hendrum area, and also was Township Supervisor for many years. Edmond passed away in 1969. Edmond and Norma had six children.

David married Marlys Anderson, daughter of Merle and Nora Anderson of Ada, Mn. and are living on the home farm at Hendrum. They have two daughters, Karla and Crystal.

Dale married Vicki Ambuehl, daughter of Maynard and Jean Ambuehl of Perley, Mn. and live east of Hendrum with their three children Shane, Lauri and Danielle, (Dani to us).

Howard married Terryl Jacobson, daughter of Harry and Joan Jacobson of Moorhead, Mn. They have two children, Jeremy and Angela. They live on a farm south and east of Hendrum.

Linda is married to Larry Sargent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sargent of Ada. They live near Mahnomen and have two daughters, Shannon and Stephanie.

LeeAnn is married to Alroy Ambuehl, son of Maynard and Jean Ambuehl of Perley, Mn. They live east of Hendrum and have two children, Ryan and Shelby.

Gregory is still unmarried and is the favorite uncle of eleven little nieces and nephews.

NELS O. TOMMERDAHL - MARIT NEPSTAD

Nels O. Tommerdahl was born in Norway April 19, 1862, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ole Tommerdahl. The family left Norway, which included Nels, his brother, Jens Aage, and sister, Anna Marie. They lived for a time in southern Minnesota and came to Norman County about 1875, settling in the Hendrum area. Nels' confirmation was held in a log cabin located near the Wild Rice River.

Nels homesteaded on land he purchased from the railroad about three and one half miles east of Hendrum. While breaking up the land he found various Indian relics. Nels filed his claim, and when it was discovered he was not yet 21 years old, the land was taken by con-artists. Later he filed claim again and borrowed \$800.00 to buy his original land back.

Marit Nepstad was born in Valdres, Norway July 1, 1864. She came to America as an infant with her parents, Sidcil and Iver Nepstad, five brothers and two sisters. They settled in Lanesboro, Fillmore County and a few weeks after their arrival there her mother, a sister and a brother died. Marit went to live with an uncle and aunt, Ole T. and Kjersti Hoyme. She came with the Hoyme family to Norman County in 1881. She learned the dressmaking trade and moved to Devils Lake and Minot, ND where she worked a number of years. In Minot she had a dressmaking shop built and managed it for some years.

Due to an illness she closed her shop and returned to Hendrum where she lived with a brother-in-law and sister, Guldbbrand and Kjersti Tangness. Shortly after that she met and married Nels Tommerdahl January 7, 1889.

The wedding was held in their church with friends and relatives bringing food and gifts to celebrate the occasion. Some of their gifts included a mustache cup for Nels, a dainty cup and saucer for Marit, but the gift Marit cherished most of all was a large handmade dining table, which brother, Aage had made for the newlyweds.

Married life began in a two room log cabin and it was there five of the children were born — Oluf, Celia, Oliver, Ella, and Bennie.

The family attended the Pontoppidan Lutheran Church and were active members. In 1892 the new bell was bought for the church. It was Nels, with the help of two others, who hung the bell in its place. (An interesting note to this is that the last function that the bell was rung for was for the grave services for Nel's son, Edmund in 1969.)

In 1900 the construction of the big new house was completed. Shortly after they moved in there, daughter, Nettie was born, followed in later years by Edmund (died in infancy), Edmund Obert, Alford, and Clarence.

Winters were hard and the work never ended it seemed. Even bringing wood for the stove meant a long hard day in the woods, first driving there with wagon and horses. Lunch would be brought along from

home, but it usually would be frozen hard before they could eat it. During severe snow storms the end of a long piece of rope would be attached to the barn door and strung to the house and attached there so that the menfolk could find their way back and forth to tend to the livestock.

Summers were busy times — tending the fields, putting up hay (with a little bit of hunting a patch of wild strawberries could be found and that would brighten the day some), and then the dangerous task of breaking young horses. Runaway horses would occasionally add to the misery, and this would usually happen when the first threshing rig appeared.

One night a terrible summer storm occurred and the house was hit by lightning causing a fire in the attic. Quick action brought it under control but not until extensive damage was done. Some burning articles had to be thrown out the window and that included Marit's handsewn wedding dress.

Nels died suddenly on February 28, 1910 of a cerebral apoplexy. Marit, with the help of her eldest son, Oluf, assumed the responsibility of operating the farm and raising the large family.

The family grew up and left home. Marit left her farm home and moved into her home in Hendrum where she lived many years enjoying friends and the visits of her children and some thirty three grandchildren. She lived at the Lutheran Memorial Home in Twin Valley and in 1951 she passed away at the age of eighty six.

Oluf married Clara Wick and their children are — June (Mrs. Alvin Grivno) of Crookston; Vernie of New Jersey; Dewey of Fergus Falls; Marvin and Irvin (both deceased). The family lived for many years in the Ada area. Oluf and Clara are both deceased.

Celia married Halvor Rustvold and they lived in Great Falls, Montana. They are both deceased. Their children are Norene, Adeline, Herbert, Ione, Donald (deceased), Vernon, Jeannie, and Sharon.

Oliver settled in California and is deceased.

Ella married Alden M. Larson and they farmed west of Ada. They are both deceased. Their children, Delores and Donald, are both deceased. The Larsons raised a niece, Shirley Tommerdahl.

Bennie married Elsie Ronning and they lived most of their years in the Felton area. Elsie died in 1961. Their children are — Richard of Mahanomen; Robert of Rockford, Il., Lois (Mrs. Rex Stoutenberg) of Barnesville; Wescott of Felton, and Dennis of Lake Park.

Nettie married Herbert Johnson and they lived in Chicago. "Hub" died in 1970. Nettie lives in Moorhead, Mn.

Edmund married Ruth Bergman. She died in 1941. They had a daughter, Shirley, now Mrs. Harold Mueller. He later married Norma Ford. Their children are David, Dale, Howard, Linda (Mrs. Larry Sargent, Bejou, Mn.), Leeann (Mrs. AlRoy Ambuehl), and Gregory, all of Hendrum. Edmund farmed east of Hendrum. He died in 1969.

Alferd married Agnes Anderson and they live in Minneapolis. They have a daughter, Janet (Mrs. Harold Northfield).

Clarence married Clara Jacobson and they lived on the home farm east of Hendrum for many years. Their children are Ronald, Billy, and Tommy, all of Hendrum; Dorothy of New York, Raymond, Fargo, and Carolyn (Mrs. Frank Quinn) of Battle Creek, Michigan. Clarence died in 1975.

Nels and Marit Tommerdahl, bequeathed to their children — sound health, an honorable reputation, and a fixed idea of right and wrong. There are children who receive much — and yet, much less than this.

OLE TOMMERDAHL - ELLEN ELLINGSON

Ole Tommerdahl, a pioneer farmer in the Hendrum area, was born in Trondheim, Norway on January 25, 1835, the son of Nels and Ingeborg Anna Tommerdahl. He grew to manhood there and married his first wife, who died a few years later. Three children were born in Norway to this union — Nels Olson, Jens Aage, and Anna Marie. The Tommerdahls were farmers there.

Ole and the family left Norway about 1864 on a ship with sails. The trip was long as the wind was a big factor; at times the big ship simply drifted waiting for gusts of wind to move it. They arrived in America and remained in Houston County in Minnesota for some years. In 1875 they drove overland in a covered wagon to Norman County, together with a party of settlers made up of three families, one of which was the Andrew J. Hagen family.

Records show that Ole Tommerdahl was an early land claimant, either by homestead or tree claim, in Hendrum Township and through the years acquired 320 acres of land. Oxen were used to break up the prairie land. He also used oxen for his first crop — wheat. Ole improved his place and resided there until his death, except for a short time when he lived in Hendrum and rented out his land.

Ole was a very active member of the community in which he lived and helped to organize Hendrum Township, the name of which was suggested by him. He was also instrumental in the establishment of the Pontoppidan Lutheran Church. He was among the first deacons and for many years was the Precentor (Klokker). Ole was noted for his great singing ability and often his voice could be heard above the congregation. Ole also assisted in starting School District No. 40.

Having been a widower for some years he married Ellen Ellingson, who was the widow of John Rustvold. She had a daughter, Natta, who in later years, married Thom Charlson. Ellen Tommerdahl was born in North Dakota the daughter of Knute and Syaneve (Tordheim) Trom.

Six children were born to Ole and Ellen Tommerdahl — Emma and Anton (both who died at a young

age); Oscar (married Christina Berg), his children, Orris, Carroll, Eleanor, and Earl; Emma (married Sivert Sanden), her children — Odil, Hermoine, Sidney, Donald, and Elmer; Ida (married Joseph Berg), her children, Sherwood, Joyce, Roselle, and Spencer; and Minnie. All of Ole and Ellen's children settled in the Hendrum area.

Jens Aage Tommerdahl married Mary Lien and they lived in the Borup Community. Their children were Henry, Oliver, Emma, Anna Marie, Tillie, Albert, Anton, Molli, Lydia, Marie and Sarah.

Nels Olson Tommerdahl married Marit Nepstad and they farmed east of Hendrum. Their children were Oluf, Celia, Oliver, Ella, Bennie, Nettie, Edmund, Alford, and Clarence.

Ole Tommerdahl passed away on January 25, 1913 on his 78th birthday. Ellen Tommerdahl passed away on November 22, 1918 at the age of 66 years.

By Mrs. Harold Mueller

RONALD TOMMERDAHL - JANICE RAMSFIELD

Ronnie was born at Fargo, N.D., June 4, 1934. He was baptized and confirmed at Pontoppidan Lutheran Church. He graduated from Hendrum High School. He served two years in the U.S. Army from 1957 to 1959, stationed one year on Adak in the Aleutian Islands.

Ronnie married Janice Ramsfield, daughter of Chester and Mildred Svaleson Ramsfield, of Hillsboro, ND, in 1963. They have two daughters, Rhonda and Jodi. Rhonda lives in Moorhead and is employed at First National Bank in Fargo. Jodi is a sophomore at Hendrum-Perley High School.

Janice graduated from Hillsboro High School and was a secretary at the Traill County Extension Service there for five years.

Ronnie has been a member of the board of directors of Hendrum Elevator and is presently serving as a board member of the Farmers Home Administration. Janice served as city clerk for the city of Hendrum, church treasurer and president of the Traill County Homemakers Council.

WILLIAM TOMMERDAHL - MARLENE NELSON

William Tommerdahl is the son of the late Clarence Tommerdahl and Clara (Jacobson) Tommerdahl. Billy is a graduate of the Hendrum High School, graduating in 1956. Since that time he has been engaged in farming, his farm is located east of Hendrum.

Billy Tommerdahl and Marlene Nelson were united in marriage in February 1967 at Mentor, Minnesota. They have four children: Stacey who is thirteen years,

Belinda ten years, W. Jay eight years and Marla seven years.

Billy is at present serving on the Hendrum-Perley School Board, and the Hendrum Community Club.

LESTER W. TODD - EUNICE CAROL HOVDEN

Lester W. Todd of Hendrum and Eunice Carol Hovden of Perley, Minnesota, were married in October of 1935. They have four children, namely: Dale, presently living at Michigan, North Dakota.

Dennis presently living at Bismarck, No. Dak.

Dianne (Penny) employed at Abbott — North Western Hospital in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dean is at the home farm.



Lester Todd, on road to California.

Lester passed away on November 26, 1977. He was engaged in farming before going to work as foreman for Hallett Construction Company of Crosby, Minnesota. Eunice is employed at Halstad Lutheran Memorial Home.



Lester Todd Family:
Dale, Eunice, Lester, Dianne, Dennis, Dean, Todd

OSCAR TROM - JUDITH HVIDING RUSTAD

Knut Trom came from Hallingdahl, Norway March 12, 1861, with his parents to U.S.A. when he was eleven years old. They settled at Devils Lake, North Dakota. Mr. Trom married Sonnar Lykken. They lived in North Dakota until 1909 when they came to Hendrum and purchased a farm one mile north of Hendrum. In 1919 they purchased a farm near Halstad. To this union four boys and four girls were born.

Oscar Trom left with the first group of men that was drafted in World War I. He trained at Fort Dodge, Iowa and later went overseas where he was in the trenches in the front line. He had several bullet dents in his helmet.

Oscar and Gilbert farmed the home place. Oscar married Judith Hviding Rustad in 1934. She had two sons Howard and Sarles Rustad. Oscar purchased a farm east of Hendrum, and lived there until they retired and moved to town. February 23, 1971 Oscar passed away. Howard Rustad was Postmaster in Hendrum for 20 years and now he is a postal inspector. He married Adele Rinnan. They have two children Mark and Mary. They live in Moorhead, Minnesota. Sarles married Alice Pinske. They have one daughter Susan. They live in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Sarles owns and operates the Service Master Cleaning Business.



Standing: Sarles, Adele, Howard Rustad
Seated: Judith and Oscar Trom

KNUTE TROM - SONNAV LYKKEN SELMER TROM - MYRTLE HELLERUD

Knute K. Trom was born at Hallingdahl, Norway on March 12, 1861, and came with his parents to the United States. The family settled on a farm near Devils Lake, ND. Knute married Sonnav Lykken on April 26, 1889. Sonnav was born May 14, 1863, in

Hallingdahl, Norway. Knute, Sonnav, and their family moved to Hendrum in 1909 where they farmed north of Hendrum. In 1919 they purchased a farm southeast of Halstad, which is now owned by Roy Christensen. Knute passed away on January 6, 1933, and Sonnav on March 18, 1940. They are buried at the Immanuel Cemetery at Hendrum, MN



Selmer and Myrtle Trom

Selmer K. Trom, sixth child of Knute and Sonnav was born August 7, 1898 at Devils Lake, N.D. On October 18, 1922 at Hendrum, MN. he married Myrtle Amanda Hellerud, who was born on March 12, 1904. Selmer and Myrtle farmed in the Hendrum area for many years, and in 1960 they moved to Fargo, ND where Selmer was employed by the F-M Hotel. Myrtle passed away on May 27, 1977, and is buried at the Immanuel Cemetery at Hendrum, Minnesota.

Selmer and Myrtle were the parents of three children, Eleanor (Mrs. Byron Bergee), Chester, and Gerald.

Selmer, now retired, lives at Dilworth, Minnesota.

CARL UNDERLEE - GENEVA ENGER

Carl Underlee was born in Sanfjord, Norway, of parents Nils Underlee and Hilda Redal Underlee. There were five children born to this family; Hannah, who passed away at the age of nine; Christine, Laura, Carl and Lawrence. The father passed away in 1904 and the grandfather a short time before this. About two years later, the mother, Mrs. Underlee, and her mother, Mrs. Marie Redal made plans to sell their homes and emigrate to America. They sailed from Bergen, Norway in the spring of 1906 and arrived about ten days later at Boston, Mass.

They came to Norman County and lived a few months in Perley, Minn. then moved to Halstad, where the mother was employed and lived until 1914 when they moved to the Hendrum area.

Carl Underlee, the subject of this article worked for a while at farm work, but went into construction work with local contractors as that was a better paying line of work. However in those days it was seasonal work, mostly in the summer months and he therefore took



Sister Laura Underlee Peterson
Missionary to Madagascar for 33 years

employment where ever it was available. For a time he worked on the iron range in the Hibbing, Mn. area, being assigned to a pipeline crew. This work consisted of installing portable steam boilers and steam pumps necessary in certain areas to pump out the overflow spring water which was released by the steam shovels. Most of the heavy industrial equipment used at that time were steam powered.



Mrs. Hilda Underlee
Laura, Christine, Carl, Lawrence
Mrs. Marie Redal
Shortly after coming to America

At another time he worked as a truck driver operating in and out of Fargo, N.D. delivering light plants and related electric supplies to the rural areas, before

the present rural distribution lines were built to serve the farmers. He also worked for a time in The Farmers State Bank of Hendrum, which ceased its operation in 1929.

In 1925, he was married to Geneva Enger, also of Hendrum and together they worked for a number of years in a couple of locations in general merchandise stores.

In the fall of 1934, they purchased the farm two miles north of Hendrum and when their two sons, Nolan and Leslie were old enough to help with the farm work they purchased additional acreage from time to time until it became a sizable operation.

They continued to farm it as a partnership until a few years ago, when the partnership was dissolved and the two sons, with their families set up each their own individual operation. Carl and Geneva live in Hendrum, moving there to a home they built in 1958.

Their two sons are; Nolan and Leslie. Nolan married Doris Holm, they have two children, Wayne and Barbara. Leslie married Yvonne Darlene Lhotka and have one daughter, Michele.



Carl and Geneva Underlee, about 1976

LAWRENCE UNDERLEE - RUTH TARVESTAD

Lawrence, son of Nils and Hilda Underlee, was born in Sanfjord, Norway, January 6, 1902. There were 4 other children: Hannah, who died at nine years of age; Christine, Laura and Carl. His father died in 1904 and two years later, the mother, and her mother, Mrs. Marie Redal, with the children immigrated to America, settling in America.

They lived in Perley for a short time, then in Halstad before settling in the Hendrum area. Lawrence stayed with the Skauges in the summer time, but he attended school in Halstad in the fall. Later on he did some farm work and also worked at the Hendrum Creamery.

In 1924, when Lawrence Tarvestad, custodian at the Hendrum School, became ill, Lawrence started working at the school in his place. This he continued to do for the next 50 years. During these years he did some farming besides. He was often called on by the

people to fix things. He is known as "Mr. Fixit" as he is so knowledgeable in so many things like mechanics and electronics, etc.

On July 16, 1929, Lawrence married Ruth Tarvestad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Tarvestad. They lived in a cozy log cabin 5 miles east of Hendrum, near the Concordia Church and Meadowlark School.

They now live in Hendrum and are members of Immanuel Lutheran Church. They are both very active in the church activities and have both sung in the choir for many years.



Lawrence and Ruth Underlee
Harold, Ralph, Everett, Linda

On retirement in 1975 the community gave a party for the Underlee, honoring him for the 50 years of good and faithful service he had rendered at the school. He was presented a plaque. Another celebration took place in 1979 when Lawrence and Ruth held their 50th Anniversary in the Immanuel Church.

These are their children: 1. Harold Maynard - married Nancy Olson of Pasadena, Ca. They live in Los Angeles, Ca. where they operate a Travelodge. They have three children - Robert Lawrence, Ann Marie and David Allen. 2. Ralph has a home in Richfield, Mn. and works for United States Post Office in Minneapolis, Mn. 3. Everett - married Elaine Morken. They live in Bloomington, Mn. where he works as a computer technician for Control Data in Minneapolis, Mn. 4. Linda is a registered nurse at the University Hospital in Minneapolis, Mn.

They all graduated from Hendrum High School before attending college.

LESLIE C. UNDERLEE - YVONNE LHOTKA

I was born on a farm east of Hendrum, April 4, 1930, to Carl and Geneva Underlee. We lived in Hendrum until 1935, at which time Dad (Carl) bought the Hagen farm 2 miles north of Hendrum. I attended

"Wide Awake" country school for the first 4 years and then the school closed and consolidated with Hendrum, so the next 8 years of my schooling were spent in Hendrum, where I graduated in 1948.

I farmed together with my dad and brother around the Hendrum area until January of 1953 at which time I was drafted into the Army. After my tour of duty in service I returned to the Hendrum area to continue farming. I married Yvonne (Teddy) Lhotka of Mahanomen on June 16, 1955. On June 16, 1959, our daughter Michele was born. Michele graduated from the Hendrum-Perley High School in 1977 and then went on to Concordia College in Moorhead where she graduated May 4, 1980.

In the spring of 1978 we sold our farm around Hendrum, and purchased a farm in Northern Minnesota. We moved to Kennedy, Minnesota, in April of 1978 and we farmed in the Donaldson, Kennedy, Hallock area until 1981, at which time we sold that farm and purchased an irrigated farm near Dalhart, Texas. We moved to Dalhart, Texas, in April of 1981, and this is where Yvonne and I presently live.

After college our daughter, Michele, worked in the Ada National Bank in Ada, Minnesota until she married Wm. Borgen Jr., a farmer on February 4, 1981. They presently live on a farm near Perley, Minnesota.



Michele, Yvonne, Leslie Underlee

NOLAN UNDERLEE and DORIS HOLM

Nolan is the oldest son of Carl and Geneva Underlee. He has been a farmer since graduating from Hendrum High School.

He was a member of the 178th North Dakota Air National Guard Squadron that was to become a part of the United States Air Force and ordered to active duty on April 1, 1951.

He and his wife, Doris have a son and a daughter; Wayne of Hendrum and Barbara of Fargo, N.D. They have one grandchild.

WAYNE UNDERLEE - CHRISTY JOHNSON

On April 15, 1957, Wayne Underlee was born to Nolan and Doris Underlee at St. Lukes Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota. Wayne, along with his twin sister, were brought to Hendrum where he still resides.

During his school years, Wayne participated in the Cub Scouts, football, track, drama, and speech. He also started working on the family farm at an early age.

Wayne graduated from Hendrum High School in 1975 and went to work farming full time.



Wayne and Christy (Johnson) Underlee and Alicia Dawn

Christy Dawn was born to Gordon and Mary Ann Johnson on December 27, 1957, at Deaconess Hospital in Grand Forks, North Dakota. I am the third of five children.

After living in Bisbee, Inkster, Shelly, and Gardner my family and I settled at West Fargo, North Dakota in 1963.

During my school years I was active in choir, Bluebirds, Campfire girls and many school clubs and activities. Soon after graduating from West Fargo High School in 1976, I started working at the First National Bank in West Fargo as a teller.

On March 17, 1979, Wayne and I were married in Faith Lutheran Church in West Fargo.

After living in Hendrum for the first six months of our marriage we bought and moved to our own farm two and one quarter miles north of Hendrum where we still live.

The two of us became a family on February 20, 1981, when we rejoiced in the birth of our first child, Alicia Dawn, born at St. Johns Hospital in Fargo, N.D.

DWIGHT and LINDA VARGASON

Dwight and Linda Vargason and their family, Reed, Jacalyn, and Kelli, moved to the Hendrum area in the fall of 1975. They moved onto the farmstead locally known as "the old Sterton place."

Dwight and Linda originally came from South Dakota, growing up in Arlington and Lake Preston. After they were married they moved to Grand Forks, N.D., and later to Fargo, where Dwight started working with the Fargo Fire Dept.

In the fall of 1978, Linda started working as a teachers' aide in the Hendrum grade school. The next spring, the Vargasons purchased the Hendrum Hartz Store from Alice and Lyle Peterson. Later, Dwight opened an upholstery shop in the building next to the store. The upholstery shop eventually moved to the west side of town, when that building was sold to John Kolness and Janice Torgerson to become a restaurant.

MARTIN VENN - CLARA JOHNSON

Martin Venn born of Thore Venn and Gurina Bersvendsdatter, married Clara Johnson on November 22, 1898. Clara was the daughter of Peter and Anna Johnson.

They settled on a farm about two miles northeast of the Venn home place. They farmed there until Martin passed away suddenly in 1950 at the age of seventy-three years, a while later Clara and Gilbert, an unmarried son, moved to Hendrum. Mrs. Venn died in 1963.

Martin and Clara had three sons and one daughter: Palmer married Bessie Sandness of Hendrum, they make their home in Fargo, North Dakota. They have two children, Mrs. Alden Motteberg (Arlene) of Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, and Donald of Fargo, N.D. Mrs. Alden Motteberg has three children; David, Sheila, and Mrs. Craig (Susan) Olson of Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

Gilbert is living in Hendrum, in the house he and his mother moved to after his father's death.

Chester is married to Dorothy Olson of rural Perley and now make their home in Perley. They have a son, Milan, living in Great Falls, Montana, and a daughter, Mrs. Jack (Delores) Clark who lives in Western, Montana.

Isabel, the only girl in the family, is married to Carl Oien of Halstad and lived on the Oien farm northwest of Halstad for several years. They presently live in Halstad, Minnesota. They have six children, five daughters and one son. Corinne Adams lives at Halstad, she has three children, two girls and one boy: Sandy, Jamie and Jimmy. Mrs. Dale (Gladys) Olson, who lives at Halstad, they have two children, one son and one daughter, Reese and Paula. Clarice (Oien) Linerer lives in Los Angeles, California. Andy retired from the Navy and is now living in Halstad, Minnesota. Dawn is attending North Dakota State University in Fargo, North Dakota. Lori is living and working in Halstad.

THORE JENSON VENN - GURINA BERSVENDSDATTER

In the year 1871, Thore Venn immigrated from Strindens Prestegjeld, Trondhjem, Norway, to

Fillmore County, Minnesota, where he lived until 1876. This same year he married Gurina Bersvendsdatter who also had come from the same place in Norway.

In 1876 the Venn's moved to Norman County, settling on a homestead two miles northeast of Hendrum, on what is now the Otto Hoiland farm.

Mr. Venn shared in the work of organizing the social institutions of the community and shared in the maintenance thereof.

There was known as a friendly, good humored man which won him lasting friendship and love from friends and relatives. He loved to tell jokes and pull a trick or two on a friend or one of the family members. He could also laugh when someone pulled a trick on him.

Mrs. Venn was a quiet, rather shy little lady, but welcomed all visitors with a smile, a cup of coffee and Norwegian goodies.



Mrs. Jens Venn

Thore, at the age of 83, passed away February 15, 1916 and his wife two years later on August 5, 1981 at the age of 76.

Six children were born to Thore and Gurina. Two died at an early age, while three sons and a daughter grew up to marry and raise their own families. They were Bernhard, Martin, Jens and Mrs. Oscar (Johanna) Berg.

They all moved from the home place to settle in homes of their own except Jens, the youngest who continued to live on the home farm. In 1914 he married Maria Lien from Disco, Wisconsin. In 1921 Jens built a house in Hendrum and he, his wife and little girl, Gladys, now Mrs. Edwin Oien moved into their new home. Gladys attended the public school and a couple of years after graduating from its high school, she married Edwin Oien of Halstad. They farmed Ed's home place near "Little Chicago" for 10 years when they moved to Hendrum to the Venn home to care for Jens and Maria who were in failing health.

Edwin and Gladys are still living in the same house.

The Oiens have one son, Jerry, who lives at Rapid City, South Dakota. He has two sons and a daughter, Tim, Shane and Misty.

The Oiens also have one daughter, Mrs. Gerald (Joann) Brennan of Moorhead, Minnesota. They have three daughters, a son and a grandson, Jodi, Judi, Jenni, John and Joshua.

LOREN VIKER - ETHEL RINNAN

Loren Viker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russel Viker, and Ethel Rinnan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Rinnan, were married in the Immanuel Lutheran Church at Hendrum on October 18, 1947.

Loren was employed at the Art Johnson Fairway Store and also had his own custom bailing business. Their first son, Larry, and their daughter, Sandra, were born while living in Hendrum.

In 1954 they moved to Wolverton, Mn., where they farmed for six years. Scott, their youngest son, was born there.

In 1960 they moved to Kindred, N.D. and purchased a grocery store which they managed for eight years. Loren became manager of the Cenex Oil Co. in Kindred in 1968.

They moved to Grand Forks, N.D. in 1976, where Loren is manager of the Cenex Oil Co. there.

Larry is now a Travel Agent, living in Moorhead, Mn. He and his wife, Barbara have four children.

Sandra, now Mrs. Larry Scott, is living in Bismarck, N.D. and they have a son and a daughter.

Scott is a Farm and Home Representative for Cenex in St. Paul and is living in Grand Forks, N.D.

RUSSEL VIKER - HAZEL CARLSON

Russell Viker was born October 21, 1905, son of Ole and Olena Viker of the Halstad community. He attended school in Halstad and Crookston, Minnesota. On October 26, 1926, he was married to Hazel I. Carlson, daughter of Oscar and Hannah Carlson of Halstad. They farmed at Halstad until 1936 when they moved to a farm near Hendrum.

They had five sons — Loren, Harris, Roger, David and Owen.

Loren married Ethel Rinnan of Hendrum. They have three children. Loren and Ethel now live at Grand Forks, N.D. where Loren is manager for Cenex Company.

Harris married Donna Bursch of Mahnomen. They have three children and live at Roseville, Minn. Harris is a Technical Service Supervisor for 3M Company where he has worked for 21 years.

Roger married Joy Sargent of Ada, they have two children. Roger and Joy live at Mahnomen where Roger is manager of Bursch Farms, Inc. in addition to their own farm.

David married Rhoda Messner of Georgetown. They have three children. They own and operate a farm in the Georgetown area.

Owen married Dorothy Kriese of Finley, N.D. and they have two children and live at Mankato, Minn. Owen is a real estate appraiser and is a co-owner of the Appraisal Service of Mankato.

Russell died February, 1950 and after his death the family moved to Ada. In 1963 Hazel married Gust Bursch of Mahanomen. Mr. Bursch passed away in 1975. Hazel now lives in Mahanomen.



Russell and Hazel (Carlson) Viker Family
Back row: Roger, David, Owen
Front row: Loren, Hazel Viker Bursch, Harris

SYVERT A. VIIG - HENDRIKKE ROGNES

My parents, Syvert A. Viig and Hendrikke Rognes came from Norway in the 1890s. They came to Hendrum and met while working at the Brattland farm near the Red River. They were married in Moorhead, Minn., May 24, 1898. They bought a farm not far from Halstad, Mn. My father became ill so the place was sold shortly before he died April 6, 1904.

Syvert and Hendrikke had four children. We lived in a rental house until Mrs. Viig bought a place north of Hendrum near the Wild Rice River bridge. I hear that it is not there anymore. The children attended the Wide Awake School and we went to church near there.

We lived there until March of 1914 when the place was sold and we moved to Absarakee, Montana, to a homestead, of 320 acres. Among the first neighbors we met there were Anna and Kathinka Anderson of Perley, Minn. The Viig ranch was sold about 1948 to my brother Sam. Mrs. Viig and Severt moved out to Hillsboro, Oregon, bought a house where she died June 7, 1958.

Mrs. Viig's brother-in-law and wife, Tobias and Anna Egeland, came from Norway in 1904. Later on they bought a house in Hendrum. He died in 1951. Later on, Anna moved to Wibaux, Montana to live with her daughter, Christine. Anna died March 17, 1966. A son Olaf, lived in Chicago until his death September 29, 1974.

I, Karine Viig was married to Evans Engebretson, December 22, 1928 at Billings, Montana. We have five children living near us and eleven grandchildren. We moved from Montana to Beaverton, Oregon, September 1936. Brother Sam remains in Absarakee, Montana. His wife died in February 26, 1975, Severt died April 26, 1977.

ANDREW VOJE - MARIE ANNA MYRAH

Andrew J. Voje was born in Norway on March 24, 1855, the son of John K. and Anna Voje, both natives of Norway where they were reared and married. About six years after the birth of Andrew J. Voje, his parents heard of the great opportunities for industrious and thrifty persons, as they were, in the new land under the protection of the Stars and Stripes across the Atlantic. They bade their friends and relatives goodbye in their native land of Norway and came to America in 1861, locating in Waupaca County, Wisconsin. John K. Voje soon acquired a tract of new land which he speedily brought under cultivation, and on this land he and his wife made their home until their deaths. They were parents of seven children; Kjerster, Knut, who died at the age of seven or eight; Andrew J., Bertha, Knut, and Mary. The elder Voje and his family were all Lutherans.

Andrew J. Voje, upon arriving in the United States and Waupaca County, Wisconsin at the age of six, attended school in Wisconsin. At the age of 23, as a single man, he came to Norman County, Minnesota settling in Hendrum Township. He homesteaded 160 acres in Section 24 of Hendrum Township. His farm later consisted of 360 acres of land and was one of the best improved farms in the township. His interests as a prosperous farmer were general farming and stock raising, breeding grade Aberdeen Angus cattle. He helped organize the Concordia Lutheran Church of rural Hendrum, was Township Assessor for twenty-four years and was deeply interested in the establishment of adequate marketing and credit facilities for the community. He helped organize the Hendrum Creamery, the Hendrum Farmers Elevator and the Farmers State Bank of Hendrum.

On September 13, 1881 he was united in marriage to Marie Anna Myrah, who also was born in Norway on April 14, 1850. The brothers and sisters in her family included: Hans, Ed, Mary, Andrew, Gust (the father of Mrs. Thron (Clara) Hoyme of Hendrum, and a twin sister, Christina (the wife of Hadle Stennes of Hendrum). All the members of this family are deceased but relatives still reside in the Hendrum and Hegne Township areas.

Andrew J. Voje and his wife, Marie Anna, were the parents of five children: Amanda, John, Clara, Alfred, and August. All spent childhood years in the Hendrum community but only Alfred continued to make Norman County his home for his entire life. John never married. John, Amanda, Clara and August all moved out of the state of Minnesota in the later years. At the time of this writing, all are deceased except Alfred, who at the age of eighty-four years, resides in his own home in Ada and enjoys a good game of whist with members of the Senior Citizens a couple days every week.

G. Alfred Voje, the son of Andrew J. and Marie Voje, was born at Hendrum on January 7, 1891. He spent his childhood years in that community. He served with the U.S. Army during World War I, in

1918-1919, serving overseas, landing in England and seeing active duty in France and Germany. Prior to and following his duties with the Armed Forces he was employed for about fifteen to sixteen years by Martin Estenson of Sales, North Dakota in farm employment and also owned a share in a threshing rig out there which included a threshing machine, steam engine, cook car, etc. Anna Sorenson and Olga Kirksether of Hendrum were the cooks for the threshing crew. Anna Sorenson was later to become his bride and on June 27, 1925, Alfred Voje and Anna Sorenson, daughter of Nels and Ingborg (Quissell) Sorenson of Hendrum were united in marriage by Reverend J.J. Jacobson, pastor of Concordia Lutheran Church of rural Hendrum. They were engaged in farming, living about five and one half miles east of Hendrum. In later years they moved near Lockhart and in their last years on the farm lived in the Gary, Minnesota area. Retiring from farming they moved to Ada in the fall of 1965. After a lingering illness Anna Voje, who was born at Trent, South Dakota on March 13, 1906, passed away on June 25, 1969. Alfred and Anna were the parents of eight children, three who continue to reside in Norman County. **Norman** and his wife, Vi, live at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, where he is a semi-truck driver. He is the father of two daughters. **Arlene** and her husband, Maurice Harshman, live at Chinook, Montana, where he is an electrician. They are the parents of five daughters and a son. **Daniel** and his wife, Iona, live on a farm northwest of Ada where they raise small grains and Holstein dairy cattle. They have three daughters and a son. **Harold** and his wife, Joan, live at Sioux Falls, South Dakota where he is employed by International Harvester. They have three daughters and one son. **Robert** lives at Parkston, South Dakota with his wife, Donna, and they are parents of two daughters and a son. He is employed in sales and service of bulk milk tanks for the dairy industry. **Marvella** and her husband Andreas Borstad, live in Gary, Minnesota where she is employed as bookkeeper at the Gary Cashway Lumber Company and he is employed at the Fertilizer Plant at Mahnomen, Minnesota. Marvella has two daughters and three sons. **George** and his wife, Virginia, live at Moorhead, Minnesota where he is employed by the Cass-Clay Creamery Association. They have two sons and two daughters. **Audrey** and her husband, Roger Anderson, do general farming on their farm near Shelly, Minnesota. They are the parents of four sons and one daughter. At the time of this writing the family of G. Alfred has grown to a total of eight children, thirty-three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Taken from Norman County History Book

THE WANGBERG FAMILY

Ole J. and Oline Wangberg, my grandparents, immigrated to Minnesota from Norway in the early 1800's. They were married and settled in southern

Minnesota, then moved to Norman County and homesteaded the Wangberg Farm, which was located almost halfway between Hendrum and Halstad. In those days it was essential to be located near town and close to the railroad.



The Ole and Oline Wangberg Farm

The pioneers were the sturdy stock we all came from, I am very happy to be a part of it. Grandmother and Grandfather lost 5 children in 1883 from black diphtheria, they ranged in age from 2 to 15. One child was a survivor, James Gustav, (Uncle Gust). They went on to have four more children, my father (John Oscar) was in this group. He attended the Wide Awake School and ran the farm until he retired.

Marian Carmen (Lewis) Wangberg was born in the Hendrum Depot. Due to a flood her father had to move them in there for safety. The depot at that time was built up higher than the rest of the surrounding land. Her father and mother, Owen H. and Tomine B. Lewis (Minnie), set up housekeeping there until he bought a school house and converted it to a comfortable home.



Wangberg Home: On porch — Ole, Oline, Oliver,
First two unknown: Gust, Mollie, Clara, John Wangberg

I was born in this house, and as a little girl used to play with my dolls in the waiting room of the Depot when visiting the Lewis Grandparents.

John and Martha met, dated and were married. At this time Dad had one of the first automobiles in the area. His mother used to beg him to take the horse and buggy. She did not trust that machine. Dad and Mother were married 60 years.

To this union were born three daughters. I was the oldest and my roots are very strong in the community. I attended Wide Awake School, Hendrum High, then went on to St. Johns School of Nursing in Fargo, North Dakota. I graduated and became a Registered Nurse.

I was baptized in the Lutheran Church in Halstad, confirmed by Rev. J.J. Jacobson in Hendrum, and married by Rev. Jacobson to J.T. King in the church in Hendrum which stood in the same place as the new church stands now. To this union were born three wonderful, successful sons.

Dad and Mother later on in life, raised and educated a young man who is now Lt. Governor of Minnesota, Lou Wangberg.

I would say the Wangberg roots are strong in the area, also the state of Minnesota.

Mrs. J.T. King nee Jean Wangberg

THE ARTHUR WARNE FAMILY

Arthur Warne and Olga Sundal were married at Dell Rapids, South Dakota in 1918. They lived a short time at Larimore and then at Driscoll, North Dakota, where a daughter, Orleen, was born. They came to Hegne Township, Norman County, Minnesota in 1924, where a brother, Andrew Warne lived. They settled on a farm that is presently the Corman Larson farm. Here a son, Richard, was born in 1928 with Dr. Hanson in attendance. Orleen started school here for Esther Gunneron.

The farm was mostly prairie and when Art was breaking up the south quarter, he found a stone Indian hammer which is still in the family.

Later, they moved near the Concordia Lutheran Church where a son, Leland, was born in 1934. Here all three children attended School District 74. The Warne, Rockstad, and Deinhart children drove horse and buggy to school where a shed had been moved in to house the horses. In the winter an enclosed box was erected on the buggy to protect the children from the cold.

Rev. J.J. Jacobson, pastor of Concordia Church, baptized the boys, confirmed all three children, and buried Mrs. Warne in 1942 after she succumbed to a fractured skull following a fall into the basement. Rev. Jacobson also united Orleen in marriage to Leonard Sip, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sip of Pleasant View Township November 7, 1943.

In the 1930's there were many dust storms and very little crops, but people seemed happy and took time to do much visiting even in harvest time, as bundle hauling was done with horses, and they had to rest. Mr. Warne had the threshing machine and Alfred Voje was his machine man. Art also did a lot of custom corn shredding which was something new and quite unique, to chop the whole bundle and blow it into the barn for cow feed.

In the winter time the Warnes, Anton Holms, Hans Rockstads and the Henry Houges and other neighbors would gather at one home or the other, going by horse-drawn sleigh, where the men would play whist and the ladies would do fancy work, to some mending or join the children in singing songs, playing cards like

rummy, hearts, or such games as Spin the Bottle. Later the furniture might be pushed back and out might come the squeeze box, fiddle, or the mouth organ by Louis Fredrickson, Ole Sevelland or Bill Klingehoffer who would spend the winters with the Warnes doing chores for enough for their tobacco and an occasional overall as jobs were few. The rest of the night would be spent with everyone dancing, including the children. Some of the very small would be put to bed almost double-decker. If it stormed, everyone stayed all night. Sometimes barn dances were held. Here, too, a cot would be set up for the children to sleep on.

One winter the roads were blocked with five to ten foot high snow drifts. The mailman, Mr. Nelson of Hendrum, had a Model T with skis on so he could usually make the rounds.

Oats were ten cents a bushel and once Art drove his truckload of oats up to Ole Larson's garage in Ada and traded it for gas.

Art and Olga Warne were both musical but there was no money for music lessons for the children, so the family took part in the Concordia Church choir which, lead by Carl Snustad or Marguerite Edmunds, could really make the voices ring to the roof top. Marguerite started the first Easter Sunrise Service program to be held in Concordia.

In about 1944, after continuously having his crops drowned out, Art and the boys moved to Spring Creek Township, Norman County. It was here that both Art and son, Richard, lost one hand in separate corn picker accidents. Richard (Bud) went to Moorhead to work, was married and later moved out west and presently resides at Reno, Nevada. He has six children.

After Leland completed his tour of duty with the U.S. Air Force, he went to college in Sioux City, Iowa, became an electrical engineer, and married Sharon Baak there. They now live in Phoenix, Arizona. They have a son and a daughter.

After their marriage, Orleen and Leonard went to live on a farm north of Ada. They had five children. Dale, who farms, is married to the former Arlene Aune of Gary, Minnesota, and they have three children, Eileen, Darel and Cindy. Darwin served in the Army and spent two years in Vietnam and is now a surveyor. Cary attended University of Minnesota at Crookston and is now farming. Lorie and Wendell are students at the Ada High School. Leonard, an active farmer, was taken ill and passed away from cancer at the age of 50 on September 28, 1974.

Art Warne spent his last 20 years in Shelly where he continued to be very active working with the Malmes and with Ebert Sheppard. He became ill and passed away from cancer, February, 1971.

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GILBERT WICK - HANNAH ANDERSON

Gilbert Wick was born on April 6, 1893, in Georgetown, Minnesota, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gulick Wick.

In his youth he worked at farming with his parents and others. He was in the first contingent of boys drafted into service for his country in World War I. When he came home from his overseas service, he went to work for Martin Anderson, of Hendrum, who farmed along the Red River and remained there for a number of years. He married Hannah Anderson, the daughter of his employer, Martin and Clara Anderson. Gilbert continued working on the farm as a hired man until Mr. Anderson's retirement, after which he rented the farm and took over the management. Both Mr. and Mrs. Martin Anderson continued to reside on the farm with them until their deaths. Gilbert died in 1963 and Hannah in February, 1972.

OLE WILLIAMSON - DORIS (Dora) WILKENS

Ole Martin Williamson was born at Fleckefjord, Norway on August 17, 1881. He spent his early youth in that country, coming to the United States in 1897. After working on farms in Kittson County for several years, he attended the Agricultural Department of the University of Minnesota, later working as butter-maker in Drayton, North Dakota; Pelan and Enoch, Minnesota.



Ole M. Williamson

In 1912, he was employed by the Great Northern Railroad as a Depot Agent and worked in Roseau and Fosston, moving to Lockhart in 1914.

On January 5, 1918 he was united in marriage to Doris (Dora) Elizabeth Wilkens. Dora was born on January 4, 1901 to Johann (John J.) and Maria Lampe Wilkens of Pleasant View Township. In the early years of their marriage, Dora was telephone operator and assistant postmistress in Lockhart.

They had three daughters: Barbara, who died in infancy in 1924. Edna, born on December 27, 1925 (married to Roger Grothe, now living in Waseca, Mn.) and Gladys, born on January 16, 1928, (married Archie Wilson, now living at Thief River Falls, Mn.)

The family moved to Nelson in Douglas County in 1931 and then to Ada in 1933 where Ole was night

operator at the depot. In the spring of 1940 they came to Hendrum where Ole worked as the Great Northern Agent until his death on June 19, 1948.

Dora Williamson was the first school cook at Hendrum. The noon lunches were cooked and served in the old telephone building.

Dora Williamson married Lewis Handegaard in October 1950.



Dora Wilkens Williamson Handegaard

WILBERT and MAE WOLTER

Wilbert and Mae moved to Hendrum in November, nineteen hundred forty-eight. They farmed what is known as the Kim farm, now owned by Francis Nelson. When Wilbert and Mae came to Hendrum, they had two daughters Janice and Judy; one son Gary. During their stay at Hendrum two more boys were born, Donald and Keith. In April nineteen hundred fifty-three they moved to Hebron, N.D.



Wilbert, Janice, Mae Wolter



Janice, Judy, Gary, Keith and Donald Wolter — 1948-1953



The Wilbert and Mae Wolter Farm 1948-1953

HAROLD YSTEBO - STELLA HVIDING

Harold was born 2nd in a family of eight boys and one girl, February 18, 1894 to Thomas and Jacobina Ystebo on a farm located at Rural Perley, Minnesota.

He was united in marriage to Stella Hviding on February 23, 1923.

Stella was 3rd in a family of 12, eight girls and four boys, born to Simon and Johanna Hviding, rural Perley, Minnesota on October 8, 1900.

Harold and Stella farmed in the Perley area where three sons and one daughter were born: Harvey - now of rural Hendrum; Donald - now of rural Moorhead, Mn.; Stuart - now of Moorhead and Marlys (Rangen) - now of Salt Lake City. At this time there are 15 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.

In 1936 Harold and Stella moved to rural Hendrum and continued farming. In 1941 they purchased the farm one mile north and one mile west of Hendrum, where they farmed until retirement in the middle 50's when Harvey assumed the farming operation and Harold and Stella purchased a house in Hendrum.

Harold died in January of 1969. Stella lived in Hendrum until the fall of 1979 when she moved to Moorhead and recently moved to the Moorhead Manor, a retirement home.



Harold and Stella Ystebo Family
Stuart, Harvey, Donald, Stella, Marlys, Harold

HARVEY YSTEBO and DELLA FOSSEN

Harvey Ystebo, son of Harold and Stella Ystebo, and Della Fossen, daughter of Orvin and Lillian Fossen, were married in October of 1947 at Argusville, N.D. and have resided in the Hendrum area except for four and one half years in Calif. They now live on his parents' farm northwest of Hendrum along the Red River, where they built a new home in 1965. The farmland has been rented out for the past fifteen years and both are employed at the American Crystal Sugar Plant at Hillsboro, N.D. They also have a lake home at Lake Lida at Pelican Rapids, Mn. since 1972 where they enjoy fishing, relaxing and having their six grandchildren visit them.

Harvey's hobby of antique car collection and re-doing them now totals about twelve. He also operated a tank manufacturing business on the farm for about ten years. Della's hobbies are gardening, flowers, sewing, crocheting and photography.

They have two sons, both in Fargo. David is married and has two sons, Lance and Chad and is assistant office manager for Holsum Bakery. Wayne has two children, Tavia and Ryan, (one son Anthony is deceased). Wayne is a college student and a musician. Our daughter, Patricia, (deceased) had two daughters, Tricia and Tara Aarestad of West Fargo, N.D.

Harvey and Della also enjoy traveling, have been to many different states except for the east coast.



Harvey and Della Ystebo

THEODORE ZEIGLER - SELMA OHNSTAD

Theodore and Selma Zeigler moved to the Perley area in 1938. They had two daughters and one son.

Shirley, now Mrs. Elmer Volness of R.R. Moorhead.

Marjean, now Mrs. George Aabye of Perley, Mn.

Allan of Moorhead.

Ted and Selma Zeigler bought the hardware store in about 1940-41. Oscar Sjoberg and family ran it until 1957, when he retired. Allen ran it for three years and then tried to operate it with hired help for a short time after that, but finally closed it in 1962. The building was sold to Sherman Kolnes.

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Nella Dahl



John Dahl

Dahl, John E. and Nella G. Snustad Dahl were emigrants from Trondheim, Norway. They were married in Duluth, Mn. in 1888 and made their home there until 1896 when they moved their family to Hendrum, Mn. Mr. Dahl was a carpenter and when he lived at Hendrum he often bicycled to Ada to do construction work. Mrs. Dahl was a talented dressmaker and also assisted as mid-wife for many families in the Hendrum area. The Dahl children, Katie, Mabel and Archie attended the Wide Awake School. Katie was thrilled in the later years when Mr. George Brohaug, her teacher visited her at Ada. The family were members of the St. Paulie Church.

In 1904 the Dahl family homesteaded to a farm in Pennington County. However, five years later they moved into Thief River Falls and lived there until their death. (John, 1932 - Nella, 1943) Both Mr. and Mrs. Dahl were active in church and community affairs. They were leading members of the Zion Lutheran Church in which Mr. Dahl served as trustee and secretary for many years. Mr. Dahl was also very active in city government, serving on the council as alderman from 2nd Ward. All during their lifetime the Dahl family were closely associated with their relatives the Snustads and Grothes families at Hendrum.

Their oldest daughter, Katie B. was a teacher in rural schools and at Winger and also a librarian at the Lincoln High School, TRF before her marriage to Otto C. Parbst in 1920. Mr. Parbst was a conductor for the Soo Line Railroad over 45 years. The Parbst family included a daughter, Marion and a son, John. Both children attended Lincoln High School and Augsburg College, Minneapolis and are graduates of the University of Minnesota. Marion married Albert E. Sarver of St. Cloud, Mn. and they reside at Ada. Mr. Sarver is a mortician. Marion taught Home Economics at Fosston, Crookston and Gary High Schools and also served as Extension Home Economist for Roseau and Norman Counties. The Sarvers have two children — George Harold married to Sue Berzelius, 1972 and Virginia Ann (Ginger) a student at Augsburg College.

George Sarvers' and daughter, Melissa Lea live at Richfield, Mn.

John Parbst married Adelaide Pederson of Grygla, Mn. 1945. John graduated from Augsburg Theological Seminary, Mpls. 1951. He is serving as senior pastor of Salem Lutheran Church, West St. Paul, Mn. The Parbsts have three daughters, Kristin, (Mrs. Alan DeWolfe, Mpls.;;) Mary, (Mrs. Stewart Fobes,) Calif. and Elsa Ann, Mpls. Rev. Parbst has served parishes at Sacred Heart, Mn. Fergus Falls, MN and St. Lukes Lutheran Church at Minneapolis, MN.



The John Dahl Family

The Dahls' second daughter Mabel was married to George Newbury of TRF and later of Poplar, Montana. Their children Helen Gaythorne and Vance Charles were brought up by the Dahls' as Mabel died of the flu in 1918. Helen died at the age of twenty-five, she was a talented pianist. Vance married Loretta Kelly of Thief River Falls. They have been faithful workers for the Zion Lutheran Church and the local hospital. They have one daughter, Durelle, Mrs. Harold Storhaug. The Storhaugs' have three children, Mark, Bruce and Janelle. Mr. Storhaug is in the lumberyard business.

Archie J. Dahl was the only son. He married Florence Lein of Underwood, Mn. Archie was the manager of J.C. Penney stores in Roseau and Mankato. He and his son, Robert, also owned Dahls' Men's Clothing Store at Mankato. Robert Dahl married Marilyn Naden of Lincoln, Nebraska in 1944. They have three children: Pamela (Mrs. Bruce Tjosvold, Burnsville, Mn.), Gregory of Coon Rapids, Mn. and Penelope (Mrs. Larry Guillott) of Florida.

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March 1, 1982

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