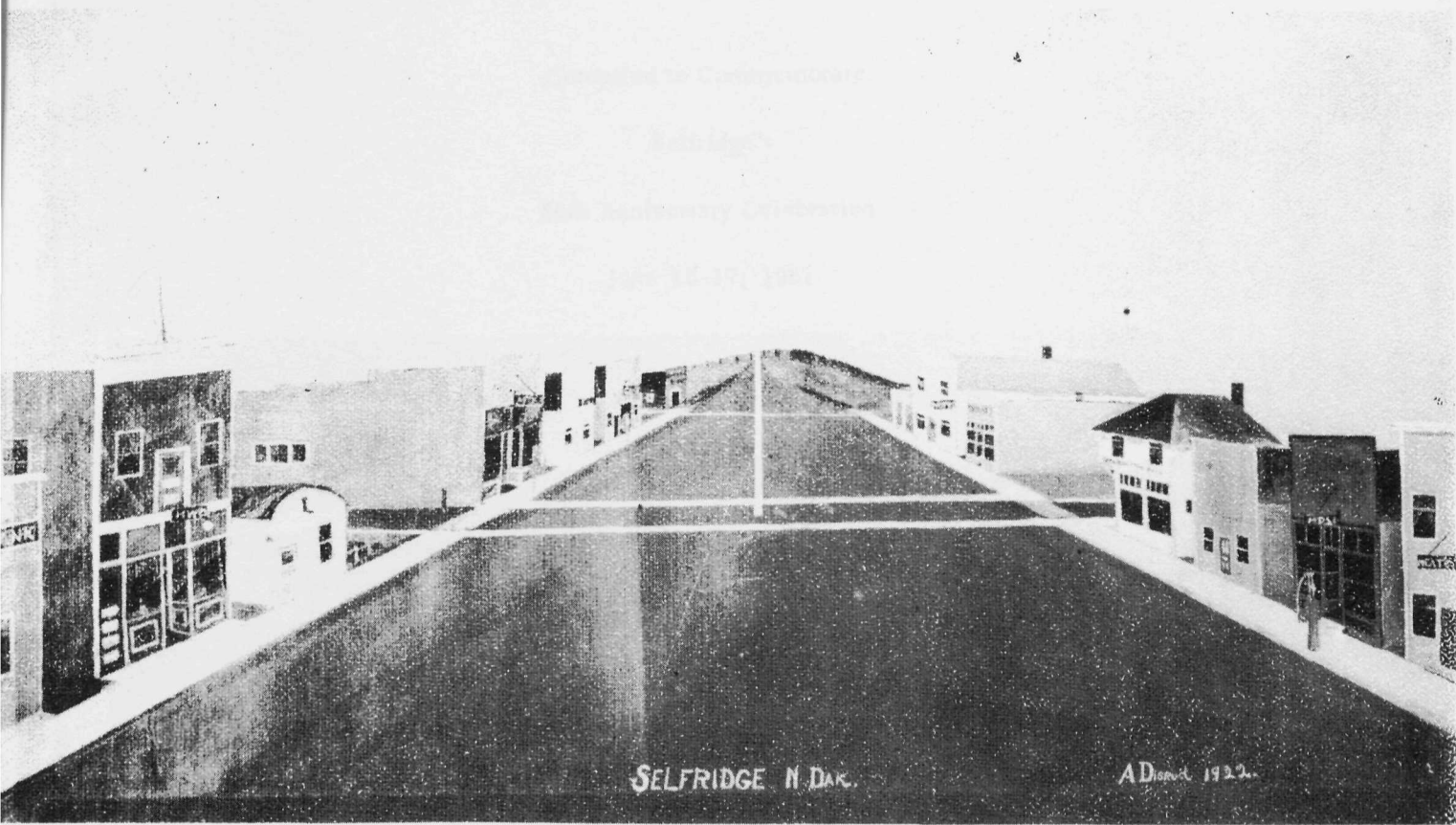


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Selfridge's

50th Anniversary Celebration

June 16-17, 1961



Harvesting Southwest of Selfridge - About 1920.

Shown in the foreground are Sig Robertson and Polly Robertson, others unknown.

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A THANK YOU!

The brief history of the first settlers and pioneers of our community is prepared with the hope that the reading of it will afford some pleasure and enjoyment to the sons and daughters of the early pioneers.

We recognize that errors may occur, but we hope they will be minimized in the knowledge that those that gathered and wrote the material did so as amateurs.

We wish to especially thank the people of this community, former residents and everyone who helped by lending us their pictures and furnishing us with material. Your fine cooperation is greatly appreciated. We wish to thank those who contributed advertising making it possible for the book to be printed and sold at a reasonable price.

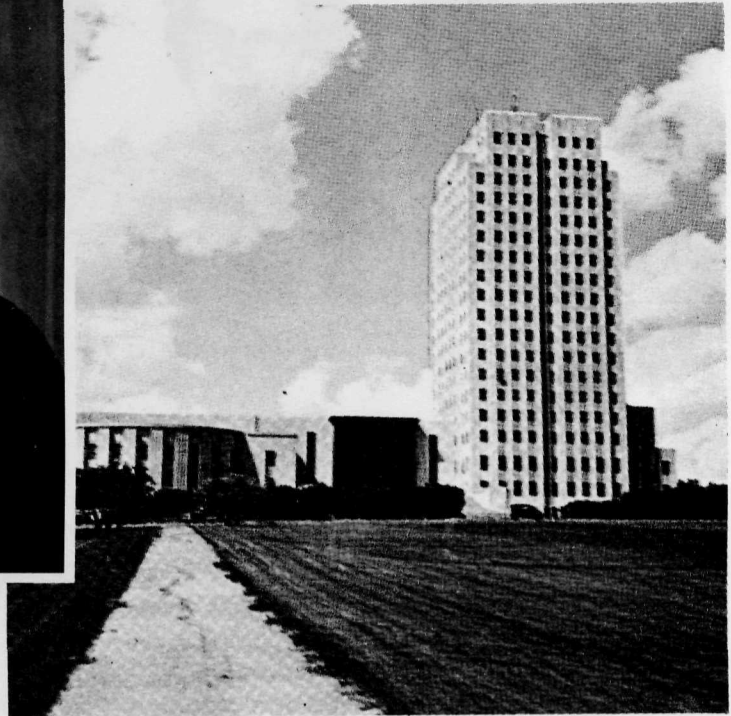
DEDICATION

We reverently dedicate this volume on the history of the Selfridge community to the pioneer homesteaders and early settlers. The committee realizes that it would be an utter impossibility to obtain a complete list of pioneers who settled in this community. For any omissions or errors we are sincerely sorry.

STATE CAPITOL
Bismarck, North Dakota



GOVERNOR WILLIAM L. GUY



SELFRIIDGE COMMUNITY
Selfridge, North Dakota

"1961 will be a memorial year in which we observe both the 50th Anniversary of the Selfridge Community and the Centennial of the Dakota Territory. Through the years the residents of this area both original and immigrant have contributed richly to the glory and honor of our state."

Governor of North Dakota
WILLIAM L. GUY

EARLY HISTORY OF SELFRIDGE

Selfridge is located in south central North Dakota in Sioux County, part of the Standing Rock Indian Reservation. Sioux County is bounded on the North by the Cedar and Cannonball Rivers and on the East by the Missouri River. Selfridge is located NE 1/4 section 34, township 130 and range 82. When Selfridge first started this part of the country belonged in Morton County. T. C. Sherman received the first grant to this land from the U.S.A. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman sold this plat to the Milwaukee Land Co. The Milwaukee Land Co. had the village of Selfridge staked out by surveyor, Borge H. Barreson in 1911. (April 5 to April 11) The first lots sold in the village of Selfridge were lots 11-12-13 in Block 3. They were sold to the Sioux Lbr. Co. July 17, 1911, for \$570. The next lot to be sold was lot 17 in Block 2 and it was sold to Ralph F. Bicknell for \$285 on December 19, 1911. Then lots 17 and 18 were sold to B. L. Smestad. Mr. Smestad built a store on these lots and this store has been operated by the Smestad family for 48 years, with Lloyd Smestad, son of B. L. Smestad, now owner of the store. There are three versions on how Selfridge received its name. (1) The ridge of hills surrounding the town suggested the name. (2) Named for a Soo railroad official. (3) Named for Thomas E. Selfridge, a pioneer army aviator killed in service. The characteristics of the land varies. To the East and Southeast of Selfridge we find what is called the "brakes," also to the North a few brakes are found. Southeast as we come out of the brakes we come upon what is called the "flat land." West and Northwest is found the grassy range country. Ranching and diversified farming is carried on in all sections. Flax was one of the main crops grown when the prairie was first broken. Selfridge was incorporated as a village in 1919. The first elected officials were: Trustees, Fred Rott (Mayor), George Byington and P. J. Kennedy; clerk, G. E. Langbein; Treasurer, Mrs. Redmann; Assessor, C. C. Marsh and Justice of Peace, P. V. Delaney.

The first white child born in Selfridge was Mable Teeter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Teeter, Mrs. John Teeter (Grandma) and Mrs. Sadie Swift were in attendance.



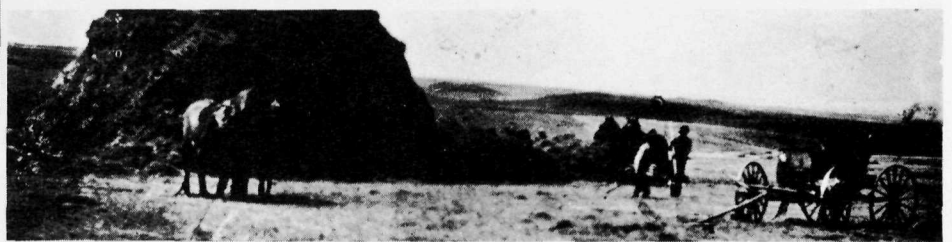
Mable Teeter
age - 5 months



Mr. and Mrs.
Elmer Teeter

Mable and
Dorothy.

THE GRASSLAND

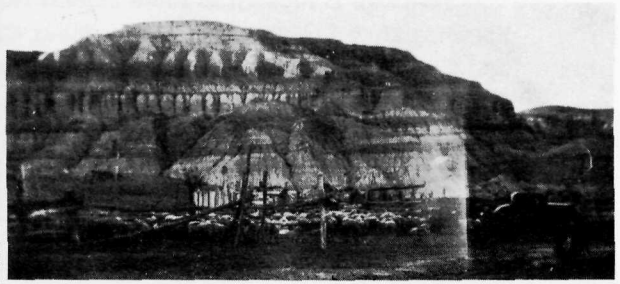
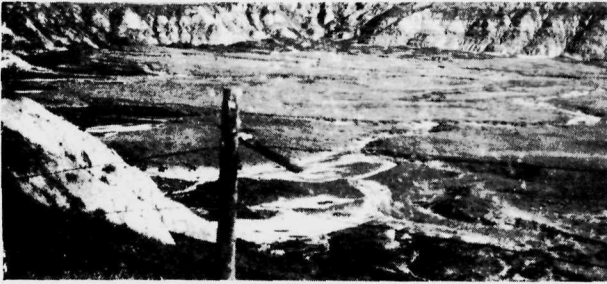


Swift's haying outfit west of Selfridge - 1917



Ben Mills - Triplet calves and cow - 1960

THE BRAKES AND THE FLAT LAND



Mrs. Wayne Howe by the spring on their ranch at Selfridge. The old L. Endres place.

THE BUTTES

EARLY BUSINESS PLACES



POST OFFICE

The first post office was established May 20, 1912. (Sioux County was part of Morton County at that time.)

<u>Postmasters</u>	<u>Dates of appointment</u>
Eben W. Philput	May 20, 1912
Anna B. Cummings	January 7, 1913
Elizabeth E. Reed	July 14, 1913
Berger L. Smestad	February 6, 1915
James N. Fulton	May 12, 1919
Freda Meyers	June 1, 1921
Grace M. Anderson	March 13, 1922
William A. Byhoffer	December 7, 1925
Grace M. Anderson	January 6, 1927
John A. Nagel	February 12, 1935
Gladys Bachmeier	October 1, 1944

The first hotel and restaurant, owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Reed. In front of the hotel are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gayton and children, Mrs. Reed and Mr. Philput. This building was later used as a hardware building and was destroyed by fire in 1926. It also housed the first post office.



The first blacksmith shop. To the right can be seen Charles Kluge's workshop. Mr. Kluge was one of the early carpenters in Selfridge. In the picture are: Jacob Schneider and Max Bachmeier.



Installing gas pump at B. L. Smestad's new store. Notice the hitching posts!!



Gas pump installed - sidewalk finished. In the background can be seen Mrs. Smestad and children.



Train Time - What a Thrill!! Notice the dray in back of the depot.

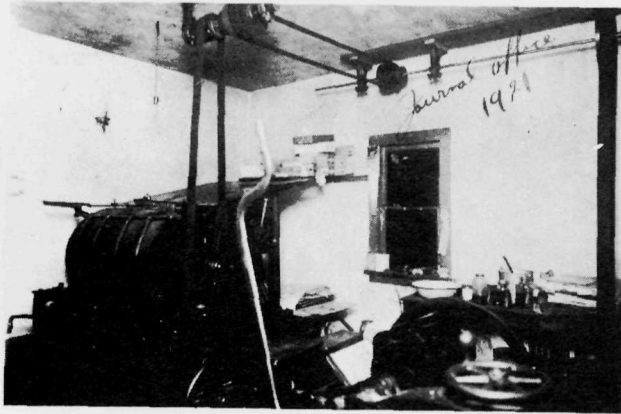
The daily train was a novelty, though every one hated to admit it; so they all rushed with their letters to the boxcar depot. Mr. Fulton, the printer and post-master, desired very much to see the post office advance to a higher rating. To do so he must report larger cancellation of stamps - so - he rushed after them, grabbed the letters and cancelled the stamps before handing them to the mail clerk.



Havelock Lumber Co. - 1919 Built and operated by Fred Rott.



To the left: Joe Wead's General Mdse. Store, that was built in 1918. Behind the counter is Joe Wead and Archie Caddell. Shopping is Rhea Erbe.



The small hand press in the picture was taken in the Journal office in 1921. This press was purchased by Henry Ford Sr. and placed in the "Ford Museum" at Fort Dearborn, Michigan.

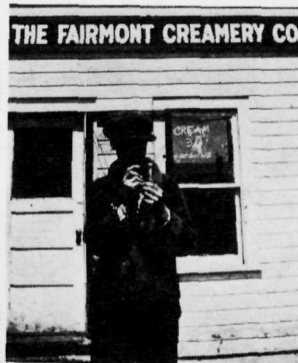
"GREETINGS, WE HAVE ARRIVED"

These words were the headlines of the Selfridge Journal July 8, 1918, Volume 1, Number 1. The front page editorial written by Editor Jim Fulton closed with, "Now everyone get busy and boost for a bigger and better Selfridge" . . . Mr. Fulton was editor until 1921, when the Journal was purchased by J. Bernard Smith. In 1923 the paper was sold to George Monson but Mr. Smith returned a year later and was editor until his death Jan. 7, 1957. Merle Lofgren of McIntosh became the editor until April, 1958, when he sold to Miles Utter, the present editor.



THE PALACE HOTEL - 1919

This hotel was built by John Nagel. Later sold to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Heiser. It is now owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Lauinger.



Cream Station, operated by Mrs. Mary L. Rusher. Glee Rusher, son of Mrs. Rusher, testing cream.



Scoria day - Work donated.



The Standard Oil Station built by Carl Ellingson in 1929. In 1936 it was sold to the Farmers Union. In 1941 the Farmers Union moved the building and erected their present modern station. Their Mgr. is Paul Schell.



THE COOKS ON SCORIA DAY.

Left to right: Mrs. McCoy, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Jim Gayton, ?, Mrs. Nagel and Mrs. Howard Ross. Seated on the steps are: Mrs. Celley, Mrs. Wm. Heiser, Mrs. Carl Ellingson and Mrs. H. F. Smith.



Sioux County buffalo. - 1961 Owned by R. B. Luger, Ft. Yates.

BY W. H. ORDWAY OF SPIRIT LAKE, IDAHO

The first time I saw Selfridge was in the fall of 1916, or rather it was winter for it was about 30 degrees below zero. The hotel was in the old hardware building and was being operated by the Merchants. I arrived by train from Raleigh, having reached there in a "Model T ford," from Mandan, N. Dak. I stayed over night with the Merchants then walked out to the Swift farm south of town. I caught the train back the same day and drove home. At that time the only buildings I recall were the hotel and Mr. Smestad's store. It was about that time the town began to develop and Mr. Rott must have come shortly afterwards. I made a few trips later before coming for a permanent stay in the fall of 1921, when I took charge of the bank, the hardware store and the Selfridge Lbr. Co.; which were then owned by a group made up from the personnel of the First National Bank of Mandan. I eventually took over these enterprises and stayed in Selfridge for 20 years. We ran into the thirties with its drouth and depression, which was, of course, a great blow to the town, the community, and everyone that lived there. This was by no means confined to Selfridge as it reached in all directions, but we were in the heart of it and I doubt if any community suffered more.

In the fall of 1937 I was appointed secretary of the County Welfare Board and held that job up to the time I left to come West in the Spring of 1941. During my tenure in the Welfare Office I had the pleasure of seeing Henry Azure, I believe the first Indian ever to be qualified, as a recipient of "Old Age Assistance." He was a very worthy old fellow and I am sure it helped him a lot. Certain members of the Sioux tribe with livestock experience were made eligible for Federal Livestock loans. The office played an important part in these negotiations, along with the agency at Fort Yates and the Farm Credit Administration. I hope from the beginning a number of the Indian boys on the reservation have been able to develop sizeable herds, which should add to their prosperity and the development of Sioux County. I have some very pleasant memories of the good people in and about Selfridge that I hope I may still classify as friends, and I hope some day to get back and see them again.



1960-61 TOWN BOARD.
Left to right: Larry Kelsch, Art Walker, Ralph Hinton, Della Feist, John Bonogofsky, Peter Feist and John Blotske.

We are proud of our town of Selfridge with its population of 363. Many improvements have been made in the past years, city water and a sewer system have been installed. The main street and the side streets have been black topped. We are now in the process of building a cheese factory. The board of directors on the cheese factory are: William Weigel, Patrick Henderson, Paul Schell, Anton A. Kraft and Joe Mathern.



March, 1918, showing oldest building in Selfridge, The Sioux Lumber Company. This building has been moved West of the railroad track and is now occupied by the Oscar Wuitschick family. To the right can be seen the first hotel - London Hotel and the Citizens' State Bank on the corner.

1918

Following is a list of business places in 1918:

C. C. Marsh, Barber Shop and Pool Hall; Charles Gayton, Blacksmith; Mike Birrenkott, Garage; Fred Rott, Havelock Lumber Yard; Albert Merchant's, London Hotel; Strasser Ellingsor, Dray Line; J. K. Wead, General Merchandise; B. L. Smestad, General Merchandise; J. W. Fulton, Editor of Journal; F. M. Redman, Citizens' State Bank; Peter Engel, Meat Market; W. E. Idler, Manager of Winter Truesdell Ames Elevator Company; T. G. Steele, Restaurant.

NEWS OF 1918

The Liberty State Bank arrived via railroad from Freda on a flat car in a sort of wrecked condition, but it will be put together and its bells will be ringing ready for business.

If R. C. Kinsey has his way about it, Selfridge would be a "WET" town. Last week he finished drilling the eighth well of water in our town and since has completed one for M. D.

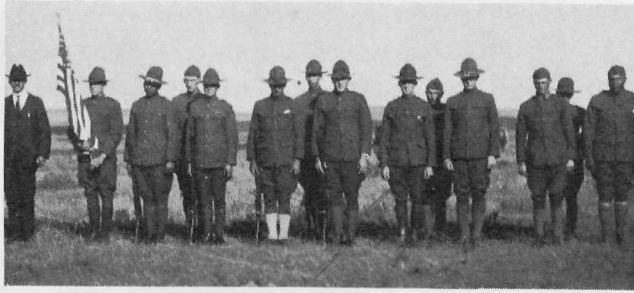
Fay two and one-half miles southeast of Selfridge.

Mrs. Steele will have another shipment of ice cream this week. Drop in and enjoy a dish of this delicious ice cream.

A telephone crew spent several days here last week raising the wires through town and installing a telephone in the depot. The government has authorized an agent for Selfridge, and we expect to see him on the job in a short time.

The Selfridge Post Office was moved this week to the front part of the Selfridge Journal building with J. W. Fulton as Postmaster.

Fourteen Sioux County men were called to report to the local board at Fort Yates to join The Colors, being: Arthur Ten Brook, George Halsey, A. Vanderwaal, Asa Redstone, Dave Molash, Everette Evans, W. C. Wayman, Leslie Ewers, L. See The Elk, James Couture, Anton Froelich, Archie Branden, Robert Wirtz and George W. McCay.



World War One veterans from Sioux County.

Mrs. Amy Bruce sold her section of land to Josephine Lorentzon and son Lorentz for \$10,000 cold cash.

W. H. Keyser has opened up a shoe and harness shop.

Waldo Gayton has taken a position as type compositor at the Journal office.

NEWS OF 1919

Carl Ellingson and small son, Alton, went to Havelock, Tuesday.

22 to 5 in favor of incorporating Selfridge into a village was the result of the election held Tuesday.

A fine new steel 40 lock box section has just been received and installed in the post office. The new addition equips the office with 65 lock boxes and 50 calls.

Mike Birrenkott has purchased a heavy ford truck from Hokanson-Turner Co., of Fort Yates, and will go over after it as soon as weather permits. Mike says he bought the truck in order to be ready to move the county seat across from Fort Yates. He has an idea that he can haul it over in one load.

The first village election result - as follows: Trustee, 1st ward Matt Canfield 12, George Byington 15, Wm. Gayton 13. Trustee 2nd ward Fred Rott 42, Trustee, 3rd ward: P. J. Kennedy 31, J. K. Wead 15. Clerk, G. E. Langbein 39. Treasurer Mrs. Grace Redman 42. Justice of Peace P. V. Delaney 42, A. P. (Ott) Black 1.

Fire completely destroyed the home of James Gayton, about 3 miles East of town this morning.

Miss Lodina Short, daughter of Wm. Molash, arrived Monday from Intario, S. Dak. to spend the winter.

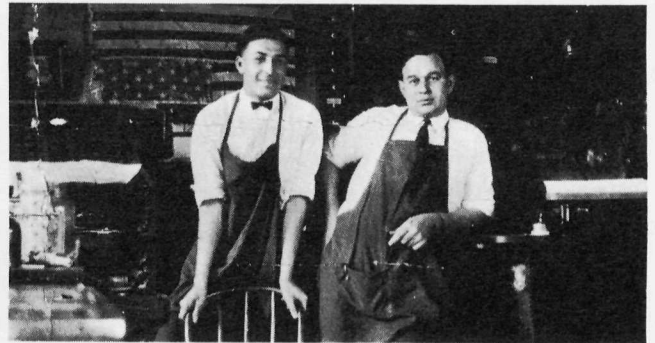
A community Christmas tree and program will take place at Marsh's pool hall on Christmas Eve. All are cordially invited to attend. A fine tree has been ordered and loaded from top to bottom with gifts galore.

Last Saturday Mrs. E. J. Knapp of Milnor pleasantly surprised her husband by arriving here to keep house for him during the busy season. She had not written him of her coming, and after spending the afternoon in the village, M. D. Fay came in with his car and conveyed her out to Knapp's farm.

Teachers, the Miss Marie Lund and Anna McChesney, were passengers to McLaughlin Friday evening; returning home Saturday. They have rented the John Farmer residence and are enjoying life by themselves.

Fred Rott of the Havelock Lbr. Co. and merchant Joe Wead, in the latter's car, motored to Tuttle. Mr. Rott went to see how their new branch yard at that place was prospering.

George McCay, one of Sioux County's soldiers who left here in May, 1918, arrived home today. He was overseas about nine months.



Waldo Gayton and J. B. Smith in Journal Print Office

New Year's came here like a lion - 43 below zero.

1921 NEWS

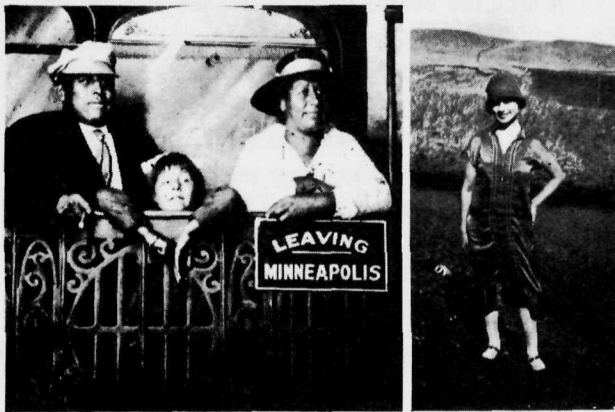
New cement sidewalks and crossings for the City were completed this week. The Newell Construction Co. of Minneapolis doing the work.

Bessie McCay leaves for Dickinson where she will attend a course at the State Normal.

A stork shower was held for Mrs. L. P. Lortzon at the Smestad home. Hostess' mesdames A. W. Merchant and B. L. Smestad.

J. C. Mergens and wife leave for a trip through the Yellowstone Park.

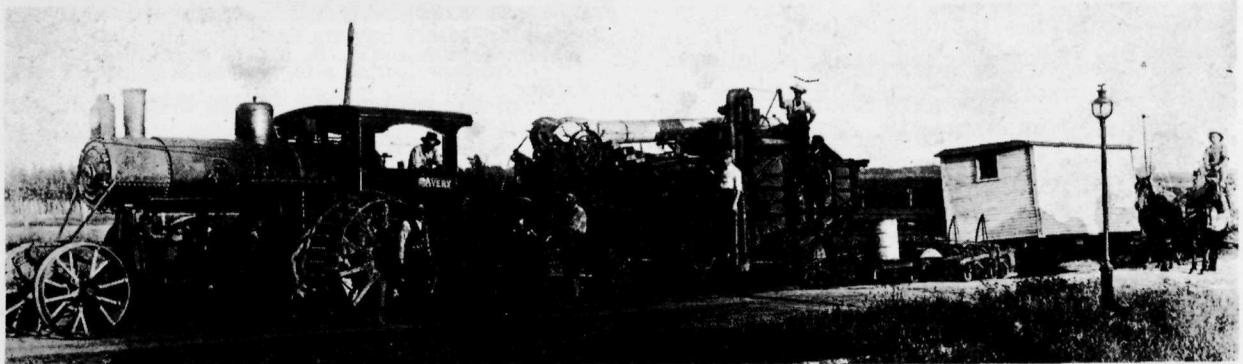
Robert Bruce, noted Indian musician and composer, passes away.



Mr. and Mrs. Bruce and Rosy Lillian Bruce

1923 NEWS

Wm. Ostrum, living east of Selfridge, reports killing seven rattlesnakes under one shock of grain. Bill is some snake killer and when a snake sees him they run but he gets them just the same.



John F. Teeters' Threshing Rig. Shipped from Indiana to Selfridge. Here he threshed for several years. In the picture is J. F. Teeter by the engine wheel, Wm. Thompson in cab, Chester Teeter on separator wheel and Elmer just above him.

Sam Gayton reports that his crop yields run higher than expected, with oats 70 bushel per acre, speltz 47 and wheat 12 bu. per acre.

A meeting was held Sept. 8th for the purpose of discussing a flour mill for Selfridge.

Philip Schwartz moved from the Celley residence to the new home which he purchased from J. A. Nagel.



J. B. Smith making the first long distance telephone call. As the telepho ne co. was completing the installation, J. B. drove his car to the edge of town where he made the first telephone call. Year 1924

1925 NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Engel and family left for California to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Bartole complete their new home N. W. of town.



1926 FAMOUS BASEBALL TEAM

From the Missouri River to the Montana line and from the Grand River in South Dakota to Mandan, the ball team in Selfridge took them all on and won every game but one. The team consisted of the following: BACK ROW, left to right: Howard Ross, Umpire, Owen Fay, Jim Gayton, Andy Rausch, Ray Lyons, Bob Sprague, J. B. Smith, Mgr. BOTTOM ROW: Lloyd Solomon, Hugh Stewart, Clarence Gilbertson, Bill Gayton and Bob Murphy.

1927 NEWS

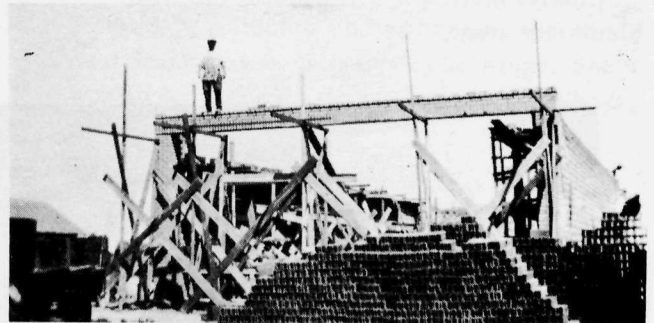
Ladies Aid of Selfridge completes cookbook. New school house completed and moved in to in January.

Charles McLaughlin, age 55, passes away. He was the son of Major McLaughlin of McLaughlin, S. Dak. During his life he wrote short sketches for the Selfridge Journal headed, "Chadwick Chips." He was also elected sheriff of Sioux County in 1916.

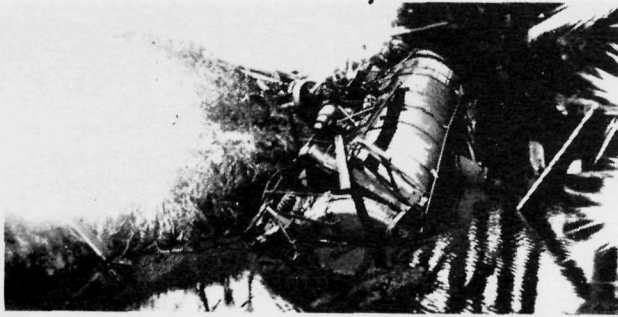
J. J. Rausch, Mgr. of Selfridge Machine Co., and Elizabeth Schmiechel of McLaughlin, S. Dak., are united in marriage.

Mrs. Theresa Anderson and daughter Elsie have again taken over the "Dew Drop In," which was leased by Mrs. R. Braund the past year.

Philip Schwartz, local contractor for the new brick and tile hardware building being built for the Walker Brothers. Now the present K. C. hall.



Federal highway north of Selfridge completed. Selfridge-Yates road to be graded. Fire destroys home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hinton. Quinton Wingerter is remodeling his farm home and is adding another story. Alton Ellingson begins work at the Collis-Fay Garage. Mr. and Mrs. Reichert return from their honeymoon trip and are now making their home above the Heiser Store. Selfridge State Bank reopens. E. D. Szarkowski takes over the interest of J. J. Rausch in the Selfridge Machine Co.



Wreck of the Milwaukee freight by Chadwick - 1927

1928 NEWS

Phat McLaughlin joined the colored orchestra, "The Etheopian Knights," and left with them for parts unknown. Mrs. Mary Kluge, Mgr. of the Palace Hotel served 100 meals Sunday. Frank Smith returned from the Muderra Sanitarium where he has been taking treatments. Roy Bonogofsky and Irene Dirk were married. John Tuntland, Chester Dutton, Pete Hansen, Chas. Arndt, L. Meisel, Andrew and Olaf Sandland shipped a carload of wool. Suzan Stumper and J. E. Daly married. C. Wodlinger purchases Heisers' Cash Store. E. G. Prewitt installed a shoe shining stand in his barber shop.

Charles Merchant will conduct the little black face stunt.

247 cars of grain was shipped this being the most shipped of any town along the New England line except New England. Joe Swift sells place west of Selfridge. Freda Furhman and Rudolph Miller married. A. W. Merchant purchases meat market from the Merck Brothers.

1929 NEWS

Mrs. Wm. Plush takes first prize in National Canning Contest. Sam Bigger purchases a new case combine. Geo. Walker Sr. builds new home west of town. Feb. 19, Selfridge area coldest spot in the United States and Canada. This is no boasting item, however, it was 48 below zero. Irving Koths opens law office in rear of Selfridge Motor Co. Mrs. Claud Dwarf passes away. Mrs. Dwarf was the largest woman on Standing Rock Agency and is said to have weighed nearly 500 pounds. New orchestra organizes and is known as the "Melody Five." It consists of five pieces with banjo, drums, saxophones, and piano. The folks here are mighty proud of the members of this new orchestra, who are Art Rott, Phat McLaughlin, Mildred Bravo, Ray Lyons, and Tweet Watson. Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Fay move to Havelock, where Mr. Fay will operate the Std. Oil Bulk Station.



Dining room of the Palace Hotel. Left to right: Mrs. Kluge, Jack Drurey, the cook, and Marie Briski.

Village bond issued in the amount of \$6000. for sidewalks for the residential area. Alton Ellingson loses glasses while flying in an airplane. In looking over the side of the plane, he forgot he had his glasses on when all at once the wind took them to parts unknown. Dorothy Birrenkott had the misfortune of cutting her finger off in a lawn mower.

Northern Power Light Co. building hi-line into Selfridge - Hurrah! Helen Hinton accepts position at Post Office. Mrs. Arthur C. Peters (former Jennie Loring), sister of Mrs. Nagel and Mrs. Ross, killed in car accident. J. C. Wolfer of McLaughlin purchases meat market from A. W. Merchant.

1930 NEWS

Compare the Prices

	1900	1961
Butter	.12	.69
Coffee	.15	.79
Liver	.00	.49
Nails	.03	.20
Eggs	.08	.29
Beef	.10	.89
Bologna	.10	.69
Gasoline	.09	.33

Mike Azure dies after being bit by a rattlesnake. Note: All children under 15 years of age will be given haircuts at twenty-five cents each, except on Saturdays. Prewitt Barber Shop.

S. J. Umber was in from his farm west of here last week bringing with him dairy butter for his weekly customers. Umber sells butter to approximately 15 customers. Mr. Umber states that they sold \$1000. worth of butter last year and expect to hit the \$2000 mark this year.

Mike Engel returns from Fargo where he has been attending tractor school.



Rattlesnake coiled ready to strike.

1930 NEWS

Alyukpa Camp Fire girls went on a hike and cooked their own supper. Martha Szarkowski and Viola Rott are the leaders.

1931 NEWS

Dexter Quinn killed one of the largest owls ever seen here. It had claws that measured 2" long and its wings 5 feet each.

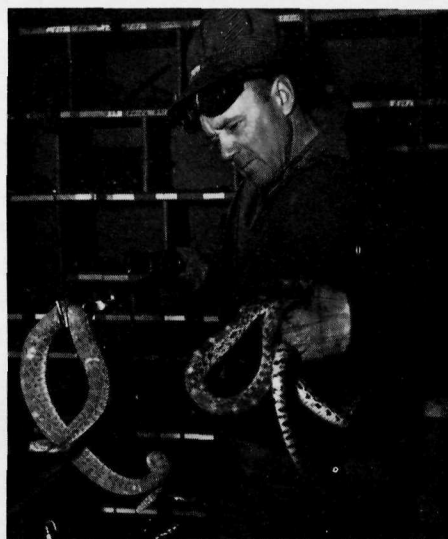
1932 NEWS

Joe Daschle of Napoleon starts a Red & White store.



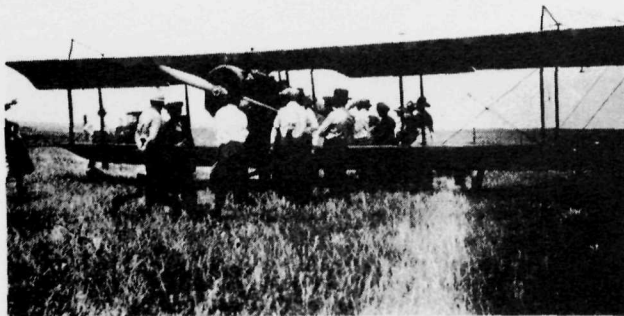
Joe Daschle and Dwight Keyser

E. Helen Iorns, County Superintendent of Schools, was injured while attending the annual Sioux County play day at Selfridge. She was hit by a javelin thrown by one of the boys in the event.



S. A. Collis holding a rattlesnake and a bull snake.

Marriage licenses issued to Arthur Bendickson and Anna Twigs. Barbara Becker (now Mrs. Joe Kraft) lost a finger when it became entangled in a binder while she was helping her father. Selfridge State Bank closes doors. Jake Sagmiller, former Selfridge air pilot, and owner of the Selfridge Aircraft Co. crashes with his airplane near Ekalaka, Montana. Jake and his two passengers escaped without injury.



First airplane, owner Jake Sagmiller.

NEWS OF 1933



GOVERNOR WILLIAM LANGER

Governor Langer issues Moratorium. Friday, April 21, the North Dakota National Guards of Co. A 164, halted the first foreclosure sale in Sioux County at the Max P. Erker farm. Sheriff Krois and Attorney Koths were also present. This moratorium will continue says Gov. Langer until the farmers receive fair prices for their products. May 1, guardsmen came by airplane to stop second sale of land owned by John Fuhrman. The Militia had stopped two sales in Emmons County the same day, which made it necessary to take the airplane to get here in time to stop the sale.

1934 NEWS

The Selfridge Girls' Glee Club, under the direction of Jean Murray, held a concert at the school auditorium. The following was published in the "Pathfinder" (A. U. Ostrum has three sons-in-law - Boyle - Payne - Stasek). Many will remember Bill Boyle, former depot agent who now lives at La Plant, S. Dak.; then there was A. L. Payne, who lived here for many years. Last on the list is Stasek, Jim Stasek, who will be remembered by many of the old timers here. Jim was cashier of the Selfridge State Bank.

Miss Roberta Craig, 12 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Craig, was rushed to Dr. Bennet at McLaughlin Sunday; after receiving a severe gash on her throat. She was caught by a low hanging wire while riding a horse.

1935

W.P.A. was started.



Look Again . . . It may be you.

1936 NEWS

Frank Blotske arrives home from a C.C.C. camp in Minnesota. States Attorney Koths doesn't believe in leap year and hopes to prove it before 1937 rolls around. County Welfare Board to put out relief to needy. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Daschle celebrate silver anniversary. Womanless Wedding held at school auditorium Thursday, March 19.

CAST FOR "WOMANLESS WEDDING"

Butler ----- James Johnson
 Major Bowes ----- B. L. Smestad
 Bing Crosby ----- Bernard Teeter

SAM GAYTON'S DIARY

July 14 - 1912 - Frost killed all of garden.
 1916 - Sept. 14 - Hank got book and card from his teacher, Mrs. Wilson. Sept. 25-26 - Celebration in Selfridge. Indians there issued beef. Paul Claymore caught greased pig. Sept. 29 - Worked for Albert Martin. Sept. 30 - Hauled lumber for D. B. Dayoff. Oct. 4-5 - Fire at Joe Huse's - damage for Ostrum (hay). Oct. 12-13-14 - Hank went to Half Timber corral rounding up horses. Oct. 19-20 - Put in flooring for Clark, wall boards also. Oct. 24 - Finished at Clarks - Helped Parsons. Nov. 4 - Ed Miller brought in from Black's ranch 4 quarters of beef 523 1/2 lb. at 12¢ from Smestad. Nov. 16 - Smestad and Smith got back from trial at Fort Yates. 1917 - March 29 - Robertson, Rust and Young started to haul lumber for bank. March 31 - Barney Smestad fell in bank basement full of water. April 14 - Petitions for roads and called on railroad co. for a depot for Selfridge. 1918 - Louise and Chester Giles married at McLaughlin. May 3 - Started on Amy Bruce's shack. May 4 - Attended Commercial Club meeting in Selfridge. Sept. 19-20 - Worked for Bond and Clara Mason on framing barn. Oct. 12 - We raised flag pole in town. Dr. Beede was out and talked. First time flag was raised in Selfridge. Oct. 15 - Got an auto spring from Loubeck Hardware Store.

Died with flu - 1918

- Nov. 7 - F. M. Redmann
- Nov. 11 - Fred Ostrum
- Nov. 15 - Mrs. D. B. Dayoff
- Mrs. Roberts
- Joseph Paul

1926 - Dec. 28 - Selfridge State Bank closed.



1936 - Mrs. Max Laintz saved this garden from the grasshoppers by walking through it about every hour and waving a large blanket.



Florence Anderson (Rodgers) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Anderson. Her professional name is Lynn Dollar. Professional experience in brief: Hostess . . . "The \$64, 000 Question" . . . Fashion . . . Quiz with Ernie Kovacs . . . Weather girl . . . NYC, ABC, NBC, CBS . . . Spokeswoman . . . Various commercial products . . . Radio . . . Interview and Music Shows, Movies . . .



January 6, 1953, Joe Froelich's Garage burned. This building was one of the first buildings built in Selfridge. It was first used as a restaurant, then as a blacksmith shop by the late Matt Monolovitz. It was then used as a garage by Herbert Rott and Walter Tuntland; later sold to R. W. Hinton and Tony Meyers. At the time of the fire it was owned and operated by Joe Froelich.



Year - 1922

EARLY INDIAN RESIDENTS

By May Hinton

The land upon which the town of Selfridge grew is a part of the Standing Rock Indian Reservation. As late as 1875 this was a vast prairie with only a few widely separated families living mainly in log cabins and obliged to go to the Fort for supplies until, in about 1910, Mr. Philput began to sell some groceries. In 1913 Mr. B. L. Smesstad started a store in Selfridge.

Among the earliest to settle here were the Black Tongue, Little Soldier, Dogskin, Bull Head, Gayton (Sam, Charles, and James), Dwarf, Ironshield, Take the Shield, Callous Leg, Tiger, Lanigan, Pamplin, and Goose families. Black Tongue's two daughters married George Little and Pius His Chase. Claude Dwarf and Tom Kidder worked in the government shops at the Fort, later moving to this area. Before 1902 Little Soldier moved to where Elizabeth Lund now farms. Pius His Chase's grandfather, Joe Goose, was General Custer's head scout. Pamplin, who married Anna Goudreau's mother, was at one time a "Johnny Reb" and mustered out at the Fort under Major McLaughlin. The first to settle in the Pamplin Hills, he raised wonderful watermelons and squaw corn there. Joe Goose's stepdaughter, Ada Washington, who married Lou Enders, once taught the government school located at what is now the Andrew Kraft farm. There was also a large cemetery at that site at one time. Lt. Bull Head was the father of Mrs. Tommy Twiggs and the grandfather of Mrs. Art Bendikson.

The Indians among whom the early settlers lived were musical, took eagerly to square dancing (some became excellent callers), loved fairs and rodeos, and true to their natural talent for oratory, enjoyed making speeches, spinning yarns, and visiting. Artistic ability among the Sioux is notably high as evidenced in their fine beadwork, drawings, etc. Their "winter count" depicted on buffalo hide and dating back to long before the white men, is evidence of their artistry.

A prominent early figure of the area was Major James McLaughlin who served as Indian Agent for fourteen years and for whom the town of McLaughlin was named. Some of his grandchildren who lived, or are living, in this area are Robert, John, Mel-da, Helen, Charles, Leta, William, Etta, and Luella McLaughlin, as well as Ray Lyons and his sister Imelda.

The book "My Friend, the Indian" written by the Major, tells of the early days in this territory. His wife, the former Marie Graham Buisson, wrote "Myths of the Sioux" in which the "Legend of Standing Rock" tells of the Indian woman who, jealous of her husband's second wife, turned to stone when she refused to break camp and follow him. The stone was considered "wakan" (holy), was taken along on the tribe's wanderings by means of a gaily decorated pony and travois, was given a place of honor at each campsite, finally coming to rest on a brick pedestal across from the Agency Offices at Fort Yates. Now the stone woman forever looks broodingly out at the wide Missouri, her papoose on her back and a blanket wrapped about them both. It is from this stone that the Standing Rock Reservation got its name.

Another historian of the Sioux was Frank Fiske who married Angela Connoyer, a French-Indian girl. His book "The Taming of the Sioux" relates much of the history of the area from 1804 to 1917, including an account of the Messiah Craze which originated here, the resultant death of Sitting Bull and his burial in an infidel's grave at the Fort. Fiske's column in the Aberdeen American ran for years, telling of the doings of the Sioux. Fiske Fotos preserved for posterity the likenesses of famous personalities and types of the Sioux as well as historical events. The Indian on the North Dakota highway marker is an adaptation of a Fiske Foto of Red Tomahawk.

The Sioux have done much to preserve the record of their life on the plains. In the N. D. Historical Society is a notable collection of such things as beaded moccasins, clothing, arrow heads, peace pipes, war bonnets (which, by the way, were worn only by the Sioux), travois, stone and bone implements and utensils, etc. Francis Zahn, Indian Judge, collected and displayed a remarkable collection of Indian articles in his home for many years. He was chosen by North Dakota's sculptress, Ida B. Prokop, to be the model for the bust of the Sioux Indian which with those portraying other tribes is displayed in the Historical Society.

Many local families have private collections of Indian artifacts which they have unearthed in farming operations, etc. Depression winds blew the topsoil off barren fields in the 30's uncovering many interesting relics of early Indian life.

During the early days there was a great river traffic along the Missouri. Great stern wheelers came up the river from St. Louis with their hulks far out of water and returned so loaded that the waves washed their decks. The "Josephine," the "Castalia," and the "F. Y. Batchelor" bore freight and passengers. Some boats travelled back and forth from Bismarck to Fort Yates. Captains Marsh and Massen were pilots of this era. About the latter there is a story told of his having sat opposite Wild Bill Hickok in that fatal game of poker in a Deadwood saloon when Jack McCall shot Wild Bill. The bullet that passed through Wild Bill's head entered Capt. Massen's arm, remaining there to plague him for many years.

Recently some of the younger Indians have been "relocated" to jobs off the reservation in an attempt to encourage a more complete integration with other citizens. There is also a rehabilitation program to prepare Indians for trades. A new factory being built in McLaughlin is to be operated with Indian workers. There are Indians living in all of the towns of the reservation and young people of that race in all of the schools.

The Sioux have exerted a strong influence on many facets of living in our community. It will continue to be so, for each race has much to teach another.

SELFRIDGE SCHOOLS



THE SELFRIDGE SCHOOL

Selfridge was part of Fort Yates School District until July 7, 1924. In the fall of 1915 a one room school was built in Selfridge. Mrs. Elizabeth Wilson was the teacher. The term was from Oct. 18, 1915 to June 30, 1916.



The Selfridge School in 1915

BACK ROW: Mrs. Wilson, Arthur Gayton, Wallace Gayton, James Gayton, a visitor. SECOND ROW: Mike and Eva Engel, Marvel and Hazel Teeter, ?, ?, Manley Smith. FRONT ROW: Therle Teeter, Richard Gayton, Louis Dogskin, Alfred and John Gayton, Merle Teeter.

In 1917 another one room school was built. Anna McChesney (Mrs. Scott Hatch) McLaughlin, S. D. taught the first three grades. Grace H. Farmer taught 4th, 5th and 6th grades. The first Selfridge #8 school board consisted of Carl Ellingson, J. K. Wead, F. C. Turner, T. E. Davis and J. B. Smith. At that time elementary school was held in three one room buildings and high school in a rented building which is now occupied by the Howard Bigger family. A new brick building consisting of four classrooms, a library, office, and gymnasium was

erected in 1926. School started in the new building in December, 1926, with Harry Heilman as principal and high school teacher. The elementary teachers were Rose Prewitt, Charlotte Moffit, and Bessie Slaby. School #2 called the McLaughlin School, was established north of Selfridge. In 1929 this township became Roosevelt School District #13. The first year that high school students attended school was in 1920. The students were Effie and Rosalind Gayton, Evert Hummel and Mabel Smith with Mrs. Geo. McCay as teacher.

THE FIRST GRADUATES OF S. H. S. 1928



Dorothy Wead

Mike Engel



1961 SELFRIDGE SCHOOL BOARD

Lawrence Kelsch, Mrs. Eva Schaeffer, Mrs. Ruth Collis, Joseph Froelich, William Weigel.



Selfridge Schools in 1921



Miss Turnquist and girls



Selfridge Students in 1921



1928 BASKETBALL TEAM:
Edwin Turner, Lloyd Sme-
stad, Mike Engel, John
Bartole, George Corbit,
Walter Tuntland.

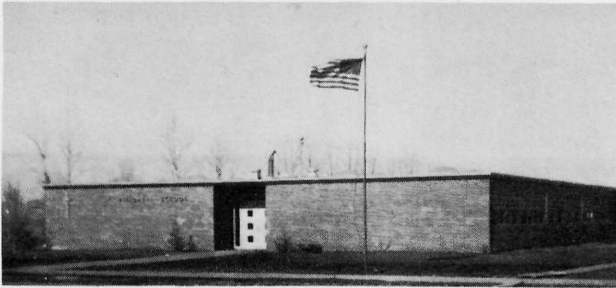
BACK ROW: Katie Bailey, Mildred McChesney, Anna Mano-
lovitz, Evelyn Gayton, Ruth Erbe, Anna Engel, Fern Celley,
Vivian Celley, Margerite Corbit, ?. THIRD ROW: Spencer
Twins, Grace, Regina Aberle, ?. SECOND ROW: ?, George
Gayton, Anton Bartole, Arthur Byington, Roy and Lloyd
Wead, John Merchant, Tony Kronberger, Paul Manolovitz.
FRONT ROW: ?, Frank Kronberger, Frank Engel, Peter Bartole,
Adam Manolovitz, Berney Heiser, Joe Bartole.

Below: First Play Day in
Sioux County. May 9,
1925, Selfridge. Parade
on Main St.



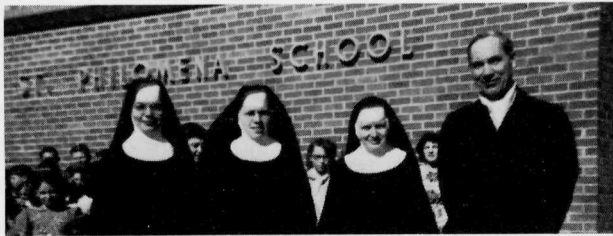
1939 District Champions

BACK ROW: Mat Kronberger, Richard Dress-
ler, Rynold Fleck, William Weigel. FRONT
ROW: Mr. Roberts, Otto Hepper, Joe Gay-
ton, Stanley Daschle.



ST. PHILOMENA SCHOOL

In July, 1946, a parochial school was decided upon. Three classrooms were built and furnished in the basement of the church. A parochial school with eight grades and one year of high school began on Sept. 17, 1946. Two years of high school were offered in 1947. At the end of the 1951-52 school year high school was discontinued at St. Philomena's. A new brick school consisting of four classrooms was built in 1958.



Sister Noel, Sister Charles, Sister Imelda, Fr. Clement Mengelkoch.



St. Philomena School 1961

Sioux County Superintendent of Schools

Lawrence W. Colebank was sworn in Nov. 2, 1914. He remained in office until his death in July 1924.



Miss E. Helen Irons was appointed after Mr. Colebank's death. She was County Superintendent of Schools from August 8, 1924 to 1935.

E. Helen Irons

Frank Simons served from May, 1935, to September 5, 1936, when he resigned.



James Johnson was appointed April, 1937. He resigned in January, 1942.

James Johnson

Earl C. Erickson who was States Attorney at that time was appointed January 6, 1942. He resigned in April, 1943.

Miss Ruth McDonald was appointed in April, 1943, and she resigned August 1, 1943.



Mrs. May Hinton was appointed August 1, 1943. She held this position until December, 1948.

May Hinton



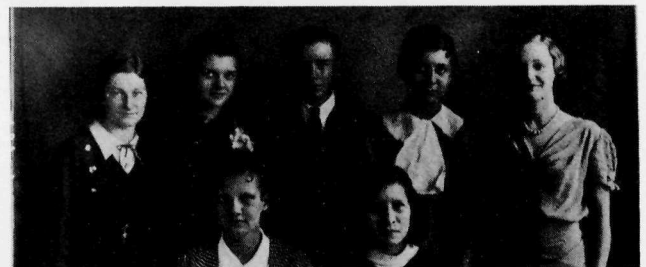
Carl Stockert was elected in 1948. He held this position from January, 1949, until Dec., 1952.

Carl Stockert



Mrs. Coral Gayton was elected in 1952. She is still serving in this position at the present time.

Coral Gayton



S. H. S. Class of 1936
Dorothy Merchant, Elizabeth Daschle, Melvin Sandvig, Selma Umber, Emma Pack. FRONT: Gladys Lorentzon and Dora Gayton.

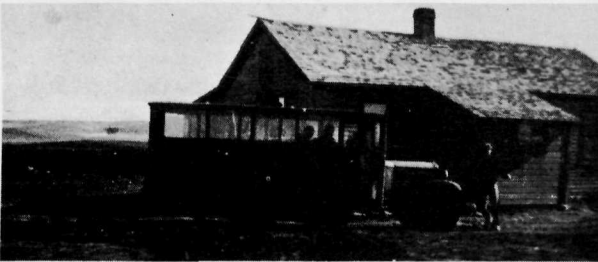


1924 GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

Eva Engel, Ethel Pulling, Florence Wead, Catherine Bayer, Eva and Violet Hummel, Eva Wiseman, Dorothy and Leora Wead, Elsie Rott.



Look!!! It may be you.



Selfridge School Bus in the 30's



Goose Camp School in the 20's
Attended by Krafts, Sandlands, Marshs, McCays, and Klevens.

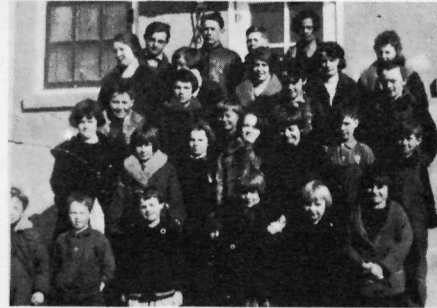


Capt. Hinton

Captain Craig D. Hinton, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hinton, is a navigator of B-52 jet bombers. He often flies over this locality though he is stationed in Amarillo, Texas.



Walker Dist. with Silbernagel, Dillman, Geigle, Braun, Snyder and Kursch children.



Golden Wealth Dist. 1925. Mrs. Heim with Fuhrman, Frank, Watring, Hepper and Kiemele children.



Arthur Rott teacher with Craig Mosset, Cerney, Bonogofsky children.



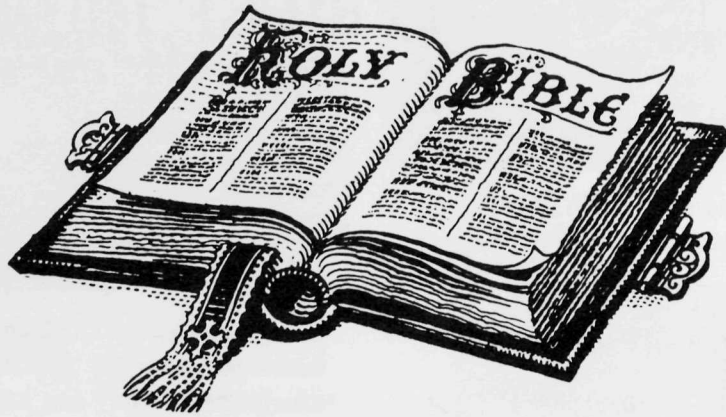
Selfridge School Children



Transportation

GRADUATES OF SELFRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

1928	Viola Rott	Dolores Schaeffer	James Vollmuth
Dorothy Wead	Alfred Pack	Agnes Sibernagel	Herman Walker
Mike Engel	Joe Bartole	Rose M. Volk	1957
1929	Oscar Krosch	Elizabeth Wuitschick	Danny Hinton
Lloyd Smestad	Emma Hepper	1948	Albert Kraft
Rhea Erbe	Thomas York	Deloris Bruning	Alvina Jochim
Elsie Rott	Clifford Smestad	Verne Fiechtner	Janice McGregor
Leora Wead	1937	Eva Laintz	Norma Schaeffer
Earl Lewis	Steve Engel	George Meisel	Virginia Wuitschick
1930	1938	Robert Meisel	Wallie Wuitschick
Kathryn Engel	Tony Engel	Charles Snyder	1958
Minnie Slater	Bette Ferderer	Joseph Volk	George Becker
Irene Smestad	Cecelia Kahl	Marion Bonogofsky	Jack Bigger
1931	Virginia Merchant	1949	Franklin Cerney
John Bartole	Walter Schwartz	No High School	Myron Hummel
1932	1939	1950	Marie Mathern
Leona Krosch	Rose Blotske	Marvin Fiechtner	Charles Mosset
Charles Merchant	Leroy Sandland	1951	Elsie Oster
Roy Smith	Teddy Ferderer	No High School	Alfred Pack
Wilma Stromberg	1940	1952	Robert Pack
Lucy Wolfer	Joseph Gayton	Lyle Adams	Betty Waliser
Herbert Rott	William Weigel	Ronald Gayton	Theodore Walker
Della Slater	Anna Wingerter	Richard Lauinger	Charles Wuitschick
Barney Smestad	1941	Theodore Mattson	Sharon Lauinger
1933	Anna Bartole	Gerald McGregor	1959
John Merchant	Elizabeth Erker	1953	Deloris Walker
Alice Dutton	Otto Hepper	Frances Cerney	George J. Schaeffer
Anna Engel	Eva Kronberger	Helen Feist	Gloria Pack
Margaret Weigel	Shirley Nagel	Joan McGregor	Sharon Bigger
Thomas Ankner	1942	Richard Vollmuth	Marie Vollmuth
Anton Bartole	Rynold Fleck	Helen Waliser	Robert Waliser
Ruth Erbe	Stanley Daschle	Lorenz Walker	Dorien Walker
Valentine Daschle	Frances Wingerter	1954	John Volk
Lloyd Wead	1943	Darlene Feist	James Walker
Roy Wead	Pauline Bartole	John Fleck	1960
1934	Margaret Becker	Robert Kraft	Sharon McGregor
Emma Pack	1944	Emma Oster	Marie Kraft
Dora Gayton	Anna Hepper	Betty Volk	Jeannette Schaeffer
Selma Umber	1945	Mary Waliser	Joe Waliser
Melvin Sandvig	Beatta Becker	1955	Deloris Oster
Gladys Lorentzen	Andrew Eytzen	Deloris Fleck	Larry Morgen
Elizabeth Daschle	Gladys Hepper	Margaret Kraft	Rodger Waliser
Dorothy Merchant	1946	Matt Kraft	Pius Silbernagel
1935	Lois Bruning	Tommy Lauinger	Freda Oster
Mildred Dutton	Lucille Haider	Shirley McGregor	Raymond Feist
Margaret Pack	Marjorie Hinton	Clara Oster	Barbara Wuitschick
Marion Smith	Bernice Oster	1956	1961
Benjamin York	Rose Volk	Julie Ann Bachmeier	Jake Kraft
1936	1947	Anton Klein	Mary Kraft
Frank Engel	Hilda Eytzen	Mary Kraft	Larry Kraft
Ruby Bigger	Lorene Hepper	Frank Mosset	Eugene Cerney
Louise Gayton	Raymond Kraft	Maggie Oster	Shirley Haman
Matt Froelich	Francis Hinton	Joseph Silbernagel	



Thy word is the truth - Saint John 17-17



The First Baptist Church dedicated to the work of the Lord on May 24, 1948.



SUNDAY SCHOOL GROUP - 1955

The First Baptist Church began in the early days of 1921 with a few early settlers meeting in the different homes. As the membership increased they began meeting in the Fuhrman School house about 7 miles west of Selfridge. In the year 1946 they moved to Selfridge and rented the Congregational Church. In the fall of 1947 the newly acquired church building was moved onto its present location, after about three months of hard work by the carpenters and volunteer workers, the church was completed.

The following pastors served our church: Rev. Norman Miller, 1951-54; Rev. Bernard Edinger, 1954-58; Rev. Davis Littke, 1958-60; Present minister Rev. Otto Fiesel.

The charter members are: Chris, Mary, Wilma, and Melvin Goehring; Violet, Alvina, Irey, and Ruth Geigle; Rudolph, Rose, Henry, Christina, and Helen Hepper; Rose George Jr., John Sr., Magdalena, John Jr., Elsie, Jacob, and Freda Walker.



CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

As early as Nov. 1, 1919, a group of people met regularly for church services. Rev. W. J. Conrad was their minister. The church was incorporated on Nov. 9, 1921, at which time there were 39 members. Of these 39 the only charter member left in Selfridge is Henry Sandland.

The place of meeting was the school building known as the West school house. Later this building was purchased by the group. During 1939 the building was turned to face the West and placed over a dirt basement. From 1939 to the present time 1961, each year as time and money permitted remodeling has been accomplished. In the summer of 1960 the building was modernized by the installation of water and sewer, a tile floor, fluorescent lighting and a new furnace in the basement.

In 1942 the "Flasher Larger Parish" was formed linking the Carson Presbyterian Church and the Congregational Churches of Flasher, Shields, Solen and Selfridge with one minister serving the parish. The first minister to serve this Parish, Rev. Charles Lee and his successor, Rev. Alan Inglis, used an airplane to commute between the churches. Due to difficulty in obtaining and retaining a minister to serve so large a Parish, the Flasher Larger Parish was dissolved in 1960. The Trinity S Parish was then formed and includes the Shields, Solen and Selfridge churches.

Ordained and licensed ministers have been the Reverends: W. J. Conrad, Clarence L. Covell, Mervin A. Rice, Richard Braund, W. T. Boyd, Peter Doherty, William Jorgenson,

Charles Lee, Alan Inglis, and Otto Feisel. Student ministers serving for summer have been: Robert S. Alward, John Kingsbury, John Patterson, Ellsworth Cummins, David King, and James Wadsworth.



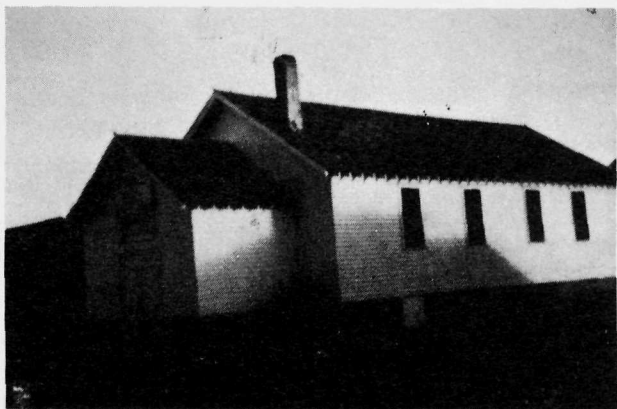
A Sunday School group taken in 1931

Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Collis, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Brockoff, Dorothy Merchant, ?, Betty Ferderer, Mildred Sandvig, Virginia Merchant, Marian Smith. FRONT ROW: Ramona Lyons, Curtiss Collis, Grace McKay, Jimmy Smith, Phyllis Smith, Melvin Sandvig, Lorraine Pulling, ?, Florence Anderson (Now known as Lynn Dollar of New York).



1942 S. S. GROUP

BACK ROW: Jean Lewis, Phyllis Smith, Mrs. Collis, Mrs. Umber, Mrs. Hinton, Shirley Krosch, Craig Hinton, Donald Bruning, Irene Bruning, Franklin Umber, Ted, David, and Denver Mattson and Lola Umber.



ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

Rev. Claude W. Phillio, the first pentecostal minister in this area, held services in the Community Church during the year of 1928. The congregation then decided to build their own church, with Chester G. Dutton donating two city lots for that purpose.

In 1929 the church basement was completed and the following year a parsonage was erected. The charter members affiliated with the union included Chester Dutton, Wm. Plush, (deceased) C. D. Black, Mary Black, Hannah Geer, Mary Plush, Etta Celley, (deceased) Pearl Dutton, Florence Wead, Raymond and Elmer Dutton, Jeanie Corbit, (deceased) and John H. Geer.

In 1931 the members decided to withdraw from the union and join the Assemblies of God Church; with 31 members signing membership cards.

Plans for erecting the top structure of the church were made in March, 1941, by the congregation under the leadership of Rev. Charles Deck. Dec. 11 the dedication was held in conjunction with a fellowship meeting, everyone being invited.

During the summer and fall of 1959 the parsonage was remodeled and enlarged under the direction of Rev. Philip Walker, the present pastor.

Four people have gone out as evangelists and pastors from this church. They are, Lloyd and Roy Wead (sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Wead, early pioneers of this community), Philip Walker, (son of Mr. and Mrs. George Walker Sr., also pioneers of the community), and Art Pfitzer, now living in Lisbon, N. Dak.



Parsonage



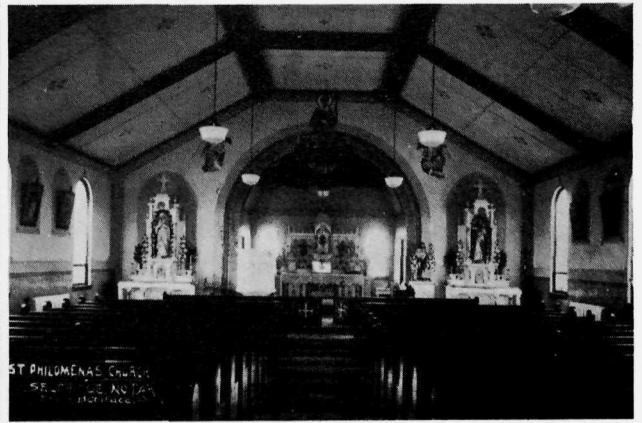
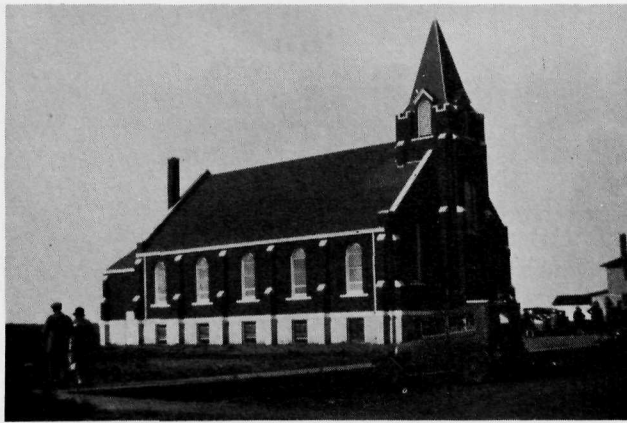
Vacation Bible School 1939

BACK ROW, left to right: Florence (Wead) Ellingson, Christine Pfitzer, Dorothy and Cleo Caddell, Elaine Freund, (?). FRONT ROW: Otto Hepper, Anna Hepper, Ella Mae Freund, Donna Ross, Shirley Nagel, Olga Hepper and George Freund.



Vacation Bible School - 1939

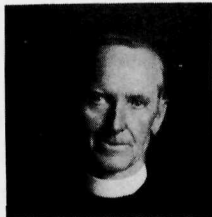
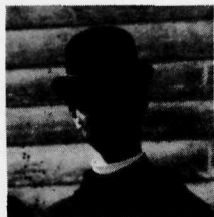
Look again - you may find yourself.



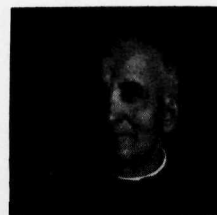
ST. PHILOMENA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

In the early days before Selfridge had adopted its present name, it was known as Goose Camp. Here Father Bernard Strassmeier, OSB, said Mass as early as 1890. About 1900 Goose Camp became a station, meaning a place without a church, where Mass was said at stated times. Fathers Bernard, Ambrose and Vincent came here from Fort Yates to say Mass and minister to the needs of the people. In 1915 Selfridge became a mission. And in 1919 St. Philomena's Parish was incorporated and Father Othmar Buerckler, OSB, became the first resident pastor. Father Gregory Henninger, a diocesan priest, was pastor from March 1923 to 1924. In March, 1924, Father Boniface Simmen, OSB, became pastor and also took care of St. James Mission at Porcupine. He remained here until April 13, 1943. Father Victor Heinen, OSB, became pastor on April 13, 1943, and served the parish till April 9, 1951, when he was succeeded by Father George Splonskowski, OSB. Father Jerome Mundt, OSB, became pastor in August, 1956, and remained here until June, 1960, when he was succeeded by the present pastor, Father Clement Mengelkoch. Three members of St. Philomena's are now in religious life. They are Sister Daniel (Dorothy) Laintz; Sister Scholastica (Rose) Dillman and Sister Emily (Clara) Meisel.

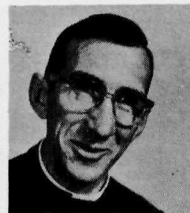
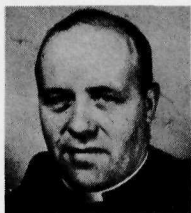
Records show that Margaret McChesney was the first child baptized in 1919 by Father Othmar. Sponsors were Louis Enders and Elizabeth Whitesell. The first marriage recorded on May 23, 1920, between Joseph Ankner and Louise Schramel. While the first recorded burial was for Mary Ann Klingler in 1921. Through the hard work and efforts of Father Boniface the present church basement was built in 1929 with the help of the parishioners and the upper structure was built in 1931. The church was dedicated in 1932.



Fr. Othmar
Fr. Bernard



Fr. Boniface
Fr. Victor



Fr. George

Fr. Jerome

Fr. Clement

Sr. Daniel

Sr. Scholastica

Sr. Emily

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

OLD TIMERS
1902-1930

IF I HAD KNOWN

Gone are the days of the old cow-camp
And the cow-hands hard and tough,
Gone are the days of the open range
With its wild long-horned stuff.

That was the day when the West was young
And the ranches far between,
When the wagons worked from early Spring
Till the calves were right to wean.

The old line camp was a place then
For those punchers tired and sore,
It was built of logs with a roof of sod
Most always a plain dirt floor.

The wooden bunks were filled with hay
Just a bed tarp spread on top,
But after a forty mile ride
'Twas a heavenly place to flop.

There to lie and smoke, or to swap a lie
While the cook warmed up the beans,
The sour doughs and the sow belly,
If you guys know what that means.

The cabin door was never locked
And the grub box lid the same.
There's a note that said "Help yourself cowboy."
Leave the camp like it was when you came.

'Twas a care-free life in a good old world
For the wandering saddle tramp,
And a home sweet home for the ridin' hand
Was that old line riders camp.

---Guy Parker



JAMES BENNET GAYTON FAMILY

The James B. Gayton family perhaps were the first family in this vicinity, coming here as early as 1902. They settled 3 1/2 miles northeast of Selfridge. This was before the railroad came through or the town of Selfridge was started. In the above picture are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Gayton. BACK ROW: William, John, and Charles. FRONT ROW: Jim, Alice, (Mrs. Charles Archambault), Sam, Abbie (Mrs. Benjamin White) and Amy (Mrs. Henry Lawrence). The only survivor is James and he still resides in Selfridge. In 1858 James B. Gayton married Mary Joy to the Nation. They resided in Emmons county for several years. Mr. Gayton was a member from Emmons County at the N. Dak. Constitutional Convention in 1889.

THE SAMUEL GAYTON FAMILY

Sam Gayton married Margaret Mulhern. They lived in Fort Yates and McLaughlin before moving to Selfridge in 1911. While the family lived in Fort Yates, Sam had a carpenter shop and did work for the soldiers stationed there. He made the caskets, when the soldiers buried near the old Sitting Bull grave, were removed to the Ft. Snelling cemetery. Mrs. Gayton baked bread and did fine laundry for the soldiers. In 1910 they moved to McLaughlin, S. Dak., where they resided for a year before moving to Selfridge. Sam helped build many of the first buildings in and around Selfridge. Twelve children were born to this union. Those still living are Rose Claymore, Mobridge,

S. Dak.; Henry, Selfridge; William, Aberdeen, S. Dak.; Ruby One Feather, Bullhead, S. Dak.; John, Alfred, Evelyn Martin, Rapid City, S. Dak.; Minnie Gramling and Arthur, Ft. Yates. Jane (Mrs. George Merrill) passed away March 12, 1960, Louise (Mrs. Chester Giles) passed away in 1917. Two children died in infancy.

JOHN GAYTON FAMILY

John Gayton lived in Cannon Ball where he operated a ferry boat across the Cannon Ball River. His family includes three girls, Trivian, Vivian and Inez.

WILLIAM GAYTON FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. William Gayton lived on a farm east of Selfridge near the present Hayden Bailly ranch. They had six children. Mabel, Zahn and Leslie live in Fort Yates, and Elsie lives in California. Rosalon, Effie and Mamie have passed away.

ROBERT BRUCE FAMILY

Robert Bruce was Amy Gayton's first husband. They lived in Selfridge for several years. Robert was a great musician. He had played with Sousa's Band. He wrote the "Sioux County March." Two girls survive, Rose of Little Eagle and Lillian of Sioux City, Iowa. After the death of Robert, Amy married Henry Lawrence, who lives in Little Eagle with his son Henry Jr. Mrs. Lawrence has passed away.



Home of James B. Gayton 1902

Abbie Gayton married Benjamin White and they settled at Ft. Yates. Four children survive; Benjamin, Angela, Josephine and Mildred.

CHARLES ARCHAMBAULT FAMILY

Alice married Charles Archambault and they settled at Fort Yates. Two children survive; James of Fort Yates and Irene of Bull Head, S. Dak.



THE MARTIN SWIFT FAMILY

Left to right: Oswin, Colletta, Mr. Swift, Joe and Mrs. Swift hold her grandson Donald Howe.

Mr. Swift was born in Oneida, Ill. in 1861. He moved with his family to Washington, Iowa; here he grew to manhood. In 1883 he married Julia Tobin. To this union nine children were born of which only three are now living; Joe, Oswin and Colletta. Mrs. Swift having contacted T.B. passed away in the year of 1902. Later Mr. Swift remarried Sadie Keister (a widow with three children). The children were Dot, Lake and Fern (Mrs. Wayne Howe, of McLaughlin, S. Dak.). Mr. and Mrs. Swift moved to Selfridge in the year 1912. Here they built a home one mile south of town. They were engaged mostly in ranching although they did some grain farming. At one time Mr. Swift shipped in seven carloads of horses. Mrs. Swift passed away in 1932 and is buried at McLaughlin, S. Dak. Mr. Swift passed away in 1946.

THE JOE SWIFT FAMILY

At the age of nineteen Joe came to Selfridge. In 1916 he married Sylvia Whitticar of McLaughlin, S. Dak. Five children were born to this union, Hazel May, Loretta, Robert, Mardel and Richard Lee. They built a home 3 miles west of Selfridge; which is now the John Oster place. They raised stock and farmed. In 1924 they moved to Walker, S. Dak.; later

they moved to Hill City, S. Dak. where they now live.



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Swift and Loretta

THE OSWIN SWIFT FAMILY

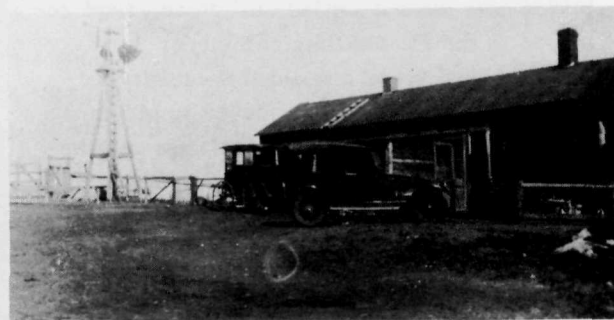
Oswin came to Selfridge in 1912. In 1917 he married Alice Southwick. To this marriage were born five children: Bernice, Lakota, Bud, Harvey and Floyd. Oswin built a bowery in Selfridge and put on shows and dances. They lived about 3 miles southwest of town.



Wayne Howe taken on the ranch.



Fern Howe and her cow pony.



Martin Swift's Ranch Home - 1 mile south of town.

Mr. Wayne Howe came to Selfridge in the Spring of 1911 from Washington, Iowa. In June Fern Keister and he were united in marriage. The town of Selfridge was just starting; there were just three business places, which included Reed's Hotel (later called London Hotel), Philput Store, and the Sioux Lbr. Yard. There was no depot at that time just a jumping off place. There was no post office, the mail was sent to McLaughlin by way of Tuttle. Mr. and Mrs. Howe lived down in the brakes on the Louis Andres place, east of Selfridge. It was then called "Goose Camp." Mr. Howe worked for the D. Z. outfit, which was on the riding line. Mr. Howe along with Joseph Menz were the first Justices of Peace in Sioux County. Three children were born; Veleire, Everette and Donald. In 1915 they moved to McLaughlin where they settled on a farm 1/2 mile east of town.



Mrs. Redman
and
son, Usher

Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Redmann moved to Selfridge March, 1917, from Fort Rice, N. Dak., where they had been operating a bank. Here they operated the first bank in this community, "The Citizens State Bank." Mr.



Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Remann taken in the
Fort Rice Bank.

Redman's banking background previous to his work in N. Dak. had been with the Citizens State Bank in Gaylord, Minnesota, which was his original home and whose officers and stockholders were behind the operating of the banks in Ft. Rice and Selfridge. August 12, 1917, their son, Usher was born. Mr. Redmann was a sincere booster for Selfridge. He had visions of it becoming a large city, as it had the territory and many fine people coming to settle here. Such the visions and planning Mr. Redmann had - yet his life went out as quickly as a light. He passed away Nov. 7, 1918, at the age of 31, during the flu epidemic. After Mr. Redmann's death Mrs. Redmann continued to live here. She worked in the bank for Mr. John Nagel who took over the management. Later Mrs. Redmann married C. V. Clark and they moved to Minneapolis where they resided until they moved to Toledo, Ohio; where they now reside. Usher B. Redmann also lives in Toledo, where he holds a high position with the "Champion Spark Plug Co."



Wayne Howe's Ranch Home on the L. Andres Place.



1917 - First Selfridge Bank.



Lunch Time

In the foreground can be seen Mr. Philput, behind him Mrs. Martin Swift and by the wagon Oswin Swift.

Mr. and Mrs. Eben W. Philput came to Selfridge as early as 1911. He started the first store here. On May 20th, 1912, he was appointed the first postmaster, at which time Sioux County was a part of Morton County. Mr. and Mrs. Philput were here but a short time when Mrs. Philput passed away. She was buried east of town in the Gayton cemetery. In 1913 after Mr. Philput's store burned, he returned to New York.



B. L. SMESTAD FAMILY

Left to right: Barney, Lloyd, Mrs. and Mr. Smestad, Clifford and Irene.

Mr. Smestad was born in Hamar, Norway, in 1881. In 1903 he came to America and settled in Minneapolis. In Oct., 1907, he married Anna Anderson of Hamar, Norway; who came here to join him in the United States of America. In July, 1913, Mr. Smestad came to Selfridge, erected a store building and a residence behind the store; later he built one of the largest homes in Selfridge. Mr. Smestad served as postmaster. He also served on the Village board and school board. He was a charter member of the Modern Woodman of America. Mr. and Mrs. Smestad and Barney have passed away. Irene and Clifford live in California. Lloyd lives in Selfridge

and manages the Super-Valu-Store, which was built and started by his Dad. This is the only building in Selfridge that was built in the pioneer days that has remained in the same family.



THE MERCHANT FAMILY

Dorothy (Mrs. M.E. Woyke of Mankato, Minnesota); Charles, Minneapolis; John, Mobridge, S. Dak.; Mr. and Mrs. Merchant and Virginia (Mrs. James P. Judge of Costa Mesa, Calif.).

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Merchant and sons; Charles and John, formerly of Underwood, N. Dak., moved to Selfridge in Oct., 1916. They furnished and operated the London Hotel. Mr. Merchant was engaged in farming and at one time owned and operated the Selfridge Meat and Grocery. He later became Mgr. of the P.R.&H. Lbr. Co. The Merchant family always took an active part in the welfare and civic activities of our community and county. Mr. Merchant was elected Justice of Peace several times, held the office of United States Commissioner and at the time of his death, April, 1943, was Mayor of Selfridge. Mrs. Merchant now resides in Bismarck, N. Dak.

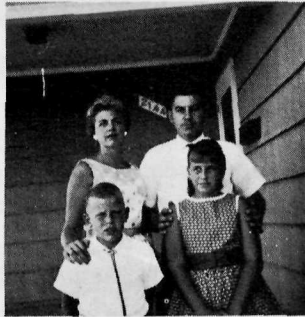


Freda Meyers came to Selfridge in 1920 to take over the duties of assistant Postmaster, while J. N. Fulton was Postmaster. In 1921 she married John Haberman in

1921. John was Assistant Mgr. of the Loubeck Hardware Store. They built the present S. A. Collis home and lived here until the Spring of 1928, when they moved to Bismarck. Later they moved to McLaughlin, S. Dak., where Mrs. Harberman was postmaster up to the time of her death in 1959. Three children were born to this union; Mrs. Wayne (Doris) Gladstone, Richland, Washington; Mrs. Robert (Beverly) Sampson, Redfield, S. Dak. and Howard of Richland, Washington.



Mr. and Mrs. Nagel



Shirley Nagel and her husband Robert Wieman and their two children, Ward and Robin.

The Nagels came here in 1918. Mr. Nagel took over the Management of the Citizen State Bank. They lived in Selfridge until 1944 and then as John had accepted a position with the Internal Revenue they moved to Minot. In 1958 they moved to Coon Rapids, Minn., where they lived in retirement. During the time they lived in Selfridge they were very active in civic and community affairs. They built their home in 1919 and also built the Palace Hotel and drug store. It was with a feeling of deep sorrow that we learned of Mrs. Nagel's death May 12, 1961. Her work and efforts and achievements here will live in the hearts of those who knew her best. She always had a kind word and helping hand for all.



THE WEAD FAMILY
Mr. and Mrs. Wead



Lower picture, left to right: Roy, South Bend, Indiana; Florence (Ellingson) Minneapolis; Leora (Williams) Springfield, Missouri; Dorothy (Dutton) Vale, S. Dak.; Lloyd, Gillette, Wyoming; and Joyce (Strader) South Bend, Indiana.

The Wead family came to Selfridge in 1918 from the Fort Rice area to operate the second general merchandise store. They operated this store until the latter thirties when they sold out to Ted Ferderer. They then moved to New Underwood, S. Dak. Mr. Wead passed away there January 10, 1944. One son had preceded him in death. Mr. Wead served as member of the school and Village boards. The Weads spent much time with young people and helped to guide many on the right path. Both of their boys took up Christian work and are ministers. As written by C. V. Clark, "Selfridge has much to be proud of in the lives of their pioneer daughters and sons as they grew up and made places in the world for themselves."



Archie Caddell came with the Wead family from Ft. Rice and clerked in their store. He was known and loved by all the children and young people as "Uncle Archie." (It was a good place to go for a

stick of candy). Archie passed away in Minneapolis at the home of his niece, Mrs. Alton Ellingson, in 1953.



THE JOHN KLINGLER FAMILY

John Klingler was born in Hungary in 1884. He came to the U.S.A. with his parents. He married Anna Kleeman in 1904. Three children were born to this union. Mary was killed in a farm accident at the age of 15, in 1921, and Adam died at the age of 21 in 1925. Pictured left to right: Mrs. Klingler, Mr. Klingler, Mary, Adam and Elizabeth (Mrs. Albin Vollmuth) of Selfridge. The Klinglers came to Selfridge from Lefor, N. Dak., in 1919. They resided on a farm southeast of town. Mr. Klingler passed away Feb. 12, 1939, of a heart attack. Mrs. Klingler resides in Sacramento, California.



THE FRED ROTT FAMILY

Fred Rott was born in New York City Nov. 14, 1888. He came to Ashley, N. Dak., with his parents in 1907, later they moved to Ventura. He married Lydia Hochstetter in Berlin, N. Dak., on July 7, 1907. They had five children. Pictured above, left to right: Elsie (Mrs. Fred Whalley), Pella, Iowa; Herbert, Fargo; Viola (Mrs. Walter Tuntland), Mobridge; George, Marionette, Wis.; Mr. and Mrs. Rott (deceased); and Arthur, Santa Monica, Calif. Rotts came to Selfridge March 18, 1918. He operated the Havelock Lumber Co. Later he opened the Rott Hardware & Implement business. He is still operating this business at the present time. Mrs. Rott passed away in 1931. Mr. Rott married Lydia Lang in 1937. He has been active in civic affairs of the community. They have built several beautiful homes in Selfridge.



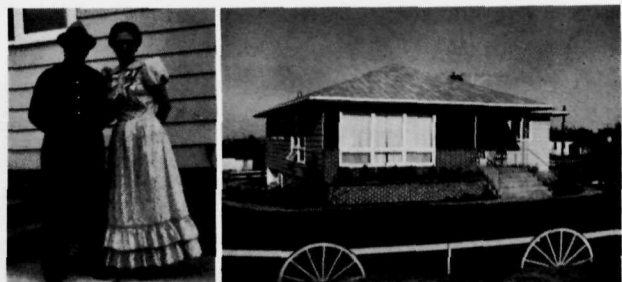
G. E. LANGBEIN

G. E. (Ernie) Langbein was the first Milwaukee R.R. agent stationed at Selfridge. The station opened August 28, 1918. He was formerly employed by the Sioux Lumber Co. and the Havelock Lumber Co. Mr. Langbein presently resides in Hebron.

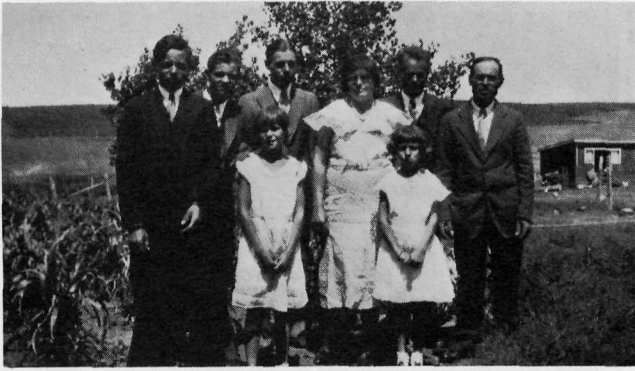


ABE DISRUD

Abe Disrud was born Oct. 13, 1888, at Foston, Minn. He came to North Dakota in 1915. He lived in the Selfridge area for several years. He served in the army in World War I. He lives in Seattle, Washington, now.



Mr. and Mrs. Rott and the Rott home.



ANTON BARTOLE FAMILY

Anton Bartole was born in Hungary in 1892. He came to North Dakota as a young man. He was married to Mary Schaeffer at Lefor, N. Dak. in 1912. Six children were born to this union. Pictured above are Peter, deceased; Anton, Columbus, Ohio; John, Redwood City, Calif.; Joe, Wayzata, Minn.; Ann (Mrs. Silas Umber, Jr.), Sonora, Calif.; Mrs. Bartole; Pauline (Mrs. Ray Warren) Van Wert, Ohio; and Mr. Bartole. The Bartole family moved to the Selfridge area in the fall of 1918 where he did dairying and grain farming until his death on April 13, 1943. Mrs. Bartole presently makes her home in Redwood City, Calif.

South Dakota, in 1927, where he operated a barber shop and a recreation hall for several years.



J. R. KRONBERGER FAMILY

John Kronberger came to Selfridge from Lefor, N. Dak., in 1917. He married Gertrude Grundhauser in 1913 at Lefor. They had eleven children, pictured left to right: Tony, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Frank, Alameda, Ida.; Helen (Mrs. Stanley Mosset), Selfridge; Lena (Mrs. Wm. Connell), Santa Ana, Calif., holding

Nick of Bismarck; Katherine (Mrs. Roy Carter), Torrance, Calif.; Eva (Mrs. Allen Sedevie) Bowman; Matt, Bismarck; Ann (Mrs. H. Neidiger), Anaheim, Calif.; Gertrude (Mrs. Ray Kraft), Solen; Joe, Santa Ana, Calif.

John did farming and ranching. He operated the dray line and livery barn in Selfridge for several years. He also served as sheriff of Sioux County. Mrs. Kronberger died in September of 1934, after having been in ill health for many years. Mr. Kronberger died Dec. 20, 1940, of injuries sustained in a car accident south of Mandan.



MR. AND MRS. PETER ENGEL

Peter Engel came to Selfridge from Lefor, N. D. in 1917. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Engel, came here at the same time to make their home

with him. The father died in 1919 and the mother died in 1921. They are both buried in the Fort Yates Cemetery. Pete operated a meat market in 1918; later he did ranching and farming. They operated the Palace Hotel for a year. He married Pauline Heiser. They had seven children: Elsie, Ernest, Albert, Lorraine, Jean, Paul, and Jack. They moved to Walker,



Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ellingson and granddaughter Dolly-Ann.

Carl Ellingson and Matt Strawser came to Selfridge from Havelock, N. Dak., in the summer of 1916 to put up hay. Alton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellingson, came the same fall to visit. He remembers seeing baled hay all over the place. They had not found the market they had hoped for, but had constructed a barn of baled hay that housed 8 horses. Mrs. Ellingson and daughter Selma moved here in the Spring of 1917. Mr. Ellingson had built a frame barn, he also built a lean-to on his barn that served for living quarters for a time. He built a home that was later occupied by Art Marshal. They later built 2 homes; the one is now occupied and owned by Mrs. C. J. Braun and the other is now The Baptist Parsonage. Mr. Ellingson and Matt Stawser operated the first dray line. Mr. Ellingson served on the school and village board. He was also County Treasurer for a number of years before they moved to Minneapolis in 1945 to retire. Mr. Ellingson passed away Dec. 10, 1954, and Mrs. Ellingson just a few months later, March 31, 1955. Mrs. Ellingson while in Selfridge operated a cafe and later a grocery store. She was active in church work and was a charter member of the Royal Neighbors Lodge. She was a willing worker for the good things of life. She was "Grandma Ellingson" to all children and young people. Their son, Alton, lives in Minneapolis and their daughter, Selma, at Drayton Plains, Michigan. Alton was in business here for a number of years before moving to Minneapolis.



Mr. and Mrs. William Heiser, Ted, John and Bernard Heiser.



In 1901 William Heiser and Anna Kronberger were united in marriage at Dickinson, N. D.

In 1919 they moved to Selfridge and purchased the Palace Hotel, which they operated until 1930. Five children were born to this union: Ted, Dickinson, N. Dak.; John W., Fargo, N. Dak.; Bernard, North Kenwick, Wn.; Pauline, (Hayath) Arcadia, Calif.; Alice (Gwyther) Fort Rice, N. Dak. Mr. Heiser passed away in 1932 and Mrs. Heiser February 4, 1961.



THE BEN GWYTHYER FAMILY

Left to right: Mervin, Patricia, Mrs. Gwyther, Rodney, and Mr. Gwyther.

Ben Gwyther came to Selfridge in the early fall of 1920 to help build a barn for Anton Engel working with Jim Fogarty. Later that fall Ben and James Caddell bought the dray line. Later Ben bought Caddell's interest and operated the dray line until 1922 when he sold to John Kronber. In 1923 Ben and Alice Heiser were united in marriage. They now make their home in Fort Rice, N. D. Here they are engaged in operating a farm (dairy and beef).



Mr. and Mrs.
H. F. Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Smith moved to Selfridge the year of 1916. He purchased a 1/2 section of land southwest of town. They built a small box car roof house in town until they could drill a well and get their buildings finished on the farm. Due to the many salesmen and land seekers coming to the community at that time Mrs. Smith found that she was making lunches and meals for so many that she finally called her place "The Dew Drop In." This home was converted to a blacksmith shop when the Smiths moved to the farm. The four children that came to Selfridge with them were Chester, Manley, Mabel and Verna. Two other children Grace and Roy were married and living in Minnesota. In the fall of 1916 Roy and his family moved here. In the early days Mrs. Smith delivered many of the babies that were born here. Verna, (Mrs. Brandsrud of Estelline, S. Dak.) who was ten years old when they came, writes, "Early days at Selfridge were blizzards, prairie fires, cattle rustlers, coyotes and rattlesnakes." In the thirties the Smiths moved back to Minnesota. Mrs. Smith passed away in 1944, Mr. Smith is 90 years old and makes his home at Callaway, Minnesota.



Clifford and his
Mother Mrs. Theresa
Anderson taken in
1918.



Elsie and Mrs.
Anderson taken
a few years
ago.

Mrs. Theresa Anderson (a widow) came here with her two children, Clifford and Elsie. They homesteaded east of Selfridge and after proving up on their claim they moved into town. Mrs. Anderson and Elsie ran a first class restaurant for 14 years. In 1939 Mrs. Anderson retired and moved to Bismarck, where she now resides. Elsie married Harold Faubel and they are making their home at Seattle, Wn. Clifford married Grace McCay and for many years they made their home in Selfridge. Grace was postmaster and Clifford was engaged in farming. In the thirties Andersons moved to Bismarck. Mrs. Anderson passed away in 1959 of cancer. Mr. Anderson still resides at Bismarck.

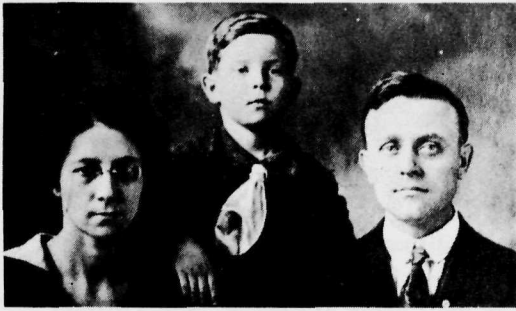


Mr. and Mrs. Harry Erbe.

Mr. and Mrs. Erbe and their two girls, Rhea and Ruth, came to Selfridge in the year 1918, from Hazen, N. Dak. Mr. Erbe a photographer by trade had been advised by his doctor to get out of photography work because of his health. They first settled near the Martin Swift home, later moving southeast of Selfridge. There they built their home (which is now the Rudolph Hepper home). They engaged in farming. Mr. Erbe had much to do in changing the trails to roads. In the thirties, because of the drouth and hard times; like many other families they left here. They moved to Bakersfield, California. Mr. Erbe passed away recently. Mrs. Erbe lives at Bakersfield, Ruth lives at China Lake, Calif. and Rhea about 3 miles from Bakersfield on a ranch.



Mrs. Christ Marsh
and the twins
Harold and Jerold.
Mr. Marsh was one
of the pioneer busi-
ness men.



Mr. and Mrs. John L. Tuntland and Walter.

In 1918 the Tuntland family moved from Shields, N. Dak., to a ranch in the brakes about 15 miles southeast of Selfridge. They engaged in a fairly large sheep raising operation which in later years included cattle. Mr. Tuntland became quite active in community affairs. He was a member of the district school board for several years and in the early nineteen twenties while a commissioner of Sioux County he was one of the leaders in the struggle which brought Federal Highway number 6 through Selfridge. Shortly after they left the ranch in 1937 his wife, Pearl, became ill and passed away suddenly. In 1947 he and his son, Walter, moved to Mobridge, S. Dak.; where they are associated in business.



Mrs. Sarah M. Walter.

Mrs. Walters left a widow at an early age. After leaving Canada she lived in Pollock, S. Dak., and Shields, N. Dak., before moving to Sioux County in 1918. She homesteaded southeast of Selfridge. While proving up her homestead she taught school in Fort Yates and in several rural schools. She served as County Treasurer. In the early 1930's she moved into Selfridge where she was associated with her brother Charles S. Pulling and W. H. Ordway in the lumber and hardware business. She had one daughter Pearl (Tuntland). Her last years were spent with her grandson, Walter Tuntland and son-in-law, John Tunt-

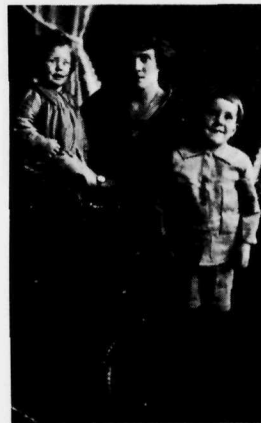
land at Mobridge, S. Dak., where she passed away October 1958.

The Edward A. Pulling Family.



In the front: Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pulling. Left to right: Russel, Grace (Tuntland) Ada (Russel's wife); Happy Tuntland, Dora, Ethel, and Jim Mergens.

The Edward Pulling family homesteaded southeast of Selfridge. Their main source of living was raising cattle and sheep. On neighboring homesteads lived their two oldest daughters, Dora and Grace; at home with them were Hazel, Ethel and Russel. It is said at that time there were more people living in the brakes than there were in the community of Selfridge. In the fall of 1924 they moved West and settled at Auburn, Washington. Mr. Pulling passed away in Sept. 1941 and Mrs. Pulling July, 1954.

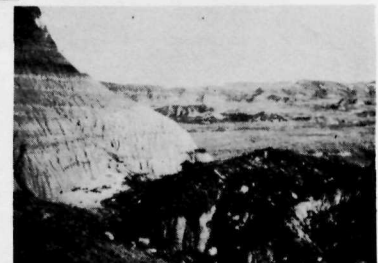


Mrs. Grace Sturdevant, Chub and Virgil.

Mr. Sturdevant served in the First World War and shortly after returning passed away at their home, in the brakes, southeast of Selfridge.

A number of years later Mrs. Sturdevant married Rasmus Tuntland. Their home is at Auburn, Wn.

The Brakes Southeast of Selfridge





Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hanson Homesteaded in the brakes, southeast of Selfridge. Their main occupation was the raising of sheep and cattle. They had two daughters, Clara and Mabel, and one son, Clarence. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hanson have passed away and are buried in Idaho.



John Briski was born in 1881 in Croatia, Yugoslavia. In 1903 he and Miheleich were united in marriage at Rutland, Ill. They homesteaded in New England, N. Dak. Here seven children were born. In 1918 they moved to Selfridge where they purchased some land and built up a farm 3 1/2 miles southwest of town; now known as the Joe Silbernagel farm. Six more children were born to this union. While here Mr. Briski perfected what is known as "Quality Wheat." He was instrumental in organizing the township known as "Golden Wealth" and served for many years on the township and school boards of that district.

In the picture, FRONT ROW: Mrs. Briski, Tacoma, Wn; Kathryn (Feyh) Washington, D. C. . MIDDLE ROW: Marie (Earl) Chicago, Ill. ; Helen, Yakima, Wn. ; Julia (Desgrogellier) Rose (Berger) Yakima, Wn. ; Agnes (Vergeres) Stafford, Va. . BACK ROW: John Jr. , Tacoma; George, Bismarck, N. Dak. ; Paul, Richland, Wn. ; Ludvig, Yakima; Lawrence, Phoenix, Arizona; Jack, Yakima and Anton, Shelton, Wn.

Mr. Briski passed away in the year 1935 at the age of 53.



Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ostrum, Frank Smith and Hartwell McCay.

Frank Smith came to this area in 1916 and made his home at the Ostrum ranch with his Uncle Bill and Fred. He says, "at that time there were no plowed fields and no roads just wagon trails across the country" Frank and his wife now live in Lodi, Calif. They have three children, Franklin, Rexzene and David.



Mr. and Mrs. Dick Black, (better known to their many friends as "Ma and Pa Black") moved on a homestead West of Selfridge in the year 1918. Here they lived until 1936 when they moved to Los Angeles where they now reside.



John Hilberg and Swan Pearson breaking sod-Spring of 1917.

The John Briski Family.





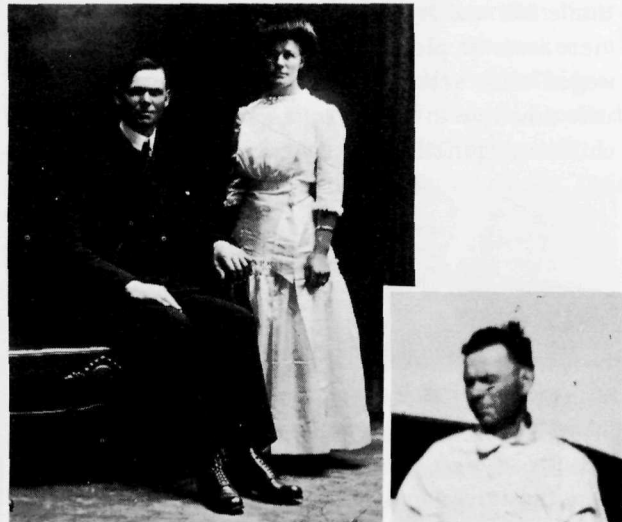
Catherine (Mrs. Nick Roll) Susanna (Mrs. Goetz), Math Jr., Anna (Mrs. Elmet Salscheder) and Helen Bayer.

Mrs. and Mrs. Math Bayer and their five children moved to Selfridge in 1919, from Gladstone, N. Dak. He was married to Susanna Schmidt in 1907. Mr. Bayer was the manager of the newly organized Selfridge Equity Exchange. He vividly remembers the huge flax crops that were produced while he was here. In those years flax was always planted in new ground; since our land was all new flax was our major crop. Our countryside looked like a land of many lakes during blossomtime. The elevator also handled fruit, in carload lots. Eight carloads were shipped in while Mr. Bayer was manager. He was very active in all civic affairs and held many positions while here. The Bayer family moved to Mandan in 1923. He worked as elevator manager and fieldman for the Farmers Union Grain Terminal Ass'n for many years. They live in Dickinson, N. Dak. now, where they have retired.



THE ANDREW SANDLAND FAMILY
Left to right: Eddie, Mrs. Sandland, Mr. Sandland, Bernice. SECOND ROW: Virgil, Jane, Doris, Andrew, and Eugene in front.

Andrew Sandland was born in Duel County, So. Dak., in 1889. He came to Selfridge in 1917 and moved to a farm southeast of town. He married Pauline Bertch on Dec. 9th, 1927, at Brookings, So. Dak. They have seven children.



THE HENRY SANDLAND FAMILY
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sandland and Leroy.

Henry Sandland was born at Estelline, So. Dak., in 1888. He married Emma Washburn on March 8, 1916, at Goodwin, So. Dak. They moved to a farm southwest of Selfridge where they still reside. They have one son, Leroy. Mr. Sandland has always been very active in civic affairs and has held many positions of trust.



THE JOHN WALKER SR. FAMILY. BACK ROW: Jake, Rapid City; Maggie, (Mrs. Alex Feist) Rapid City; Adam, Mo-
 bridge, S. Dak.; George W., Amelia (Mrs. Wendlin Feist),
 John Jr., Bismarck, N. D. SECOND ROW: Arthur, Mr. and
 Mrs. Walker; Albert, Green River, Wyo. THIRD ROW: Lor-
 etta (Mrs. Jack Hill), Fayetteville, Ark.; Samuel C., Law-
 rence, Bismarck, N. D.; Herman; Elsie, (Mrs. Albert
 Moser), Mercedes, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker were both born in Russia. John Walker married Magdalena Bickelin, Linton, N. Dak., Nov. 26, 1912. They moved to Selfridge in 1916 and homesteaded 15 miles west, where they farmed and ranched. In 1942 they moved into town. Mr. Walker passed away in 1954. Mrs. Walker resides in Selfridge.



THE JACOB BECKER FAMILY. Madeline, (Mrs. Kenneth Ponders), Elizabeth, (Mrs. Martin Olsska), Regina, Canada; (Mrs. Mike Lyons); all of Chicago, Ill.; Barbara, (Mrs. Joe Kraft); Jack, Bismarck, N. Dak.; Eva, (Mrs. Arnold Eidam), Spokane, Wash.; Katie, (Mrs. Cliff Caldwell), Salem, Oregon; Margaret, (Mrs. Adlare), St. George, Utah; Irene, (Mrs. Fred Berger), Marshall, N. D. FRONT ROW: Joe, Beatta, (Mrs. Jack Beard), Yakima, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Becker, Mary Ann, (Mrs. Melvin Kingston), Waterloo, Ill.; Fred, Sunnyvale, Calif.

Jacob Becker was born in Russia. He came to the United States in 1908. In 1909 he married Barbara Shall at Rugby, N. D. They came to Sioux County in 1918 and lived on a farm north of Selfridge. They moved into Selfridge in 1937 and operated a bar for several years and later a confectionery. Mr. Becker passed away in May, 1956. Mrs. Becker lives in Bismarck.



Mr. and Mrs. John Stumper

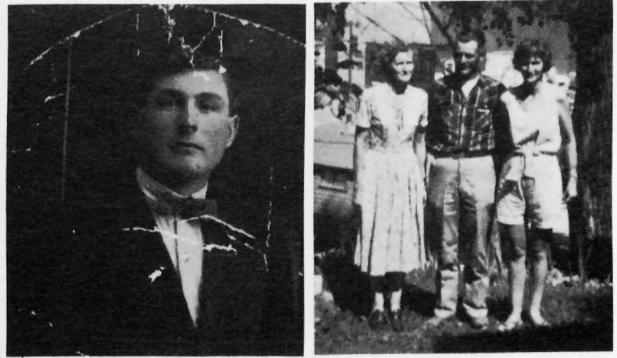
Mr. and Mrs. Stumper came to Selfridge from Lefor, N.D., in 1918. They lived on a ranch five miles N. W. of town. Nine children were born to this union: Susan, Barbara, John, Matt, Katie, Eva, Margaret, Anna, and Edward. Mr. and Mrs. Stumper have both passed away. Mr. Stumper was especially fond of horses.



ALBERT CERNEY FAMILY

BACK ROW: Frances (Mrs. Clayton Sundre), Charles, Mr. Slasik, Mr. Cerney. FRONT ROW: Franklin, Eugene.

Albert Cerney was born on January 6, 1894, in Nemcovice, Czechoslovakia and came to the United States in 1911. He worked in Chicago until 1913 when he came to New Salem, later to Sanger, N. Dak. A newspaper article notifying the public that homesteads were being opened to settlers in Sioux County attracted his attention and brought him to Selfridge on May 10, 1915, to file his claim. He married Frances Slacik in May, 1931. Two sons, Franklin and Eugene, and one daughter, Frances, were born to them. Charles, Mrs. Cerney's son by a previous marriage, lived with the Cerneys as did her father until his death. Mr. Cerney has held many positions in the county, school district, and township. He is now retired and the family lives in Selfridge.



Clarence Sandland, left; Mildred, Richard, and Shirley, right.

Clarence Sandland was born in Duel County, S. Dak., in 1893. He married Alma Gordor at Estelline, So. Dak., in 1914. He came to Selfridge in 1916. They have four children: Maurice, Mildred, Richard, and Shirley. Clarence Sandland is making his home with his son Richard and family.



MR. AND MRS. ELIAS SANDLAND

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Sandland being presented with the flag by Mr. Hier at the funeral of their son Robert, who died in action in World War II.

Elias Sandland was born in Duel County, So. Dak. He was married to Helga Gravning in 1907. They came to the Selfridge area in 1917 and homesteaded southeast of Selfridge. The eight children born to this couple were William, Walter, Melvin, Howard, Clifford, Lillian, Leonard, and Robert.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN F. TEETER

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Teeter and family moved to the Selfridge area from Monticello, Indiana, in 1915. They shipped their belongings from Indiana in two immigrant cars, also three threshing machines were shipped by rail at the same time. They homesteaded three miles west of Selfridge. Their son Chester also filed on a homestead east of town. Chester enlisted in the Army in 1917, where he served for one year.

To this union were born seven children; Chester, Salem, Ore.; Therle, Elmer, Bernard all of Portland, Ore.; Marvel, Oswego; Merle, Bremerton, Wash.; Hazel, Salem, Ore. Mr. and Mrs. Teeter have both passed away.



THE FRANK WOTRANG FAMILY

Left to right: Lillian, Jack, Alice, Mrs. Wotrang and Ann.



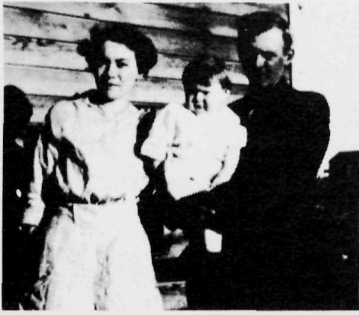
MR. AND MRS.
SAM HUMMEL



BACK ROW: (left to right) Evert, Zora, Zephyr, Don. FRONT ROW: Violet (Mrs. Wayne Snyder), Mrs. Hummel and Eva (Mrs. Clifford Zell).

Sam Hummel was born May 28, 1879, in Pulaski County, Ind. He married Isa Thompson in 1898. Six Children were born to the Hummels. Mr. Hummel and Zephyr came to Selfridge in the spring of 1916. They worked at the plastering and carpentering trade during the summer. They returned to Indiana in the fall. He sold his farm in Indiana and moved his family to Selfridge in the spring of 1917. Mr. Hummel passed away in 1939. Mrs. Hummel lives in Valparaiso, Ind. where Zephyr, Evert, Eva and Don also live. Violet and Zora still live at Selfridge.

The Frank Wotrang family moved to Selfridge in 1916. They shipped their livestock and machinery in an immigrant car by railroad. There were very few white settlers here at the time. They lived with the Anton Engel family until their tar paper shack was completed west of Selfridge.



Mr. and Mrs. Parson and daughter Evelyn, taken at Selfridge in 1917.

Frank R. Parson was born in Minneapolis in 1894. He and Beatta I. Fitzgerald were united in marriage on Dec. 15, 1915. To this union five children were born. Evelyn (Johnson), Minneapolis; Thomas, (while serving in the U. S. Marine Corp. lost his life on Corregidor); Dolores (Yonso), Libby, Montana; Frank Jr. , Priest River, Idaho; Patricia (Yonso), Minneapolis, Minn. Frank Parson came to Selfridge in the early fall of 1915 and filed on a homestead, which is now the Joe Krosch farm. Here he farmed also raising cattle and horses. Mr. Parson passed away at Priest River, Idaho, Nov. 27, 1958. Mrs. Parson is making her home at Libby, Mont.



MR. AND MRS. PAUL CRAIG AND FAMILY.

Left to right: Stephen, Roberta (Johnson) David and James.

Paul Mead Craig was born in Oklahoma, January 1, 1917, when just a young man he came to Selfridge. He worked here for different families until 1919 when he filed on a homestead northwest of Selfridge. He and Lyda Powell were married Sept. 13, 1920. Lyda had come to Selfridge from Stillwater, Minn. , to work in the post office for J. W. Fulton during the summer months. She had planned on teaching in the fall-but-met Paul and they were married. They farmed on their homestead until 1936 when they moved into town. Later they purchased a F. H. A. Farm at Clifford, N. Dak. ; where they now reside.



THE J. H. McCAY FAMILY

BACK ROW: Hartwell, George, Robert, (deceased) Paul and Ben. FRONT ROW: Mr. McCay, (deceased) Grace (deceased) Bessie, (Lund) and Mrs. McCay, (deceased).

J. H. McCay was born in Illinois. When a young man he moved to Fullerton, Nebr. , where he met and married Georgiana Hobbs. In 1918 they came to Selfridge from Huff, N. Dak. They built a home in the brakes East of Selfridge. Mr. McCay was an auctioneer. He was instrumental in the farmers organizing to purchase the grain elevator of which he was director and President for some time. He served as State Representative from Sioux County for three terms. He was appointed "State Fire Marshal" at which time they moved to Bismarck. Mrs. McCay passed away in 1950 and Mr. McCay in 1953. Interment was made in Bismarck.



THE M. D. FAY FAMILY

BACK ROW: Ona (Lewis) Ruth (Collis) Owen, Doane and Milton. FRONT ROW: Henry, Mrs. and Mr. Fay and Margaret (Halverson). In the Fall of 1917 M. D. Fay and Ernest Knapp came to Selfridge where they purchased and leased land. They returned to Milnor, N. Dak. , for the winter. In the Spring of 1918, they returned with their families. Mr. Fay purchased the land which is now occu-

pied by Anton A. Kraft. In the fall M. D. Fay and Ernest Knapp shipped 60 head of white faced cattle here from the Eastern part of the state. Later this farm was sold to John Klinger. Mr. Fay purchased land about 7 miles southeast of Selfridge, where he farmed for several years. Mrs. Fay passed away in 1952 and Mr. Fay in 1959. Interment was made in Milnor. Mr. Knapp had farming interests here until 1929 when he sold his interests and moved back to Milnor, N. Dak. The Knapps have two daughters, Pearl (Buchen) and Henrietta (Reno). Mr. Knapp passed away June 8, 1943, death being due to a sudden heart attack. Mrs. Knapp lives at Milnor.



Ernest Knapp



THE WILLIAM PLUSH FAMILY.

BACK ROW: Mr. and Mrs. Plush. FRONT ROW: Ralph, Irene, Willard, Sammy and Violet.



Betty May

William and Mary Plush were married Febr. 12, 1912. In 1918, Bill Plush, as he was known to everyone, came to the Selfridge area and homesteaded on 160 acres of land 9 miles west of Selfridge. In 1919 he moved the family to the homestead. Through

the years the farm land increased and Mr. Plush became one of the progressive farmers of the area. He took great pride in his herd of black angus cattle. In November, 1943, the Plushs left the home place and moved to Idaho. While on a hunting trip in Idaho, Mr. Plush became lost in a snow storm and died from exposure and exhaustion. Mrs. Plush resides at Nampa, Idaho.



Mr. and Mrs. Ted Davis. Mr. Davis was one of the early carpenters at Selfridge. Both have passed away. Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Mason came to Selfridge in the fall of 1918 and settled 7 1/2 miles southeast of Selfridge. They lived here until 1922. Their daughter Jean, (Mrs. Wm. L. Guy, whose husband is our present Governor) was born at Fort Yates. They also have a son, Bob, who was born after they left here. They now make their home in Fargo, North Dakota.



Mrs. Nellie McLaughlin

Charles C. McLaughlin, son of Major James McLaughlin (for whom our neighboring town McLaughlin, S. Dak. is named) was united in marriage to Nellie Kabadaga during the year of

1900. Nine children were born to this union, only four of these nine are still living. Mrs. Melda Kirk, the only daughter living, lives in Rapid City, S. Dak. Robert (Phat), John and Charles (Chip) all live in the Porcupine District. The McLaughlin family in the early days when the railroad tracks were being laid lived just a few miles North of Selfridge, along the tracks. The road to Shields at that time led

along the tracks by the McLaughlin home. Mr. McLaughlin passed away in 1927. Mrs. McLaughlin is now 85 and resides at Shields. She has always been an inspiration and living example for all that know her.



Peter Port, hauling bridge material from McLaughlin, S. Dak. for the Milwaukee R.R. when the branch line from McLaughlin to New England came through Selfridge. - 1910 - First load.

Peter Port was born in Germany, came to the U.S.A. at the age of 17. In 1892 was married to Gay Ayer at Mandan. One son, Fred, was born to this union. Mr. Port began leasing land on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation about 1906. Mrs. Port passed away in 1920 at the ranch near Shields. Mr. Port passed away in 1952, at which time he was making his home with his grandson, Donald and family.



Donald and Dorothy Port.



Mr. and Mrs.
Fred Port.

Fred Port was born July 17, 1892 at Mandan, N. Dak. In 1917 he and Mabel M. Davis of Spiritwood, N. Dak., were married. Born to this union were Donald, Dorothy and Marilyn. Mr. Port bought the first quarter section of land in Sioux County in 1915 and started farming

here in 1916. In 1936 because of the drouth, Mr. Port moved his cattle and horses to the sand hills of Nebraska, returning home in 1937. During this time Mrs. Port held the fort through the dust storms and 110 degree temperature, day after day and saw to it 113 turkeys got water after ranging on grasshoppers. From 1933 to 1946 Mr. Port served as elected county AAA committee man, also serving as State AAA fieldman and State AAA committee man. Donald, after serving in the second World War, returned and started ranching with his Dad. Donald soon took over and has been operating the place since. Donald is the third generation to operate in Sioux County. He married Patricia Wright of Solen, N. Dak. They have four girls. Dorothy (Lukens) lives at Wilton. They have four boys. Marilyn is at home with her folks, who now reside at Mandan.



Mr. and Mrs. Fred Petchell came to N. Dak. in 1916 and moved on a homestead N. W. of Selfridge in the Fall. Fred served in the army from April 1917 until the fall of 1918. Two children were born to this union, Frederic Warren Jr. and Jean Margaret. Both Mr. and Mrs. Petchell were active in community work. Mrs. Petchell helped organize the first Community Club which later became "The Ridge Road Homemakers Club." In 1934, Mr. Petchell began working for the AAA. In 1938 he began full time work with the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, at which time they moved to Fort Yates where they lived until 1943. They spent the last years until 1946 in two communities with good success and made many lasting friendships. Mrs. Petchell writes, "I have many comforting thoughts of the past and am glad." Mr. Petchell passed away on the 8th. of Dec., 1960. Mrs. Petchell makes her home at Onaway, Michigan.



THE ERMON EWERS FAMILY.

Jimmy, Mr. Ewers, Mary and Mrs. Ewers.

At the age of 15 in the year 1907 Ermon and his older brother, Amos, who was 18 at the time, came to Mandan, N. Dak., in an immigrant R.R. car. As the head of the family Amos had filed on a homestead in the fall of 1906 near Dogtooth, N. Dak. After 1910 when the railroad came through the name was changed to Raleigh. Ermon worked on ranches in the Three Buttes area until 1913 when he filed on a homestead west of Selfridge in the Leaf Creek country on the place that is now occupied by Ed Schwehrs. Leslie, the younger brother, came from Wisconsin and they formed a ranching and farming partnership which continued until 1936. Ermon met and married Katie Morgan in 1924. The Ewers family now live at Dumont, Minnesota, Leslie at Eddyville, Oregon, and Amos, San Francisco. Ermon writes, "In spite of all the hardships in the early days (and there was plenty of them) those were truly the good old days."



Amos and Leslie Ewers



Mr. and Mrs. John Hillberg, Ella (Mrs. Roy Gish of Ada, Minnesota) and Ann (Mrs. Donald Anderson of Minneapolis, Minn.)

John Hillberg came from Saint Paul in the Spring of 1916 and with a few others from Huff, N. Dak., filed on homestead claims 12 miles northwest of Selfridge. There was George McCay, Swan Pearson, John Hillberg Sr. and Lars Johnson. Sidney Parkin was there, where he ranged around 10,000 head of cattle, also Harvey Severin with his black angus cattle that numbered around 800 head. In 1925 Pearl Tuntland and John were united in marriage. Two girls were born to this union. Says John, "I still feel back there amongst those hills were the happiest years of my life, fighting to make a home and raising a family."



Mr. and Mrs. Herman Knispel.



The Knispel Boys, Robert, Ernest, John, Fred, Walter and Bernard.

Mr. Knispel was born in Germany and Mrs. Knispel in Switzerland. After coming to America they met and were married at Redfield, S. Dak. In 1914, they homesteaded in Sioux County, where they lived until their death. Mr. Knispel died in 1939 and Mrs. Knispel in 1947.

THE PHILIP WALKER FAMILY.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Walker homesteaded 8 miles west of Selfridge in the year 1916; later they moved into town where they operated a cream station and meat market. Six children were born to this union. Molly (Mrs. Christ Hauck) McLaughlin, S. Dak.; Philip Jr., who died from the effects of being burned in a car tank explosion at Hazelton, N. Dak.; John, Jake, Dorothy and Rose all of Duluth, Minnesota.



ANTON ENGEL FAMILY

Anton Engel was born in Hungary in 1888. He came to the U. S. A. in 1890 with his parents. They homesteaded the Lefor, N. Dak. area. He married Catherine Loh who died two years later. They had two children, Eva (Mrs. Geo. Schaeffer) Selfridge and Mike of Fort Bragg, Calif. He married Anna Stricker in 1910. Five children were born to this union, Kathryn (Mrs. Nick Kahl) deceased; Anna (Mrs. Lawrence Alexander) McLaughlin; Frank of Redwood City, Calif. ; Steve of Mandan; and Tony of Chico, Calif. They moved to Selfridge from Regent, N. Dak., in the spring of 1915. The family

lived in the lumberyard building until their house on the farm north of town was completed. The Smestad family were the only people living in Selfridge at that time. Mr. Engel intended to do ranching only but it wasn't long until he had a large Avery tractor and was farming on a large scale. He was always active in all civic affairs and served on various boards while a resident here. He was also active in politics and worked for the State of North Dakota for two years. They moved to Menlo Park, Calif. in the fall of 1944, where Mr. Engel passed away in 1955.



MR. AND MRS. FRANK STRICKER
JOHN, MATT AND FERDINAND.

Frank Stricker was born in Hungary in 1887. He came to the U. S. A. to visit an uncle at Regent. He returned to Hungary and had to serve in their army for several years. He married Elizabeth Mittler in 1910. The threat of war in 1913 made them decide to come to the U. S. A. The officials there would not let him leave but with the help of friends he was smuggled out of the country. He sent for his family after he arrived in Pittsburgh. They came to Selfridge in 1915 and filed on a homestead, which is now the Dan Laintz farm. They sold their homestead to Anton Bartole in 1918. They moved west of Selfridge and later north of town where they were neighbors of Mrs. Black. Their son Ferdinand recalls riding in the horse roundups, in which all unclaimed horses were corraled and shipped out from the Chadwick stockyards. He especially enjoyed the good grub that was sent out from Selfridge by train. Strickers moved away from Selfridge in 1927. They reside in Billings, Montana, now.



MR. AND MRS.
A. U. OSTRUM

William Ostrum was born Oct. 16, 1881, at Charlevoix, Michigan. The son of Mr. and Mrs. A. U. Ostrum. The family moved to North Dakota in 1884 and settled in Emmons County until 1913 when they moved to Fort Yates. Here he aided his father in building homes, one being the present Court House. In 1916 he came to the Selfridge area, where he homesteaded and had one of the finest ranches in this area. He recalled many of the hardships of the early years, and often told of the long, hard winters. Mr. Ostrum passed away October 3, 1955.



LORENTZ LORENTZON FAMILY

Lorentz and Clara Lorentzon came to Selfridge from Canada in April, 1917. Settling two and one half miles east of town. They were engaged in farming and ranching for twenty years. Three daughters were born to this union. They are pictured above, left to right: Mrs. Joe (Gladys) Jochim, Jr.; Mrs. Dale (Bernice) Kern and Mrs. Emil (Luella) Nagel all living in California. In 1937 the family moved to Sacramento, California, where they purchased an apartment house and where Clara still resides. Lorentz was born in Lake Park, Minnesota, April 27, 1888, and passed away December 8, 1946. Clara was also born in Lake Park May 2, 1893. Mrs. Clara Lorentzon was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Herfindahl.



MR. AND MRS. ANDREW HERFINDAHL

The Herfindahls came to Selfridge in April, 1917, and farmed west of here for many years. They came here from Lake Park, Minnesota. Nine children were born to them. Mr. Herfindahl passed away July 24, 1943, and Mrs. Herfindahl passed away February 2, 1944. The above picture was taken on their Golden Wedding Anniversary in 1942.

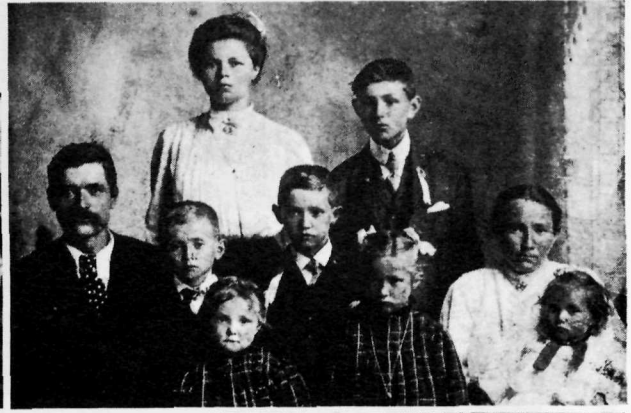


RICHARD BLOCK FAMILY

Richard Block was born in Germany in 1883. Mr. and Mrs. Block were married May 30, 1904. They homesteaded 17 miles west of Selfridge in 1913. Ten years later they moved to Lark and then to Freda. The Blocks had seven children George, Clarence, Tillie (Mrs. Jake Hallahan), Ann (Mrs. Henry Haider), Esther (Mrs. Ed. Berry). Ida and Harry have passed away. Mr. Block passed away in 1954. Mrs. Block is living with her sons George and Clarence.



Carl Bruning was born May 28, 1896, at Lakewood, Iowa. As a young boy he worked at various ranches in Morton County. He entered the services in the early part of 1918. He was assigned to Co. F. 137th Infantry, serving a year in France where he was wounded in action. Carl settled in Selfridge after returning from the U.S. Army in 1919; he worked at the Omar Anderson ranch, M. A. Birrenkott Garage, Selfridge Oil Co., and Philip Schwartz Construction Co. He married Nettie Lewis in 1925. The family lives at Solen, North Dakota. Their five sons and one daughter are: Harold, Gerald, Charles, Robert, Irene and Fredrick.



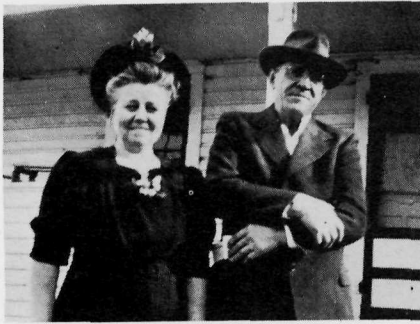
CHRISTIAN OSTER FAMILY

Pictured, left to right: Lydia (Mrs. Adolph Hepper), Alexander, Mr. Oster, Christ, Carl, Lizzie (Mrs. Robert Murphy), Rose (Mrs. Gus Fiechtner), Mrs. Oster holding Maggie (Mrs. Gust Heauser), Katie (Mrs. John Bonogofsky), Christine (Mrs. Ted Murphy), John and Emma.

Mr. Oster was born in Russia in 1889. He married Lydia Bloom. They had two children Lydia and Alexander. Mrs. Oster passed away. Mr. Oster then married Elizabeth Schuh at Java, S. Dak., in 1901. They came to Selfridge in May, 1924. They had 11 children. After farming many years west of town, they retired and moved to Selfridge in 1936. In 1947 they moved to Roy, Wash., where Mr. Oster passed away in 1949. Mrs. Oster is living in Tacoma, Wash., now.



CARL BRUNING FAMILY



To the left
MR. AND MRS.
FUHRMAN

John Fuhrman purchased land in the Selfridge community in 1918 and the following year 1919 moved here with his family. They have eight children. Emelia (Mrs. Henry Neitzel); Albert, Johnny, Anna (Mrs. Alfred Heimback); Emma (Mrs. Reinhart Kunz); Helen (Mrs. William Weatherby); Elsie (Mrs. Jesse Morucum) and Freda (Mrs. Rudolph Miller). The Fuhrmans left Selfridge in 1934, moving to Meridian, Idaho, where Mr. Fuhrman passed away in 1951. Mrs. Fuhrman still resides there.



EMMANUEL HEPPER FAMILY

On March 6, 1913, Emmanuel Hepper was married to Christine Schuetzle. They lived at Mobridge and Hettinger before moving to Selfridge in 1919. Here they bought land and farmed. Three children were born to this union. Albert, Washburn; Emma, (Mrs. Albert Schuler) Washburn and Elsie (Mrs. John Walker) Bismarck. Mr. Hepper passed away in 1924. Mrs. Hepper earned a living for her three children by working in Smestads' Store for many years. She is now Mrs. Fred Schuler and lives at Washburn, N. Dak.



WENDLIN VOLK FAMILY

Wendlin Volk was born in 1891 in Russia. He came to the United States in 1914 and in 1919 to Selfridge. He was married to Eva Glass of Winona, N. Dak., in November, 1924. They have six children. The family is pictured left to right: Al, Joey on Mrs. Volk's lap; Eva (Mrs. Paul Feist) Bismarck; Mr. Volk holding Mary Ann now Mrs. Neil Dobbol; Anton of Stockton, Calif., Anna pictured separately.



MR. AND MRS.
MIKE DISRUD

Mike Disrud was born May 8, 1895, at Fosston, Minnesota. In 1915 he married Ruth Dybing. That same year they came to N. Dak. and filed on a homestead 10 miles South of Shields in Sioux County. In 1922 they moved to Shields where Mr. Disrud began working for the Milwaukee R.R. After 31 years in the service of the Milwaukee Road, Mike retired and they moved to Kalispell, Montana.

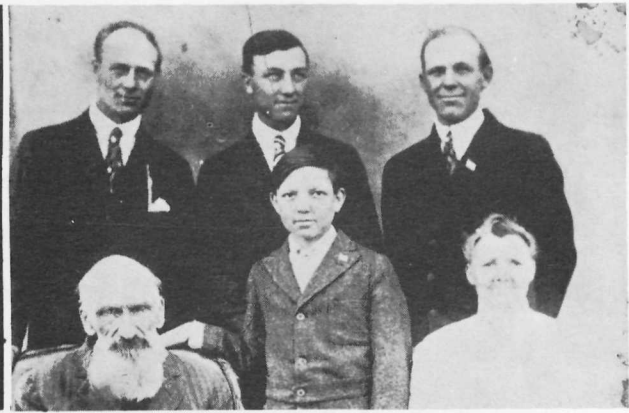
To the right: Anna Volk
now Mrs. Jake Klein.





MR. and MRS. JAMES A. PETERSON, Carol, Ardyce and Dorothy.

James Peterson was born at Algoma, Wis., and came to North Dakota as a teacher. He married Alma Olson in 1918. He filed on a homestead in 1917 eight miles northeast of Selfridge. From 1918 until 1934 part of the time was spent on the homestead and the rest at different teaching locations in Sioux County. Their three daughters are teachers. Ardyce teaches at Plentywood, Mont., and Dorothy at Lignite, N. Dak., and Carol (Mrs. Charles Whipple) at Selfridge. Mr. Peterson passed away in 1952. Mrs. Peterson makes her home in Bismarck, North Dakota.



MR. and MRS. GEORGE WHIPPLE and their sons, Clark, Roy, Harry and Charles.

George Whipple was married to Minnie Heinoski in southern Minnesota in 1891. They migrated to North Dakota in 1918 and filed on a homestead 12 miles north of Selfridge, where they lived until 1942. In 1942 the family moved to a farm six miles north of town. The farm was built up by Harry Whipple. At the present time Harry has a farm just west of the Selfridge townsite. Charles has a ranch northeast of Selfridge, the family lives in town. Clark is at Portland, Ore., and Roy is located at South West City, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Whipple have both passed away. At the time of his death Mr. Whipple was the oldest citizen in Sioux Co.



BOB EVANS

Bob Evans was born in Baltimore, Md., April 18, 1885. He worked with a 16 mule pack train carrying supplies to camps in the Yosemite and Sequoia National Parks in California. He

came to N. Dak. in 1901 with a company of soldiers to be stationed at Fort Yates. They came to Mandan from Calif. in November. They had to march to Fort Yates in 20 degree below weather. He has made his home in this area ever since. He married Lillian.

They had four children; Marie in Oregon, Mae in Virginia, Iola in Louisiana, and Rob in the Air Force in Delaware.



Mr. and MRS. PETER COATS

Mr. Coats was section boss in Selfridge in 1919.



MICHAEL BIRRENKOTT FAMILY

Michael Birrenkott was born May 27, 1896, in Cross Plains, Wisconsin. In 1917 he moved to Selfridge, where he operated the Standard Oil Station, the Ford Garage, and the Dray and Trucking Service. In 1924 he married Ann Bruning. Five children were born to this union. Seated are Mr. and Mrs. Birrenkott. Left to

right are: Dorothy (Mrs. Arthur Rebenitsch), Mandan; Audrey (Mrs. Donald Koch), Mandan; Michael, Jr.; Eileen (Mrs. Bennie Ehreth), Mandan; and Shirley (Mrs. James Rinde), St. Thomas, N. Dak. Mrs. Birrenkott lives in Mandan. Mr. Birrenkott passed away.



BEN MILLS

Ben Mills moved to Selfridge in 1917 from Bradock, N. Dak. He ranches northwest of town and has a fine herd of Angus cattle. In 1951 three head of his choice angus steers topped the nation's market, weighing 435 lbs. average, at a price of fifty-one and a half cents per hundredweight. At present he runs about 130 head of cattle. Mr. Mills was born in 1889.



DAVID WILLIAMSON FAMILY

The Williamson family moved to Selfridge in 1918 to a ranch northeast of town. In 1920 they moved into town and in 1922 to Hazelton, N. D. Mr. Williamson passed away in 1938 and Mrs. Williamson is a patient in a nursing home at Dickinson, North Dakota.



MR. AND MRS. CHAS. B. GAYTON

The Gaytons were one of the early pioneer families to live at Selfridge. Chas. B. Gayton was the first elected sheriff of Sioux County. He was also the first village blacksmith. The family lived one fourth mile southeast of town. Here Chas. and Anna raised a large family. They are Waldo, Richard, Wallace, Christopher, James, George, Hazel, Winston, Weston, Lindie and Warren. Of this large family four are living. The same four that volunteered their services to their country during World War II. One son, James, pictured at left, was one of the first to volunteer for active duty during the war and served for twelve years, three of which were spent overseas.



FRANK CELLEY FAMILY

In the spring of 1917 the Celley family homesteaded ten miles northwest of Selfridge. They later moved into town, where Mr. Celly worked on the section. Their five children are: Ferne, Anchorage, Alaska; Vivian, Portland, Oregon; Virginia, Burlington, Washington; and Dora, Tacoma. Alvin passed away in 1952. The Celleys left Selfridge in 1934 and now live at Burlington, Wash.



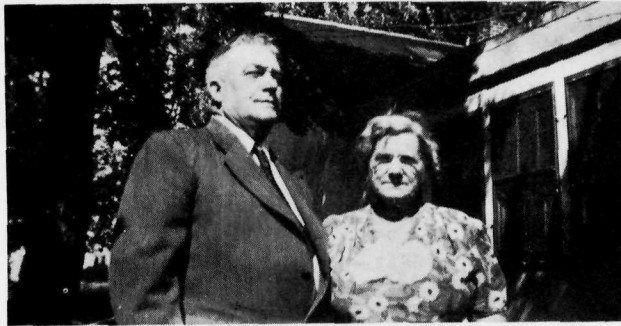
JIM GAYTON FAMILY

Jim Gayton was born at Horse Head Bottom, Emmons County, on May 28th, 1888. He came to the Reservation with his parents in 1902. The family lived three and one half miles northeast of Selfridge. In 1924 Jim moved to town. He was married to Agatha Shooter in 1913. One child, Dora, was born to this union. Agatha passed away in 1916. Mr. Gayton then married Merle Teeter. Five children were born to this union. They are pictured from left to right: Louise, Portland, Oregon; Irene, Washington; Mr. Gayton; Lila, Bremerton, Washington; and Joseph, Portland, Oregon. Gladys and Dora are deceased. Jim was employed by the Chicago, Milwaukee Railroad from May 1st, 1925, until May 29th, 1953. He is now retired and continues to make his home in Selfridge. The winter months he spends with his children and their families on the West Coast.



MR. AND MRS. D. C. HINTON

Mr. Hinton was born near Fisher, Illinois, and married Annie McCay in 1886. The six children born to this union are Almada (Mrs. Roy Riggs) of Salem, Ore.; Homer of rural Selfridge, Florence (Mrs. Ward Preston), Alice (deceased), Ralph of Selfridge, and Helen of Pomona, California. From Illinois the Hintons moved to Iowa for a time, then to Nebraska where they lived for awhile and from there to Bismarck via immigrant car with J. H. McCay. Mr. Hinton filed on a homestead in Sioux County in 1915, then in 1917 moved there to stay until his retirement in Selfridge in 1935. He passed away in June 1937. Mrs. Hinton passed away in January 1942.



MR. AND MRS. HARRY GEER

Mr. Geer was born in 1888 at Austin, Minnesota. Harry married Hannah Lund. They moved to the Selfridge area about 1916, where

he was Justice of the Peace, farmer, carpenter and umpired many of the ball games. In 1936 they moved to Boise, Idaho, where Mrs. Geer died in 1953. Mr. Geer is now in a rest home in Salt Lake City, Utah.



LUDWIG REIKER FAMILY

Ludwig Reiker was born September 30, 1894, in Zeeland, North Dakota. He married Rose Will in 1915. In 1917 they moved to a farm west of Selfridge. Three children were born to this union. Hilda (Mrs. Zora Hummel) and Oscar of Selfridge; Alvina (Mrs. Ed. Hauck) of McLaughlin, S. Dak. Mr. Reiker passed away in 1960. Mrs. Reiker continues to live on the farm with her son.



F. C. TURNER FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Turner and family came to Dakota from Wisconsin in 1914. Homesteading north of Selfridge along highway No. 6 at the Fort Yates junction. They moved to Kalispell, Montana, during the drought. The five Turner children are: Ed, Redford, Pete, Chas. and Inez.

BY E. HELEN IORNS

In 1910 the S. J. Iorns family moved to the Standing Rock Indian reservation, where Father had drawn a number when reservation land was open to white settlement. On the rafters above the door in our home Father wrote with his carpenter's pencil that we lived on SW 1/4 section of 129-89. In 1915 our brother Everett's life went out when he was drowned in a hunting accident at the old Milwaukee reservoir east of Morristown. In June, 1924, we first visited Selfridge as Father was on his way to do jury duty at Fort Yates, the County seat. That first trip over the Selfridge to Ft. Yates road was an adventure. Directions were, "Follow any trail. All of them head to town." Following the untimely death of County Superintendent L. W.

Colebank the county commissioners appointed me to the position. Throughout the county I sensed a warm, friendly atmosphere toward me except in a few areas where people said they didn't believe in women holding public office, and where an occasional parent would storm up to me and say, "When you think my child will be in school he ain't - he's big enough to work in the field!" Mary, my sister, married and lives with her family near Cavalier, N. Dak. Father and Mother lived until 1933. In 1954 I retired from public education and now serve as Director of Christian Education in the McCabe Methodist Church of Bismarck, N. Dak. May the next fifty years bring as much pleasure as these first fifty years have brought to us!



THE LEWIS MEISEL FAMILY

BACK ROW: Bob, Mr. Meisel, Carl and Jim.
FRONT ROW: Polly, Mrs. Meisel, Sister Emily, O.S.B., George, Mary (Vetter) and Martin.

The Meisel boys, Lewis, Joe and Alphonse, with their mother came to Sioux County in 1917. They homesteaded 12 miles northwest of Selfridge. In 1924 Lewis and Pauline Dolder were married. The Meisels are noted for their black angus cattle.



Lewis Meisel and son Carl.



THE S. J. UMBER FAMILY

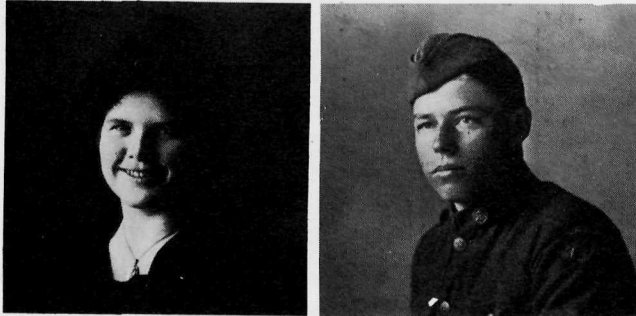
BACK ROW: Selma (Dutton), Burlington, Wn.; Silas J. Jr., Sonora, Calif.; Shirley (Dillman), Walker, S. Dak.; Mr. Umber. FRONT ROW: Lola (Schott), Reynolds, N. Dak.; Franklin D., Spearfish, S. Dak.; Sylvia, at home; and Mrs. Umber.

S. J. Umber was born at Ortonville, Minnesota. He married Rose Panko and they moved to Shields and lived there until 1919 when they came to Sioux County to work for L. E. Robertson, who had purchased the Maude and Ott Black place. This place is now owned and occupied by the Adolph Haman family. In 1919 Si filed on



Grandma (Mary) Meisel passed away in 1946. Joe Meisel, now lives at Dumont, Minnesota.

a homestead about 1/2 mile from Robertson's (11 miles west of Selfridge). In 1958 Umbers purchased the Dick Black farm which adjoined their land. In 1948 they built a new home on this farm, in which they now reside.



MR. AND MRS. GEORGE McCAY

George McCay homesteaded 12 miles northwest of Selfridge in 1916. In 1917 he married Ellis Sowles. He served in World War I, returning in 1919. He operated his farm for a short time and then moved into Selfridge where he operated a blacksmith shop. Mrs. McCay taught school in Selfridge. They had four children, Grace, George Jr., Charles and Patricia (deceased). They are now making their home in Lomita, Calif.

In 1945 Mr. Lund passed away, death being due to a heart attack. Mrs. Lund still resides on their farm east of Selfridge.

THE JOHN A. JOHNSON FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson with their three sons, Merrill, Cliffert, and Roy, moved from Halliday, N. Dak., to the Standing Rock Indian Reservation in the year 1916. Mr. Johnson, Merrill and Cliffert took adjoining homesteads between Selfridge and Ft. Yates. Merrill and Cliffert both served in World War I. Cliffert married Minnie Johnson at Battle Lake, Minnesota. Roy married Bedelia Umber, daughter of Dick Umber of Linton, N. Dak. In 1934 during the terrible drouth Cliffert and his father sold their cattle, and moved to the state of Washington; they were soon followed by Merrill and Roy. John Johnson passed away in 1943 and his wife in 1946. Merrill lives at St. Helens, Oregon; Roy, Ocean Lake, Oregon; and Cliffert, Puyallup, Wn.



Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson



Mr. and Mrs. Cliffert Johnson



THE LESTER LUND FAMILY

BACK ROW: Mrs. Lund, Robert, and Warren.
FRONT ROW: Roy, Audrey (Hart), Loretta (Arp) and Donald.

Mr. Lund.

Lester Lund was formerly of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He was a professional ball player in Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota and S. Dak. He came to this area in 1917. He met and married Bessie McCay, who was teaching school near Selfridge.



THE TED HEPPER FAMILY

BACK ROW: Freda, Teddie, Ernest, Lenora and Emma. FRONT ROW: Mr. and Mrs. Hepper and Viola.

Ted Hepper came to Selfridge in the year 1919. In 1936 they moved to Meridian, Idaho. Mr. Hepper passed away at Meridian. Mrs. Hepper still makes her home there.



MR. AND MRS. OLAF
SANDLAND



Lormer and Lola

The Sandland family came to this area in 1917. They lived east of Selfridge in the brakes. Later they moved about 9 miles southeast of town where they built a beautiful farm home. This place is now occupied by their son, Lormer. Mr. and Mrs. Sandland and Lola have passed away. Interment was made in the McLaughlin Cemetery.



MR. AND MRS.
PHILIP SCHWARTZ

Mr. Schwartz was a building contractor. Having lived here in the early days, he contracted and built many of the homes and buildings in and around the community. The Schwartzes have five children: Walter, Ina, Sidney,

Mable and Lillian. They are now making their home at Portland, Oregon.

The John Frank family were early settlers in this area. They built a home southwest of town. Due to the depression during the thirties, they decided to leave and go to California.



John Franks . . . California Bound. The sadness of leaving a home. The George Walker Sr. and Berndt family bidding them good-bye.



William Pamplin, Civil War Veteran. Mr. Pamplin was born in West Virginia, July 14, 1844. He came to the Dakota Territory, as it was known then, as a young man in the Government services. After getting married he took up a claim northwest of Selfridge.

The only living daughters are Mrs. John Melvin, Mrs. Robert Goodreau and Mrs. Charles McLaughlin. Since Mr. Pamplin homesteaded north of Selfridge and near several ranges of hills, people readily took to the fancy of naming the hills for the old soldier, and they stand today, as they will for many years to come, as the "Pamplin Hills." The township in which is farm was located was organized at the home of F. W. Petchell and called the "Pamplin Township" in honor of the old pioneer of this section. He was known by many as "Uncle Bill." Mr. Pamplin passed away at Battle Mountain Sanitarium at Hot Springs, S. D., Oct. 26, 1931. Interment was made in the Black Hills Cemetery.



THE JOHN FRANK FAMILY

BACK ROW: Olga (Mrs. Erick Nietzel), Stockton, Calif; Mt. Frank (deceased) Robert, Sacramento, Calif.; Maletta (Mrs. Otto Berndt), Lodi, Calif. FRONT ROW: Hugo, Eureka, Calif.; Mrs. Frank and Bertha (Mrs. Herb Weigum), Lodi.

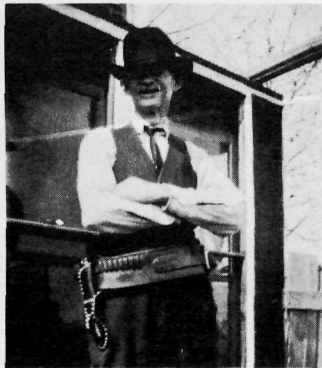


George McCay's
homestead shacks
- 1916

UNUSUAL CHARACTERS OF BYGONE DAYS

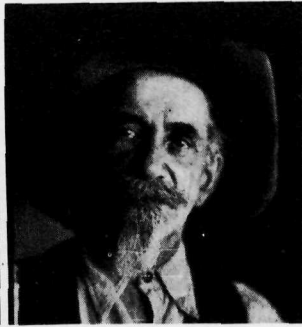


Maude Black



Ott Black

Two of the most colorful early day area characters were Clara (Mustache Maude) and Ott Black. Maude could handle a gun, a lasso rope or ride a horse as well as any man in this territory. In 1911 they moved on a homestead west of Selfridge. In 1921 the Blacks separated and Mrs. Black started a ranch north of Selfridge where she remained until her death Sept. 12, 1932, at the age of 59. Ott passed away in the year 1945. Before his passing he became almost totally blind. In his later years he wrote the book, "The End of the Long Horn Trail."



Turkey Track Bill and his wife.

Turkey Track Bill's real name was Wm. Mollash. He was French and Spanish. He and his family lived about 7 miles northwest of Selfridge. Frank Fisk once wrote, "There was never a more picturesque cowboy than this same Turkey Track." Upon leaving this community he moved to Fort Yates.



Homestead shack of D. C. Hinton

THE ALLEN CAIN FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Cain and family settled in Western Sioux County in 1915. After the death of Mrs. Allen Cain in 1926, Mr. Cain having preceded her in death, Jesse Cain, their son, with his family moved onto the old Cain place. In 1943 Jesse Cain and family moved 7 miles northwest of Selfridge on the Teeter place. In 1950 when their home was destroyed by fire they moved to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. They had a family of ten. Mr. Cain passed away at Coeur d'Alene. Interment was made there.

THE HOWARD ROSS FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Ross came to Selfridge in 1920. Mr. Ross worked in the Citizen State Bank and later in the Selfridge Motor Co., of which he was part owner. They have one daughter, Donna (Heisler), Mandan, N. Dak. Mr. Ross, along with Mrs. Nagel and others, was very active in the musical activities of the community. They were called many times to sing at funerals and social gatherings. The Rosses now reside at Mandan, N. Dak.

M. J. REICHERT



Mat Reichert came to Selfridge in 1924. He was employed by the Citizens State Bank until the bank was sold to Mr. Ordway. The Reicherts have three children, Francis, Alice Jean, and Charles. The Reicherts now make their home at Mandan, N. Dak.

MR. AND MRS. BROCKOFF



Mr. Brockoff came to Selfridge in the year 1920 to take over the duties of the depot agent. He remained here up to the time of his death. Mrs. Brockoff later moved to Portland, Oregon, to make her home with her daughter. She passed away at Portland.



ALFRED HERFINDAHL FAMILY

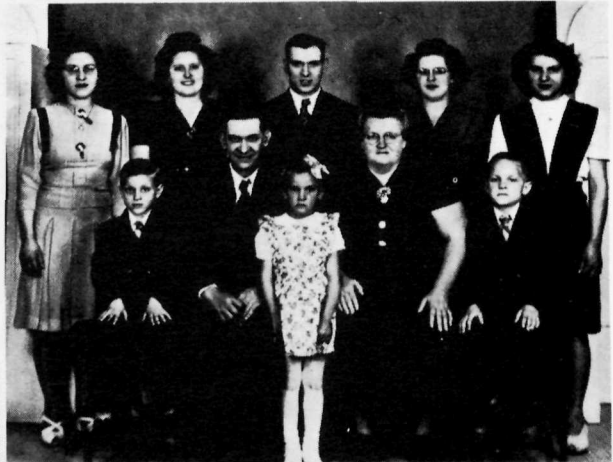
The Herfindahls came to Selfridge in 1927. While here Alfred was manager of the Farmers Union Oil Company. He also operated a Cafe and Bar. Eight children were born to this union. They are pictured from left to right, TOP ROW: Jerome, Darlene, Alfred, Jr., Roger, Evonne, and Beverly. Cheryl on Alfred's lap, and Jon on Mrs. Herfindahl's lap. The family left Selfridge in 1937 moving to Battle Lake, Minnesota.



MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH JOCHIM, SR.

Mr. and Mrs. Jochim were married at Strasburg, North Dakota, on July 5, 1904. The above picture was taken on their Golden Wedding Anniversary on July 5, 1954. They moved to Selfridge in 1929 to a farm two miles east of Selfridge. In 1936 they moved to Sacramento, California, where they are now retired. The

Jochims have eight children. They are George of Bismarck; Mrs. Roy (Elizabeth) Schriener, Robbins, Calif.; Mrs. John (Dorothy) Unser, Benecia, Calif.; Joseph Jr. and Sebastian of Rio Linda, Calif.; Mrs. Tony (Genevieve) Marques, Sacramento; Mrs. John (Josephine) Bolen, Woodland, Calif., and Mrs. R. E. (Rose) Ratikin of Salina, California.



JOHN BOEHM FAMILY

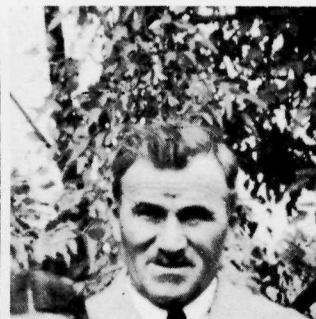
John Boehm was married to the former Veronica Schaff at Odense, N. Dak., in 1920. They moved to Selfridge in 1929. Pictured BACK ROW, left to right: Mrs. Glenn (Monica) Finck; Mrs. Adam (Katie) Boehm; Joe L. Boehm; Mrs. Thomas (Pauline) Wetsch, and Mrs. Connie (Maggie) Boehm, all of Mandan, N. Dak. FRONT ROW, left to right: Peter in Germany; Mr. Boehm; Mrs. Robert (Delores) Theilke, Lincoln, Neb.; Mrs. Boehm; Henry of Valley City, N. Dak. Peter and Henry are twins. The Boehm family left Selfridge in 1937. Mrs. Boehm passed away in 1953 and Mr. Boehm passed away in 1955.



AUGUST KIEMELE FAMILY

BACK ROW, left to right: Emil, Austin, Minnesota; Ted, Vancouver, Washington; Mr. Kiemele; Don, Modesto, California; Alvin, Mapleton, Oregon; Herman, Eugene, Oregon. FRONT ROW, left to right: Mrs. Edna Rosen, Sacramento, California; Mrs. Amanda Holwegner, McLaughlin, S. Dak.; Mrs. Kiemele; Mrs. Martha Henders, New England, N. Dak.; Mrs. Ruth Seastead, Turlock, Calif., and Mrs. Ann Riffle, San Francisco, California.

The Kiemele family moved to the Selfridge area in 1924. Mr. and Mrs. Kiemele are presently living in Turlock, California.



JOSEPH ANKNER FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ankner and their two oldest children came to Selfridge from Chicago, Ill., in September of 1917. Pictured above left to right, TOP ROW: Albert, Sturgis, S. Dak.; Thomas, Belle Fourche, S. Dak.; Elizabeth, Memphis, Tenn.; Adam (deceased). BOTTOM ROW, left to right: Mary, Santa Fe, New Mexico; Joseph, New Mexico; Helen, Denver, Colorado; Kathryn, Phoenix, Arizona. Pictured below, to the left: Cecilia, Newfields, N. H.; Phyllis, Phoenix, Arizona; and Mrs. Ankner. To the right is pictured Mr. Ankner. The Ankner home was located just southeast of the Catholic church. Here they lived until 1933 when they moved to Belle Fourche, South Dakota.



MIKE JOHNER FAMILY

Mike Johner was married to the former Eva Kraft at Strasburg, N. Dak., in 1919. They moved to Selfridge in 1926. Pictured above from left to right, BACK ROW: Mrs. Charles (Pauline) Fode, Vista, California; Frank and Peter of Selfridge; Mrs. Edward (Christine) Fode, Anaconda, Montana. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Henry (Ann) Fischer, Bismarck, N. Dak.; Mr. Johner holding Mrs. Jack (Rose) Dworshak, Billings, Mont.; Mrs. William (Katie) Deichert, Anaconda, Mont.; Mrs. Johner; Mrs. Richard (Wil-



ARSENIUS WUITSCHICK FAMILY

Arsenius Wuitschick was born in Russia in 1892. At the age of seven he came to the U. S. A. He married Magdalinna Richter of Zeeland, N. Dak., in 1913. They moved to a farm east of Selfridge in 1919. To this union thirteen children were born. Pictured BACK ROW: Oscar of Selfridge; Joe, Vancouver, Wash.; Katie (Mrs. Tony Bonogofski), Centralia, Wash.; Rose (Mrs. Florn Kraftt) of Selfridge; Margaret

(Mrs. William Weigel), Selfridge; Joan (Mrs. John Riehl) Carson; Carl, Tacoma, Wash.; Mr. Wuitschick; Andrew, Portland, Ore.; Maggie (Mrs. Bob Feist), St. Paul; Mrs. Wuitschick; Elizabeth (Mrs. James Kraft), Tacoma, Wash.; Arsenius, in the U. S. Navy; Wally of St. Paul. Mr. and Mrs. Wuitschick reside in Selfridge. The Wuitschicks have 70 grandchildren.



THE CARL WUITSCHICK FAMILY

Carl Wuitschick was born in Russia in 1863. He married Kathryn Volk in 1891. They came to America in 1899 and moved to Selfridge in 1920. Eight children were born to this couple. Pictured in BACK ROW: Arsenius and wife; Philomena (Mrs. Henry Menz); Thomas, who was killed in W.W. I. FRONT ROW: Lazarus of Selfridge; Ralph, Yakima; Mr. Wuitschick; Carl Jr., Yakima; Katie (Mrs. Therle Teeter); Mrs. Wuitschick; Rose (Mrs. Conrad Feist) of Selfridge. Mr. and Mrs. Wuitschick have both passed away.



Mr. and Mrs. Hepper. TOP: Olga (Mrs. Clyde), Norwalk, Calif.; Otto of Bismarck; Rose (Mrs. Fred Jundt), McLaughlin; Gladys (Mrs. H. Royse), Mandan; Clara (Mrs. R. McCreary), Ephrata, Wash.; Anna (Mrs. J. Grey), Bismarck; and Lorene of Bismarck.

Adolph Hepper was born near the Black Sea in Russia in 1888. He came to the U. S. A. in 1911. He married Lydia Oster of Java in 1917. They lived near Hettinger before coming to Selfridge in 1919. They moved to Bismarck where Mr. Hepper passed away. Mrs. Hepper still resides there.



Mr. and Mrs. Quinton Wingerter and Family



Francis, (Barret) and Leo, Casper, Wyo.



MR. AND MRS. FREDRICK JOHN KROSCH
 Fredrick John Krosch was born at Elmore, Minn., 1872. He was united in marriage to Elizabeth Archer Wood in the summer of 1900. Eleven children were born to this union, two died in infancy. Oscar was killed in action in World War II. They moved to the Selfridge vicinity in the fall of 1927, where they resided until their death. Mr. Krosch passed away in 1932 and Mrs. Krosch 1951.



Margaret (Mrs. D. J. Lauinger); Joe, Conrad and Pete, all of Selfridge.



Katie (Mrs. Heid), Walker, S. Dak.; Mary (deceased); Ann (Mrs. Robert Coyle), Selfridge; Antone (deceased).

Quinton Wingerter was born in Russia in 1884. He came to the United States in 1902. In 1907 he married Philomonia Glass. In 1921 they moved 7 miles west of Selfridge where they engaged in farming. In 1937 they purchased a home in Selfridge and moved into town. Mr. Wingerter passed away in 1955. Mrs. Wingerter makes her home in Selfridge.



THE FREDRICK KROSCH FAMILY
 BACK ROW: Victor and Mr. Krosch, Joe, Hayden Bailly, Cecilia, Mrs. Krosch and Leona.
 FRONT ROW: Oscar, Archer, Kate and Shirley.



MR. AND MRS. HAYDEN BAILLY

Hayden Clyde Bailly was born May 5, 1890, near Sisseton, S. Dak. He served in World

War I, receiving an honorable discharge from the Army Oct. 12, 1919. In 1922 he and Cecilia Krosch were united in marriage. They moved to the Shields territory where they lived until 1928 when they moved here. They first lived on the Frank Parsons place, later purchasing the Bill Gayton place where they now reside.



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MR. AND MRS. CHARLES ARNDT

Mr. and Mrs. Arndt came to Selfridge in 1924 and farmed west of town. Seven children were born to this union, Arnold, Hank, Charlie, Jessie, Sophie and Ed. One deceased.



THE MATT MANOLOVITZ FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Manolovitz came to the United States from Hungary in 1912. They moved to Selfridge in 1921 where Mr. Manolovitz was in the blacksmith business for many years. Pictured are: Mr. and Mrs. Manolovitz and their eleven children. BACK ROW, left to

right: Matt and Paul. MIDDLE ROW: Adam, Eva, Pete, Katie, Frank, Anna and Ferdinand. FRONT ROW: Lorraine and Delores. The Manolovitzes moved to Solen in 1930, then to Bismarck in 1948, where they retired. Both are deceased.



JOHN KLEIN FAMILY

John Klein was born in Russia in 1892, coming to the United States in 1909. He married Theresa Fischer at Strasburg in 1919. They moved to Selfridge in 1924. Their eight children are pictured left to right: Maggie (Mrs. Jim Rice), Van Buren, Arkansas; Andy, Selfridge; Frances of Mandan; Mrs. Klein holding Tony; Katherine (Mrs. Bernard Traxinger), McLaughlin; Adam (deceased); Mr. Klein; Joe of Fort Yates; and Leocadia (Mrs. Egiedy Kelsch), Flasher. Mrs. Klein passed away in 1960. Mr. Klein makes his home in Selfridge where he is retired.



KORBY KAHL FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Korby Kahl were married in 1917 at Strasburg, N. Dak. They moved to Selfridge in March, 1926, building a farm 5 1/2 miles northeast of town. The farm is now owned by the Jack J. Kraft family. The family moved to Billings, Mont., and from there to Yakima, Wash., in 1941. Pictured above are Mr. and Mrs. Kahl and their son, Joseph. Children not pictured are: Irene, Cecilia, Rose, Kathryn, Isabel, Kenneth, Mary Ann, and Patricia. One son, Anton, was killed during World War II on Iwo Jima March 8, 1945. Mr. Kahl passed away April, 1961. Mrs. Kahl lives at Yakima.



ANTON FEIST SR. FAMILY

Anton Feist Sr. was born Nov. 1, 1873, in Russia. He married Frances Volk in 1898. In 1901 they came to the United States locating in Strasburg, N. Dak. The family moved to Sioux County in 1921. Pictured in the BACK ROW left to right: Conrad and John. FRONT ROW: Katie (Mrs. John Merck), Lizzie (Mrs.

Ralph Wuitschick), Mr. Feist, Frances (Mrs. Carl Wuitschick), Mrs. Feist holding Peter, and Mary Eva (Mrs. Casper Bonogofski). Not pictured are Anton Jr. and Daniel. The Feists farmed for many years in the Selfridge area. Mr. and Mrs. Feist have both passed away.



AUGUST FEIST FAMILY

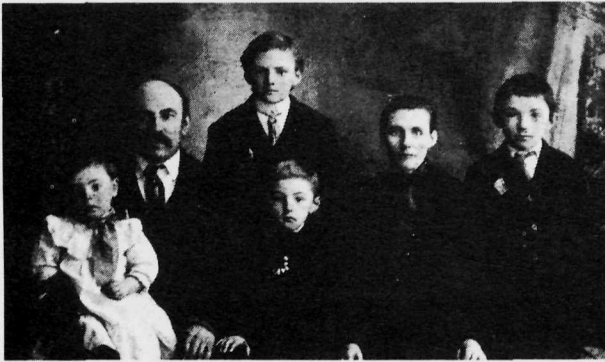
August Feist was born in Russia. He came to the United States in 1903 and was married to Elizabeth Heller in 1911. Their children are Mike, Mary (Mrs. Pete Schuh) of Grand Forks and Balzer of Selfridge. Mr. Feist is presently living in Pontiac, Michigan. Mrs. Feist passed away in 1911.



MR. AND MRS. SNYDER

They had three small children, Harald, Wayne and Opal (Mrs. Chester Kinsey). They lived in the Raleigh, North Dakota, area until 1925, when they moved 14 miles southwest of Selfridge. His son Wayne and family are residing on this farm now. His son Harald lives in Mandan, N. Dak. Mr. Snyder passed away in 1932.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snyder left Wayne, Neb., in the spring of 1906 for North Dakota by covered wagon. Mrs. Snyder became seriously ill after three days travel and was taken back to Wayne, Neb., by train where she passed away.



JOE MERCK FAMILY

Joe, Mr. Merck, Tosie, Mrs. Merck; John; Tony in the back.

Joe Merck was born in Russia in 1864. He served in the Russian Army for several years. He married Gunda Glas. They lived in Canada until 1918, when they came to the United States. They lived in Superior, Wis., until 1921 when they came to Selfridge. Fourteen children were born to this union, nine of which died in infancy. Mrs. Merck passed away in 1928 and Mr. Merck passed away in 1956 at the age of 92. Three sons survive, John of Rapid City, Tony of Regina, Can., and Tosie of Selfridge.



William Kortum was born in Iowa in 1886. He married Ida Dybing in Bagley, Minn., in June, 1914, and came to Shields the same month. They lived there until 1928 when they moved north of Selfridge. They left for Kalispell, Mont., in 1935, where they still reside.



THE FRANK DILLMAN FAMILY

Ed of Walker; Joe of Selfridge; Pete of Walker; Sister Scholastica; Simon of Selfridge; Jack of Solen; Tony of Lead, S. Dak.; Mr. Dillman and Leo of Selfridge; Betty, Mrs. Dillman and Frank of Raleigh, N. Dak.

Frank Dillman was born in Russia in 1895 and came to the United States in 1915. He married Elizabeth Leingang of St. Anthony in 1919. They came to Selfridge in 1925 and settled on a farm southwest of town. They had ten children. Betty was killed in a car accident in 1952 and Mr. Dillman passed away Oct. 20, 1960.



James Hallam was born on Sept. 24, 1888, in Oshkosh, Wis. He came to Selfridge in 1923 where for 25 years he was manager of Western Lumber & Grain Co. During his years in Selfridge he served as mayor for 14 years and also as a member of the town board. He was a member of the Armed Forces in World War I. Jim is now retired and living in Selfridge.



JOSEPH KRAFT FAMILY

Joseph Kraft was born in Bada, Odessa, Russia, in 1883, and Elizabeth Hepfner was also born there October 9, 1887. They were married in 1908 and came to America in the year 1909. First settling in Strasburg, N. Dak. They also lived in Napoleon and Kintyre before moving to Selfridge in 1929. Nine children were born to this union. Pictured left to

right are: Mr. and Mrs. Kraft; Jack J., Selfridge; Barbara, Billings, Montana; Casper, Solen; Florn, Selfridge; Mrs. John (Ann) Gotski and Mike of Great Falls, Montana. Joe of Selfridge; Anton, Shields; and Helen. Mr. Kraft passed away in 1936. Mrs. Kraft is presently living at Bismarck, N. Dak.



HENRY GEIGLE FAMILY

Henry Geigle was born in Java, South Dakota, in 1903. In the year 1926 he was married to Lydia Kunz. They came to Selfridge in 1927, settling on a farm southwest of town and raising their family of fourteen children. Pictured left to right, BACK ROW: Lorraine, Iery, Herbert and Gilbert. THIRD ROW:

Violet, Elizabeth, Alvina, Richard, and Irene. SECOND ROW: Elsie, Deloris, and Mae. FIRST ROW: Ervin, Mr. Geigle, Mrs. Geigle and Darlene. Most of the Geigle children are now married. Mr. and Mrs. Geigle continue to live on their farm and are carrying on their farming operations.



JOHN R. KRAFT FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Kraft came to Selfridge in 1922 from Hosmer, S. Dak. They farmed south of Selfridge. Eleven children were born to them. Two passed away in infancy. Pictured left to right, BACK ROW: Ray, Solen; James, Tacoma; Mike, Selfridge. MIDDLE ROW: Mrs. Kraft; Sylvester, Plattsmouth, Nebraska; Tom, California; and Mr. Kraft. FRONT ROW: Johnny, Bismarck; Helen (Mrs. Fred Loeve), Tacoma, Washington; Rose (Mrs. Dan Laintz), Selfridge; Joey, Tacoma, Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Kraft are retired and are residing at Bismarck, North Dakota.



RUDOLPH HEPPER FAMILY

Rudolph Hepper was born in 1894 in Russia. He served in the Russian Army and was taken prisoner by the Turkish Army. After being released from prison he came to America, coming to Selfridge in 1923. Married Rose Mattis of Hettinger in 1925. They have ten children. Left to right, BACK ROW: Rudolph Jr., Adolph, Calvin, Willie. MIDDLE ROW: Emma, Harold, Norma. FRONT ROW: Alvin, Mr. Hepper, Mrs. Hepper, Ronald and Stanley.



TED BACHMEIER FAMILY

Ted Bachmeier was born in Emmons County in 1902. Coming to Selfridge in 1921. He married the former Gladys Bergan, in 1937. They are the parents of three children. Pictured left to right, BACK ROW: Mrs. Bachmeier, Mr. Bachmeier. FRONT ROW: Mark, Julie Ann (Mrs. Tony Klein), and Gary. Ted is the manager of the Merchant Lumber and Implement Company.



ALEXANDER OSTER FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Oster, Clara (Mrs. Frayne Nelson) Rapid City; Emma (Mrs. Marvin Bitz) Rapid City; Elsie of Selfridge; Freda (Mrs. Lyle Lambert), Maggie (Mrs. Dick Hlavinka) McIntosh; Olga (Mrs. Ray Nelson), Moberge; Herman, Selfridge; Ida (Mrs. Ed. Moser) McIntosh; Lorraine, Bernice (Mrs. Oscar Lemely) Moberge.

Alexander Oster was born in 1898 at Java, S. Dak. He married Amelia Pfizerin 1921. They came to Selfridge in 1925. Mr. Oster farmed, was rural mail carrier and worked for the Farmers and G. T. A. Elevators. He was seriously injured in a car accident and died as a result of the injuries. His daughter Lorraine was killed in the accident. Mrs. Oster resides at Selfridge.



CARL OSTER FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Oster, Harold, Raymond, Herbert, Gerald, Erwin, Carl Jr., and Betty Jean.

The Osters came to Selfridge from Java, S. Dak., where Carl was born in 1902 and Tillie in 1903. Mr. Oster married the former Tillie Lorenz in 1922. The Oster family reside in Selfridge. Their son Harvey passed away several years ago.



HENRY SCHAEFBAUER, pictured at the left, came to Selfridge in 1922 from Herreid, S. Dak., where he was born March 2, 1894. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Schaeffbauer. He farmed in the Selfridge area until his death Nov. 2, 1957. He died as a result of a car accident. During World War II, he worked in the shipyards in Portland, Oregon, and the wheat fields in the state of Washington. He returned to Selfridge after the war to continue his farming.



MR. AND MRS. E. E. YOUMANS, pictured at the left. The Youmans came to Selfridge in 1924 from Brisbane, North Dakota. Three years later Mrs. Youman passed away. She was the former Emma Brockoff, from Reeds, Minnesota. They were married in 1900. One son, George, was born to them. Mr. Youman is now deceased.



FELIX SILBERNAGEL FAMILY

Felix Silbernagel was born in Emmons County in 1901. He moved with his family to Selfridge in 1925. Their children are Maggie, Ann, Eugina, Mary, Lena, Leo, Valerie, Eddie,

Lillian, Jolenta, Arlene, and Robert. The family returned to Emmons County, later moving to Bismarck where Mr. Silbernagel passed away. Mrs. Silbernagel continues to live there.



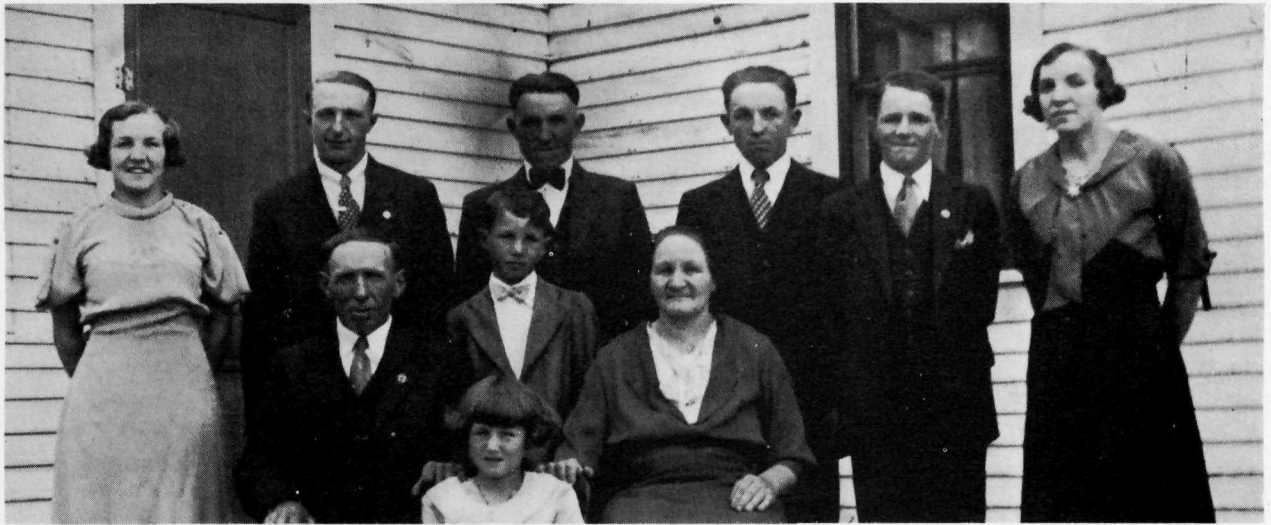
ZACHEUS BRAUN FAMILY

Zacheus Braun was born in 1898 in Russia. In 1903 he came to the United States with his parents, settling near Strasburg. He married Katherine Mosset in February of 1925 at Grassna. They farmed near Linton until 1929 when they moved to Selfridge to a farm southwest of town. Ten children were born to this union. Bernard, Lawrence, and Johnny in the back row. SECOND ROW: (left to right) Mr. and Mrs. Braun; Mrs. Max (Barbara) Feist; Mrs. Pete (Anna) Berger; Mrs. Ben (Elizabeth) Flemmer; Mrs. Pete (Tillie) Landeis; Mrs. O. H. (Regina) Kline; Mrs. John (Theresa) Dressler; and Mrs. Vernon (Katie) Bauer. Mr. Braun passed away in 1960.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN QUINN

The Quinns came to Selfridge from Shields in 1923. They lived 5 miles west of town for ten years. Moving to Bismarck in 1933, where Mr. Quinn served as Fire Marshall for four years. Mr. Quinn was born in 1871 and Mrs. Quinn in 1882. The couple has an adopted son, Dexter, who is pictured to the right of his parents. Dester now lives at Salt Lake City, Utah. Mr. and Mrs. Quinn had been living at the Baptist Old Peoples Home for the Aged, where Mr. Quinn passed away in April, 1961. Mrs. Quinn still continues to live there. She had worked for many years at the Lucas Lunch Room in Bismarck, North Dakota.



ANTON J. KRAFT, SR. FAMILY

Pictured, BACK ROW, left to right: Mrs. Joe (Eva) Volk, Jacob, Tony, John, Andrew, Mrs. Mike (Elizabeth) Froelich, Mr. Kraft, Louie, Mrs. Kraft. In front: Mrs. Joe (Maggie) Dillman.

Anton Kraft and Walburga Schuck were married in Russia, September 9, 1909. They came to America, November 11, 1909. In February, 1921, they moved to a farm southeast of Selfridge. They retired in 1943 and moved to Selfridge where they still reside. Mrs. Joe Volk passed away in 1958, John in 1953 and an infant son in 1917.



PETER J. KRAFT, SR. FAMILY

Mr. Kraft came to America from Russia in 1909 at the age of fourteen. Mrs. Kraft came with her parents at the age of six in 1905. Peter Kraft and Pauline Jochim were married in Emmons County in 1919. In the fall of 1923 they moved to Sioux County, living on a farm southeast of Selfridge until 1927. Later moving 5 miles northeast of town where they continued to live until 1956 when they moved into town after retiring. Their family is pictured BACK ROW, left to right: Joe, Selfridge; Mrs. Harlen (Walborg) Kjos, California; Mrs. Oscar (Fannie) Wuitschick, Mrs. Joe (Theresa) Mosset, and John all of Selfridge; Mr. Kraft; Matt, Bismarck; Mrs. Kraft; and Pete, Selfridge. All the children are married.



GEORGE VOLLMUTH

Mr. Vollmuth was born in Seitzleben, Bavaria, Germany in 1883. In 1914 he came to the United States and in 1915 to Selfridge where he began farming five miles southeast of town. He never married. In September, 1944, this pioneer farmer died as a result of an accident while threshing at his farm.



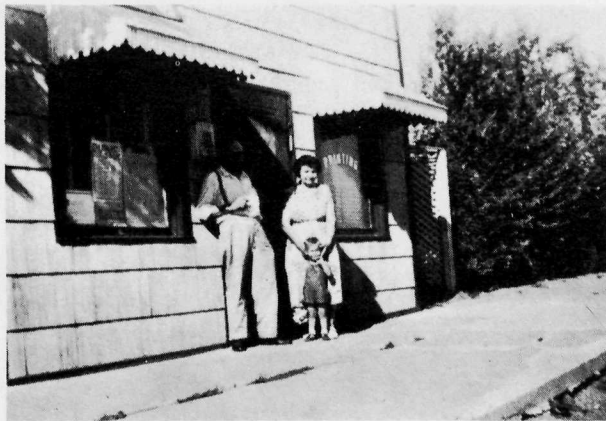
LEROY E. WILSON

Mr. Wilson was born in 1875 at Ripen, Wisconsin. He was the eldest of four sons of Chancy Wilson and Emma Farrington; who was a granddaughter of General Putman Farrington who served under General Washington during the Revolutionary War. Mr. Wilson came to the Selfridge territory in 1916 going into the ranching business. He served ten years as Sioux County Auditor. He passed away in 1959.



THE GEORGE WALKER, SR. FAMILY

George Walker, Sr. was born in Wilhelmstahl, South Russia in 1893. In 1914 he married Rosina Goehring, who was also born in South Russia in 1894. They came to America settling in the Braddock, N. Dak., area until 1917 when they moved to a farm west of Selfridge. Their six children are pictured left to right, BACK ROW: George, Jr., and Christ of Selfridge, Mrs. Robert (Maletta) Lanter, Portland; Mrs. Adolph (Rose) Hammon, Philip, and Sam all of Selfridge, Mr. and Mrs. Walker are seated. Mrs. Walker passed away in Stockton, California, in 1957. Mr. Walker is presently residing at Tuolumme, California.



MR. AND MRS. J. BERNARD SMITH and grandson, Loran, taken in front of Journal Office in 1956.



Phyllis, (Mrs. Gerald Casper) antelope hunting in the Beach area.



James Smith in Garnisch, Germany. He served in the 7th Army Ski Team in 1952.

Mr. Smith was born at Rolfe, Iowa, July 12, 1899. He came to the Dakotas in 1917. He was employed by the Fort Yates Pioneer Arrow, McLaughlin Messenger, and McIntosh News. In 1921 he purchased the Selfridge Journal, and in 1938 he purchased the Fort Yates Pioneer Arrow. He was editor of both papers until his death, January, 1957. Mr. Smith was appointed State Printer in 1940, U.S. commissioner in 1945, named editor of the north Dakota Leader in 1946. He served as secretary of the Sioux County Republican Committee for many years, also served as Clerk of the Village and the Selfridge School district, County Coroner, Justice of Peace, and was a member of the Sioux County Welfare Board.

The Sioux Indians adopted Mr. Smith into their tribe. He was given the name Cetan Watapke - which means Charging Hawk.

He married Lillian Heyatt of Marion, South Dakota, November 9, 1928. The Smiths have two children, James, Meyers, Calif.; and Phyllis (Mrs. Gerald Casper) Mankato, Minnesota.



FRONT ROW: Evangeline, (Mrs. LeRoy Yineman) Minot, N. Dak.; Mr. Silbernagel, holding Joe Jr.; Mrs. Silbernagel, holding Rose Marie, (Mrs. Thomas Schmidt) Tacoma, Washington; Frank and Leo of Selfridge.

Joe Silbernagel was born in Emmons County in 1899. In 1925 he married Magdalena Kuntz. They came to Selfridge in 1926 and settled on a farm where they still reside. They have 8 children.



AUGUST DIRK FAMILY

August Dirk and Legoda Bachmeier were married in 1919. They moved to the Selfridge area from Strasburg in 1920. Three daughters were born to them. Mrs. Nick (Marian) Becker, Marshfield, Wisconsin; Mrs. Kenneth (Faustina) Chandler, Widdo, California; and Mrs. Jack (Legoda) Weigel of Marshfield, Wisconsin. The Dirks moved to Bismarck in 1936 and are now retired.

follows: Mrs. Emil A. (Cherry) Giese, Hettinger, N. Dak.; Mrs. F. T. (Grace) Nicoletti, Kensington, Maryland; Mrs. D. L. (Beatrice) Milliken, East Pakistan; and Mrs. H. B. (Jane) Arundale, Hadden Heights, New Jersey. Pictured from left to right: Mr. Johnson, Beatrice, Jane, Cherry, Grace and Mrs. Johnson.



MAX LAINTZ FAMILY

Max Laintz and Benigna Gross were married September 9, 1908. They came to Strasburg, N. Dak., from Krassna, Russia. From there they moved to Brisbane and in 1921 to Selfridge. They farmed five miles west of town. Six children were born to this couple. Pictured from left to right are: Mr. Laintz, Mrs. Jake (Katie) Jochim, Selfridge; Sister M. Daniel (Dorothy); Jake Jochim (son-in-law); Mrs. Laintz; Mrs. John (Hilda) Mathern, Solen; Daniel, Selfridge; Adam, Washington; and Mrs. Lawrence (Eva) Kelsch, Selfridge. Mrs. Laintz is living in Selfridge. Mr. Laintz passed away several years ago.



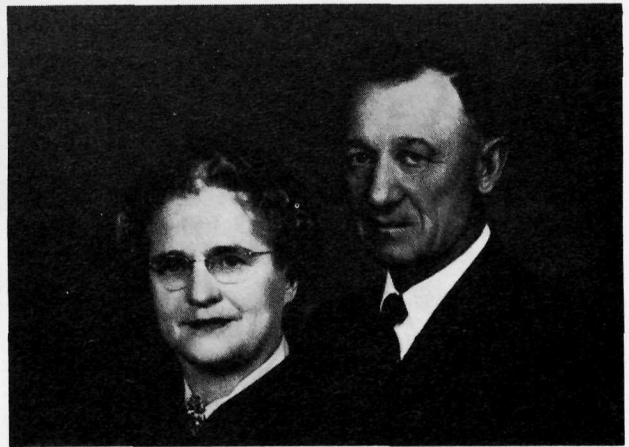
EDWARD S. JOHNSON FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Johnson and four daughters moved to Selfridge from Solen in 1920. Mr. Johnson was appointed the first States Attorney of Sioux County when the county was organized. He also practiced law and had his first law office in the Selfridge Journal printing shop. They moved to Carson in 1925 where Mr. Johnson passed away in 1931. Mrs. Johnson passed away in Boston in 1960. Their daughters are as



CONRAD ELTER FAMILY

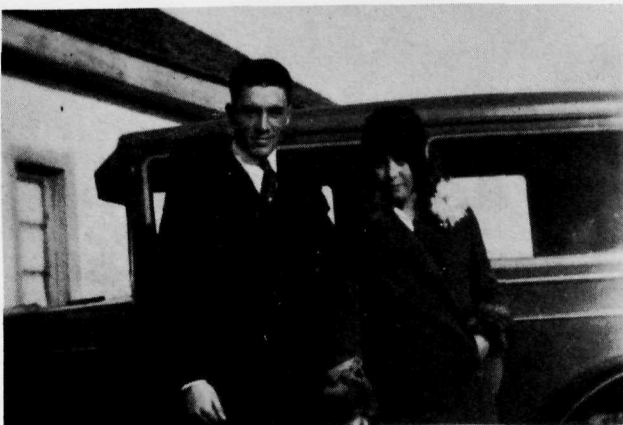
Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Elter were married in Flasher in 1927, and moved to Selfridge in 1929. They purchased the Standard Oil Station from Carl Ellingson in 1930, which they operated for about ten years. They also bought cream from the farmers. During the depression they moved to Bismarck where Mr. Elter worked as a machinist until his death in 1952. Their children are: Mrs. Don (Helen) Ehrmantraut, Bismarck; Mrs. Edward (Josephine) Deitz, Grafton; Herbert Elter, Mohall; Mrs. Richard (Theresa) Tokach, St. Anthony; Mrs. Clarence (Rosemary) Schmidt; Mrs. Harold (Elizabeth) Garnier and Rita Elter all of Bismarck. A son died in infancy.



THE MATT WEIGEL FAMILY

Matt Weigel and Veronica Miller were born and raised at St. Anthony, N. Dak. On February 16, 1916, they were married and seven children were born. They are: Rebecca, (Mrs. Frank Volk) Homedale, Idaho; Marie, (Mrs. Everett Lloyd) Van Meter, Iowa; Elizabeth, (Mrs. Steve Engel) Mandan; Adeline, (Mrs. James Marchesuni) Tacoma, Washington; Margaret (Mrs. Clarence Hanna) Denver, Colorado; Charles, Cupertino, California; William, Selfridge.

In 1928 the Weigel family moved 5 miles north of Selfridge. They were engaged in farming and for many years they delivered milk to the residents of Selfridge. Mrs. Weigel passed away in 1956.



MR. AND MRS. STANLEY FROELICH

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Froelich moved to Selfridge in 1929. They lived on a farm west of Selfridge. Their three children are: Lorraine, Albert and Stanley.



FRANK RIPPLINGER FAMILY

Frank Ripplinger was born in Russia on November 30, 1880. He came to Canada from Russia, and in the year 1913 he moved with his family to Emmons County. In 1920 he moved to Selfridge Community, where he farmed. In 1949 he went to Tacoma, Washington, living there until he passed away in 1958. His wife, the former Caroline Richter, was born in Germany in 1880 and passed away in 1948. Pictured are: Mrs. Joe (Philomena) Bonogofski, Tacoma; Mr. Ripplinger; Fred, Mandan; Alex, Flasher; Mrs. Ripplinger; and Mrs. George (Magdalena) Mackove, of Valley City. The children not pictured are: Mrs. Mary Kuntz, Los Angeles, California; Pete of Mandan; Mrs. Roy (Emma) Dietrich and Nick both of Tacoma. Mrs. Casper (Margaret) Steckler who is deceased.



FERDINAND MOSSET FAMILY

Mr. Mosset came to America from Odessa, Russia, in 1905 at the age of 20. Mrs. Mosset came to America in 1908. Ferdinand married Magdalena Richter in Emmons County in 1910. In 1920 they came to Selfridge and moved to a farm six miles west of town. Their children are BACK ROW, left to right: Mrs. Florian (Regina) Berger; Mrs. John J. (Maggie) Kraft; Mrs. Mike (Martina) Waliser; John; Mrs. Jake (Anna) Schneider; Joe; Mrs. Ralph (Theresa) Berger; and Mrs. John (Caroline) Fleck. Mr. Mosset is seated. Mrs. Mosset passed away in 1941. Mr. Mosset is retired and lives in Selfridge.



Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Mosset



MR. AND MRS. ANTON MOSSET

This couple came to the Selfridge community in 1924 from Linton. They farmed south of Selfridge for three years and in 1927 again returned to Linton, North Dakota. Both Mr. and Mrs. Mosset have passed away.



MIKE ABERLE FAMILY

The Aberle family moved to Selfridge in October of 1921 from Hague, N. Dak. Mr. Aberle opened a butcher shop in Selfridge in 1922 and operated it until 1925. He then went into partnership with Mr. Howard Ross and Mr. I. T. Krois in the garage business. After four years he returned to farming. And in 1931 the family moved to Belle Fourche, S. Dak., where Mr. Aberle passed away and Mrs. Aberle continues to live.



JOSEPH BLOTSKE FAMILY

On January 1, 1889, Joseph Blotske was born in Russia. He came to America at the age of 21. Theresa Jochim was also born in Russia on August 16, 1895. She came to America with her parents at the age of nine. Joseph and Theresa were married in Strasburg December 9, 1913. They moved to a farm

three and one-half miles north of Selfridge in 1920. Their home was a two room log house. To this union were born five sons and four daughters. They are pictured BACK ROW, left to right: Ferdinand, Frank, and Mrs. Jack J. (Rose) Kraft, all of Selfridge; Pete, who passed away in Detroit in 1957. FRONT ROW: Mrs. A. K. (Ann) Bruner, Carson, N. D.; Mr. Blotske; John of Selfridge; Jack, Detroit; Mrs. Blotske and Mrs. George (Dorothy) Vetter, Selfridge. A daughter, Theresa, passed away in infancy. Mr. Blotske died in 1948. Mrs. Blotske continues to make her home in Selfridge.



JACOB KRAFT FAMILY

Jacob Kraft and Barbara Haas were both born in Russia. They came to America in 1909, and to Selfridge in 1921. Their three living children are Anton Sr., Peter, Sr. of Selfridge, and Mrs. Mike (Eva) Jahner, Bismarck. A son Joseph passed away in 1936. Peter and Eva are pictured with their parents. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kraft lived in the house where their grandson John Kraft and his family now reside. Mr. Kraft passed away in 1927 and Mrs. Kraft lived to be past 90 years of age at the time of her death.



MR. AND MRS. LORENZ MOSSET

Lorenz Mosset was born in 1876 at Strassburg, Germany. He came to America in 1896. In 1900 he married Regina Gessinger at Linton. The family moved to Selfridge in 1926. The eight children born to this union were: Katie, Anna, Anton, Stanley, Mary, Theresa and John who passed away in 1949. Mr. Mosset died in 1940. Mrs. Mosset lives in Selfridge. One son, Lorenz, lives on the family farm west of Selfridge.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN J. MERCK

John Merck emigrated from Canada to the United States in 1919, with his parents. He married Katie Feist in 1923. They lived on a farm until 1926 when Mr. Merck and John Feist purchased the Meat Market from the Hepper Brothers. This was sold later to Albert Merchant and they again returned to farming. In 1938 the family moved to Sykeston, N. Dak., and in 1959 to Rapid City, S. Dak., where they are presently operating the Knotty Pine Motel. The Mercks have ten children.



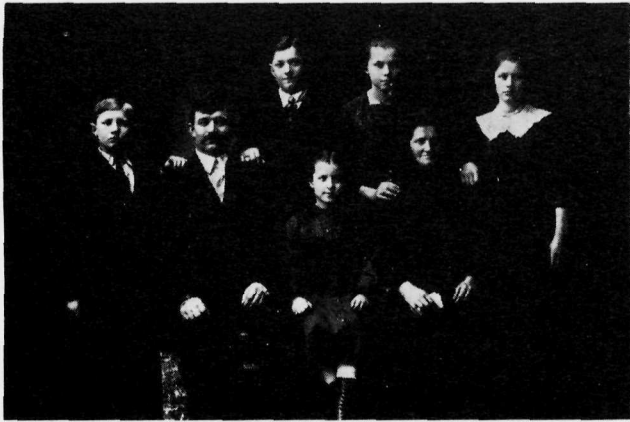
JOHN MOSSET FAMILY

The John Mosset family moved to a farm one mile south of Selfridge in 1922. From here they moved to the Black Hills, and later to the state of Washington where Mr. Mosset passed away. Mrs. Mosset is still living. Mr. John Mosset was a brother to Lorenz and Ferdinand Mosset.



MR. AND MRS. ANTON DRESSLER

Anton Dressler married the former Katie Elter. They had three children: Richard, Edmond, and Albina. Mr. Dressler operated a Blacksmith Shop in Selfridge for several years. The family moved to Tacoma, where Mr. Dressler passed away in 1947.



THE JOHN WEISMAN FAMILY

FRONT ROW: Peter, St. Paul; Mr. Weisman; Eva (Mrs. John Hedavare), St. Paul; Mrs. Weisman; Lena (Mrs. Al Plucca) Calif.; In back, twins, John, St. Paul and Katie (Mrs. John Drexler) Florida.

John Weisman was born in Hungary in 1877. He came to the U.S.A. in 1902. He married Marie Wehener in 1903 in Lefor, N. Dak. Five children were born to this couple. They came to Selfridge in 1921. They built up a new farm six miles northwest of town and after selling this place they built up another new farm three miles west of Selfridge in 1924. Mrs. Weisman died in 1928. Mr. Weisman remarried. He retired in 1945 and lived in Selfridge until his death in 1947.



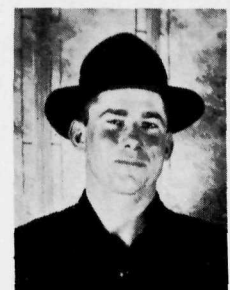
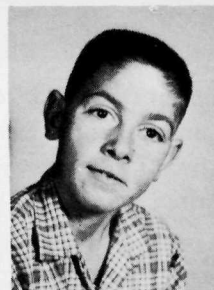
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jochim, above, and their children to the right: Casimir, Pete, Joe, Stanley, Oscar, Hedwig, and Val.



MR. AND MRS. GABERIAL BONOFOFSKY

Gaberial Bonogofsky was born in Russia in 1888. He married Amelia Wolf. They came to the U.S.A. in 1906. They lived in Strasburg, N. Dak., until they moved to Selfridge in 1922. They had eight children, Steve and John of Selfridge; Roy and Tony of Centralia, Wash.; Joe, Tacoma, Wash.; Dorothy (Mrs. Dennis Bachmeier) died in 1941. Mr. Bonogofsky died in 1957. Mrs. Bonogofsky resides in Selfridge.

Joe Jochim was born in Russia in 1895. He came to the U.S.A. in 1914. He married Eva Schwartzenburg of Linton in 1927, farmed until 1957 when they moved to Selfridge. They have seven children.





PHILIP BACHMEIER FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bachmeier were both born in Odessa, Russia. He served in the Russian Army for several years. He married Johanna Haider while in Russia. They came to Selfridge in 1927. They had ten children; Lucas, twins Max and Joe, Ben, Dennis, Edward, Philip, Philomena (Mrs. Steve Bonogofsky), Christine (Mrs. John Oster), Francis (Mrs. Sib Bonogofsky). Mrs. Bonogofsky passed away in 1933 and Mr. Bonogofsky in 1947.



JOHN MORGEN FAMILY

Left to right: Nickolas, Irene (Mrs. Elmer Arndt), Harry, Katherine (Mrs. Ermon Ewers), William, Agnes (Mrs. Louie Schumacher), Alfred, Eileen (Mrs. Richard Sandland).

John Morgen was born in 1872 at Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin. His parents moved to South Dakota when he was 12 years old. He married Nellie Fitch at Warner, South Dakota, in 1904; shortly after, they moved to Shields, North Dakota. They moved to a farm in Sioux County, west of Selfridge, in 1921. Mr. Morgen helped organize Walker School District and Pamplin Township and served on both boards until they moved to Selfridge in 1936, where they resided until their death.



WILLIAM WEILENMAN FAMILY

Left to right: Delores (Mrs. John Dirk), Mr. and Mrs. Weilenman, Clarence and Robert in front.

William Weilenman was born in Switzerland in 1898. He came to the United States at the age of fifteen. He came to North Dakota and worked for the N. P. Railroad in Fargo and Mandan. He married Eva Leingang at Mandan in 1923. Then they moved to Sioux County southwest of Selfridge, where they are still farming and ranching.



MR. AND MRS. A. W. THULIN AND VERA

The Thulin family came to Sioux County in 1917. They had three children, Doris, Vera, and Kenneth. Mr. Thulin passed away in 1950. Mrs. Thulin is 86 years old. She resides in Bismarck.



OSCAR LEWIS FAMILY

Mr. Lewis was born in Iowa in 1876. He married Maude Cook of Wayne, Nebraska, in 1904. They moved to Selfridge in 1924 where Mr. Lewis was section foreman. Five children were born to the Lewises. Pictured are, BACK ROW, left to right: Nettie (Mrs. Carl Brunning), Solen, N. Dak.; Almon, Jamestown, N. Dak.; Mr. Lewis; Gladys (Mrs. Otto Brunning), Tuolumne, Calif.; Mrs. Lewis. FRONT ROW: Richard in Calif.; and George, Riverdale, N. Dak. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis have both passed away.



JOHN BERTSCH FAMILY

John Bertsch was born in 1880 in Russia. Was married in 1903 to Selma Feist and came

to the United States in 1907. They settled near Grand Forks and farmed near Devil's Lake until 1923, when the family moved to the Selfridge area where they farmed until moving into Selfridge in 1929. Moving to Newell, S. Dak., in 1932 and returning to Selfridge in 1945. After residing here four years they moved to Belle Fourche, S. Dak., where Mr. Bertsch passed away in 1954. Mrs. Bertsch is still living. Eight children were born to this union. Andrew, Jake and Mary (Mrs. Leonard Beane) all of Belle Fourche; Pauline (Mrs. Andrew Sandland), Selfridge; Fannie (Mrs. Pete Anderson), Rapid City, S. Dak.; Agnes (Mrs. Christianson), California; Eva (Mrs. Howard Sandland), Fort Yates, N. Dak.; and Bertha (Mrs. Carl Dennis), Carlile, Wyo.



CARL SCHREINER FAMILY

Carl Schreiner and Nempha Dressler were married in 1911 in Strasburg, N. Dak. They moved to Selfridge in 1925. Their five children are AnnaMarie (Mrs. Mike Kraft); Margaret (Mrs. Balzer Feist), Selfridge; Viola (Mrs. Uhl Porter), Missouri; Nick of California; and Joe of Mandan, N. Dak. Mr. Schreiner passed away in 1948 and Mrs. Schreiner in 1953. Pictured are Mr. Schreiner, AnnaMarie and Mrs. Schreiner.



LAWRENCE ALEXANDER FAMILY

Left to right: Linda, Gary, Dale, Larry in the U. S. Navy, San Diego; Ann (Mrs. Larry Weitzel), McLaughlin, S. Dak. Seated are: Mr. and Mrs. Alexander.

Lawrence Alexander came to Selfridge from Mandan in 1928. He married Anna Engel in 1937 at Selfridge. They bought their farm southeast of town and have lived there since.



HERBERT SLATER FAMILY

Left to right: Minnie, Della, Stella, Mrs. Slater, Earl, Mr. Slater, Sylvia and Pearl.

The Herbert Slater family came from Pollock, S. Dak., in 1924. They settled on a ranch 16 miles east of Selfridge, and two years later purchased a farm 3 miles southeast of town. In 1938 they moved to Hope, N. D., and later to Oriska, N. Dak., where Earl now lives. Mr. and Mrs. Slater moved to Jamestown where they were both employed at the college. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 1, 1959. Mrs. Slater passed away September 8, 1960.



GEORGE SCHAEFFER FAMILY

TOP ROW, left to right: Donald, McLaughlin; Anton, Lead, S. Dak.; seated is Delores (Mrs. Verne Fiechtner) of Wichita, Kansas; Norma; Jeanette; and George, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Schaeffer are pictured below.

George Schaeffer came to Selfridge in 1926 from Sebastopol, California. He married Eva Engel of Selfridge in 1928. The Schaeffers are living on the Anton Engel farm north of Selfridge.



JAKE JOCHIM FAMILY

Left to right: Richard, Mrs. Jochim, Alvina (Mrs. Lloyd Dobbler); Art, Mr. Jochim, Leo, Dorothy (Mrs. John Mosset) and Jake, Jr.

Jake Jochim came to Selfridge from Strasburg in 1929 and was married to Katherine Laintz on October 8, 1929.



Children of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz Mosset. Left to right: John, Mary, Lorenz, Jr., Theresa, Stanley and Tony.



Pictured with their parents are: Clarence, dressed as a girl and Eugene of Flasher. Two daughters not pictured; Evelyn (Mrs. E. B. Glaser) McLaughlin, S. Dak., and Gladys (Mrs. Bill Morgan) Selfridge, North Dakota.

The A. J. Upham family came to Selfridge in 1928 from Shields. They moved to a farm northwest of Selfridge. Later they moved into Selfridge, where Mr. Upham still lives. Mrs. Upham passed away Jan. 10, 1955.



Pictured at left are Mr. and Mrs. Homer Hinton.

Homer was born at Fullerton, Neb., in 1890. He was married to Hazel Ryan in St. Paul, Minn., in 1926. They have five children. Marjorie (Mrs. Ivan Cain); Francis Lee; Donna (Mrs. Ernest Halvorson); Alice (Mrs. Ricahre Haas) and Danny.



The Pete Dillenberg family came to Selfridge from Carson in 1926. He worked in the Selfridge State Bank. In 1927 he married Grace Garrett of Carson. They have one son, Peter, Jr. Mrs. Dillenburg passed away in 1949. Mr. Dillenberg now resides in Wisconsin.



THE AL. J. VOLLMUTH FAMILY

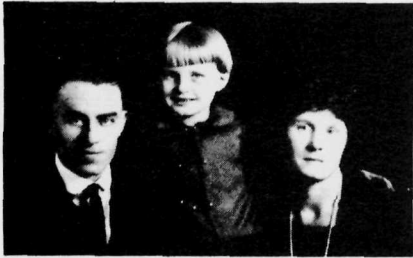
Albin Vollmuth came to the U.S.A. from Zuesleban, Germany, Dec. 24, 1924. He lived with his uncle George Vollmuth, on the same farm they reside on now. He married Elizabeth Klingler Oct. 8, 1935. They have nine children. Pictured above left to right: Richard, Riverdale, N. Dak.; James, in the Air Force, Biloxi, Miss.; Marie, (Mrs. Jack Bigger) Long Beach, Calif.; George, Nick, Tom, Mr. and Mrs. Vollmuth holding the twins, Jerry and Jackie, Freddie on the inset.



The Chester Dutton Family

Left to right: Mrs. Chester Dutton, Mr. Dutton, Elmer, Gerald, Allan, Ray, Lee, Chester, Alice, Mildred and Helen.

The Dutton family came to Selfridge in 1924. They lived on the Helt place east of Selfridge. Later they purchased the Clif Johnson place.



Mr. and Mrs.
Jim Mergens
and
Merla.

The Mergens moved to Selfridge January, 1920, where Mr. Mergens constructed the first garage. In 1921 they sold the garage to Fred Elter. Mr. Mergens passed away in 1952. Mrs. Mergens resides at Auburn, Washington.

make a home in a University or College town to give their children more of an opportunity to obtain a college education. They located at Eugene, Oregon.



Boyd Stewart, father of Mrs. James Caddell. He lived with the Caddells in Selfridge. He passed away in 1937. Interment was made in Fort Yates.



James A. Caddell
State Highway
Patrolman - 1938

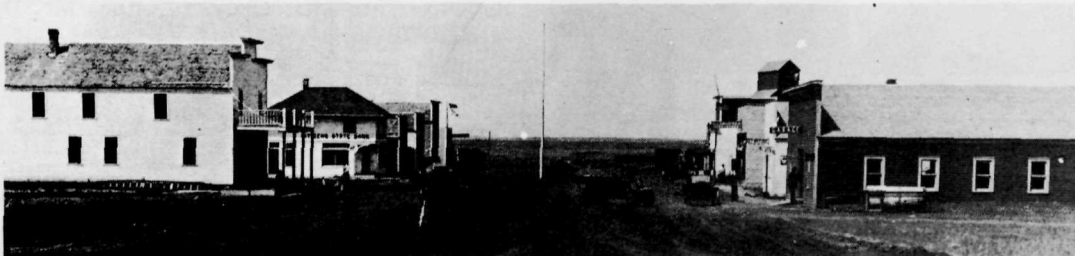


THE JAMES CADDELL FAMILY.
BACK ROW: Jim Jr., Billings, Montana; Mr. Caddell, Florence, Oregon. SECOND ROW: Dorothy (Jackson) Port Hueneme, Calif.; Mrs. Caddell, Cleo (Cross) Eugene, Oregon and Colleen (Kinney) Germany.

James Andrew Caddell was born Nov., 1891, at Fort Rice, N. Dak. In the fall of 1920 he came to Selfridge and in partnership with Ben Gwyther operated a dray line. He married Gladys Marie Stewart and to this union four children were born. Both Mr. and Mrs. Caddell were active in community and civic affairs. Mr. Caddell served as County Sheriff in 1923-26; about 1935 he was elected to the legislature and served 4 years. The last 3 1/2 years they lived here Jim was State Highway Patrolman. They left Selfridge in 1939. Their goal was to

ANDY RAUSCH

Andy Rausch came to Selfridge in the fall of 1921, from Cold Springs, Minnesota, to work for the Selfridge State Bank as assistant cashier. After the closing of the bank in 1927 he left here and moved to Mandan, N. Dak. In 1930 he married Veronica Farrell, who was teaching school in Solen at that time. Two girls were born to this union, Claudia and Ginger. Andy and his wife are now retired and reside at Yucca Valley, California.



Selfridge - 1920 Showing the first garage - erected by Jim Mergens.



Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sprague, Florence (Pack) and Bobby.

The Spragues moved to Selfridge in 1924. Mr. Sprague was employed by the Milwaukee railroad. Mr. Sprague passed away in 1945. Bobby lives at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and Florence in Selfridge.



Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bigger.

The Sam Biggers moved to this area in 1923 locating on the Charlie Merrit ranch. They have a family of ten children, Frank, San Clemente, Calif.; Earl, West Covina, Calif.; Leonard, U.S.N.A.; Charlie, Frazee, Minnesota; Delwone, Detroit Lakes, Minn.; Sam Jr. Gary (Paratroopers); Ruby (Anderson) Greenacres, Wash.; Mary Jane (Donner) San Diego, Calif.; Betty, Spokane, Wash.; and Howard, Selfridge.

I. T. Krois



Mr. Krois and family came to Selfridge in 1923. Mr. Krois and S. A. Collis leased the garage then owned by M. D. Fay. They were in partnership for 6 years. In 1929 Mr. Krois, Mike Aberle and Howard Ross built the Selfridge Motor Co. (The present International Harvester Building) Mr. Krois was a member of the school board when the new school house was built in 1926. He also served as city marshal

and later was elected sheriff of Sioux County. The Kroises have a family of 8 children, Richard, Eugene, Oregon; Mrs. Frank Engel and Mrs. Phil Roderick both of Redwood City, Calif.; Conrad, Grants Pass, Oregon; Mrs. Fred Patricelli, Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. Ed Chesak, Bismarck, N. Dak.; and Joe of Chamberlain, S. Dak.



Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Collis and Curtiss.

Scott A. Collis was born in 1900 at Breien, N. Dak. He spent two winter terms at the Sweeney Auto School at Kansas. In 1923 he came to Selfridge and has been in the auto and implement business since. In 1927 he and Ruth Fay of Milnor, N. Dak., were united in marriage. They have one son, Curtiss, who is a certified public accountant and lives at Minot, N. Dak. Mr. Collis served as deputy sheriff and town marshal for ten years; also served as a member of the village board and president of the school board.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. (Tony) Meyers and Paul David.



Tony Meyers came to Selfridge in 1923 and went into the barber business located in the pool hall. In 1940 he and Ruth Hedstrom of Bismarck, N. Dak., were married. In 1940 he took over the Std. Oil Bulk Station; also going into partnership with R. W. Hinton in the car and garage business. He later sold his interests to Mr. Hinton and with his family moved to San Francisco, where they now reside. They have one son, Paul David, who is in the air force at McDonald Air Base, Kansas.



THE
CHARLES
PULLING
FAMILY

Lorraine (Mrs. Jack Warren) Enumclaw, Wash.; Mr. Pulling (deceased) Lyle, Spokane, Wash.; Lavonne (Mrs. Richard Dixon) Spokane, Wash.; and Mrs. Pulling (deceased).

Charles S. Pulling was born 1878 at New York. He came to Sioux County in 1917 and for a short time engaged in ranching. He taught school in the Ft. Yates schools. Served for two years as county Judge. In 1923 he married Charity Bales of Pollock, S. Dak. In 1926 he moved to Selfridge where he engaged in the hardware and banking business. While at Selfridge he served as Mayor for many years and did much towards building and bettering the community. They moved to Spokane, Wash. in 1936. Mr. Pulling passed away due to a heart attack Oct. 18, 1943. Three years later Mrs. Pulling passed away.



Mr. and Mrs. Ed Prewitt

Ed was born in Texas. He came to N. Dak. in 1912. In 1920 he and Rose Meyers were united in marriage. They moved to Selfridge in 1925 when Ed purchased the barber shop from Tony Meyers. The barber shop was then located on the south side of West Main. In 1927 a new barber shop was built between the Selfridge State Bank and Walker Hardware. Mr. Prewitt was the barber here until 1940 when they moved to Bismarck where they now reside.



Mrs. Henry
Neitzel
and
daughter
Delores



Mr. and Mrs.
Clarence Gilbertson
Maxine and Bobby
Clarence (more
commonly known
as "Slim") came
to Selfridge to work
in the Selfridge
State Bank in 1925.

In 1926 when he returned from his vacation he brought with him his wife, Jennie, whose hometown was Eagle Bend, Minnesota. Their two children, Maxine (Mrs. John Gauper) lives in Marysville, Calif. and Bob in Minneapolis.



Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lyons and Family, Joan,
Ramona and Raphael.

Ray came to Selfridge in 1924. He ranched on the Circle M south of Shields, later he moved into Selfridge; where he worked on the section and in one of the local garages. In 1927 he and Ann Sprague were united in marriage. He is a World War I veteran.

Henry Neitzel and his brother, Erick came to Selfridge in 1924 from Michigan. They worked on different farms in this area, later they moved into town, where they worked for Collis and Ellingson. Henry married Emelia Fuhman. They have two daughters, Delores and Caroline. Erick married Bertha Frank. They have one son.





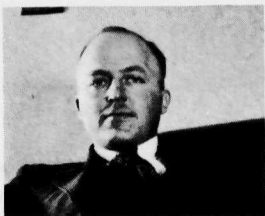
THE GEORGE HETTICK FAMILY

BACK ROW: Rudy, Oscar, and Walter. MIDDLE ROW: Roy, Ida, Alma and Paul. FRONT ROW: Lena, Mr. Hettick, Roger, Mrs. Hettick, Lester and Ruth.

Mr. Hettick came to Sioux County in the year 1923 and settled south of Selfridge near the S. Dak. line. He engaged in farming. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hettick have passed away.

THE SAMUEL WALKER FAMILY

Samuel Walker was born in Russia in 1902. He came to America when just a boy of seven. In 1922 he and Christine Oswald were united in marriage. They came to Selfridge in 1926, purchased the hardware store from Jake Rausch. They operated this store until fall when it was destroyed by fire. Sam and his brother Joe then built a new hardware store, which is now the K. C. Hall. Sam passed away in 1935 and his wife in 1942. They had a family of nine children; Mrs. Henry Opp (Lavina) Staples, Minn.; Mrs. Doc Moser (Loretta) Sturgis, S. Dak.; Mrs. Leo Weist (Violet) Louise, Edward and Reinhold all of McLaughlin, S. Dak.



Irving Koths came to Selfridge in the year of 1929. He set up a law office in the Selfridge Motor Co. Building. Later was elected

State's Attorney and served for nine years in Sioux County. In 1937 he and Arlean C. Freitag were married. They have three girls, Carol, Mary and Julie. They now make their home at Vancouver, Wash.



Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gayton and Family.



In the back: Ronald, Fort Yates, N. Dak.; Karen, a student at Northern State Teachers College in Aberdeen, S. Dak.; Henry Jr. of Belcourt, N. Dak.

Coral Hogenson came to Selfridge in 1927 to teach in the local school. In 1929 Henry Gayton and Coral were married in Minneapolis. They now live 3 1/2 miles east of Selfridge.



THE DAN PANKO FAMILY

Mrs. Panko, Eugene, Denver, Colorado; Arlene (daughter-in-law) Jimmy, Denver, Colorado and Mr. Panko.

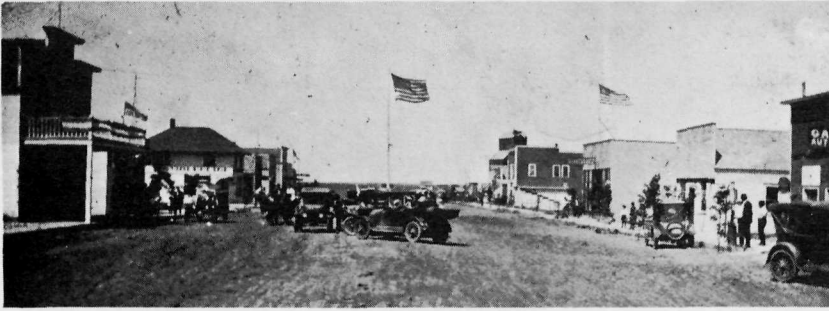
The Dan Panko family settled in Western Sioux County in 1926 and are still residents there. Dan is a World War I veteran. He has served as State Representative of Sioux County. Through his efforts in 1942 he was instrumental in having the "Rattle Snake Bounty Law" passed. While the law was in effect thousands of rattlesnakes were cleaned out, not only in Sioux County but in other counties also. In 1943, S. A. Collis of Selfridge turned in 750 rattles. Mrs. Panko has taught school for 12 years.

MILDRED (WEAVER) BROCKOFF

Mildred came to Selfridge in 1928. She worked as bookkeeper at the Rott Hardware. She was instrumental in organizing a five piece orchestra. She is now making her home at Portland, Oregon.



REMEMBER WHEN???



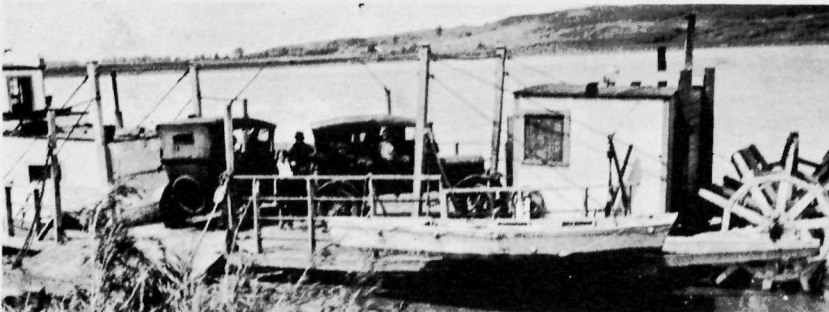
Corbit and Rusher Families



4th of July at Selfridge in 1920 and 1921.



Hauling scoria on Main Street.



Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Plush crossing the Missouri River on the Ferry at Fort Yates in 1919.



Albina Dressler, Jimmie Smith, Florence Feichtner, DollyAnn Ellingson.



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Becker



Mr. and Mrs. John Unser



Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Lauinger



Donna Ross



Mr. and Mrs. Art Marshall and Sons



Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Walker, Jr.



Mr. and Mrs. Tony Mosset



Darlene Feist

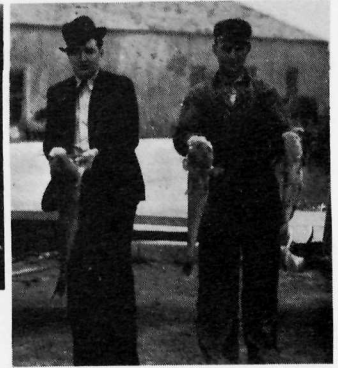
WHO SAYS FISHING ISN'T GOOD IN SIOUX COUNTY?



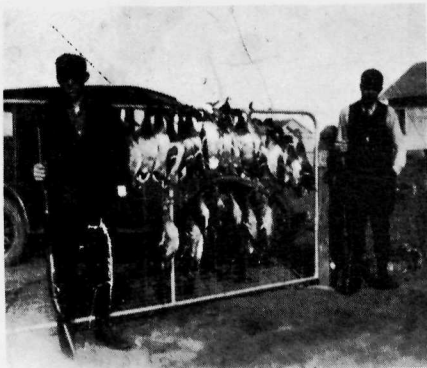
NOT
Adolph Haman, Si Umber
and Rev. Fiesel.



OR
Scott Collis and Joe Froelich



OR
Jim Johnson and Leo
Wingerter.



I. T. Krois and John Esteson
after duck hunting.



Donald Schaeffer got 3
bobcats that day.



Joe Froelich, Albert Merchant
and Oliver Halverson. Who
missed?



Fred Port - 9 yrs. old - son - Donald - 23 yrs. later - same pony.



Ferdinand Blotske and Anton
Kraft.

R. W. Hinton and S. A.
Collis--Aerial coyote
hunting-1947 - 107
coyotes.





First Holy Communion Class



C. Gilbertson,
J. Rasmussen.



Elmer Marshall, Kathleen Anderson, and Joey Lauinger.



Left to right: Mrs. J. Klingler, Mrs. C. Dorscher, Mrs. J. Jochim, Mrs. A. Kraft, Mrs. F. Silbernagel, Mrs. J. Feist, Mrs. Unser, Mrs. G. Bonogofski.
SEATED: Mrs. Ferdinand Mosset and Mrs. George Volk, Sr.



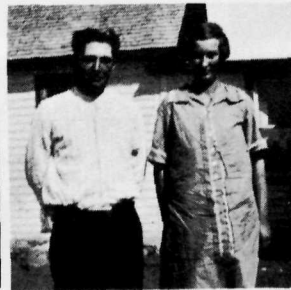
Bill Gayton,
and "Tiny"



Avis Helegsen,
Buddy Caddell,
Albena Dressler,
Jimmie Smith



Casper Kraft, milking "Bossy"



Mr. and Mrs. Gust Feichtner.



Stanley Froelich children.



Mr. and Mrs. Norlin Mattson.

"Glamour Girls"
Below



Catechism Class at St. Philomenas



Left to right: Pete Feist, Joe Kraft, Henry Schaeftbauer, Howard Bigger, Charles Whipple, Joe Froelich, Larry Kelsch, Joe Volk, Art Walker and Alfred Pack, "Glamour Girls of 1956"



Chester Teeter Family



George Freund Family



Mrs. Roy Bonogofski, Mrs. Wendlin Volk, Mrs. John Unser, Mrs. John Klingler, Mrs. Max Laintz, Unknown, Mrs. Geo. Volk, Sr., Mrs. Q. Wingerter, Mrs. Geo. Nedella, Mrs. Geo. Briski.



Harold Snyder Family



Mrs. Albert Schoonover



Otto Brunning Family



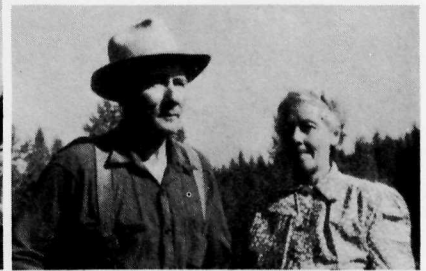
Jim Rodenbaugh, Mrs. J. L. Tuntland, Mrs. Rodenbaugh, Mrs. Sig Robertson, John L. Tuntland, Sig Robertson.



L. Schmaltz
T. Blotske



Ted Ferderer Family



Redford and Inez Turner.



Balzer Feist Family



J. J. Adams



The Wayne Snyder Family

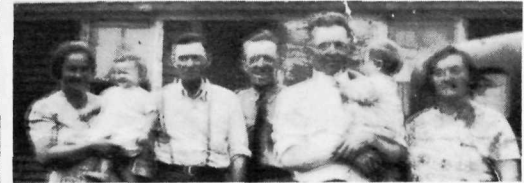


1916

John and Charles Merchant in back of Smestad Store.



Mr. and Mrs. John Fleck, Sr.



Geigles and Heusers



Ed, Red, Pete, Chas Turner



Rev. Eytzen Family



Don Schaeffer Children



Mr. and Mrs. Adam Lorentz



Naomie Keyser, Jim Stasek, Lillian Ostrum.



Max Erker and Edwin Fry



Mrs. Anna Goodreau



Bill Luger Joe Swift



Lee Ryle, John Johnson, Mrs. Hayden Bailly, Shirley Krosch, Bill Ostrum, and Merrill Johnson.



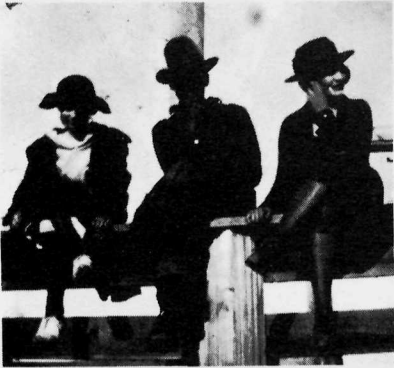
Fern Harmer



The Philip Bachmeier Children



Henry and Eric Neitzel



Malissa Barnes, Hank Gayton, Melda McLaughlin



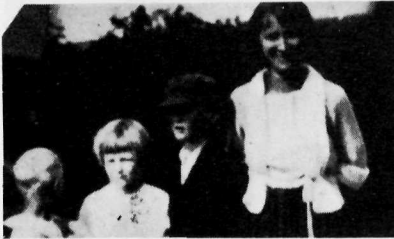
"West-End Boys" - Sack Race.



Cerney Boys and Midget Calf



Birthday Party at Parsons.



Alma Sandland and children



Mr. and Mrs. Al Pack, Sr.



Mr. and Mrs. Alf Pack, Jr.



Gladys Morgan



Conde fording the Porcupine in 1926.



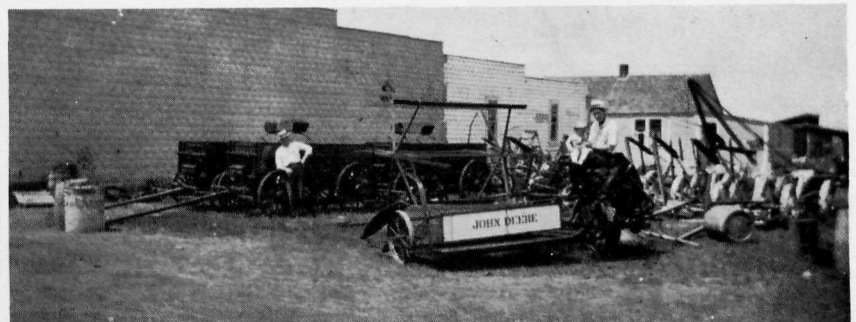
Mr. and Mrs. John Froien



Janet, Elmer, Evelyn and Glenn Thiele



Jimmy Smith, Phyliss Smith and Curtiss Collis.



B. L. Smestad - First John Deere Dealer in Selfridge.



Stan Daschle, Cleo Caddell, Joe Gayton



School Pals



Old Timers Get-Together on Main Street of Selfridge



Lloyd Smestad



Grandpa Slacik



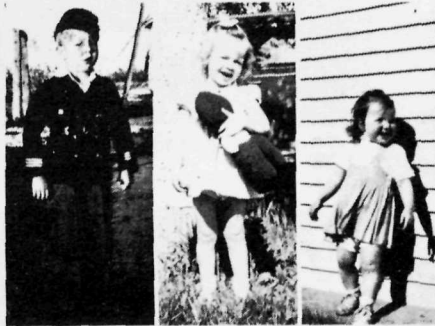
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Vetter, Sr.



Albert Furhman Bertha Goehring



Mr. and Mrs. Joe Froelich 25th Anniversary



Larry Sissy Lynn Froelich



Mr. and Mrs. Alton Ellingson and Dolly Ann



Bill Boyle Family and Grandpa Ostrum



Fresh Air Taxicab - 5 miles per hour!



Mr. and Mrs. Bob Clark



Fred Winkle



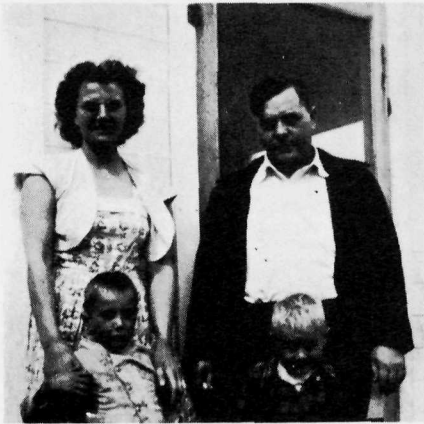
Prairie dog hunting. Andy Rausch and Howard Ross



Herman Schoonover and Sons



Verna Smith



Spitz Kraft Family



Kathleen (Johnson) daughter, Paula



Etta Celly



Mr. and Mrs. John Feist



Joe Blotske and New Model T Ford 1925. Those were the good old days!



Max Laintz's, Romanus Blotske's, G. Bonogofski's.



J. P. Johnson and family



Chas. Becker and grandson



Evelyn Gayton Katherine Bailey Minnie Gayton



Left to right: Howard Bigger, John Merchant, John Thomas, John Bonogofski, Roy Bonogofski, Jim Hallam, Adam Walker, Scott Collis, Mike Froelich, Gust Heauser, and Henry Schaeftbauer.



Jacob Schneider Family



Matt Bayer, Lorraine Boyle, and Susie Bayer.



Mr. and Mrs. Ignatz Elter



Mitchell and Hummel Families



Howard Bigger Family



Baptist Sunday School Class at Golden Wealth School



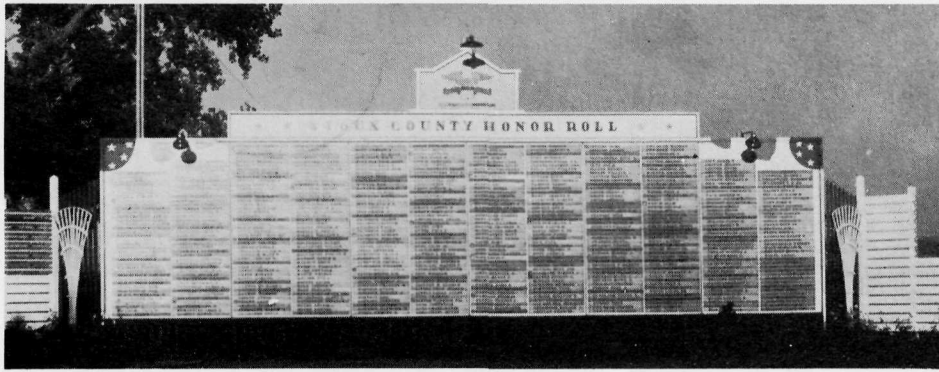
Left to right, STANDING: Ted Murphy, Charles Snyder, Val Jochim, B. Wilson, Bill Adams, Herman Oster, Bill Morgan. MIDDLE ROW: Reynold Fleck, Tony Kraft, John Kraft, Bob Lanter, Richard Wuitschick, George Barrett, Henry Gayton, Jr. FRONT ROW: Lyle Adams, Jim Gayton and Marvin Fiechtner.



The Alex Fleck Family



Mr. and Mrs. Casmir Dorscher and Helen



SIOUX COUNTY HONOR ROLL

WORLD WAR II

CLUBS
AND
ORGANIZATIONS

THE OSCAR KROSCH POST NO. 264

The Oscar Krosch Post No. 264 was organized on January 5, 1946. A temporary charter was forwarded to Department Headquarters and recommended to National Headquarters. National Headquarters approved the Post's Charter on February 15, 1946. The charter members of the Post are: Peter Bachmeier, Hayden Bailly, Robert F. Coyle, Stanley Daschle, Peter Dillman, Leo Fleck, Pius Kuntz, Casper J. Kraft, John A. Kraft, John R. Kraft, John J. Lang, Alfred W. Pack, Wendlin Volk, George Volk, Jr., Harry F. Whipple, Roy A. Whipple, and George W. Walker.

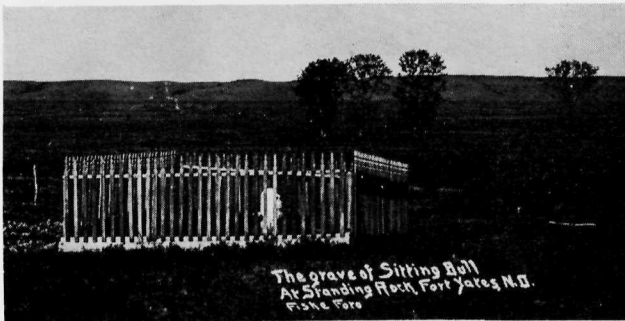
The names of those from Sioux County who died in the service of their Country:

- Joseph R. Agard
- Henry Greycbear
- Raymond Kahl
- Leonard Nedella
- Red Tomahawk
- Joseph A. Goodreau
- Mike Kahl
- Earl E. Tuntland
- Jack Morrell
- Frank Thomas

- Mathew American Horse
- Thomas Holy Elk Face
- Oscar Krosch
- Robert C. Sandland
- Richard Fish
- Edwin D. Haider
- Robert C. Jacobson
- Warrant Officer Gobel
- Donald Peacock
- Eugene G. Santee



PFC OSCAR KROSCH
The first Selfridge boy
to be killed in World
War II Oct. 8, 1943.



The grave of Sitting Bull
At Standing Rock, Fort Yates, N.D.
Fiske Fore

The grave of Sitting Bull in 1916 at the
Standing Rock, Fort Yates, N. D.



Frank Morin, Sioux
County Extension Agent
of Cannon Ball, N. D.,
and Robert McLaugh-
lin, a Sioux Co. rancher.



Brothers of the Brush



Sisters of the swish



THE RIDGEROAD HOMEMAKERS CLUB

The Ridgeroad Homemakers Club was the first club organized in Sioux County. This club originated from the Ridgeroad Community Club. The first president of the club was Mrs. Fred Petchell. The present members are pictured above. FRONT ROW, left to right: Mrs. Gordon McGregor, Mrs. Joe Mosset, Mrs. Wm. Morgan, Mrs. Peter Feist, Mrs. Si Umber, and Mrs. Jake Kraft. BACK ROW: Mrs. Wendlien Feist, Mrs. John Fleck, Mrs. Ed Schwehr, Mrs. Jack L. Kraft, Mrs. Robert Coyle, Mrs. Balzer Feist. Their meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month.

no County Agent. Pictured left to right in the BACK ROW: Mrs. Herman Oster, Mrs. Daniel Laintz, Mrs. George Schaeffer, Mrs. Mike Froelich, Mrs. Ted Bachmeier, Mrs. Geo. Walker, Mrs. Alfred Pack, Mrs. Val Jochim, Mrs. Howard Bigger, Mrs. Charles Whipple. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Henry Gayton, Mrs. S. A. Collis, Mrs. Fred Rott, Mrs. Joe Froelich, Mrs. Ralph Hinton, Mrs. Miles Utter, not pictured. is also a member of the club.



THE STAR HOMEMAKERS CLUB

The Star Homemakers Club was organized Oct. 7, 1959, with Mrs. Fried as president, Mrs. Snyder, vice-president, Mrs. Hepper, secretary-treasurer. Pictured left to right: Mrs. Albert Fried, Mrs. Calvin Hepper, Mrs. Ed Dillman, Mrs. Conrad Wingerter, Mrs. Charles Glines. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Wayne Snyder, Mrs. Jerome Feist, Mrs. Delano Snyder.



THE SELFRIDGE HOMEMAKERS CLUB

The Selfridge Homemakers Club was organized Oct. 19, 1937, with the following women as charter members: Mrs. Elizabeth Krosch, Mrs. James Cadell, Mrs. S. A. Collis, Mrs. Henry Gayton, Mrs. Fred Rott, Mrs. Philip Schwartz, and Mrs. Matt Weigel. The first officers were Mrs. Weigel as president, Mrs. Rott as vice-president, Mrs. Gayton as secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Collis and Mrs. Cadell were project leaders. The first Achievement Day for Sioux County was held at Fort Yates in June, 1939. The Selfridge Club had a hobby booth and put on a skit. The Selfridge Club has been active since organization, even through the years when there was



THE PRAIRIE ROSE HOMEMAKERS CLUB

The Prairie Rose Homemakers Club was organized June 9, 1950, with Mrs. J. Froelich, president, Mrs. P. Walker, vice-president, Mrs. G. Vetter, secretary-treasurer. Pictured left to right in back: Mrs. Tony Mosset, Mrs. John Schwehr, Mrs. J. P. Kraft. FRONT ROW: Mrs. Andrew Kraft, Mrs. Joe Dillman, Mrs. Stanley Mosset. Members not on the picture are Mrs. J. J. Kraft, Mrs. F. Bettschen, Mrs. J. Froelich, Mrs. Joe Wingerter.



THE ROUGH RIDERS 4-H CLUB

The Rough Riders 4-H Club was organized in 1952 with Geo. Schaeffer and Al Vollmuth as leaders. Stanley Mosset has been a leader in this club for seven years. He is still working as leader with this club. Pictured left to right in back: Larry Walker, David Walker, Milton Mosset, Stanley Mosset, 4-H Leader. FRONT ROW: Nick Vollmuth, Dwayne Walker, William Volk, Keith Walker, Tommy Vollmuth. Members not pictured are Wilfred Mosset, Jerry Volk, John Kraft, Jr., Dwayne and Timothy Schell and Gordon McGregor.



THE HAPPY PRAIRIE MAKERS 4-H CLUB

This club was organized in 1955 as a mixed club. The leaders for this club are Mr. and Mrs. John Froelich and Mr. and Mrs. Wendlin Feist. Pictured left to right, BACK ROW: Raymond Feist, Warren Froelich, Gerge and Clayton Feist. SECOND ROW: Bobby Feist, Terry Froelich, Leonard Feist, Rodney Froelich. FRONT ROW: Pauline Meisel, Mary Ann and Lorretta Feist, Della C. Feist.



THE BUSY BEE 4-H CLUB

The Busy Bee 4-H Club is eight years old. The leaders are Joe Kraft, Bud Skye, Mrs. Henry Disrud and Susan Bow.



THE GOLDEN WHEEL 4-H CLUB

The Golden Wheel 4-H Club was organized in 1959 as a mixed club. William Weigel, Lawrence Kelsch, Mrs. Jack J. Kraft, and Mrs. Alfred Pack are the leaders. Pictured left to right: Mr. Weigel, Mr. Kelsch, Sidney Weigel, David Weigel, Juliann Kraft, Kathleen Laintz, Geneva Weigel, Mrs. Pack, Mrs. Kraft. MIDDLE ROW: Michael Kraft, Danny Laintz, Terry Pack, Kathy Fried, Patty Froelich, Joyce Weigel. FRONT ROW: Dennis and Curtis Fried, Larry Kelsch, Cynthia Schaeffer, Darlene Sandland, Geneva Laintz, Sharon Oster.



THE MERRYMAKERS 4-H CLUB

This club was organized in 1952 with Mrs. Geo. Schaeffer and Mrs. Al Vollmuth as leaders. Mrs. Geo. Walker Jr., Mrs. Tony Mosset and Mrs. J. P. Kraft are the present leaders. Pictured above, BACK ROW: Geraldine Mosset, Mrs. Mosset, Kathy Kraft, Mrs. Kraft, Josephine Kraft, Mrs. Walker, Linda Reed. FRONT ROW: Darlene Landeis, Chrisina Kraft, Patty Reed, Kathleen Landeis.



THE LEAF CREEK MIXERS 4-H CLUB

The Leaf Creek Mixers and the Ridgeroad Rancherettes 4-H Clubs were organized in 1948. Years later because of the small membership in each club the Rancherettes joined the Leaf Creek Mixers 4-H Club. Their members are Jake Kraft, Victor Kraft, Larry Morgen, Alvin Kraft, Linda Fleck, Darlene Haman, Marie Mosset, Erika Dolder. The leaders are Mrs. Wm. Morgen and Carl Meisel.



SELFRIDGE SPORTSMEN CLUB OFFICERS

Left to right: William Weigel, secretary; Carl Meisel, treasurer; Mike Froelich, president; Joe P. Kraft, Junior Firearms Instructor; Daniel Laintz, 2nd vice-president; S. A. Collis, vice-president and Junior Firearms Instructor.

The Sportsmen Club was organized June 28, 1958, with a membership of 103. The purpose of the club is to teach conservation of all wild-life; to provide habitat areas for wild game; to help finance the building of dams so as to provide recreational areas for swimming, boating and fishing. The Sportsmen's Club sponsors several recreational events every year.

CEDAR SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The Cedar Soil Conservation District was organized in 1938 covering parts of Grant and Sioux Counties on the south border of the state of North Dakota. The office of the district was in McIntosh, S. Dak., as there were no towns in the original district. In 1953 the rest of Sioux County was added to the district and in 1954 the office was moved to Selfridge. Since May, 1939, the United States Dept. of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service has assigned one or more technicians to aid the district supervisors in carrying out a program of soil conservation.

The board of supervisors are Si Umber, chairman, Raymond Luger and James Maher. The appointed members are Al Vollmuth, John Froelich, treasurer, Frank Morin, secretary. Willis Pederson is the Work Unit Conservationist and Eugene Geise is the Soil Conservationist Aid.

THE ASCS PROGRAM

The present ASCS is an outgrowth of the farm program created in 1933 by The Agricultural Adjustment Act. Under this program farmers were encouraged to cut their wheat production. Sioux County had a wheat allotment of 66,000 acres, with a yield of 6.7 bushels per acre. The office was located at Fort Yates until in February, 1955, when it was moved to Selfridge. The first County Committee consisted of Fred Petchell, James Maher and Fred Port. Joe Paulson, the Emergency County Agent, was secretary. James Maher is at present a member of the State ASCS Committee. The program has remained basically the same even though the name has been changed from AAA to PMA to ASC and now ASCS. It has been enlarged to include more programs to better serve the farmers and to aid in the conservation of our soil.

Gladys Leidenix, Office Manager

THE GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION

In the course of human events it becomes imperative now and then to pause and take notice of what has been accomplished. In the lifetime of man these periods of retrospection come at intervals of fifty to one hundred years. Man seeking to reach toward better things makes use of an appliance that will provide means of weighing his past with the present. Our little city of Selfridge has reached one of its great milestones when we take inventory of our resources, balance past deeds with our present day undertaking and view the colorful history of our pioneers. So in commemoration of fifty years there was staged in Selfridge June 16th and 17th a Golden Jubilee Celebration that brought back the past and spread before the populace a spectacular array of historical events. This will serve to rejuvenate the fire of human endeavor, that accentuates the glorious achievements of our pioneers. This will serve to impress in the hearts of the present generation a glow of enthusiasm that will carry on to new heights the progress of Selfridge.

. . . By Mrs. J. Bernard Smith

The Golden Jubilee Celebration started on Friday, June 16, with church services conducted in all the churches of Selfridge. Registration was for all former residents and out of town guests. People from many states were here to help Selfridge celebrate its Golden Jubilee. A crowd of approximately two thousand people lined the streets on both sides to watch the colorful floats as the parade passed. Street races followed until noon. Horse racing was held in the afternoon. At three p.m. the A. W. Lucas Company of Bismarck presented a style show. This was very interesting for the ladies. Musical numbers were

staged between shows, while piano selections were played as background music. We were fortunate in having the First Lady, Mrs. William Guy, wife of the Governor of North Dakota, as a special guest. She gave a short speech after the style show, followed by Mrs. Higgins, President of the North Dakota Homemakers Clubs, who also spoke on an interesting subject to the large group of ladies. The Fort Yates High School Band also entertained the large crowd here. A softball game was played between the Selfridge and the Fort Yates teams. The early part of the evenings of both days Indian dances were performed by the Indian people wearing their colorful costumes. Later in the evening square dancing and popular dancing were held at the K. C. and Wingerter Halls. A carnival was enjoyed by the children throughout the two day celebration. On Saturday, June 17, Matt Bayer gave a very interesting talk on the early history of Selfridge. At one p.m. the Drum and Bugle Corps of Bismarck took the lead and set the pace for the floats that followed. The parade was again enjoyed by all the people watching it. Beards were grown many months before the celebration to create an old time atmosphere. The ladies wore clothes like their pioneer mothers wore many years ago. Judging of beards and costumes were had in the afternoon. For the many people present free barbecued beef sandwiches were served. The beef was prepared and placed in a pit the night before, which made it very tender and juicy. One of the highlights of our Golden Jubilee was the crowning of the Jubilee Queen, Mrs. Amelia Bonogofski.

GOLDEN JUBILEE COMMITTEES



GENERAL JUBILEE COMMITTEE - Left to right: John Blotske, Paul Schell, Ralph Hinton, Joe Wingerter, Pete Feist. SEATED: Miles Utter, Eva Kelsch, Florence Pack and George Walker, Jr.



WINDOW DISPLAY COMMITTEE - Left to right: Lawrence Kelsch, Eva Schaeffer, Gladys Bachmeier, Eva Kelsch, Lydia Rott, May Hinton, and Dan Laintz.



REGISTRATION COMMITTEE - STANDING, left to right: Jack J. Kraft, Dorothy Vetter, George Vetter, Mary and John Blotske.



LUNCH COMMITTEE - Left to right: Lois Walker, Dorothy Vetter, Mrs. Henry Geigle and Carol Whipple.



ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE - Left to right: Sam Walker, Bill Morgan, Joe Wingerter, Joe Volk, and Herman Walker.



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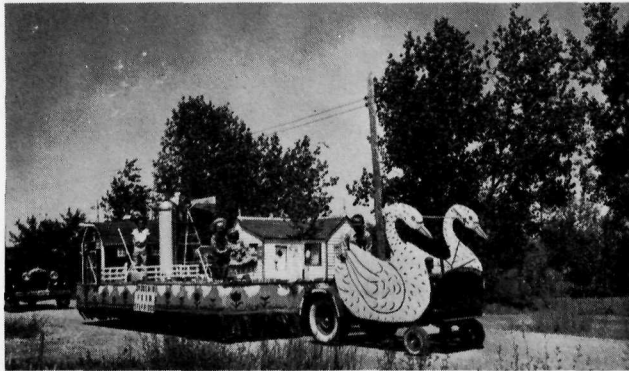
Lawrence Kelsch, Carl Meisel, Mrs. Utter, Geo. Walker, Miles Utter, Ted and Ed Walker.

Mrs. Gabriel Bonogofsky was crowned Queen of our Golden Jubilee. She is 77 years old and has been a resident of Selfridge since 1922. She is the mother of eight children. Mrs. R. W. Hinton had the honor of crowning the Queen.



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Jubilee Queen Candidates
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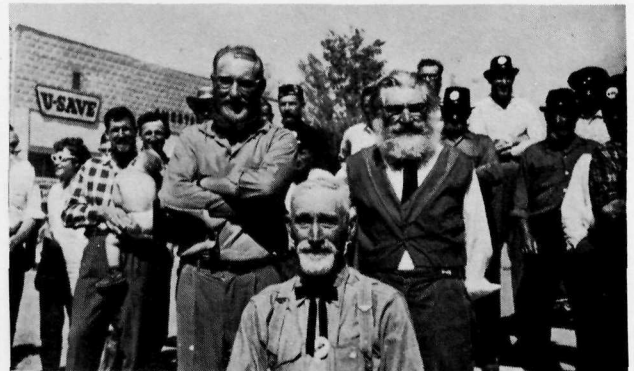
1st Prize J. P. Jochim Farm



2nd Prize St. Philomena Church



3rd Prize Merchant Lumber and Implement



Prize Beards Mike Kraft, Joe Silbernagel and Ben Mills.



Left to right:
Mrs. Conrad
Feist, Mrs.
Lawrence
Kelsch, Mrs.
Miles Utter.

Prize-winning Costumes



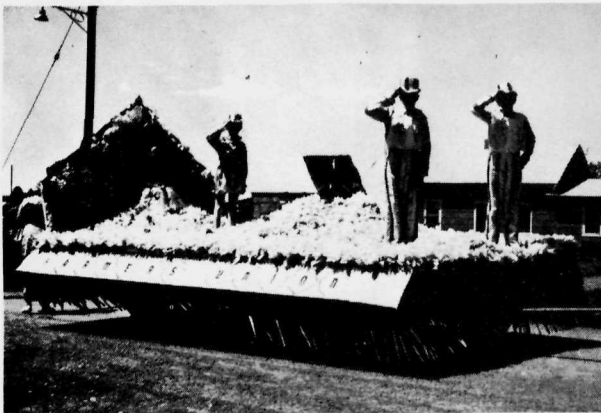
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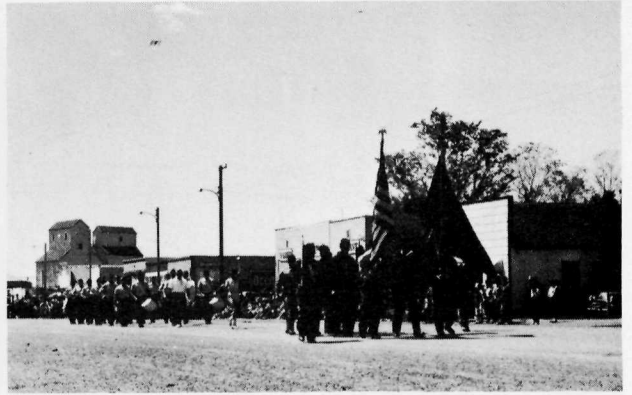
On their way to the 4-H Meeting!



Here Comes the Cavalry!!



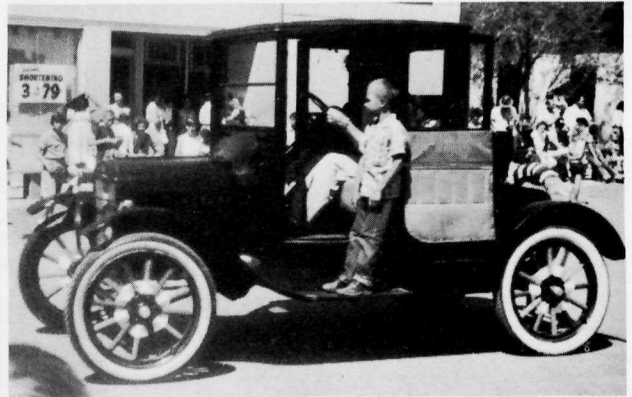
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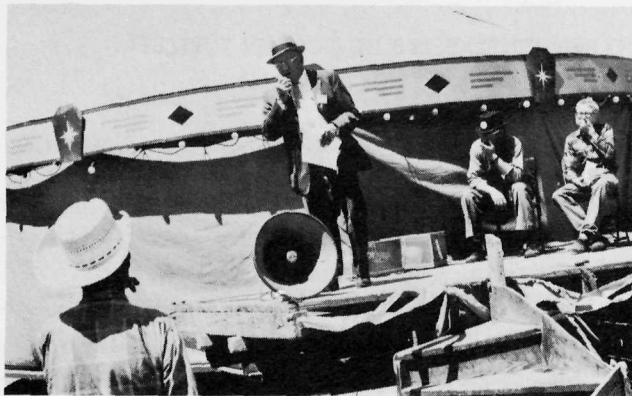
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Matt Bayer - Main Speaker



Noah's Ark



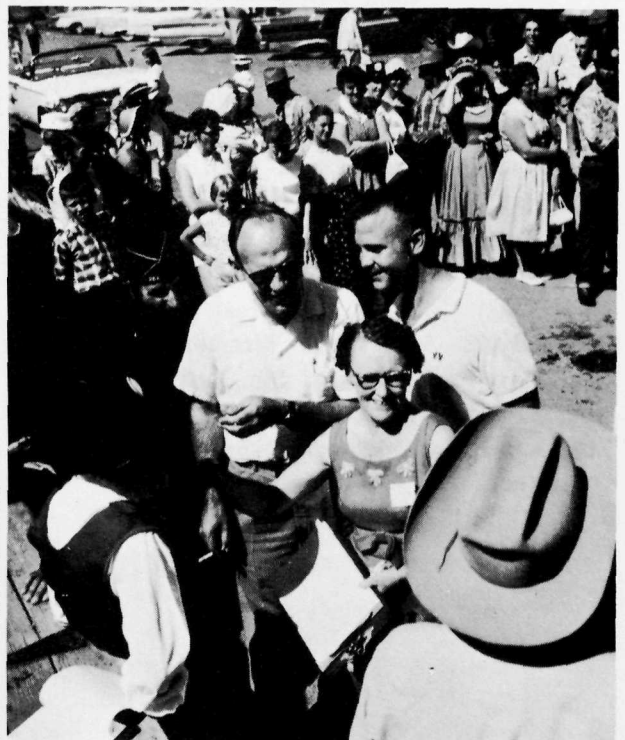
Here comes Yogi, the Bear!



Everybody Loves Clowns



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The Judge's Stand

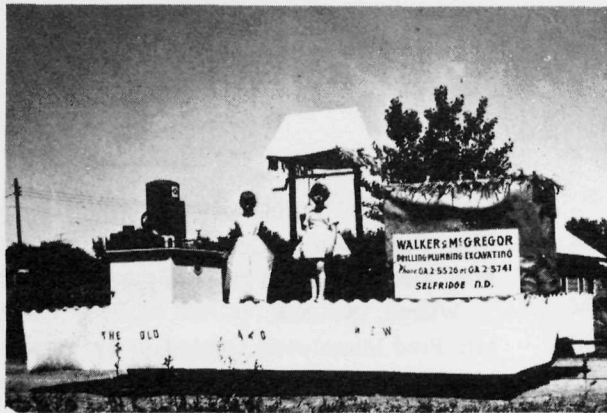


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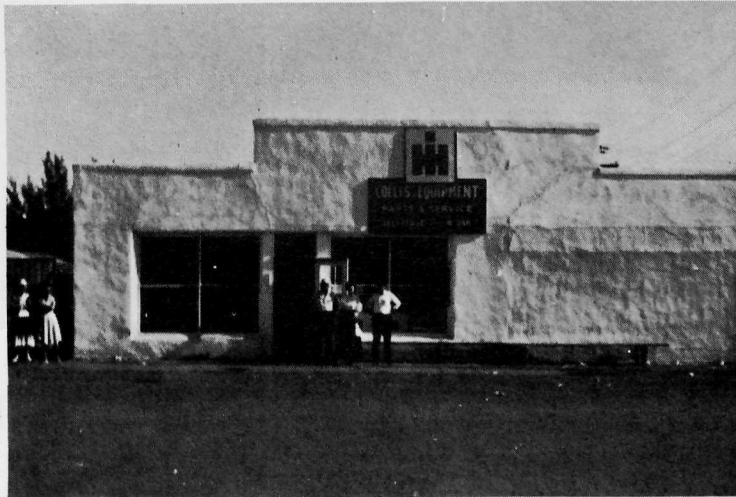
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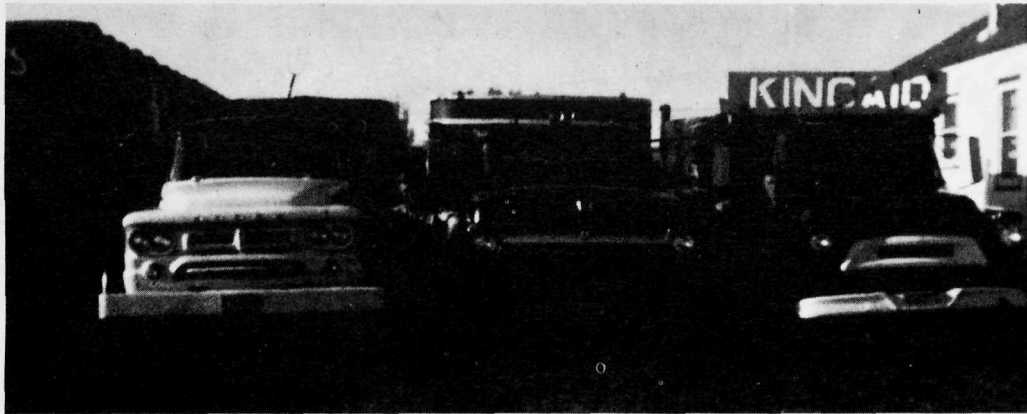


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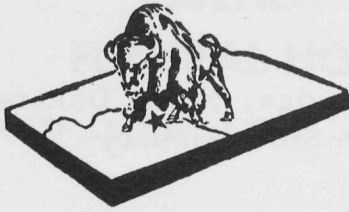
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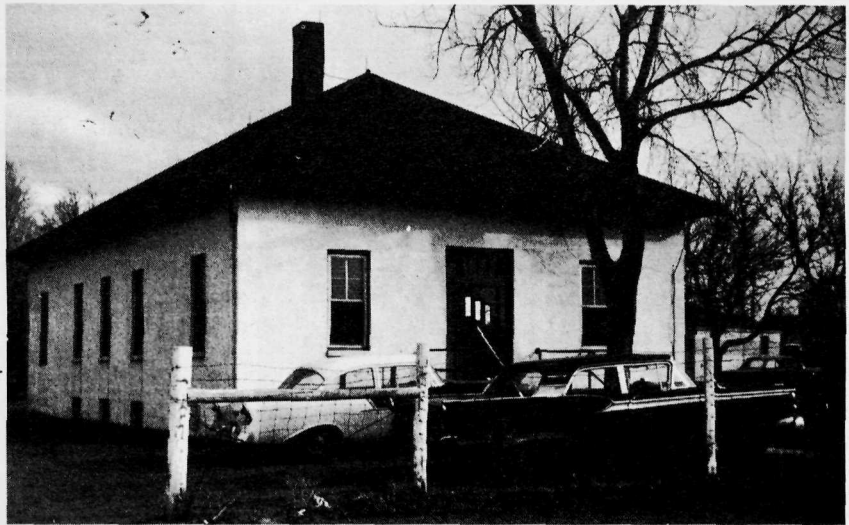
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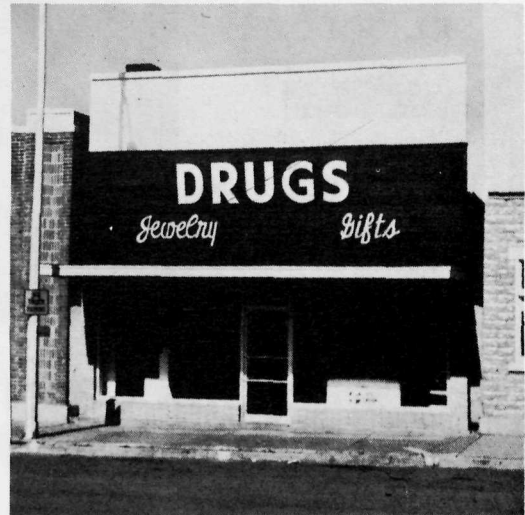
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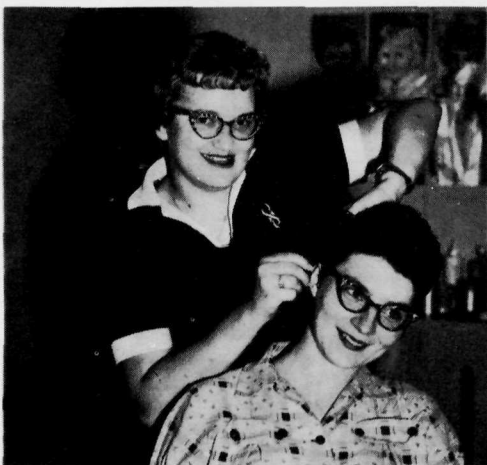
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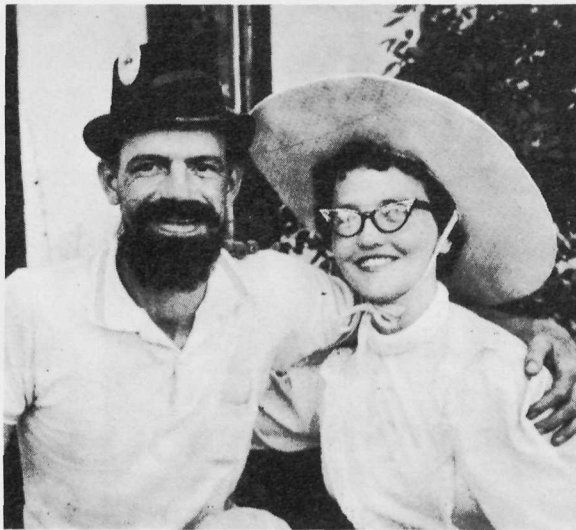
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