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Mrs. Marie Svedahl 3402 Clover Pl. Regina, Sask. S4V lJl 1990 - a new year - a new decade. At one time or another in the past few months all of us have wondered what the next few years will hold. Will the world finally know peace? Will the economy turn around? Will our children/grandchildren mature to be responsible and nice young people? What will the year 2000 be like? We can't answer these questions now only time itself will tell.

One thing we can be certain of is that with every passing year we all become older. Unfortunately age and time also bring an inevitably quota of deaths.

And it is with regret that I must report the loss of two of our "cousins", both of whom were members of our Harman group. You will find the obituaries on page 20 - Mary Jane Smith of Uxbridge, ON. and Lena May Ohrt of Regina, SK. The death of Lena Ohrt touched my own family very deeply. She was in the true sense of the word, a well-loved person, and her passing leaves a great void in our lives. However one must put personal loss aside and consider that at 83 years she had lived a full and good life, and now is at peace.

As family historians it is our task to see that people like Mary Jane and Lena are not forgotten. We must record more than the bare facts - the names, dates and places - but also capture the essence of their personality. Mere words fall short of painting the complete person - but better a partial portrait than none at all. Many of our readers have beloved parents/grandparent about whom they feel the same and I would like to remind you that the Harman History is an opportunity to keep those memories alive. We should all take a few minutes, an hour perhaps, to sit and write about that special person, to record our memories and tell their story. Think about it.

I've decided the theme for the June newsletter will be children. We will need a photo of any young "Harman Kin" and a little story to go along with it. A paragraph telling birth date and place, parents, and a little about the person as an adult will be sufficient.

The focus of this issue of the newsletter is the on-going research to make the history of our Harman family as nearly complete as possible. There is a report from Kathy Miklovich on what she is doing on the Rogers line, and I have a number of items to share. Some of my material was gathered while on a trip this winter to Toronto. My husband and I spent a greater part of three weeks visiting libraries and "cousins" - not necessarily in that order. It was an opportunity to meet some of our readers for the first time, and to renew acquaintaince with others. Please refer to page 10 for further about the trip.

I would like to close by saying that Carman and I enjoyed meeting many of you, and to say "thankyou" for your warm hospitality in inviting us into your homes. We would love to be able to return the courtesy you have shown us and so, we extend to any of you who might be traveling this way, an invitation to come see us. Give us a call when you get to town, and don't give up if there is no answer, quite often I'm only out in the garden or out to the supermarket - \$306-789-0923.







### RESEARCHING THE ROGERS FAMILY

Being extracts from a letter received by your Editor on 23 March 1990

from Kathy Miklovich. Cambridge, Ont.

I've finally been getting a lot of good information on a couple of our Rogers/Harman lines, and I thought I would pass along some of the details. ....I'm excited about three branches in particular: #25 Mary Ann Rogers Lloyd; #26 Henry and #27 William.

Last fall when I was in California, I looked in the Houston, Texas phone book and found an address for a "Joe M. Rogers". Last month I wrote to him, hoping he'd be my #262 221. I got a phone call from him about a week later saying he is our "Joe Mack Rogers". I still haven't heard more from him as he was going to contact his cousin Walter Bouray as well.

I have also been doing quite a bit of work on #272, M.Agnes Rogers and Jesse Weldon. I wrote to a lady in Edmonton by the name of Ethel Dorin. Her mother was Edna Weldon (dau. of David R. Weldon and Margaret Swain) and her father Walter Henry Allan. When I received her reply I noticed that Walter's parent were Robert C. Allan and Mary Lapp. I immediately phoned her and found out that Robert had been married to two Mary Lapps. The second was a niece of the first. had been living in Collingwood Twp. (Ont.) in 1880 only one concession over from where I had lost Mary Susannah Lapp, dau of #262 Sarah Rogers and Jeremiah Lapp. You guessed it! The lost was found - our Mary Lapp was Robert Allan's second wife. I have not had a lot of time yet to work on this newly discovered Lapp branch but I have been in contact with a granddaughter, and she has sent information on sisters of (#262) Sarah Rogers. Now I have to get to the North York Public Library in Toronto and go through some cemetery transcriptions!

....Probably the news I am the most excited about is my March Break trip a couple of days ago. My ten year old daughter and I took the car and headed for Bad Axe, Michigan which is less than four hours from here. I was determined to find #271, John C. Rogers and his wife, Matilda Smith, as well as #25 Mary Ann Rogers and John LLoyd.

### OAKWOOD

It is with the deepest regret that we have to announce the death of Mr. David Weldon - who passed away on Monday last at his residence, about two miles east of Oakwood, leaving a sorrowing wife and three young The deceased was a young children. man, 32 years of age, and had been a resident of Mariposa from his birth. He was a man of irreproachable character, greatly respected by all who knew him. He was afflicted for years by that fatal about two disease, consumption, and although receiving the kindest care that loving friends could give, as well as the best treatment that medical skill could administer, yet an allwise Providence has seen fit to call our young to a better world. sorrowing partner and three young children, with his respected parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Weldon, have the sympathy of the entire community.

From 5 Oct. 1900 issue page 12, of "The Weekly Post", Lindsay.

It's hard to make a long story short, but boy! did we have fun! Its great to have a ten year old who tolerates running through cemeteries, sitting in libraries and researching County Offices. I find it amazing how easy it is to get information in the States. I had no problem going through the death and marriage records from 1870 to the present, but they don't allow you to leaf through the birth records. They will gladly look up birth information for you however if you can supply a few details.

The bottom line is: John C. Rogers family has grown from the three pages I sent to you before, to now over 17 pages. I will be sending you all updates prior to the publication of the Harman history.

Here is a brief rundown on John #271, and his five children.

1] Wm. Walter md. Mabel (Stickney) -> I'd been told they had two sons, now discover they also had two daughters. Girls md. brothers by name of DIEM.

2] Margaret Mary md. Alfred E. Pugh -> four chn.

3] Nellie Savilla md. Fred Stickney -> brother of Mabel (above).

4] Matilda -> no info yet.

5] I HAVE A THEORY THAT I'LL GET TO SHORTLY !!

At the time of Walter's death, his obit said he had a sister, Mrs. Charles Snyder in Wisconsin. Margaret Pugh was dead by this time so this sister was either Matilda, or less likely, Nellie Rogers Stickney.

Now back to child #5. I know there was a #5 because the 1910 Colfax Twp. census which I found several years ago said that Matilda Rogers, widow, living with Pugh's (as a servant) had had five children, four of which were still living. Now some discrepancies occur. For one thing, in searching the 1910 Colfax Twp. census this week, I couldn't find the Pugh family. Also I discovered that according to marriage records, Matilda had married E.H.Emery in 1899. I couldn't find a copy of either her death or Emery's so nothing conclusive.

In the Friend's Cemetery in Mariposa Twp., Ont. there is a: Howard Sylvester Rogers d. 23 Mar. 1880, aged 3 years, 3 months ??? I haven't been able to figure out who Sylvester's parents were ..... (but possible he might belong to John C. and Matilda.)

WILLIAM WALTER ROGERS.
Carsonville — Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. from the Jewell Funeral home for William Walter Rogers 81, who died Sunday in his home, after a long, illness. Elder H.C. Muir of Melvin officiated. Burial was made in Washington cemetery.

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Mr. Rogers was born in Ontario on October 2, 1873 and married Mabel Stickney of Bad Axe on May 20, 1907. He had been a resident of Carsonville for about a year, having moved to Carsonville from Huron county.

He is survived by his widow; two sons, John Rogers, Port Hope; Fred Rogers, Carsonville; two daughters, Mrs. Sarah Dem and Mrs. Mary Diem, Carsonville; sister, Mrs. Charles Snyder, Wisconsin; 9 grandchildren.

1954 obit - found at Sandusky, MI. Pub.Library

I also looked for John's Will in Probate Court, and found some very interesting information.

1] He had no will.

2] According to the local newspaper, he was a "wealthy" resident of Sigel Twp. (Mich.) but papers filed at Probate paint a different picture.

3] The family lost the 600 acre farm when mortgage was foreclosed.

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5] Matilda wasn't left with much (see page ).

That nearly covers my day in Huron County, so Heather and I headed for Sanilac County which is just south of Huron, and has Minden Twp. where the Lloyds lived. We located the cemetery with no problem and found the Lloyds (family markers). After visiting the cemetery, I decided we should check out the village of Minden City, even though there are no longer any relatives there.

In the middle of town I saw the office of the local newspaper, "The Minden City Herald". Upon inquiry I discovered they had nearly all issues from cl900 to the present, but were "hit and miss" from about 1880 to 1900. Needless to say the pre-1900 papers were brittle and falling apart but luck was on my side. I found the obit for May Ann Rogers Lloyd. There was a small photocopier in the office so I photocopied six or seven Lloyd family

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I did find one surprising record in the death records of Sanilac Co. - really surprised me to find this person there.

#212 2 - Marvin Rogers, son of Elias Rogers and Susan Hoover (Elias and Susan had disappeared from Mariposa Twp. before 1881). Marvin was living in Custer Twp., Sanilac Co., at the time of his death, 14 Nov. 1918 at 60 yrs, 11 mo. & 10 days. listed as single and a painter. The poor man did himself in with a gun!

The local newspaper had had a fire so the library did not have 1918 newspapers in which to search for an obituary. I have no idea where Elias, Susan or

the rest of the family were. Marvin could have been a widower, which still technically would made him single. I consider this a real find as I had

Death of Mrs. John Lloyd.

Died, at her residence one and one-half miles west of this village, on Monday, April 3d, from the results of lagrippe, Mrs. John Lloyd, aged 87 years.

The deceased was born in Newmarket, Ont., July 3d, 1811. at which place she was united in marriage to John Lloyd, and where she resided until 1870, when she moved with her husband and family to Minden township and settled on the farm where died. Her residence of nearly thirty years in this locality had gained for her a large circle of friends and acquaintances and she was held in the highest esteem by all who knew her. She was a woman of kind and charitable disposition, a member of the Cougregational church and an earnest christion and died in the full belief of her salvation. She is ancrived by five children: Wel-

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The funeral was held on Wednesday at 10 o'clock in the M E church, Rev. Omans assisted by Rev. Pollock officiating. The remains were interred in the cemetry one mile west of the village.

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Minden City Herald Friday, 7 Apr. 1899 thought Elias and family had moved to New York (not Michigan).

That pretty well covers my trip to Michigan. I was so pleased and pleasantly surprised by all the information that is so readily available there.

On the following pages are transcripts of some of the Probate documents which Kathy found on John C. Rogers.

STATE OF MICHIGAN )

> Probate Court for said County
County of Huron )

To the <u>Hon. John Lange</u> Judge of Probate for said County

In the matter of the Estate of John C. Rogers deceased, your petitioner would respectfully represent to the Court that she is interested in said estate as widow of said deceased; that said deceased departed this life at his house in the township of Sigel in the County of Huron and State of Michigan on the eleventh day of August 1896 leaving no last will and testament as your petitioner is informed and verily believes.

That said deceased was, at the time of his death, an inhabitant of, or resident in said county of <a href="Huron"><u>Huron</u></a> and was possessed of real and personal estate situate and being in said County of <a href="Huron"><u>Huron</u></a> and elsewhere to be administered, and that the estimated value of the personal estate in the sum of <a href="mailto:six hundred">six hundred</a> dollars, and of the real estate the sum of <a href="five thousand">five thousand</a> dollars or thereabout, as your petitioner is informed and verily believes.

And your petitioner further represents, that the names, ages, residence and relationship to the deceased, of the heirs at law of said deceased, and other persons interested in said estate, and as your petitioner is informed and believes are as follows:

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ohu C.Ragess Deceased.
PETITION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ADMINISTRATOR.
County of June 88
Probate Court
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Your petitioner prays that a day be fixed for hearing this petition, and that due notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by an order of the Court, duly published once in each week for three successive weeks, in

such newspaper as the Court shall direct, and that administration of said estate may be granted to <u>Mathew Smith</u> or some other suitable person, and that such other and further order and proceeding may be had in the premises as may be required by the statues in each case made and provided.

Dated: <u>September 2nd</u>, 1896

(This was filed and signed by Matilda Rogers' attorney, Charles D. Thompson.)

STATE OF MICHIGAN )

> Probate Court for said County
County of Huron )

By <u>John Lange</u> Judge of Probate for said County
In the Matter of the Estate of <u>John C. Rogers</u>,
<u>deceased</u>

To <u>James Lester and George W.Thornton</u> of said County, GREETING:

You Having been Appointed Appraisers of said Estate, are hereby empowered, and directed truly and justly to appraise, as soon as may be, in dollars and cents, all the Estate and effects, both real and personal comprised in the Inventory of the Estate of said <u>John C. Rogers, deceased</u> which may be in said County according to the present value thereof, being first sworn to the faithful performance of that trust.

And when you shall have performed that service as aforesaid, you are to deliver the said Inventory, together with this Warrant, and your doings thereon, to Walter Smith, Administrator of said Estate who is hereby accordingly directed so to return the same on oath into the Probate Office of said County of Huron within thirty days from the time of taking upon himself that trust.

Dated and signed at the Village of Bad Axe, Michigan - 8 Oct. 1896.

(On the 22 Oct. 1896, the Appraisers, James Lester & George W. Thornton, made oath that they would faithfully discharge their duties.)

(On the reverse of the foregoing - )

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## PROBATE COURT

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WARRANT AND INVENTORY.

Probate Court for said County:

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Probate

### INVENTORY

County of Huron,	Mattala:
A TRUE AND PERFECT INVENTORY of all the Real Estate, Goods, Rights and Credits of <u>John C. Rogers, deceased</u> ,	Chatters,
to wit:	<b>#1000 00</b>
The north half of South East quarter of Sec. 9, Sigel Twp.	\$1000.00
The North half of South West quarter Sec. 9, Sigel Twp.	800.00
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1 gray horse 13 yrs. old	30.00
1 bay horse 8 yrs. old	50.00
l roan horse 4 yrs. old	40.00
1 bay horse 16 yrs. old	20.00
1 bay colt 3 yrs. old	45.00
1 bay horse 8 yrs. old	25.00
1 black mare 11 yrs. old	30.00
1 bay horse	10.00
l yearling	12.50
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1 bull yearling	13.00
1 two yr. old	25.00
1 two yr. old	25.00
1 cow	22.00
1 cow	22.00
1 cow (blemished) 4 calves \$5, 5, 5, 5	5.00
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1 sett 3/4 HT. trace namess	12.00
1 sett long trace harness	20.00
Remains of a sett of harness	2.00
1 ten horse power engine & separator,	275 00
27 in. cylinder & 40 in. deck in good repair	275.00 15.00
1 cutting box	5.00
1 scales (1 pr. scales not appraised cost \$3.00)	10.00
1 fanning mill	12.00
1 bob sleigh	10.00
1 bob sleigh	5.00
l gang plow	17.00
1 spring tooth harrow \$6 2 diamond harrows \$5 & 6	15.00
4 plows at \$4, 4, 2 & 5	27.00
1 cultivator 2, 1 disk harrow 25	11.00
2 horse rakes, at \$3 & 8	20.00
1 Champion binder \$10, 1 E Drill 10	26.00
1 McCormick mower \$10, 2 wagons 10 & 6	1.75
3 setts whipple trees \$1, .50 & .25	6.75
2 wood racks .50 & .25, and 2 hay racks at 3 & 3 1 mower \$5 2 sythes & snaths .30 1 cradle .25	5.55
4 forks \$1, 1 chain .50, 1 crosscut saw .50, 1 ground stone .50	
1 hoe .15, turnip drill .50, pea harvester \$10, dinnerbell 1	11.65
2 inch plank about - 1 1/2 M	18.00
Z INCH Plank about - I I/Z M	10.00

About 27 ton hay	94.50
A certain quantity of oats about 1190 bu.	119.00
Household furniture	81.00
A certain quantity of corn about 95 bu.	9.50
" 100 bu.	10.00
A certain quantity of old iron	5.00
Some seed peas - D.M. Ferry & Co.	31.50
Sand contracts (numbers and land figures too s	crunched to understand)
contract with F.W. Hubbard & Co.	1500.00

We, the Undersigned Appraisers, Appointed by the Probate Court for said County of Huron, having first taken the oath prescribed by law for the faithful discharge of the trust under such appointment, do hereby certify that we have truly and justly estimated and appraised all the estate and effects of John C. Rogers, deceased, as exhibited to us and comprised in the foregoing Inventory according to the best of our skill and judgement, at the respective sums placed opposite each item therein mentioned.

Dated: October 22, 1896 and signed by James M. Lester and George W. Thornton.

DOMINION OF CANADA IN THE MATTER OF

County of Victoria the Estate of John C. Rogers to Wit: Deceased

I, <u>John S. Cruess</u> of the <u>Township of Mariposa in</u> the County of Victoria, farmer

Do solemnly Declare, that I am one of the Executors of the Estate of the late William Rogers, deceased -

The late John C. Rogers of the County of Sanlac (sic) in the State of Michigan one of the United States of America was at his death justly and truly indebted to William Rogers of the Township Of Mariposa in the County of Victoria, farmer now deceased, in the sum of \$1500.00 and interest, the following are the particulars:

Promissory Note dated Jan.4th 1895

payable 3 years after date \$1500.00
Interest at 5% from date of note 150.00

That no part of said indebtedness has been paid, and the Executors of the said William Rogers, estate hold no other security for said indebtedness.

The names of my Co-Executors are Mary Rogers, widow and Elihu Rogers, farmer.

And I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing - etc. etc.

Dated Jan 9 1897
In the Matter of
John C. Rogers
Diceased

Statutory Declaration

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Signed and dated at Lindsay, Victoria County, on 9th day of January 1897, by John S. Cruess.

State of Michigan

Probate Court for said County

County of Huron

To Charles E. Thompson, Probate Judge for said County. In the matter of the estate of John C.Rogers, deceased. Your petitioner would respectfully represent unto the court: that, she is the widow of said John C.Rogers, deceased - late of the said County - that said John C. Rogers died intestate in said county on or about Aug. 11th, 1896, that at the time of his death he left his family in an unsuitable, unfit and unhealthy dwelling place without either proper furniture, clothing or even necessaries of life or the means to get the same and that at said time his family and especially your petitioner were sick with fever, that the said family at that time consisted of your petitioner, Walter Rogers, Nellie Rogers, and Matilda Rogers, that said children were unable to support themselves, that because of unfit, and unhealthy habitation your petitioner had to move with said family to Sand Beach and there rent a house; that because of said destitution and removal a large amount of expense has been incurred by your petitioner and the same is unpaid; further that said Nellie Rogers and Matilda Rogers are minors and are of school age and that they require books, clothing and tutition (sic) to attend school that they may be the better fit to care for themselves when the necessity of the case will require; also that no dower has been assigned to your petitioner.

Wherefor your petitioner prays that the administrator of said estate may be authorized, empowered and licensed to make a weekly allowance of ten dollars per week, or such sum as to the court shall seem necessary, for the purpose set forth heretofore and that said allowance may date from the death of said John C. Rogers.

Signed by Matilda Rogers
Dated at Sand Beach, Mich. 19th Jan. 1897.

(The above Petition for Widow allowance in the matter of the Estate of John C.Rogers, was filed with the Probate Court for the County of Huron on the 3rd May 1897.

Recorded Journal No. 2, page 445,
Charles E. Thompson, Judge of Probate.)





### Kin Talk: Meeting Our Cousins

My husband, Carman, and I were away for just over three weeks this winter and in that time we met and visited with a number of our cousins. These were mostly my relatives, and mostly Harman related. It was an enjoyable experience, getting to know our Kin a little better. Profitable, too, as in many instances I gathered more information (for the Book) and sometimes there were treasured old family photos which I was able to copy. I had purposely taken along all the equipment I need for copying pictures-filters, tri-pod, etc. - as I was hoping for opportunities to gather images of our Harman ancestors.

If I may I will share with you some of the highlights taken from the journal of our trip -

- Feb. 17th: We left home, traveling by way of the USA we made a number of stops to visit relatives (these first three or four stops were "non-Harman" kin!).
- Feb. 21st: By-passed Detroit and stopped in Pontiac, MI. where I contacted a Harman cousin, Shirley Anderson. We were in luck as it was her day off work, and in fact when I phoned she had been in the midst of working on her family tree. We drove over to her home and spent a couple of hours gathering data on her family she is a granddaughter of #3633 Nellie Harman. I was particularly interested in her family as she, too, is descended from the Adam branch of the family. You will find her grandmother's family chart listed in the "Descendants" section of this newsletter. Shirley invited us to stay for dinner, which we did and it was a great opportunity to meet her family and get to know them all a little better.
- Feb. 22 26th: Carman attended his Livestock Bonspiel in Guelph, ON. while I visited with some of my more immediate kin my father's sisters and brother who live in Toronto and King City. After Carman's return from Guelph we spent a couple hours at the Aurora Public Library. I had three death dates for which I wanted matching obituaries found one.
- Feb. 27th: Most of the afternoon was spent at the Richmond Hill Libraryfor further on that, see page. Dinner engagement that evening with
  the Murrays (Bill and Lillian #625 23) in Toronto. Had a very nice
  evening. Lillian and I talked family research, especially discussing
  areas where we have problems obtaining data, finding lost
  descendants of great grandparent's siblings, etc. I think our
  husbands enjoyed themselves, too, even though they weren't talking
  genealogy!
- Feb. 28th: Left Toronto at 10am. and drove to Lindsay, making a little side trip to point out to Carman where Adam and his family had lived in Mariposa Twp. and the church that was built across the road from their farm. We spent several hours in Lindsay visiting with Reta Mark #4353. While there a major project was to copy some of Reta's old photographs. She brought out dozens of old studio photos of which I

- copied 15 or 20. I didn't attempt to copy any of the ordinary snap shots I usually refrain from copying snapshots unless they are the only pictures available of the person I'm seeking. Reta told us a great deal about her family parents, brothers and her husband, Reg Marks. I realized I should have taken my tape recorder along!
- Mar. 1st: We visited Clair Wakeman at Barrie #338 A6, stopped to visit for just a couple of hours and ended up not leaving until nearly 5pm. Clair is presently living with her son and his family at Shanty Bay. This past year has been very trying for her with the death of three family members. She has offered to do some "digging" for family information an offer which I was happy to accept. Clair is also of the Adam family line.
- Mar. 2nd: Busy day Began with a visit to Ken and Ev Saint (#612 44) in Bradford where we had lunch. Ev was involved with World Day of Prayer that afternoon but Ken was an able host, showing his family history notes, and while I copied some of his old pictures, he showed Carman around his home which he had built himself following the second World War. Later we went for a drive and Ken pointed out some of the local features the Holland Marsh and the Ol'Kirk built and attended by the displaced Red River Settlers and their descendants. Carman and I left at 4pm. and did a little sight-seeing on our way back to Toronto, nearly took too long about it, but still arrived on schedule for our dinner date with Mae Harman #524 12. Her brother, Leonard joined us and we had an enjoyable evening. Since the last time I visited, Mae has purchased her own home she is happy with it and thoroughly enjoying being a "home owner". Mae looked over the Harman History print-out (at least, that part which had been entered on the computer) and promised to ensure that her family contributed their share of family stories.
- Mar.3rd: Our schedule for the day became a little scrambled due to the arrival in Toronto the evening before of our son, John, who drives truck on long distant hauls. It had been 24 days since John had left home in Regina, and since that time had been back and forth across the USA, currently with a load from Los Angeles for Toronto. Carman spent part of the day over at the truck with John, until at 2:30 John was dispatched out with a load for Regina. However this gave me time for some final visiting with my Aunt before our departure that afternoon.
- Mar.4 -9th: We were on our way home but with no rush we stopped to visit more friends and relatives sometimes stopping for a couple hours and other times for a night or two. We spent an entire afternoon in the public library in Lapeer, MI. the area where Lewis Harman settled after leaving Mariposa. Although not overly productive for finding new information, it was a very interesting day. If we'd had more time we would have like to have taken a drive north to the districts where some of our kin settled maybe next time.
- Mar.10th: A phone call the evening before had arranged a meeting in Minneapolis (or rather, Woodbury, a suburb) with Pat Harpole, a

descendant of the #315 line - yet another Adam branch! We had a lively visit and stayed for an early dinner. Pat is associated with the Minnesota Historical Society and was the founding member of the Minnesota Genealogical Society - as you can imagine, the two of us got along very well!

Mar.12th: We arrived home in the afternoon in the midst of a most welcome rain. Before night fall the rain had turned to snow and we woke next morning to a good six or seven inches of the white stuff.

Needless to say, there were many more "kin" who I'd have liked to contact on this trip. Some of you I did talk with on the phone, while others I tried to contact but unfortunately there was no answer. However considering nothing had been pre-arranged before our trip, I think we did quite well in the ten days we were in the Toronto area.

It is important to keep contact with all our new-found cousins. If we only knew where they all are, we'd find we have a nation-wide network of Harman kin. These are people with whom we share an ancestor - kin.

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### INDEX TO PROBATES:

# Taken from "Index to Probate and Surrogate Court Records for Simcoe County, 1828 - 1929"

The following are family names which appeared in this book. Some are likely not our kin, only possibilities which should be checked out. Do any of our Toronto members have the time to stop at the Ontario Archives to do a little research? It would be interesting to find out what information these documents contain.

CODE: P = letters of probate A = Letters of administration AW = Administration with a Will.

name residence occupation	n death date		#	probate v date	olume
FLEURY, Henry Penetanguishene ye	eoman	P	#60	30 Apr. 1849	<b>B18</b>
HARMAN, George Tiny farmer	16 Oct.1915	P	#10836	10 Mar.1922	U408
" Hannah Esther Midland widow	22 Nov.1922	<b>WA</b>	#11108	23 Jan.1923	<b>U836</b>
" Matilda Flos widow	28 Oct.1895	P	#3468	18 Nov.1889	K38
" William Collingwood Marine	3 June 1927	A	#12808	1 Nov.1927	26
engineer					
HOOVER, Daniel Perry	6 Apr.1880	A	#1586	3 Dec.1881	G789
HUFFMAN, John Tecumseth	10 Sep.1963	A	#224	5 Feb.1864	D187
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# HARMAN HISTORY BOOK: Progress Report

A brief report to keep our readers abreast of the progress being made with our family history.

Currently we have over 80 pages of material on the William family line entered on the computer; over 35 on the Charles family; and at 50 pages I am in the midst of the Mary Agnes family. At the present moment I would not even hazard a guess at what the total number of pages in the Harman History will finally be.

The deadline for material submissions has been moved back to September of this year, with a publication date (hopefully!) in the first half of 1991. Time is running out for some of you - the ones who keep promising themselves they are going to put a little story together - one of these days.

Also - a reminder: We need the names and addresses of all your Harman kin, including your own children if they are no longer under your roof. We want to give all our relatives a chance to participate in our book, and an opportunity to purchase the book if they should wish. I have been slow at getting our brochures (about the BOOK) in the mail but in the last couple months have been sending them along with a draft print-out of their own page from the book. This gives our prospective buyers an opportunity to see what they would be purchasing, and also I ask them to proof-read what has been written. No one will know better than they if I've got dates or names wrong - and maybe I will get more information or stories! It is worth a try anyway.

We would like our reader's assistance in helping to learn more about the following people:

### CHARLES FAMILY LINE:

64. Harriet Harman = William Welch

b. c1831

md. 16 Sept. 1852 (From Primitive Methodist Register)

From census records we know that Charles & Phoebe Harman had a daughter named Harriet, born cl831. We assume that the Harriet Harman who was married in 1852 to Wm. Welch, was the same girl - but no proof. Nor do we have further information on the Welch family.

### 65. Elizabeth Harman =

b. 30 Dec. 1832, Holland Landing Anglican Church baptismal records. She is listed as a 19 year old on the 1851(2) census living in her parents home in King Twp. Nothing more is known at this time.

### 66. Anna Harman =

b. 19 June 1835, from baptismal records, Anglican Church at Holland Landing, ON. She was not with Charles and family on the 1851(2) census of King Twp. and nothing further is known.

67. Ellen Harman = (? John Smith)

b. 20 Dec. 1836, from records of Anglican Church, Holland Landing. On the 1851(2) census for King Twp., ON. Ellen is recorded in the home of her parents, Charles & Phoebe Harman, aged 17 years. (Reel #11760, page 177 of King Twp. returns). On the following census in 1861 (Reel #1088, page 102 of King Twp.) Charles and Phoebe are living alone, however next door (the next entry to theirs on the census) is a Smith family. Mrs. Smith's first name was "Ellen" aged 27 years. The husband, John was a 29 year old labourer. There were two children: six year old Walter, and four year old Pheby. It would seem very likely that this was the same "Ellen" however nothing further is known about the John Smith family.

68. Jane Harman = ( ? Henry Harman)

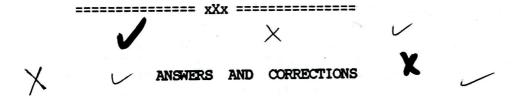
b. 7 May 1839, in records of the Holland Landing Anglican Church.

d. 1912, bur. Aurora cemetery. Aurora cemetery records give her name as "Jane Harman", her parents as Charles & Phoebe, her age as 73 year, and death caused by bronchitis. We do not know if she remained single all her life or if she was indeed the wife of Henry Harman (of the Henry #14 line). It was said that his wife had been a Harman, and from census returns we know that her first name was Jane.

69. Rachael Harman = b.cl840.

(Only information we have on Rachael at this time is from the 1851(2) census where she is recorded in Charles & Phoebe's household, as a 13 year old (two years younger than her sister, Jane, whose age was given as 15-in actual fact, Jane's age should have been 12 years, coming 13).

From what we know at this time, these are Charles and Phoebe Harman's youngest children. Has anyone knowledge of these people? can you confirm what has been written here? or do you have knowledge to the contrary? do you know the present whereabouts of living descendants of any of the above?



A typo crept in - Volume Six, page 110, the newspaper extract should have read:

EXTRACT from a Regina, Northwest Territories newspaper, 17 June 1897: "MARRIAGE: On the 16th June, Harvey Fleury, Indian Head, and Ethel Fleming, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Fleming."

### MRS. SCHWAB'S FAMILY BINDERS

In a 1989 newsletter printed by the Toronto Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society there was an article about the life's work of Mrs. Helen Schwab of Richmond Hill, ON. She had spent endless hours collecting information on the early families of the area. Her sources included newspaper items (obituaries and other news), cemetery recordings, correspondence and family histories written by members of the families. Her work is a major collection, comprising 50 large binders.

In February of this year I took advantage of an opportunity to visit the Richmond Hill Public Library where these binders are now housed. I had time only to browse through four or five of these binders - the ones containing data on the Fleury, Hoover, Rogers and Petch families. If I'd had more time I would have liked to look into the ones containing information on the Cutting, Grove, Lemon, Pearson, and Phillips families, and the two Lloyd family binders. No, there were none on the Harmans.

Before I share some of the information I found, I would like to issue a Remember that this type of source is what is called little warning. "secondary records". Information obtained from these binders must be substantiated by another source before it is considered reliable. We have a tendency to consider anything we find written to be "the truth". unless we know the source used by the person writing, we can not begin to judge the accuracy of his/her statements. For example: The binder labeled "Rogers Family" held a great deal of information, little of which I could verify because I didn't have my Rogers binder along with! However I did spot one glaring error. On a handwritten page, a home-made type of family group sheet, Mrs. Schwab had recorded the wife of James Rogers as being "Mary Agnes Scott". I think we have had sufficient documented proof stating that Mary Agnes' maiden name was Harman, that we needn't be cast into a panic by this discovery. However one does wonder what was the source of Mrs. Schwab's information for this statement?

I have promised the nice lady in charge of the binders that I will send her information on the Harman family, including something to substantiate my claim that Mary Agnes was a Harman.

So how do I know that the following information about the Petch family is correct? I don't. However some of it is verified by comparison with information submitted by other family members, and some was verified by material in a book written about the community of Crandall, Manitoba (and part was in contradiction, too!). There were also two or three names and addresses of Petch family members who had supplied some of the information — I plan to contact these people in the not too distant future.

There is nothing wrong with "secondary source" information - as long as you remember that that is what it is. Very often you will find a major clue in such a source that will ultimately lead you to the answer to your puzzle.

From The Schwab Binder Labeled: The Petch Family

Charles Albert Petch, 2nd child of John Petch and his wife, (Ann) Elizabeth Lloyd, died 26 Apr.1927, buried Aurora Cemetery and his wife Jane Hainstock (#636 on our Harman chart), died 27 July 1915.

Charles and Jane were married 24 Dec. 1873. They lived in Aurora. He served the town in various capacities as Town Constable, Town Clerk and was responsible for the water system and pumps.

(Petch Family History)

Charles and Jane lived in a house built in 1888 and still standing, now used as the Aurora and District Historical Society Museum, thanks to the generosity of the Aurora Town Council. Curator is Donald Webster. The Petch residence which is on the east side of Yonge St. on a rise south of the valley Lot 79 - 1 W formerly served to house the pumping machinery for the town's water supply, deemed necessary after the disastrous fire which swept Aurora in 1887.

- Chn: 1. Della A. Petch Charles Webster
  3 Jan. 1875 8 Sept. 1964 12 Sept. 1873 5 Sept. 1938
  (Aurora Cem.) (Aurora Cem.)
- 2. Eva M. Petch Donald J. Webster
  21 May 1881 26 Dec. 1964 23 Jan. 1877 16 Mar. 1948
  (Aurora Cem.) (Aurora Cem.)
- 3. Viola Petch Bertram A. Kellam 14 Apr. 1884 - 1 Mar. 1959 27 Dec. 1883 - 20 Sept. 1951 (Aurora Cem.) (Aurora Cem.)
- 4. Gladys M. Petch Benjamin C. Andrews
  31 Jan. 1892 (Winnipeg, Man.)
- 5. Herbert B.Petch Louise Pascoe

  (Kenora, Ont.) (Kenora, Ont.)
- 6. Charles L. Petch Fern McColl
- #1. Della and Charles Webster: They purchased #54 Yonge St. N, an Italiante style home called "Horton Place", built about 1860. This beautiful cream-coloured, large brick house was purchased by Dr. Alfred Robinson in 1876 from Benjamin Pearson. It is on the north corner of Irvin St. and Yonge St. in Aurora, surrounded by beautiful gardens, a fancy iron fence, now almost hidden by high bushes, on the Yonge St. side. One child: Margaret.
- #2. Eva and Donald Webster: Eva was a beautiful girl. She died in Lindsay

at the home of her daughter, Ruth. Two children: Donald and Ruth.

- #3. Viola and Bertram Killam:
  One child: Frederick.
- #4. Gladys and Benjamin Andrews: They were married 8 June 1911, and moved to Winnipeg, Man. about 1919.

  Two children: William and Elizabeth.
- #5. Herbert and Louise Petch: They went to Cranbrook, Man. first but later moved to Kenora, Ont.

  Three children: Albert, Ernest and Muriel.
- #6. Charles and Fern Petch: Went to Little Current, Ont.

There was a little more information, dealing with the third generation and their spouses and children.

To illustrate the difficulties in deciding which is the more accurate source, please note the Petch chart in the following series, "Descendants", compiled from information received from our member, Vernon Hyder of Peachland, BC., and the 1881/1891 census of Aurora, ON. The above information may not be fully accurate, yet it does contain some material which we didn't have before (those "clues" about which I was speaking earlier). It will be up to us to use that new information to the best advantage.

### DESCENDANTS: FAMILY UNIT

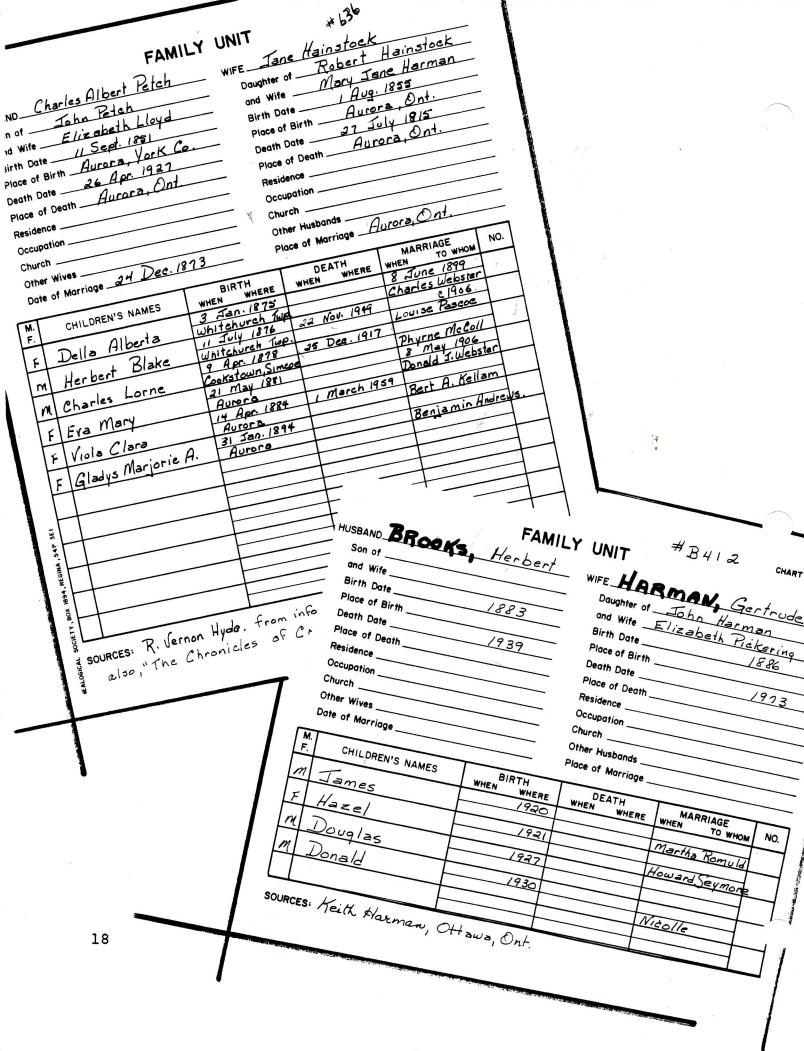
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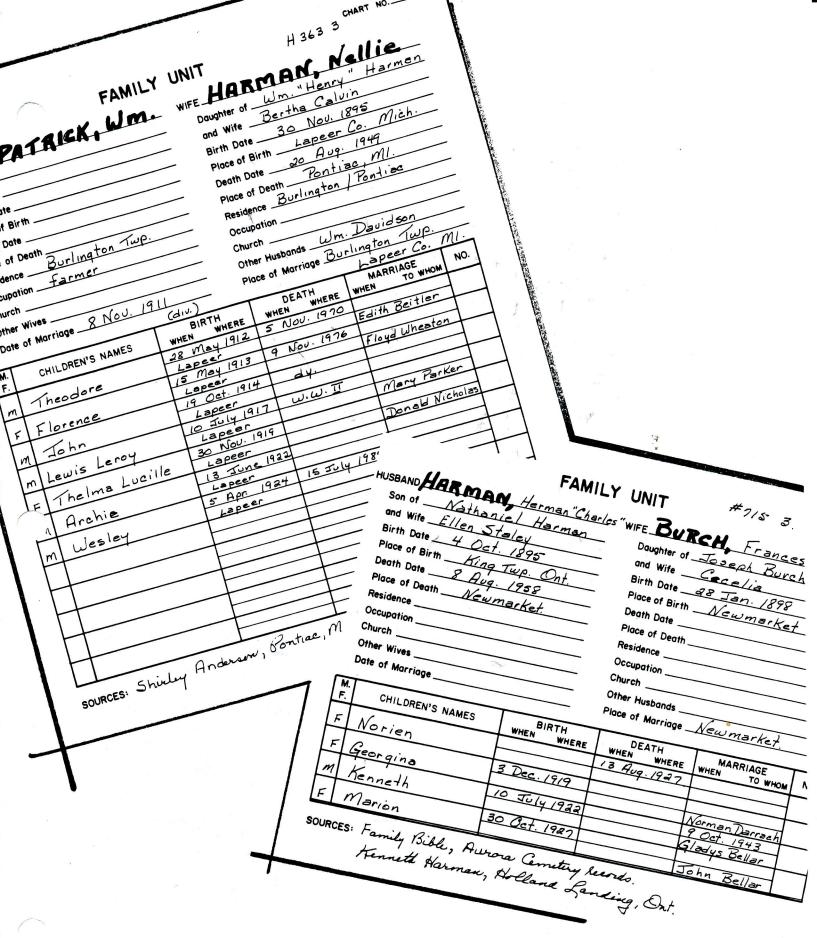
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HUSBAND TRYLOR, Edward F. WIFE LAIRD, Ada Minetta Wm. Taylor Daughter of Thomas H. Laird and Wife Sarah E. Gee and Wife Fidella Cutting Birth Date <u>27 Nov. 1882</u> Birth Date 12 June 1891 Place of Birth Comber, Ont. Place of Birth Essex, Essex Co., Ont. Death Date \_\_\_\_ 23 Nov. 1973 Place of Death <u>5t. Thomas, Ont.</u> Place of Death 5t. Thomas Residence St. Thomas. Ont. Residence \_\_\_\_ Occupation RR Conductor Occupation \_\_\_\_ Church <u>Salvation</u> Army Church <u>United Church</u> Other Wives \_\_\_ Other Husbands \_ Date of Marriage 19 Aug. 1919 Place of Marriage Esser, Esser Co

M. F.	CHILDREN'S NAMES	BIRTH WHERE	DEATH WHEN WHERE	MARRIAGE WHEN TO WHOM	NO.
F	Eleanor Fidella	11 Aug. 1920 5t. Thomas		15- Sept. 1945	
M	Ellwood Francis	19 Nov. 1921 St. Thomas			
F	Doreen Elizabeth	30 Dec. 1924 St. Thomas		19 Dec. 1947 Clayton Smith	
F	Jean Ilene	26 Apr. 1926 St. Thomas		6 Aug. 1943 Russell High	

sources: Doug Allen, Chatham, Out





#1. From a February 1990 issue of the Weyburn, Sask. "Review".

### Lena Mae Ohrt

Friday February 9, 1990, Mrs. Lena Mae Ohrt passed away suddenly at the Plains Health Centre. She was born January 7, 1908, at a farm in Moreland. Sask. She married Arthur Ohrt November 18, 1931, and they farmed in the Gray District until 1973. They then returned to Regina. She was predeceased by her husband Arthur in February, 1983, and her daughter Betty Ann Ohrt, and her husband Marvin in June of 1989. She is survived by five brothers, Jim (Flo) Doughty, Tom Doughty and Bill (Dorothy) Doughty, all of Pangman, Scotty (Eunice) Doughty, Regina, and Bud (Margaret) Doughty of Toronto, Ont.; three sisters: Alice Ireland, Toronto; Anne (Pete) McMahon of King City, Ont.;

and Ethel (Tony) Bernard of Winnipeg, Man., and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, February 14, 1990 in St. Andrew's United Church, Regina, at 2 p.m. with the Rev. D. Elton Adams officiating. Interment in Regina Memorial Gardens.

Lena will always be remembered for her love of flowers. She belonged to the Queen City Violet Club and her yard was always a picture of beauty.

In lieu of flowes, donations to the Allan Blair Memorial Clinic, 4101 Dewdney Avenue, Regina, S4T 7T1, or the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan, 2332-11th Avenue, Regina, S4P 0K1.

We will miss these two ladies from our "Harman Kin" group. Lena Ohrt was #343 13, and May Jane Smith #B431 on our family chart.

- Uxbridge Times-Journal, Wed., February 21, 1990

# Well-known local resident dies in her 100th year

Well-known local resident Mary Jane Smith died Jan. 8, 1990 at Sunnycrest Nursing Home in Whitby. She was in her 100th year.

Born in Zephyr on Dec. 11, 1890, Mrs. Smith was the eldest daughter of William and Eliza Harmon.

In 1914, she married James A. Smith, who predeceased her in 1957.

They farmed in Sandford until retiring and moving to Uxbridge in 1955.

Mrs. Smith was active in the Women's Institute, Women's Missionary Society, and United Church.

She is survived by her six children, Eileen (Mrs. (Gould) Bailey) and her husband Vernon of Uxbridge; Morley and his wife Jean of Uxbridge; Florence Wilkinson of Brampton; Melbourne and his wife Berniece of Uxbridge; and Grant and his wife Dorothy of Don Mills.

Also surviving are 13 grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren.

The funeral was held Jan. 10 at Trinity United Church.

Burial, Sandford Cemetery.



MARY JANE SMITH

# rmer's neighbors stop seizure

WEYBURN (Special) — One good crop will turn everything around.

families facing financial troubles This is a statement which could be One couple convinced of it is Glen and Janice Trenouth, who may stop true for many Saskatchewan farm brought on by the years of drought. being farmers if they lose their hog finishing business.

west of Radville, have been disputing a foreclosure action brought by The Trenouths, who farm south

their loan payments totalling approximately \$12,000. Negotiations The matter came to a head Jan. 8, nave failed to reach an agreement.

semi-trailer units and attempted to when bailiff Bob McCuig of Superior Recovery Systems, of Estevan, arrived at the Trenouth farm with two seize more than 400 hogs. The Trenouths and approximately 20 neighabout five hours while lawyers for ooth sides tried to reach an agreeoors blocked access to the hogs

Both parties are continuing to ne

court decision on the fate of the hos

is expected Feb. 5.

erwise viable farm operation.

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sell the hogs without the permission

of the Radville Credit Union.

The Trenouths got involved in the hog operation in order to diversify

to supplement their farming in-

The farm-gate defence dispersed ment.

The Trenouths have applied to the court for an exemption for nancial problems.

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The Trenouths say agricultural losses brought about by drought, coupled with losses incurred in re-

building their home, which was deare the reasons for their present fi stroyed by fire in September 1988

#3. Janice Trenouth is #343 121 1, The Trenouth on our family chart. story is one that is all too common these days, especially in the areas of the west which have been drought stricken these last few years.

Jackie Stuart, Aurora #4. Sent by The subject is #532 on the Clipping is from 7 Aug. of the Aurora "Banner". 1891 issue refers to the editor of the rival newspaper in Newmarket.

The Era man, not satisfied with claiming almost everything big for Newmarket, has laid claim to our big man, Mr. Ellis Harman, in the following paragraph.—"Last Saturday a man was weighed on the scales in the Market and he tipped the beam at 3321 lbs. is a resident of York County, lives on Yonge St., near Newmarket, and is none other than Ellis Harman." Who next? Mr. Harman has been a resident of round. this town for some years, and it is not our intention to let Newmarket, or any other town claim him so long as he lives here.

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# **Langman Thomas Baycroft**

Langman Thomas Baycroft, born November 1, 1916 at Colgate, Saskatchewan, passed away suddenly at Royal Victoria Hospital, Barrie, Ontario on July 22, 1989.

He leaves to mourn his beloved wife Vi and stepchildren Bill Fisher and Doris Townsend of Barrie.

Langman was predeceased by his sister Mary Baycroft of Weyburn and his brother, Rev. George Baycroft of Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Surviving are Langman's sister Grace Newsham of North Battleford and her daughter Brenda Halverston of Saskatoon. Also surviving are George's wife, Sadie of Winnipeg and her son Bill of Houston, Texas, and daughter Myrna Loyst of Toronto.

Lang leaves several cousins and a host of friends in the Weyburn area.

Lang farmed all his life in the Colgate and south Weyburn district, retiring in 1973.

Lang and Vi moved to Ontario in 1976 and spent the winters in southern Texas.

# ELIAS LLOYD DIES IN BAD AXE HOSPITAL

#5. Another member of

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chart.

Elias Lloyd, for more than sixty years a resident of Minden township died very suddenly Sunday evening, after a few days illness. He was buried Wednesday, Rev. Roberts, Presbyterian minister of Ubly, preaching the funeral services.

Mr. Lloyd was born in Canada, June 18th, 1855. His parents and family settled on a farm west of Minden City when he was a boy. He lived on that farm until about seven years ago when he came to the village, purchasing the Joseph Glaza residence. He was never married. For a few years his brother Wellington and wife lived with him before they moved to Florida.

Taken sick the fore part of last week, Mr. Lloyd was taken to the Bad Axe Hospital, Friday. His brother Wellington in Florida was notified, but was unable to come on account of illness. Sherman Lloyd came arriving at the hospital Sunday morning of the day Mr. Lloyd died. Mr. Lloyd was then in a comatose condition which continued till the end.

Mr. Lloyd was one of a family of five sons and three daughters. Of this family the parents, two sons and three daughters are dead. The remaining members are William Lloyd of Tawas City, Joseph of Minden City and Wellington of Sanford, Florida.

Those attending the funeral from a distance were: Mr. Sherman Eck, son J. V. and Wilmer of Toronto, William Lloyd, daughters Mrs. Miles and Mrs. Brown of Tawas City, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Edgar of Croswell, Mr. and Mrs. Len Wentworth of Carsonville, John Rogers and son of Bad Axe and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kleinsteifer of Port Huron.

#6, 7 & 8 were forwarded by Kathy Miklovich, Cambridge, ON. All are from the Minden City, MI. "Herald". First two bear the date, line of 12 July 1929. Subjects of the three clippings were brothers, sons of #25 on our chart.

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1935

# LOOSE GRAVEL IS CAUSE OF ACCIDENT

A W. Rice and Sherman Lloyd experienced a shakeup Monday evening when their car left the road and ran into a culvert near the William Hunt farm. The ditch was not deep nor the culvert large so no damage was done to either. The front axle of the car was bent and the windshield was broken. Mr. Lloyd was at the wheel and said some loose gravel in the road made driving very difficult.

# MINDEN PIONEER IS LAID TO REST

Joseph Lloyd, 83, an old resident of Minden township passed away at his home there. Sunday afternoon, after an illness of several months. Funeral services were here Tuesday afternoon from the home, Rev. Pryor preaching the sermon. Burial was in the Minden cemetery.

Mr. Lloyd was born in Little Britten, Canada, July 10, 1851, When twenty years of ago he came to Michigan, settling on a farm west of Minden. Four years later he married Ellen Ross, and to this union four children were born. Fourteen years ago he retired from farming and moved to Minden. Mrs. Lloyd died two years ago.

Mr. Lloyd is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Wm. Klienstiver of Port Huron, Mrs. Celia Smith at home and a son Marshal at home; four grand children and two greatgrand-childen. Two brothers William of Tawas City and Wellington Lloyd of Sanford, Florida also survive.

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