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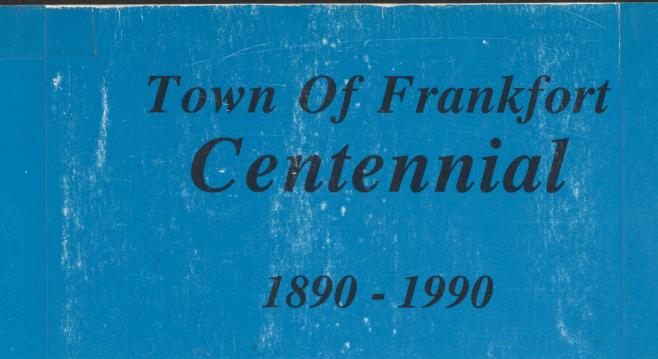
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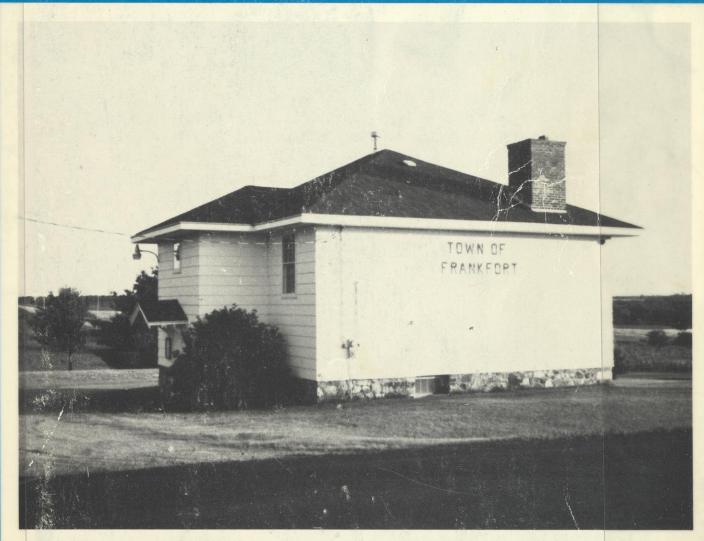
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Marathon County, Wisconsin

DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to our forefathers who had the foresight, the will, and the courage to form a constitutional republic that is the envy of the world. Because of this we are able to celebrate our centennial this year of 1990.

To the early pioneers who came to Marathon County and the Town of Frankfort, who through their hard work, sacrifices and sufferings, carved out of the forest and wilderness these bountiful farms so that our present and future generations can enjoy the fruits of their labors and to the men from our township who served and died in wars to protect our freedom.

It is our wish that this book of heritage and history of the Town of Frankfort will be preserved, so it may serve as a reference to future generations.

Any additions, corrections or omissions in this first edition of Frankfort history can be recorded with the town clerk of Frankfort, and made a part of this book in later editions.

Town Of Frankfort Centennial

1890 - 1990

The Centennial Book Committee



Back Row (L-R): Marion Schemenauer, Leta Ebben, Marlene Carter. Back Row: Ray Bandle, LaVerne Bornowski, Delores Hartle, Leonard Jantsch, Judy Rodman and Loddie Loskot. Not pictured is the late Dorothy Loskot.

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Early History

Had George Rogers Clark been unsuccessful or had not undertaken his expedition into Wisconsin, we would probably not be a part of the union of the United States, but would have been an intregal part of the British Empire along with Canada. Wisconsin was under the following jurisdictions:

Spain 1512 to 1634 France 1634 to 1763 Great Britain 1763 to 1794 Virginia 1794 to 1800 Indiana 1800 to 1809 Illinois 1809 to 1818 Michigan 1818 to 1836 Wisconsin Territory 1836 to 1848 Wisconsin State 1848

Wisconsin belonged to the Indians until 1848 when they gave up their last claim to this region. The French explorer Nicolet found them here when he first visited the Green Bay area in 1634.

The Indians who made friendly visits to this area after the white man settled here came from the Smokey Hill and Rice Lake area and camped along the Eau Pleine River. They were from the Chippewa Indian tribe and were natives of northern Wisconsin since about 1745. They have proven themselves loyal American citizens. Their homeland is now the Lac du Flambeau reservation.

In 1836 when the Wisconsin territory was organized, Madison was fixed as the capitol and four counties were established. Marathon was then included with Crawford County.

The great ordinance did more than provide for the admission of states. There were strong provisions in regard to slavery and education. "There shall be neither slavery nor involuntary servitude in said territory." No such expression had yet been seen in any document. This is all the more wonderful and noble, when we recall the fact that at the time all the original states had slaves, and the last clause meant religious liberty, not merely toleration, as in most of the states of New England. From this can be traced the liberty loving sentiment found in the people of the northwest.

Religion, morality and knowledge are necessary to good government and to the happiness of mankind. Schools, the means of education, shall be forever encouraged. The sixteenth section of every township of 36 sections was set aside for the maintenance of common schools in each of these five states, amounting to five million acres. The spirit of this section of the ordinance spread to all the western states. The Enabling Act of 1846 furthermore gave two whole townships of 72 sections for the maintenance of a university.

An ordinance passed by the United States Congress of 1787, provided that the territory northwest of the Ohio River was to be divided into not less than three or more than five states. The same law provided that whenever any of the said states shall have sixty thousand free inhabitants, such states shall be admitted by its delegates into the Congress of the United States. Under this ordinance Wisconsin became a state by Act of Congress as of May 29, 1848 and was the last of the five states carved out of the Northwest Territory.

One hundred fifty years ago all of Marathon County was covered with magnificent forests interspread with wild meadows along the bottom lands of the rivers and creeks. Majestic white pines stood on the banks of the rivers, and receding one or more miles from these banks, hardwood predominated. Maple, birch, ash, oak, basswood and butternut were liberally interspersed with pine, hemlock, balsam and spruce. The pineries were prevalent in this area from 1836 to the late 1890's. The early lumbermen and woodchoppers took only the pine within reasonable distances of the rivers, so that their logs could be floated down these waterways to markets as far south as St. Louis, Missouri.

The older lumbermen relate tales of how they had to split some of the larger pine logs in half, to be able to float them down the smaller rivers. In later years oxen were brought in to skid the pine logs that were farther from the river.

Marathon County was blessed with its magnificent pine trees, the only lumber that had any kind of value in early years. Many lumber barons came to this area and cut out all the large pine trees.

By 1912 our large acreage of forests had largely given way to over six thousand five hundred farms hewed out of the wilderness. Some of these farms had large acreages of cultivated land with modern frame and brick houses, basement, barns and silos. The hemlock and hardwood trees that covered this area after the pines were cut had little or no value except for local use. Much of the hemlock and hardwood were cut down and piled up to burn, to be able to clear more land for cultivation. A practice conservationists would frown on today.

One more thing most people do not know is that most of the city of St. Louis was built from Wisconsin pine lumber floated down the rivers starting on such rivers as Rib and Eau Pleine.

After the land was cleared of trees, stumps and roots, stones had to be picked, piled and burned. Fences had to be made to keep the cattle from running at large. Crops such as hay and grain had to be cut with a scythe and grain cradles and hammered out with a flail. The reason northern Wisconsin was not settled sooner was that the reputation given the territory by the fur traders was not the best. They described it as stony, sandy, barren, marshy and mountainous; cold and unhealthy and not fit for farming. This applied to certain parts of the state.

TOWN OF FRANKFORT

The lands in Marathon County at the time of the first settlers were government lands not even surveyed. The Homestead Act did not exist until 1862. In 1842 the United States Congress established the first post route from Fort Winnebago through Grand Rapids, now Wisconsin Rapids. This was extended to



THE JOHN PROSSER HOMESTEAD: L to R. John Prosser's second wife, John Prosser, Bert, Walter and Ethel Prosser and Milo Schofield. The three young Prosser girls were: Dolly, Anne and Myrtle. Anne Prosser married Ben Merwin. They farmed in the Town of Holton till 1944 when they moved to Abbotsford.

Stevens Point in 1850 and a post office was established in Wausau.

The town of Marathon was organized in 1853 into what is now the present Marathon County. In 1856 the town of Marathon was divided into three separate town organizations. These were the towns of Wausau, Mosinee and Eau Claire. Between 1857 and 1859 the town of Wausau was again divided, resulting in the town of Marathon which included towns of Marathon, Cassel, Wien, Frankfort and Hull. The town of Frankfort organized its own township in 1889, after being a part of the town of Wien for many years.

The first white settlers coming to the Town of Frankfort walked in by foot in search of the tall white pine that could be floated down the rivers. They followed the rivers and later on blazed trails into the area and brought along their oxen to skid the logs.

Very few settlers had settled here until the railroads were built. The Wisconsin Central Railroad reached Colby in September 1872. This caused the town of Frankfort to be settled from the west side first. The east side was settled from Stevens Point, Mosinee and Wausau when the railroad entered Wausau.

Judge Marchetti had this to say about the town of Frankfort in his book. "Frankfort was set off from the town of Wien in 1889 and organized as a separate political entity in 1890. Ed Protze was the first elected chairman of the township and he named it after his home town of Frankfurt, Germany."

The settlement did not begin until 1877 and was slow in starting. The fact that it was thirty miles from the west boundary line to Wausau and twelve miles from the east boundary line to Colby made a great distance to go to town in those days.

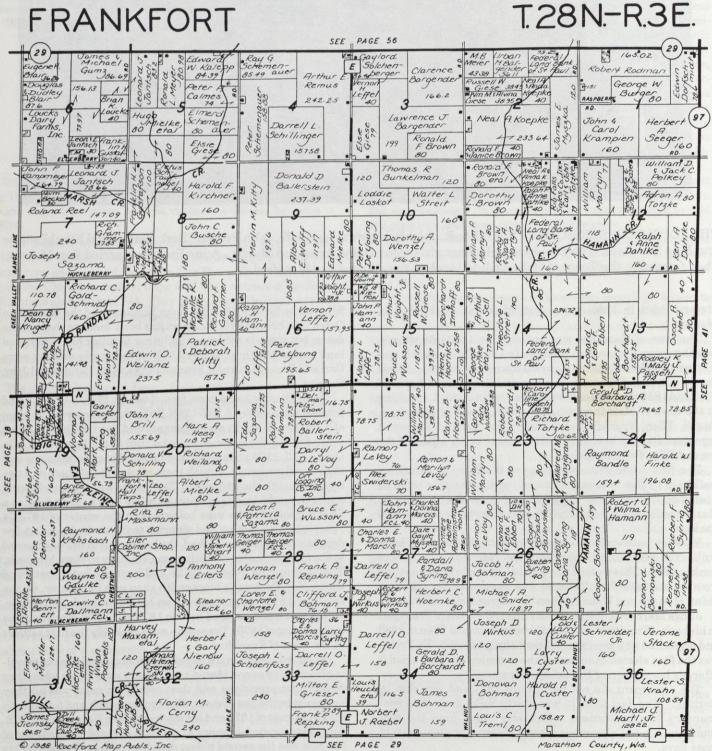
Fred Michler, Fred Eggebrecht and the Boehm's were the first settlers in 1877 locating with their families. They were followed by Edward Protzke, John Simpson and the Henry Von Osten families in 1878. No effort has been made to check these dates, but there is evidence that other families had purchased land and settled here before 1877. Other early settlers were Carl and Ernest Hoernke, Franz Jahnke, John Fandre and John Prosser.

John Prosser came here from Iowa in March of 1873 and homesteaded on Sec 6 TWP 28N R3E which is now in the town of Frankfort. He built a board shanty and lived in Colby the first year. During the summer he cut a trail to his homestead. On October 23, 1873 he hired Wm. Stannard to go to his place and haul logs for a house. It took them all day to get there and two days to haul the logs together. The second day it began to snow and it snowed 8 inches in about as many hours. They lived in a bark wigwam for the time being and in the winter of 1873-74 Prosser hauled lumber and shingles to finish the house. A few days later after it was finished, the house caught fire and burned to the ground. Later he built a small shanty to store his goods. That summer he lived in Colby and kept the hotel that stood where N.P. Peterson's blacksmith shop was built later. In the spring of 1875 he again moved on his homestead. His father, Jeremiah Prosser, settled here in 1874 and W. W. Prosser came in the spring of 1875. These men were probably the first settlers in the town of Frankfort.

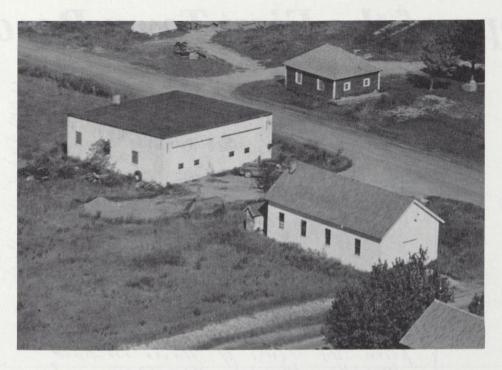
Their provisions were usually packed on their backs traveling from Colby over a blazed trail. There were times when they couldn't get provisions and then porcupine meat was all they had to eat in the line of meat. Mr. Prosser's wife and father both died in August of 1877 and his mother died in November of 1878. Anna Prosser died January 31, 1976 in Abbotsford at the age of 91. She was the second oldest daughter of John Prosser by his second wife. She was born in the town of Frankfort on January 6, 1885 and was married to Ben Merwin on January 15, 1908.

The Town of Frankfort is unique as to location as compared to other townships, since it is in sort of a hub located between the various villages around. This may be one reason why Frankfort was settled several years later than the other townships. The distance to the outlying villages has posed a problem for many years, especially during the horse and buggy days. When the people had to haul their forest products and farm produce to town and supplies back home, it was an all day trip. The early families who wanted to send their children to high school and could not afford to board them in town often kept them home from school.

Very few people realize the disadvantage of driving extra miles to town to trade for these many years. Another problem for the township is the various government services. We now belong to four high school districts, five mail routes, four fire department districts, five telephone exchanges plus other various services. This is why some of the early activities of the township were carried on in the communities of Cherokee, March Rapids, Fenwood, Milan and Corinth because no village or city bordered our township.



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Bird's Eye View of the first Town Hall and the Town garage.



1990 Town Board

Judy Rodman, Treasurer; Marlene Carter, Clerk; Loddie Loskot, Chairman; Raymond Bandle, Supervisor; Leonard Jantsch, Supervisor.

Copy of the First Town Record

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Township Records

FIRST TOWN RECORD

Ordinance creating the town of Frankfort November 11, 1889.

The board of supervisors of the county of Marathon do hereby ordain as follows: #1 All territory embraced in Township number twenty-eight (28) north of range number three (3) east is hereby detached and set off from the town of Wien in said Marathon County and organized into a new town to be designated as the town of Frankfort. #2 The first town meeting of said town of Frankfort shall be held in school house number 1 in section 11 in Township 28 Range 3 East on the first Tuesday in April 1890.

The annual election was held in and for the town of Frankfort, Marathon County, Wisconsin at the school house in District No. 1 in Section 11 Range 3 East on the 1st day of April 1890.

The following officers were oppointed with Ed Protze as Chairman.

Ed Protze Rudolph Koenig Albert Raatz Inspectors of Election Carl Hoernke Joseph Schmirler Wm. Hamann Maties Symolke Henry Eggebrecht Constable

The following officers were elected:

Town Board of Supervisors Ed Protze - Chairman John Simpson - Supervisor Fred Eggebrecht - Supervisor Stephen H. Schooley - Clerk Carl H. Hoernke - Assessor Fred Michler - Treasurer Ed Protze - Justice of the Peace Stephen Schooley - Justice of the Peace Peter Christiansen - Constable John Fandre - Constable

The first town board meeting was held on the 5th day of April 1890. The following overseers of highways were appointed. #3 Road District:

- #1 Lester Chapman
- #2 Albert Raatz
- #3 John Eggebrecht
- #4 John Fandre
- #5 John O. Steen
- #6 Jacob Christiansen
- #7 John Prosser
- #8 J. Flack
- #9 Fred Fylaskie
- #10 Care of Town Board

The following are some of the resolutions adopted at the first annual meeting:

Motion to pay chairman \$35.00 per year, supervisors \$25.00 per year, clerk \$60.00 per year, assessor \$30.00 per year. Resolved to raise town fund of \$250.00 and resolved to raise poor fund of \$50.00. Highway tax to be 7 mills on the dollar. Highway to raise \$250.00 for bridge fund to build a bridge between Sec. 14 and 23. Resolved to hold the annual town election in School District #1 SE corner of section 11 for the year of 1891.

TOWN OF FRANKFORT OFFICIALS

The following have served as officials of the town of Frankfort from 1891-1976 listed as Chairman, Supervisors, Clerk, Treasurer and Assessor.

Annual Meeting April 7, 1891	Annual Meeting April 6, 1897
Ed Protze	Carl Hoernke
Joe Wirkus	John Simsen
Fred Gartman	John Eggebrecht
Stephen Schooley	William Hamann
M. Fred Michler	M.F. Michler
Ernest Hoernke	R.E. Koenig
Annual Meeting April 7, 1892 Ed Protze Carl Hoernke Gerald Willembrook William Hamann John Simsen	Carl Hoernke Albert Kahn Joe Bargander Stephen Schooley Joe Wirkus
Annual Meeting April 1, 1893	John Eggebrecht
Ed Protze	Annual Meeting April 4, 1899
Carl Hoernke	Carl Hoernke
Joe Schmirler	Albert Rahn
William Hamann	Joe Bargander
M.F. Michler	William Hamann
Peter Kyle	Joe Wirkus
Annual Meeting April 3, 1894	John Simsen
Stephen Schooley	Annual Meeting April 3, 1900
Joe Wirkus	H.C. Eggebrecht
R. Koenig	Albert Rahn
William Hamann	Jacob Banaker
Fred Michler	Stephen Schooley
John Simsen	Joe Wirkus
Annual Meeting April 2, 1895 Carl Hoernke Fred Wucherpfennig Joe Wirkus William Hamann M.F. Michler John Simsen	John Simsen Annual Meeting April 2, 1901 H.C. Eggebrecht Albert Bahn Jacob Banaker Stephen Schooley Carl Hoernke John Eggebrecht
Annual Meeting April 7, 1896 Carl Hoernke William Braun John Eggebrecht William Hamann M.F. Michler Henry Eggebrecht	Annual Meeting April 5, 1902 H.C. Eggebrecht Jacob Banaker Joe Schmirler Stephen Schooley Joe Wirkus

Anton Schmirler

Ed Protze Joe Schmirler John Simsen William Koch Joe Wirkus Anton Schmirler

Ed Protze **Charles** Schneider Joe Schmirler William Koch Joe Wirkus Anton Schmirler

Annual Meeting April 4, 1905 Annual Meeting April 4, Ed Protze **Charles Schreiber** Florian Haas William Koch Joe Wirkus John Simsen

Annual Meeting April 3, 1906 Ed Protze Florian Haas Adam Kramer William Koch Joe Wirkus Anton Schmirler

Annual Meeting April 7, 1908 H.C. Eggebrecht Fred Wucherpfennig William Braun August Koch John Eggebrecht Joe Bargander

Annual Meeting April 6, 1909 E.C. Eggebrecht Fred Wucherpfennig William Giese Frank Wirkus John Eggebrecht Joe Bargander

Annual Meeting April 5, 1910 H.C. Eggebrecht Otto Totzke R.E. Koenig Frank Wirkus John Eggebrecht Ernest Hoernke

Annual Meeting April 4, 1911 H.C. Eggebrecht John Dahlke Fred Totzke Frank Wirkus John Eggebrecht **Charles Schmirler**

Annual Meeting April 2, 1912-1913 H.C. Eggebrecht Fred Totzke William Armitage Frank Wirkus Albert Hoernke **Charles Schmirler**

Annual Meeting April 7, 1903 Annual Meeting April 7, 1914 H.C. Eggebrecht Henry Hamann William Armitage Frank Wirkus Fred Passehl John Eggebrecht

Annual Meeting April 5, 1904 Annual Meeting April 6, 1915 Henry Hamann **Fred Giese** Florian Haas Frank Wirkus William Armitage Paul Syring

> 1916-1917 Henry Hamann Fred Giese W.J. Petri Frank Wirkus William Armitage Paul Syring Annual Meeting April 2, 1918 Henry Hamann C.F. Braun **Richard Borchardt**

Frank Wirkus

Albert Hoernke

Anton Schmirler Annual Meeting April 1, 1919 Henry Hamann C.F. Braun Fred Reeg Frank Wirkus John Eggebrecht Paul Syring

Annual Meeting April 6, 1920 Henry Hamann **Richard Borchardt** W.F. Bandow Frank Wirkus Fred Giese Paul Syring Annual Meeting April 5, 1921

Henry Hamann **Richard Borchardt** William F. Bandow Frank Wirkus **Fred Giese** H.C. Eggebrecht

Annual Meeting April 4, 1922 Henry Hamann William Bandow C.F. Braun Louis Hart **Fred Giese Paul Syring** Annual Meeting April 2, 1923 Anton Schmirler C.F. Braun Fred Wucherpfennig George Johnson **Fred Giese**

Paul Syring

William Bandow **Richard Borchardt** William Traeder George Johnson Fred Giese Paul Syring

Annual Meeting April 7, 1925 William F. Bandow **Richard Borchardt** William Traeder George Johnson Fred Giese **Daniel Traeder**

Annual Meeting April 6, 1926 Henry C. Eggebrecht Charles Brown **Richard Borchardt** George Johnson Fred Giese Paul Syring

Annual Meeting April 5, 1927 Henry C. Eggebrecht **Richard Borchardt** William Traeder George Johnson Fred Giese Paul Syring

Annual Meeting April 3, 1928 William E. Traeder **Richard Borchardt** Fred Totzke George Johnson Fred Giese Otto Remus

Annual Meeting April 2, 1929-1930 William Traeder **Richard Borchardt** C.F. Braun George Johnson **Fred Giese** Otto Remus

William Traeder **Richard Borchardt** Fred Wucherpfennig George Johnson Fred Giese Otto Remus

Annual Meeting April 5, 1932 Annual Meeting April 3, Anton Schmirler Fred Nienow **Richard Borchardt** Felix Adams **Fred Giese Otto Remus**

Annual Meeting April 4, 1933 Anton Schmirler Fred Nienow Adolph Bornowski Felix Adams **Fred Giese Otto Remus**

Annual Meeting April 1, 1924 Annual Meeting April 3, 1934-1936 **Richard Borchardt** Adolph Bornowski Fred Nienow Felix Adams Fred Giese Otto Remus

> Annual Meeting April 6, 1937 H.C. Eggebrecht Adolph Bornowski Lee Grant Felix Adams Fred Giese Otto Remus

> Annual Meeting April 5, 1938 H.C. Eggebrecht Adolph Bornowski Fred Nienow Felix Adams Fred Giese **Otto Remus**

Annual Meeting April 1939-1941 Fred Neitzel Adolph Bornowski Fred Nienow Felix Adams Fred Giese Otto Remus

Annual Meeting April 7, 1942 Fred Neitzel Adolph Bornowski William Borchardt Felix Adams Fred Totzke Otto Remus

Annual Meeting April 7, 1943 Fred Neitzel Adolph Bornowski William G. Borchardt Mrs. Ethel Adams Fred Totzke **Otto Remus**

Annual Meeting April 7, 1931 Annual Meeting April 4, 1944 **Richard Borchardt** Adolph Bornowski Loddie Loskot Mrs. Ethel Adams Fred Totzke Otto Remus

> 1945-1946 **Richard Borchardt** Loddie Loskot Walter Brown Mrs. Ethel Adams Fred Totzke **Otto Remus**

Annual Meeting April 1, 1947-1948 **Richard Borchardt** Walter Brown Ed Kropelin Mrs. Ethel Adams Fred Totzke **Otto Remus**

Annual Meeting April 5, 1949-1950 Richard Borchardt Walter Brown Ed Kropelin Mrs. Ethel Adams

Annual Meeting April 3, 1951-1952 Walter Brown Ed Kropelin Art Giese Mrs. Ethel Adams Royal Hamann Elmer Wussow Annual Meeting April 7, 1953-1956 Walter Brown Ed Kropelin Art Giese Mrs. Ethel Adams Royal Hamann Elmer Wussow

Annual Meeting April 7, 1957-1958 Walter Brown Ed Kropelin Art Giese Mrs. Ethel Adams Royal Hamann Walter Remus 1969-1970 Loddie Loskot Ray Bandle Elmerd Schemenauer Arthur Hoesly Royal Hamann Albert Totzke

1971-1972 Loddie Loskot Ray Bandle Elmerd Schemenauer Arthur Hoesly Royal Hamann Hugo Mielke

1972-1974 Loddie Loskot Ray Bandle Elmerd Schemenauer Theodore Grammer Royal Hamann Hugo Mielke

1975-1976 Loddie Loskot Ray Bandle John Hamann Theodore Grammer Carl Totzke Robert Ballerstein

1976-1980 Loddie Loskot Ray Bandle John Hamann Theodore Grammer Fred Totzke Robert Ballerstein 1981-1983 Loddie Loskot Leonard Jantsch Raymond Bandle Theodore R. Grammer Fred Totzke Frank Borchardt Gerald Borchardt

1983-1985 Loddie Loskot Raymond Bandle Leonard Jantsch Marlene J. Carter Fred Totzke Frank Borchardt Gerald Borchardt

1985-1987 Loddie Loskot Raymond Bandle Leonard Jantsch Marlene J. Carter Fred Totzke Gerald Borchardt Aaron Totzke

1987-1989 Loddie Loskot Raymond Bandle Leonard Jantsch Marlene J. Carter Fred Totzke Gerald Borchardt Aaron Totzke

1989-Present Loddie Loskot Raymond Bandle Leonard Jantsch Marlene J. Carter Judy Rodman Gerald Borchardt Carl Totzke

The following have served 8 years or more as public officials for the town of Frankfort:

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	Ray Bandle - Supervisor
	Fred Giese - Treasurer
	Loddie Loskot - Chairman & Supervisor
	Mrs. Ethel Adams - Clerk
	Royal Hamann - Treasurer
	Fred Totzke - Treasurer
	Henry Eggebrecht - Chairman and Supervisor 19 years
	Otto Remus - Assessor
	Richard Borchardt - Chairman and Supervisor 16 years
	Walter Brown - Chairman and Supervisor16 years
	Ed Kropelin- Supervisor14 years
	Elmerd Schemenauer - Supervisor14 years
	Robert Ballerstein - Assessor14 years
	Frank Wirkus - Clerk
	Gerald Borchardt - Constable
	Adolph Bornowski - Supervisor12 years
	John Eggebrecht - Treasurer, Assessor & Clerk11 years
	Joe Wirkus - Treasurer11 years
	Felix Adams-Clerk11 years
	John Simsen - Assessor and Supervisor
	Carl Hoernke - Chairman and Treasurer9 years



1960 Town Officers: Royal Hamann, Treasurer; Richard Totzke, Chairman; Ethel Adams, Clerk.

Annual Meeting April, 1959-1960 Walter Brown Ed Kropelin Ray Bandle Mrs. Ethel Adams Royal Hamann Walter Remus

Annual Meeting April 4, 1961-1964 Richard Totzke Ray Bandle Elmerd Schemenauer Mrs. Ethel Adams Royal Hamann Robert Ballerstein 1965-1966 Richard Totzke Ray Bandle Elmerd Schemenauer Arthur Hoesly Royal Hamann Robert Ballerstein

1967-1968 Richard Totzke Ray Bandle Elmerd Schemenauer Arthur Hoesly Royal Hamann Albert Totzke

Henry Hamann - Chairman and Supervisor	9 years
Paul Syring - Assessor	9 years
Fred Nienow - Supervisor	
Leonard Jantsch - Supervisor	
Fred Michler - Treasurer	
Art Hoesly - Clerk	8 years
Art Giese - Supervisor	
Elmer Wussow - Assessor	8 years
Richard Totzke - Chairman	8 years
Frank Borchardt - Constable	8 years

Chronological Order of Township Events

APRIL 7, 1891

Resolved to raise \$100 for bridge between Sec. 14-23.
 Ordinance passed that no swine be allowed to roam at large. A fine of 25¢ per animal will be assessed.

3. Resolved to raise \$150 to build new town hall, size 20' x 30' and to be built according to Wisconsin laws of 1888.

4. Motion made and seconded to divide School District No. 2, making two distinct districts. The new district to be called District No. 4. District No. 2 shall include Sec. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9. District No. 4 shall include Sec. 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21.

5. Next annual meeting to be held in the new town hall.

MAY 11, 1891

Town board organized a Board of Health, according to provisions of state law, Chapter 167 and 291. The following officers were elected: Ed Protze, Stephen Schooley and Eugene LeSage as health officers.

A total of \$503.00 was paid for turnpiking 590 rods of road to 32 citizens. Turnpiking was a name for removing trees, brush and stone in preparation for building a road.

DECEMBER 1, 1891

Special town meeting called. Motion to authorize board to borrow additional \$150.00 to pay, for the new town hall.

DECEMBER 31, 1891

Paid Adam Kuntz \$8.00 for one road scraper for District No.

DECEMBER 1891

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Paid John Eggebrecht for destruction of weeds \$1.00. Paid Maties Smolke for building bridge total cost \$363.71. Paid out \$34.73 for poor relief.

Paid John Eggebrecht \$250.00 for building the new town hall.

APRIL 5, 1892

Resolved to raise 14 mills highway tax.

Resolved to raise \$150.00 poor tax.

Resolved to raise \$25.00 for fence around the town hall. Resolved to raise \$100.00 to build a bridge on range line between Frankfort and Hull.

NOVEMBER 7, 1893

Resolved to raise \$550.00 for building bridges.

DECEMBER 1893

Paid \$831.00 part payment for bridge contract to John Eggebrecht.

Motion by the board to lay out a road commencing on the NW corner of Sec. 22 running south three miles.

APRIL 7, 1894

Resolved to raise \$175.00 for bridge between Sec. 15 and 9.

Motion to authorize town board to lay out a road starting at the SE corner of Sec. 25 and running 1 mile so that it is possible to attend school.

APRIL 26, 1894

Motion to lease the town hall lot for \$7.67 per year to John Eggebrecht.

APRIL 2, 1895

Resolved that the town raise \$50.00 to buy land for cemetery.

Resolved to purchase a safe for town.

Resolved to appropriate \$500.00 for surveying the town and setting corner posts.

JUNE 18, 1895

Special meeting held to raise \$65.00 for special road fund for a road leading to Doud and Sons Company sawmill at March Rapids.

NOVEMBER 4, 1895

Town board met to hear complaint by Henry Severn against Wm. Oshe, road superintendent of Dist. 4. Wm. Oshe was relieved of his position and replaced by Henry Severn.

APRIL 7, 1896

Motion not to purchase land for cemetery.

Resolved to purchase two safes, one for the town clerk and one for the town treasurer to be purchased from the Victor Safe Co. for \$123.00.

Resolved that no horses be allowed to run at large or a fine of \$5.00 to be assessed.

NOVEMBER 3, 1896

Petition to hold a special meeting for the purpose of adopting township school government. Vote was 47 for - 39 against.

APRIL 7, 1887

Resolved to raise \$11.00 for the general school fund.

Resolved to let the Grange use the Town Hall for their meetings at \$1.50 per annum. The said Grange to keep the Town Hall clean.

NOVEMBER 16, 1897

Statement from County Clerk of taxes to be levied upon Town of Frankfort. Total assessed valuation \$70,360.

State Tax								 				 			\$254.70
County								 				 			777.16
School								 				 			228.98
Co. Supt															
Bridge								 				 			141.30
Relief of Soldiers							• • •	 				 			14.13
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WARRANTY DEED. This Indenture, Made this Eleventh______ day of August_____ thousand eight hundred and ninety ovel Between The Wisconsin Valley Ballroad Company, party of the first part, and The Tom! Brand of The Tom of Frankfork, Marathan County, State of Hisconsin, and Their Succession in Office. Dellan. Que (\$100) "Wifnesseth, That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum ofto them in hand paid by the said partual of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby confessed and acknowledged, do by these presents grant, bargain, sell, remise, release, alien and confirm unto the said part All of the second part, and to This harrist and officer forever, all of the Maranhow and State of Wisconsin, to wit : following described real estate, situated in the County of One Aquare acos in The South East Corners of The South East quarter of The South East quarter, of Sixtim Fifteens (15) in Tomship (Irranty eight (28) North, of Range Three (3) East. Excepting a strip of land one hundred feet in width (being fifty feet on each Valley Railroad has been laid over these premi Fogether with all and singular the herediaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining. To Paile and to Pold the said premises as described, with the appurtenances, unto the said partills of the second part, and to Thin Auccustory Thein Aucassins in And the said Railroad Company do covenant, grant, bargain and agree to and with the said part la of the second part, that at the time of the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the said parties of the first part are well seized of the above granted premises in Fee Simple. That they are free from all incumbrances whatever, and the said Wisconsin Valley Railroad Company and its successors, will and shall WARRANT AND DEFEND the same against all lawful claims whatsoever, except taxes assessed since January 1st, 189.1.... In witness Whereof, The parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written, and the President and Secretary of said Railroad Company, have, by the directions of the Board of Directors of said Company, signed this instrument and sealed the same with the Corporate Seal of Said Company. Signed, Sealed, and Delivered in Presence of Wisconsin Vallufail Road Company. By Lucison M. Smithe d. C. Benn lana Gill Que

State of Wisconsin, County of Marathon.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on the day of definition 1891, before me personally came JUDSON M. SMITH, to me well known, as the Attorney in fact of the above named grantor, and acknowledged that he executed the foregoing deed, as the act and deed of the Wisconsin Valley Railroad Company, freely and voluntarily, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

le. Devering

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Town Taxes

Current			 											 \$	301.37
General School .			 											1	1106.21
Road & Bridges .			 												359.85
Overrun															
School District															
Road District															
														 	2313.65

APRIL 5, 1898

Resolved that all children not residing in the township shall pay 75¢ monthly in advance for tuition.

MAY 17, 1898 TO FEBRUARY 1899

Births reported to clerk of the Board of Health - 3 males and 5 females.

Deaths reported to the Board of Health - 3 females and 1 male.

DECEMBER 12, 1899

Meeting between the town of Frankfort and Wien with the following agreement that the town of Wien cemetery be the property of both towns. Both towns to share expenses equally. The town of Wien shall have control over any improvements or repairs in said cemetery.

JULY 3, 1900

William Koch filed his bond signed by Philip Myres and Wm. Braun to operate a saloon on N.E. N.E. Sec. 23. Paid to the town treasurer, Joe Wirkus \$100.00.

NOVEMBER 6, 1900

General Election		
Total votes cast	 	 114
Republican votes cast	 	 62
Democrat votes cast	 	
Socialist Labor votes cast	 	 1
Socialist Democrat votes cast .	 	 1

APRIL 2, 1901

Motion to raise \$500.00 for bridge between Sec. 18 and 19.

MARCH 25, 1902

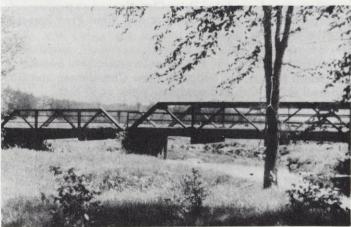
Paid Colby State Bank \$1294.00 for bridge load.

JULY 1, 1902

Saloon license issued to Wm. Koch and Peter Christiansen at \$100 each.

JUNE 4, 1903

Board met between Sec. 23 and 26 at Big Creek. Contract was let to Wisconsin Bridge and Iron Co. for the sum of \$1360.00.



Syring Bridge between Sections 23 & 26. It has since been replaced.

OCTOBER 14, 1903

Town Board and Bridge Committee met at Big Creek between Sec. 14 and 23. Contract was let to S.H. Johnson for the sum of \$900.

JUNE 6, 1904

Town Board met at Randal Creek with the Bridge Committee. Contract was let to the Illinois Bridge Co. for \$1040.00 between Sec. 17 and 8.

FEBRUARY 9, 1907

August Koch was appointed town clerk due to the death of William Koch.

MARCH 14, 1907

Ed Protze resigned as chairman of the town of Frankfort because of moving away.

MARCH 18, 1907

Town Board appointed Henry C. Eggbrecht as chairman to fill the unexpired term of Ed Protze.

APRIL 2, 1907 Spring Election Total votes cast 229.

APRIL 7, 1908

Spring Election. Delegates to the National Republican Convention and the National Democratic Convention were voted on, also for a delegate to the district convention.

NOVEMBER 6, 1908

Paid to the Wis. Bridge Co. \$1700.00.

APRIL 5, 1910

Motion made that hereafter that any cornerstone out of the ground over two inches be lowered.

DECEMBER 23, 1910

First description of assessed	person	nal proper	ties recorded.
Horses total	209	Value	\$ 136.37
Cattle total	709	Value	129.77
Sheep & lambs total	510	Value	10.23
Swine total	228	Value	4.87
Wagons, carriages & sleighs	136	Value	11.01
Lumber		Value	46.50
Steam Engine			6.64
All other properties	11.85		
Total value of personal prope	357.24		
Total value of real estate 23,0	J40 ac.	res	\$5079.40

APRIL 4, 1911

Motion made and seconded that the American Society of Equity be allowed to use the town hall for their meetings.

APRIL 2, 1912

Louis Marchetti received the most votes from Frankfort, 53 for municipal Judge. Robert M. LaFollette received 29 votes, Wm. H. Taft received 13 votes for President.

JUNE 28, 1912

Received \$100 each from Peter Christiansen and Albert Smith for Saloon License.

DECEMBER 24, 1912

Description of assessed personal property, 216 horses, 842 cattle, 257 sheep, 206 swine, 148 wagons, carriages and sleighs. Threshers, gas engines, saw mills, motor cycle and liquor.

DECEMBER 16, 1913

Description of personal property, 254 horses, 1000 cattle, 212 sheep, 247 swine, 166 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 2 automobiles, 1 motor cycle and 2 steam engines.

license.	Received of Peter Christiansen	\$100.00
	Received of Emila Koch	\$100.00
	Received of Charley Rodatz	\$100.00

APRIL 7, 1914

Motion made and seconded that the people do not want a special session of legislation, called to use up about a million dollars or more.

NOVEMBER 3, 1914

General election held. H.C. Eggebrecht was on the ballot for County Treasurer.

H.C. Eggebrecht received 79 votes. H.J. Abraham received 17 votes.

Herman Marth received 4 votes.

DECEMBER 21, 1914

Description of personal property, 354 horses, 1517 cattle, 214 sheep, 319 swine, 354 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 3 automobiles.

JUNE 30, 1915

DECEMBER 21, 1915

Description of personal property, 396 horses, 1761 cattle, 131 sheep, 379 swine, 406 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 10 automobiles, 1 motorcycle.

DECEMBER 20, 1916

Description of personal property, 437 horses, 1916 cattle, 112 sheep, 379 swine, 406 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 15 automobiles, 1 motor cycle.

APRIL 3, 1917

Motion made and seconded to drop the working off poll tax. JUNE 5, 1917

Registration day was held at the town hall with Henry Hamann, Fred Giese, W.J. Petri and Frank Wirkus as registration committee. A total of 81 were registered from ages 21 to 30 inclusive for World War I.

AUGUST 27, 1917

The town of Frankfort and town of Eau Pleine met for a hearing to detach the territory in the town of Frankfort from joint school district #5 in the town of Eau Pleine.

OCTOBER 18, 1917

Joint school district #5, part of town of Frankfort, has been detached from school district #5 in the town of Eau Pleine and attached to school district #4 in the town of Frankfort.

NOVEMBER 19, 1917

A hearing was held at the town hall and a new school district was formed as school district #6 in the town of Frankfort.

DECEMBER 17, 1917

Description of personal property, 462 horses, 2010 cattle, 128 sheep, 404 swine, 421 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 37 automobiles.

APRIL 2, 1918

Motion to pay the town clerk \$100, town chairman \$75, supervisors \$65, treasurer \$125 and assessor \$75.

JUNE 29, 1918

Received \$100 each from Peter Christiansen and Gust Rossal for saloon license.

SEPTEMBER 12, 1918

Registration day was held at the town hall for men ages 18, 19 and 20 and from ages 31-45. A total of 97 registered. Henry Hamann, Charles F. Braun, Richard Borchardt and Frank Wirkus were the registration committee.

DECEMBER 16, 1918

Description of personal property, 465 horses, 2090 cattle, 169 sheep, 494 swine, 411 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 45 automobiles.

MARCH 25, 1919

Paid out \$25.43 for teachers retirement. Paid out \$344.16 for bounty on wood chucks.

APRIL 1, 1919

Motion was made and seconded that the town shall buy a tractor and road grader. Motion lost.

Motion was made to close the country saloons in the town of Frankfort from 10 o'clock Saturday night until 12 o'clock Sunday noon, to take effect on April 5, 1919. Motion was carried.

Motion was made to pay the town officers as follows: Chairman \$90, supervisors \$60, clerk \$125, treasurer \$132, assessor \$90.

APRIL 26, 1919

John Eggebrecht resigned as town treasurer.

MAY 8, 1919

Fred Giese was appointed as town treasurer.

AUGUST 23, 1919

Fred Reeg, supervisor of the town of Frankfort resigned. Florian Haas was appointed as new supervisor.

SEPTEMBER 2, 1919

Special referendum election was held for ratification of Chapter 667 Laws of 1919. Thirty-nine votes for and 28 against.

DECEMBER 18, 1919

Town board paid \$160 to Joe Loskot, Jr. for loss of a horse.

DECEMBER 25, 1919

Description of personal property, 475 horses, 2183 cattle, 301 sheep, 551 swine, 465 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 65 automobiles.

DECEMBER 30, 1919

Special election held on bond issue. Number of votes for bond issue was 20 and number of votes against bond issue was 64.

APRIL 6, 1920

Motion was made that the saloon license for the town of Frankfort be \$50 per year.

Motion was made and seconded to buy a road grader and tractor. Motion carried. Purchased J.I. Case tractor for \$2791.00.

APRIL 26, 1920

Town board appointed Peter Christiansen as road superintendent and road grader operator and hired Fred Forest as tractor operator.

JULY 3, 1920

Saloon license was issued to Peter Christiansen and Gust Rossol at \$50 each and cigarette license at \$5 each.

DECEMBER 20, 1920

Description of personal property, 474 horses, 2323 cattle, 194 sheep, 615 swine, 525 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 80 automobiles.

Total value of personal property	.\$786,176.00
Number of acres of real estate 22,712	
Improvements	.\$ 98,500.00
Total value of both	.\$829,898.00

APRIL 5, 1921

Motion made to raise \$800 to repair the town hall.

Motion made to raise the saloon license back to \$100 per year.

APRIL 9, 1921

Board appointed Joe Bargander as road superintendent and hired Walter Brown as tractor operator at 60¢ per hour, Max Hartig as grader operator at 45¢ per hour, common labor at 30¢ per hour and team and man at 55¢ per hour.

SEPTEMBER 15, 1921

Paid Eugene Rahn \$75.40 for building on to the town hall.

DECEMBER 19, 1921

Description of personal property, 460 horses, 2371 cattle, 106 automobiles. Total assessed valuation was \$917,132.00.

NOVEMBER 7, 1922

Tuition paid for Mary Sazama to attend Colby High School for years of 1918, 1919 and 1920.

DECEMBER 12, 1922

William Bandow was appointed chairman of the town of Frankfort due to the death of Henry Hamann. Peter Christiansen was appointed supervisor until the spring election.

Inventory of personal property, 428 horses, 2374 cattle, 115 automobiles. Total assessed valuation of both personal and real estate \$893,248.00.

OCTOBER 13, 1923

Joint meeting held with town of Hull and Frankfort to apportion taxes for joint school district No. 2. School tax divided, Frankfort divided, Frankfort 56% and Hull 44%.

DECEMBER 18, 1923

Statement of assessment, 430 horses, 2327 cattle, 332 sheep, 421 swine, 4 steam engines, 119 automobiles and trucks. Total valuation of personal and real estate \$916,222.00.

APRIL 1, 1924

Motion made to raise \$500 for bridge between Sections 7 and 8. Motion by the town board to raise \$2000.00 for a bridge between Sections 19 and 20 across the Eau Pleine River to be built in 1925.

Motion to buy an adding machine for town officials, purchased from the Burroughs Adding Machine Co. for \$171.50.

AUGUST 23, 1924

The town board resolved to have the constable sent to remove the lock from the road machinery since the tractor operator refused to give up the keys.

DECEMBER 15, 1924

Statement of assessment, 424 horses, 2466 cattle, 160 sheep, 435 swine, 452 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 136 automobiles. Total valuation \$959,989.00. Total number of homestead exemptions allowed were 46. Amount \$22,050.00.

MAY 19, 1925

The town board and county bridge committee let the bridge contract across the Eau Pleine River in Sections 19 and 20 to Carl Stargardt of Athens for the sum of \$10,771.00.

DECEMBER 1, 1925

Town board of audit levied the sum of \$3,987.50 on the tax roll of 1925.

Statement of assessment, 414 horses, 2558 cattle, 117 sheep, 333 swine, 436 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 147 automobiles. Total value of all property \$1,033,957.00.

APRIL 6, 1926

Motion carried that the town chairman use his influence to discourage the plowing of snow on highway No. 16 for the coming winter.

Motion carried to purchase 6 pony graders and 4 wheel scrapers for town use.

Motion carried to change time of election from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

MAY 6, 1926

Board let the contract to Carl Stargardt to build a bridge between Sections 1 and 12 known as Seeger's bridge.

NOVEMBER 2, 1926

General election. Resolution relating to the Volstead Copper Act, 78 votes for and 24 against.

Resolution relating to the county issuing bonds for building concrete roads, 53 for and 52 against.

DECEMBER 10, 1926

Statement of assessment, 406 horses, 2603 cattle, 147 sheep, 340 swine, 394 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 166 automobiles. Total valuation for all property was \$1,072,510.00.

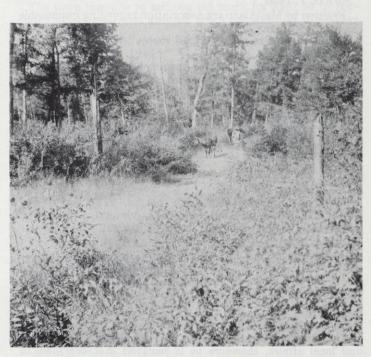
DECEMBER 6, 1927

Statement of assessment, 407 horses, 3014 cattle, 142 sheep, 412 swine, 403 wagons, carriages and sleights, 172 automobiles. Total valuation for all property was \$1,151,240.00.

APRIL 3, 1928

Motion carried to authorize the board to sell the town tractor and tank.

Saloon license issued to Rudy Dombrovie for \$30.



Much of the work of early town boards involved making provisions for the construction of roads. As more settlers came to the township, more roads were needed. The photo above is of an early Frankfort "road". This road passes the Ewald Bobert Farm between sections 9 and 16. Motion carried that the town treasurer mail out cards by January 15th to each taxpayer stating amount of taxes due.

Motion lost to purchase a snow plow.

Motion lost to purchase a caterpillar tractor.

Motion lost to build a town machine shed.

NOVEMBER 1, 1928

Bridge built between Sections 35 and 36 known as Adams Bridge.

NOVEMBER 15, 1928

Contract let to Felix Adams to repair fill to the Adams Bridge caused by the flood.

NOVEMBER 22, 1928

The Max Hartig family moved out of the town of Frankfort.

DECEMBER 4, 1928

Statement of assessment, 388 horses, 2532 cattle, 166 sheep, 438 swine, 377 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 178 automobiles. Total valuation \$1,203,370.00.

APRIL 2, 1929

Motion made to raise \$1500 to surface County Trunk N. Motion carried that the town of Frankfort go on record for urging Marathon County and the State of Wisconsin to repeal the dog license.

APRIL 6, 1929

Ferdinand Totzke resigned as supervisor. Charles Brown was appointed to replace Mr. Totzke.

DECEMBER 1929

Statement of assessment, 380 horses, 2659 cattle, 154 sheep, 351 swine, 30 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 200 automobiles. Total valuation \$1,237,215.00.

Saloon licenses were issued to Peter Christiansen, Rudy Dombrovie and Emil Flieth at \$30 each.

APRIL 1, 1930

Petition by Mail Carriers Association regarding impassable condition of the mail routes.

Motion carried to plow all mail routes in the town when it becomes necessary.

Motion to raise \$1000 to improve prospective county highways, road running from town of Eau Pleine town line to highway 29, now County Trunk E.

SEPTEMBER 4, 1930

Motion by the board to borrow sufficient money from the bank of Edgar to replace and repair bridges at Borchardt Creek and Petri Creek that were washed out by the cloud burst in June 1930.

DECEMBER 1930

Statement of assessment, 364 horses, 2782 cattle, 160 sheep, 334 swine, 212 wagons, carriages and sleighs, 216 automobiles. Total of all valuations \$1,230,320.00.

JANUARY 23, 1931

The town board appointed Earl Rasmusson as health officer to fill the unexpired term of Peter Christiansen who passed away.

APRIL 7, 1931

Annual meeting. Whereas taxes are going higher every year, and the only way to reduce taxes is to economize in the county and local affairs, therefore be it resolved that the town of Frankfort request the County Board of Supervisors not to hire a County Agent, County Nurse, Assistant County Agent or a Home Demonstration Agent. Motion carried.

APRIL 14, 1931

Motion to buy 500 pounds of dynamite to be used for building highways and in granite pits.

DECEMBER 1931

Statement of assessment, 2929 cattle, 151 sheep, 303 swine, 1 airplane. Total of all personal real estate \$1,100,030.00.

JUNE 14. 1932

Motion to grant soft drink licenses to August Dittner and Mr. Fisher at \$5 each.

JULY 8, 1932

Special meeting called for grasshopper control. County Agent Wm. Rogan explained the program. Motion was made and carried that the town board make arrangements to get the poison bait from the Edgar Co-op.

DECEMBER 1932

Statement of assessment, 3409 cattle. Total of all personal and real estate \$1,027,495.00.

MARCH 4, 1933

The Wisconsin Legislature enacted a law allowing local municipalities to extend the time of paying real estate taxes. Motion made by the board to extend the time to pay town real estate taxes until June 12th.

MAY 28, 1933

Soft drink license was issued to Rudolph Vesley.

AUGUST 26, 1933

Otto Mesalk moved to Mosinee.

OCTOBER 2, 1933

The board issued a tavern license to Joe Heindl for \$15 and a cigarette license for \$5.

NOVEMBER 27, 1933

Motion made to have the chairman go to Wausau to get some working projects in the town for the unemployed.

DECEMBER 6, 1933

Board marked out relief project to gravel Prospect Road between Sections 21 and 22.

DECEMBER 12, 1933

The chairman is to appoint a foreman and timekeeper for C.W.A. projects and make out a list of men who will work on the projects.

APRIL 3. 1934

Motion made to authorize the board to raise sufficient money to work off some drought relief.

Motion made to pay each town constable \$15 for work during the milk strike.

Motion lost to issue no tavern license this coming year.

JUNE 19, 1934

Issued a tavern license to James Johnston.

JUNE 25, 1934

The following ordinance was adopted. There shall be no dances held on any Saturday or Sunday nights, and only one dance per month in each hall. Taverns and dance halls shall be closed by 1 A.M. Special dance permits must be obtained from the town board and operators must conduct a clean and respectable business at all times.

Tavern licenses were issued to Mike O'Brien and James Johnston for one year at \$25.

AUGUST 27, 1934

The board met to take orders for emergency silos.

SEPTEMBER 18, 1934

The board voted to equip the town hall with electric lights. Gerhart Punke to furnish lights for 50¢ per month.

MARCH 1, 1935

Special meeting to vote on snow plowing of town roads. Vote was 66 for and 38 against.

MAY 7, 1935

Motion made to build a bridge between Sections 28 and 33 with a 24 foot roadway and a 16 foot waterway.

JUNE 14, 1935

Motion made to charge \$25 for a tavern license and \$50 for a liquor license.

AUGUST 26, 1935

Motion made to issue tavern licenses to Ray Rodman and James Johnston.

SEPTEMBER 17, 1935

Be it resolved by the town board authorizing the chairman to sponsor projects of any and all matters pertaining to welfare of the said town and to enter into any contracts with the works progress administration.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1935

Be it resolved that the town agrees to furnish services, equipment, material and funds in a sum not to exceed \$2700.00 as its share of the plan of secondary farm to market roads.

DECEMBER 3, 1935

The town board met at the town hall to decide on snow plowing of roads. They voted unanimously in favor. The chairman was ordered to hire the county to plow the roads.

APRIL 7, 1936

Motion made to authorize the town board to complete prospective road, now County Trunk E, so that the county can take over the road.

APRIL 16, 1936

Motion made to authorize the chairman to go to Wausau to take care of garden seeds, surplus food, and clothes for all families on relief.

JUNE 1, 1936

Special meeting held for the purpose of buying a stone crusher. Fifty-nine votes cast, 24 for and 35 against.

JUNE 5, 1936

The price set for gravel and granite is 17¢ per yard.

JUNE 25, 1936

Tavern licenses were issued to Art Mielke and Charles Schaus.

APRIL 6, 1937

Motion made that the town purchase culverts wherever they grade and where culverts are necessary.

Motion made to raise \$1000 to buy snow fence and posts. Motion made to have the town proceedings printed in lawful form.

JUNE 26, 1937

The town board drove to Phillips, Wisconsin to investigate the relief case of Louis Dvorak.

JUNE 28, 1937

The town board purchased a road shaper for \$488.00.

AUGUST 11, 1937

Arthur Neitzel made a proposition to the town board to pay \$100 for removing a pile of stones to be used in road fill between Sections 1 and 12.

JUNE 27, 1938

The following paid tavern licenses, Charles Schaus, Art Mielke, Oscar Rodman. Beer license \$20 and beer and liquor \$70.

DECEMBER 12, 1938

Tavern licenses were issued to Fritz Wegner and Herman Punke.

APRIL 4, 1939

Motion made to build an outhouse by the town hall. Motion made that the town board reimburse the town for \$20 court fine which they paid for Clarence Mueller.

Motion made that the town buy a commercial bond for the treasurer and the treasurer pay \$15 toward the same.

APRIL 2, 1940

Motion made to build a bridge between Sections 2 and 9.

APRIL 1, 1941

Motion made to give 5 gallons of gas per car per week to men working on W.P.A. projects in the township.

NOVEMBER 5, 1941

All male residents of the town of Frankfort between the ages of 21 and 35 are required to register for service regarding the national preparedness program for World War II.

DECEMBER 6, 1941

The town board set the town treasurers' salary at \$145 for the ensuing year.

JULY 1942

Tavern licenses were issued to Oscar Rodman and Charles Schaus at \$75 each.

JULY 6, 1942

The town board appointed Mrs. Felix Adams as town clerk in place of Mr. Adams who is disabled.

FEBRUARY 18, 1943

Meeting was held at the town hall with a special committee for the purpose of rationing and other work organization.

APRIL 7, 1943

A memorial to Felix Adams who passed away was presented to Mrs. Adams.

SEPTEMBER 7, 1943

The town board is to sell one old truck for \$387.50 to Herman Christiansen and another truck for \$267.50 to George Schug.

DECEMBER 28, 1943

A special town meeting was held for the purpose of buying a patrol grader and snow plow. Total votes cast, 44 votes for and 14 votes against. Purchased Galleon patrol grader for \$8196.26.

Otto Ehmke was the first patrol operator and Anton Borchardt the second. Others were Bernard Custer, Ben Derfuss, Edward Wiederhoeft, Fred Weinke, Carl Totzke and Jacob Bohman.

APRIL 4, 1944

Motion made to build a town garage for the new patrol grader.

APRIL 18, 1944

The town board met at the town hall to determine the site of the new garage. There was oral agreement to let the job out on bids. The garage was built by Adolph Bornowski without bids of concrete blocks. Total cost \$2700.

JUNE 6, 1944

The town board met at the town hall to arrange for a War Bond drive in the township.

DECEMBER 4, 1944

Motion made to pay the patrol operator 60¢ per hour for patroling roads.

APRIL 3, 1945

Motion made to grade and gravel 3 or 4 miles of roads as the town board sees fit.

DECEMBER 1, 1946

A tavern license was issued to Art Behringer.

MAY 6, 1947

A tavern license was issued to Anton Bohman for beer only.

NOVEMBER 4. 1947

A tavern license was issued to Otto Leffel.

JUNE 1, 1948

The board raised the tavern license for beer to \$30 and for liquor to \$55.

FEBRUARY 1, 1949

The town board discussed purchasing a used truck and snow plow.

AUGUST 1, 1950

Walter Brown was appointed chairman to fill the unexpired term of Richard Borchardt who passed away.

Arthur Giese was appointed supervisor to fill the unexpired term of Walter Brown.

APRIL 3, 1951

A memorial to the late Richard Borchardt, chairman, was read and approved.

Motion carried to buy a new safe for the town clerk.

APRIL 6, 1951

Notice was served by the county sheriff that a recount for town chairman was petitioned by W.G. Borchardt.

APRIL 7, 1951

A recount was held at the town hall at 1 P.M. with the results as follows: Walter Brown 120 votes, W.G. Borchardt 119 votes.

SEPTEMBER 11, 1951

The town board purchased 1 acre of land for \$260 from Mike Panzigrau S.W. of N.W. Section 25 for the town dump.

JUNE 24, 1952

The town board purchased a weed and brush sprayer from the Peters Co. for the sum of \$483.45 which included some spray material.

JUNE 26, 1952

The town of Frankfort was billed for the sum of \$4,153.95 for polio victim, Vergene Timm. The bill was presented to the county for settlement.

MARCH 1953

The town snow plow broke through the bridge between Sections 8 and 17.

APRIL 7, 1953

The town board announced that a Red Cross booth will be set up at the town hall for solution and donation to Red Cross.

APRIL 11, 1953

A new roof was applied to the town garage which was blown off by a wind storm.

AUGUST 4, 1953

The town board approved a resolution to be included under the Federal Old Age and Survivors Insurance System as of January 1, 1951 for all eligible positions.

MARCH 22, 1954

Wausau Construction received \$9,996.26 for building a bridge between Sections 8 and 17.

APRIL 5, 1955

Motion was made to have the town board buy the used 16 foo bridge from the county to be used between Sections 8 and 17.

SEPTEMBER 6, 1955

Otto Leffel sold his tavern to Adrian Waniger.

MARCH 19, 1956

Elmer Wussow resigned as assessor. Walter Remus was appointed by the board to finish his unexpired term.

APRIL 3. 1956

Motion was made and carried to widen all roads to 4 rods when being rebuilt.

APRIL 23, 1956

Special meeting was called for school districts 5 and 6. Motion was made to dissolve districts 5 and 6 and both districts to consolidate into one district to be known as district 7.

APRIL 1, 1957

Motion was carried to assess all the trailer houses in the township.

APRIL 2, 1957

Motion was made to purchase the Upham School building for a community hall. Motion lost.

JUNE 24, 1958

Motion made by the town board to lower assessments on barns hit by the tornado by 50%.

1958 Tornado

Four barns were destroyed in the tornado which swept through the township June 4, 1958. No photo was available of the tornado damage at the Walter Remus farm. Also destroyed was the Bill Martyn barn which had been jacked up to repair the barn wall.



Tornado damage at Herb Brown farm.





Tornado damage at Albert Podevel farm.



Tornado damage at Elmer Mueller farm.

APRIL 7, 1959

Motion carried to have the town board purchase a used or rebuilt truck.

JUNE 2, 1959

Motion made to let the job of painting the bridge between Sections 19 and 20 to Otto Lueschow for the sum of \$1,424.00.

AUGUST 15, 1959

The Anton Bohman tavern was sold to Alois Brown.

AUGUST 31, 1959

The town board purchased a used F.W.D. truck and plow from the Public Works Equipment Co. for a sum of \$3200.00

APRIL 5, 1960

Motion made to sell the old truck and plow. Motion made to grade and gravel roads between Sections 4 and 9 and Sections 12 and 13.

JUNE 7, 1960

Motion was made to permit taverns to stay open until 2 A.M. during daylight saving time.

SEPTEMBER 6, 1960

Motion made to buy a briefcase for the town clerk.

MARCH 7, 1961

Motion made to pay \$2.50 bounty for fox to be reimbursed by the county. Walter Brown was appointed deputy for same.

APRIL 22, 1961

The town board agreed to pay \$100 per acre for cultivated land, 15¢ a rod for moving an electric fence, 25¢ a rod for moving a barb wire fence, \$5 for shade trees and \$15 for apple trees when widening roads.

AUGUST 1, 1961

A special meeting was held for the purpose of purchasing a water tank in partnership with the village of Edgar and surrounding townships. The east half of Frankfort to be included. The vote was in favor of the motion. The cost was \$1400.

SEPTEMBER 5, 1961

The following were appointed as fire marshals for the Colby Fire Department: Adrian Waniger, Melvin Kilty, Harry Swoboda and Merlin Kilty.

Motion made to join the Taxpayers Alliance.

OCTOBER 3, 1961

Motion made to solicit civil defense workers and pay their mileage.

APRIL 3, 1962

Motion made to authorize the town board to put in a bid for a vacant school building to be used for the town hall and to raise enough money to pay for the same.

Motion made to purchase a new patrol grader. Forty-two votes were cast, 34 for and 8 against. The town board and Edward Weiderhoeft and Carl Schilling were appointed as purchasing committee.

Motion made by the board to widen and gravel the road between Sections 1 and 2.

APRIL 17, 1962

Special board meeting called to purchase a new patrol grader. Unamimous vote to buy an Adams No. 777 grader for \$27,828.00 less \$4,328.00 trade in for the old Gallion grader net price \$23,500. The board borrowed \$20,000 from the Bank of Edgar at $3\frac{3}{4}\%$ interest.



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OCTOBER 2, 1962

The board purchased the Hillcrest School at auction for the price of \$1013.00 for a new town hall.



NOVEMBER 6, 1962

The first general election held in the new town hall.

DECEMBER 3, 1962

The local budget was set by the board and the public was invited to attend and adopt the budget. Local budget was set at \$25,597.26.

JANUARY 21, 1963

A special meeting was called to advise the town board to sign a release not to use the water tank from the Stratford Fire Department.

MARCH 12, 1963

Motion made by the board to adopt civil defense ordinance with Richard Totzke as director.

APRIL 2, 1963

Motion made to charge for the use of the town hall, \$1.00 for educational organizations, \$2.00 for private parties - local residents and \$3.00 for other community affairs.

MAY 7, 1963

The town board is to widen and apply granite to the road between Sections 16 and 17.

DECEMBER 2, 1963

Land was purchased for the road building between Sections 4 and 5 and Sections 8 and 9.

APRIL 7, 1964

Motion carried to seed down all newly graded right of ways.

APRIL 6, 1965

The chairman explained the reapportionment of the county in regard to county supervisor's districts.

Motion was made to send a letter of sympathy to the family of Ben Derfus who passed away.

Leopold Hartl was appointed to supervise the town dump.

FEBRUARY 4, 1966

Motion made to widen and gravel the road between Sections 22 and 23 and Sections 26 and 27.

FEBRUARY 18, 1966

Special meeting called to accept the resignation of assessor, Robert Ballerstein, due to an eye injury. Motion made to hire Albert Totzke as assessor to fill unexpired term and to pay \$2000 to reevaluate all property in the town under the new state law using the new appraisal cards.

AUGUST 6, 1966

Motion made to purchase a check protector for town purposes.

SEPTEMBER 14, 1966

Motion made by the board that all taxpayers fill out an objection form when coming before the Board of Review for any changes in their assessment.

SEPTEMBER 14, 15, 16, 1966

Three Board of Review meetings were held due to reassessment and new state appraisal cards.

NOVEMBER 11, 1966

Motion made by the board that all roads recorded in the road book page 113 and including page 118 be designated as 4 rod roads.

APRIL 4, 1967

Motion made to change the annual meeting time from 10 A.M. to 1:30 P.M.

Resolved that the town of Frankfort be authorized and directed to exercise village board powers as provided Sections 60, 18-12.

APRIL 13, 1967

The fire protection contract with the Colby Fire Department was signed by the township, charges to be \$125 for the first hour, \$50 per hour thereafter the first hour and \$30 per hour for the tanker.

FEBRUARY 2, 1968

Motion made by the town board to have the polls open between the hours of 9 A.M. and 8 P.M.

APRIL 2, 1968

Motion made to sign a fire protection contract with the Stratford Fire Department.

Motion made to build a bridge across Hamann Creek between Sections 11 and 14.

APRIL 5, 1968

Motion made to charge \$1.00 for issuing I.D. cards as required by law.

APRIL 19, 1968

Motion made to let contract to Wausau Construction Co. for building bridge between Sections 11 and 14 for the sum of \$18,240.

MAY 2, 1969

The Colby Phonograph, a weekly paper, was designated as the official paper for the town of Frankfort official business.

Motion made by the town board to invest any surplus money in a savings account to draw interest.

JULY 13, 1970

The assessed value on all residence houses and farm homes were assessed on equal basis by the assessor.

JULY 28, 1970

Twelve taxpayers appeared at the Board of Review meeting to object to their assessments, which were denied.

The board hired a real estate appraiser to reassess the 12 taxpayers who objected at the Board of Review meeting.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1970

A special township meeting was called. Motion made to give ⁱ the town board power to buy 40 acres of land for a sanitary land fill site.

OCTOBER 20, 1970

The Wisconsin Department of Revenue held a public hearing on reassessment of the township as requested by petitioners. No action was taken.

DECEMBER 4, 1970

A resolution was adopted to create a joint sanitary land fill operation together with the town of Frankfort and town of Hull on the 40 acres purchased from Leo Leffel on Section 20 S.W.-S.W. for the price of \$6000.00.

DECEMBER 1, 1972

The town board appointed a zoning committee to study zoning. Theodore Grammar, James Hamann, Gerald Borchardt, Brice Bender and Lester Schneider were appointed.

DECEMBER 15, 1972

A special zoning meeting was held at the new town garage. The town committee and county zoning administrator explained the zoning ordinance. A ballot vote was taken with 50 votes for and 14 against. James Hamann was appointed to issue zoning permits.

MARCH 6, 1973

The town board let bids for the Marsh Creek bridge to the Wausau Construction Co. for \$23,000.

A special meeting was called for the following:

1. A motion made to recommend to the county board to retain our local assessor.

2. A motion made to terminate union with the 1967 regional planning.

3. A motion made to repeal the unconstitutional 1967 reorganizational act.

4. A motion made to secure passage of S.I.R. 26 as passed by the state senate of 1971.

APRIL 3, 1973

Motion made to appoint two fire marshals for the east side of the township the same as the two fire marshals that were appointed on the west side, to act as traffic officials during fire runs.

MAY 7, 1973

Motion made to purchase filing cabinets for the town clerk and town chairman.

JUNE 4, 1973

Revenue sharing was explained by the town clerk Theodore Grammer and accepted by the township.

JULY 2, 1973

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Motion made to join the Wisconsin Towns Association.

JULY 9, 11, 16, 18, 1973

Four Board of Review meetings were held.

FEBRUARY 4, 1974

Motion made to have the county zoning committee make 8 zoning signs for the town of Frankfort.

APRIL 1, 1974

Motion made to sign agreement with Marathon County to purchase road supplies cooperatively.

Motion made to have the clerk charge each resident \$5 for each holding tank permit.

Motion made to replace the bridge between Sections 23 to 26 for an estimated cost of \$56,326 plus two large culverts. Ballot vote was taken, 39 for and 6 against.

Motion made to give the town board authority to contract for spraying gravel roads for dust control, when asked for by individual residences.

MAY 6, 1974

Motion made to have the Green Thumb workers clean, paint and build a bar at the town hall.

JUNE 3, 1974

Motion made to let the bridge bid to the Wausau Construction Co. for \$69,200 between Sections 23 and 26.

DECEMBER 4, 1974

Motion made to cancel all existing insurance and take out new all coverage policy from the Township Benefit Inc., an affiliate of the Wisconsin Towns Association.

FEBRUARY 3, 1975

Motion made to enter into an agreement with Marathon County to purchase highway signs for town roads. The county highway department to survey the town for the total amount of signs needed. This project is to be federally funded.

APRIL 1, 1975

Motion made to get the patrol grader motor rebuilt.

JUNE 25, 1975

Motion made that the town of Frankfort withdraw from regional planning.

FEBRUARY 2, 1976

Motion made to hold a Bicentennial observance at the town hall on March 28, 1976 at 1:30 P.M. See photo on next page.

APRIL 5, 1976

Motion made to do roadside seeding on all new roads in cooperation with soil conservation districts.

Motion made to purchase 7 signs from the zoning administrator and post around the township as being zoned.

Motion made that the town pay landowners for removing roadside fence when building new roads. 30¢ per rod for electric fence and 50¢ per rod for barb wire fence.

Motion made to pay the assessor \$1500 salary and \$200 mileage.

Motion made to pay the town treasurer \$850 salary and 12¢ per mile mileage.

Motion made to pay the town board \$30 per day salary and 12¢ per mile.

Motion made to pay the town clerk \$1500 plus \$30 per day for extra meetings and 12¢ per mile for travel.

OCTOBER 20, 1976

An ordinance was passed as required by statutes Chapter 381 naming of all town roads. Roads running north and south were named Walnut, Maplenut, Butternut and Chestnut, east and west, Elderberry, Huckleberry, Blueberry and Blackberry.

DECEMBER 8, 1976

Motion made to increase the grader operator's salary by 25¢ per hour to now read \$4.75 per hour for Edward Weiderhoeft and \$4.25 per hour to Jacob Bohman plus time and one half for overtime.

JANUARY 3, 1977

Motion to purchase calculator for the township. Motion to request aid from soil conservation district for roadside seeding.

APRIL 5, 1977 ANNUAL MEETING

Motion to widen and surface roads between sections 25 and 36, and 27 and 34. Motion to pay equalized value for land purchased for road right of ways.

APRIL 9, 1977

Motion to pay constables \$15.00 for qualifying. Motion to purchase an adding machine for treasurer.

MAY 2, 1977

Motion to increase Class B beer license to \$37.50 and Class A liquor license to \$62.50. Motion to furnish a new culvert to every new residence.

MAY 5, 1977

Motion to purchase air compressor for town garage.

JUNE 8, 1977

Motion to adopt a civil defense ordinance between Marathon County and Town of Frankfort.

The Town of Frankfort celebrates the Bicentennial in 1976



Pictured from right to left: Eileen Hoesly, Caroline Passehl, LaVerne Bornowski, Genevieve Bandle and Loddie Loskot.

JULY 5, 1977

Motion to record with the register of deeds all holding tank permits issued by the town. Motion to advise assessor to value all homes in the town at residential rates.

AUGUST 1, 1977

Motion to appoint Frank Borchardt as deputy zoning administrator.

OCTOBER 18, 1977

Northern States Power Company and Town of Frankfort were notified of a 1/2 million dollar law suit against them by Daniel Kaser because of a light pole that was placed in the wrong place and injured Mr. Kaser. Motion to appoint an audit committee to audit treasurers books.

JANUARY 3, 1978

Motion that Town of Frankfort host the western towns association on January 19, in Rib Falls.

APRIL 4, 1978 ANNUAL MEETING

Motion to hold next annual meeting on the first Saturday after the spring election. Motion to remodel Town Hall. Motion to widen roads between Sections 28 and 33, and between Sections 2 and 11.

AUGUST 7, 1978

Motion to appoint Loddie Loskot as American Red Cross Disaster Chairman for the Town of Frankfort.

SEPTEMBER 13, 1978

Motion to contest the assessed valuation placed on the town by supervisor of assessment at the county board equalization meeting.

NOVEMBER 22, 1978

Motion to adopt uniform dwelling code ordinance for the Town of Frankfort.

DECEMBER 6, 1978

Motion to approve a zoning change to Darrell Leffel from A-1 agricultural to M-1 light industrial in Section 34.

JANUARY 2, 1979

Motion to adopt the uniform standards for welfare as requested by Marathon County relief department. Motion to adopt the administration and enforcement of the state dwelling code by the town.

APRIL 7, 1979 ANNUAL MEETING

Motion to widen and surface roads between Sections 3 and 10, and 9 and 16.

JANUARY 7, 1980

Motion to charge \$22.00 per hour for patrol grader for town residents.

APRIL 5, 1980

Motion not to have an elected assessor beginning April 81. Motion to widen and build one mile of road between Sec. 10 and 15. Motion to purchase and erect 25 posts and name plates for roads on hard surfaced roads.



June 6, 1980. Kathy Uhlig stands by a washout on the road into the town dump.

JUNE 5, 1980

Motion to fix heavily damaged roads washed out by rains.

JULY 7, 1980

Motion to not do road building for lack of funds due to flooding damage.

DECEMBER 1, 1980

Motion to extend first tax payment to no later than last day of February.



Edward Wiederhoeft retired as town grader operator in 1980. He had operated the grader in the township for 32 years. He is how employed by the town as a part-time grader operator.

DECEMBER 17, 1980

Motion to appoint Leonard Jantsch as Supervisor as John Hamann resigned to become grader operator.

MARCH 2, 1981

Motion to purchase 15 yield signs and balance of road name signs.

APRIL 11, 81

Motion to close town hall during coldest winter months and hold meetings at clerk's office.

SEPTEMBER 8, 1981 Motion to have doors on garage insulated.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1981

Motion to meet with County Surveyor and make plans to find each cornerstone, cost to be paid by Federal Government.

NOVEMBER 2, 1981

Motion to not open 3 bids for assessment job but to re-bid for a complete assessment.

DECEMBER 1, 1981 Motion to award Robert Ballerstein Assessor bid.

DECEMBER 15, 1981

Motion to accept Robert Ballerstein's withdrawal on assessors contract and interview Rupert Kurtzweil and hire him for 1982.

JANUARY 4, 1982

Motion to authorize the clerk to set the number of election workers to serve at elections.

APRIL 5, 1982

Motion to charge \$5.00 for operator's license and liquor and beer combination license fee is \$100.00 for liquor and \$35.00 for beer. Motion to have town clerk administer general relief in township.

APRIL 10, 1982

Motion to raise \$4,000.00 per year in budget to be put into a separate account to be used when a new grader is purchased. Motion to leave decision to buy and install a new furnace at town hall up to town board.

SEPTEMBER 7, 1882

Motion to accept Clerk Theodore Grammer's resignation because of his health effective 9-30-82. See photo on next page.

SEPTEMBER 16, 1982

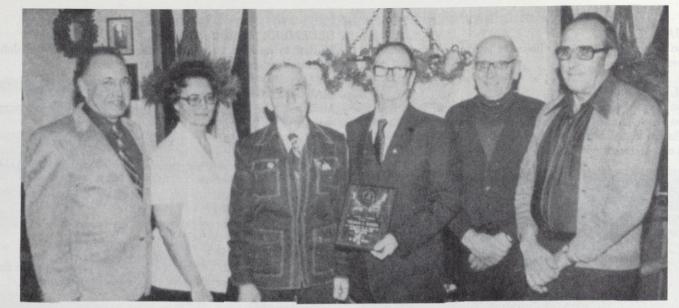
Motion to appoint Marlene Carter to finish out present term of clerk.

DECEMBER 8,1982

Motion to amend fee per fire run for Stratford Fire Dept. to \$175.00 effective 1-1-83. Motion to designate Clerk Carter legal custodian of towns public records.

FEBRUARY 7, 1983

Motion to insulate the garage ceiling. Motion to accept the offer of Frankfort Friends 4-H Club to make fire number signs.



Ted Grammer retired from his post as clerk of the Town of Frankfort, and was honored with a plaque during a dinner at the Olde Ceda House in Abbotsford. From left are town board members Leonard Jantsch, Marlene Carter, who is succeeding Grammer; boar member Loddie Loskot; Grammer; treasurer Fred Totzke and board member Ray Bandle. Grammer served as clerk for 10 year

APRIL 11, 1983

Motion to replace bridge by Seegers between Sections 1 & 12 with two large culverts. Motion to charge \$25.00 an hour for grader. Motion to accept bid of \$75.75 for pony patrol grader.

NOVEMBER 7, 1983

Motion to sign contract for re-evaluation in 1985 with Rupert Kurtzweil for a base price of \$8,625.36 which includes current year assessment.

DECEMBER 7, 1983.

Motion to accept resignation of Frank Borchardt as zoning deputy effective 12-1-83. Motion to appoint Marlene Carter as zoning deputy. (Frank passed away 12-22-83).

FEBRUARY 6, 1984

Motion to appoint Aaron Totzke to fill remainder of term for constable. Motion to adopt the revised guidelines for Marathon County General relief.

APRIL 9, 1984 Motion to replace bridge between Sections 11 & 12 with culverts.

DECEMBER 4, 1984

Motion to leave zoning as is and not to change to Exclusive Agriculture Zoning. Motion to not sign landfill closure agreement.

FEBRUARY 4, 1985

Motion to adopt ordinance to charge up to \$350.00 for fire run reimbursement effective 4-1-85

APRIL 9, 1985

Motion to allow Town Board to set salaries of other elected officials. Motion to buy right of way on Town Line Road.

FEBRUARY 3, 1986

Motion to bill church in township for snowplowing the same rate as residents, effective 2-1-1986. Motion to freeze wages and benefits until economic conditions warrant a raise or change.

MARCH 3, 1986

Motion to have snow plowing contracts signed by resident requesting this service.

APRIL 4, 1986 Motion to buy window coverings for town hall.

APRIL 8, 1986

Motion to authorize town board to check into a fire control pone after plans are drawn and cost's estimated, a special meeting i to be called. Motion to change last date to pay first half of taxe to Feb. 21 st. Motion to build the 1 1/2 mile of road on Town Lin Road between Town of Hull and Frankfort on west side α Sections 6 & 7.

SEPTEMBER 17, 1986

Motion to have roof and chimney work at Town Hall done by G Nienow and G. Brandt.

NOVEMBER 20, 1986 Motions to adopt the budget (F.R.S. has ceased) with a local lev of \$60,000.00.

DECEMBER 1, 1986 Motion to raise the fee charged in original fire run reimburse ment to \$500.00 effective Jan. 1, 1987.

APRIL 14, 1987 Motion to join the Stratford Area Fire Commission.

JUNE 4, 1987 Motions to buy torch set for garage.

JULY 13, 1987 Informational meeting on fire control pond.

AUGUST 3, 1987

Motion to restrict use of town hall to residents only because (insurance and liability.

AUGUST 10, 1987

Motion to accept bid quotes for fire control pond from Woellner Construction, Brunner Well Drilling, Surveying Specialists and to purchase land from Vernon and Patricia Leffel.

OCTOBER 5, 1987 Motion to buy a Lely grass mower. MARCH 7, 1988 Motion to buy used 5 horsepower electric pump from Brunner's Well Drilling and to be installed at pond.

APRIL 16, 1988 POND DEDICATION

Town of Frankfort Fire Control Pond



The four fire departments that serve our township asked the town board if we could supply them with a pond or a place where they could get water for fire fighting instead of going back to their towns which would take considerably longer to refill their tankers.

The proposal was brought to the voters to build a fire control ^C pond near the center of the township and on a hard surface road. After a number of sites were discussed, it was decided on a twoacre site on the Vernon Leffel property in Sec. 16 on Cty Trunk E for the price of \$1,100.00. This was done in July 1987.

The pond site, dikes and set backs from property lines would cover about 1 1/2 acres with 1/2 acre left for a parking lot. This lot was surfaced with granite. The pond is equipped with an electric powered pump and also a dry hydrant. This was installed by Brunner Well Drillers of Medford. A night security light was also installed. The pond was constructed by Woellner Construction of Athens and took about three months to complete.

Water has been used on a number of occasions, especially in the dry spring of 1990 when we had numerous grass fires. On April 4, 1990, it was necessary to call four fire departments to control the raging grass fires and many tanker loads of water were used. The total cost of the pond was \$20,116.17.

The pond was dedicated on April 16, 1988.



Supervisor, Leonard Jantsch; Wm. Balz, Athens; George Fergot, Edgar; Mark Rannow, Colby; Mike McMeeken, Stratford.

Loddie Loskot, Marlene Carter and Ray Bandle at pond dedication.

MAY 2, 1988

Motion to have the town be renumbered to use fire numbers as part of the mailing address in the Colby, Edgar, Abbotsford and Stratford postal departments. (Athens is already using the system).

AUGUST 1, 1988

(Monitoring wells have to be installed at landfill site before next license will be issued, plans have to be submitted by Feb. 89.)

SEPTEMBER 27, 1988 Motion to close landfill.

DECEMBER 7, 1988

Motion to have clerk and chairman meet with Town of Hull clerk and chairman to sign landfill closure agreement.

MARCH 6,1989

Motion to purchase truck from A-1 Enterprises. Road between Sec. 26 and 35 will be worked on.



Used truck purchased from A-1 in 1989. The truck was purchased for \$11,475., a 9' wing was purchased for \$4,885.00, extra equipment was added and it was given a new paint job. The total cost was \$17,275.00.

JUNE 5, 1989

Motion for clerk to take map and address list provided by county with corrections and additions.

JULY 3, 1989

Motion to change name of grader fund to equipment fund.

AUGUST 7, 1989

Motion to use 2 payment plan on tax collections, with first payment due local treasurers office by Jan. 31 and balance due County Treasurer by July 31st. Motion to accept surcharge increase to 135% from Kurtzweil Appraisals as last increase was in 1984, and a partial re-assessment has to be done in each township annually.

SEPTEMBER 5, 1989

Motion to participate in the Marathon County well water testing program, as a cost of \$6.00 per test.

OCTOBER 5, 1989

Motion to sign a 3 year contract with Valley Sanitation of Marshfield, Inc. beginning 1-1-90 for 2-8 cu. yd containers to be served once a week.

NOVEMBER 30, 1989

Motion to adopt budget with a \$44,000.00 local levy.

DECEMBER 11, 1989

Motion to set a limit on length of time town would pay groun insurance in case of illness or non-work injury to three months thereafter, cost would be employee responsibility.

JANUARY 8, 1990

Town Board was informed of Centennial this year. Motion to have 2' casing added to well at town hall, well treated and pumped.

FEBRUARY 5, 1990

Motion to charge \$15.00 for permit for new homes as DILHR Safety & Buildings Division now requires all municipalities to issue a Wisconsin Building Permit application for one and two family dwellings. Motion to purchase an 80 AMP charger for garage. Motion to purchase a 2 ton chain hoist for garage Motion to continue the Centennial book project Chairman has started, and ask residents via annual report for pictures and history of the town.

MARCH 5, 1990

Motion to pay bill of \$955.00 for composition and paste-up o town's history to Roto-Graphic Printing, Inc.

APRIL 9, 1990

Motion to have monthly meetings the second Monday of the month starting in June 1990 as many bills don't arrive in time for the first Monday.

APRIL 10, 1990

Motion to limit brush cutting expense to \$3,000.00 but to finish the mile, can run over limit.

JUNE 11, 1990

Motion to appoint a Centennial Committee, being: Leta Ebben Marian Schemenauer, LaVerne Bornowski, Delores Telschow the late Dorothy Loskot, Loddie Loskot, Ray Bandle, Leonard Jantsch, Judy Rodman and Marlene Carter, under the supervi sion of Sue Weber. Motion to choose the "Perfect Binding", 100 copies 150 page book at a cost of \$5,063.00.

Fire Protection



Athens Fire Commission which consisted of five townships and the Village of Athens

(L-R): Loddie Loskot, Town of Frankfort; Kenneth Rueter, Town of Rietbrock; Fred Borke, Town of Halsey; Jack Krueger, Town of Bern; Sylvester Ellenbecker, Town of Johnson; William Braun, Athens Fire Chief.

Town of Frankfort Fire Districts

STRATFORD

Settling The Township

EARLY LIFE IN THE TOWN OF FRANKFORT

What did the early settlers live on when they walked into the woods and the wilderness? It was mostly wild animal meat, nuts, fruit and plants. Frankfort was settled several years later than the surrounding townships.

The first settlers moved in the spring of the year and brought along some garden seeds, potatoes, corn and squash. No doubt these were planted in some open places and in between the stumps the first years.

If they were fortunate, they probably brought along a cow, and later on an ox or a horse which they purchased from a relative or an earlier settler.

The first years were devoted to clearing some land to feed themselves and their few animals. The men had to find work during the fall and winter months in neighboring towns where the sawmills were, or go off to some lumbering camp. Many of the men left their wife and family home alone while working in camp. The wild animals would roam the woods and come near the homes. Some would crawl on the sides of the house and frighten the women and children.

In the early years there were still Indians camping along the river and many of them hunted in this area. Most of them were friendly as related by older residents. Louise Gartman who was a teacher in Frankfort in District I recalls Indians living in tepees on the farm now owned by Peter De Young Section 17.

Nathaniel Wendtland told of a tribe of Indians traveling through here to meet another tribe in the Mosinee area. On the way back he recalls only about half of the tribe were left. This story related by Carl Bielke Jr.

It seems ironic that human nature never changes. Centuries ago they had wars, the Indians had theirs, and modern men still have theirs. With modern sophisticated education and technology we should have been able to live together by the 21st century instead of survival of the fittest.

The Marathon County Homemaker's Historical Landmark book lists an Indian burial ground, location unknown.

Robert Ballerstein tells that he has found many Indian stones on the farm his son purchased from William Stendel Section 26 along Hamann Creek.

Wages earned in the early days did not amount to a great deal. Some of the fellows in camp made as low as \$8.00 per month, and the work day was from daylight to dark regardless of the weather. Some men talk about working all winter just to earn one cow or one horse.

Some of the early settlers in Frankfort had to walk as far as Stevens Point and Wausau to purchase their flour, clothes, and bare necessities of life. No doubt this was a several day trip and to get to Stevens Point they had to cross the Wisconsin River just south of Knowlton. As more money was earned it was used to buy tools, and a few more animals. The first cows ran loose in the woods and each had its own bell, so the owner could locate his cows.

The first job for each settler was to cut down the trees and clear some land. They burned the trees and brush since the hard wood logs were not saleable in the early years. It is hard for our younger generation to imagine how our forefathers would settle in a solid forest, start cutting down the trees, clearing the land blasting and pulling out the stumps. Then picking the stones starting with one acre, then five, ten, forty, and more. Next the put up the buildings, starting with a log house, which in some cases was also used as the stable until the barn was built.

For a young couple and their family this took courage frugality and hard work to accomplish. Those who did not have the stamina to withstand the hardships moved out. Many of the early settlers had large families with the idea that when they grew up they would have extra help to develop their farm.

The Franklin School District had a number of large familie in the teen years. Some of these were the Otto Mesalk family with 19 children. August Grabowksi 14, Vincent Schillinger 10 Anton Schmirler 8, and John Hrobsky 8, and many others with less. With the lack of doctors available, many children died in infancy, which was true with the above families.

It was not unusual to have 60 or more children attending one room rural school with one teacher.

The early settler had to be a good manager and needed the help of the whole family in order to make any progress. Some of the settlers came with more money than others which enables them to get ahead faster.

After the year of 1910, progress in building and developing the farms gained momentum. The total value of all personal property and real estate in 1910 was \$5,079.00. This was th first time that the description of personal property and real estate was recorded in the township. By 1920 the value have risen to \$829,898.00 and by 1930 it was \$1,230,320.00. Today the assessed value is \$14,264,785.00.

Ever since the first cow was brought into the township the number has increased every year until in 1968 we had the highest number of cows of any township in Marathon County Some farmers were more progressive than others, depending of their financial status, family help, personal ambition and competition on who would be the first and best. It is hard to pin poin who owned the first cow, horse, machine, or new building, since most of the older people are gone now. In the early years mos farmers were diversified and raised horses, cows, sheep, swine and poultry. The eggs produced were mostly traded for grocer ies. This practice was discontinued when farmers specialized in dairying.



Mill located on Hamann Creek, in Section 14. It was built in 1884 by Carl and William Hamann and John and Henry Eggebrecht. It was destroyed by fire in 1914. The cook shanty and the bunk house are on the right. The two ladies are cooks, (1-r) Bertha Hoernke (Later Mrs. Otto Totzke) and Tena Mueller. Driver of the team on the left is Albert Mueller, August Mueller is standing.

LOGGING AND LUMBERING

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> A story related by Carl Bielke Jr., as told to him by the Frank e Jahnke family that a railroad was to have been built from Merrill through Rib Falls, Poniatowski and entering Town of t Frankfort on the northeast corner going past the Swan Mill and i leaving Frankfort on the southwest corner through Cherokee and down to Spencer. If this would have happened the Town of Frankfort would not be the same today. This is also verified by a lease attached to the deed on the Elmer Metz farm in Section I in the Town of Rietbrock for a right of way through his land.

THE FIRST SAWMILL BUILT IN FRANKFORT e

The first sawmill built in Frankfort was built by Perry Swan u who moved here with his family from Hicksville, Ohio in 1882. He shipped a complete sawmill from Ohio, by railroad and h set it up in the northern half of the southwest quarter in Section a 2, land now owned by Lawrence Lake and Neal Koepke. He sold a the lumber to J. Healy of Neenah, WI. He also established a Post Office at his residence, which was known as the Swan P.O. and was operated by him until the late 1800's.

In 1906, Swan sold the sawmill to George Ellenbecker Sr. ¹ who rebuilt the mill to an elevator or two story building. The J volume of lumber sawed by Ellenbecker was over one million ¹ feet per season, some of it was custom sawing. They employed ⁿ twenty to thirty people in the peak season. They received \$1.50 1 to \$3.00 per day plus their room and board which was furnished ^c by Ellenbecker.

In early years, most of the meat came from venison so when ^e the supply ran low the mill would shut down and everyone went ^r deer hunting.

Another sawmill was built by the William and Carl Hamann, and Henry and John Eggebrecht families. They were brothers and brothers-in-law. The mill was built in 1894 in Section 14 on the creek now known as Hamann Creek, on land now owned by

Leonard Ebben. In 1910 the mill burned down and was rebuilt on a different site from the original and near the river. It was used for storing the logs until they were sawed. The new mill was also a two story building and had a larger capacity than the Hamann Mill. The Hamann, Eggebrecht Mill also had a boarding house and a cook shanty.

Some of the cooks that worked there were Bertha Hoernke, Mrs. Otto Totzke, Alvina Hanson and Hilda Eggebrecht. At their peak operation they fed from 30 to 40 people.

One of the reasons that these two mills were located at the sites was probably the large stands of pine trees along the Hamann Creek as some of the older residents can remember. This second mill was in operation until 1914 when it also burned down and was never rebuilt. The balance of the season's run was finished with a portable saw mill.

The third stationary saw mill was built some years later by Joseph Bohman in Section 25 in the years about 1925 and was in operation until about 1940. It was built on the bank of the small branch of Hamann Creek in Section 25 on land now owned by Lester Schneider Jr. This mill was small compared to the other two, and did only custom sawing of lumber. All of these mills furnished much needed employment for the early settlers.

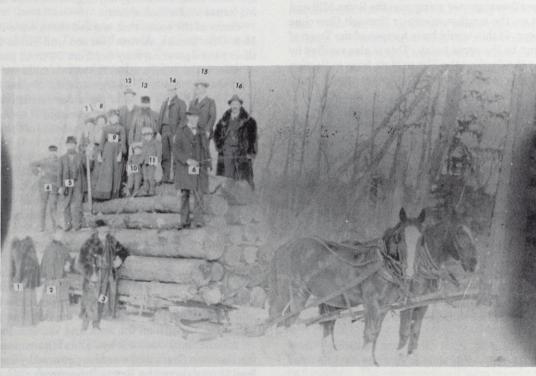
Around the turn of the century there were three lathe and shingle mills in Frankfort. One was built by Matthes Smolke in Section 12 on the east branch of the Hamann Creek and was powered by a water wheel. A flood washed the dam out and the mill finished sawing with a steam engine. The three inch water wheel shaft is still on the Jack and William Pelkey farm.

Another mill was built by Julius Hannemann in section 2 on the Hamann Creek and was also powered by a water wheel. The land is now owned by Erwin Schoenrock. No dates have been established as to what years they were built or how long they continued in operation.

The other mill was built by Peter Kyle in 1918 in Section 16 and was powered by a steam engine. It was in operation until



1906 The George Ellenbecker Saw Mill in foreground and the old Swan Mill in background. (l-r) Front row - Alex Ellenbecker Sr., unknown, Wm. Brown, unknown, Richard Janke and John Ellenbecker, Sr.



1902 Logging Scene

1. Mrs. Wm. Brown 2. Mrs. Chas. Brown 3 & 4. unknown, 5. Wm. Brown 6. Wm. Brown Jr. 7 & 8. unknown 9. Bertha Brown (Mrs. Cornelius Raymaker) 10. Walter Brown 11. Herbert Brown 12. Albert Brown 13 & 14 unknown 15. Fred Bothe 16. unknown



Circa 1909 The Henry & Carl Hamann Sawmill, Section 14. (l-r) Unknown, Henry Hamann. Herman Rachu, unknown, unknown, unknown, Alvina Hamann, Charles Brown, Hilda Eggebrecht, Charles Schmirler. Others are unknown.

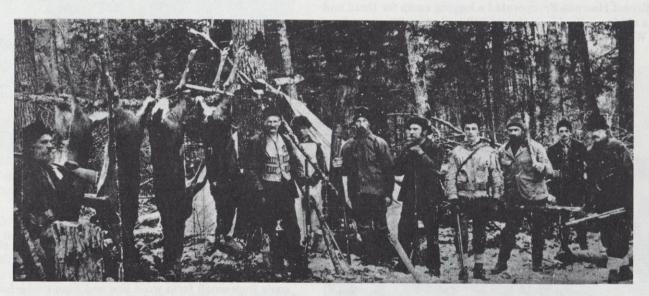
1930. The land is now owned by Arthur Voigt.

Other lumber companies who owned timber land in Frankfort were McMillan Bros. of the Town of McMillan, Quaw and Gumaer of Wausau and Edgar, Rietbrock Land and Lumber Company of Athens, Fenwood Lumber Company and Wausau Lumber Company.

An up and down saw mill was built in Cherokee and run by water power by a Mr. Thrun in 1876. It was sold to Paul Umhoefer in 1880, who came from Cherokee, Iowa for which the town was named.

About two miles south of Milan a Mr. Bushman started a sawmill and post office before 1890. In 1891 the Ellingson and Schmidt saw mill was built in Milan. Last but not least was the Robert Connor family who immigrated from Johnston, Scotland to Stratford, Ontario, Canada. In 1871 they moved to Auburndale, Wisconsin where they started a large saw mill and farming operation. They stayed until the Wisconsin Valley Railroad built a railroad from Wausau to Marshfield. A son, William Connor, moved to Marshfield in 1895, their new residence.

About 1891 when the railroad went through Stratford, the Connor Company expanded their operation into the Stratford area, including the Town of Frankfort where they owned large tracts of timber land. Stratford was named after their home town of Stratford, Ontario, Canada.



1893 Hunting Scene at Swan's Sawmill (l-r) Perry Swan, unknown, Ray Kyle, Peter Kyle, unknown, Adam Swan, unknown, Richard Radtke, unknown. They built a new Band Sawmill, a General Company Store, a boarding house and post office, a telephone line plus other businesses and homes. They also built their own railroad called the Marathon County Railroad. One spur running east to Halder and the other north and west to their lumber camps in Cleveland and Frankfort. The railroad entered Frankfort on the southeast corner in Section 35, just east of Hamann Creek, west of the Harold Custer farm going northwest to what is now the Jacob Bohman farm where they built Camp No. 18.

From there going northwest through Section 34 through Section 28 into the northwest corner of Section 21 now owned by Albert Mielke where they built Camp No. 14. The railroad continued into Section 20 and Section 17 up as far as the land now owned by Richard Grammer where the line ended with a landing at this end.

They also built a spur branching off the main line in Section 34 running west to the southwest corner of Frankfort and beyond into the Town of Eau Pleine and Hull where landing No. 20 was stationed.

The Connor operation in Frankfort started in 1917 and lasted until about 1930 when they discontinued. Their operations in Frankfort gave local farmers and the young men much needed employment to supplement their meager farm income, although wages were still around one dollar a day from daylight to dark.

The cutover land of Connor's was purchased by local farmers and developed into farms. In the meantime, many pails of raspberries were picked in between the brush in the 1920's.

The Connor Company, looking ahead to staying in the lumber business have been purchasing timberland in northern Wisconsin since 1896. After closing their operation in Stratford they moved to Leona, WI in Forest County where they still are located, and have a logging museum.

The forests and timber lands were always vulnerable to fires, and Frankfort was no exception.

In the years of 1917-1918, Federal Timber Cruisers searched this area looking for tall large rock elm and oak trees, some as long as 60 feet or more which they purchased. These were hand hewn in the woods, skidded out and hauled to the railroad station, loaded on flat cars and shipped to ship yards where they were used for building war ships.

Ernest Hoernke Sr. operated a logging camp for Doud and Sons of March Rapids in about 1912 in Section 23 across from the Wm. Stendel farm.



Sawing firewood with a circular saw on the Art Giese farm. This was a familiar scene during the 1920's. August Giese started sawing wood during 1917.

PORTABLE SAW MILLS

After the stationary sawmills ceased operation due to lack o volume, the portable sawmills became popular. Several port able owners from out of Frankfort came in to saw.

Arnold Zettler and William Gaiser of Johnson and Ber Weigel of Eau Pleine all sawed in the early 1930's. In 1940 Herman Christiansen purchased a portable mill and operated i for about two years. Arthur Giese bought out Christiansen' share in 1942 and operated it for about twenty years selling i in 1965. Most of the work was custom sawing for farmers wh were building barns and machine sheds.

Elmerd Schemenauer operated a portable mill on his farm in Section 4 sometime in 1945 and continued for about 15 years He sold his first mill and purchased another one discontinuin in 1960.

Martin Mielke also operated a portable mill from abut 195 to 1960 on his farm in Section 1.

Herbert Nienow in Section 10 purchased a sawmill in 194 and did custom work for farmers besides his own. He did this fo about five years.

Sawmills can be dangerous as it was in this case, when on of his helpers, Elton Kallien, became injured by the sawmill. 1 was then he sold his sawmill in 1950.

William Schilling of Stratford also had a portable sawmi that he used to saw the timber from what was known in this are as "The Three Forties." This land is now owned by Lawrenc Bargender. After that operation he set the mill up on his lan in Section 16 where he did custom sawing until 1956.

He then moved his sawmill to Thorp and operated it unt 1959. He then moved to Milladore and here his brother Kar Schilling had the misfortune of losing his life by a sawmi accident.



Arthur Giese with his portable sawmill at the George Writz an Loddie Loskot wood lot in 1959. (l-r): Sebastian Christianser Arthur Giese and William Giese.

Although there are no sawmills in Frankfort as of now, it i amazing how many sawmills there are in Marathon County the do a large volume of sawing. The logs are much smaller an come from small farm wood lots and from timberland farthe north. Besides the sawing of lumber, they saw railroad ties pallets and ginseng garden shade lumber.

Joseph Bohman operated a sawmill in section 25 from 192 , to 1936.

Environmentalists are urging the conservation of timber land by selective cutting and planting today called "Tree Farms."

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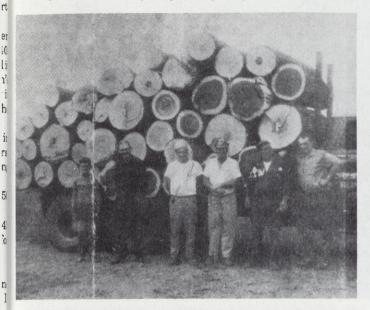
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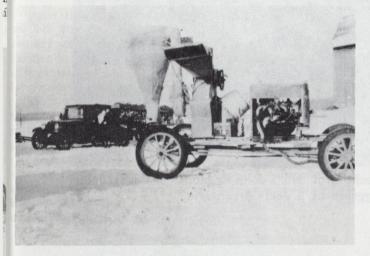
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In 1970, a stand of some of the largest timber in the area was harvested on the Carl Bielke farm in the town of Frankfort. One of the elms measured 42 inches in diameter and another was 34 inches, with a circumference of 96 inches. (L-R): Carey Bunkelman, Mr. Bielke, Chester Bunkelman, Morris Mantor, Elroy Leffel and Leon Sazama. (From Tribune-Phonograph of Abbotsford and Colby, August 13, 1970.)



1930 through 1935. Art Giese's portable hammer mill feed grinder, powered by a model "A" Ford motor, went from farm to farm grinding feed. In the beginning he charged 5¢ to grind 100 lbs of grain.

FEED GRINDING

A 1900 plat book shows Joseph Schmirler as doing feed grinding for local farmers on his farm. There is no record as to how long he continued this operation. This was in Section 10 on the farm owned by Eldred Wenzel.

In 1914 Charles Brown started a feed grinding business, grinding oats and other grains for local farmers. The mill was run by a large one cylinder gas engine. He ran this operation until 1925. This was in Section 11, the farm now owned by his daughter-in-law, Dorothy.

THRESHING MACHINES

It was not until after the turn of the century and enough land was cleared, that the need for threshing machines came into being. Before that the grain was harvested with a hand cradle scythe from in between the stumps and open cleared land. The grain was fed whole or separated by a hand flail or other method.

The first threshing machine in Frankfort was probably owned by the Hamann and Eggebrecht families about 1905. The first machine was one that had to be pulled by horses. The straw was elevated out and burned as fuel in the steam engine which was the power unit.

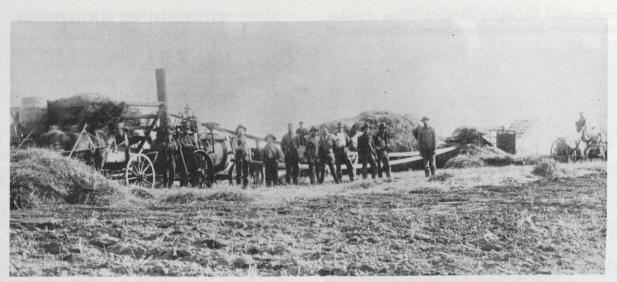
The next models were where the steam engine pulled the separator which had a straw blower.

After the invention of the grain binder the grain was cut, shocked and left in the field to dry. Then it was hauled and put in a stack or in the barn to cure. After the grain was cured, the threshing machine crew moved in. There were five or six men with the machine plus the neighborhood bee which was another 12 or 15 men. This was quite an event in early years, especially for the young folks. It also was the meal of the year everyone looked forward to.

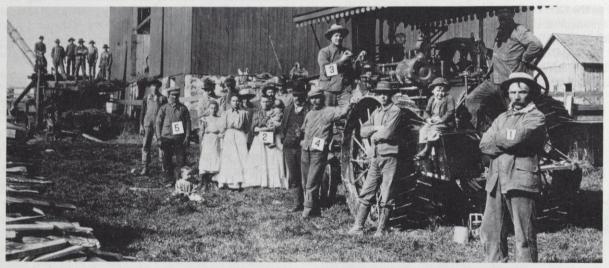
About the same time that Hamann and Eggebrecht started threshing - which was around the turn of the century, the Julius Hannemann and Sons, also started threshing in Frankfort. These families continued for many years until competition from outside of the township came in. One of the first to come in was Andrew Novitzke and Lee Murkowski from the Town of Rietbrock and were known as the Polanders. They still used the old steam engine.

When the gasoline tractor came on the scene in the late 20's, Arrold and Martin Zettler from the Town of Johnson did threshing in Frankfort. Joe Bohman, Sr. bought a new International tractor W-30 and International separator in 1930. He threshed mostly in the southern part of Frankfort.

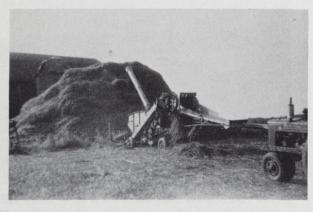
Later years found many farmers purchasing their own threshing machines which were used until the pull type combine came into use in 1940 and the self-propelled combine in 1945.



Circa 1900 Straw burner steam engine used for power to operate the threshing machine owned by Eggebrecht & Hamann Company. Straw on the wagon was used as fuel to fire the steam engine. The engine was pulled by horses. Straw was moved on the threshing machine on an elevator as it had no straw blower.

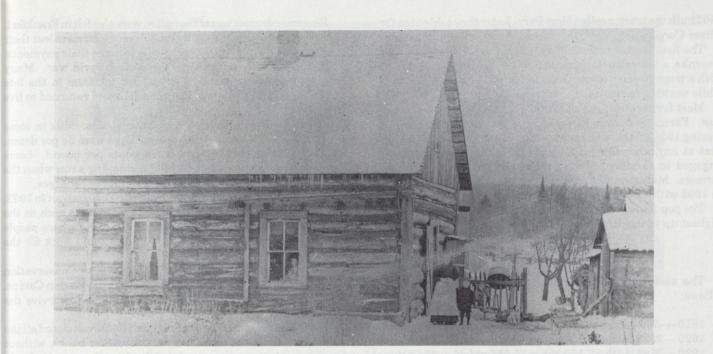


1909-1910: Threshing crew on the John Eggebrecht farm. No. 1-John Eggebrecht, 2. Mrs. John Eggebrecht, 3. Charles Schmirler, 4. Henry C. Eggebrecht, 5. Joel Carpenter.





Threshing at the Ernest Hoernke's in the 1940's.



Circa 1990 Home of Mr. & Mrs. John Bobert. Standing is Mrs. Bobert with son Arthur. Olga is in the window.

FARMING

After the Civil War, much of the land in this area was deeded to Civil War Veterans as a bonus for their services to their country which they could homestead and claim. This can be verified on the old abstracts. There is a question as to how many of the veterans took advantage of this bonus. If they didn't, the land reverted back to the government.

Most of the land was repurchased by Land and Lumber Companies. After logging it off, it was offered for sale to the settlers. Many of the first settlers purchased their land for \$1.25 per acre from these land companies.

Much of the land was purchased without being seen. There were no roads, so the men walked into the wilderness and cleared a space to build a log house. This had to be done before they could move their family in. Others preferred to build near a community so as to be close to neighbors. Starting to develop a farm out of the woods was a slow process and required a lot of hard work.

First the trees and brush were cut down and burned. The stumps were grubbed out by hand. If they could afford it, a horse and plow were purchased. A cow, a sheep and pig were usually kept by most settlers. Not until the basic farm machinery was built and people could afford to buy it was progress noted.

Horse power followed hand power before the turn of the century and continued until almost 1930.

Steam power was around long before but was not used for farming. Some of the early firms experimenting and developing the gasoline tractor were J.I. Case and Waterloo Boy by John Deere. The first really successful gasoline tractor was built by Charles Hart and Charles Parr, students at the University of Wisconsin. In 1900 they moved to Charles City, Iowa and in



Log barn on the Walter Brown farm. The barn is no longer standing and the farm is owned by Walt's son, Ronald.



Frank Loskot on his Happy Farmer Tractor made by a company in LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

1903 built the tractor called Hart Parr. Later they sold out to the Oliver Corporation.

The first tractor in Frankfort was probably owned by Carl Hoernke, a Waterloo Boy about 1917-18. This tractor ended up with a tragedy when a son, George Hoernke, was run over by it while working beneath it.

Most farmers in Frankfort started farming on 80 acres or less. Farms with over 80 acres were very few in the 1920's. During 1930-35 there were more individual farms in Frankfort that at any other time, a total of 220 land owners nearly all engaged in farming. Today there are less than 75 actual farmers. Marathon County had its highest number of farmers in 1935 with 7,039 farmers, today it is down to 3,740 farmers.

The population count in Frankfort in this period was also the highest up to this time.

The assessor's description of personal property read as follows:

1910-709 cattle — 510 sheep — 228 swine — 209 horses 1920—2323 cattle — 124 sheep — 615 swine — 474 horses 1930—2782 cattle — 160 sheep — 334 swine — 364 horses You can see the trend in livestock changes in the 30 year period.

Economic depressions of the nation were also felt in Frankfort In the teen years and the 20's and 30's many farmers lost their farms by foreclosure, by not being able to make their payments

The depression lasted until the second world war. Many families and young people who had left the farm in the late 1920's to work in the cities, lost their jobs and returned to live at home.

The depression also hurt agriculture prices. Milk in some areas was sold as low as 70ϕ per cwt. Eggs were 8ϕ per dozen Cattle and hogs only brought a few cents per pound. Some farmers recall getting a freight bill for shipping a cow when the price received did not even pay for the shipping charges.

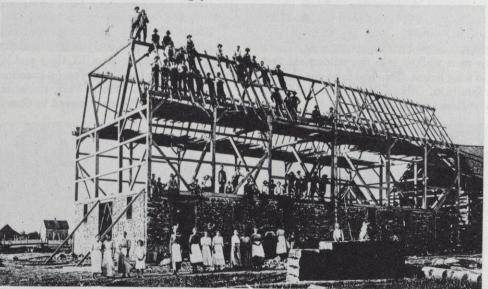
With the election of President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1932 the Federal Government initiated some programs such as the Works Progress Administration called the WPA where people who needed help to support their families could work for the Township.

Another program called the CCC, Civilian Conservation Corp, gave young boys a chance to work in Conservation Camps Both of these programs helped many families to survive the depression.

Many will remember when President Roosevelt closed all the banks for a short time and many of the weaker banks, withou enough assets, never reopened and the depositors received only a percentage of their money back.

Working Together

Many things about farming have changed dramatically over the years. However, the spirit of working together has remained the same over the years. Barn raisings in the 1910's & the 1950's brought neighbors, friends and relatives together. The men helped build the barn and the women cooked mountains of food to feed the hungry workers.



Barn raising on the August Giese farm in 1913.

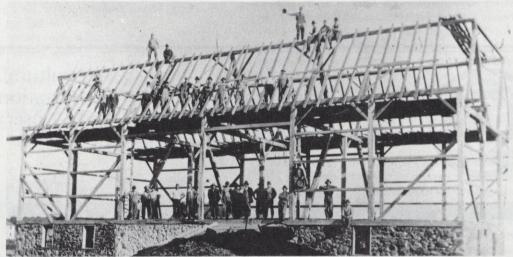
Standing (l-r) Minnie Giese, Anna Petri, Annie Zenk, Frieda Giese Hoernke, Helen Bielke, Elsie Bielke, Irene Giese, Olga Bobert, Mrs. Zenk, Mrs. Dorfschmidt, Adeline Bobert, Mrs. August Giese, August Giese Sr. and Anton Schmirler. August Giese Jr. was driving the horses. Conrad Hamann was the carpenter boss. Others on the picture are: Henry Jahnke, Herman Neitzel, Eugene Rahn, Art Schmirler, William Hass, Walter Neitzel, Hugo Bobert and Gust Ballerstein.



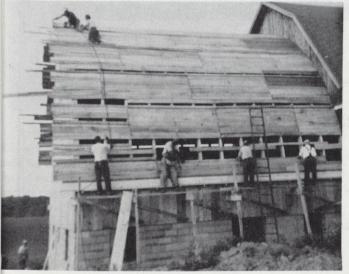
Circa 1913 Barn Raising Time at the Zink Farm

Front row (L-R): Bertha Giese, Mrs. Zink, Mrs. Gribowski, H. Zink, Robert Zink, Ernest Zink, Annie Gribowski, Minnie Giese and Annie Zink.

Back row: Lissie Gribowski, Elsie Bielke, Mrs. Herman Hrobsky, Magdalene Zink, Helen Bielke, Mary Giese and Carl Zink.



Circa 1916 Barn raising for K. Knaak.



Barn addition at Ed Mielke farm, 1959



Cooks and helpers Front row (L-R): Delores Mielke (Telschow), Ellen Giese (Syring), Diana Bessler (Werner). Back row: Anna Witzke, Hulda Wolff, Anna Mielke, Evelyn Bauman, Linda Bauman (Bergman), Mable Mielke, Ida Sazama, Elsie Giese, Anita Bauman, Terry Bauman. In 1932 this area also had the grasshopper plague for several years. The grasshoppers were so numerous they had to be sprayed with arsenic of lead which was furnished by Marathon County upon the recommendation of the County Agent, William J. Rogan.

In 1934 this area had the driest year that anyone can remember. Farmers had to cut down trees and brush so their cattle could survive. Many farmers with large herds moved their cattle farther north where pastures were better and family members stayed with them to milk and take care of them.

Another program that began in 1935 to help farmers do a better job of farming, conserving soil and doing certain practices, and get cost sharing was the Agricultural Adjustment Act, called AAA, later changed to Production Marketing Act called PMA. It is now known as Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Services called ASCS.

Richard Bornowski served as the first town chairman of this committee followed by Loddie Loskot, Lee Grant, Robert Ballerstein, Ray Bandle and William Giese.

The first chairman of the County Committee was Leo Wadinski, followed by Thomas Ryan, Martin Knab, Ralph Wincesen, Lawrence Day, Arnold Austin, Elroy Peterson and Frank Zebro. Ray Bandle has served on the County Committee for 12 years.



Ray Bandle, town of Frankfort resident (right) working wit u fellow committee members on the Marathon County Agricul tural Stabilization and Conservation committee. Also show F are Jack Vliestra, town of Ringle and Arnold Austin, town of Green Valley.



The Soil Conservation Program was started in Marathon County in 1942. Some of the early Frankfort Cooperators were Adolph Bornowski, Otto Hoernke, Ray Bandle, Elmer Mueller, Art Giese, Fred Neitzel, Henry Grieser, Roland Reel, Rueben Syring, Louis Bohman, Tony Stack and Loddie Loskot.

The Town of Frankfort may have been slower in developing its farms, which may have been due to the distance from any town. This made it difficult to send their children to high school or college in the early years.

Some of the first more progressive farmers in the early years were Joseph Sazama in Section 7 who always had a large operation and good high producing herd of holstein cows.

Walter Wurthman also in Section 7 had a high producing herd of holstein cattle that produced over 400 lbs. of butterfat in 1920. This was considered high for those years.

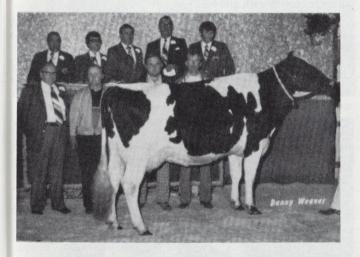
Henry Dvorak in Section 11 also had a good producing herd of holstein cattle. As a foundation for his herd, he purchased a registered holstein for \$400, an unheard of price before 1920. When this cow freshened, she was milked three times a day, also t unheard of then.

There were more good farmers such as the Hoernkes, Totzkes, v. Fred Neitzel and others.

Herds of over 20 cows were a large operation when milking was done by hand. That is when pa and ma and all the kids milked. In the summer time, cows were sometimes milked in the cow yard without being tied. You had to talk pretty good to old bossy or she would let you sit.

Farming in Frankfort has come a long way since 1920, with the milking machines coming about 1918. The first one was owned by Henry Dvorak.

With todays modern machinery and technology the small farmer is slowly phasing out and being taken over by the large operator. Farms with over 500 acres and 150 head of livestock, producing over 700 lbs. of butterfat are not uncommon today. The largest operator in Frankfort in 1976 was Merlin Kilty, with over 200 head.



Another first in Frankfort was a registered cow sold by Edward Mielke Jr. in Section 11 for \$44,000, the highest price paid for a cow from Marathon County. She produced over 900 lbs. of butterfat and 19,000 lbs. of milk. He has a highly bred herd of registered holstein cows, specializing in genetic mating and embryo transplants, something new in this field.

Large dairy operations do not always spell success, nor do small farms mean failure. An example of this was seen in a farm owned by Lawrence Smolke in Section 12. He operated an 80 acre farm with only 65 acres under plow. He put all three of his children through college. Frankfort did have one farmer who did not modernize. He was Herman Borchardt in Section 13. He farmed with horses and horse machinery. He had no electricity and no modern conveniences on the place when he sold it in 1970.

The first county agent to be hired in Marathon County was F. G. Swoboda in May 1919. Following him was William Rogan in 1921, C. J. McAleavy in 1952, I. J. Corey in 1960 and George Hartman in 1972.

The first Home Agent was Mary Brady in 1918. The first 4-H Agent was C. J. McAleavy in 1927. He stayed on for 25 years. The present University of Wisconsin - Extension staff is: Mary Crave, office Chair/Home Economist; Jean Erickson, 4-H & Youth Agent, Mike Wildeck, Dairy & Livestock Agent; Leo J. Martin, Agricultural & Farm Management Agent; Therese Fitzsimmons, Resource Development Agent.

SILOS

The early settlers who owned cows milked them in the summer during the pasture season only, unless they had enough feed for winter, if not, they sold them in fall and purchased more the next spring. Cutting down hay with a scythe in between stumps and open spaces was quite a task to feed any amount of cows. It was not until more land was cleared and the hay mower was available that livestock began to increase in numbers.

The raising and storing of enough feed for livestock for the winter months was a major problem, especially for dairy farmers. This is why the silo came into use in Wisconsin at an early time.

The first silo in Frankfort was built by Fred Passehl about 1910 in Section 23 on the farm now owned by Robert Borchardt. It was a stone wall silo built partly underground.

Another first silo was built by Ferdinand Gartman abut the same time in Section 15 on the farm now owned by William Giese. This was a wood stave silo. Ernest Hoernke also had one of the first stone silos. There may have been other silos built a year or two later.

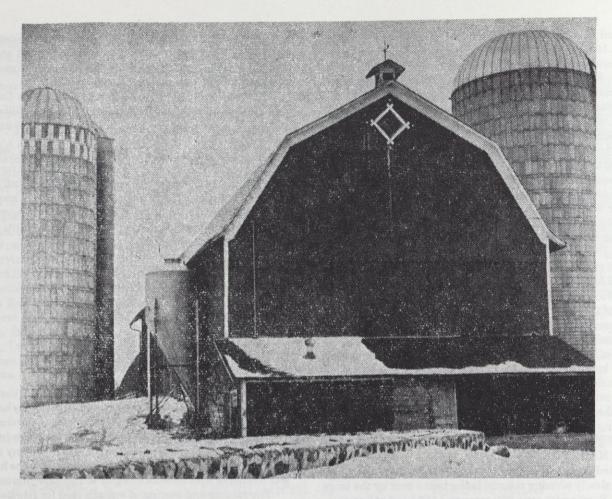
In 1914 there were two clay tile silos built, one by Matt Dvorak in Section 11 now owned by Arthur Hoesly and in Section 10 now owned by Loddie Loskot. Both of these two silos are still standing.

An elevator was used to elevate the silage into the silo and three or four men were used to keep the silage tramped down while filling.

The corn was cut with a corn binder, dropped on the ground, loaded by hand on wagons and fed into a silo filler by hand. Neighbors usually got together for a silo filling bee. In a real wet season corn had to be cut by hand and hauled off the field on a stone boat.

The field forage chopper and the self-unloading chopper box came in the early 1940's, and the harvesting of grass haylage in about 1945.

With the increase in dairy cows and mechanization of harvesting, the use of silos increased every year. There are many silos in Frankfort, all styles, sizes and heights. The glass lined silo came in around 1949. In 1966, Albert Totzke owned the largest silo in the town of Frankfort. The first Harvestor was purchased by Joe Sazama in 1949.



FARM ORGANIZATIONS

By 1875 the National Grange had a membership of 858,050 members. Local Grange orders were chartered in Wisconsin about 1880 and in Marathon County about 1895. One local grange order was organized in the Town of Frankfort at the Carl Hoernke home on January 2, 1897. It was called the Forward Grange No. 540. The group held regular monthly meetings at the Hamman-Eggebrecht Saw Mill and at the town hall. Several orders of coffee were ordered at a price of 16 cents per pound.

Since the Grange was a secret organization similar to the Masonic Order and since this was not always accepted by some people and especially the Reverend A.F. Imm, pastor of the local Lutheran Church, it did not last long. In order to keep peace in the church the local Forward Grange No. 540 was dissolved. After six months on June 26, 1897 it was dissolved.

The charter members were:

Carl Hoernke	William Braun
Albert Mielke	Adolph Bornowski
Joseph Schmirler	Otto Mesalk
John Osten	H.C. Eggebrecht
Brost Schooley	William Lauz
John Eggebrecht	George Braun
John Simson	George Taves
Ernest Hoernke	Albert Dallman
H. Meissner	William Roger
Henry Marquardt	George Wescott

Town of Frankfort was a charter member of one of these organizations, The American Society of Equity. Their charter hung in the old town hall for many years. Maybe someone could recall who some of the members were. Many of these Farmer Equity Cooperatives were later taken over by the operated by the Midland Cooperative. Although the Farmers Union was not instrumental in starting the milk strike in 1933 on the county level, they were quite involved in the strike. They stopped all milk trucks dumped some milk, and burned down some barns. This go them involved with the law.

Many of the farmers hauled their milk to cheese factories a night, yet were on strike in the daytime. Many a farmer made butter at home with butter to sell.

Cheese factories were guarded with shotguns by some and were paid for by the town after some conflict with the law. The strike subsided as fast as it started.



Farm Bureau Dairy Promotion Stand at the Wisconsin Valley Fair, Wausau in 1974. (L-R): Loddie Lee Losko Jr., Mrs. Dorothy Loskot and Loddie Loskot St.

Politics

The early settlers were interested in politics. This is very noticable in the change of township officers and also in state and national elections. The general election held on November 6, 1900 shows a total of 114 votes cast, 62 republican and 48 democrats and 2 socialist.

On many occasions Marathon County candidates would come out to speak to the local people at the town hall.

Henry Eggebrecht was a candidate for Marathon County treasurer in 1913 with no success.

Loddie Loskot was a candidate for State Assembly running on the Republican ticket in 1964 against Ben Riehle on the Democratic ticket during the Democratic Presidential landslide of Lyndon B. Johnson. This was not a Republican year and most Republicans lost.

In June of 1978, acting Governor of Wisconsin, Martin Schrieber visited at the farm of Norbert Rabel family in Section 33.



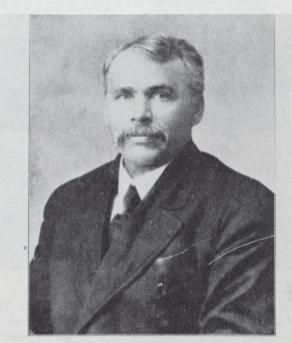
With the efforts and invitation of Ray Bandle, Governor Jerry Brown of California visited at the Bandle farm on March 30, 1980 to speak to local farm leaders and interested people. Governor Brown was on a speaking tour for his bid as a democratic candidate for President of the United States.

The Town of Frankfort was always represented on the Marathon board of supervisors by its elected town chairman. After Marathon County was completely organized it was represented by seventy two individual municipalities and remained at that number until 1966, when the state statutes required that the state be reapportioned to meet the one man, one vote law.

The county was then divided into 37 districts with 37 members on the county board. The Town of Frankfort was in district 22 which included Town of Frankfort, Hull and parts of Abbotsford, Colby and Unity, with approximately 2500 people per district.

The first representative was John Ohlinger of the Town of Hull elected for two year term, 1966-1968. The second representative was Loddie Loskot, Town of Frankfort serving three years. After the 1970 caucus another reapportionment took place changing the county board to 39 members placing Town of Frankfort in District 17. This included Town of Frankfort, Johnson, and Holton.

This district was represented by Loddie Loskot from 1971-1974. Then by Alfred Schmidt of Milan from 1974-1976. Then again by Loddie Loskot from 1976-1981.



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LODDIE LOSKOT ... Assemblyman WALTER Bud WOLF Sheriff ELROY H.GRELL ... Clerk of Circuit Court SDORF...County Clerk HN ... District Attorney N DS ... Treasurer DΔ ALEX ELLENBE ... Registrar of Deeds Coroner

List of Republican Candidates for office in 1964. Loddie Loskot, Town of Frankfort was running for State Assemblyman.

TOWN OF FRANKFORT MEN WHO SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES

Town of Frankfort pays tribute and gives recognition to all the service men who served in all the wars especially those who served overseas, and gave their life for their country. As of this date no record of women serving in the armed forces from Frankfort, also no record of Civil War veterans, unless some of the older men as the Chapmans, Schooleys, Swans, or Haffners.

Much of the land in this area was deeded to Civil War veterans as a bonus for their service to their country. There is a question if very many of them camp up in this area to claim their land or settled here to live. Some of this land was probably purchased by other settlers or by some land companies.

In World War I George Chapman enlisted in the army from the Town of Frankfort. After the war the Chapman family moved to the Town of Johnson. George Chapman was killed in action in France and the Chapman-Betler American Legion post of Athens was named after him. Daniel Wirkus also died during World War I from the Flu or Pneumonia.

Veterans of World War I 1917-1918

Herman Ballerstein John Bargender Anton Borchardt Adolph Bornowski Emil Bornowski Herbert Brown George Chapman Leon Chapman John Dvorak Loddie Dvorak Louis Dvorak William Giese Martin Hamann John Hass Carl Hoernke Jr. Geroge Hoernke Martin Jahnke Joseph Loskot Herman Neitzel Andrew Passehl Arthur Petri Eugene Rahn Samual Remus Arthur Schmirler Daniel Wirkus Frank Wright Reinhold Wucherpfennig Carl Zenk

Victor Dahlke enlisted from the Town of Wien and after the war lived in the Town of Frankfort.

Veterans Of World War II 1941-1946

Clarence Adams Eugene Adams Robert Adams Robert Ballerstein Clement Bandow Anton Bohman Joseph Bohman Freddie Bornowski Albert Christiansen Raymond Dvorak Francis (Hack) Ellenbecker Leo Forss Joseph Geiger Arnold Grabowski Elmer Grieser Hilbert Grieser Arnold Heucke Herman Hrobsky Rudolph Hrobsky Elmer Martyn Alfred Potts Roland Potts Thomas Schilling Herbert Schillinger Otto Schillinger Silverous Schillinger Hilbert Schmirler Lester Schneider Gordon Randt



Sam Remus - World War I

J.D. Seboe Albert Syring Martin Syring

Albert Thomas Frank Taylor

Leonard Jantsch was drafted from the Town of Holton and later moved to the Town of Frankfort.

Men Who Served in the Armed Services After World War II Korean and Vietnam and Others

Wayne Belanger Clifford Bohman Jerry Bohman John Bohman Kenneth Bohman Larry Bohman Larry Bohman Lawrence Bohman Roger Bohman Melvin Carter LeRoy Christiansen James Hamann Harold Loskot Edward Martyn Arnold Mueller Harold Podevels Melvin Podevels Floyd Olson Roger Olson Elmer Schemenauer Raymond Schemenauer Walter Schillinger Jr. Elmer Syring Martin Syring Delmar Telschow Carl Totzke John Totzke Bruce Wussow

HOMEMAKER'S CLUB

The history of Homemaker's clubs in the state of Wisconsin have deep roots in Marathon County where some of the first clubs were organized.

In the early 1900's teen years, the farm organization called the American Society of Equity was gaining membership in Wisconsin which also included the women's Auxiliary. Several of these groups were organized in Marathon County. One of the first to be organized was the Women's Auxiliary in Cherokee on July 15, 1915.

They celebrated their 60th anniversary on March 26, 1975 by honoring their first president Mrs. Hulda Heintz, who had just passed her 89th birthday. She and her husband Otto were both teachers in the Cherokee area. They had one daughter, Mrs. John (Irma) Coates.

The club was organized with 28 charter members, two of which were still living in 1975.

In 1928 the club affiliation with Equity was dropped and the name was changed to the Cherokee Women's Association and now are part of the Homemaker's Extension Group. Some of these members were from the Town of Frankfort. The following have served as presidents of the club during the sixty years:

Hulda Heintz	Rochelle Fricke
Lena Brehm	Bernice Miller
Laura Carr	Georgette Ganz
Hildegarde Eggebrecht	Maxine Hass
Florence Smart	Irma Coates
Viola Rein	Sarah Olson
Helen Brehm	Jone Dallman
Marion Fricke	Alice Bender
Edna Olson	Jean Mielke

It was during the First World War of 1917-18 when the need for conserving food and making bandages for the Red Cross that many of the early women's clubs were organized to help in these emergencies. Fifteen emergency home demonstration agents were hired by the Wisconsin extension department to help out with problems created by the war.

With the influence of the women's groups and county agent, Frank Swoboda, they convinced the county board to hire one of these home agents.

Mary Brady was the first home demonstration agent to serve in Marathon County. She started work on April 6, 1918. Her first job was to teach housewives how to use wheat and meat substitutes during the war period.

She lost no time in organizing the first Homemaker's Club in the Town of Maine under the county extension supervision. The club was already organized as a Mother's Club since early 1918, but was reorganized at the home of Mrs. Edward Gensman on May 9, 1919 with Mary Brady's help. Mrs. Gertrude Witter was their first president.

The organization of other clubs followed in rapid succession throughout the county. Many other problems faced the county such as poor roads, long distances for medical and nurses care and hot lunches in schools. The first gathering of the county homemaker's women's clubs was held in Wausau at the Universalist Church in Wausau on April 26, 1919. The County Federation of Women's Clubs was organized on September 22, 1920, at the City Hall in Wausau. At the third meeting held at St. Mary's Church of Wausau, the County Federation of Women elected Mrs. A. F. Schultz as their first County President.

After the war ended, out of the 15 home agents the state hired, all were laid off except Mary Brady. At a special meeting of the county board on June 10, 1919 they voted to retain her on a permanent basis. She became Wisconsin's first and only home agent for 10 years. She served under the strong and personable direction of the state home economic leader, Mrs. Nellie Kedzie Jones. It was two years before the county board furnished Miss Brady with a car. Up until April 20th she was transported around the county by horse and buggy.

Mary Brady resigned on December 31 after serving three years and 9 months. During her stay here she organized 26 homemaker's clubs with 663 members, seven community clubs with 700 members, and fourteen 4-H Clubs. Mary Brady and Frank Swoboda, the county agent, were co-editors of the magazine called the Marathon County Farm Journal.

Some of the other home agents to serve Marathon County in the following years were:

Mary Brady	1918-1922
Vangel Russell	1922-1927
Regina Feeney	1927-1928
Ruth Feeney	1928-1929
Edith Bangham	1929-1936
Helen Pearson	1936-1939
Merle Ramer	1939-1949
Ann Nugaard	1949-1950
Eileen Niedermeier	1950-1964
Ardith Murphy	1964-1971
Bonnie Williams Silverstein	1971-1981
Kathy Deml Goetz	1981-1985
Mary Crave	1986-present

C.F.W. HOMEMAKER'S CLUB

The initials stand for Cleveland, Frankfort, and Wien townships. This club was organized in April 1927, at the home of Mrs. Frank Wanke Route 4 Stratford and a teacher at the Briggs School at the time. Regina Fenny County Home Agent helped organize the club. Members were from all three townships. The first officers elected were: President — Mrs Frank Wanke, Vice-President — Mrs. Otto Lueschow Secretary — Mrs. Charles Hinitz, and Treasurer — Mrs Herman Leffel.

Charter members of the club were: Mrs. Frank Wanke, Mrs. Otto Lueschow, Mrs. Charles Hintz, Mrs. Herman Leffel, Mrs Albert Crothers, Mrs. Art Lueschow, Anne Fandre, Mrs. Rich ard Bahr, Mrs. Robert Syring, Mrs. Fred Hannemann, Mrs Walter Viegut, Mrs. Elizabeth Dehn, Mrs. William Petrick, an Mrs. Adolph Bornowski. The dues were set at five cents pe member.

Organizations



CFW Homemakers

First Row (L-R): Gertrude Bornowski, Martha Viegut, Amanda Winistorfer, Elsie Marquardt, Gen Bandle.

Row 2: LaVerne Bornowski, Frieda Hoeft & son, Alma Lueschow, Dora Bandle, Emma Viegut, Ida Schneider, Katie Werner.

Back Row: Violet Bohman, holding son Daniel, Lula Petrick, Olga Bauman, Imogene Custer.

Presidents who served the C.F.W. Homemaker's Club were:
1927-1929 Mrs. Frank Wanke
1930-1933 Mrs. William Petrick
1934-1939 No Record
1940-1941 Mrs. Louis Bandle
1942-1943 Mrs. Adolph Bornowski
1944-1945 Mrs. Bernard Custer
1946-1947 Mrs. William Petrick
1948-1950 Mrs. Adolph Bornowski
1951-1952 Mrs. Lester Schneider
1953-1954 Mrs. Henry Hoeft
1955-1956 Mrs. Loren Winistorfer
1957-1958 Mrs. Adolph Bornowski
1959-1960 Mrs. Loren Winistorfer
1959-1900 Mrs. Horeld Custor
1961-1962 Mrs. Harold Custer
1963-1964 Mrs. Fred Timiler
1965-1966 Mrs. Adolph Bornowski
1967-1970 Mrs. Ray Bandle
1971-1972 Mrs. Leonard Bornowski
1973-1974 Mrs. Herbert Passehl
1975-1976 Mrs. Ray Bandle
1975-1970 Mrs. William Martyn
Mrs. Horbort Passah
1980 Mrs. Herbert Passehl

Some of the major activities of this club were donations to Sandra Schmirler Fund in 1952. Donated a home made quilt to Martin Bauman family whose house burned in 1955. One member attended Farm and Homeweek in 1960. Made cancer bandages for the Cancer Society in 1964-1966. Planted trees around Frankfort Town Hall in 1971. Worked at Farm Progress Days as a Hospitality Committee in 1974. Made a donation to Edgar School for the handicapped for the trainable room 1975. Donated a Wisconsin Flag to the Town of Frankfort for Bicentennial Day March 28, 1976.

The club also served refreshments at the centennial. Other activities included donations to Red Cross, Heart Fund, Polio Fund, scholarship funds, and many others. They also made quilts and donated food baskets to needy families. They visited and entertained the elderly at several nursing homes, and donated toys to the crippled and sick children in the hospitals. Several of the members helped at hearing clinics held in the area.

This club and some of its members were active at the Farm Progress Days held at the Leick Brothers Farm in 1974.

Mrs. Herbert Passehl served on Womens Committees that helped supervise the Womens Program. One charter member that is still living is Mrs. Adolph Bornowski. She received a certificate of merit for fifty years of membership on October 5, 1977. The club celebrated their 50th anniversary on April 12, 1977.

Mrs. Ray Bandle served as Stratford's District Chairman in 1961-62.

Mrs. Harold Custer served as Stratford's District Secretary in 1968-69, and was elected treasurer of the County Homemaker's in 1974.

FRANKLIN HOMEMAKER'S CLUB New Club Organized In Town of Frankfort; Ten Members Enrolled

The Franklin Homemakers' club, which was organized Monday, will hold its next meeting October 25 at the home of Mrs. Elmer Wussow in the town of Frankfort. Mrs. Loddie Loskot, town of Frankfort, is president, Mrs. Elmer Wussow, vice president, and Mrs. Herbert Nienow, town of Frankfort, secretary-treasurer.

The club was organized at the home of Mrs. Loskot with 10 members. More members are expected to join at the next meeting. The club will meet the second Friday of each month at 1:45 o'clock. Mrs. Edgar Lenhard and Mrs. Nancy Kautman have been appointed the food and nutrition leaders. Miss Merle Ramer, home demonstration agent, met with the club at its last meeting.

The Franklin Homemaker's Club was organized in September 1940 at the home of Mrs. Loddie Loskot. Miss Merle Ramer, Marathon County home agent, was present to organize the club. The club was named The Franklin Homemaker Club, after the local school, by the same name.

The officers elected were: President - Mrs. Loddie Loskot, Vice-president — Mrs. Elmer Wussow, and Secretary/ Treasurer was Mrs. Herbert Nienow. The following were the charter members who joined at the meeting:

Mrs. Loddie Loskot	Mrs. John Mohr
Mrs. Edgar Lenhard	Mrs. Herman Christiansen
Mrs. Elmer Wussow	Mrs. Sebastian Christiansen
Mrs. Arthur Giese	Mrs. Julia Nienow
Mrs. Anton Schmirler	Mrs. Elmer Schemenauer
Mrs. Anthony Kautman	

Besides the ten members that joined the club at the first meeting, the following joined at the next meeting and in early 1941 and were also considered as charter members:

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Mrs. Leonard Forest	Mrs. Bernard Fitzel
Mrs. Ernest Hoernke	Mrs. Melvin Kilty
Mrs. Earl Robertson	Mrs. Lee Grant
Mrs. Emil Zenk	Mrs. Herman Ballerstein
Mrs. Reinholl Wucherfennig	Mrs. Glen Kilty

The following joined a year of so later:

Mrs. Ernest Passehl	Mrs. George Seeger
Ars. August Giese	Mrs. August Christians
Ars. Theodore Dirks	Mrs. Albert Syring
Ars. Ernest Schmidt	and producer, forestand the

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The club was quite active and grew in membership. Many of the members that joined were from out of the Franklin School District and lived south of County Trunk N.

It was their wish to have a club in their own community and deciding to organize their own, they called it the South Franklin Homemaker's Club.

The original Franklin Club continued to meet as usual. A reorganizational meeting was needed because some of the officers lived south of N, and had joined the South Franklin Club.

It was assumed by the old charter members that the club should continue as it was originally started since it was in the same community with the same members and the same name.

The new members felt that they should start as a new club.

A reorganizational meeting was held at the Mrs. Melvin Kilty home on April 22, 1947. Miss Merle Ramer the county home agent was present to help reorganize the club. They called the club the North Franklin Homemaker's Club.

The following members were present:

Mrs. Edgar Lenhard Mrs. Loddie Loskot Mrs. Melvin Kilty Mrs. Arnold Seeger Mrs. Fred Weinke Mrs. Arthur Giese Mrs. Herbert Nienow Mrs. Carl Zenk Mrs. Urban Decker Mrs. Edward Kalepp



Mrs. Edgar Lenhard, president, called the meeting to order and explained the goals of the homemaker's club. It was noted to elect a new slate of officers at the next meeting at Mrs. Herbert Nienow's home. The following officers were elected at the May 22 meeting for the year of 1947 and 1948:

President	Mrs. Herbert Nienow
Vice-president	. Mrs. Edgar Lenhard
Secretary	Mrs. Melvin Kilty
Treasurer	Mrs. Arnold Seeger

Activities of the club besides the regular activities of the club and lessons received from the county extension office, the following special ones were recorded.

On January 11, 1945, The County Homemakers Executive Committee met at the Edgar Village Hall to plan the yearly program. Those present were:

Miss Merle Ramer, County Home Agent Mrs. Henry Prahl, President Mrs. Joe Wirkus, Vice-president Mrs. Alois Stange, Secretary Mrs. William McNeight, Treasurer

District chairman were:

Mrs. Roman Berres, Athens District Mrs. Loddie Loskot, Edgar District Mrs. Martin Lueck, Hamburg District Mrs. George Alberts, Stratford District Mrs. John Spencer, Stratford District Mrs. Fred Karl, Wausau I Mrs. Otto Kalinke, Easton, Wausau II The club at this time belonged to the Edgar District. One of their main projects that the club accepted from the town chair man, Fred Neitzel was a federally sponsored program to move surplus cotton to be made into mattresses. Any low income family was allowed to make a mattress for their own use. Mrs Loddie Loskot, club president, accepted the supervision of the project in 1941. With the help of some of the members, the project of making the mattresses was done at the Town Halls The families receiving the mattresses helped make their own mattress. A total of about 40 mattresses were made.

Another project the president accepted from the Town chairman was help with checking farms for gasoline rationing that were sent into Wausau by people from the Town of Frankfort.

The Edgar District was asked by the County Home Agent to have some of their ladies be on a panel on the noon show. They were to speak on the subject of "Raising Chickens" over W.S.A.U. Radio Station. The ladies were Mrs. Loddie Loskot Mrs. Joe Wirkus, and Mrs. John Enders.

Because of more clubs in the Edgar District than the Cherokee District, the Franklin Homemakers Club was transferred to the Cherokee District. Mrs. Loddie Loskot was elected Chairman of the Cherokee District. Miss Ramer was having a leader lesson at the Cherokee Hall on how to carve a pig. A specialist from the extension department at Madisor was giving the demonstration. It was Mrs. Loskot's job to find some farmer that was butchering at this time so that the demonstration could go on. Luckily one of her neighbors was very cooperative and butchered his pig a week early.

It is unfortunate that when the club was divided that the 1 secretary's and treasurer's books were misplaced or lost and no regular meeting reports are available.

Presidents and activities of the reorganized North Franklin 1 Homemaker's Club, April 22, 1947.

Presidents: 1947-48 Mrs. Herbert Nienow 1948-49 Mrs. Edward Kalepp 1950-52 Mrs. Elmer Schemenauer 1953-54 Mrs. Melvin Kilty 1955-56 Mrs. Walter Mueller 1957-58 Mrs. Edward Kalepp 1959-60 Mrs. Merlin Kilty 1961-62 Mrs. Melvin Kilty 1963-64 Mrs. Elmer Schemenauer 1965-66 Mrs. Edward Kalepp 1967-68 Mrs. William Olson 1969-70 Mrs. Edward Kalepp 1971-72 Mrs. Merlin Kilty 1973-74 Mrs. Melvin Kilty 1975-76 Mrs. Meldon Giese 1977-78 Mrs. Walter Streit 1979-80 Mrs. Lyle Duvall 1981-82 Donna Kilty 1982-84 Marjean Streit 1985-86 Barb Giese 1987-88 Alvina Giese 1989-90 Mayme Kilty

Activities of the club:

Besides entertaining the family members, taking the husbands out to eat, holding annual picnics, card parties and trips, this club has also been of service to the community.

They have donated \$5.00 each year for 25 years to the March of Dimes for polio fund. Other donations to Red Cross, cancer, and heart fund have amounted to more than \$50.00.

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The club has provided Christmas and Easter Baskets and food to the needed and shut-ins. Some of those receiving these were Henry Schroeder, Walter Schillinger, Matt Scholchenberger's, Ronald Switlick, Bradley Denzine, Mrs. Walter Mueller, Alvin Schemenauer, Anton Van Dreel, Fred Blanke, William Kilty, William Leffel, Marion Potts, Mrs. John Lance and Melvin Kilty.

Members of the club have visited, entertained and provided food to both of the nursing homes in the area. They have donated to the Sandra Kay Schmirler fund, to the Walter Petznik fund, and to Mount View County Sanitarium.

They have sent gifts to servicemen for several years. Money has been donated for scholarships, which is given to some select girl who is taking home economics in college.

In 1957, Janet Randt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Randt, Town of Frankfort, a student at the Stratford High School, received the Homemaker's scholarship award.

In June 1954, Mrs. Loddie Loskot attended the Country Women of the World Convention at Montreal, Canada. This is an International Organization of Women Homemaker's.

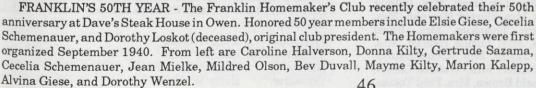
Some of the other accomplishments of the club were:

- 1958-The club changed the name back to the original-Franklin Homemaker's Club. Donated \$15.00 to the Stratford school for retarded children.
- 1964-The club went under the name of Franklin Extension Homemaker's Club, denoting it was under the supervision of the County Home Economics Agent.
- 1965-Mrs. Joyce Bergman an adopted sister member residing at the Colby Nursing Home received visits and gifts from club members.
- 1966-Donated \$5.00 to the Mobile Van for India. Mrs. Melvin Kilty attended the National Homemaker's Convention at Fort Collins, Colorado.

- 1969-Donated electric stove to the Town of Frankfort and had it installed in town hall.
- 1972-Received a certificate of merit from the County Extension Homemaker's for being in the top 10% in Community Development. Donated \$15.00 to Marian (Potts) Wilson for kidney fund. Mrs. Melvin Kilty attended National Homemaker's Convention at Baltimore, Maryland. Celebrated 25th anniversary.
- 1974-Donated a wool quilt to Rodney Schreiber family after losing their house by fire.
- 1975-Mrs. Melvin Kilty and Mr. and Mrs. Loddie Loskot attended the National Homemaker's Convention at Orlando, Florida.
- 1976-Donated \$25.00 to Ronald Decker fund. Members helped with bicentennial celebration at the Frankfort Town Hall, they served refreshments. Donated 13 star flag to the township. Made a bicentennial quilt which was displayed at the Wisconsin Valley Fair. Later the quilt was raffled off at a card party held at the town hall. Mrs. Robert (Lorinda Giese) Erickson, Mrs. Vernon Leffel, and Mrs. Merlin Kilty attended National Conventional at Morton Town, West Virginia.
- 1977-Donated gift to Meldon Giese family who lost their house by fire. Donated \$15.00 to Brice Bender family who lost their house by fire.
- 1978-Held a benefit card party for Elmer Schemenauer whose house burned down. Voted to discontinue taking books from bookmobile.
- 1979-Members donated food and baked goods to Ronald Schmidt whose barn burned down. Donated \$25.00 to Ardith Murphy Scholarship Fund. Mrs. Vernon Leffel and Mrs. Merlin Kilty attended the National Homemaker's Convention held at Seattle, Washington.

FRANKLIN HOMEMAKERS CELEBRATE 50 YEARS







Mrs. Loddie Loskot (founding club president)

South Franklin Homemaker's Club was organized when some of the members of the Franklin Homemaker's Club living in the southern end of the Town of Frankfort decided to form a new club of their own. The club was organized in the early part of 1947 and no record books have been located as to their activities and club officers.

The members of this club, in 1947 were: Mrs. Herman Totzke, Mrs. Ernest Hoernke, Mrs. Herman Ballerstein, Mrs. Reinold Wucherphennig, Mrs. Earl Robertson, Mrs. Lee Grant, Mrs. Lenhard Forest, Mrs. Ernest Passehl, Mrs. Albert Syring, and Mrs. Theodore Dirks.

It is assumed the club was active until its reorganization in January 1955. The name was changed to The Happy Helpers Homemaker's Club. This took place at the home of Mrs. Theodore Dirks.

In February 1955, at the home of Mrs. Herman Totzke, the following officers were elected: President—Mrs. Edna Busche, Vice-President—Mrs. Herman Totzke, Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. William Hartl, and other presidents serving the club were:

1957 Mrs. Agnes Totzke 1958 Elfrieda Hoernke 1960 Viola Treankler 1963 Agnes Totzke 1966 Milda Hamann 1969 Viola Treankler 1972 Wolga Dirks 1974 Vivian Smolke 1976 Virgene Martens 1978 Janice Brown 1980 Shirley Bargander 1981 Viola Totzke 1982 Marie Totzke - Kay Sutton 1983 Josephine Yessa 1984 Viola Totzke 1985 Virgene Martens 1987 Dorie Wussow 1990 Janice Brown



Wolga Dirks, Agnes Totzke, Viola Treankler, Milda Hamann, Edna Busche, Luetta Hartl, Viola Totzke and Dorothy Totzke.

Members belonging to the club 1955-1980: Mrs. Theodore Dirks, Mrs. Herman Totzke, Mrs. Albert Syring, Mrs. Albert Totzke, Mrs. William Hartl, Mrs. Harry Schultz, Mrs. Roy Dallman, Mrs. Edna Busche, Mrs. Leo Hartl, Mrs. Delmar Telschow, Mrs. Richard Totzke, Mrs. Harold Hoernke, Mrs. Theodore Kahler, Mrs. LaVern Treankler, Mrs. Royal Hamann, Mrs. Ernest Hoernke, Mrs. Lucille Heucke, Mrs. Clarence Hamann, Mrs. Harold Jaster, Mrs. Archie Sutton, Mrs. Lawrence Smolke, Mrs. Becker, Mrs. Wallace Callies, Mrs. Norman Martens, Mrs. Ronald Brown, Mrs. Fred Totzke,

ACTIVITIES OF THE CLUB

Mrs. John Busche and Mrs. Herman Totzke attended the National Homemaker's Convention in Chicago on August 12 1955.

1958-Donated to the Heart Fund and March of Dimes.

1961-Donated to Easter Seal Fund.

1963-Donated a hospital gift to Marlene Schillinger.

1964-Donated gifts to Marathon County Hospital patients.

1965-Celebrated tenth anniversary of club.

- 1970-Voted not to join the District Homemaker's Center and to withdraw from the County Extension Homemaker's and continue as a local club.
- 1972-Donated to the Roland Totzke fund when their trailer house burned down. Donated to the retarded childrens fund.

1975-Donated to the Cancer Fund.

1976-Donated to Ronald Decker fund, a luekemia victim

EARLY HISTORY OF 4-H CLUB WORK IN TOWN OF FRANKFORT

Since the Cherokee Chums 4-H Club was started in 1924 there were members on the West side of the Town of Frankfor who were members of the Cherokke Chums 4-H Club at one time or another.

The first 4-H Club to be organized in the Town of Frank fort was organized in 1944 and started in 1945 by Mrs Dorothy Fitzel, (former Dorothy Olson of Cherokee) now Mrs Dorothy Totzke and Mr. Loddie Loskot as leaders with 3 members joining. The club was named Frankfort 4-H Club and stayed together until 1948.

In 1949 the club was divided into two 4-H Clubs, due to the large enrollment. The North part of the Town of Frankfort was reorganized by Mr. Loddie Loskot as leader and this club was called the Franklin 4-H Club. The south side was reorganized by Mrs. Dorothy Fitzel as leader and was called Frankfor Farmerettes.

The Franklin 4-H Club continued under the leadership of Loddie Loskot until 1959 when it was disolved due to lack of new members and the older ones graduating because of age

The Frankfort Farmerettes under the direction of Mrs Dorothy Fitzel continued until 1957 when the name wa changed to "The Happy Helper 4-H Club" and continued to b active until 1968. The Totzkes sold their farm and moved t Schofield where she continued as a 4-H Leader in the local 4-Club (Weston-Three Corners). She has been a 4-H leader for 3 years.

Some of the members of the Happy Helpers Club, when was disolved, joined the Wein Workers 4-H. This club was organized by Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Syring. This club was activ until 1977 when it was disolved. Their last General Leader wa Mrs. Margene Streit.

The Frankfort Friends 4-H Club was organized in 1975 an absorbed some of the members of the Wein Workers 4-H Club

The Frankfort 4-H Club organized in 1944 with Lodd K. Loskot and Mrs. Dorothy Fitzel as General Leaders with the M. following members:

President: Irma Hoernke Vice President: Lorinda Giese Secretary: Harriet Klumb Treasurer: Betty Wussow Fi La Jc ex fo Ki M W Di ini mr an

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Circa 1947 4-H booth displayed at the Athens Fair by the Franklin 4-H Club

Virgene Treankler Delores Weyneth Gertrude Busche **Delores Schillinger** Marilyn Treankler Josephine Dunow Ethel Giese Harold Loskot Lucille Hoernke Noreen Giese Bruce Wussow Herbert Hoernke LaVerna Giese **Ralph Schillinger** Donald Dvorak Audrey Ballerstein

1946 Mary Klappert

Harriet Klumb Elviria Goelden Harold Goelden Clarence Garbarski **Ruth Giese** Alvina Giese Wallace Hamann

Alex Dahlke Donna Treankler **Delbert Ballerstein** Fritz Redman Ernest Redman Frank Redman Joseph Garbarski Hazel Redman Herlene Gilhar Merlin Kilty Joann Schemenauer **Raymond Schemenauer** Theodore Poplowski Gertrude Dahlke Walter Garbarski

1947

Crystal Schultz Anita Mielke Wilford Leffel Albert Mielke **Evelyn** Mielke Sylvester Sazama Melvin Leffel John Resch Milton Grieser Angeline Kubs Raymond Wehrman Eugene Wehrman George Urana

The new Frankfort Friends 4-H Club was organized on November 26, 1974.

A group of interested children and adults met at the Frankfort Town Hall to organize a 4-H club, Mr. and Mrs. Loddie Loskot were chosen to be the general leaders. Miss Joan Gruber the county 4-H home economist was present to explain the 4-H club organization and work projects. The following were chosen as project leaders. Mrs. Vernon Leffel, Knitting, Robert Ballerstein, woodworking, clothing, Mrs. Merlin Kilty, Foods and Nutrition, Mrs. Albert Wolff, Wildlife, Ronald Brown, Gardening, Mrs. Loddie Loskot, Dairying, Albert Wolff, photography, Loddie Loskot, exploring, Mrs. Gary Nienow, flowers, Mrs. Ronald Brown, mechanics Carl Totzke. Officers elected were Douglas Brown, president Patrick Kilty, vice president Mary Wolff, secretary and Larry Brown treasurer.

The name of the new club was voted on to be called the Frankfort Friends 4-H Club. Members joining the first year were Ronald Ballerstein, Donald Ballerstein, Linda Ballerstein, Beverly Brown, Douglas Brown, Larry Brown, Douglas Gray, Mark Kilty, Patrick Kilty, Michael Leffel, Virginia Leffel, Carmen Loskot, Loddie Lee Loskot, Karen Loskot, Jackie Nienow, Kim Nienow, Ronald Nienow, Robert Orth, Ronald Orth, Terry Orth, Joe Soppa, Tommy Soppa, Cathy Totzke, Mary Wolff, Rhonda Wolff, Deanna Busche, Cindy Busche, Carmen Gray, Jackie Gray, Valerie Kaser, Brian Soppa, Rachelle Kaser.

Officers 1990

Bridget Finke, President

Kelly Passehl, Secretary

Wendy Ploeckelman, Treasurer

Keith Ploeckelman, Historian

Officers 1975

Douglas Brown, President Patrick Kilty, Vice President Julie Giese, Vice President Mary Wolff, Secretary Kelly Passehl, Secretary Larry Brown, Treasurer

Officers 1976 Patrick Kilty, President

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Members who joined following years were Derrek Gray, Jeff Kaser, Michelle Kaser, Steve Marcis, Kristine Wolff, Scott Giese, Mike Leffel, Cary Podevels, Loran Weiland, Laura Witte, Merri Marcis, Sherri Marcis, Jim Streit, Susan Streit, Cheryl Loskot, James Leffel, Juanita LeVoy, Anne McGhee, Bonnie McGhee, Danny McGhee, Robert Regele, Darlene Streit, Donna Streit.

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1990 General Leaders Harold Finke and Beverly Fecker

FRANKFORT FRIENDS

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Front Row (1-r): Ray Levoy, Shelia Ploeckelman, Christine Kirchner. Row 2: Adam Fecker, Rhonda Ploeckelman, Tracy Passehl. Row 3: Wayne Giese, Brian Kruger, Keith Ploeckleman, Bridget Finke, Kelly Passehl, Carrie Ploeckleman. Back Row: Ben Kruger, Julie Giese. Missing were: Gary John Fecker, Ian Kirchner, Sara Kirchner, Wendy Ploeckelman, Ryan Borchardt.

FRANKFORT FREEDOM RIDERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB, INC

The Frankfort Freedom Riders Snowmobile Club was organized in 1972 and incorporated on February 23, 1973 for the purpose of promoting snowmobile safety and establishing snowmobile trails. Before this time, snowmobile trails were usually unmarked and in roadside ditches, changing with each snowfall. Eventually trails were developed through woods and swamps during the summer months and maintained during the winter with drags provided by the club or homemade drags which members would pull behind their own snowmobiles. Many hours were donated by club members to build these trails. That first year the Club had 30 miles of trails that connected with the trails of seven other snowmobile clubs. Trailbosses were appointed from various areas of the trails and they were responsible for grooming their own section of the trail. The Club meets the second Tuesday of each month, October through March. The first meetings were held at the Frankfort Town Garage and eventually moved to the Frankfort Cheese Factory for many years. At the present time they are being held at the Frankfort Town Hall. A special meeting was held on May 15, 1973 to sign a petition against a bill that would prohibit snowmobiling after dark, except in an emergency.

Events the Club sponsored during its early years were weiner roasts, a yearly picnic for members and landowners, trail rides for members and their families, chili dinners to raise money as well as dances at the Trianon Ballroom with well known bands during which raffles were held to give away prizes donated by area businesses, an Aqua-mobile demonstration at Elmerd Schemenauer's pond, and Snowmobile Safety courses where children ages 11 through 16 were taught how to properly operate and maintain a snowmobile and issued a certificate upon successful completion of the course. More recently the Club has organized trail rides to Friday night fish fries and has held a Poker Run the last two years as a fund-raising event.



Aqua Demonstration

In December of 1976 the club made its first major purchase of trail grooming equipment which consisted of an Alpine Snowmobile and Bombadier drag purchased from Bowen's Hardware of Curtiss. In April of 1979, the Club decided to purchase a used Army Weasel so Darrel Leffel and John Busche traveled to Kingston, NC to pick it up. Other area clubs were doing the same. The Alpine was sold to help finance this purchase.





In December of 1989 the Club purchased a new Trac Truck groomer from Minnesota for the price of \$27,000. Delmar Telschow and Roger Olson are in charge of running and maintaining the two groomers. At the present time the Club has 34 miles of trails which are inspected annually by the Department of Natural Resources. In order to pass this inspection, members help with the signing and brushing of the trails, trailbosses contact each landowner (70 at the present time) for permission to go on their land and give them gifts of butter and cheese as appreciation. If the trails pass inspection, the club receives county funding in the amount of \$150 per mile for snowmobiles and \$50 per mile for All Terrain Vehicles (ATV's). This funding comes from snowmobile registration which is presently \$24 for two years.

Club Statis	stics:
1972-73	Pres. Delmar Telschow 83 - members V.P. Harold Hoernke
	Sec. Delores Telschow
	Treas. Patricia Borchardt
1973-74	Pres. Ray Bandle 68 - members
	V.P. Roland Totzke
	Sec. Marlene Carter
	Treas. Elaine Mueller
1974-75	Pres. Harold Hoernke 83 - members
	V.P. Glenn Mueller
	Sec. Marian Schemenauer
	Treas. Cheryl Leffel
1975-76	Pres. Harold Hoernke 110 - members
	V.P. Glenn Mueller
	Sec. Marian Schemenauer
	Treas. Cheryl Leffel
1976-77	Pres. Glenn Mueller 84 - members
	V.P. Delmar Telschow
	Sec. Donna Marcis
	Treas. Barb Krampien
1977-78	Pres. Glenn Mueller 67 - members
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1978-79	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Delmar Telschow Harold Hoernke Joyce Schemenaue Janet Busche	54 - members r
1979-80	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Harold Hoernke Ron Mroczenski Darrell Hoernke Kim Hoernke	51 - members
1980-81	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Harold Hoernke Ron Mroczenski Delmar Telschow Marian Schemenau	39 - members 1er
1981-82	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Ron Mroczenski Leonard Jantsch Delmar Telschow Marian Schemenau	58 members ler
1982-83	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Leonard Jantsch Pat Schraufnagel Joyce Schemenaue Marian Schemenau	r
1983-84	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Leonard Jantsch Pat Schraufnagel Marlene Carter Marian Schemenau	
1984-85	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Pat Schraufnagel Dick Strathman Marlene Carter Marian Schemenau	
1986-87	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Allen Fricke Roger Olson Marlene Carter Marian Schemenau	61 - members er
1987-88	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Allen Fricke Roger Olson Marlene Carter Marian Schemenau	50 - members er
1988-89	Pres. V.P. Sec. Treas.	Roger Olson David Kunse Sharon Schraufnag Marian Schemenau	

The following members are also Charter Members:

Mr. & Mrs. Ray Bandle Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Bornowski Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Jantsch Mr. & Mrs. Peter Schemenauer Mr. & Mrs. Delmar Telschow

Churches

RELIGION

One of the concerns of the early settlers besides public education for their children, was the baptism of their children and bringing them up in their Christian Faith.

The majority of the early settlers coming to the Town of Frankfort were from Germany, and of the Lutheran faith. They were followed later by some of the Catholic faith. The Town of Wien being settled before Frankfort, one of the first churches to be organized was St. John's Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod. This was located one mile east of the Frankfort Township.

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, MISSOURI SYNOD Town of Wien

The beginnings of the St. John Missouri Lutheran Church can be traced back to 1860. It was then that Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hamann, their son Henry, a sister Fredreicka, Mr. Hamann's parents, Karl and Marie Hamann, Mr. and Mrs. William Garbrecht and Karl Marquardt traveled through dense pine forests from Stevens Point. They arrived at their homestead sites after six weeks of travel.

At their request in 1862, the Rev. J.J. Hoffman of the Town of Berlin visited them to baptize several children.

On July 4, 1867, the Rev. J.F. Wilhelm Hudtloff was ordained at Naugart in the Town of Berlin. He visited the Town of Wien at regular intervals and played an important role in the early development of St. John's and later assisted in its organization in 1869.

The first members met for worship in their log cabins. Later they worshipped in the Town Hall, better known as "The Old School House," which stood across from where St. John's American Lutheran Church on County Trunk N now stands.

In September 1875, the Rev. Wilhelm Weber was installed as the first resident pastor. About 1883 the congregation had difficulty finding a pastor to serve them. They called a former school teacher, Mr. Carl Busch deposed from office in Germany, to be their pastor. Shortly after this, the congregation was divided over the desirability of having an unordanied pastor.

The Conservative Minority objected to his pastorate and decided to sever relationship with the majority. On February 20, 1885 they met at the home of Karl Charles Marquardt and reorganized the congregation.

The newly organized St. John's Missouri Synod Church moved about one-quarter mile west of the original site. There in 1886, across from the present Hoppenworth place, they build a 22 x 34 building as their church. In 1894, they purchased three acres of land from Christian Betzner and moved the building there with horses which is their present site.

In October 1907, the congregation decided to build a new church of Gothic style, measuring 40 x 74 with the steeple standing 112 feet tall. This landmark explains why many people refer to St. John's as "The Steeple Church," located one-fourth mile east of 97 became affiliated with the Missouri Synod on May 31, 1880. The present pastor is Rev. Mark J. Nicolaus. After the split in the congregation on February 20, 1885, the majority acquired the church property from Karl Marquardt and were served by pastors of the Ohio Synod. Presently they are affiliated with the American Lutheran Church and count the beginning of their church as 1885.

Construction of the first church was begun on July 20, 1885 and on December 6, 1885 it was dedicated.

The congregation was then served by Pastor Goepling, a member of the Ohio Synod. He was followed by Pastor Fischer, who served until 1890. Pastor C. Schmalz from Oconto, Wisconsin, also a member of the Ohio Synod, was then called, and installed on May 4, 1890. He served this congregation for thirty years until his death on August 25, 1920. He is buried in the church cemetery. Pastor T.E. Diemer of Stratford served the congregation until Pastor E. Nottbohm of Mt. Olive, Illinois was called. He was installed on December 12, 1920 and served the congregation for thirty-six years. In 1926, during his tenure, a beautiful new church was built. It must have been the envy of many a congregation. The membership was then around four hundred.

TOWN OF WIEN CEMETERY

Copied October 11, 1975

Located on County N in Section 16, Town of Wien, Marathon County.

This is one of the older cemeteries in the area. Many were buried here before any churches were organized. Since Frankfort doesn't have a town cemetery and was part of the town of Wien until 1890, many are also buried here who lived in the town of Frankfort. Many stones are in poor shape and difficult to read. There are also many buried here without any markers.

Facing West reading from front to back and left to right.

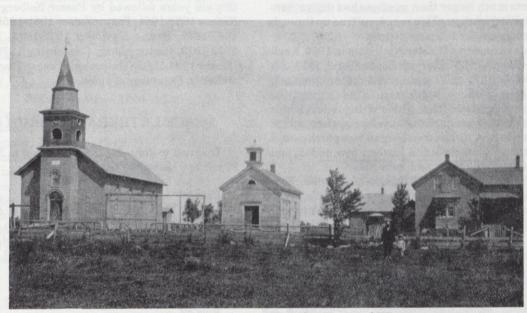
ROW #1	
FRIEDRICH	Emma O 1882-1974
	Carl E. – 1877-1962
HINTZ	Karl E. – 1914-1956
BUROW	Gustave M. – 1894-1946 (Am. War Vet. marker)
HINTZ	Mother, Emealia A., Wife of C.F. Hintz Feb. 25, 1884 - Jan. 15, 1942
LOSKOT	Father, Joseph — 1867-1938
HINTZ	Father, Martin C. – Aug. 29, 1906- Oct. 28, 1933
SCHWINGE	Heinrich — Geb. — Nov. 25, 1847 - Gest. Feb. 4, 1931
ROW #2	
GROSSKREUTZ	Dona Mae - 1929-1929
STREBE	Leo – Oct. 29, 1920 - Nov. 24, 1924
RACHU	Alma — Nov. 20, 1919 - Jan. 20, 1924 Broken stone, no writing
HON	Bessie — Born May 17, 1910 - Died April 25, 1913
ROW #3	
PROCHASKA	Mary – Born Aug. 7, 1862 -

Died Dec. 15, 1923

HAMANN	Friedrich – Geb. Sept. 20, 1834 -	HAMANN	Meda H.A., Tochter von Wm. u. L. Hamann Geb. July 12, 1895 - Gest. Aug. 7, 1895
	Gest. Feb. 8, 1908 Henrietta — Geb. Oct. 13, 1828 - Gest. Nov. 6, 1900	HAMANN	Carl, Sohn Von H. und W. Hamann Geb. Aug. 3, 1895 - Gest. Aug. 27, 1896
HAMANN	Wilhelm F.M. — Geb. Oct. 1, 1863 - Gest. June 19, 1900 Delma E.C., Toch. von W. & L. Hamann	HAMANN	Wilhelmine D. S., Gattin von H. Hamann Geb. GARBRECHT Dec. 21, 1869 - Gest. Apr. 1, 1897
HAMANN	Geb. Nov. 28, 1899 - Gest. June 20, 1900 Sabella K.F., Tochter von W. & L. Hamann	GARBRECHT	Wilhelm - Geb. Apr. 21, 1819 - Gest. Apr. 5, 1897
HINTZ	Geb. Nov. 11 1896 - Gest. Apr. 3, 1898 Alma A.F., Toch. von G. and A. Hintz	ARNDT	Ernst W., Sohn von F. u. A. Arndt Geb. Mar. 6, 1899 - Gest. Aug. 20, 1899
ANDERSON	Geb. and Gest. Jan. 9, 1905 Floid, son of A. and L. Anderson	GARBRECHT	Albertine - Geb. Mar. 23, 1842 - Gest. Apr. 11, 1905
ANDERSON	Born Oct. 15, 1901 - Died Sept. 8, 1902 Emily, daughter of A. and L. Anderson	BEHN	Heinrich W.F Geb. Oct. 17, 1868 - Gest. Feb. 12, 1895
	Born Mar. 15, 1898 - Died Aug. 14, 1906	SYRING	Augusta M. H., Tochter von G. und B.
HAMANN	Frieda, Toch. von H. U. B. Hamann Geb. Dec. 16, 1899 - Gest. Dec. 21, 1899		Syring Geb. July 26, 1893 - Gest. Jan. 16, 1905
FORHMAN	Ottilie - Geb. Feb. 27, 1894 - Gest. Jan. 13, 1900	SYRING	Mathilda, Tochter von G. u. B. Syring Geb. Oct. 8, 1885 - Gest. Sept. 19, 1899
STREBE	William - Apr. 6, 1848 - Dec. 9, 1917	SCHNEIDER	Gatte und Vater, Carl Geb. March 11, 1857 - Gest. Sept. 19, 1903
SEVERIN DVORAK	Mother, Maggie - 1835-1920 Carl - Geb. Nov. 24, 1895 -	LOSKOT	Emil - Rozen 16 Rina 1872 - Zemrel 28
SEVERIN	Gest. Feb. 17, 1913 Johann N. — Geb. Jan. 13, 1833 -		Ledna 1902 (translated means born 16 Nov. 1872 - died 28 Jan. 1902, but death
	Gest. Feb. 28, 1912		certificate says born 21 Nov. 1874 and died 28 Jan. 1904)
SCHWINGE	Bertha W. Geborene HANTE, Gattin von H. Schwinge Geb. Jan. 6, 1852 - Gest. Jan. 26, 1909	OHSE	Johanna - Gest. 23 Marz 1904, Alter 62 Jahre, 6 mo., 26 tage Wilhelm - Gest. 4 Feb. 1904, Alter 75
KROENING	Richard - Geb. May 15, 1870 - Gest. Jan. 18, 1909	OHSE	Jahre, 10 mo., 18 tage William - 1872-1946
	(has picture on headstone)		MANAHAH
FLIEHS	Edward — Geb. July 19, 1864 - Gest. Aug. 1, 1908	ROW #5 WERNER	Carl F.W. Sohn von A. & M. Werner Geb. und Gest. 2 Jun 1891
SCHOOLEY	Amanda, wife of Stephen Schooley - 1852-1924	WERNER	Holdina A Geb. & Gest. 28 or 23
SCHOOLEY	Stephen H. — Born Feb. 19, 1853 - Died Mar. 4, 1905		Feb. 1890 Alvina W Geb. & Gest. 28 or 23 Feb. 1890 Kinder of A. & M. Werner
MUELLER	Wells G., son of C. & I. Mueller Born May 26, 1902 - Died Dec. 23, 1902	WERNER	Albert, Sohn von A. & M. Werner
MUELLER	Ida Lueschow, Wife of C.J. Mueller Born July 8, 1883 - Died July 6, 1904	BETZNER	Geb. 21 Marz 1885 - Gest. 6 Nov. 1885 Oskar R., Sohn von C.F. and E.A. Betzner Geb. 7 Juni 1883 - Gest. 3 Nov. 1885
ROW #4 WERNER	Martin H.E., Schoten von A. and M. Werner - Geb. July 7, 1883 -	BAHR	Albert E., Sohn von F. u. R. Bahr Geb. 1 Nov. 1865 - Gest. 12 Mai 1891
BETZNER	Gest. Aug. 11, 1897 Bruno A.B Geb. July 9, 1896 -	VIEGUT	August - Geb. 6 Juni 1830 - Gest. 8 Dez 1917
GREVE	Nov. 17, 1896 Hugo R.A., Sohn von G. & A. Greve Geb. Aug. 18, 1894 - Gest. June 24, 1895	WENDTLAND	Broken stone on top, no first name, Geborne PISKE Geb. 6 Oct. 1852 - Gest. 21 Marz 1891
FENRICH	Clair - Born Feb. 22, 1897 - Died Feb. 25, 1897	SYRING	Willie B., Sohn von Carl & Bertha Syring Geb. 7 Juni 1888 - Gest. 29 Apr 1891
	Floyd - Born Feb. 8, 1898 - Died Feb. 7, 1899	REDMAN	Maria B. H., Tochter von F. und M. Redman Geb. 29 Mai 1892 - Gest. 14 Juni 1892
	Hazel - Born Sept. 27, 1900 - Died Feb. 11, 1901 Children of G.M. & N.M. Fenrich	SCHUMACHER	
KASSNER	Lousia, Toch. von R. and M. Kassner	KROENING	Theodor - Geb. 10 Dez 1895 -
de A ag 11814 Maria Dane	Geb. July 2, 1898 - Gest. Sept. 3, 1898 Walter, Sohn von R. and M. Kassner Geb. March 18, 1897 - Gest. April 22, 1898	SEVERIN	Gest. 21 Apr 1902 Gertrude, dau. of H. & M. Severin Born & Died Apr. 9, 1907
HAMANN	Helen E., Toch. von Wm. & L. Hamann Geb. May 29, 1893 - Gest. Aug. 2, 1893		and the sector of the other to get

ROW #6	and a first state of the second state of the s	WERNER	Carl - Geb. 22 Sept. 1813 - Gest. 10 Sept. 1872
MARQUARDT	Emma E. W., Tochter von C. u. F. Marquardt Geb. 1 Marz 1881 - Gest. 25 Juli 1884		Stone broken in half, can't read, first name Wilhelmine
BETZNER	Arthur, Sohn von C. F. & E. A. Betzner Geb. und Gest. 5 Juli 1882	VIEGUT	Kinder von W. u. F. Viegut (if there are names and dates they are unreadable)
BAESEMANN	Mathilda H. A., Tochter von A. & J. Baesemann Geb. 13 Sept. 1871 - Gest. 27 Juli 1882	RAHR	Gottlieb - Geb. 14 Mai 1875 - Gest. 14 Mai 1875
BAHR	Anton M Geb. 3 Marz 1867 - Gest. 27 Feb. 1882	VIEGUT	Martin H. A., sohn von R. u. W. Viegut Geb. 8 Apr. 1895 - Gest. 4 Juni 1895
VIEGUT	A. Ernst - Geb. 20 Oct 1867 - Gest. 12 Feb. 1882	BAUMANN	K. Wilhelm C Geboren 21 April 1845 - Gestorhen 5 Feb. 1880
PETRICK	August E Geb. 7 Sept. 1875 - Gest. 9 Apr. 1882 Stone broken completely off and missing	USADEL	Robert P. E., sohn von C. E. & E. C. Usadel Geb. 3 Feb. 1880 - Gest. 17 Feb. 1881 Stone broken inhalf and cemented back
HAMANN	Carl J. C. L Geb. 2 Feb. 1813 - Gest. 4, Sept. 1887		together obliterating name Geb. 13 April 1834 - Gest. 29 Sept. 1880
BROCKMANN	Alvine W.A. Tochter von F. J. A. & M. F. G. Brockmann	BETZNER	Emilie J. E Geborne LEMKE Geb. 17 Apr 1856 - Gest. 12 Feb. 1881
BEHN	Geb. 14 Apr 1878 - Gest. 17 Apr 1885 Wilhelmine, stone broken in half, difficult to read,	RAU	Sophia - stone broken in half and top half cemented back into pedestal, bottom half showing dates gone
BEHN	Geb. 24 Jan. 1871 - Gest. 2 Feb. 1885 Helene M. C., Tochter von H. & D. Behn Geb. 18 Sept. 1880 - Gest. 9 Juni 1885	THIELE	Ernie, sohn von W. u. T. Thiele no dates, stone broken in half, top half cemented back into pedestal, bottom half missing
MARQUARDT	Carl - Aug. 30, 1837 - Apr. 19, 1886 (Am. War Vet. marker)	PISKE	Amalie - Geb. 6 Aug. 1800 - Gest. 16 Dez 1882
PETRICK	Wilhelm - Geb. 13 Juli 1837 - Gest. 1 Marz 1914 Maria - Geb. 12 Nov. 1840 -	LOCK	Stone broken and cemented back together Maria S. H Geb. 11 Oct. 1811 - Gest. 29 Dec. 1884
HAMANN	Gest. 9 Jan. 1886 Maria - Geb. 25 Juli 1803 - Gest. 5 Jan. 1889	ZASTROW	Friedrich Wilhelm, sohn von W. & E. Zastrow
SCHNEIDER	Ida A. W., frau von G. Schneider, geborne BUDTKE Geb. 27 Feb. 1866 - Gest. 3 Marz 1889	ZASTROW	Geb. 21 Mai 1870 - Gest. 20 Mai 1885 Helena Johanne Maria, toch. von W. & E. Zastrow
HANNEMANN	Paul - Geb. 30 Aug. 1885 - Gest. 15, Sept. 1886	ZASTROW	Geb. 21 Dec. 1874 - Gest. 30 Mai 1885 Friedrich Ferdinand, sohn von W. u. E. Zastrow
GRAU	Louie E., Sohn von H. und H. Grau Geb. 13 Marz 1889 - Gest. 23 Marz 1889		Geb. 10 Dec. 1869 - Gest. 14 Juni 1885
SCHUMACHER	August - Gest. 10 Marz 1889, Alter 68 Jahre	PIEHL	John J Geboren 17 Feb. 1873 - Gest. 18 Jan. 1901
	Wilber, son of, (stone broken in half, can't read)	PIEHL	Henry Sr Geboren 18 Nov. 1849 - Gest. 31 Oct. 1926
SYRING	Born Feb. 13, 1889 - Died Mar. 17, 1889 Johann F Geb. 26 Mai 1826 -	STENDEL	Martha H., tochter von C. und A. Stendel Geb. 15 Mai 1880 - Gest. 15 Mar 1901
	Gest. 15 Oct. 1891	ROW #8	A HAR AND AND A HAR AND
PASSEHL	Caroline M., frau of H. Passehl Geb. 16 Dez 1850 - Gest. 31 Marz 1893	KAPP	George - Geboren 27 Apr 1814 - Gestorhen 10 Juni 1870
ABRAHAM HARTIG	Brother, Fred W 1883-1901 Helene E Geb. 1 Nov. 1882 -	KAPP	Amaria - Geboren 1 Jan 1814 - stone broker in half and part missing, rest is leaning against husband's stone
BARTELT	Gest. 27 Juli 1902 Johann - Geb. 17 Dez 1824 - Gest. 24 Dez 1902	BORCHARDT	Johann Ludwig - Geb. 4 Juli 1800 - Gest. 26 Nov. 1874
ROW #7		HANKE	Wilhelm, son of H. & W. Hanke Geb. 26 Dez 1865 - Gest. 14 Juni 1876
WERNER	Wilhelmine - Geb. 7 April 1816 - Gest. 17 Aug. 1900	MICHLER	Agnes T. H., toch. von M. F. & J. Michler Geb. 12 Mai 1869 - Gest. 16 Aug 1888
WERNER	Edward - Geb. 5 Jun 1852 - Gest. 24 Mai 1873	PISKE	Friedericke, eliefrau von Heinrich Piske Geb. DEUSCHER - Geb. 20 Sept. 1832 - Gest. 10 Mai 1881

HAMANN	Friedrich - Geb. 2 Feb. 1804- Gest. 17 Juni 1881	Also buried	in this cemetery without stones:
HOCK	Lydia M Geb. 18 Juni 1880 - Gest. 29 Mai 1882	LOSKOT	Vadslau - Born 1836 Praha, Bohemia - died 20 May 1908 town of Frankfort
SCHOOLEY	Dale) Born May 11, 1882 - Died July 15, 1893		Mary - wife of Vadslau - Born 1843 in Bohemia - died 29 Nov. 1921 town of Frankfor
	Infant Son - Born Feb. 20, 1890 Baby - Died May 20, 1894 Children of S.H. & A. B. Schooley	Burials since	
PANKONIN	Wilhelm R. B., sohn von G. u P. Pankonin Geb. 8 Aug. 1900 - Gest 30 April 1901	REDMAN	Lester June 23, 1930 - Sept. 21, 1979 Ida Nov. 14, 1899 - Feb., 1987



St. Johns's Lutheran Church - Town of Wien

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH HISTORY

The history of Peace Lutheran Church goes back to the time when the automobile was becoming popular, or to the late teens. On February 3, 1918, a group of Lutheran Christians met in the Franklin District School for the purpose of organizing a congregation in the Township of Frankfort. Charter members were Fred Giese, George Mueller, Herman Beilke, Peter Martyn, Otto Hartig, and Louis Yessa. They accepted the constitution as proposed by Pastor Karl Schmalz who was to be their first pastor.

At the 1919 annual meeting of St. John's American Lutheran Church, a group of members asked for a peaceful dismissal from St. John's in order to organize their own congregation in the Frankfort Township. From this orderly and Christian way of separating themselves from the mother congregation, it can be assumed that the name of the new congregation is appropriate.

The first worship service was held in the home of August Giese Sr., March 2, 1919, and from that time on every second Sunday in the Franklin School whenever possible. On April 4, the first Ladies Aid was organized. A Luther League was formed April 21 and on April 25, a contract was signed with the architectural firm of Krassin Brothers of Marshfield, Wisconsin. For his efforts of getting so many things started, the congregation gave Pastor Schmalz a written agreement for a starting salary of \$200.00 per year on May 18.

The contract for building of the new church was set on April 25, 1919. The building of the new church was begun June 5, 1919 and the corner stone was laid during a special service on June 22. There are no further records for the remainder of 1919.

May 2, 1920 was a busy day for Pastor Schmalz. In addition to dedicating the new church building, it was also the day he celebrated the thirtieth anniversary as pastor of St. John's. Many remember him being a sick man that day.

On August 28, Pastor Schmalz was called from his earthly duties, being fifty-five years of age. Already at this time, the congregation numbered some ninety members, of which eightynine were charter members.

The first official acts which are recorded in the Pastor's record book include the baptism of Minna Marie Martha, the child of George Mueller and Anna (nee) Seeger on August 29, 1920 by Pastor Fr. Proehl. The first confirmation class, confirmed on June 4, 1922 included Elmer Mesalk, Arnold Bobert, Alvin Mueller, Carl Jank, Heinrich Zenk, Elsie Smith, Helen Mesalk and Ester Bradow.

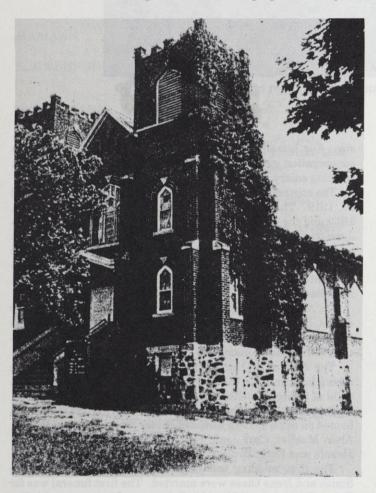
The first wedding was September 7, 1920, when Eugene Smith and Irene Giese were married. The first funeral was for Robert Zenk on April 30, 1921. Robert was fifteen years old. The burial records for those years included a column listing (die Hinterbliebenen) the bereaved.

After the death of Pastor Schmalz, several area pastors filled the vacancy until a call was accepted by Pastor E. Nottbohm of Mt. Olive, Illinois. Pastor Nottbohm was installed December 12, 1920, and he served this congregation and St. John's faithfully for thirty years. It was during this period that the congregation made the slow and painful move from German to English services.

Checking through the treasurer's books will indicate that the congregation made many changes in emphasis. In 1923, \$21.50 was given to mission work in Deutschland. Mission festivals were annual events. The following reflects the interest which the American Lutheran Church had in people, for beginning in 1943, sums much larger than missions had drawn were sent to Lutheran World Action. This remained true up through 1950, indicating concern for the war victims.

Following the retirement of Pastor Nottbohm in 1950, a call was extended to Pastor J.H. Kolberg on September 3, 1950. He was installed October 15, 1950 and served the congregation until 1956. The biggest change which came to the congregation was the beginning of Sunday School. Other changes during this time included the introduction of the envelope system, a new constitution was adopted, an electronic organ was purchased, a new heating system was installed, a kitchen was added, and other improvements to the basement were made.

In October 1956, Pastor Henry Krikau of Melville, Saskatchewan, Canada accepted the call to the St. John's Peace Parish and was installed October 25. He served the parish until the end of 1960. During this time the congregation was pre-



pared for the pending merger of the former American Lutheran Church, The Evangelical Lutheran Church and The United Evangelical Lutheran Church, to form the present American Lutheran Church.

German services were held from the very beginning of the church organization, until the younger generation began losing their ability to understand their native language. English was taught in all the public schools. The congregation made the move from German to English during Pastor Nottbohm's reign. At first English services were every other Sunday and later German services once a month.

When Pastor Kolberg was installed in 1950 services were all in English. It is interesting to note that Pastor Karl Schmalz and Pastor Ernest Nottbohm served the two congregations for fifty-six years followed by Pastor Kolberg 1950-1956, Pastor Krikau 1956-1961, Pastor Zaiser 1961-1966, Pastor Schroeder 1967-1972, Pastor Davidson 1972-1975, Pastor James Reif 1975-1979, Pastor Merlin Schlichting 1979-1983, Pastor Tim Diemer 1984-1989. The present Pastor, Rev. Jeff Tarras was installed in December of 1989.

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH CEMETERY

Updated to June 29, 1990. Located in Section 15, Town of Frankfort, Marathon County

Row #1	
MARTYN	Tyler, John - Nov. 22, 1925 - 1988
WENZEL	Norman — July 22, 1914 - Sept. 16, 1989
NIENOW	Fred - Nov. 17, 1909 - Nov. 9, 1989
	Dorothy - Nov. 30, 1916
GIESE	Arthur F. — 1902 - 1981
	Elsie A. — 1905
Row #2	
MARTYN	Peter — 1890 - 1951
	Emma L 1903
WOLFF	William H. — Jan. 21, 1905 - July 7, 1963
PODEVELS	Hulda — June 30, 1907
FODEVELS	Eugene C. — Feb. 22, 1899 - Aug. 20, 1974
	Anna E. — Mar. 20, 1908
KLIMPKE	Walter Sr. — 1915 - 1981
	Lavina — 1918
WEINKE	Julius — 1880 - 1962
DODDUDUG	Martha — 1888 - 1970
PODEVELS	Albert F. — Feb. 19, 1897 - Nov. 24, 1988
ITTOOL	Ida A. — May 31, 1902 - Mar. 14, 1954
YESSA	Alvina — 1895 - 1977
	Louis — 1892 - 1950
Row #3	and the state that the state with the state
MARTYN	Mr. & Mrs. Peter, Sr.
MARTYN	Issac — 1880 - 1987
	Emilie — 1930 - 1964, Dau. of
	Mr. & Mrs. Peter Martyn, Jr.
TRAEDER	Mother, Martha — 1889 - 1930
CHRISTIAN	SEN Minnie M. — Nov. 16, 1879 - Dec. 17, 1968 Peter — 1908 - 1987
WIEDERHO	EFT Mother, Edna E. — 1894 - 1968
	Father, William C. — 1892 - 1938
NIENOW	Fred — Dec. 9, 1880 - June 21, 1944
	Mary — Oct. 7, 1882 - July 4, 1973
ZENK	Emil H. — Aug. 5, 1898 - May 23, 1945
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Row #4	
MUELLER	Ellnora — May 30, 1927 - June 17, 1927
Bank was also	Father, George — 1870 - 1941
	Mother, Anna — 1885 - 1965
MUELLER	Orville — June 20, 1923 - May 18, 1984
REMUS	Father, Albert — 1858 - 1930
	Verna, Daughter of S. &
	E. Remus — 1926 - 1931
DORFSCHM	IIDT Father, Herman - 1870 - 1938
Automotion Provenue	Mother, Bertha — 1867 - 1950
DORFSCHM	
BIELKE	Carl — May 5, 1873 - Sept. 28, 1951
DIEDICE	
	Augusta — March 16, 1869 - Jan. 3, 1949
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Row #5	
Grave v	without headstone, artificial flowers
GIESE	William — Oct. 18, 1921 - Feb. 4, 1925
Mary –	– March 13, 1888 - March 17, 1945
	Fred — Jan. 31, 1876 - Dec. 10, 1945
CHRISTIAN	
	Mother, Karoline - 1872 - 1936
	August H. — 1914 - 1956
	Daughter, Janette — 1942 -
GIESE	August — 1853 - 1941
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HOFFMAN	Bertha — 1863 - 1946 (Nee LAST)
HOFFMAN	Father, Paul — 1882 - 1977
	Mother, Paulina - 1890 - 1964
BOBERT	Father, Ewald — Oct. 23, 1889 - July 21, 1969 Mother, Anna — March 1, 1891 - Aug. 1, 1967
	Mother, Anna — March 1, 1891 - Aug. 1, 1967
JOHNSON	Erin Lynn — Sept. 6, 1978
	Granddaughter of E. & A. Bobert
	and address and a second statistic the statistic statistics
Row #6	
ZENK	Son, Robert — June 10, 1905 - April 27, 1921
	Albert — Nov. 3, 1860 - March 29, 1922
	, Emilea — June 10, 1870 - Apr. 24, 1938
LOSKOT	Son, Adolph — 1903-1931
	(Dec. 18, 1903 - Oct. 13, 1931)
GIESE	Son, Leonard — 1926-1943
	(July 18, 1926 - April 25, 1943)
	Albina — 1903 - 1976
	August — 1900 -
PODEVELS	Herman C. — Sept. 9, 1892 - Aug. 18, 1985
	Meta E Oct. 20, 1899 - May 8, 1979
DALLMAN	Father, Roy J. — 1926 - 1967
KOMAREK	John C. — 1901 - 1979
ROMINUDIK	Marcella — 1914 -
	Marcena — 1914 -
Row #7	
	L.C. t.CI
YESSA	Infant of L. and A.
	Infant of L. and A.
FUHRMANN	I Carl — June 15, 1854 - June 12, 1932
	Caroline — Oct. 2, 1859 - Nov. 4, 1938
GOLDSCHM	IDT Richard Sr. — 1903 - 1985
	Ruth — 1901 -
HALVERSON	N Lloyd H. — 1908 - 1969
	Caroline — 1915 -
WENZEL	Father, Carl J Aug. 24, 1885 -
ANG ANADRAS	March 26, 1973
	Mother, Phoebe L. — May 15, 1890 -
	May 21, 1977
HOFFMANN	Father, Alfred — 1921 -
and I minist	Daughter, Ronda L. — 1955-1975
	Daugiller, Itoliua L 1000-1010

Mother, Charlotte - 1932 -

Roy	N	#8
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PETER	Anna — March 27, 1874 - Dec. 16, 1929
	Wilhelm — 1881 - 1956
	Son, Eric — 1908 - 1936
THOMAS	Peter, died 1933
	Ida, died 1984
HOERNKE	Edwin — 1901 - 1988
	Frieda — 1905 - 1986
WIERSIG	Reinhardt — 1915 - 1977
	Viola — 1919 -
Row #9	

Row #9

HANEMANN Fern, Johnna — Feb. 18, 1930 - Feb. 24, 1930 WENZEL Lisa, Jane, Daughter of E. & S. Wenzel — Oct. 24, 1967 PODEVELS Edward — 1894 - 1959

Row #10

10W #10	
CHRISTIANSEN	Jacob — 1859 - 1933
CHRISTIANSEN	Delmar - born and died June 27, 1939
EHMKE	Walter A 1912 - 1938
BUNDE	Fred H 1899 - 1942

THE CATHOLIC RELIGION

Some of the early settlers coming to the Town of Frankfort were of the Catholic faith. There were Bavarians, Germans, Polish, & Bohemians who immigrated from different areas of Europe.

Those who wanted to worship or have their children baptized had to walk or ride to Colby, Edgar, or Athens where a church was already established. This was a distance of ten or twelve miles.

A circuit priest by the name of A. J. Jaerres, of Colby, was concerned about Catholic families in Frankfort and was instrumental in convincing the LaCrosse Diocese into buying three acres of land to build a church in the township.

A warranty deed issued for one dollar, dated back to July 16, 1888, convening three acres of land, commencing at a point on the S.W. Corner of the west half of the N.W. quarter of Section 10, Township 28, Range 3E, running north 16 Rods and east 30 Rods, purchased from Frank Beck and wife Francis to Rev. K.C. Flasch Bishop of LaCrosse, Wisconsin Diocese. This land was later owned by the Fred Nienow family.

A log church was built at this location by the several Catholic families living in the community. Due to poor roads or no roads at all from Colby, and the small membership in the area, no regular church services were held, except whenever a circuit priest was available or was called for special occasions.

A local cemetary was established at this site and several young children were buried here with headstones placed on the graves. There were only about three or four graves, some were assumed to be children of the Joe Schmirler Sr. family.

When the site was abandoned the grave stones were removed or plowed down. Several years after the log building became vacant. A family by the name of Jacob Molleck moved into the building until he could build a log house on his own land located on the N.W., N.W. Corner in section four.

After the log church became vacant again, it was dismantled by Fred Nienow and reassembled on his farm.

No record is available as to how many years this church was active. About this same time a Catholic church was beginning to take place in the Town of Johnson, which is now known as Wurzburg. Schools

EARLY COUNTRY SCHOOLS

One of the concerns of the first settlers was the education of their children. The first youngster no doubt had to walk to school in the Town of Wien or elsewhere.

School records are hard to find as to the exact dates that the first schools were built.

When the Townships were divided into school districts they tried to keep them close enough so that the youngsters did not have to walk more than two miles.

The districts were changed and altered as population changed, especially the first few years.

The first schools had only 5 months school, but in time, the term was extended every few years until today 180 days are required.

The first settlers could not spare their older children to attend school very long, only during the winter months and some only went through the 4th grade.

Many students had to walk more than 2 miles one way to school and frozen ears, fingers and lunches were common during the winter months.

The schools were heated by a pot bellied wood stove with a shield around it, and on a cold day the children all stood around the stove to keep warm.

The older children all had duties assigned to them before and after school such as, carrying in the wood, and water, and sweeping the school room. The bathroom facilities were outside several rods from the school building.

The early one room schools had an attendance of 25 to over 60 students with one teacher teaching all eight grades.

Some of the early teachers laced a good education themselves, but as time passed, they were required to have a certificate to teach Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, English, Grammar, Geography, Physiology, U.S. History, U. S. Constitution and Penmanship.

As time passed, teachers were required to have one year of normal school or College after High School in order to teach. Now a full four years or more are required.

Although with the meager facilities of getting an education in the early years, these one room schools turned out many educated students who made the nation great.

FRANKFORT SCHOOLS AND DISTRICTS

Before Frankfort was organized and was part of the Town of Wien, any youngster who lived in Frankfort no doubt attended school in the Town of Wien. In 1873, according to Wien School records a school district was formed in section six between Town of Frankfort and Town of Hull known as District No. 6 probably for the benefit of settlers living on the west side of Frankfort.

On July 16, 1893, after Frankfort was organized, this district was reorganized into a Joint district between Frankfort and Hull known as District No. 2 and later called Rusk School. On November 18, 1884 the school district paid John Prosser \$150.00 for building a new school.

On July 6, 1885, the district received \$362.00 in state aid to operate the school. The first teacher hired was Nelly Slowey.

On October 16, 1891, Charles Zernka received \$425.00 for building a new school.

On October 23, 1891, A.B.Ehle received \$20.00 for one acre of land for a new school site located on SW-SW corner in Section 6. The school board in 1895 were W.L. Parkhill, Director: A.W. Prentice, Clerk and John F. Prosser, Treasurer.

In 1960 the School District voted to dissolve the School District and join the Colby Consolidated District.

After the Town of Frankfort was organized in April of 1880 the Town Board met to divide the Township into School Districts as follows:

District No. I shall include Sections 1-2-3-10-11-12-13-14-15-30-31-N1/2 of 32.

District No. II shall include Sections 4-5-6-7-8-16-17-18-19-20-21.

District No. III shall include Sections 22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-N1/2 of 33-N1/2 of 34-SE1/4 of 34-N1/2 of Sw !/4 of 34-SE1/ 4SE of 34Sec. 35-36 Joint School Dist. #5 S1/2 of 32-S1/2 of 33 SW1/4-SW1/4 of 34.

On April 1881 the Town Board made the following additions: It is hereby ordered and determined that Sections 16-17-18-

19-20-21 shall constitute a School District to be known as No.l 4 and Sections 4-5-6-7-8-9 shall constitute a School District known as District No. 2.

March 14, 1896, Town Board sets boundaries for District No. I as follows:

Sections 1-2-11-12 East half of Section 3.

District No. 3

Sections 13-14 South half of 15.

Sections 22-23-24 and East half of Section 28.

District No. 5

Sections 25-26-27 West half of 33 and Section 34-35-36. District No. 2

Sections 10-16-21 and West half of Section 3, North half of 15, West half of 28, East half of 29 and North East corner of 32 and Section 9 detached from Joint Dist. No. 2 and attached to District 2.

District No. 4

Section 17-18-19-20 West half of 29-30-31 Northwest quarter of Section 32.

A special town meeting was held on Nov. 3 1896 for the purpose of adopting Township School Government. The vote was 47 for adopting and 39 against.

Nov. 16, 1896 the Boards of all School Districts and Directors in the Township met to elect a Board from their group as a Township School Board. Elected for President was Jack Baluacker, Vice-President, A.W. Prentice and Clerk John Lollathin.

A special meeting was held on January 14, 1897 to let Sub

District No. 1 and Sub District No. 2 decide on borrowing money to build a new school in each of these Districts. The Town Chairman was to go to Wausau to see where money could be borrowed and to vote on building a new school in District No. I and to borrow \$525.00 payable in 10 years at 7% interest. The vote was 15 for and 1 against signed by the following: S.H. Schooly, Julius Hannemann, Joe Hilger, Chas. Schneider and Joan Baikel The money was borrowed from the National American German Bank of Wausau. \$525.00 for District No. 1 and \$375.00 for District No. 2.

March 15, 1897

The executive Committee appointed Perry Swan as clerk of District No. 1 but he declined so William Braun was appointed. March 29, 1987

The Town School Committee agreed between Joint Sub. District No. 2 Town of Frankfort and Hull to hire Ella Brotherton as a qualified teacher for \$26.00 per month.

According to the Town of Wien records before Frankfort was an organized Township, a log school house was built on the NW,NW corner in Section 26; land now owned by Roger Bohman. There was no record of when it was built, probably before the year of 1880, and it was designated as school District No. 3.

The first annual school meeting was held on June 5, 1882. Elected for Director was John Siemeson for 3 years, and Wilhelm Ohse for Treasurer for 2 years. Resolved to hire a male teacher for 5 months at a salary of \$35.00, also resolved to raise \$300.00 in taxes, \$200.00 toward teacher's salary and \$100.00 to repair the school house, furnishing the wood and the books for the teacher.

On November 1882, the Superintendent, Thomas Goune sent a Mr. Moritz Johow out to teach the children. The board hired him at \$35.00 per month. On December 6, a letter was received from the County Superintendent to stop Moritz Johow from teaching. On January 1, 1883, the board hired Cecelia Barny to teach the youngsters. The number of children attending school that year over the age of 4 and under the age of 20 were 12 males and 23 females.

1895 must have been the last year this school was in operation since the next entry following the 1895 annual School board meeting was the sale of the school in District No. 3.

A legal school meeting held on April 13, 1896, authorized the school board now composed of Henry Severin as Director, John Lallanthin, Clerk and Ed Protze as Treasurer to designate a site for a new school. The board purchased one acre of land from John Week on the SWSW corner in Section 25. The bid to build a new school, size 22 by 32 for \$400.00 was given to John Hughes. The new district now known as District 5 included Sections 25-26-27-34-35-36 and part of section 33.

School District 5

There are no record of the original District No. 3 and the new District No. 5. The last minutes were of the annual meeting on July 6, 1896. Some time after the year of 1896 or later, part of the Town of Eau Pleine must have voted to join school district No. 5 in the Town of Frankfort.

A special Joint meeting between Town of Frankfort and Town of Eau Pleine was called on October 18, 1917. At this meeting it was voted that the Joint School District No. 5 of the Town of Frankfort be detached from District No. 5. Town of Eau Pleine and District No. 5 of Town of Frankfort be attached to district No. 4. There was no record found as to whether this ever took place. On November 19, 1917 a hearing was held at the town hall to form a new school District to be known as District No. 6. This was about the time a new school was built on the SESE corner in Section 25.

The School was built about 1917 and was called the Upham School. It was named after a prominent family of Marshfield.



Circa1899: School District No. 2

This school was built in 1885. The building was destroyed by fire a few years later

 August Gartman, 2. Tony Schmirler, 3. Elsie Zenk, 4. Freddie Rich, 5. Hattie Rich, 6. Minnie Giese, 7. Frank Bobert, 8. Willie Gartman, 9. Annie Zenk, 10. Sebastian Martyn, 11. Henry Giese, 12. Hugo Bobert, 13. Willie Milchert, 14. Ewald Bobert, 15. Clara Schmirler, 16. Annie Mohr, 17. Susie Schmirler, 18. Martha Giese, 19. Peter Martyn, 20. Rudolph Mohr, 21. Clara Bobert 22. Emma Mohr The teacher on the right was Annie Larson, of Wausau. Mrs. Martyn Sr., can be seen looking through the window.

FRANKLIN SCHOOL

One of the early schools built in the late 1890's in the Town of Frankfort was in District 2, Section 9, on the SESE corner of land owned by Wisconsin Valley Land Company at that time and now owned by Edward Mielke.

On March 1, 1907 the school burned down and for the balance of the year school was held in a temporary building. That same year a new school was built one mile north on the SWSW corner in Section 3 on land then owned by Otto Mesalk and now owned by Caroline Halverson and Mrs. Art Giese. It opened in the fall of 1908 and was named the "Franklin School" after the Statesman, Ben Franklin, by Anton Schmirler who was then clerk on the school board.

Wisconsin Statutes required that all one room schools be consolidated with some high school by July 1, 1962. A school consolidating committee was appointed in each county to supervise and conduct hearings to accomplish this. The Franklin School District had petitioned the Committee to join the Hillcrest School, but was denied. A meeting was held at the Franklin School with the School Committee of Clark and Marathon Counties to divide the school district and attach same to some high school. The meeting was held on a stormy evening in March with poor roads and the Committee had to be hauled to the school from HIghway 29 by wagon and tractor by William Olson. A total of 17 electors were present and it was voted to dissolve the School District temporarily to Hoard, Smith and Hillcrest Schools and later to the high school districts of Abbotsford, Athens, Colby and Edgar. Some of the early teachers who taught at this school before 1907 were: A.J. Cherney, Jennie Delanney, and Emma Zepp. The teacher in 1907 was Anna Larson, The students attending in 1906-1907 school year were: August Gartman, Tony Schmirler, Elsie Zenk, Freddie Rich, Hattie Rich, Minnie Giese, Frank Bobert, William Gartman, Annie Zenk, Sebastian Martyn, Henry Giese, Hugo Bobert, Willie Melchart, Ewald Bobert, Claire Schmirler, Anne Mohr, Susie Schmirler, Martha Giese, Peter Martyn, Rudolph Mohr, Clara Bobert, Emma Mohr, Alvin Mesalk.

The new school opened on September 7, 1908 with Florence A. Grade as teacher. Teacher's salary was \$39.00 per month and average pupil tuition was \$1.00 per month.

The following is a list of teachers who taught at the Franklin School during the 52 years it was in existance:

1908-10	Florence Grade
1910-11	Laura Hobart
1912-14	Anna D. Petri
1914-15	Magdalena W. Schmalz
1915-16	Cora Schneider
1916-17	Anna A. Wirkus
1917-18	Daniel J. Wirkus
1918-19	Elsie Ziebell Thiel

Teacher made note: "School closed for 29 days due to Spanish Influenza Epidemic." She also noted: "Beginners can understand quite a bit of the English language but it is hard for them to talk. These pupils are mere infants and I handled them as "Kindergartners".

Mames of Pupils

Anna Mohr Emma Mohr Rudolph Mohr August Gartmann Willie Gartmann Peter Martyn Bastian Martyn Elsie Zenk Annie Zenk Martha Giese Willie Giese Minnie Giese Henry Giese Joe Ehrhart Susie Schmirler Anton Schmirler Clara Schmirler Walter Schmirler Charlie Zenk Clara Bobert Frank Bobert Evald Bobert Hugo Bobert **Richard Remus** Walter Remus Sam Remus Willie Melehart Joe Roboisky . Mamie Vanderhyden

School Dist. 110. 2, Frankfort, Township, Marathon County, Mis.

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County Supt.

PRESENTED BY

ANNA LARSON, Teacher

John F. Lamont,

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1919-20	Edna Opgenorth
1920-22	Sylvia Brehm
1922-24	Mary Sazama

Teacher made note: "School Board decided to close school for 10-days because of Scarlet Fever and to fumigate school house and clean with disinfectants." She also noted: "William Schillinger died after attending a total of 104 days."

1924-25	Alice Lehman
1925-26	Edna Windhorn
1926-27	Cecelia Bendel
1927-28	Mary Sazama
1928-30	Mary Berg
1930-36	William Lueschow
1936-37	Alice Schafer
1937-38	Alice Schafer Greenberg
1938-40	Marie Peterson
1940-41	Adeline Lueck
1941-42	Arthur Hanson
1942-44	Violet Wilson
1944-45	Adeline Hager
1945-47	Harriet Wanke
1947-48	Marcella Meier
1948-50	Dorothy Loskot
1950-52	Janiece Calvin
1952-55	Alice Anderson
1955-61	Theresa Grewe

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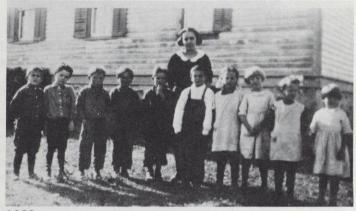
PUBLIC SCHOOL District No. 2 Frankfort Township, Marathon County, Wisconsin

1917 - 1918

DANIEL J. WIRKUS, Teacher

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	PUPILS	
	PRIMARY GRADE	
Clarence Mueller Eddie Hrobsky Leona Brunner	Mary Hrobsky Rose Schultz August Gribowski FIRST GRADE	Agnes Hrobsky Hilda Zenk Laverna Traeder
George Hrobsky Gertrude Gribowski	Bernard Armitage	Mary Hon Fred Nienow
	SECOND GRADE	
Lillian Hrobsky Helmuth Mesalk	Gladys Wenzel William Schillinger	Francis Schmirler Harrold Traeder
	THIRD GRADE	
Helen Bandow Ruby Armitage Harry Kyle	Mildred Schneider Helen Mesalk M John Hrobsky Henry Zenk	Viola Schillinger largaret Gribowski Joseph Schmirler
FOU	RTH & FIFTH GRA	DE
Alice Dvorak Fanny Schillinger Arnold Hoppe Eleanor Gribowski	Josephine Hrobsky Leona Schultz Elmer Mesalk	Bessie Hrobsky Alvin Mueller Arnold Bobert Evelyn Preston
	SEVENTH GRADE	
Frieda Giese Emma Hrobsky Hilda Mueller	Ervin Schneider Hattie Gribowski Hilbert Schmirler EIGHTH GRADE	Rose Hrobsky Oscar Mueller Robert Zenk
Ambrose Bandow	William Dvorak	Adena Bandow
J. E. Gie	rman Bielke, Treasure essel, County Superinte	
R. C. Munkwitz	Supervising Teachers,	Mabel P. Cook

Circa 1913: 1. Elmer Mesalk, 2. Helmuth Mesalk, 3. Joe Schmirler, 4. ____Schultz, 5. ____Dvorak, 6. Bess Hrobsky, 7. Willie Schillinger, 8. Frances Schillinger, 9. Viola Schillinger, 10. Josephine Hrobsky, 11. Rosie Hrobsky, 12. Arnold Bobert, 13. Ella Gribowski, 14. Gertrude Gribowski, 15. Art Giese, 16. Art Bobert, 17. Unknown, 18. Albert Zink, 19 Paul Schmirler, 20. Oscar Mueller, 21. Unknown, 22. Frieda Giese, 23. Emma Hrobsky, 24. Alvin Mueller, 25. Frank Hrobsky, 26. Henry Zink, 27. Unknown, 28. Hattie Gribowski, 29. Ernest Zink, 30. Magdalene Zink, 31. Bill Hrobsky, 32. Annie Hrobsky, 33. Elsie Bielke, 34. Rose Hoppy, 35. George Hoppy, 36. Eddie Schmirler, 37. Olga Bobert, 38. Irene Giese, 39. Alvina Gartman, 40. Sophia Hrobsky. Annie Petri, Teacher



1923 First & Second Graders Miss Mary Sazama-Teacher



Photo (No year)

Top Row: Wilma Remus, Teacher - Dorothy Loskot, Edward Martyn

Row 2: Elmer Wolff, Arlene Bobert, Merlin Kilty, Elmer Schemenauer, Allen Strebe, Albert Wolff, Gary Nienow Row 3: Evelyn Martyn, Donna Loskot, Betty Christiansen, Peter Schemenauer, Meldon Giese

Row 4: Darlene Christiansen, Sandy Giese, Etola Giese, Norma Christiansen, Miriam Kilty, Kay Nienow

List of students 1941-1945 Bobert: Arlene Christiansen: Bernadine, Marlyn, Rueben, Betty Dixon: Billy Ellenbecker: Celine, Denis, Adele, Orlando Giese: Frieda, LaVerna, Lorinda, Ethel, Noreen, Ruth Goelden: Elvira, Harold Hrobsky: Douglas Kautman: Alice, Edith Kilty: Merlin Loskot: Harold, Donna Martyn: Isaac, William, Emma, Edward Mauritz: John, Frank Mohr: Marie, Marcella, Leonard Neitzel: Lois, Betty Remus: Arthur, Alice, WIlma, Wilbert, Arletta Schemenauer: JoAnn, Raymond, Elmer Schillinger: Marvin Solchenberger: Lester Udenberg: Raymond, Robert Wolff: Elmer Wussow: Betty, Bruce

SMITH SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

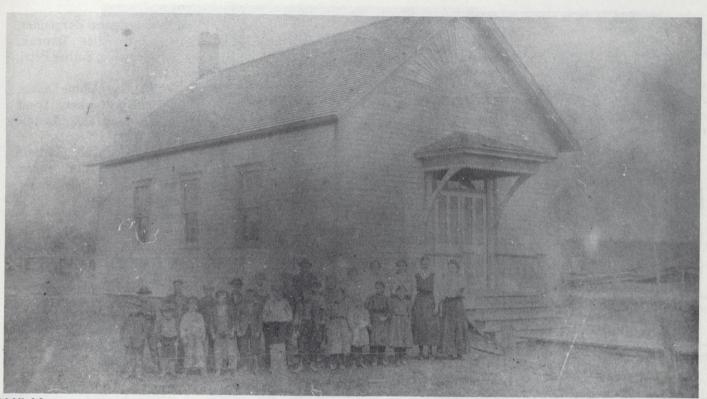
School District No. I was built about 1897 shortly after the adoption of Township School government. It was built on the SESE corner in Section 11 on land owned by Arthur Neitzel, now owned by the Totzke Brothers. No records have been found as to the building or how long it was in operation at this location. A new school building was built on the SESE corner in Section 2, on land owned by Carl Schneider, now owned by James Myszka. It was built about 1901. The first records of enrollment taken from a brochure in 1906 were:

Teacher: Julia Andrew

Pupils: Loddie Dvorak, Rosy Knaak, John Haas, Maggie Burger, Frona Hilger, Frank Knaak, Robert Nehring, Bernard Nehring, Walter Brown, Joseph Loskot, Herbert Brown, Theresa Hilger, Enna Wentland, Willie Haas, Richard Dorfschmidt, Thelma Chapman, Frances Knaak, Anna Hilger, George Burger, Leon Chapman, Charlie Dvorak, Ludmilla Loskot, Albert Dorfschmidt, Frank Loskot and Joseph Haas.

Teacher 1897 A.J. Cerney 1898 Aura Greenwood Cecelia Grahm 1899 1900 Lucille Gartman 1900-12 Schooley Augusta Zepp Bertha Zepp Julia Andrew Ella Taege Francis McMonagle (Some are missing) 1913-16 Margaret Bier Ida Stirck 1916 Elsie Nest 1917 1918 Flora Greve 1919-20 Genevie Stewart 1921 Leanora Laabs Evelyn Durand 1922 Ruth Buck 1923-25 **Edith Shimp** 1926 1927 Edna Schmidt Evelyn Callahan 1928 1929-30 Wilbert Hargraves 1931-32 Illa Weber Madgaline Malueg 1933 1934-36 Marilyn Viegut 1937-41 Margaret Copeland 1942 Laura Hartl 1943-44 Mary Weber Zdenka Beran 1945-47 Doris Habeck 1948 Vivian Kramer 1949-50 Jovce Umnus 1951-52 1953-56 **Beatrice Strunk** Dorothy Loskot 1957-61

In 1961 the Smith School joined the Edgar School District.



1905-06

Front Row (l-r): Frank Loskot Jr., Joe Haas, Robert Nehring, Bernard Nehring, George Burger, Walter Brown, Leland Kotte, Ludmila Loskot, Thelma Chapman, Frances Knaak, Theresa Hilger

Back Row: John Hass, Leon Chapman, Charlie Dvorak, Frank Knaak, Herb Brown, Loddie Dvorak, Joe Loskot, Wm. Haas, Frona Hilger, Unknown, Fanny Chapman, Mary Loskot, Rose Knaak Julia Andrew (teacher from Edgar).



PUBLIC SCHOOL

District No. 1

Frankfort, Marathon Co., Wisconsin

JULIA ANDREW, Teacher

Pupils

	-
Loddie Dvorak	Leon Chapman
Joseph Loskot	Maggie Burger
Anna Hilger	Emma Wendtland
Rosy Knaak	Charlie Dvorak
Herbert Brown	Frona Hilger
Geoge Burger	Willie Haas
John Haas	Ludmila Loskot
Theresa Hilger	Frank Knaak
Richard 1	Dorfschmidt
Albert D	orfschmidt
Robert Nehring	Bernard Nehring
Thelma Chapman	Frances Knaak
	Joseph Haas
Walter	Brown
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School Board

Carl Bielke, Director John ,Dahlke, Clerk Julius Hanneman, Treasurer



PUBLIC SCHOOL

MARGARET BIER, Teacher

SCHOOL BOARD

 Thelma Chapman Lewis Chapman
 Floyd Chapman Lewis Chapman

 Ludmik Loskot
 Adolph Loskot

 Babara Ellenbecker
 John Ellenbecker

 Bevolyn Ellenbecker
 Heiny Ellenbecker

 Bernard Nehring Robert Nehring
 Oscar Nehring Dacar Nehring

 Joe Haas
 Robert Haas

 Rose Bargender
 Mary Bargender

 Margaret Symolike
 Mary Symoliks

 Frank Loskot
 Loddie Loskot

 Arthur Seeger
 William Dvorak

 Albert Dorfschmidt
 Albert Dorfschmidt



Class of 1914:

1914-1915:

Front Row (l-r): Agnes Bargender, Mary Bargender, Alice Dvorak, Unknown, Rose Smolke, Esther Petri, Mary Smolke

Row 2: _____Nehring, Albina Loskot, _____, Henry Ellenbecker, Louis Chapman, Robert Haas, Loddie Loskot, _____

Row 3: Adolph Loskot, Barbara Ellenbecker, Marie Ellenbecker, Margaret Smolke, Evelyn Ellenbecker, William Dvorak Row 4: Frank Loskot, _____,

Margaret Bier - Teacher, Joe Haas, _____, Floyd Chapman

Row 1 (l-r): Rita Hass, Genevieve

Row 2: Evelyn Krueger, Rose Smolke, Esther Petri, Alice Dvorak, Edith

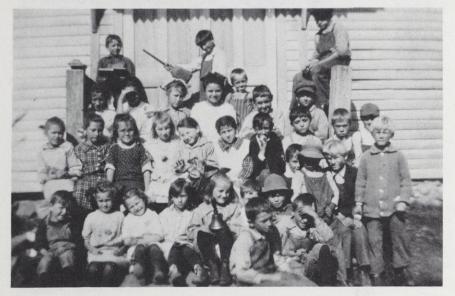
Row 3: Mary Smolke, Mary Ellenbecker, Margaret Smolke, Albina

Hass, Evelyn Ellenbecker

Jahnke, Mary Bargender

Loskot, Agnes Bargender





Class of 1916 (Not in order of photo) Robert Haas, Barbara Ellenbecker, Rose Smolke, Albina Loskot, Adolph Loskot, Evelyn Krueger, Agnes Bargender, Margaret Smolke, Esther Dahlke, Alice Dvorak, Henry Ellenbecker, Ervin Seeger, Rita Haas, Genevieve Haas, Edith Jahnke, Mary Bargender.



Circa 1922

Lawrence Smolke, Alvin Smolke, Camil Loskot, Carl Bielke, Maggie Ellenbecker, Roslin Ellenbecker, Vern Nipko, Edith Jahnke, Angela Dvorak, Florence Hartig, Agnes Bargender, Raymond Dvorak, Edwin Hartig, Joe Berger, Mary Hahn



Class of 1942 Teacher Laura Hartl Back Row: _____Gumz, Bernadene Bargander, Richard Fliehs, ____ Seeger Row 2: ____ Garbarski, ____, ____ Garbarski, ____, Theo. Poplowski Front Row: Mildred Wentland, ____ Ehmke, ____, James Lueschow, ____



Teacher, Mrs. Beatrice Strunk Left Row: Carol Hamann, Dorothy Garbarski, Mary Ann Garbarski, Norbert Lake Center Row: Wilmer Beilke, Donald Remus, Eugene Lake, Dale Smolke, Leander Lake, Elaine Remus Right Row: Miriam Brown, Kenneth Hamann, Nancy Garbarski, Geraldine Beilke, Geraldine Garbarski, Edward Mielke, Jr.



Class of 1958

Front Row: Glen Lake, Roy Smolke, Beverly Smolke, Edward Mielke Jr., Charlene Lake, Delores Mielke Row 2: Geraldine Garbarski, Elaine Remus, Geraldine Beilke, Dorothy Loskot-teacher, Kenneth Hamann, Dale Smolke, Leander Lake



Class of 1960 Front Row: Jeanette Remus, Terry Mech, Dawn Landwehr, Darlene Lake Middle Row: Glen Lake, Delores Mielke, Roy Smolke Back Row: Dorothy Loskot - Teacher, Beverly Smolke, Charlene Lake, Edward Mielke

FAIRCHILD SCHOOL



Started in 1896 with Charles Collier the first teacher

	Adelia Hamann
	Arlene Bass
	Miss Schoeneman
1933-1934	Leta Baxter
1937-39	Viola Remus
1940-41	Arlene Splitt
1942	Eunice Potts
1943	Bernice Graveen
1944	Eunice Potts
1944 - Joine	d Stratford School District

List of students with their ages. This is thought to be the first school class: Emma Dathe 12, Sophia Hoernke 9, Fred Hoernke 6, Bertha Hoernke 11, Emma Hoernke 9, Hula Hoernke 7, Lizzie Stendel 10, John Stendel 9, Willie Grau 7, Wanda Grau 6, Minnie Grau 3, Arnie Protze 11, Gustave Protze 10, Oswald Protze 5, Willie Engel 13, Pearl Engel 10, Annie Osten 11, Pete Osten 8, John Osten 7, Lawrence Eggebrecht 8, Sam Eggebrecht 6, Willie Eggebrecht 10, Frank Wucherpfennig 10, Albert Wucherpfenning 6, Amelia Wucherpfennig 11, Merl Carpenter 8, Minnie Hohndorf 12, Willie Hoernke 3, Lily Engel 8, Joe Carpenter 10, Martha Stendel 15, Henry Osten 5, and Willie Petrick 11.



"The Wedding"

Preacher - Arnold Bornowski, Bride - Alice Bohman, Groom - Eugene Gilles, Flower Girl - Lorraine Passehl, Maid of Honor - Bernice Custer, Best Man - Leopold Hartl, Guests - Frances Adams and Eugene Adams.



Fairchild School

Row 1: Eugene Gilles, Leo Hartl, Eugene Adams, Beatrice Gilles, Bernice Custer, Francis Adams, Lorraine Passehl, Alice Bohman.

Row 2: Irene Syring, Laura Hartl, Tillie Stendel, Anna Hartl, Harold Custer, Arnold Bornowski, Violet Bornowski, Rueben Syring, Clarence Syring, Clarence Adams.

Row 3: Rupert Gilles, Robert Adams, Geneva Dallman, Margaret Adams, Gladys Dallman, William Stendel, Raymond Bandle

Row 4: Herbert Passehl, Agnes Hartl, Ramona Fandre, Leonard Bornowski, Teacher Leta Baxter, Marie Hartl, Milda Syring, Reinhold Dallman



Row 1: Arnold Adams, Richard Aldrich, Bernard Adams, Alice Bohman, Doris Randt, Bernice Custer, Eugene Adams Row 2: Leopold Hartl, Gordon Randt, Clarence Adams, Rueben Syring, Frances Adams, Loraine Aldrich, Violet Bornowski, Ray Randt Row 3: Arnold Bornowski, Harold Custer, Clarence Syring, Marion Aldrich, Gladys Dallman

Row 4: Leonard Bornowski, Tillie Stendle, Ray Bandle, Geneva Dallman, Irene Syring, Laura Hartl



Fairchild School Teacher: Mrs. Bielke Row 1: Larry Syring, Danny Busche, Delmar Leffel Jr., Arvin Gumz Row 2: Floyd Hartl, Bonnie Hartl, Marjorie Syring, Cindy Behringer, Sharon Gumz, Dennis Leffel Row 3: Sandy Behringer, Jane Bohman, Cheryl Bornowski, Kay Custer, Sharon Syring Row 4: Joan Bornowski, Susan Totzke, Duane Busche, LeRoy Syring, Dan Bohman.

HILLCREST SCHOOL

Hillcrest Teachers		
1905-06	Katherine Pradt \$30.00 for 7 mos.	
1907	Bertha Koening	
1907	Emma Kuehling	
1908	Anna McMonagle	
1909	Caryl Hirach	
1910-11	Ethel Kurtz	
1912-13	Esther Rosin \$30.00 for 8 mos.	
1914	Myrtle Parkhill	
No information until-		
1920	Rita Laurie	
1925-26	Grace Harter	
1927-28	Ruth Lowe	
1929	Maybelle Dorsntreich	
1930	Myrtle Chiber	
1931-32	Vera Nickel	
1933-34	S.J. Paconrek	
1935	Madelyn Witte	
1936-39	Mrs. Geo Gesicki	
1940-41	Raymond Lepak	
1942-43	Myrtle Dahlke	
1944	Myrtle Pflanzer	
1944	Ruth Poeske	
1945	Anna Schraufnagel	
1945=46	Rose Dallman	
1947-48	Hilda Krunt	
1949	Vera Mabbot	
1949	Helen Redlin	
1949-50	Florence Bradley	
1951	Helen Nowack	
1952-54	Helen Meyer	

Alice Anderson
Gertrude Dahlke
Gertrude Karlen

Town of Frankfort bought the Hillcrest School on October 2, 1962 for a new town hall.

The first school bus to come to the Town of Frankfort was from Colby in 1938.



Hillcrest School Early 20's Children in photo are not listed in proper order. Tom Schilling, Elmer Mienke, Helen Van Dreel, Loretta Van Dreel, Laurence Van Dreel, Jerome Van Dreel, Helen Burrow, Henry Leffel, Bernetta Leffel, Ernest Marti, Ida Marti, Clarence Marti, Anna Marti, Irene Schuh & Ralph Rich. Teacher was Mrs. Harry Harder. She was there 5 years followed by Ruth Lowe.



Left Row: Kenneth Friday, Everett Wenzel, Rodney Friday, Geraldine Friday Center Row: Maxine Zurow, Diane Wehrman, Irene Leffel, Mary Ann Zettler, Sharon Wenzel Right Row: Leon Sazama, Shirley Schmelzer, Marcella Leffel



Last Class at Hillcrest School 1961

Back Row: Francis Mueller, Linda Van Dreel, Judy Voigt, Gloria Wenzel, Diane Bender, Duane Bender, Teacher: Mis Gertrude Dahlke

Row 2: Loren Wenzel, Linda Asplund, Dennis Grammar, Debbie Waniger, Susan Weiland, Danny Bender Row 3: Karen Boucher, _____ Mueller, Debra Kilty, _____ Mueller, Diana Van Dreel, Ellen Giese Row 4:(seated) Richard Weiland, Darnell Wenzel, Edwin Weiland, Kenneth Boucher, Russell Giese

Teachers

HOARD SCHOOL

	nome senece		
	In 1895 Fairchild and Hoard Schools were separated.	1900 - 01 1902	Winifred Darus Bertha Pfeffer
		1903	Mary Eder
	Teacher: Carrie Collier	1904	Julia Larson
	Pupils: Charley Simsen, Herman Severin, Carrie Carpen-	1904	Anton Umhofer for 2-3 years
	ter, Mary Pheffer, Maggie Hughes, Cora Engel, Ernest Severin,	1905	Walter Bradfish
	Rosa Pheffer, Katie Hughes, Eddie Hughes, John Severin,		Edna Becker
	Albert Hoernke, Mike Pheffer, Johnie Hughes, Lawrence Hughes	1010	Anna Petri
		1916	Anna Wirkus
	1896 Teacher Carrie Collier		
	Pupils: Walter Petrick, Bertha Brown, Dora Lueschow		Edna Blank Lucille Neuman
	Tupils. Walter Teurien, Berund Brown, Bord Leconor	1007.00	
	1897 Teacher Emma Kiehl	1927-29	Virginia Kappel
			Verna Hahn
	Pupil: Walter Petri		Genievie Stewart
	Acces The Latter March	1930-31	Alice Wibben
	1898 Teacher Florence Marsh	1932-33	Marvin Ringle
	Pupils: Mamie Lallathin, Elder Hughes, Freda Severin,	1934-36	Ruth Kummerow
	Jerry Hughes, Ammer Protze	1937-38	Fred Werner
		1939-40	Doris Krueger
	1899 Teacher Nettie Clark	1941	Donna Bartz
	Pupils: Mamie Lallathin, Cora Shoneman, Louis Stark,		Mrs. Emmett Colvin
	Eddie Protze, Bert Ingersoll, Alma Severin, John Stark, Joe		Norma Dix
	Stark, Ludwig Stark, Frank Riet, Olga Shoneman, George Stark, Laura Severin, Lloyd Pheffer		Pauline Kornack



Hoard School Pupils

1916 Teacher Anna Petri (Names not in photo order)

Carl Eggebrecht, Elmer Hoffman, Bernard Rahn, William Borchardt, Dorothy Deering, Erna Wussow, Emma Hoernke, Carl Totzke, Ruth Hoffman, Ella Totzke, Albert Hohndorf, Ida Eggebrecht, Emma Dallman, Arnold Hamann, Eric Borchardt, Steve Bargender, Fred Totzke, Herman Totzke, Frieda Hohndorf, Ervin Syring, Emma Totzke, Leonard Hamann, Goldie Wussow, Ida Bornowski, Bernard Punke, William Punke, Henry Eggebrecht, Alma Bornowski, Linda Hohndorf, Irene Hoffman, Esther Syring, Alvin Dallman, Marie Punke, Frieda Eggebrecht, Emma Hohndorf, Rose Bargender, Otto Hoernke, Walter Borchardt, Hilda Wussow, Ervin Eggebrecht, Alvin Hoernke, Frieda Rahn, Anthony Hoffman, Elsie Punke, Clarence Hoffman, Fred Eggebrecht, Marie Seeger, Johanna Bargender, Delma Rahn, Elsie Dallman, Anna Hohndorf, Anna Hoffman, Mathilda Totzke, Louis Passehl, Carl Punke, Floyd Wussow, Gilbert Wussow, Ella Petri

1934 Pupils

Myrtle Ballerstein, Ida Syring, Bertha Hohndorf, Carl Hoernke, Marie Borchardt, Marcia Winistorfer, LaVerne Hoernke, Alice Schneider, Doris Johnson, Hilda Bluhm, Marion Bornowski, Harold Hoernke, Aurella Totzke, Ruth Dallman, Ella Hoernke, Harry Syring, Imogene Winistorfer, Alex Dahlke, Aurella Hoernke, Irma Hoernke, Fred Bornowski, Herbert Syring, Alma Hoernke, Lawrence Hoernke, Margaret Seeger, Robert Ballerstein, Laura Hoernke, Frank Borchardt, Eileen Winistorfer, Delbert Ballerstein, Dorothy Bornowski, William Borchardt, Arthur Amelung, George Hoernke, Beatrice Dahlke, Evelyn Syring, Betty Syring, Roy Dallman, Marie Dahlke, Edward Bluhm, Marie Bornowski

1935-36-37-38

Arlene Syring, Crystal Syring, Lawrence Bluhm, Bonnie Tucker, Gloria Pokollas, Virginia Eggebrecht, Herb Hoernke, Ralph Dahlke, Raymond Dahlke, LaVerne Syring, Viola Bluhm, Jacqueline Viegut, Donna Mae Viegut, Florence Lubsdorf, Kenneth Weideman, Elaine Dahlke, Audrey Ballerstein, Virjean Viegut, Bernice Syring

1939-40-41

Clement Dahlke, Robin Fink, Lenora Wucherpfennig, Lois Neitzel, Gerald Borchardt, Gertrude Dahlke, Herbert Bluhm, Betty Neitzel, Betty Wussow, Kenneth Dahlke, Jean Syring, Rosalie Fink, Rubert Hoernke, Bruce Wussow, Carol Wucherpfennig, Edna Fink, Lucitte Hoernke, John Schultz, Theresa Stencil



Hoard School

UPHAM SCHOOL

Upham School was built about 1917 Teachers Amy Cutts Martha Gaasch Marian Wicker **Ruth Dorleuis** Genevieve Pinkert Wilma Lenz Neola Nickels Margaret Jost Madeline Witte Ione Witte Mildred Robertson Mildred Richard Marlea Tahayer Lorraine Bauman Lyla Rarrey Marcia Guenther Mrs. Donald Frankowiak Mrs. Sersch Mrs. Kohel

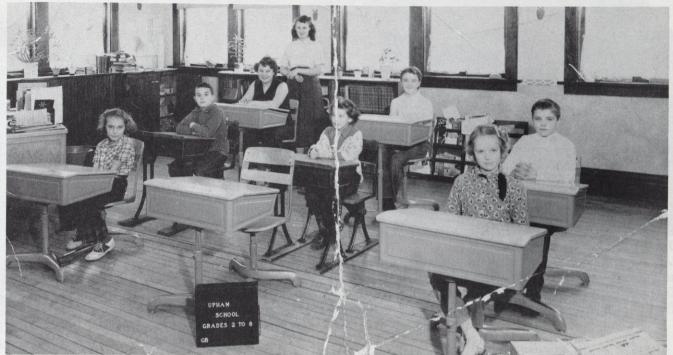
Families attending Upham School William Leffel Albert Syring Ferdinand Schillinger Herman Totzke Milton Greiser Elmer Belanger H. Busche George Johnson Schaffers Henry Blum Fred Klumb George Huggins Paul Syring Wucherpfennings



Circa 1920 Teacher Miss Amy Cutts Row 1: Otto Bloom, Albert Syring Row 2: ____ Heiser, Henry Farning, Bernard Leffel, Frank Syring, ____ Row 3: Arthur Bloom, Henry Bloom Row 4: Ida Bilgrun, Lucille Leffel, Bernice Leffel Row 5: Elizabeth Syring, ____, Viola Leffel, Lucille Heiser, Ida Syring, Amy Syring



Circa 1933 Teacher: Madeline Witte Mary Fitzel, Leo Forest, Edna Syring, Delmar Leffel, Rosie Wucherpfennig, Donald Forest, Elmer Syring, Dorothy Klumb, Robert Robertson, Laurene Passehl, Stella Syring, Melvin Forest, Virginia Robertson, Helen Syring, Elmer Greiser



Circa 1958

Cheryl Leffel, Diane Busche, Janet Syring, Teacher - Jerry Bloczynski, Sandy Behringer, Nancy Syring, Mary Jane Fitzel, Eugene Syring, (absent Leroy Syring)



Upham School Teacher - Neola Nickels

RUSK SCHOOL

TEACHERS WHO TAUGHT AT RUSK SCHOOL

1885	Nelly Slowey
1886	Carrie Fennant
1886	Lula Latham
1887	Carrie Fennant
	Lucy Lee
1887	Ernest Wicker
1888	Joseph Sims
1888	Anna Wheeler
1889	Eva Bark
1889	Franky Cole
1890	Minnie Sims
1891	Lula Mecida

1892 Miss Levira Young 1893 Jennie Eastman 1893 Maggie McCarthy 1894 Free Jarvis 1895 Ray Prosser 1896 Ella Brotherton 1901 Rena Young 1902 Pearl Hainblin 1905 Launra Philippi 1908 Martha Schroeder 1908 Olga Bhend 1910 Myrtle Parhill 1911 L. Philippi 1912 Ethel Kurtz 1913 Ethel Kurtz 1914 Edith Smart 1915 Edith Smart 1916 Edith Smart 1917 Erma Pretrick 1918 Erma Pretrick 1919 Viola Fricke 1920 Lydia Lenhard 1921 Hattie Rachow 1922 Marie Swallow 1923 Elizabeth Weix 1924 Angie Bucholtz 1925 Grace Anderson 1926 Ruth Lowe 1927 Ruth Lowe 1928 Lorna Mabbott 1929 Neola Nickel 1930 Neola Nickel 1931 Lorna Mabbott 1932 Lorna Mabbott 1933 Lorna Mabbott 1934 Larry Kline 1935 Helen Sample 1936 Amalia Calmes 1937 Ellen Krueger 1938 Esther Gauerke 1939 Esther Gauerke 1940 Esther Gauerke 1941 Laura Hartl 1942 Marcella Luedtke 1943 Laura Hartl 1944 Laura Hartl 1945 Laura Hartl 1946 Madelyn DuVall

1947 Leonard Mielke 1948 Leonard Mielke 1949 Leonard Mielke 1950 Leonard Mielke 1951 Leonard Mielke 1952 Verona Fritche 1953 Verona Fritche 1955 Rose Drinke 1955 Rose Greiner 1956 Rose Greiner 1957 Dorothy Loskot 1958 Doris Habeck 1960 Doris Habeck



Old Rusk School being moved L-R Joe Sazama, Jr., Anthony Sazama, unknown, unknown, Fred Olsen, Henry Sommer Tractor - Avery, owned by Fred Olsen of Cherokee. Rumley Tractor owned by Sazama's



Rusk School Jt. Dist. No. 2 Approximately 1943 Teacher Laura Hartl Front row: Leroy Reihle, Billy Sazama, Patsy Brehm, Leo Apfelbeck Row 2: Unknown, Shirley Thiel, Margaret Sazama, Marjorie Podevels, Dorothy Sazama, Monica Apfelbeck Row 3 Marie Podevels, Mary Jane Reihle, Betty Reihle, Don Reihle, James Apfelbeck, Joe Sazama, Clement Apfelbeck Two boys to right LaVern Podevels, Junior Podevels



Rusk School 1952 Teacher Miss Verona Fritsche Row 1: David Ruppert, Richard Goldschmidt, Phylis Ruppert, Ed Ruppert, Pearl Apfelbeck Row 2: LeRoy Reihle, Clement Reihle, Gerald Brehm, Donald Pietrowski, Ilene Brehm, Virginia Apfelbeck

Standing: Carol Ruppert, Jr. Reihle, David Bates, Stanley Brehm, Susan Mantor, Maryann Thiel, Terry Mantor, Berdine Reel, Donald Bates, Linda Brehm, James Brehm, Nancy Reel and Ralph Jordon (sitting in rear)



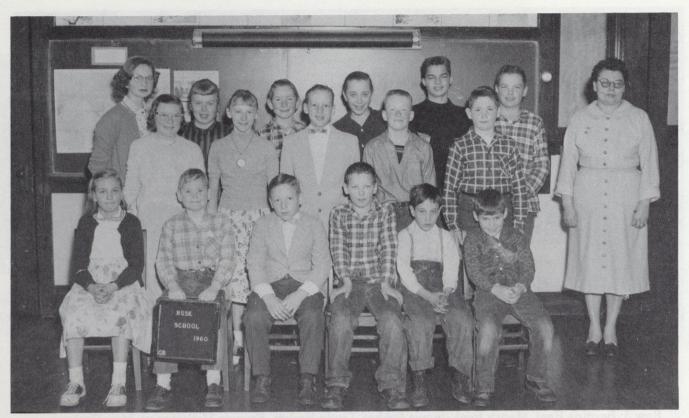
Rusk School 1953-54 Rose Greiner Teacher

Row 1: David Brehm, Elizabeth Brehm, James Reel, Linda Schroeder, Daniel Brehm, Lenard Riehle Row 2: Robert Schroeder, Ronald Reel, Donald Reel, Edith Mierkey, Stanley Brehm, Carol Ruppert, James McSweeny, Susan Mantor, Michael McSweeney

Row 3: Berdine Reel, Mancy Reel, James Brehm, Linda Brehm, Francis McSweeney, Mrs. Greiner Row 4: Mardella Mierkey, Terry Mantor, Monfred Stephen, Gunter Stephen, David Ruppert



Rusk School 1957-1958 Doris Habeck Teacher FrontRow I: James Mantor, James Reel, Richard Schroeder, Dixie Buddinger, Elaine Schroeder, Marion Potts Row 2: David Brehm, Daniel Brehm, Evan Mierkey, Donald Reel, Ronald Reel, Elizabeth Brehm Row 3: Carol Ruppert, Darlene Potts, Susan Mantor, Edith Mierkey, Mrs. Doris Habeck, Berdine Reel, Stanley Brehm, James McSweeney, Lenard Reihle



Rusk School 1959-1960 Last year Rusk School held classes Teacher Mrs. Doris Habeck Back Row L.R. Edith Mierkey, Liz Brehm, Billy Mierkey, David Brehm, Dan Brehm, Donald Reel, Mrs. Habeck

Middle Row Darlene Potts, Marion Potts, Roland Potts, Jr., James Mantor, Bob Schroeder Front Row Elaine Schroeder, ?, Danny Potts, James Reel, Delmar Schroeder, ?

Frankfort Folks

Histories and Stories

of

Frankfort Residents

Past & Present

This collection is, by no means, complete. The Centennial Committee wishes more time had been available so they could have personally contacted everyone in the Township to get their family history. Unfortunately this was not possible.

We are grateful to those who sent stories and photographs for this section of our Centennial Book. After all, it is the people who make the Township.

Pioneer Memories

Henry C. Eggebrecht

Henry C. Eggebrecht came to this area in 1877, at the age of 13, with his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Fred Eggebrecht. They arrived in Wausau May 11, 1877. After a two-day stop over at the county seat, they were taken to their new home in that portion of the town of Wien which is now Frankfort. The drivers on the trip were August and Fred Kickbusch. The journey was made in one day. They stopped overnight at the Carl Marquardt home and became acquainted with their first neighbors, who had settled here ten years earlier. The next day they walked to the location of their new home.

They moved into an abandoned homesteader's cabin, owned at that time by Fred Barr and located on the present John Schumacher farm site. That summer they erected a cabin of their own and cleared what land they could. By the fall of 1877, four acres of broken ground permitted the sowing of winter wheat.

In the spring of 1884 Fred Eggebrecht and Fred Hamann purchased a portable sawmill. The Eggebrecht and Hamann sons were able to man the outfit so it was turned over to them.

PURCHASE PORTABLE SAWMILL

It was the next spring when Fred Eggebrecht with Fred Hamann, his neighbor, purchased the portable sawmill belonging to a Mr. Richardson, who had brought the rig from Ohio. Mr. Richardson was willing to sell out here as he had found it hard going. The Eggebrecht boys that summer had helped Mr. Richardson and were familiar with the workings of the mill. They with the Hamann boys, William, Henry and Charles, were able to man the outfit, with little outside help. So it was that the older owners turned the work over to the younger boys who entered upon a period of successful operation. It was not as easy or as profitable as might be supposed for at that time only pine was sawed into lumber. The hardwood, of which there was an abundance, found little or no market until later.

With the first mill, powered by a direct-acting engine, it was possible with a crew of 11 men to produce from 12,000 to 15,000 feet of lumber per day. This meant real work, and often they were handicapped by engine trouble. The direct-drive, 24 horsepower engine, with its butterfly valve control, was at times a perfect piece of mechanism. At other times, things did not run so smoothly. Despite the draw-backs of the old portable outfit, it was in use for 13 years when it was replaced by a new one in 1896. The second mill, located across the creek, offered ponding advantages and other helps which the first mill site did not provide. The later mill, with its crew of 30 men was capable of producing three times as much lumber in a day's operation. Its improved 80 horsepower engine, belt driven allowed for a better grade of work as well as for increased volume. About that time, too, the market opened for hardwood, resulting in renewed activities. The Eggebrecht-Hamann mill, which during its lifetime did an enormous amount of custom sawing, also had sizeable contracts for industrial firms, including the R. Connor company, Marshfield; William Gamble, Wausau; the Campbell sash and door factory of Oshkosh; Moss Katz and others.

FIRE DESTROYS MILL

The operations of the Eggebrecht-Hamann mill were cut short in 1914 when, during the sawing season, a fire of unknown orgin completely demolished the plant. At the time of the fire, 300,000 logs were yet untouched. And so it was that the Eggebrecht-Hamann firm finished that last season with a portable mill belonging to John Hilger of Colby.

Among Marathon county's earliest cooperative enterprises, was one in which four neighboring families of the town of Frankfort, the Eggebrechts, Lueschows, Brockmans, and Meischlers, in 1885 purchased a horse-driven threshing outfit. This was one of the first machines brought into this part of the country and, although it was primarily for the use of the four families who bought the rig, it was used by others in that vacinity. Prior to the purchase of the threshing outfit it was necessary to thresh by flail, an undertaking which greatly hindered production of wheat. Later on another partnership, in which the Eggebrechts were interested, brought in the first steam-operated threshing outfit, which they operated on a business profit basis.

Mr. Henry Eggebrecht told the following stories:

INDIANS AT ROZELLVILLE

When asked if he could recall any Indians in the vicinity of his home, he replied: "Yes, there were Indians that I recall. They lived in the vacinity of Rozellville, and every spring would come through what is now Stratford, down past our place, following the road, such as it was, going to 'the Lord knows where' I don't I have seen as many as fifty Indians, with their ponies, papooses, and trappings, headed northward; the same group returning in the fall to take up their quarters again at Rozellville. Often, too, they would go through our woods in search of slippery elm, ground pine, used for decoration, and herbs that they could market or wanted for their own use. These Indians were not savages, though, nor bad, but we did find it necessary at times to put a stop to the forage of our woods. They offered no opposition, and would move when told to do so.

"Animals?" Mr. Eggebrecht echoed, as the question was put to him. "Yes, there were plenty of wild animals, especially a great number of deer. Why, I recall," he continued, "one time when I had just traded for a gun, the sights did not suit me exactly, so after filing them down, I sauntered towards the woods, hoping to see a bird or something at which to shoot. Snow was on the ground, and chancing upon some fresh deer tracks, I followed them and soon came upon two deer. Of course they got wind of me and scampered across the road. I went back to the house for my father, hoping to have him help me corner them. We located them easily, and this time, dad drove them down the road towards where I was hidden behind the gate. From where I was, I could see the first deer - at close range — but did not shoot as I only had one bullet in the gun. In a moment, the mate was standing beside him, and I let go. The bullet went through both deer, neither of which got more than sixteen rods away from where they were shot. It sounds like a fish story," he concluded, "but the files of the old Colby Phonograph will attest to this fact." Roads of Marathon county today are of special interest to this member of the pioneer family. He remembers when he, as a youngster, hitched up a team of oxen to a makeshift cart and started with a load of wheat to the grist mill at Colby. The trip, one of about 12 miles, over eight of which there was no road to speak of, was quite a task to make. The settlement of Cherokee, about 4 miles from Colby, broke the monotony and hard travel throughout the entire journey and, too, from this point to Colby, the road was better. With the oxen team and the homemade cart, Mr. Eggebrecht also made trips to Marathon City which was even a harder journey because of the greater distance.

FORESTS WERE DENSE

Mr. Eggebrecht, in a reminiscent manner, explained the denseness of the virgin timber surrounding his early home, as follows:

"A fellow could get lost mightly easily, and one of our neighbors, William Garbrecht, did once. He started out in search of his cattle which had escaped and with no trail to guide him, was lost. After wandering aimlessly through the woods for nine days, he finally came to a clearing near what was the Frank Halkowitz place in a severely famished condition."

Of his early neighbors, Mr. Eggebrecht recalls Fred Hamann, who lived a mile north and a mile east of the old home place; Fred Barr who lived one-half mile south and then, of course, the Marquardts. The post office of the town of Wien which was first conducted by Charles Marquardt, received mail by carrier once a week from Colby.

Money was scarce, Mr. Eggebrecht recalls, and from crops like wheat, besides furnishing flour for family use, the balance, if there was any, was traded for household or other necessities.

Roads or no roads — the young folks had to have their good times. Mr. Eggebrecht recalls one dance in particular, which he claims was indicative of the moods and stick-to-it-iveness which was a part of the make-up of each of the lads and lassies of his time. The particular spring night, a dance was to be given by a neighbor two miles away. A group of ten of the younger set gathered at the Eggebrecht home to go in a body to the place of the party. The roads at that time were little better than paths; logs and debris often making it even difficult to travel by foot. Added to this were spring rains, a dark night, and the determination of a party of youngsters to get to the place agreed upon — and something was liable to happen. It did!

"By the time we reached our destination," Mr. Eggebrecht recalled, "all but two of us had received a bath in cold running water. It was necessary that we cross the creek, but to walk a slippery log on a night such as this was an impossibility. Of those who did not fall into the creek, only their ability to hang on prevented them from getting the same medicine that the rest of us had to take. We made it, and no one took time to change into dry garments. The dance started and the fiddlers, George Wescott and his brother Fred, who usually were the ones to furnish the music, played so inspiringly that the actions in response to their harmonious chords dispelled all thoughts of dampness, either in clothing or spirit." The following stories are from an article in the Wausau Daily Herald, March 10, 1932. The article was printed to commemorate the 50th wedding anniversary of Carl & Amelia Hoernke.

A Bear Story

"The next July, after we were married, (they were married in March) Amelia became homesick to see her parents who lived five miles west of us," Mr. Hoernke resumed, after telling of events incidental to the establishment of their first home. "I had been busy in the woods all week, and because I felt that a rest that Sunday was needed, I decided not to accompany my wife on this walk. I did, however, decide to go as far as the Quarter's farm, a mile and a half from our place where I and others occasionally placed salt to tempt deer. The abandoned farm was a favorite spot for obtaining table meat and it was not an uncommon thing for some of us to replenish the salt supply. About a quarter of a mile away from home, we saw something ahead of us run across a ditch. My wife was about a rod behind me - we were both sure it was a young deer. Cautiously following the wave of the tall grass, I prepared to snare the animal when it came again into the clear. I noosed my arms ready for the catch - when it seemed it was too late -we were confronted with the yellow nose of a large black bear. We had heard of such animals, but this was the first time either of us had seen one. I thought my hat flew off as the bear approached with its front paws high in the air. Unarmed, I grabbed for a stick as my only defense. The branch I laid my hands on was mired in the ground - we were helpless. All at once the bear turned around and galloped for all he was worth along the road in the direction of Colby. In its hasty departure it was joined by three or four half grown cubs, which made us more thankful than ever that a speedy exit was the solution to the problem. My wife forgot her homesick feeling. She went back to the cabin with me."

First Cheese Factory

Money was scarce in those days - roasted peas were substituted for coffee beans; sugar was ten cents a pound; flour eight to ten dollars per barrel and eggs were worth eight cents a dozen in trade. Milk was unsaleable until the establishment of the Fred Michler cheese factory in 1885. This factory, Mr. Hoernke believes, was the first one established in Marathon County. Against advice of people at the county seat where Mr. Michler intended to sell his product, he organized his patrons and began making cheese. It was arranged that those people who supplied him milk were to take turns in hauling the cheese to Wausau, where it was sold direct to consumers.

An Exciting Trip

"My time to haul came in the fall of the year," Mr. Hoernke stated. "I started loading at 12 o'clock that night but by the time we were ready to start, one of my horses had taken sick and I borrowed a pony from my brother, Ernest. From the outset, the little animal was hard to control. He was insistent upon setting a pace which was hard for my own horse to follow. I held him back as much as I could until we got to Marathon where weexamined him for injured feet or bad fitting harness. We couldn't find a thing wrong. At daylight we reached Wausau. After distributing cheese to customers in various parts of the city, getting our own dinner and caring for the horses, we were ready to start home by 4 o'clock that afternoon. In spite of the hard work just finished, the little pony, mind you, started home with his same persistent trot. At Marathon we again made an investigation and this time discovered that he had a sore mouth. After fastening the reins to the halter, then releasing the bit, we were able to travel along peacefully.

"We resumed our homeward course, and I couldn't help but think my partner must have been carrying considerable money - the collection from those who had bought cheese. I had asked him before we started if he carried a revolver. His reply was with a laugh, "Ach, what do we need of a gun?" I couldn't share that feeling of optimism. When we left Marathon the tension increased. It was 10 o'clock - a clear, still night. About one and a half miles out of town, we turned west where our road a half mile farther crossed the section line. It was here that I commenced to feel real shaky. My fear was not lessened a bit to see in the distance a team of horses and a wagon by the side of the road.



Circa 1927 Successful Deer Hunting Crew (l-r) Art Wendtland, Otto Neitzel, Fred Neitzel, Melvin Mullins, Henry Dvorak and Herman Neitzel.

Beside the wagon was a fire. Upon drawing nearer, the clearness of the night permitted us to see two men step across the ditch into the road. The first, a tall, lanky fellow carried a rifle - the other, a lantern. I pushed Michler. "There they are, already," I exclaimed. They were only two or three rods behind us - attempting, we believed, to overtake our wagon. I hit my horses and said 'get'. The action of the men was quicker than my unmatched team. They were quickly gaining on us until another yell set the tired horses on a dead run with the men in hot pursuit. We managed to keep our seats, and as we sped down the rough roadway, Michler holding his money bag aloft shouted to me "sie sollen est nicht haben, ich schmeise es im graben." (They shall not have it - I'll throw it in the ditch.) We escaped and the money was saved, but I don't believe there is a man living in Marathon County who ever went over that old road as fast as we did that night.'



Circa 1920: Building roads east of Brice Beder farm (Now called Blue Berry Road).



1905: Anton Gurosh (sometimes called Garach), delivering a load of cheese to Colby. Gurosh, the man with the hat behind the cow, farmed in Sec. 4 from 1890 - 1905.

It is told that after one of his horses died, he used a cow with the surviving horse, as a team. When the cow tired or was unable to keep up with the pace, he would help the cow pull the load. It is said that he would go barefooted, even late in winter, and his footprints were sometimes mistaken for bear tracks.



The Swan Family Circa 1900

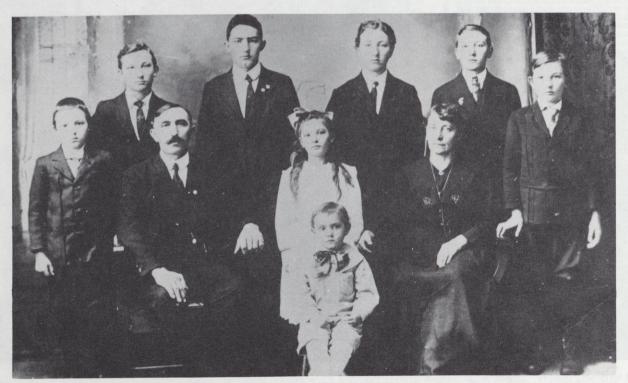
Seated: (1-r): 1. Perry Swan (He built the Swan Saw Mill) holding his grandson, 2. Eddie. 3. Perry's brother (Name unknown) Standing: 4. Perry's son, Adam, 5. Dora Swan, 6. Frank Swan 7. Name unknown, but he is the son of #3.



The Carl Hoernke Sr. Family *Circa 1913*. Seated (l-r): Ed, Mrs. Hoernke and Carl Hoernke Sr. Standing: Albert, Hulda, Mathilda, Emma, Bertha, Carl and Helen.



The Joe Schmirler Family 1903 Seated (l-r): Charles, Grandpa Joe, Walter, Grandma Mary and Alma. Standing: Tony, Susie, George, Martha, Frank, Mary, Joe and Clara.



The Anton Schmirler Sr. Family *Circa 1912* Standing (l-r): Joe, Paul, Anton, Ben, Eddie and Hilbert. Seated: Anton, Frances and Louise. Front center is Albert.



Circa 1925: The Nienow-Bielke-Jahnke Families Front:(l-r): Fred Nienow Jr. and Herbert Nienow Row 2: Elsie Bielke - the next 4 are unknown Row 3: Mrs. Jahnke Sr., Mrs. Carl Bielke, Mrs. Fred Nienow, Unknown, Mrs. Frank Jahnke, Carl Bielke Sr., Unknown, Helen Bielke, Fred Nienow Sr., and Carl Bielke Jr.



Circa 1890-1900: The Wm. Brown House - Clarence Bargender Farm 1. Unknown, 2. Grandma Brown, 3. Grandpa Wm. Brown, 4. Bertha Brown Raymaker, & William Brown Jr.



1899: Mr. & Mrs. Anton Schmirler and Baby Anton



"Having a barrel of fun" - 1916 Standing, Bernard Nehring. Left: Adolf Loskot. Right: Floyd Chapman.



The Peter Christiansen Family in their 1913 Maxwell Touring Car

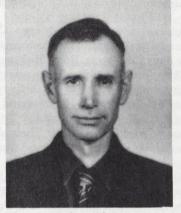


Circa 1890: Miss Sophia Hoernke, (later Mrs. Otto Seeger) and Mrs. Minnie Grau Eichorst.



Log house owned by Prof. Williams on Bendel Fram before Bender owned it.

Family of Felix Adams



Felix Adams



Ethel Adams

Felix was born to Matthew and Christina Adams, August 5, 1881 in Meyer, Iowa.

In 1915, just out of the U.S. Navy, he acted as companion and guardian to a family of youngsters moving to a farm near Marshfield. The father, Mr. Schumacher, a widower, had to ride in the cattle car that was to transport his stock and goods; so he requested Felix to accompany his young family.

From Marshfield Felix went on to Stratford where he met Peter Strachota who had recently sold 200 acres of rough wooded land to Fred Kramer of Stacyville, Iowa. Near this land, Strachota had another 120 acres of just as rough land which Felix bought. He built himself a cabin out of salvaged lumber and nails from old camp buildings.

The first fall and winter, he worked for Strachota and Phil Custer whose land joined his. The pay was half of the milk from Strachota's cows, which he took care of.

Felix married Ethel Raleigh, a teacher, on June 17, 1919. They had eleven children. A son, Herman, was born April 15, 1920. He worked at various jobs - Fromm's Ginseng, pea viner and at home on the farm, continuing there after his father died in September of 1942, after being hospitalized since June when he had fallen from the peak of the hay mow. Herman is now retired and lives in Wausau.

Margaret was born August 11, 1921, after graduating from Stratford High School. She married Al Fleece and they are retired and live in Wausau. Robert was born July 23, 1922. He was working in Alaska as a lineman and when World War II broke out, no one was allowed to leave the country and he could not get home for his Dad's funeral. He joined the U.S. Army and later a Religious Order of Brothers. He now resides at the Clement Zoblocki V.A. Medical Center in Milwaukee. Clarence, now Father Benedict, was born January 29, 1924, served in the U.S. Navy, and later entered the Capachin Monastary, where he was ordained a priest. He is now at St. Domiano Friary in Madison.

Frances, born April 18, 1925 married Lawrence Steines in 1946, they farm in the Town of Cleveland. Eugene, born April 11, 1926, joined the U.S. Marines after high school and in 1950 he married Theresa Kloos. They farmed in the Town of Eau Pleine, he also is a schoolbus driver. Arnold, born March 29, 1927, worked as a cheesemaker and later in the papermill. He married Adeline Koller, and is retired and lives in Port Edwards. Bernard was born April 23, 1928, served in the U.S. Army and then worked in Janesville where he married Carol Edwards. He drowned November 26, 1966. Marie was born May 23, 1929, entered St. Rose Convent, LaCrosse after attending high school in Stratford, taught school for many years, before leaving, and going on to nurse's training. She now works with the Visiting Nurse's in Wausau and is married to Ray Sattler. Cordelia, born December 9, 1930, went to High School at St. Rose Convent, later came back and worked at Employer's Insurance in Wausau. She is married to Phil Gillett, they live in Wausau and have a home in Colorado. Alice (Sister Cordelle) entered St. Rose Convent after high school in Stratford, taught many years and is now working with Social Services Nursing Care in LaCrosse.

Felix Adams served as Town Clerk in 1932-1942, and his wife, Ethel, served from 1943-1965. Felix died September 11, 1942. Ethel lived her last few years in Wausau. She died September 15, 1987 at Wausau Hospital.

The Ballerstein Family

Donald and Carol Ballerstein have three children: David, Brian and Jennifer. Donald has been a resident of the Township all his life and Carol for eleven years. They are self employed on the farm.

The Del Ballerstein family

Del and Sue Ballerstein have four children: Tracey, Troy, Trent and Trevor. Del has lived in the Township for twenty years and Sue for twelve years.

Del is employed at the Frankfort Cheese Factory and Sue is employed at the Bank of Edgar.

Family of Robert Ballerstein

Robert and Alice Ballerstein have lived in the Township for 64 years. Their children are Donald, Linda Mueller, Roger, Doris, Gayle and Richard. Richard and his wife Linda live in the trailer home. Their children are Scott and Stephanie.

Robert's father was born in Germany and came with his folks to Frankfort in 1895. His parents, Herman and Laura, farmed all their working years.

Doris was Valedictorian from Colby High School in 1970. Gayle is an RN and Linda an LPN.

Ballerstein and Bornowski Family Tree

Gust Ballerstein came from around Gladau Germany. He married Dorothea Dittmar, born 1/7/1863

Whihelm b. 2/1885 d. 1/10/1959. He married Louise Syring on 10/11/1913. They had Norma, Imgard and Myrtle.

Gust Jr. b. 1/27/1887 d. 10/26/1947. He married Alice Eggebrecht b. 11/28/1893 d. 6/13/1979. They had Viola, Clarence, Eleanore, Milda and Arlene. They were married 5/8/1912.

Otto b. 7/31/1888 d. 9/19/1910 in a hotel fire at Abbotsford. Emma b. 7/8/1889 d/ 1/26/59. She married John Krueger b.

2/26/1878 d. 7/27/1961. They had Golda 2/17/1908.

Herman b. 9/13/1891 d. 7/31/73 He married Laura Hoefs b. 2/21/1905 d. 10/11/1984. They had Willis, Robert, Delbert, Audrey, Erna, Herman Jr. and Arla Mae.

All the Ballerstein children were born in Germany.

Adolph Bornowski Sr. b. 10/27/1865 d. 6/26/1933. Dorothea Dittmar-Ballerstein came to Frankfort in the spring of 1894. They lived in the Hamann sawmill until they got a place built in Sec. 13.

Adolph Jr. b. 7/5/1894 (there was frost on the roads that morning) d. 12/5/1962. He married Gertrude Custer b. 3/22/ 1902. on 6/20/1920. They had Leonard, Arnold, and Violet.

Emil b. 1/4/1897 d. 4/20/1941 married Elsie Borchardt b. 6/ 1/1900 d. 10/28/1934 on 6/1/1920. They had Freddie, Dorothy, Marion, Marie and Bernice.

Richard b. 1/2/1899 d. 8/1968 married Leona Schneider b. 3/ 10/1898 d. 1982. They raised their niece Alice Schneider.

Alma b. 8/19/1903 married Henry Randt b. 4/4/1896. d. 10/ 14/1963. They had Gordon, Doris, Ray, Eunice, Janet and Karen.

Ida b. 10/16/1905. Married Lester Schneider b. 3/2/1903 d. 5/6/1971. They had Lester Jr., Carol and Duane.

The Louis Bandle History

Louis Bandle was born April 3, 1879 in Washington County, which is in the SE part of the State of Wisconsin. What was his home farm then is now the Milwaukee Zoo. As a young man he came to live in the Town of Frankfort, Section 25.

He bought a farm from Ed Protze in 1909. Then in 1916 he married Dora Lueschow. They were blessed with two children: Ruth and Raymond. Louis farmed that homestead until 1947, when he bought the Paul Syring farm, just a mile north across from the home place.

Louis' son, Raymond, and his wife Genevieve, moved on the big farm and Louis and Dora moved into the little house just a short distance east, which was the Fred Eggebrecht place. He always helped his son on the farm, even three weeks before he died at the age of 90.

The History of the Raymond Bandle Family

There is just the two of us living in our home. Ray & Genevieve, or Gen for short. Ray has been a resident of the Town of Frankfort all of his life and Genevieve since the two were married in June 1943, when he just crossed the line into the Town of Wien to find her. Ray has been a farmer all of his life and loves it. He was very active in Men's Club and Dart Ball with his church. He was a milk truck hauler for fourteen years for Huebner's Cheese Factory on Highway 97 one mile from his place. Ray also worked for the ASCS as a field reporter for two years and then in the office for twenty-five years, retiring in 1986.

Genevieve is a member of St. John's Ladies Aid and was a member of the CWF Homemakers for forty years, holding many offices in the club. In 1961-62 she was Stratford District Chairman, which she enjoyed very much. We belong to St. John's Lutheran Church in the Town of Wien just one mile from Gen's home where she lived all of her life. She attended Edgar High School.

We were blessed with two daughters - Carol Jean and Sandra Rae. Carol Jean lives with her husband Gary Stengel in Wausau. They have three sons, Robb, Rich and Ryan. Carol Jean attended Stratford High School. She was prom queen and later married the prom king. She is very active in church work and enjoys many kinds of crafts. Her husband is employed at Wausau Insurance. Their sons attended Trinity Lutheran School and Wausau West High School. Their oldest son Robb graduated from Luther College in May and was married June 30, 1990.

Sandra Rae lives with her husband John Schafer in Rice Lake. They have one daughter, NiKandra Rae. Sandra Rae also graduated from Stratford High School and Patricia Stevens College in Milwaukee. She is now manager of Maurice's in the Cedea Mall at Rice Lake. Her husband John is production control manager of Harley Davidson and Mercury Marine at Ladysmith.

Ambrose Bandow

Son of William and Mary Bandow, born in Colby, Wisconsin June 1907. They moved to the Town of Frankfort in February 1916. He attended the Franklin school, graduating in 1919. He also attended the parochial school for one year at St. John's Lutheran Church, Town of Wien, where he was confirmed in the spring of 1920. He graduated from Colby High School in 1924. Furthering his education at Madison College School of Business Administration in 1927, The Denver Bible Institute, now Rockmont College, a pre-seminary education, graduating in 1935. He was married in October 1939.

He worked as an accountant for National Biscuit Company and J.I. Case Company for a short time. Then he accepted his first pastorate of the Community Presbyterian Church in Merrill, Wisconsin from 1937-1941. His next pastorate was at Neenah, Wisconsin at the First Fundamental Church from 1941-1949. While at Neenah he was also Radio Pastor for "Back to the Bible Broadcast" from WHBY in Appleton, Wisconsin and WNAM at Neenah until 1958.

In 1958 he moved to Atlanta, Georgia where he attended Oglethorp University. Following graduation he became the professor at Trinity Schools of the South, which is a Christian Academy and College. He was also an instructor at the Atlanta Federal Penitentiary until 1968.

Upon returning to Wisconsin, in semi-retirement he was pastor of First Congregational Church in Friendship from 1969-1974 and pastor of First Congregational Church at Randolph from 1974-1977. When he retired, he moved to Madison where one of his sons, George, lives and is a medical doctor.

Rev. and Mrs. Bandow have four sons and one daughter. They are all married and all have a college or higher education.

Although Rev. Bandow was retired, he did tutoring in Lincoln Middle School one day a week and participated in teaching a Christian Business Men's Breakfast Bible Study. He taught a Bible class at the State Prison in Waupun and at the Minimum Security Home at Oregon. For two years he worked with the Pinkerton Security Service in Crowd and Beverage Control at all University of Wisconsin football and basketball home games. The Rev. Bandow died in December of 1986.

Family of William Bandow and Mary Ann Heimes

William Bandow, born May 21, 1873, Garwitz, Germany. Died March 14, 1929 at Colby, WI. Mary Ann Heimes, born June 3, 1875, Phoenix, MI. Died May 15, 1949 at Colby, WI. They were married May 16, 1899 in Unity, WI.

They purchased an 80 acre farm from Julius Mesalk, Town of Frankfort, on February 16, 1916. Their children that moved to the Town of Frankfort were: George, born February 17, 1900, died September 1921; William, born February 16, 1901, died June 1918; Adena, born April 21, 1903, died January 1938; Ambrose, born June 17, 1907; Helen, born January 13, 1910; Mayme, born August 20, 1914; Clement, born June 16, 1920. Chairman of Town of Frankfort at time of death.

After the death of William Bandow, March 1929, the farm was run by his daughter and son-in-law, Frank & Adena Sterzinger. On April 1, 1935 this farm of 120 acres was bought by another daughter and son-in-law, Melvin and Mayme Kilty. In 1970 their son Merlin and Donna Kilty purchased the farm, the present owners.

George died at the age of 21, never married. William Jr. died at the age of 17, never married. Adena married Frank Sterzinger, August 1926 at Wuerzburg, WI. They had six sons, three died in infancy. She died January 27, 1938.

Ambrose married Clarice Bohlke, October 25, 1939 at Phelps, WI. They have five children. Ambrose, a graduate of Colby High School in 1924, continued his education at Madison Business College and Denver Bible Institute and was ordained as a pastor in 1938, his first parish was the Community Presbyterian Church at Merrill. Also at Neenah, Chamblee, GA, Friendship and Randolph. Now has retired and lives in Madison and works as a supply pastor.

Helen married Fred Bodem, June 1, 1935 at Colby. They have two sons: Fred of Chicago and Dennis, Alpena, MI. Helen has lived in Milwaukee since 1935. Fred died Nov. 28, 1966.

Mayme married Melvin Kilty, August 20, 1934 in Colby. They had two children, Merlin and Miriam. Miriam, a graduate of Stevens Point College in 1963, is a teacher in Colby High School System. Clement married Dorothy Bertram, October 2, 1954 at Rockford, IL. Have one son William, born December 8, 1962. Clement is a city electrical inspector for Rockford.

The John Bargender Family

John Bargender and wife, Rose Smolke, of Holstein, Germany immigrated to America in 1880. They had four children born in Germany: Anna, Frank, Joseph and August. They first settled at Hilbert, Calumet County, Wisconsin.

When John Bargender died his wife married John Schirpe. They had five children: John, Tony, Veronica, Mary and Andrew. They settled in the Marathon City area.

Anna Bargender married Joseph Wirkus and settled in Section 13 in the Town of Frankfort.

Frank Bargender married Pauline Gesicki and settled in Section 1 on the farm now owned by Herb Seeger. Their children are: Frank, John, Ann, Teresa, Agnes, Tony and Andrew. In 1904 they moved to the town of Cassel.

August Bargender married Rose Bach and settled in Section 1 in 1901. He purchased 80 acres next to his brother Frank for whom he had worked before he got married. They had six daughters and three sons: Rose, Agnes, Mary, Hilda, Clara, Lisa, Andrew, Isador and David. Rose married Harry Hoff, Agnes married Leo King, Mary married Felix Weigel, Hilda married Larry Baumann, Clara married Wandlin Weigel, Lisa married Joe Schuh, Andrew married Agnes Rueth, Isador married Olive Mundt and David married Erna Karow. The August Bargender family moved to the Marshfield area in 1935.

Joseph Bargender married Anna Bancroft and settled in Section 14 in 1898. They had five daughters: Anna, Francis, Mary, Rose and Johanna. His wife Anna died and he later married a Literski from Poniatowski and they had one son, John. His second wife died and he married her sister, another Literski girl. They had a son, Joseph, Jr. After she died he married Caroline Graff and they had one son, Steve.

The children of Joseph Bargender, Sr. married as follows: Anna married Mike Brey, Francis married Emil Roggenbauer, Mary married Martin Jahnke, Rose never married, Johanna married Fred Nelson, John married Helen Biel, Joseph Jr. married Marie Ellenbecker and Steve married Margaret Paszek. Joseph Jr. died in 1945.

The Urban Bargender Family

Urban and Arlene Bargender have always lived in the Township. Their children are Scott, Sherryl Johnson and Jaye Doede. Urban is employed at Ted Meier & Sons.

Grandparents John and Augusta Bobert came from Germany. John came in 1890 to the Town of Frankfort. His wife and family came several years later and lived in Frankfort the rest of their lives. Augusta Bobert was a seamstress and sewed the wedding dresses and clothes for the surrounding neighbors. Father Ewald Bobert came to Town of Frankfort from Germany in 1891 at the age of four and lived there all his life.

Norman and Nancy Becker

Norman and Nancy have been residents of the Township for ten years. They have no children.

Norman has his own business, Norm's Place (carpentry and cabinets) and Nancy is employed in Colby Public Schools.

The Belanger Family

Wayne and Geri Belanger settled in the Town of Frankfort nineteen years ago. Their children are: Cheryl, James, Debbie, Nancy, Darrell and Corinne.

Wayne served in the army for two years during the Korean War. He presently is employed at Pat's Trucking in Wausau.

Family of Brice H. and Alice R. Bender

Alice has lived in the Town of Frankfort all her life and Brice for 47 years. Their children are Duane at home, Dean of Dorchester, Daniel of Colby and Diane Bauer of Stevens Point.

Brice is self-employed on the farm and Alice is employed at Figi's in Marshfield.

Family of Harry Bender

Harry Bender was born at Viola, WI (Vernon County) October 19, 1889. In 1920, he came to the Town of Frankfort with a team of horses and bought 43 acres from Leffel. In 1922 he became principal of Colby High School, a position he held for 37 years. Harry married Ethel Nichols June 14, 1924. They lived in Colby but still owned the farm. Ethel was born in Owen 86 October 12, 1899. Three children were born: Brice of Colby, Betty Jean Nelson of Decorah, Iowa and Barbara Schmidbauer of Tomahawk.

Harry and Ethel moved to the farm in 1943, retired in 1948 and moved to Colby. Harry died in 1963, Ethel is still living and is 91 years old.

Brice took over the farm in 1943. He married Alice Rose Bohman October 11, 1947. Four children were born - twins Diane and Duane, Daniel and Dean. In 1966 the Andrew Cordes farm was added bringing total acreage to 303.

Alice and Brice were leaders of Cherokee Chums 4-H Club for many years. Alice was active in Cherokee Homemakers. Brice served on Hillcrest and Colby School Boards, also Hull Co-Op Cheese Factory Board and several other cooperative boards in the state. Duane farms in partnership now with Brice.

Carl Bielke Sr. Family



Carl Bielke Family with their 1918 Buick Touring Car. Mrs. Herman Dorfschmidt, Mrs. Carl Bielke, Carl Bielke Sr. & Carl Bielke Jr.

Natanial Wendtlandt acquired ownership of a parcel of land in Section 2 in April of 1776. He built a log house and a small log barn on the property. In 1881, after his wife died, he sold the land to Nicolas Schalinski and December 30, 1883 Schalinski sold it to Carl Schneider. He died September 20, 1903.

Carl Richard Bielke bought the farm on March 30, 1905 from Ernestine Schneider and on January 30 he married Augusta Buss. They developed the property with modern farm buildings. They had one son, Carl Jr. Augusta Bielke departed her life on January 3, 1949 and Carl Bielke Sr. departed his life September 28, 1951.

I, Carl Bielke Jr. was born November 26, 1911. I worked for my parents on the farm and on November 1, 1940 was married to Gladys Wenzel. The marriage was blessed by two children, son Wilmer and daughter Geraldine. The marriage ended in divorce in 1961. August 1, 1979 I was married to Charlotte Johnson Rust.

Carl Bielke, Jr. obtained legal possession of the farm on August 21,1951. I sold it to Mr. and Mrs. James Myzka who are the present owners.

Herman Bielke Family

Herman Henry Bielke and h is wife (nee Matilda Kamholtz) were born and married in Schieflbein, Pommeriana, Germany as farm laborers. Immigrated to the U.S. in the year of 1896 at Lake Mills, Jefferson County. They purchased a farm in Section 15, Town of Frankfort, in the year of 1910. They had two daughters, Helen and Elsa. He operated this farm until 1919 when he sold it to John Remus. His wife Matilda died in December 1941. Herman died in August of 1958.

Douglas Blair Family

Douglas and Sara Blair have one son, Grant. Douglas is a dairy farmer and they have resided in the township for ten years.

The Eugene Blair Family

Eugene and Verna Blair resided in the Town of Frankfort for ten years. They have five children: Christine, Carrol, Randy, Dudley, and Douglas. Eugene and Verna are retired.

The Block Family

Larry M. and Sandy have two children Larry J. and Teresa. They have lived in the Town of Frankfort for eighteen years. He is employed at Brecke Ranch and Sandy is employed at Berliner & Marx.

Jacob and Armella Bohman

Jacob and Armella were born and raised in the Town of Auburndale. They went to church and school at Hewitt and were married at Hewitt.

They bought a farm in the Town of Frankfort in 1939 and lived there all their married lives. Jacob worked at the pea cannery in Marshfield. He was on the board of directors at Hillside Cheese Factory. He was also a director at the Stratford Co-Op. He patrolled and plowed snow in the Town of Frankfort. They have ten children.

Kenneth Bohman married Marge Engman - adopted children are Brian and Lissa Bohman. Birth to Christina Bohman. Kenneth farmed but is trucking for Fischer now.

Roger Bohman married Mary Engman - children are: Kevin, Troy, Michelle and Chad. Roger divorced and married Kay Perfect. Their children are Amanda and Jacob. Roger is farming now.

Duane Bohman never married. He has a tavern in the Town of Frankfort and also works part time on pipeline in Alaska.

Kathleen Bohman was a Nun for twenty-five years in the Order Mother of Perpetual Help. She married Richard Stark, Jr. in December 1989.

Mary Jane Bohman married Dick Zoellner. Their children are Scott, Steve, Shane and Susie. Dick does trucking for Fischers and Mary Jane does office work.

John Bohman married Kathleen Stibbe. Their children are John, Jason and Jeff. John works on construction and part-time on Alaska pipeline. Kathleen works at Land O'Lakes.

Diane Bohman married Bud Harrison. They have one son, Brad. Bud works on construction and Diane does office work.

Jim Bohman married Diane Krause. Their children are Jenifer, Jessica, Mathew and Heather. Jim is farming the home place.

Gloria Bohman married Randy Kafka. They have no children. Randy is farming.

Gail Bohman married Kenneth Drexler. Their children are Aaron, Adam, Benjaman. Kenneth delivers Little Debbie products in stores in surrounding territory. Gail works at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Family of Joseph Bohman

Joseph Bohman, Sr. was born September 21, 1880 in Hirschau, Germany. He came to America at the age of twelve and stayed with an uncle in Hewitt. The uncle died when Joseph was fourteen and he then came to Stratford to work at the sawmill. He married Rosa Pfeffer in 1903. She was born in Michigan to Mr. & Mrs. Aloysius Pfeffer (wife Theresa Kilger). Aloysius died in 1893 and Theresa remarried later to Joseph Hagengruber.

Joseph Bohman bought the farm (that Schneider lives on now) in 1908. In 1913 they built the house. In 1914 a 28' x 28' log barn was constructed. In 1919 the barn that is on the farm now was built. There was a small logging camp on the farm.

Joe and Rosa had eight children. Fred (the oldest died in infancy), Joseph Jr., Alfred, Louis, Anthony, Felix, Harvey and Alice. All had resided in the Town of Frankfort at some time during their married life.

Joe owned a threshing machine and did custom work for about eight years. He also had a sawmill for a number of years. (An interesting note, when Joe worked out as a young boy he made \$20 a year.)

Family of Kim Borchardt

Kim Borchardt has lived in the township all of her life. Her children are Nathan and Ashley Hoernke. She is employed by the United States Postal Service. Her ancestors are from Germany.

Family of Gerald D. Borchardt

Gerald and Barbara Borchardt have three children: Kim, Scott and Terry.

Gerald was born in the Town of Frankfort and is a farmer. He served in the U.S. Army from 1955/57. Gerald's family were also residents of the Township. His ancestors came to America from Germany in the 1800's, settled in the Town of Wien, and came to Frankfort in 1896. Richard Borchardt is his grandfather. The Richard Borchardt family had a first family reunion in August 1987.

Richard and Emma Borchardt



Richard & Emma Borchardt

Richard and Emma were long time residents of the Town of Frankfort. Richard was born in the town of Wien and Emma was a native of Germany. They were married June 24, 1896 and located in the Town of Frankfort. They farmed on the homestead, which was later taken over by their son William and his wife Charlotte. This farm is now being operated by William's son Robert and his wife Pat. Richard was a member of the Board of Supervisors of the Town of Frankfort for several years and had served a total of seven years as chairman. He was also a member of the Marathon County board of supervisors and was on the Tax Equalization Committee. Emma was active in various church affairs.

They had nine children.

They celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversay in 1946. Richard died at the age of 79.

The Rosalie Borchardt Family



Rosalie Borchardt has been a Town of Frankfort resident for 30 years. Her children are Larry, Karl and Richard. She is employed at Figi's Gifts in Marshfield

Adolph Bornowski Family



Adolph Bornowski

Adolph Bornowski and his wife Gertrude (Custer) spent most of their lives in the Town of Frankfort. They farmed, having dairy cattle on the 160 acres they purchased in 1921. He also was a stone block mason and did carpenter work. He built his own house in 1928. He sold the farm to his son Leonard in 1949.

They have three children: Leonard, Arnold and Violet (Mrs. Ervin Leiterman).

He died at the age of 68 and his wife Gertrude who is 88 lives in her own apartment in Stratford.

Leonard Bornowski Family



Leonard Bornowski Load of Hay

Leonard Bornowski and LaVerne (Hoernke) were both born and raised in the town of Frankfort. They purchased the Adolph Bornowski farm in 1949 which consisted of 120 acres. They later purchased an additional 80 acres and another 40 acres, a total of 240 acres. They farmed for forty years.

They were married September 1, 1945 and have four children: Joan (Mrs. Robert Veers), Cheryl (Mrs. Dennis Kuyoth), Dawn (Mrs. Glenn Holbach) and David. They have eight grandchildren.

They are now retired and live in Stratford.

The William Braun Sr. Family

The William Braun Sr. family immigrated to America from Pomeran, Germany and settled in Kewaskum, WI in 1867. They had eight children, one child having died before they came to America. There were five boys and three girls. Charles, George, William and Albert were the boys and Emma, Minnie and Bertha were the girls. They were of German Lutheran faith. In 1892 they moved to the town of Frankfort on the farm now owned by Clarence Bargander Sec. 3.

William Braun was active in town government having served as supervisor of the town of Frankfort for several years. The oldest son Charles married Mary Rieke. She also came to America from Hanover, Germany at the age of eleven. Her folks settled in Filmore, WI in Washington County. She met her husband Charles Braun at Kewaskum where he was a rural mail carrier. They were married December 3, 1892 at St. Johns Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, in the town of Wien. After their marriage they settled in Athens where Mr. Braun operated a photography studio. The studio, or gallery as they were called, was sold about a year later and they moved to the Town of Frankfort, living in a log house near the Swan saw mill where their first son Herbert was born. He also did barbering in Athens.

In 1897 they moved to Pierz, MN where they lived about two years. Here the second son Walter was born. In 1900 they again moved back to Frankfort. They purchased the farm owned by a brother George Braun, now owned by Dorothy Brown.

Charles Braun operated a feed grinding business on his farm for about ten years between the years of 1914 to 1925. Neighboring farmers would bring their oats and barley to be ground for cattle feed.

The Braun was spelled "Braun" originally, but due to mail conflicts they changed their name to Brown in 1922.

Charles Brown died October 12, 1949. His wife Mary lived to celebrate her 90th birthday on December 30, 1961. She died on December 25, 1963.

Emma Brown

Emma Totzke Brown has lived in the Town of Frankfort all of her life. Her husband Walter is deceased. He was a town chairman. Her two children are Miriam Wolff and Ronald.

Emma's father, Ferdinand Totzke was born in Germany and came here when he was fifteen yeas old. He stayed with his sister, August Totzke Neitzel who lived in Town of Frankfort in 1894. He came in July of 1895. Winters he worked in the logging camps and in the fall in the wheat fields in the Dakotas. He married Emma Hoernke in 1905 and lived and farmed in the Town of Frankfort.

Herbert Brown

Herbert Brown, son of Charles Brown, was born in 1895. He married Dorothy Mc Kee in 1939. They had no children. Herb died of a heart attack in 1980.

After his father died, Herb took over the home farm. Besides farming he expanded into the maple syrup business, tapping up to 1,000 trees and making in excess of several hundred gallons of syrup. He also started in the honey bee operation in the early years and had up to 70 hives of bees producing several thousand pounds of honey.

He was a World War I veteran, a deputy sheriff for 14 years and a highway motorcycle patrolman. He supervised dance halls for 30 years. He was a tractor operator for the town of Johnson for several years and worked as a carpenter. He also served as a school clerk for three years from 1932.

In 1929 he took airplane flying lessons together with George Ellenbecker and planned on buying an airplane but when the instructor got killed in an airplane accident, that was the end of their flying venture.

Ronald Brown

Ronald married Janice Hamann in 1958 and they have three boys, Douglas, Larry and Bruce and two girls, Beverly and Stacey. Ronald is State President of the Farmers Union Milk Marketing Council. His son Larry was an outstanding basketball and football player. Edgar High School won the State football championship in 1979 when he played in Edgar and was an outstanding basketball player at college.

Walter Brown

Walter was born in 1899 in Pierz, MN where his parents were living at the time. He married Emma Totzke in 1932. They had two children, Ronald and Miriam.

He purchased the old Lewis Chapman farm in Section 3 in 1932. As a young man he learned the carpenter trade from Frank Wirkus and did carpenter work for approximately 35 years. He also served on the school board for 12 years and on the Town Board for 17 years as Town Chairman and as Supervisor for 4 years. He retired in 1960 selling his farm to his son Ronald. He died in the late 1980's.

Verner and Helen Brunner

Verner is an airplane mechanic and they live in Oregon City, Oregon. They have three children: Michael, unmarried, lives in Nebraska. Linda married Shawn Forseyth and lives in Oregon City. Richard lives in Oregon City.

Leo Burger Family

Leo Burger immigrated to the US from Switzerland and Katerine Pecher in 1878 from Austria. They were married in the US and had ten children.

Leo purchased 80 acres of land in Section 1 in the town of Frankfort off Raspberry Road in 1908.

One of the sons, Joseph, inherited the farm and farmed there until 1928 when he purchased 55 acres in the town of Wien, section 6, corner of 29 and 97. George now owns this land.

Melvin E. Carter Family

Melvin and Marlene Carter have lived in the Township for twenty seven years and are the parents of Denise M. Carter and Julie Krarup. Melvin was in the army two years.

Melvin is employed by James Peterson Sons, Inc. of Medford and Marlene is Town Clerk and is employed at Mr. B's Union 76, Inc. at Abbotsford. Denise is employed at Church Mutual in Merrill.

Harold and Imogene Custer

Harold and Imogene have three children: Kay Paul of Wausau, Larry and Jon of Stratford.

Harold has been a resident of the Town of Frankfort for 65 years and Imogene for 45 years.

Harold's parents are Bhurnard and Bertha Custer. His grandparents are Phillip and Jennie Custer. They moved here from Oregon, WI in 1912. The Custer family has been traced back to Germany where in 1630 a young man by the name of Paul Custer was born. He came to America in 1683 and settled in the Boston area. He had a son Arnold from which the Custer's in the Town of Frankfort are descendants.

Edwin and Geri Dorfschmidt

Edwin and Geri Dorfschmidt have been Town of Frankfort residents for sixty nine years. They are now retired. Their children are Nancy Ellenbecker and Gary Petrick.

Their ancestors came to America from Germany in 1902 and settled in the Township in 1914.

Leonard Ebben Family History

Leonard and Leta (Hartl) farmed in the Town of Frankfort from 1957 until 1980. We bought the Richard Bornowski farm in Section 13. In 1985 we took possession of the farm again. Leonard, Leta and Harvey are living at home. Harvey is attending UW-Eau Claire again this fall. Brenda, Gerry, Joan are married and living away from home and Jim lives in Wausau. Leonard has been in the army but is now retired and Leta works at the Bank of Edgar.

William Ehmke Family

The William Ehmke family was originally from Missouri. About 1918 they moved to Pewaukee and later to Phillips and about 1922 purchased the Grover Jacobson farm previously owned by Herman Hannemann.

They had four boys and two girls. Frieda married Ernest Schmidt, Town of Frankfort. Erna married Walter Neitzel, Town of Frankfort. Robert worked in Wausau at a sawmill and was killed in a logging operation. Theodore married Elizabeth Welbes of Athens. Walter married Ida Wussow and farmed in the Town of Frankfort. He died in June 1938 after farming for about six years. Later Ida married Fred Bunde who operated a tavern owned by Fred Redman at the Junction of 29 and 97. Otto married Clara Kalbes of Wausau and purchased the home farm. He sold the farm to Ervin Martens.

Gary Fecker Family

Gary and Beverly Fecker have lived in the Town of Frankfort since 1962. He is self employed in farming and trucking. Their children are: Gary, John Jr., Adam, and Charlie Gray at home, Doug of Colby, Carmen Behrens of Medford and Jackie Leffel of Athens.

Gary served in the army for two years.

Harold Finke Family

Harold and Marcia Finke have lived in the township for twelve years. Their children are Brian, Bridget, Brandon and Bret.

Harold served in the U.S. Navy for three years and is presently engaged in farming.

The Arthur Giese Family

Arthur Giese was a resident of the Town of Frankfort from 1902 until his death in 1981. His wife, Elsie, has been a resident since 1924. They have five children: Noreen and William of Edgar, Lorinda Erickson, Cary, Il; Meldon, Missoula, MT; Sandra Stremer, Wausau; Etola Foytek, Phillips. Etola is a high school math teacher. She graduated with a B.S. degree from Stevens Point. Elsie was born in Fergus Falls, MN.

Arthur's parents came from Farbazine (a township in Germany). His parents were August and Bertha Last Giese. They came to America in 1891 and settled in Milwaukee. After three years they moved to the Town of Frankfort and settled on the former August Giese farm.

Arthur was a farmer all of his life. In the late 20's and 30's he had a hammer mill. In the 50's and 60's, he had a portable saw mill. He sold the saw mill in 1972. He played Santa Claus many times at parties.

Elsie was a homemaker. She is a charter member of the Franklin Homemakers. She enjoys gardening, raising chickens and ducks, knitting and crocheting afghans. She is a member of Peace Lutheran Church.

Elsie boarded twelve teachers during the time that the Franklin School was operating. Art worked in the logging camps in 1920 and was paid \$12.00 a month.

The August Giese Sr. Family

August Giese Sr. and a brother William Giese Sr. were living in Milwaukee around 1891. About 1893 they each purchased 80 acres of land in the town of Frankfort. They came to Colby by railroad on April 18, 1894. They walked the twelve miles and lived in a log house that was on the August Giese farm at the time until William Giese could build a log house on his 80 acres. In 1895 they moved their families to the town of Frankfort to live.

August Giese and family lived in the log house that was on the place for several years until a new house was built about 1900. A log barn was built shortly after moving on the farm.

In November 1902 while cutting logs in the woods with Albert Piehl, a tree fell on Mr. Giese bruising his head and fracturing his shoulder. William Giese took his team of horses and a stone boat to get August Giese out of the woods. They had to drive five miles to the nearest telephone in the town of Wien at the Baeseman farm and a Dr. Zepp of Edgar came out eleven miles to treat Mr. Giese. By Christmas of that year he was able to get around again. It must have been during this time when Mr. Giese was laid up that Mrs. Giese had to haul logs to the

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FACTS FOR PETITION FOR NATURALIZATION

Clerk of court and applicant should read these instructions carefully. (lerks of courts should where to execute petitions for alions who arrived in the United States after June 29, 1906, until certificate of arrival is furnished the clerk by the Bureau of Naturalization, after request of the alien on Form 2226. (See rule 5 of the Regulations.) A copy of this form (2214) should begins held by the clerk of court to each applicant for a petition for naturalization who arrived in this country on or before June 29, 1906, so that we can at his leaves fill in the answers to the quantions. The clerk of the court must collect the fee of \$4 before he commences to fill out the petition. No fee is chargeable for this blank or for the execution thereof by the clerk or deputy clerk. After being filled out, the form is to be returned to the elerk, to be used by him in properly filling out the petition. Witnesses on the clitices of the United States. If any witness is a naturalized clitizen, he must take his certificate of clitizenship, or so-called second paper, to the court when the petition to he also when it is heard by the court. (State, Territory, or District.) 1. My place of residence is Town of Frankford 2. My present occupation is farmer 8 I was born on the 21th day of January , 1870, at Farbezin in Jonmern, Germany 4. I emigrated to the United States from Ranzburg ((City or town.) , on or about the 5th day of April , 1906, and arrived in the United States at the port of Nerry York, New York on the 15th day of April , 1906 , on the vessel Bluether steam - of Hamburg - American ring 5. I declared my intention No. 634 to become a citizen of the United States on the 7 day of December, 1915, at Wausan Wiscomin, in the Circuit Court of harathen to in the name entered above. (If the declaration does not bear true name of alley as entered above one show on the above into the name in which first pape married. My wife's name is Set 1/12, 107 9 4222-44, 225, 257 9 4222 6. I am She was born in Jarchlin in Pommery Germany , on the 26 th day of Mrag and now resides at Jour of Frankfort, Marathon County, Wisimin I have ______ children, and the name , date , and place of birth, and place of residence of each of said children is as follows: , born 7th day of telrany, 1891 , at Carchlin ; resides at Frankford Wis, harl born 2nd day of December, 1893 , at Farbezin ; resides at Frankfort Win. Offo Arian, born 24th day of June 1895 , at tarbeging Richard , born 22" day of September, 1897 , at Tarbezin ; resides at Frankfort Wes. Albert , born 18th day of July , 1899 , at Farbegue ; resides at Frankford Wis. Herniann, born 31 day of December, 1908 , at Frankford Win ; resides at Frankford Ulis ., born day of ; resides at 7. I now owe allegiance to Willielm I. German Grigeror 8. I am _____able to speak the English language. ..., 1906 , and in the State Territory 9. I have resided continuously in the United States since the 15th day of April of Wiromin since the 20th day of April , 1906 (If petitioner has heretofore plication for citizenship, the facts requi I previously petitioned for civizenship to th , which was denied for hay he folle . on the ing re denial has been cured or removed. since e for at least one year, last past, but less than g by the testimony of the same or other will Cur Bielke Firmer Furner turner Each of the above-named witnesses has known me at least ... I herewith present my Declaration of Intention to become a citizen of the United States. licution filed Dec. 20, 1917 ut I kineary, Wis in The Circuit Court of Musathon G. Wis.

Herman Dorfschmidt's Petition for Naturalization

Hamann-Eggebrecht saw mill by herself.



1913 - Back Row (l-r): Minnie, Henry, William, Martha, August. Center: Irene, August Sr., Frieda, Bertha Arthur is in front

August Giese Sr. was born November 26, 1853 in Pommern. Germany. He died October 29, 1941 in the town of Frankfort at the age of 87. He was married May 8, 1885 to Bertha Last. She was born August 7, 1863 in Pommern, Germany. She died January 30, 1948 in the town of Frankfort at the age of 84. They had 13 children: Ewald was born September 22, 1886 in Germany and died in 1891 in New York City. Hedwig was born June 21, 1888 in Germany and died in 1891 in New York City. Emil was born November 24, 1889 in Germany and died May 2, 1891 in Milwaukee. Martha was born May 2, 1891 in Milwaukee and died in 1978. She married Martin Stricker, a Lutheran pastor, in 1943. Henry was born February 24, 1893 in Milwaukee. He died in March 1979. Minnie was born February 25, 1895 in Milwaukee. She married Ray Greathouse and died in 1970. William was born July 29, 1896 in the town of Frankfort. He lived in Montana. Irene was born May 6, 1898 in the town of Frankfort. She married Eugene Smith and lived in Wausau. Erick, twin to Irene, died after one day on May 7, 1898. August was born March 31, 1900 in the town of Frankfort. He is still living. Walter was born July 12, 1901 and died September 7, 1901. Arthur was born December 4, 1902 in the town of Frankfort and died October 20, 1981. Frieda was born March 11, 1905 in the town of Frankfort. She married Ed Hoernke in August 1925.

August Giese Jr.

August Giese Jr. was born March 31, 1900. He lived on the home farm most of his life. He purchased the farm from his father about 1920. He was married to Albina Loskot on November 18, 1925. He died March 8, 1978. They had three daughters and one son. La Verna married Carl Blanchard on June 15, 1948. He served in the Air Force during the Korean War. They had two sons, Donald and Steven, and one daughter, Nancy, and lived in Spencer.

Ethel married Eugene Thurs on July 3, 1954. They have two sons, Randal and James, and live in Wausau. Eugene died in May 1980. Ruth married Ervin Zeigel on September 6, 1958. They have two daughters, Lori and Sherrie, and live in Wausau. Leonard, their only son, died at the age of 17 from pneumonia. Albina Giese died September 25, 1976. August sold his farm in 1972 to Elmer Wolff. He kept the house and lived alone for thirteen years. In 1985 he sold it to Greg Mueller and moved to Spencer. Donald Ballerstein purchased the farm in 1979.

Henry Giese

The oldest living son, Henry, attended the one room school located on the SE SE corner in Section 9 until it burned down in 1906. He finished his grade school education in the new school built on the SW SW corner in section 3. He attended religious instructions at St. John's Lutheran Church in the town of Wien. At age 13 he enrolled in seminary college at St. Paul, MN for eight years. He was ordained on February 14, 1915 in his home church in the town of Wien. He retired in 1971 at Lancaster, Ohio. He was married to Doris Gundlach and had three sons and one daughter. He died in March 1979.

Russell Giese Family

Russell and Barbara have two children, Julie and Wayne. They are farmers and have lived in the Town of Frankfort for 36 years.

William M. Giese Family

William and Alvina have lived in the Town of Frankfort all of their lives. They have two children: Ellen Syring, Town of Wein; and Russell, Town of Frankfort.

Bill's parents lived in Frankfort and North Dakota. They came to America from Germany in 1889. Alvina's grandparents lived in Frankfort and Eau Pleine. They came to America from Poland in 1913. The Giese's settled in Frankfort in 1894 from Milwaukee.

Both parents and children finished high school and have some University education.

Family of Dale Gustafson

Dale and Karen have one child, Mitchel. They have been residents of the Town of Frankfort for seven years.

Dale is a farmer and Karen is employed at the Marshfield Clinic.

Family of Franklin Gustafson

Franklin and JanaLee Gustafson, moved to the Town of Frankfort eighteen years ago. They have two children: Dale Gustafson and Denise Boyer. They are self-employed.

John Hamann Family

John and Joyce Hamann have lived in Frankfort for twentytwo years. John served in the army from 1963 to 1965. He is employed by the Marathon County Highway Department. Joyce is employed at Data Flow Corporation in Marshfield.

They have two children - Gayle and Allen. Allen completed school as a diesel mechanic and is employed at Transtar in Waupaca.

Karl Hannemann Family

Karl Hannemann and his wife, both of Wopersnow Pomeran, Germany had five boys: August, Julius, Karl, Gustaf and Ferdinand and one daughter, Bertha. Karl Hannemann Sr. died in Germany but the rest of the family all immigrated to America. Julius, the second oldest, came to the U.S. in 1874 and settled in the town of Wien. He married Johanna Hagen.

In 1876 together with Franz Jahnke, they walked into the Town of Frankfort and both purchased land in Section 2. Julius Hanneman purchased land now owned by Erwin Schoenrock. Franz Jahnke purchased land now owned by Neal Koepke, a fourth generation grandson, which is a 100 century farm.

Julius Hannemann and his wife Johanne had five sons: Richard, Herman, Otto, Henry and Emil. Richard married Miss Burger. They moved to Athens. Herman married Hulda Hoernke. They farmed in Section 11 on the farm last owned by Totzke Bros. They had three boys: Albert, Herman Jr. and Arvin and one daughter Adela. They sold their farm about 1920.

Albert went on to be an agriculture teacher. He married Neria Topp and lives in Wautoma. Herman Jr. never married and lives in Portage. Arvin married Elaine and lives at Wales, WI. Adela married Edward Martin and lives in Milwaukee. Otto (Blatz) was a carpenter and was never married. He lived in Milan. Henry married Mary Komarek and operated a blacksmith and garage in Milan. Emil married Miss Leick from Stratford and farmed on the home place until about 1930 and later moved to Spencer.

Anton Hartl Family History



Anton Hartl Farm



Seated: Anton Hart & Regina Hartl Row 2: Laura Mielke, Luetta Hartl, Helen Brunner, Leta Ebben, Leonard Ebben Back Row: Edward Mielke, Leopold Hartl, Albert Totzke, Agnes Totzke, Verner Brunner, Fred Totzke, Marie Totzke

Anton Hartl was born in Bavaria, Germany May 10, 1884, the son of Andrew and Mary Hartl. He came to the US in 1900 at the age of 16 and several years later purchased 80 acres in the town of Frankfort.

He married Regina Yessa in Stratford on September 27, 1916. She was born on September 7, 1889 in Poland, the daughter of Ludwig Yessa. Came to US in 1914 with her parents and settled in Stratford. They farmed in the town of Frankfort until 1949 when they moved to Edgar.

They had five daughers and one son - Marie, Agnes, Laura, Leta, Helen and Leopold. Marie married Fred Totzke, also of Frankfort and they farmed with his brother Albert on the Ferdinand Totzke home farm.

In 1951 they moved to Madison, South Dakota where they operated a feed mill and a chicken hatchery for twenty three years, returning to town of Frankfort, serving as town treasurer, and are retired. They have no children.

Leopold Hartl

Leopold is a carpenter and lives in Athens. Was married to Luetta McGee, now divorced. They have four children: Floyd, Banetta, Ruth and Judy.

Floyd married Susan and they have four children Chad, David, Mathew and Jill. Banetta married Dan Potts, they live in Florida and have two children Stacy and Andrew. Ruth married Kelley. They have one son and live in Des Moines, Iowa. Judy, married and divorced, lives in Edgar and has two children. Leopold married his second wife, Carol Otto Hoff of Athens.

Family History of Mike Hartl

Mike Hartl was born November 4, 1881 in Bavaria, Germany. He was the son of Andrew and Mary Hartl and came to the U.S. in 1905. At that time he was employed at the Connor Saw Mill. He returned to Germany in 1913 where he married Elizabeth Kauer on July 21, 1914. She was born June 11, 1895 in Bavaria, Germany.

He served in the cavalry with the German Army from 1914 to 1918. He then rented a farm in Germany and in 1920 he went to Brazil and worked in Rio de Janeiro for a year before receiving a passport to the United States.

He came to Stratford in 1921 and bought land in the town of Frankfort from his brother who later returned to Germany. He had two sisters and one brother who stayed in this country.

He built a house and in 1923 his wife and two children joined him. They cleared land and farmed until they sold the farm to their son in 1961.

In 1961 they moved to Wausau and lived at 423 North 6th Avenue. He was custodian at St. Anne's Catholic Church, Wausau, until his retirement in 1969. November 4, 1981 he celebrated his 100th birthday at St. Anne's Church Hall. In 1982 they celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary.

They have six children. Mary, Anna, Magdeline, Delores, Mike Jr. and Elizabeth, known as Betty. Twenty-two grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren.

Mike Hartl died September 5, 1982. Elizabeth still lives in Wausau.

Children of Mike and Elizabeth Hartl

Mary Hartl was born in Bavaria, Germany in 1915 and came to America in 1923. She married Carl Tremel August 5, 1935. They moved to Laona where Carl worked for Connor Lumber Company. They have seven children and ten grandchildren. One of Mary's children, Louis, lives in Tallahasse, Florida and is a computer expert repairman. He served in the Air Force six years and received an award for being the oustanding soldier of the month.

Alice married Paul Aschener. They live in Crandon and have four children. Lynne (22) works for Connor at Laona, Paul Jr. (21) works in Oshkosh. Karen (16) and Susan (13) live at home.

Arnold is married and has two children and works for the Forest Service. He lives in Laona. Their children, Cindy (19) at home, Mike (18) works for P.N.R. part time.

Mike married Bev Brunette and lives in Milwaukee. He works for Henries Foods. He was in the Army for three years and served in Germany for thirty-two months. He received an award for being the outstanding soldier of the month. They have one child, Kelly (4).

Joe is married and lives in Edgar. He is employed by Standard Container of Edgar. They have three children, Mary (18) attending college, Patty (16) and Joey (13) at home.

Carl Jr. lives in Green Bay. He is a regional analyst and was on the Dean's List in college.

Anna Hartl was born July 14, Gatteszell, Germany. She came to the U.S. in 1923. She was educated at the Fairchild School, Town of Frankfort, and St. Joseph's School of Stratford. She married Frances M. Ellenbecker August 28, 1943. They lived at Stratford, Wausau and now Onalaska. She worked as waitress, bartender, manager of St. Anne's hot lunch program and manager of Stratford IGA store. She is now retired, has one child and two grandchildren.

Frances, Jr. born June 1944 attended St. Joseph's grade school, is a graduate of Newman High School, Wausau. He is a graduate of Aviation Training Enterprise. He completed the Commercial and Instrument Pilot Course. He worked eight years for 29 Super Market at Wausau and owned and operated Stratford IGA Supermarket and Locker Plant. He is Vice President of Sentry Aviation Service, Stevens Point. Also Vice President and General Manager of Professional Aviation. LaCrosse. He married Donna Mae Ann Remmel June 27, 1964 at Wausau. They lived in Wausau, Stratford and now Onalaska. Their Children:

Robert was born March 22, 1965 in Wausau. He attended St. Joseph's grade school, Stratford High School and now Onalaska High School. He worked as a stock boy for Stratford IGA and Professional Aviation Service linesman at Onalaska.

Tory, born May 2, 1968, Wausau, attended St. Joseph's grade school at Stratford, Onalaska Middle School and now Onalaska High School.

Magdalene E. Hartl born June 8, 1929 at Stratford married Gordon Goetsch, Wausau. They lived in Wausau six years, then moved to Appleton. From there they moved to Menasha where she now owns and operates a supper club. She had four children.

Kathy Goetsch was born March 1, 1951. She married Thomas Pawlowski and has two children. Angelica Marie born November 1, 1979 and Carrie Ann born January 7, 1982. Kathy lives in Menasha and presently is head chef at her Mom's Supper Club.

Patricia Goetsch born March 3, 1954 lives in Oshkosh and is not married. She is presently bar manager at her Mom's Supper Club.

Christine Goetsch born July 1, 1957 lives in Menasha. She is married to Randy Deshaney and has no children. She is presently head waitress at Mom's Supper Club.

Michael Goetsch born April 12, 1959 was in service four years with the Green Berets. He lives in Neenah and is presently employed by United Roll Company.

Delores Hartl born March 18, 1931, Stratford, attended St. Joseph's School and Stratford High School, graduated in 1949. She married Jack Lois May 24, 1952 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Stratford. They have lived in Stevens Point, LaCrosse,

Green Bay and now at Indianapolis, Indiana since 1973. Works as Sales Associate, Lazarus Department Store, Indianapolis. They have one child.

Cheryl Ann Lois born September 28, 1961, Green Bay is a 1980 graduate of Warren Central High School. She got a music award for oboe, spelling bee champion in Jr. High at Stoney Brook, Indianapolis. Attended college one year and married Brad Allyn Hayes, May 1, 1982, Indianapolis. She is employed at American States Insurance - bond clerk.

Michael J. Hartl was born June 13, 1933 at Stratford. Attended St. Joseph's School, Stratford. He then farmed with his Dad at Route 1, Stratford. In 1960, he married Delores Mueller of Route 1, Edgar. He bought the farm from his parents in July of 1961 and is still farming. They have four children.

Michael Gene Hartl, born September 22, 1960. He attended St. Joseph's grade school, 1980 graduate of Stratford High School and is farming with his Dad.

Cathleen D. Hartl born February 18, 1963 attended St. Joseph's grade school and is a 1981 graduate of Stratford High School. She attended Mid-State Tech at Marshfield. She worked at St. Joseph's Hospital and presently works at the Marshfield Clinic as a medical stenographer.

Pamela Sue Hartl born November 9, 1967 attended St. Joseph's grade school and Stratford High.

Sandra E. Hartl born February 4, 1972 is now attending Stratford High School.

Elizabeth (Betty) Hartl, youngest child of Mike and Elizabeth, born March 15, 1935 attended St. Joseph's grade school and Stratford High School. She married Leon T. Grendzinski of Thorp, November 4, 1953. They presently live in Wausau where she works part time at Bill's Fine Foods. Her husband Leon is Finance Supervisor for Marathon County. They have four children.

Deborah Ann born August 19, 1954 attended St. Anne's, Newman High School and UW-Oshkosh. She is a special education teacher at Tomahawk. She married Jeffery Jones June 12, 1982. They live in Eau Claire where Jeff is pursuing a law degree.

David Gerard was born October 29, 1960, attended St. Anne's school, Wausau West High and is working at Lemke Cheese.

Diane Sue born May 5, 1967 attended St. Anne's school and is now a student at Wausau West High.

Daniel Michael born December 1, 1969, now a student at St. Anne's school.

Family of Ed and Frieda Hoernke

Ed Hoernke was born on February 8, 1901. Frieda Giese was born on March 11, 1905 and married Ed on August 26, 1925.

They had three children. Herb was born on June 26, 1929, Arlene on September 29, 1936 and Ralph on October 30, 1941.

Arlene married Paul Richardson on July 26, 1975. Ralph married Cheryl Dallmann on January 16, 1971 and have one daughter, Lisa, born on June 25, 1971.

Ed died on December 24, 1987 and Frieda on February 5. 1986.

Family of Ernest Hoernke Sr.

Ernest, at the very young age of 19 and his brother Carl, 22, came from Calumet County, Wisconsin in 1878 with a wagon pulled by one horse and one ox to the "wilderness" of the woods. Ernest and Carl each bought adjoining pieces of land from the Wisconsin Valley Railway Company in Section 22. Each bought 80 acres.

Ernest worked at the Sam Cook logging camp near Unity and then cleared his land which was a difficult and tiresome task. He built a log house and married Matilda Furman in 1885. Carl married her sister Amelia.

Ten children were born to this union: Sophie (Seegar), Fredrick, William, Herman, George, Ernest, Bertha (Leffel), Alvin, Emma (Klumb) and Otto. Otto is the only living member at age 81.

Four of the sons Fred, William, Ernest Jr. and Herman became farmers. Each bought parcels of land next to each other and farmed independently. After many long years of farming, Ernest died at the age of 89 in 1949. His wife Matilda died in 1939 after a lingering illness. She was 75 years old.

Ernest Hoernke Family

Ernest Hoernke and his wife Selma (Lueschow) were married May 24, 1921. He brought his bride to his farm which he purchased in 1919. They farmed there sixty years. He had dairy cattle, raised turkeys and also did custom threshing. He milked cows until he was 72, then sold the cows, bought beef cattle and raised them until he was 80.

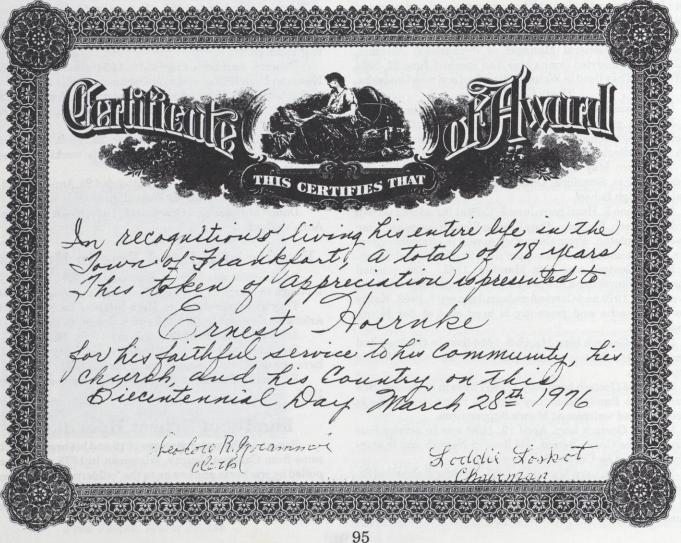
They have three children: George, LaVerne (Mrs. Leonard Bornowski) and Lucille (Mrs. Wm. Heucke).

In 1976 when the Town of Frankfort had their bicentennial celebration, he was given an award for living his entire life there - a total of seventy-eight years and still very active in farming.

He died at the age of 87, April 11, 1985. His wife lives at the Colonial House in Colby. She is 90 years old.



Front Row: Lucille Back Row: Selma, Ernest, George & LaVerne



Harold Hoernke Family

Harold and Elfrieda have lived in the Town of Frankfort for seventy years. They are now retired. Their children are Ginny, Darryl, Cheryl, Kenny and Sandra. Their grandchildren, Nathan and Ashley, live with them part time.

Art and Esther Hoesly

Art and Esther Hoesly came to the town of Frankfort from Council Bluffs, Iowa in 1947. They purchased the Mrs. Henry Dvorak farm in Section 11.

They had two daughters, Jacqueline who married Louis Barbato and live in Town of Frankfort and Arlene who married a Hackbarth and lives in Fort Worth, Texas. They had one son, Donald, who worked on the farm until 1964. He married Eileen Winistorfer of Stratford. They have two girls who are married and one boy who is single. Both Eileen and Donald work at the Edgar High School and live in Edgar.

Esther Hoesly died on March 6, 1989. Art sold the farm and retired. He served as Town of Frankfort clerk from 1965 to 1972. He is 90 years old.

History of the Franz Jahnke Family

Franz Jahnke, a native of Germany migrated to the United States at about the close of the Civil War. On April 6, 1874, having been a resident of the US for five years or more, he exhausted a petition to become a citizen of the United States. Having declared his solemn oath, and made proof thereof by the testimony of Christ Schneider and Gust Schneider, he was admitted by the court to become a citizen of the US.

In compliance with the Homestead Act of 1862 and 1864 he made application to secure a homestead in Section 2 in the Town of Frankfort.

By July 1879 he had already cleared eight acres of land, built a log house 16' x 24' and a log barn 24 x 20 feet. For four seasons he had raised some crops. The total land and building valuation was \$500.00. Land valuation at that time was \$2.50 per acre. Homestead testimony witness given by Fred Hamann and Julius Schumacher. In the year of 1884 he received the final grant by the US unto Franz Jahnke signed by the President Grover Cleveland.

In 1879 Franz Jahnke, my grandfather was thirty five years old, married with five children. The oldest was my father Frank, then came Richard, Amanda, Henry, Martha and Martin. One daughter Amelia, died in a diptheria epidemic at age 14.

Grandma told me how they crossed the Atlantic in a sailship, and how for three months their diet consisted of sauerkraut and potatoes.

During the winter months Grandpa worked in a logging camp or in the flour mill at Marathon City. He would come home on Saturday night walking through the woods and carrying a sack of flour on his back. Then he would walk to work on Sunday or Monday morning. This was a distance of 20 miles. He made the shingles for the house and barn by hand. Water was carried by hand from a spring behind the barn and down the hill, until a well could be dug.

Grandma carried some of her babies in her apron, four miles through the woods to have them baptized. The Indians would ask her for vinegar, what they did with it she did not know. They never caused her any trouble. She was small in stature, but her Christian Faith sustained her through the many trials of pioneer life. In spite of many hardships she never lost her love for beauty. It was displayed in the boxes of flowers she grew along side of the log house.

The door to Grandma's basement was a trap door in the middle of the floor, leading to a hole dug in the ground with access to by ladder. I'll never forget her, she was a dear lady. Grandpa was handy with hammer and saw. He made sturdy cupboards and a chest of drawers. We still use the cupboards in our basement.

My grandfather died at the age of 47, he succumbed to pneumonia. My father Frank who was then 15 years of age, assumed the responsibility of head of the family. At 15 he went to work in a logging camp. There he met and became fast friends with two Indians, Pete White Fish and Sam Sky. He never forgot Pete White Fish and spoke of him many times during his lifetime. One day at a hardware store in Colby, while admiring a rack of guns, he was asked if he wanted one. "No, I can't buy one, I have no money," was his reply. "Take one boy, take one, pay for it when you can," was the storekeepers reply. That fall he sold enough venison to pay for the gun besides putting meat on the table.

At first they had one cow, then gradually a few more were added. Cattle ran at large, for there were no fences. Often it would be dark before they were found. Then dad would head them for home, grab the last cow by the tail and hang on so he wouldn't lose them again.

Sheep were also raised for wool which was spun into yarn to be made into garments. At first, oxen were used to pull stumps and cultivate the land. Stumps were also dynamited and then the back breaking task of grubbing out the roots with a grub hoe. Later horses and horse drawn machinery was bought. My father spent endless hours walking up and down the field, turning the earth with a one bottom plow. The purchase of a grainbinder eliminated the task of tying sheeves of grain by hand, and cutting the grain with a scythe. The ox yoke, the sc;ythe and other things still hang in the shed.

I recall one night it was getting dark and the horses had not come home, I was about five years old. I went with my father to get them, when we heard dogs barking in the woods. He told me later they were wolves.

The purchase of a top buggy allowed one to ride to church or town in luxury, instead of walking or riding in a lumber wagon. So the years went by, more land gave way to tractors and modern machinery and modern buildings. The pioneer era came to a close.

At the death of my Grandfather Franz Jahnke, my grandmother Bertha Jahnke acquired this land. Later my father Frank Jahnke acquired it. At his death my mother Anna Jahnke acquire it. Later I, her daughter Edith Jahnke, became owner. Today my son Neal Koepke is owner of this land that has been in the family for four consecutive generations from 1868 to 1982.

Neal Koepke received the century farm award from the State of Wisconsin in 1980. The farm having been in the Jahnke family for over 100 years.

Franz Jahnke had four boys and three girls. Frank married Anna Surnge. He stayed on the home farm. They had two daughters, Edith born in 1909 and married Alvin Koepke in 1936, Hilda born in 1920 and married to Richard Fliehs. Martin married Mary Bargender. They had two boys, Norbert and Daniel and one daughter, Amelia, who married Arthur Voigt.

Charles Jantsch

Charles Jantsch has lived in the Town of Frankfort for forty years. He is employed on the family farm.

Family of

Leonard and Elvera Jantsch

Leonard and Elvera Jantsch have been residents of the Town of Frankfort for forty years. They have two sons John and Charles.

Leonard served in the Navy for two years during World War II. He is a farmer and Elvera is a retired teacher. She taught for thirty years. Leonard received the 1982 Conservationist of the Year award for conservation work on his farm. He has served as a supervisor for the township since 1980.

John is attending UW-Stevens Point.

Family of Melvin and Mayme Kilty

Melvin and Mayme Kilty have two children Merlin and Miriam (Johnson). (Melvin Kilty died in 1979.) They were residents of the Town of Frankfort from 1916 to 1976. Mayme is employed at the Abby Cafe.

Mayme's parents, William and Mary Bandow, came from Germany before 1900. They lived in the Town of Frankfort from 1916 on. William died in 1929 and Mary in 1949.

Merlin Kilty Family

Merlin Kilty was married to Donna Treankler in 1954. They have one daughter Deborah who lives in Marshfield and three sons, Mike, Pat who farms in Section 17, and Mark.

Merlin and Donna worked for Melvin and Mayme for 16 years before buying the farm in 1972. Merlin then expanded his operation to 600 acres and a large dairy herd. In 1985 fire destroyed his barn and he sold his dairy herd. He now does cash crop farming. Merlin now works for McMillan Fire Insurance as an insurance adjustor. His wife works at Berliner-Marx plant.

Family of Leopold A. Kunkel

Leopold and Mae Kunkel have been township residents for thirty-five years. Leopold served in the Army Signal Corps from August 1951 to August 1953.

Their children are Kent who is a NCTI graduate in Printing, Keith who is a University of Wisconsin graduate in Architecture and Kevin an NCTI graduate in Residential Design. Keith has been in the National Guards for fifteen years and holds the rank of Captain.

Family of Darrel and Cheryl Leffel

Darrel and Cheryl are farmers and have been residents of the Town of Frankfort most of their lives. Darrel was in the U.S. Army for three years.

Their children are Russell, Cindy, Darnell, David, Darin, Wendy Taylor and Pamela Ludwig.

The Delmar Leffel Family

Delmar Leffel, Sr. and his wife Orleata are retired farmers. He was a resident of Town of Frankfort for 65 years and Orleata for 43 years.

They have four children: Cheryl of Stratford, Dennis of Milton, Delmar, Jr. of Edgar and Roxanne Karlen of Mosinee. Delmar's parents, Clara and William, were farmers in the Town of Frankfort. They are both deceased.

The Henry Leffel Family

Henry and Mary Ann Leffel have been residents of the township for twenty-six years. Henry is retired and Mary Ann is employed at Land O'Lakes Cheese Division in Spencer.

Their children are Marg Stibbe, Shirley Leffel, Kathleen Bohman, Carol Dahlke, Joe Stibbe, Alice Buchholz, Arlene Beaudoin, LaVern Leffel.

Family of Edmund Lehman

Edmund and Rose Lehman have been town residents for twenty seven years and are now retired. Their children are Shirley Rodman, Edward Lehman, Gary Lehman and Diann Apfelbeck.

Loddie and Dorothy Loskot



Dorothy & Lottie Loskot

I married Dorothy Erickson of Route 2, Athens, on October 24, 1933. I lived at Route 1, Edgar and was trucking cheese and eggs to Chicago at this time. Dorothy was doing housework in Chicago.

We continued to truck eggs until 1937 when we purchased a farm in the Town of Frankfort. We received a loan of \$2000 to buy 12 cows and a team of horses. Machinery had to be borrowed.

This was still in the depression days of the 1930's. Milk sold for less than \$1.00 per cwt. lbs. and cows were milked by hand. The first five years were rough going. To help bring more income in, we quit the egg business and we started buying calves for the Edgar Packing Plant for ten years. Dorothy trucked calves for me for about five years when she then started teaching school.

In 1941 when World War II broke out, it lasted about five years and things started improving.

We started promoting cheese and dairy products through 4-H work. We painted cheese promotion signs for the 4-H clubs and other business places. In 1963, we purchased a half ton pickup truck and had it painted on all four sides with cheese promotion signs. We entered every parade, meeting and where ever people congregated.

In 1964 we drove to the New York World's Fair and delivered literature and Colby cheese furnished by the Colby Lion's Club of which I was a member at the time. The cheese was delivered to the Wisconsin Dairy Pavilion at the fair. This pavilion was later purchased and moved to Neillsville by Howie Sturtz who was manager of WCCN Radio Station, which was then used as the broadcasting station and a dairy promotion stand. In 1967, we drove to Montreal, Canada promoting cheese at the World Expo and in Canada. In 1982 we drove to Knoxville, Tennessee for the World's Fair again promoting cheese.

In 1971 we attended the International Lions Club in Las Vegas, Nevada where we entered their parade.

In 1975 we attended the National Homemaker's Club in Orlando, Florida.

In 1980 we attended another International Lion's Club Convention in Chicago where we were also entered in their parade which lasted about four hours. The full length of the parade ran all the way up Michigan Avenue in Chicago and was viewed by roughly over a million people. Locally and statewide, we were entered in over 100 parades to promote Wisconsin cheese. We used up four trucks and made over a half million miles during our promotion. We would change the signs on the truck every few years so the messages wouldn't get stale. We traveled in most of the United States from Washington to Florida and from New York to Los Angeles and traveled in some states several times.

The amount of promotional traveling for that many miles and viewed by that many people would cost a small fortune if paid for at commercial rates.

Our philosophy has been to be able to help the less fortunate achieve a better way of life. We're happy to contribute to our family farmers. We never accepted any contributions for our time, efforts and expenses.

Dorothy taught school for 30 years. She was a 4-H leader for 30 years. She gave a scholarship of \$150 a year to some deserving academic graduating in that district. She also contributed \$1,000 to the Athens Public Library.

She started the first Homemaker's club within the Township of Frankfort in 1940 and was a charter member until her death in 1990. Besides raising a garden for 50 years, she did her own canning, her own housework, helping on the farm and doing the farm chores which included milking by hand. With all of her handicaps and misfortunes that she had to contend with, she accomplished more than most people could ever expect to do.

I have served on the local school board for 20 years, and 20 years on the Township Board as Chairman and three years as Supervisor. I have served on the County Board for 20 years and 13 years on the Agricultural Committee. I also have served 30 years as a 4-H leader and seven years as Production and Marketing Township Chairman.

I have been a member of the Marathon County Farm Bureau for 40 years, seven years as County President, six years as State Director and two years as the Director of the Clearing, a school for nature teaching.

I have attended eight American Farm Bureau Conventions and many state meetings. I started the County Farm Bureau June Dairy Education and promotion banquets, which are still held every year. I started the Local Farm Bureau Education monthly meetings which are still being held. I started the June Dairy banquets for the Athens Lion's Club which have been held for 21 years.

We built a dairy food stand in 1954 for the Farm Bureau to use at the Wisconsin Valley Fair. With the help of Farm Bureau members, they set the stand up and took it down with Dorothy's and my help. We supervised it for 25 years helping to serve dairy foods and scooping up thousands of ice cream cones for six days every year during the fair. Farm Bureau now has built a stand on wheels. These two stands have stood on the same spot for 35 years.

Between Dorothy and I, we have contributed over 100 years of public service.

We have been recognized by many organizations and groups. Some of them are: Loddie has been presented with the Melvin Jones Fellowshhip Award, of the man who started the Lion's Club in the United States in 1917. This is the highest award that an individual Lions Club member can receive.

The State of Wisconsin Service Award to Dorothy for 30 years of devoted service and personal contributions towards the education of Wisconsin youth, signed by Patrick Lucy, Governor of Wisconsin and Barbara Thompson, State Superintendent of Schools in 1974.

The Outstanding Elementary Teacher of America Award to Dorothy in contribution to the advancement of elementary education and service to the community signed by V. Gilbert Beers - PH Director.

We both received a certificate of appreciation for 25 years of loyal membership in the Consolidated Badger Cooperative.

We also received the McAleavy Leadership Award for 25 years of dedicated service to the 4-H club program in October of 1984.

Also the Outstanding Farm Family Award in contribution to the quality of life in Wisconsin presented by WAXX Radio Station in Green Bay.

We received the Golden Cup Award of Excellence for increased dairy production, a valuable contribution to our county in 1942. It was signed by Governor Goodland and County Agent William Rogan.

Received the Citizen Award from the Athens Lions Club in 1982 for outstanding service to the Athens community.

We were recognized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Cooperatives and Cooperatives Service for promoting dairy products nationwide, 1983.

In 1975 we were recognized by the UW-Extension of Madison for services to the County Extension Program.

Recognized for serving on the Alice in Dairyland program held in Marathon County in 1977.

Vadslav and Mary Loskot

Immigrated to America from Praha, Bohemia, Europe in 1884. They settled in Chicago, living there for six years.

In 1899 they moved to the Town of Frankfort and purchased 160 acres of land in Section 12. They had three sons, Joseph, Frank and Emil.

Joseph married Agnes Travnick. They had three daughters and two sons. Two other children died in infancy. Their children were Mary, Ludmilla, Albina, Joseph Jr., and Adolph. Albina and Adolph were twins.

Mary married Edward Werner of the Town of Wien. They had one son, Orville, and two daughters, Joyce and Janice. They were twins but not identical. Orville married Charlotte Menchow. Joyce married George Hein and Janice married Herman Isbernner.

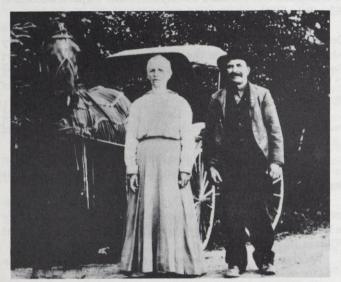
Ludmilla married Carl Luedtke of the Town of Wien. They had six daughters: Dorothy, Marcella, Janet, Irene, Audrey and Carol.

Dorothy married Edward Thomas and they lived at Dennison, MN. Marcella, a teacher, married Gerald Williams and lived in Anchorage, Alaska. Janet never married. Irene, a teacher, married Marvin Johnson, also a teacher. Audrey, a teacher, married Kenneth Honden and Carol, a teacher, married Jim Miersch.

Albina married August Giese. They had three daughters, LaVerna, Ethel and Ruth, and one son, Leonard. LaVerna married Carl Blanchard, Ethel married Eugene Thurs and Ruth married Ervin Zegiel. Leonard died at the age of 16 from pneumonia.

Joseph Jr. moved to California in 1922 and married Eleanore Johnson. They had two daughters, Evelyn and Eleanore, and one son, Edward, all living in California.

Adolph took over the home farm. He was never married and died at the age of 28 from a hernia operation.



Mr. & Mrs. Frank Loskot Sr.

Frank, the second son, married Mary Kovarik in Chicago. They had three sons, Frank Jr., Loddie and Kamil. Frank Jr., died at the age of fifty from tuberculosis and was never married. Loddie married Dorothy Erickson of the Town of Johnson. She was a teacher. They had one son, Harold, and one daughter, Donna.

Harold married Carolyn Buck of Wausau. He is a fireman in Wausau. They have one son, Loddie Lee, and three daughters, Karen, Carmen and Cheryl.

Donna married Dale Hanson of Exeland, WI and they live in Stevens Point where he is employed with the Public Service Corporation. Both Donna and Dale are graduates of the UW-Madison. They have two sons, Kieth and Christopher, and one daughter, Nora.

Kamil inherited the home farm and married Delores Tuskowski of Schofield. They have no children. Kamil died at the age of 70.

Emil, the third son, married Frances Kasper in Chicago. They have three sons, James, Emil Jr., and Jerry. James married Mary Palzewicz of Stephenson, MI and had six sons and one daughter. They were William, Joh, James, Emil, Bernard, Rodney and Dorothy. She married Rudolph Kruhmin of Stephenson, MI.

Emil Jr. married Mary Rychtek of the Town of Johnson. They had one son and two daughters, Emil the third, Marlene and Delores. They lived at Phillips for several years and in the Town of Hull, moving to Arizona and then Salt Lake City, Utah.

Jerry married Pauline Meyer of Mosinee. They had two sons, Edward and Jerald, and two daughers, Elaine and Diane. They lived in Wausau, Waukesha and Phillips.

Emil Loskot Sr., died at the age of 30 and his wife remarried to John Hrobsky, and they had three daughters, Emma, Betty and Agnes, and two sons, John Jr. and Edward.

Emma married John Hronek of Mosinee and was divorced and then married Louis Dvorak. Betty married James Komarek and Agnes married Arnold Zettler. John Jr., married Irene Zettler and Edward married Joyce of California. John Jr., is divorced and lives in Phillips, and Arnold and Agnes live in Point Arena, California. Arnold Zettler died in 1988.

Robert & Denise Martyn

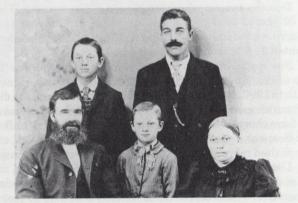
Robert Martyn has lived in Frankfort for twenty three years and his wife Denise for two years.

Robert is a dairy farmer. His ancestors are from Holland and Germany. Denise is employed at Marathon Cheese. Her ancestors are from Bohemia, Czcechoslavakia, Germany and Poland.

Family of William and Judith Martyn

William and Judith Martyn have been residents of the township for 57 years. Their children are Perry, Robert, Randy and William. William served in the Army and is self-employed. His ancestors are from Germany and Holland. They settled first in Minnesota and then Sheboygan, WI.

History of Pastor Sebastian Martyn



Circa 1900: Peter Martyn Sr., Sebastian & Susan Standing: Peter Jr. & Isaac

My parents were Peter and Susanna Martyn, who were born in Holland during the middle of the last century. My mother's maiden name was Christiansen. My parents were married in Holland on June 20, 1878. Shortly thereafter they emigrated to Wisconsin and lived in the Sheboygan and Cedar Grove communities for several years. My oldest brother Isaac and sister Susan were born there.

During the middle eighties they purchased an 80 acre farm about eight miles west of Edgar. My brother Peter and I were born there in the old log house which remained the abode for the Martyn family until about 1917 when a new house was built. These were difficult years for the early settlers, work from dawn to dark and the income was minimal. There were buildings to be erected, land to be cleared, stock, machinery and work tools to be purchased. The main source of cash income consisted of what could be earned by labor in the saw mills or by hauling the lumber from the saw mill to Colby; a distance of about 12 miles with team and oxen. It must have been a "red letter day" in the life of my parents when a team of horses replaced the slow moving and often stubborn oxen. I came along in June of

1896, the youngest member of the family. At this time things were somewhat better established and the farm could be considered a going concern. I started going to grade school in about 1902. This was in the little red school house one mile west from our home. One night it burned to the ground, so there was a short vacation. In short order, a fair sized woodshed was built a mile north of the old site, which served some 40 boys and girls as a temporary place of instruction - until the new school was completed. We lived two miles from the new school site which meant additional walking for the youngsters in our area. I shall always treasure these early school days. We had good teachers. All grades were taught by one teacher. They built the fires before school and cleaned up after the teaching periods. School started at 9:00 AM and closed at 4:00 PM. There were no disciplinary problems to speak of. In those days when the teacher resorted to some type of punishment, usually additional punishment was administered at home.

After having completed the eighth grade, I went to confirmation school in the Town of Wien at the St. John Lutheran Church. This meant a four mile walk each way, from Monday through Thursday, from September till about Easter. Was confirmed on March 10, 1910 by Pastor Karl Schmaltz. Peace congregation in Town of Frankfort was not organized at that time but was established in 1919. Our family transferred from St. John to Peace Church in Town of Frankfort the same year.

In September 1910, I became a student at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN. This institution was an Academy of four years, a two year College and offered a Seminary course of three years. It was not easy for a lad of fourteen to leave home and family. However, a former grade school mate, Henry Giese, had been attending Luther Seminary for two years. A confirmation class mate, Arthur Borchardt from Town Wien also decided to attend the school in St. Paul. So our friend Henry accompanied us on our journey to St. Paul and helped us get established in our new environment.

I graduated from the Academy in 1914, from College in 1916, and completed my Seminary training in 1919. After graduation I was ordained in St. John Lutheran Church in April 1919.

Miss Lillie Kitzmann and I were married in St. Paul, May 15, 1919. We were able to celebrate our Golden Wedding in 1969. Lillie departed this life for her heavenly home two years ago, after an illness of some three months. We shared our joys and sorrows together and thank God for standing by and overshadowing us with His many blessings.

My first pastorate was in Fox Valley, Saskatchewan, where we stayed three years, Then to Brandon, Manitoba for six years. Then back to the United States to Galatia, Kansas for six years. From Galatia, Kansas, to Englewood, Colorado for fourteen years. We were in Walla Walla, Washington for over eight years and then moved to Newberg, Oregon for six years, completing a ministry of forty-three years.

After ending our ministry we moved to Woodburn, Oregon. During these fourteen years of retirement, have served as an interim and visitation pastor and still preach occasionally as the opportunities present themselves.

Pastor Sebastian Martyn died May 17, 1980.

Ronald and Paulette Meyer

Ronald is a dairy farmer and Paulette is a registered nurse. They have lived in the Town of Frankfort for twelve and one-half years. Ronald served in the Air Force from 1958-1962. Their children are Mark, John, Bridget, Edward and Marilynn.

John has a BS in Math and Computer Science and is a nuclear engineer in the Navy. Bridget also has a BS in Math and C.S. She won many ribbons and plaques in track and cross country running. Marilynn also had many trophies and medals in cross country and track. She received a scholarship from Security State Bank at graduation. She received a tuition scholarship to UW Parkside for cross country running. Mark is in his fourth year at UW-Madison in Electrical Engineering and Marilynn is in third year of Business Management.

The Mielke Family

Ludwig Mielke was born in the Poland area. He married Anna Drachenberg there. Anna was also born in the Germany-Poland area.

Together they came to the USA with their family of five children to Baltimore in the year 1912. They then immigrated to the town of Wien. Theresa, Otto, Hulda, Ida and Leopold Mielke were the ones born abroad. They had four more children born to them in the town of Wien. They were Carl, Anna, Hugo and Edward Mielke. In the year 1921 Ludwig contracted a terminal illness and died December 20, 1921 in the town of Wien. His wife and children bought a farm in the town of Frankfort in 1925. Purchasing the farm from Florian Haas consisting of 80 acres and some farm buildings.

The widow, Anna Mielke, married Edward Witzke (a bachelor) in Chicago. Edward Witzke was born in Germany January 16, 1896. He immigrated to the USA. He settled in Chicago and then in South Dakota. He later settled in the town of McMillan. After he married Anna Mielke, he lived with her in the town of Frankfort. Their farm consisted of 320 acres.

The oldest child, Theresa, married August Kunkel. They resided in the town of McMillan. Their children are Ernest, Edward, Leopold, Donald, Marjorie, and Hildegard Kunkel.

The second child, Otto, married Anna Potz July 6, 1929. They armed in the town of Frankfort until his retirement. Anna passed away in 1967. Their children are Alvina, Anita, Evelyn, and Albert Mielke. Otto married Lauretta Zettler and lives now in Colby.

The third child, Hulda, married William Wolff in Chiago on July 19, 1928. They farmed in the town of Frankfort. Their children are Elmer, Albert, Alice and Marjorie Wolff.

The fourth child, Ida, married Edwin Nichols. They farmed in Engadine, Michigan. Their children are Eileen, Betty, Nancy and Joyce Nichols. Edwin died August 23, 1983. Ida suffered a stroke October 1988 and is now in a nursing home in Michigan.

The fifth child, Leopold, died in a hunting accident at age 19.

The sixth child, Carl, never married and farmed in the town of Frankfort until 60. He suffered a stroke in January 1987 and is now in the Marshfield Living Center.

The seventh child, Anna, married Elmer Bessler and resided in Engadine, Michigan many years. They have one daughter, Diana Bessler. After Michigan, they bought a farm in the town of Hull before retiring to Abbotsford.

The eighth child, Hugo, married Mable Schultz in 1955. Mable died September 1959 in an auto accident. Together they had two boys named Richard and Daniel Mielke. Ten years later Hugo married Mrs. Jeanne Viergutz, a widow with five children. Hugo farmed in the town of Frankfort all his life where he is still living. His sons also reside there.

The ninth child, Edward, married the former Laura Hartl on May 25, 1946. Laura was a school teacher from 1941 to 1946 and taught at both the Smith School and Rusk School. Their children are Edward Jr. and Delores Mielke. Edward and Laura farmed in the town of Frankfort until 1981. Edward Jr. is farming with his registered holstein herd in Fenwood on a smaller farm.

The George Mueller Family

George Mueller was born at Brookfield, Wisconsin on November 12, 1870. At the age of ten he came with his parents to the town of Wien. They were Carl and Marie (Brier) Mueller and immigrants of Germany. There were eight boys and three girls in the family: Charley, Frank, George, August, Albert, William, John, Henry, Karoline (Mueller) Lueschow, Mary (Mueller) Eggebrecht and Lena (Mueller) Erdman.

George Mueller married Anna Marie Seeger on June 1, 1904. They lived in Fenwood before moving to the Town of Frankfort in 1909 where they farmed. They had 13 children.

Hilda was born April 14, 1905. She married John Meyer on April 16, 1927. Oscar was born July 3, 1906. He married Mildred Schultz on September 14, 1927. Alvin was born August 8, 1907. He married Ruby Gammon on June 19, 1949. Alfred was born on May 7, 1910. He died on July 20, 1910. Clarence was born on November 14, 1911. He married Caroline Christiansen on November 19, 1932. Leona was born on December 6, 1914. She married Fred Schroeder on June 7, 1933. Dorothy was born on November 30, 1916. She married Fred Nienow on October 30, 1935. Arnold was born on November 30, 1916. He married Leona Perry June 27, 1937. Esther was born on July 8, 1918. She married Edwin Weideman on October 16, 1937. Minnie was born on August 24, 1920. She married Arnold Barker on June 8, 1940. Orville was born on June 20, 1923. Elsie was born on May 30, 1927. She married Ralph Woik on June 14, 1947. Elnora was born on May 30, 1927. She died on June 16, 1927.

George and his wife moved from the Town of Frankfort to the Town of Halsey before moving to Abbotsford. All of the children went to school in Frankfort to the Franklin School. Oscar was a cheesemaker, Alvin a silo builder, Clarence worked in the feed mill, Arnold was a farmer and Orville worked in construction. Arnold also served in the service from 1941-1945 and received the Purple Heart.

Fred Nienow Family

Grandmother Nienow was of German descent born in the U.S. My Dad came to the town of Frankfort in 1892 with his mother and brother Carl Wenzel. Arthur Wendtland and Emma Barthels were born in the town of Frankfort. She married Nathaniel Wendtland when they moved to Frankfort. My dad bought the farm before he was married. He didn't live on it until he was married on June 16, 1908. There were two children, Fred and Herb.

My mother was born in Germany and came to this country in 1895 with her father, brothers and sisters. They settled in Lake Mills, WI and she came and lived with her brother Carl Bielke and married Fred Nienow in 1908. There were Herman, Richard, Carl, William and Albert Bielke and two sisters, Anna and Lena. Her mother died in Germany.

Johanna (Nienow) Wendtland was born March 5, 1859.

Nathaniel Wendtland born 1845.

Fred Nienow born December 9,, 1880.

Mary (Bielke) Nienow born October 7, 1882.

Fred Nienow Jr. born November 17, 1909, married Dorothy Mueller October 30, 1935.

Herbert Nienow born February 26, 1913 married Julia Gerke July 23, 1938.

Children of Fred and Dorothy Nienow: Donna Nienow was born in the town of Frankfort and educated at Stratford High School. She was salutatorian of the Class of 1957, went to college for two years at Wisconsin Rapids and taught school for one year at Sherwood. She was married June 4, 1960 to Gerald Klessig and moved to Iowa, Minnesota, Chicago, Madison and now lives at Lake Mills, Wi. Gerry works for Northwestern Railroad. Allen Nienow was born in the town of Eau Pleine where we lived. He got his education in Stratford schools and farmed. He now lives in Janesville, WI and is a foreman for a fiber glass plant. He married Betty Ann Kasper on April 4, 1964.

Gary Nienow Family

Gary and Audrey Nienow have lived in the Town of Frankfort for fifty-one years. Their children are Rick, Ronald, Jacklyn Asplund and Kim. Gary is employed by Duane Vetter at Hamburg and Audrey is employed at Wausau Insurance Company.

The Arthur Neitzel Family

Arthur Neitzel married Augusta Totzke in 1890 in West Przen, Germany. They came to America in 1892. They lived in Chicago for about two years before moving to the Town of Frankfort in 1894. They purchased 80 acres in Section 11 of land later owned by Matt Dvorak and Arthur Holsly. Around 1899 he purchased 80 acres on the SE-SE corner in Section 11. They lived there until about 1905, then sold this 80 acres to his brother-in-law Ferdiand Totzke. He then purchased 80 acres on the NE-NE corner in Section 11 which was owned by the Schooley family. They lived there until abut 1906 when they sold this farm to Herman Hanneman.

The Neitzel family then decided to visit their homeland in Germany for several months, returning to Wausau again the same year. They lived in Wausau for about two years and then purchased 80 acres on the SW-SW corner on Section 1, living there until about 1920. Then they sold their farm to their son Fred and bought another farm in the Town of Wein.

The Arthur Neitzels had four sons. Herman born in Chicago in 1893. He married Alma Lallanthin of Edgar; they had no children. Herman died in 1964.

Fred was born in Frankfort in 1895. He married Esther Krueger of the Town of Easton in 1921. They had one son, Elmer born in 1923 and he died six months later from small pox. They also had three daughters Myrtle, Ruth and Carol.

Myrtle Neitzel was born in 1910 in Frankfort and married Lucy Horacek in 1932. They have one daughter Priscilla. She was a school teacher and now lives in Stevens Point. Otto and Lucy farmed in the Town of Wien.

Father George Passehl

George Passehl was born Oct. 27, 1918 in the Town of Frankfort to Karl and Margaret Passehl. His mother was born in the Town of Frankfort in 1895 to Leo and Katherine (Pecher) Burger. She went eight years to the Edgar Public School. His father, Karl (Charlie) Passehl was born in Chilton, Wisconsin in the year 1885 to Fred and Bertha (Lau) Passehl. When Karl was 12 years old, the family moved to the Town of Frankfort to the farm where Charlotte Borchardt now lives. Karl and Margaret were married June 16, 1913. A daughter, Loretta, was born in December of 1915, and a son, Joe, was born in July of 1917 before their son, George, was born. The family moved to the Town of Johnson when George was six years old. He attended rural elementary school and Athens High School.

He began a teaching career after obtaining his teaching certificate from Marathon County Normal School. He received a bachelor's degree from Central State College, Stevens Point, and a master's degree from George Peabody College for Teachers. He also did graduate work at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Minnisota.

He then began study for the priesthood and was ordained for the Diocese of La Crosse on May 18, 1957. His first assignment was as assistant to the Rev. LaVern Timmerman, pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Marshfield. After serving at many parishes in Wisconsin, he returned to Marshfield in 1970 when he was appointed to the pastoral team at St. John's Catholic Church. After 12 years at St. John's, he became pastor of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, in Auburndale.

He was an honnorary life member of the Knights of Columbus and head of the Marshfield Area Clergy Association. Father Passehl died in 1989.

Family of Rodney K. and Mary Jean Passehl

Rodney Passehl has lived in Frankfort all of his life and Mary Jean for thirteen years. Their children are Kelly, Tracy and Ryan.

They are self-employed in dairy farming. Rodney graduated from UW-River Falls in 1975 and taught Vo-Ag at Marshfield Senior High and Pittsville High. They started farming on the Passehl home farm March 1, 1977 and have received many outstanding farmer awards, also dairy production awards. Mary Jean is a CCD teacher at St. John's Catholic Church in Edgar. We paint dairy signs as a hobby and in September 1989 filmed a documentary about the signs. The film has been aired nationwide on MTV.

Kelly and Tracy are members of the Frankfort Friends 4-H Club. Kelly is the current secretary.

Great Grand Parents of Rodney Passehl

Fred Passehl, Sr. married Bertha (Lau) Passehl on September 22, 1883

Fred was born June 11, 1863. Died November 14, 1938 Bertha was born July 26, 1863. Died July 5, 1928

Fred was born Calumet Co., New Holstein, WI

Berthat was born Town of Easton, Manitowoc County Grandparents:

Ernest Henrich Passehl married Louise Minna Leffel November 10, 1910

Ernest was born April 6, 1889 Died January 14, 1974 Louise was born February 9, 1892 Died January 19, 1983 Children:

Bertha Emilie (Passehl) Weyneth. Born May 9, 1911, married Ernest F. Weyneth on September 12, 1932. Ernest born April 2, 1932, died 1985.

Ernest Fredrick Passehl. Born September 24, 1913, Died August 31, 1980. Married June Bernice (Tessmer) on December 30, 1936.

Herbert Wilhelm Passehl. Born May 11, 1919. Married Caroline Hertha (Lueschow) on December 6, 1941. Caroline born May 15, 1923.

Alvin Ernest Passehl. Born June 30, 1912. Died July 1, 1912.

Irene Vilet. Born February 24, 1923, died February 8, 1924. Laurene Ester Passehl. Born July 8, 1926. Married George

Tom Writz July 26, 1947. George was born April 11, 1924. Children of Herbert and Caroline Passehl:

Barbara Carol. Born November 13, 1942. Married Gary

Allen Christiansen on October 14, 1961. Gary was born June 13, 1942.

Children: Robyn Allen Christiansen married Lynn Ann (Ferg) April 15, 1989. Robyn born January 8, 1963.

Scott Allen Christiansen married Lisa Ann (Harter) September 2, 1989

Scott born March 19, 1964. Lisa born June 24, 1967.

Ardell Herbert Passehl graduated Edgar High School. Married Donnene Mae (Mole) on June 14, 1969. Ardell born July 16, 1947. Donnene born November 22, 1946. Children are Todd Dennis born August 22, 1973 and Cory Scott born November 6, 1975.

Rodney Kenneth Passehl married Mary Jean (Wenzel) on May 24, 1975. He is a graduate of Edgar High School. Rodney was born September 6, 1953, Mary Jean was born January 23, 1953. Their children are Kelly Jean (October 18, 1977), Tracy Ann (September 25, 1979) and Ryan Rodney (April 18, 1984).

Herbert and Caroline Passehl farmed on the Ernest Passehl farm as turkey and dairy farmers. Later moved to the farm where Rodney Passehl lives now.

Ernest Passehl came with his parents Fred Passehls and settled on the Herman Hoernke farm from Chilton, WI. Fred Passehl came to America from Germany to the Town of Frankfort in 1900 or 1902.

Rodney Passehl graduated from River Falls as Ag teacher and taught in Pittsville and Marshfield High School. Now dairy farmer in town of Frankfort.

Ardell Passehl graduated from River Falls as Ag teacher. Taught in Prairie du Sac, living there also.

Ernest Passehl built barn (stone) walls in early years of life. Rodney and Mary Jean Passehl live in town of Frankfort on Highway 97, Edgar.

Jack C. Pelkey Family

Jack and Bertha Pelkey have been residents of the Town of Frankfort for ten years. Their son, William and his wife, Jill Colloton, reside with them.

Jack served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 31/2 years during World War II. He is presently retired. William is a Dairy Science graduate of Michigan State University at Lansing, MI and is a farmer. Jill is a DVM graduate from the University of Illinois and is employed at the Athens Veterinary Clinic.

History of Arthur E. and Ellen Remus Family

Arthur E. Remus was born in the Town of Frankfort. Arthur E. and Ellen had four children: Arthur R., Scott, Myrtle and Susan Yessa. They are engaged in farming. The parents and grandparents lived in the township and came from Germany to Wisconsin. The farm was all brush and trees and had to be cleared to build a house. Albert Remus purchased a farm in Section 4 in 1901 for \$500.00 (80 acres).

Susan attended NCTI and is a medical secretary.

History of Daniel Remus Family

Daniel Remus was born in 1837 and Caroline Raatz in 1838, both in Germany where they were later married. Daniel was employed as an unlicensed veterinarian for a large land owner in Germany.

In the 1860's, he was drafted into the German army. When he returned home after the war, most of his children had died of some sickness. He then worked and saved up enough money to bring his family to the United States and settled in Manistee, MI in the late 1870's. While living in Michigan, some more of the children died of small pox.

In the 1880's, they moved to the Town of Frankfort and settled in Section 11. There again, one of the daughters, age 16, died of typhoid fever and another son died in Kansas while Daniel was visiting his brother's family. OUt of a family of 13 children, only two of the youngest lived to become adutls. One daughter, Ottille, married Henry Borchardt of the town of Wien and the youngest son, Otto, was born in Manistee, MI in 1882.

Otto Remus and his sister, Ottille, attended school in District 1 which was then located on the SE-SE corner in Section 11, one-half mile south of the Daniel Remus farm. Teachers only taught school until the fifth grade in those days.

Otto Remus married Augusta Zuehlke of Stratford and took over the home farm after Daniel Remus died in 1917.

Otto took up his father's trade doing veterinary work for local farmers. He served as secretary of the Diamond Cheese Factory for several years. He also served as school clerk of the Smith School, District No. 1, for three years and was Town Assessor for twenty years. Otto died in 1951 at the age of 69. His wife died in 1981 at the age of 92.

They had two daughters, Olga and Dorothy, and two sons, Walter and Herman. Dorothy married Gust Hager and lived in Section 14. They had no children. Olga married Herbert Klimpke and they live in Stevens Point and have three boys and two girls. Olga is a graduate of Stevens Point College as a teacher.

Herman married Lillian Schmal of Fenwood. They had one son and two daughters. Walter married Esther Denzin of Dorchester. They had six daughters and one son. Carol, Connie, Marie, Elaine, Jeanette, Sandy and Donald.

Walter took over the homestead farm in Section 11 in 1951 and farmed there until 1958 when a tornado destroyed the barn. They then purchased the Joe Loskot farm in Section 12 and farmed there until 1961. He served as Frankfort Town Assessor for five years and served as School Director for six years.

In 1966 they moved to Wausau where he became affiliated with the Laird Appraisal Company of Wausau, and did assessing and appraisal work for them. In 1971, when he was working in Ritzville, Washington, he had a heart attack and died in February 1971.

Daniel's two brothers also immigrated to the United States in the 1880's. The older brother, Carl, settled in Johnstown, Pennsylvania, where his whole family were drowned in one of the floods in the 1880's which they had periodically in Johnstown.

Daniel's younger brother, Albert, settled in Kansas in 1883. He married Marie Rickert. She was also born in Meckeline, Germany in 1859. Marie Rickert was first married to Henry Rodenbeck, and they had three children by this marriage: Henry, William and Ella. After Henry Rodenbeck died, she then married Albert Remus. They moved to the Town of Frankfort in 1900 and lived in a log cabin for a short time in Section 10 across the road from what is now the Art Giese farm until they could build a house on their own 80 acres in Section 4.

The Albert Remus family had seven boys: John, Herman, Charles, Albert, Richard, Samuel and Walter. Herman, Albert and Walter died in infancy. There was one daughter, Louise.

Louise moved to Kansas and married Otto Willert. They had three daughters and two sons.

John married Anna Guse. They had six daughers and one son. They lived in Section 15 and later moved to Clintonville, WI. Samuel married Erna Weinke and they had two daughters and three sons and they lived in Section 35 in the Town of Johnson.

Charles Remus married Ella Lehman and they had three daughters and three sons. They lived in Section 4 for several years and later moved to the Athens area.

Richard married Caroline Bothe of the town of Johnson. They had three daughters: Myrtle, Augusta and Alice. They also had two sons: Albert and Arthur.

Myrtle never married and lives at home. Augusta married Harold Solchenberger of the town of Johnson and lives in Germantown. They have three boys and two girls.

Albert married Victoria Wiederhoeft of the Town of Frankfort. They farmed in Frankfort for fifteen years, then moved to another farm in the town of Halsey. They had three boys, Robert, Gary and Eldon, and one daughter, Marilyn. Albert died in 1971.

Arthur married Ellen Slick of Unity and they have on daughter Susan - married Ervin Yessa - and two sons, Arthur Jr. and Scott. Arthur took over the home farm in Section 4, which he still farms. Richard, his father, also did veterinary work for local farmers. Arthur deals in antique tractors.

William and Bertha Robertson Family

William and Bertha Robertson came from Scotland. They moved to the town of Frankfort in 1917 and purchased 480 acres in section 27 and 28. They came from Goodhue County, Cannon Falls, MN.

They had four daughters and two sons, Eva, Marian, Mattie and Gladys, John and Earl. John and Eva moved back to Minnesota. Marian married Fred Forss. Three years later they moved back to Minnesota. Earl married Mildred Wicker - they had one son Robert and one daughter Virginia. Robert married Betty Johnson and they moved to Florida. Virginia married Myron Busche. They have one daughter and three boys and live in Wausau.

History of Gene Rodman Family

Gene and Martha Rodman have lived in the Town of Frankfort for forty-seven years. They are the parents of Gail, Corrine and Wade. Gene is self-employed at Rodman's Bar and Martha is employed at Hartman's Variety Store in Athens.

Gene's parents started Rodman's Bar. His mother's parents and her grandparents live in the Town of Frankfort. They came from Germany.

Family of Helen Rodman

Helen Rodman has been a resident of the Town of Frankfort for 73 years. Her parents came to the area from Germany. She has two sons - Robert and Gene. She is retired.

Robert Rodman Family

Robert and Judy Rodman have three children: Brian, Blain and Bradley. Bob has been a resident for fifty-four years and Judy for twenty-eight years. Bob served in the Army for two years, 1955-56. They are farmers and Judy is also Town Treasurer.

Brian is employed at County Concrete and Blain is employed at Larson Construction.

Sazama Family History

Joseph B. & Gertrude M. Sazama are the parents of Philip, Coral, Marla, Richard, Wayne, Joseph K. and Orville. Joseph B. was born in the Township. He was in the National Guard for four years and is a farmer. Gertrude is a seasonal worker at Marshfield Cannery and Figi's. Joe's grandparents and parents lived on this farm in the Township. All grandparents came from Czechoslovakia.

Daughter Marla was accepted to be in the three week European concert tour this July 1990 with the United States Collegiate Wind Band, a highly selective musical organization.

Raymond Schemenauer Family

Raymond and Joyce Schemenauer are the parents of five children: Marion, Kevin, Kurt, Keith and Kenneth. They have been residents of the Township for fifty-six years.

Raymond is employed at WeatherShield Manufacturing and Joyce is employed at Hurd Manufacturing. Kurt is attending Stout. Kevin graduated from NTC, majoring in Industrial, Residential Design. Marion is married and has a one-year-old daughter named Chelsea. Kevin is also married.

Elmerd Schemenauer History



Elmerd & Cecilia Schemenauer Family

As a young man of 21, Elmerd Schemenauer bought 40 acres in Section 4 of the Township of Frankfort. There was only a house and a small wood shed on the property. It had no barn. On September 1, 1931 he married Cecilia Calmes from the Township of Johnson.

For many years he hauled milk for area farmers, having as many as 40-45 patrons, and delivering the milk to the Frank Marquardt/Laabs Factory in Milan. During the summer he used trucks and during the winter he used horses because of the bad roads. He went as far as two miles west of Edgar where he had a total of eight patrons in that area. His first milk truck was a Model-T Ford.

Elmerd built a barn on his property in 1933. He remembers that Joe Burger, Sr. was the general contractor and the total cost for the labor was \$130.00. Lightning struck this barn in 1941 causing it to burn down. He built another barn which is still on the farm.

Besides hauling milk, Elmerd also trucked cattle to stockyards in Milan and Abbotsford and to area fairs. He also hauled logs and pulp wood as well as personal property for people when they were moving.

In 1951 Elmerd purchased a pull-type International combine and custom combined grain for area farmers. His second combine was a self-propelled Minneapolis Moline. After that he bought self-propelled Case combines, having as many as four at one time.

Over the years Elmerd had two portable saw mills and a shingle mill. In fact, he sawed most of the shingles for the barn that was built in 1941.

Elmerd and Cecilia Schemenauer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1981 and their 55th wedding anniversary in 1986. They will be married 59 years on September 1, 1990.

They have seven children (one daughter died as a baby), JoAnne, whose husband, Bud Redmann, owns a machine shop on the corner of Hwy's 97 & 29; Raymond, has a farm next door and works at Weathershield in Medford; Elmer, who lives in Cedarburg, is a carpenter; Peter, who with his wife and son runs the home place; Susan, who with her husband, Dennis Nowacki, have a dairy farm near Athens; Kathleen, who with her husband, Glen Zettler, have a dairy farm near Athens.

They now have 28 grand-children and 10 great grand-children.

Peter Schemenauer Family

Peter has lived in the Town of Frankfort since the day he was born, back in November 1940. He attended the Franklin Country School just a mile and a half down the road and remembers walking to school or riding his bike. He attended the Abbotsford Public High School. He ran the home farm while his Dad, Elmerd, worked off the farm. For a short time he worked nights at Marathon Cheese. In September of 1966 he married Marian Gierl, from the Town of Johnson, and they lived in a mobile home on the home place for 12 years until there was a fire that gutted out the farm house in January of 1978. That house was torn down and a new house built on the same site. Pete and Marian have one son, Craig, who works at Customshield in Medford. Marian is Office Manager at Abbyland Pork Pack in Curtiss. She had worked at the Kraft Milk plant in Milan for almost 18 years before Kraft closed the plant in 1989.

The family farm has been in the Schemenauer name since 1930.

Donald Schilling

Donald Schilling has a 13 year old daughter, Cindi. He has lived in the township for sixteen years. He was in the army for two years and served one year in Vietnam. He is employed at Wisconsin Homes in Marshfield.

Joe Schilling Family

Joe Schilling came to Frankfort from Sheboygan County with his parents in 1903. He married Augusta Sellung. They farmed in Section 19.

They had five daughters and five sons: Adeline, Thomas, Clarence, Mabel, Margaret, Herbert, Ervin, Paul (deceased), Arlene (deceased) and Irene. Adeline married Albert Raasch, Mabel married Harvey Barts Jr., Margaret married Harlen Witt, Irene married Tom Burdette. Clarence married LaVilla Neitzel, Herbert married Jean Olson, Ervin married Doris Will. Thomas never married.

Thomas took over the home farm and farmed for 23 years. He then sold it to his brother Herbert and his wife Jean. Herbert and Thomas were World War II veterans. Thomas lives in Abbotsford and Herbert lives in the town of Hull.

John and Martha Schilling Family

The John Schilling family came to the town of Frankfort in 1903 from Sheboygan county and settled on the SW SW corner in section 17, the farm now owned by Ed Weiland Sr. They had six girls and four boys.

Lena (Frank Schraufnagel), Mary (Henry Van Dreel), Ida (John Sazama), Olive (Jerry Turzynski), Clara (Henry Basner), Ella (Ervin Schmidt), Joe (Augusta Sellung), Jake (Helen Weiler), John (Evelyn Ellenbecker), Andrew (Francis Grabowski). Ida, Mary and Joe all lived in Frankfort. The rest moved away.

Vincent Schillinger Family

Vincent Schillinger and his wife, Josephine Dvorak, were married in Austria, Europe in the late 1880's. Shortly after they immigrated to America together with his brothers Frank, John, Charlie and a sister Wilhelmina. In 1897 they settled in Milan, WI and lived there for several years. In 1908 Vincent and his wife purchased 80 acres in the town of Frankfort in Section 4 next to the Anton Schmirler farm.

Vincent and Josephine had ten children: Francis, Viola, William, Ferdinand, Rudolph, Otto, Raymond, Walter, Herbert and Silverious. William and Raymond died in infancy. Francis, Ferdinand and Rudolph are also deceased.

Vincent Schillinger had one sister, Wilhelmina, who married Ferdinand Holubetz. They lived in Section 7.

Francis Schillinger married Louis Sauter. They lived in Milwaukee and were divorced. They had no children. Viola married Elmer Schorer. They lived in Marshfield and were divorced. They had no children.

Rudolph Schillinger married Caroline Schemenauer. They lived in Spencer. They had three boys and two girls. Their son, LeRoy, is now Sheriff of Marathon County.

Otto married Therese Felzkowski. They live in Marshfield. He was a teacher. They had one boy and one girl.

Ferdinand married Evelyn Schorer. They had four boys and two girls. They lived in the town of Frankfort until they got divorced. Ferdinand then moved to northern Wisconsin and Evelyn moved to Wisconsin Rapids.

Herbert Schillinger married Ruth Ludwig and lived in Milwaukee. They had three girls. Silverious married Helen Brickheimer and live in Wausau. They have two boys and one girl. One boy died in an auto accident. Silverious was a city policeman.

Walter Schillinger married Norma Smart in 1943. They purchased the farm from his parents, Vincent and Josephine in 1944. Walter and Norma had 13 children. Dennis died in infancy. Gloria married Leonard Frahm of Athens. Nancy married Kenneth Boutan of Abbotsford. They were divorced. Beverly married Terry Ange of Athens. They were divorced and live in Wausau. Judy married Donald Omelian and lives in Stratford. Audrey married Elroy Heldt and live in Athens. Colleen married Richard Hein of Athens. Marlene married Jack Kramas of Abbotsford. Daniel married Nancy Halverson and lives in Edgar. Dean married Carla Davis and lives in Wausau. Walter, Jr. lives in Chicago.

Darrell and Sheila Schillinger

Darrell purchased his farm from his parents, Walter and Norma, in 1976. He was first married to Mary Klimpke of Athens about 1973. They had three boys: Clayton, Benjamin and Adam. They were divorced and Darrell married Sheila. They have one son Matthew and a daugther, Megan. Darrell has farmed all of his life on the same farm.

Raymond Schirmer, Sr. Family

Raymond and Margaret have lived in Frankfort for twentyfour years. They are both retired.

Their children are: Raymond, Jr., Irving, Glenn, Pearl, Carole, Adrianne, Patricia and Katherine.

Raymond, Jr. and Glenn have a radiator business in Wausau. Irving has a radiator business in Marengo, IL. Adrianne is a farm wife and the other four daughters are employed.

Rev. Albert Schmirler

Reverend Albert August Ambrose Schmirler, born February 23, 1914, son of Anton J. Schmirler and Louisa (Gartman) in the Town of Frankfort, received his elementary education at the Franklin School in Section 3 which was across the road from his home. Incidentally this school was named after Ben Franklin, the statesman suggested by Anton Schmirler, Albert's father.

He received his high school education at St. Nazianz which was near Milwaukee starting in 1929.

He received his BA Magna Cum Laude from St. John's University, Collegerville, Minnesota in 1937.

When first entering the priesthood it was under the guidance of the La Crosse Diocese and he later transferred to the Minnesota Diocese.

He was ordained in 1942 at Saint Francis Seminary, in Milwaukee and received his MA degree in history in the year 1943.

As a priest he is incardinated in the diocese of Fargo, North Dakota, living at the rectory at Veseleyville, P.O. Grafton, North Dakota 58239.

He is doing supply work in the diocese assigned to this ministry.

He was pastor of four parishes successively after 1946, and assistant's years, and administrator of the fifth parish in 1971.

He has been actively associated with credit union work. He was a member of the diocesan board for Catholic life from 1945-1960.

He was chairman of the committee for the promotion of the perpetual fund for study of local history and a member of the North Dakota State Historical Society, Inc. He is a member of the Commons Club N.D.S.O. Fargo, North Dakota. He is author of OUR PAGE IN HISTORY, a book about Page, ND 1957. He is also the author of numerous articles in history.



Rev. Albert Schmirler & Sister Mary Candida

Sister Mary Candida

Francis Schmirler, Daughter of Anton J. Schmirler and Louise Gartman, Town of Frankfort. Received her elementary education at the Franklin School, graduating in 1923.

In 1931, she entered the novitiate of the Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother at Milwaukee. This is also the group that operates the Marshfield St. Joseph's Hospital. She received her high school and internship at this convent. She also trained as a Lab Technologist, as a Baker's Apprentice and manager, and also served as a teacher.

She has served at all of the following places:

Mercy Hospital	Oshkosh, WI
Summer School	Marquette University
Sacred Heart Hospital	Tomahawk, WI
St. Francis Hospital	Wichita, Kansas
St. Alphonsus Hospital	Port Washington, WI
St. Joseph's Hospital	Marshfield, WI
St. Joseph's Hospital	Mankato, MN
St. Michael's Hospital	Stevens Point, WI
San Miguel School	Ribera, NM
Catechetical School	Manilla, IA
St. Joseph's Hospital	Barbados, West Indies
St. Jude Hospital	Vieux Fort, St. Lucia
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Mother House	Milwaukee,
St. Mary's Hosp. Convent	Roswell, NM
Mount Mary College	Milwaukee, WI

A tribute to Sister Candida for a life time of service to the Lord. She is a sister to Father Albert Schmirler. She now lives in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma.

As a side note to this history, at the time these two left home to enter religious training, rumors had it they had been kidnapped by their religious institutions.

Reverend Duwayne Schneider



Rev. Duwayne Schneider with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Schneider

Duwayne Schneider was born to Mr. & Mrs. Lester Schneider on July 29, 1938 in the Town of Frankfort, Section 36. He received his elementary education at the Fairchild School, Upham School and Stratford Grade School. He completed four years of high school and two years of college at the Concordia High School and Junior College at Milwaukee. He spent four years in the seminary at Springfield, Illinois. His ordination

took place at St. John's High Steeple Church in the Town of Wien in 1965.

Reverend Schneider's first congregation was at Brimfield, Illinois where he stayed 21/2 years. He then moved to Flinflon, Manitoba Canada for six months. His next congregation was at Boyceville, WI where he stayed 4 1/2 years. After that he spent eleven years at Fergus Falls, MN. Since October of 1986 he has been serving Saint Luke and Saint Paul Lutheran churches in rural Colby.

The Lester Schneider Family

Lester and Phyllis have been residents of the Town of Frankfort since 1963. Lester was in the Army Signal Corps and Phyllis in the WAVES Hospital Corps from 1945-47. She has a BA in Education and Library Science and is a retired Librarian (Marshfield). He is a retired farmer.

Their children are Stephan and David of Marshfield. Peter of Lakewood, Colorado and Tricia Van Der Leest of Stratford.

Lester's parents moved from Sheboygan to Frankfort in 1944. His grandparents came from Germany and were cheesemakers in the area

Family of Erwin Schoenrock

Erwin Schoenrock has lived in the Town of Frankfort for one year. His children are Kurt, Paul, Erwin Jr. and Lori. Erwin was born in Germany.

Kurt is enrolled at UW-Stevens Point and Paul has a machining degree from Antigo Technical School.

Mike and Naomi Sebold

Mike and Naomi have been residents of the town for fifteen years. Their children are Krista and Jamie.

Mike received an Associate Degree in Marketing at NTC in Wausau December 20, 1989. He is employed at Someplace Else Tavern and Naomi is employed at St. Joseph's Hospital.

The Carl Seeger Family

Carl Seeger and Emilie (Rohde) Seeger were born in Germany and came to this country in 1881 to Hoboken, New Jersey. They lived in Manawa, Wisconsin and came to the town of Wien in 1902. There were five children: Otto, Paul, Albert, Anna who married George Mueller and Minnie, who married a Baeseman.

Herb Seeger Family

Herbert purchased the home farm in 1948. He married Mary Welbes of Athens. They had two girls and two boys. Both Alice and Barbara were married in 1976. Barbara married Jim Spatz and Alice married Norbert Schufter. Herb Jr. operates his own business and lives in Wausau. James works on the farm with his father and lives in Wausau. Both are married.

The Otto Seeger Family

Otto Seeger was born in Blankinzee, Germany in 1879. married Sophie Hoernke, Town of Frankfort in 1909. They farmed in Section 23, Town of Frankfort.

They had two daughters Marie and Margaret and two sons Arnold and George. Arnold was born March 12, 1913. He married Vera Peterson. He has a heating and plumbing business in Marshfield. George was born March 4, 1919. He is a farmer. Margaret Seeger Wienkauf was born December 10, 1924. She is a housewife and lives in Wausau. Marie Seeger DeGayner was born August 5, 1910. She is a teacher in Deming. New Mexico.

Paul Seeger Family

Paul was the son of Carl and Emilie who immigrated from Germany in 1881. Paul was married to Marie Amelung in 1906. They purchased their farm in 1908 in Section 1, Town of Frankfort.

They had five boys Arthur, Ervin, Alfred, Herb and Kenneth and three girls Viola, Esther and Marie. All of the daughters live in California. Arthur, Ervin and Alfred lived in California. Alfred died in 1966. Kenneth lives in the state of Oregon and Herbert purchased the home farm in 1948 from his parents.

Family of Thomas and Hedwig (Smolke) Sellung

Thomas Sellung was born December 15, 1843 in Schleissig, Germany. He died September 16, 1922. Hedwig Smolke was born April 15, 1846 in Schleissig, Germany. She died June 13, 1923. Thomas and Hedwig married in Germany in 1869 and came to the US in 1874.

Their children: Veronica married Wenzel Sazama, John married Barbara Pankratz, Frank married Ida Kroeplin, Joseph married Bessie Dvorak, Anna married Nick Stockhausen, Augusta married Joseph Schilling.

Frank homesteaded in Canada for eight years as a young man and also ranched in Montana nineteen years. Three daughters were born in Canada. He later moved to Milwaukee. Frank was a few weeks old when his mother got off the train in Colby and walked to the farm on 97 carrying him in her arms. Veronica and John were four and five years old and hung onto their mother's apron strings. The year was 1877 and the farm is now owned by Kenneth Dahlke.

The Stack Family

Jerome and Mary Stack have three children - Todd, Jason and Chad. They are dairy farmers and have lived their lifetime in the township.

Jerome's parents Anthony and Cherubim lived in Frankfort township from 1928-1970. They came to America around 1890 from Switzerland and Poland. Both families settled in St. Paul. Anthony and Cherubim met there, married and moved to Frankfort.

Richard and Lynn Stibbe

Richard and Lynn have five children: Jesse Stibbe, Justin, Sean, Robert and Ryan Graff.

Richard is employed at Anderson Saw Mill and Lynn works at Designer Advertising. Justin is employed at Land O'Lakes, Sean at Northwest Hardwoods, Robert at Frankfort Cheese and Ryan at Meyers Lumber Company.

The Syring Family

Larry and Illa Syring have two children, Joe and Sara. They have been lifetime residents of the Town of Frankfort.

Larry is employed by the Marathon County Highway Department and Illa is employed by St. Joseph's Hospital.

Larry's father Albert Syring was a lifetime resident of Frankfort.

Delmar and Audrey Telschow

Delmar and Audrey have three children: Dennis, Dawn Mortvedt, and Denise Stone.

Delmar served in the U.S. Army from 1951 to 1953. He is self-employed and is a 40-year resident of the town and his wife (Audrey Ballerstein) is a lifetime resident.

The Dennis Telschow Family

Dennis and Delores Telschow are the parents of two sons David and Mark. They have been residents of the Township for thirty-nine years and are the owners of Frankfort Cheese. Dennis served in the National Guard from 1969-1977.

Albert Totzke Family

Albert and Agnes Totzke's children are John, Carl, Aaron, Jane, Kaye and Kristine. Albert is a farmer and has lived in the township since 1915 and Agnes since 1920. Agnes was a teacher before her marriage. Albert's great grandparents came to America from Germany in 1894.

Kristine was a teacher for four years and now is studying to be a pastor. She will intern in California and then back to Luther Northwestern Seminary in St. Paul. Aaron received his Master's degree in Guidance Counseling.

Carl Totzke Family

Carl and Jean Totzke have lived in the Town since 1943. Their children are Jeff, Jeremy, C. Anthony and Cathy.

Carl served in the U.S. Army from 1961-64. He is a dairy farmer. His parents were born in the Town of Frankfort. Paternal grandmother, Emma Hoernke, born here. Paternal grandfather Ferdinand born in Northern Germany. Maternal grandfather Anton Hartl born in Southern Germany. Maternal grandmother Regina Hartl (Yessa).

Ferdinand Totzke

Ferdinand Totzke born July 17, 1880 in Germany. He came to the US at age 15 and farmed in Frankfort and was a trucker until 1941. He retired in Edgar. He married Emma Hoernke on June 1, 1905 in Frankfort. Emma was born March 11, 1885, daughter of Carl Hoernke.

They had nine children, four sons and five daughters. Two children are deceased, Carl was killed in 1928 in an auto accident. Hertha married to Wm. Lau. One daugher, Myrna, unmarried works for Employers Insurance in New York.

Herman Totzke retired, living in Schofield, farmed prior in Town of Frankfort. He married Dorothy Olson Fitzel. One daughter, Susan, nurse in South Carolina. Two stepdaughters, Diane Hoff, Rockford, IL and Mary Jane Pupp, Stratford.

Emma Brown marriedWalter who was a farmer and carpenter. They had two children Ronald and Miriam Wolff.

Elsie Raddatz - Gordon, a farmer in Oshkosh.

Two children: Wesley (wife Ann) farmer in Oshkosh. One daughter Lindsay Ann. Grace Barter (husband Tom) both working on a farm in Aplington, Iowa.

Wolga Tigert - Arthur - farmer in Oshkosh.

Four daughters: Barbara Turner (David). Real Estate Broker in Sacramento, CA. Rhoda Hoeft (Robert) live in Germantown, WI. She is a nurse and they have one son, Brian. Alice Mowbray - William - live in Madison, WI.

Linda Tigert works in Madison Hospital.

Aurella Brouchous Gambill - (Clarence Brouchous, deceased)

Two sons: Allan Brouchous marriied Susan Erdman, Wausau. Dr. David Brouchous is a physicist at UW-Madison.

Aurella then married John Gambill, retired, and living in Heber Springs, Arkansas.

Fred Totzke

Fred has lived all his life in the Town of Frankfort except for twenty-three years in South Dakota. His grandparents came to America from Germany. His wife is deceased. Fred was Town Treasurer for twenty-one years. He is now retired.

Family of Roland and Judith Totzke

Roland and Judith have lived in the township all of their lives. Their children are Shawn, Matthew, and Jennifer. Roland is self-employed and Judith works at Marathon Cheese.

Their parents also live in the Town of Frankfort. Paternal grandfather came to American in approximately 1893.

Delbert Uhlig Family

Delbert and Nancy Uhlig have been Town of Frankfort residents for twenty years. Their children are Kathy and Keith.

Delbert is employed at E.J. Peter Trucking, Athens and Nancy at Mr. B's Union 76 in Abbotsford.

Anton Van Dreel

Anton Van Dreel was born March 16, 1875 in Freedom, Wisconsin. At the age of thirty, in August of 1905, Anton and his brother Henry traveled north to the Town of Frankfort where he purchased an 80-acre farm in Section 19.

Anton married Elizabeth Van Den Broek (Dutch) from Little Chute, November 23, 1905 in St. John's Catholic Church of Little Chute. They had four children: Henrietta married Leo Diers, Leona married Alfred Carter, Loretta married Robert Amacher and Lawrence married Marcella Wilcott. Loretta and Lawrence are deceased.

They sold the farm to Norman and Clara Wenzel in 1946 and moved to Abbotsford and in1950 they moved to Milan. Elizabeth died June 9, 1959. Tony lived in Milan for eight more years, then lived two years in Sunnyvale Manor, Wausau until his death August 6, 1969. He was 94 years old.

Henry Van Dreel Family

Henry was born June 2, 1880 at Freedom, WI. He married Mary Schilling of Frankfort (born January 8, 1892) in 1909. They had eight children, five girls and three boys. Henry came to Frankfort with his brother Anton in 1905 and worked in the area for several years. In 1908 he purchased 80 acres in Section 17 where the farm is still in the family operated by a son Floyd.

The children: Roselyn - Feb. 6, 1913, Helen - Dec. 22, 1914, Jerome - Sept. 17, 1916, Verena - July 17, 1919, Ludmella - May 22, 1922, Virgil - July 8, 1924, Floyd - May 16, 1927, Donna Jean - Feb., 23, 1931. Roselyn married Joe Schmirler, Helen married Lloyd Treankler, Jerome married Henrietta Scheel, Verena married Otto Luechow, Ludmella married Louis Klnowski, Virgil married Dorothy Klumb, Floyd married Marion Weltzer, Donna married William Waldhart.

History of Bill Viergutz

Bill Viergutz is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Mielke and after his college graduation in 1981 he and his friend embarked on the five month venture of hiking the Appalachian Trail which extends from North Georgia to Mount Khatadin in Maine. This started in North Georgia the first part of March and they decided not to use a watch but would rely on sun time. This idea was short lived; they were fatigued after the first day of hiking and on the second day they thought they had put in a full day so they pitched their tent, ate and went to sleep. They were awakened with the sound of other campers rattling kettles so they assumed that they had to get up and get ready for their third day of hiking. They were wrong - the other campers were readying for their evening meal.

He learned of unending kindnesses which were experienced from other hikers as well as residents in the area, such as a generous lady in her seventies who gave them a chicken supper, a bed to sleep in and all for "no cost" because it was very near to the end of the trail of their 2200 mile trek in Maine. Hikers shared food and even loaned money to friend hikers who had not received their money at the designated post offices as they had anticipated.

That fall Bill enrolled at the Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, graduating in 1985. He worked in several national parks as a spiritual guide to park visitors because this service is offered in all our national parks, and he also helped fulfill his love of nature.

Last August he assumed the responsibility of a congregation in the Upper Peninsula at Covington, Michigan.

Gloria and Ed Weiland, Jr.

Their children are: Jill, Kerry, Patrick, Ashlee F2137 County Rd. N., Colby, WI 54421 223-2491

Edwin and Lorraine Weiland

Their children are: Susan, Richard, Edwin, Gary, Jeffrey, Loren

F2284 County Rd. N, Colby, WI 54421 223-2234

Richard & Kristi Weiland

Their children are: Shelly, Tammy, James, Jonathon F4190 Maplenut Road, Colby, WI 54421

Clara Wenzel History

Clara Wenzel has lived in the township for 52 years. "My mother's family migrated in 1900. My father's family in 1912. They came from Germany and settled in Fergus Falls, MN. My parents homesteaded in North Dakota."

- Mr. & Mrs. Merlin (Sharon) Bauman, Dubois, Wyoming
- Mr. & Mrs. Everett Wenzel, Colby, WI
- Mr. & Mrs. Darnell Wenzel, Chicago, IL

Everett Wenzel Family

Everett and Donna have lived in the township for forty six years and are self employed in farming. Their children are Shannon, Shayne, Brenda Wenzel and Robert Regele.

Grandparents migrated from Germany to Fergus Falls, MN in 1900.

Bill Wiederhoeft



Bill & Jean Wiederhoeft

Missionary with New Tribes Mission

Bill is the son of Edward and Verona Wiederhoft, residents of the town of Frankfort. 1972 graduate of Edgar High School. He completed a one-year Mechanical Drafting course at NCTI in Wausau. He was employed at Drott Manufacturing in Wausau for two years.

He attended New Tribes Bible Institute in Waukesha where he took his Bible School training. To prepare for foreign missionary work, he attended New Tribes Missionary Training in Rochester, PA where he also met his wife Jean. They were married December 16, 1978. Together they finished the training, going on to Language school in Camdenton, MO. With their eight-month old daughter Marie, Bill and Jean went to Brazil in July 1980 to reach the Indians there with the Gospel, translate the Bible in their language and see a church established in each tribe. Since being in Brazil, two more children Regina and Mark were born. In 1985 they came back to the States for a one-year furlough. They returned to Brazil for four years and came home on furlough now in 1990.

The Ed Wiederhoeft Family

Edward and Verona Widerhoeft are the parents of Warren, Ardell and William. Edward has been a resident of the Township for sixty-six years and Verona for fifty-two years. Edward works part-time for the Town of Frankfort and Verona is a homemaker. Edward's parents came to the Township in 1926 from Germany.

Warren is employed at Western Div. Field Service of Quints Instrument Co., Seattle, WA., Ardell is Business Manager of Ft. Atkinson School District and William is a Commissioned Missionary in New Tribes, Annapolis, Brazil.

Albert Wolff

Albert Wolff married Miriam Brown in 1963. They have two girls, Mary and Rhonda and a boy, Perry.

Family of Gary and Mary Wussow

Gary and Mary Wussow have two children: Kacie (2) and a new baby, Jay. Gary has lived in the township all of his life and Mary since 1985.

Gary is self-employed on the farm and Mary is employed at the Stratford Elementary School as a counselor. Gary obtained his Associates Degree in Mechanical Drafting from NCTI in 1979. He won the Wisconsin Valley Fair Young Farmer Award in 1988. Mary received her B.S. from UW-Eau Claire in 1984, M.S. from UW-Stout in 1990. In 1987-88 she was Regular Education Teacher of Year for Marathon County Special Education Department.

Frankfort Farms



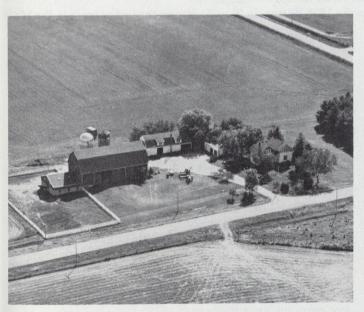
Peter Schemenauer Farm 1987



1950 - Elmerd Schemenauer Farm



1972 - Elmerd & Peter Schemenauer Farm



1960 - Ernest Hoernke Farm



1949-Leonard Bornowski Farm

Businesses



Swan Post Office

The Swan Post Office, was built in the Town of Frankfort in 1903. This photograph was taken just before it was to be torn down in 1957. It was named for Adam Swan, the first postmaster, who operated the postoffice at his home for some time before selling the property to Louis Chapman, who also acquired the postmastership with the property. It was used later as a granary by Walter Brown. - Information from the Recorder, a special column in the Marshfield News Herald Jan. 23, 1960.

The first listing of a post office by the name of Swan appeared in the 1895 Wisconsin Blue Book, and the last entry is in the 1901 edition.

Taverns

Most of the people who settled in Marathon County and the Town of Frankfort came from central Europe where they enjoyed their beer, wine and other liquor. When they came to this country they brought their customs with them.

The first saloon to be built in Frankfort was that of William Koch in about 1899 and a license issued to him in 1900 for \$100. It was a two story building with a dance hall upstairs, saloon and grocery store downstairs and an outside dance floor next to the saloon for dancing.

It was built on the corner of NE in the NE corner of Section 23 which is land now owned by Leonard Ebben.

It was operated by Mr. Koch until he died in 1907. Albert Smith operated it for about two years. After that Mrs. Emilia Koch and her son, August Koch, operated it for about six years.

It was then operated by Charley Rodatz for one year in 1914. It was then rented to Albert Doering in 1915 and sold to Gust Rossel in 1918 who owned and operated it until 1928. He sold it to Rudolph Dombrove in 1928, who operated it for about three years. Then he rented the saloon to several operators who were: Emil Fleith in 1930, Jake Christiansen 1931-32, August Dittner 1932, Joe Heindl 1934, James Johnson 1934 and Ray Rodman in 1935.

It was then sold to Arthur Mielke, in 1936, who owned and operated it until 1938 and then sold it to Chris Schaus who was the last one to operate it.

The building was then sold to Gust Hager, in 1942, who tore the building down and built a house out of it on his farm.

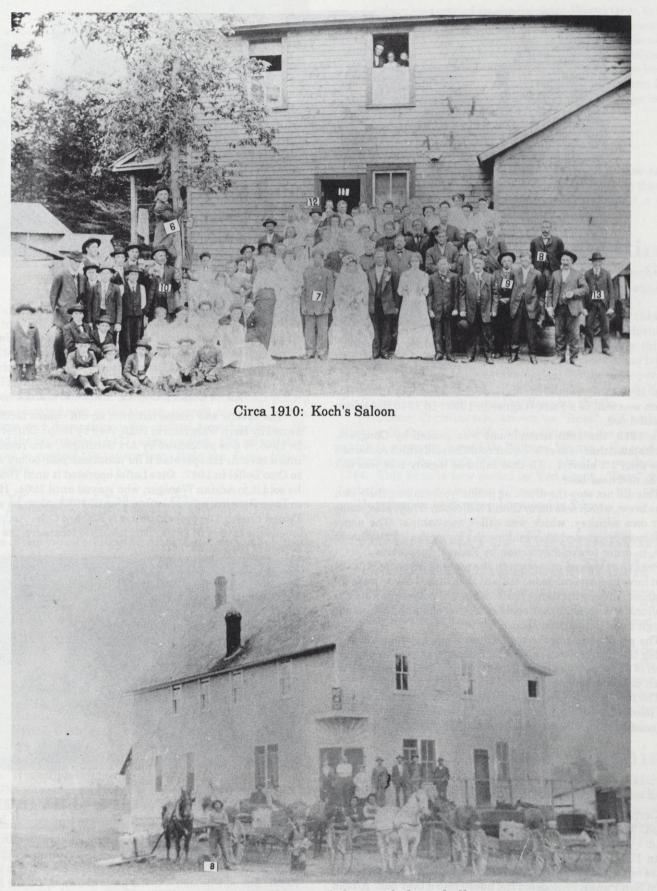
Peter Christiansen built a saloon in 1900 with a dance hall upstairs and a grocery store and a waiting room downstairs. The first saloons always had a separate waiting room where the ladies and children waited while the men drank their beer.

Peter Christiansen, also, had a livery stable of horses, buggies and sleighs with which he would furnish transportation to whomever needed it.

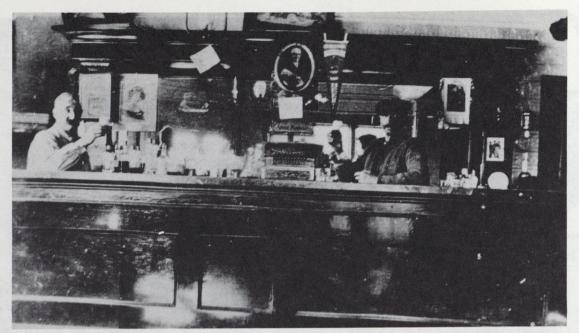
The saloon was built in the SW, SW corner in Section II. Peter Christiansen operated his saloon until 1931 when he passed away. His wife then rented it to Frank Fischer, in 1931, who operated it about one year.

In 1932, Mrs. Christiansen rented the saloon to Rudolph Vesley, who operated it for about two years. It was then rented to a Mr. La Mere from Athens.

It may, also, have been operated by a Mike O'Brien for a short



Circa 1905: The Peter Christiansen Saloon with dance hall upstairs



Inside the Peter Christiansen Saloon (l-r) Peter Christian sen & Joe Bargender St.

time. It was then rented to Charles Schaus in about 1936. The saloon was sold to a Fritz Wagner in 1939. In 1940 the saloon burned down.

In 1919, the 18th amendment was passed by Congress, which stated that no beer or liquor could be sold which contained more than 1% alcohol. All that could be legally sold was soft drinks and near beer.

This did not stop the drinking public from making their own home brew, which was more than 1% alcohol. They, also, made their own whiskey, which was called moonshine. The name must have originated from making the liquor during the moonlight, in order to avoid detection by Federal Inspectors.

Frankfort was no exception in the making of moonshine. It must have had several dozen stills at that time. Liquor was sold at dances, outside the dance halls. Some of it sold for five dollars a gallon. It was said that some of the moonshine was potent enough to be called rat poison.

The people making the moonshine made good money at it during the depression years. The danger was in drinking too much of it themselves or in getting caught by federal agents, which did happen to some of them.

The 18th amendment was repealed by Congress when Franklin Roosevelt was elected President. The name saloon was then replaced by the name tavern, for a drinking establishment.

Punke's Tavern

Gerhard Punke owned land in Section 17 next to Randal Creek. This road with a curve in it is now known as Huckelberry Road.

In 1936, Ben Punke, a son of Gerhard, built a bungalow house on this land. In 1938, Arnold and Herman Punke, brothers of Ben Punke, remodeled the house into a beer bar. Arnold operated the bar as a tavern for 18 months until July 1939. The house was then sold and moved to Colby.

Buckhorn Tavern

The tavern was converted from an old cheese factory, first owned by Herb Wehrman in 1925, then by Ralph Scheel in 1935. In 1946, it was purchased by Art Behringer, who remodeled it into a tavern. He operated it for about one year before selling it to Otto Leffel in 1947. Otto Leffel operated it until 1955, when he sold it to Adrian Waniger, who stayed until 1964. He sold it to Leon Sazama, who operated it until 1973, when he sold it to Daniel Kaser. The present owner is Richard Cole. Arthur Voigt leased the tavern in 1985. This tavern is located in the NE, NE corner of Section 20.



Country Aire Country Aire Tavern

This tavern was built new on the SW, SW corner of Section 36 by Felix Bohman in 1946. He sold it to his brother Anton, who received a tavern license in May of 1945. Anton operated it until August 15, 1959 when he sold it to Aloys Brown. He sold it to Ardell Emon, who sold it to the present owner, Duane Bohman.

This tavern has been rented out to several operators, namely: Jim Kann, Allen Knetter and William Marohl.



Rodman's Bar Oscar Rodman

Oscar Rodman built a garage and gas station the NE, NE corner in Section 1, in 1935. He operated it for two years, until 1937, when he remodeled it into a tavern and dance hall.

In 1945, he again remodeled the tavern and added a frozen food locker plant, where he did custom cutting and wrapping of meat. He, also, rented out locker boxes.

He continued the locker plant until 1971, when his house, which was located next to the tavern, burned down. He built a new home and discontinued the custom meat business. He operated the tavern until 1977, when he died. His wife, Helen, continued to operate the tavern until their son, Gene, took it over in 1984.

Knotty Pine Tavern

The Knotty Pine Tavern was built in 1947 by Tony and Violet Bohman. They owned and operated it for ten years as a beer bar. At that time beer was sold at 5ϕ for a 7 oz. glass, 10ϕ for a 12 oz. glass and \$2.50 for a case. Candy bars were 5ϕ each. Mr. & Mrs. James Kann rented the business, in 1957, for 16 months. In 1959, the Bohmans sold it to Aloys Brown.

Taverns & Associated Businesses

When Highway 29 was constructed, in 1929, and Highway 97, in 1930, several business places sprang up across the road from Frankfort. The first was probably Burger's Store and Tavern on NW, NW corner of Section 6, Town of Wien, which was built in 1929. In 1933, at the same location, a dance hall was built called the Trianon Gardens, named after a dance hall in Chicago. It is still being run by the Burger family.

In 1930, a tavern and gas station was built by Fred Rodman on the SW, SW corner of Section 30, Town of Reitbrock and was operated by Fred Bunde. It is currently operated by Wally Augustine.

Victor Dahlke Sr. operated a blacksmith shop on the SW, SW corner of Section 18, Town of Wien, in the early years. In 1933, Bernard Dahlke converted the shop into a tavern. In 1937, he built a new home, tavern, grocery store and gas station on the NW, NW corner of Section 19. He operated it until 1963, when he sold it to Alex Dahlke. It is now operated by Mike Sebold. A saloon was opened on the Reinhold Viegut farm, in about 1932, located on SE, SE corner in Section 12. A license was issued to a Frank Fischer, in 1932, who operated it for several years. Besides selling soft drinks he, also, made moonshine and near beer and served lunches. No one remembers how long the saloon was in operation. Ervin Viegut rented the farm in the spring of 1933. But, in March of 1935 the buildings burned down.

Other Businesses

Through the years, farmers in the township have needed extra income to supplement what they are making on the farm. Some have chosen to work "off the farm", to start a small business of their own or by doing custom work.

Barbaring & Haircutting

Charles Brown did barbering in his early years when he lived in Athens and later in the Town of Frankfort starting sometime around the turn of the century, perhaps in 1893.

Henry Hoppenworth did barbering at his farm, in the township located in Section 12 on SE, SE corner. This was during the depression years, in the late twenties and the early thirties. Haircuts were 25ϕ at that time. He had to discontinue barbering after the village barbers complained that he was operating without a license. This farm was first owned by a F. Knaak family and is currently owned by Kenneth Dahlke.

Sebastian Christiansen, known as "Bass", did barbering starting in the early 1930's, while living on the home farm, which is currently owned by William Martyn. He continued barbering on the Frank Wirkus farm, which he purchased in 1944. This farm is now owned by Ted Streit. "Bass" was in barbering for approximately 40 years.

He retired in 1976, when he moved to Edgar.

Automotive, Equipment and Mechanical Work

Fred Nienow Jr., took a short course in Auto Mechanics with the Motor Institute of America of Chicago, in 1931. He did auto repairing service at his father's farm, in Section 10, from 1932 to 1937.

Otto Hoernke did machine shop work on his farm, in Section 22, during the 1940's. He, also, purchased the first portable Case hay baler and did custom work for farmers. This was a wire tie baler. Two men had to ride the baler and tie the bales with wire as they were expelled from the machine. The bales were then dropped on the ground to be picked up later.

Frankfort Auto & Machine

Roland Totzke started a machine shop on his father's farm in Section 23 in 1966. He had worked for Gottchalk Bros. of Edgar before starting his own shop. In addition to his regular machine shop work, he sells and services snowmobiles. He, also, holds an airplane flying license and is in the process of building his own airplane.

Glen Busche purchased the Upham School building, in 1967, where he started a garage repair service and an automobile wrecking yard. This was located on SE, SE corner in Section 28. In 1977, he closed his operation in Frankfort and moved his business to the Town of Wien, across the road from Section 30 in Frankfort. John Busche moved to the Town of Frankfort in 1974. In addition to farming, he does back hoe work for water lines, septic and holding tanks.

Leffel Manufacturing

Darrel Leffel established a barn equipment welding business on his farm, in Section 34, in 1977. He built a new metal building, in 1978, where he makes up all types of partitions and stanchions.

Livestock

Ferdinand Holubetz drove a team of horses and a wagon, with an enclosed hutch, buying calves from local farmers, in the late teens and early 1920's. He butchered the calves, dressed them out and shipped them to Madison and Chicago veal markets.

Loddie Loskot operated a livestock, poultry and egg business, from 1932 until 1959, on his farm in Section 10. The calves were sold to the Edgar Packing Co. and the eggs were trucked to be sold in Chicago.

Arnold Bauman started raising poultry and eggs on his farm in Section 24, in 1935. In 1943, he started shipping eggs to the New York Market. He expanded his business by buying eggs locally and from as far as Minnesota and Iowa. He, also, expanded his markets and trucked eggs to Chicago, Northern Wisconsin and Michigan. He built a packing plant on his farm in 1948. In 1954, his peak year, he was handling up to 1500 cases of eggs a day, with almost 50 employees working at candling and packing eggs, which were then inspected by a Federal Inspector.

A partial list of employees were: Mildred Panzigrau, Charlotte Borchardt, Mrs. Arnold Punke, Mrs. Lester Bauman, Mrs. Art Lueschow, Mrs. Melda Vold, Mrs. Elfreda Hoernke, Mrs. Marion Van Dreel, Mrs. Bernard Leffel, Mrs. Leona Jecke, Mrs. Lorna Schmelzer, Mrs. Adell Jeske and many more. Arnold continued the operation until 1959, when his packing plant burned down and was never rebuilt. Later, he sold his farm and moved, first to Mondovi, then to Chippewa Falls. There he developed a Pole Building Construction Company.

Otto Hoernke's Turkey Farm

This was started in the Town of Frankfort around 1935 by Otto Hoernke. He got the idea from his brother Alvin who lived in Minnesota since 1920. Several other farmers followed in this endeavor shortly after. Ernest Hoernke, Herbert Passehl, Herman Hoernke, William Hoernke, Herman Christiansen, Bill Thomas and Harvey Bohman.



Ernest Hoernke Turkeys

Otto Hoernke and his brother-in-law Fred Klumb were the largest of the turkey operations, raising about 10,000 turkeys per season. They not only processed and sold their own turkeys but also processed and sold turkeys for the other farmers in the township. Their total operation was probably in excess of 13,000. It was conducted on the Otto Hoernke farm in Section 22 SW SE. The business lasted until around 1950 when it became unprofitable to stay in business.

Photography

Charles Brown was a professional photographer, having operated a photography studio in Athens, in 1893. He moved to the Town of Frankfort, in 1894, where he continued his profession for many years, taking pictures in the community and in the out-lying areas. He used the older style of camera, which had glass negatives. Unfortunately, most of the old negatives he had taken have been ruined due to exposure to the elements.

Frank Bobert did photography work during his lifetime, in the Town of Frankfort. He was the son of John Bobert. Frank's son, Donald, has his father's collection of pictures.

Daniel Wirkus was a teacher, who pursued photography during his spare time, taking pictures in Frankfort and the surrounding areas. Many of his pictures remain, identified with his name. His father was Joe Wirkus, Sr.

Trucking

Ferdinand Totzke, of Section 13, trucked livestock to the Stratford Shipping Association from 1924 to 1940, when the state began to raise license fees and other taxes. He drove a 1924 International truck.



Elmerd Schemenauer started hauling milk with horses, wagon and sleigh at the age of 14, while living in the Town of Johnson. He moved to the Town of Frankfort, in 1930. He was one of the first to start hauling milk to the Laabs Cheese Factory, later known as Kraft Foods, in Milan. He continued hauling milk for about 15 years. He was, also, one of the first to start hauling granite and gravel in this area, which he did for about 20 years. In addition: he operated a power shovel drag line and bulldozer for many contractors in the area; he did custom combining of grain for several years, with four Case combines; and he operated a portable sawmill for about 10 years. An accident resulted in the loss of sight in one eye. He retired in 1972.

Others who did trucking in the early 1930's were Herman Christiansen, Martin Mielke, Jake Christiansen and Loddie Loskot. They trucked logs, pulp wood and granite. Later came the trucking of milk by the cheese factories.

The Town of Frankfort had one large trucking operation, located on NE, NE corner of Section 4, which was started by Wayne Belanger in 1971. He owned his own granite pit in the Town of Emmet and trucked granite, sand and gravel to the many townships and counties. He operated a dozen semitractors and trailers for this purpose. He, also, started long distance trucking, employing 25 people. He had an auction to sell his equipment.

Construction & Related Fields

Ferdinand Holubetz was a painter and decorator, who did nuch of the painting in the churches of the area. In the early 1910's, he painted many homes in the Town of Frankfort and continued this for many years. In his later years, he was engaged in the antique business. He lived in Section 6.

The following were stone masons, in the Town of Frankfort, in the early years: Fred Passehl, Ernest Passehl, Paul Syring, Herman Syring and Adolph Bornowski.

Frank Prohaska did electrical wiring, in Frankfort, in the 1920's. He lived in Section 4 and did some of the first electrical wiring in the area. He later moved to Hawkins, WI.

Vincent Schillinger was a painter, who painted many of the barns and homes of the area, in the 1920's and 1930's. He worked with Ferdinand Holubetz, who was his brother-in-law. Loddie Loskot attended the Coyne Electrical College, in Chicago, and did a small amount of farmstead wiring in the 1940's.

Arnold (Arnie) Seeger did plumbing and heating work during the years of 1941 - 1949, while he lived in the Town of Frankfort. He moved to Marshfield, in 1949, where he worked for Sears and Roebuck as their furnace man for several years. He, then, started his own plumbing business, from which he retired in 1979. He had farmed on the old Gerhard Punke farm, on the SW, SW corner of Section 14, while living in Frankfort.

Miscellaneous

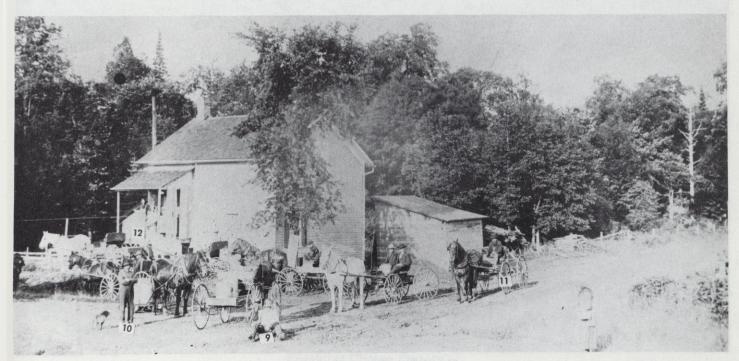
Otto Remus, who lived in Section 11, and Richard Remus, who lived in Section 4, did veterinarian work for farmers before licensed veterinarians were available. The Remuses were cousins.

August Giese, Jr. started sawing wood with a portable circle saw rig, which was run by a gas engine. He started sawing wood, in 1917, at the age of 17 and worked every winter after that for 15 years. He charged \$2.00 an hour, which included the labor of the sawyer and the use of the machine. This was a familiar custom, called a wood sawing bee, a time when neighbors got together and helped each other.

Matt Dvorak was a master custom shoe maker, having learned his trade in Bohemia, Europe. He did some shoe making in the early 1910's. He lived in Section 11.

Frank Loskot, Sr. did shoe repair work at his home, located in Section 12, from 1918 to 1930. He repaired shoes and rubbers for many of the local school children and adults in the community.

Arthur (Art) Thieme operated a blacksmith shop and did horse shoeing for area farmers from 1930 to 1936, on his farm in Section 9, which is now owned by Edward Mielke. Mr. Thieme sold his place and moved to Clark County in 1936.



Ferdinand Gartman Sr. Cheese Factory

Cheese Factories of the Town of Frankfort

Years of Operation

#1	Frederick Michler	1886 - u	nknown
#2	Cream Separation	Plant	1894 - 1910
#3	Diamond Cheese I	Factory	1910 - 1969
#4	Gartmann Cheese	Factory	1896 - 1933
#5	Frankfort Cheese	1905 - te	o present
#6	William Giese	1924 - 1	928
#7	Herb Wehrman	1925 - 1	935

1886

The Fred Michlers family settled here in 1876. He started the first cheese factory in the Frankfort township in 1886. This land is located on the S.E. S.E. corner of Section 13 and is currently owned by Rodney Passehl. Cheese was made by Mr. Michlers son, Albert and his daughter, Minnie. No record is known as to how long this factory was in operation.

1894

Another factory built as a skimming station was built by Mr. Kruetzer and Mr. Jenkins of Athens on the N.E. N.E. corner of Section 11 in 1894. This was the first local factory where farmers were able to sell their milk. The cream was sold to the butter plant in Athens which was also owned by Kruetzer and Jenkins.

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Frankfort Cheese Factory

This skimming station was managed by Louis and Lester Chapman along with Charles and George Brown. This plant stayed in operation until 1910. When the plant closed as a skimming station, local farmers decided to build a cheese factory on this same location. This was the beginning of the "Diamond Cheese and Butter Cooperative."

Some of the first officers of the Diamond Cheese and Butter Co-Op were Richard Hannemann, John Dahlke, Otto Remus, Frank Jahnke and Art Wendtland. The first cheesemaker hired was Joseph Wirkus who had taken a short course in cheesemaking at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. Other cheesemakers were Emil Bauman, William Giese, Art Giese, Emil Bornowski, Fred Bartell, Lester Schneider, Henry Schneider, Edwin Hanson and the last one was Joseph Bohman.

In 1926 the farmers decided to sell the cheese factory. Olaf Borgeman of Withee bought it from the farmers in 1926, Walter Swantes bought it in 1927 and sold it to Melvin Mullins in 1928. Melvin ran the factory until 1933 when he sold it to Theodore Poplawski.

In 1934 the factory burned down. During the time the factory was being rebuilt the milk was shipped to another plant that Mr. Poplawski owned in the Town of Johnson, known as the Silverleaf cheese factory.

Mr. Poplawski was killed in a car accident in 1945. With the help of Mrs. Poplawski's family and her brother-in-law, Walter Garbarski, they kept the factory for one more year. In 1946 she sold the factory to Standard Brands and in 1947 they sold it to Charles Mullins. Mr. Mullins ran the plant until 1953 and then sold it to Emil Mech. Emil Mech ran this plant with his sons. In 1968, David Mech was the last cheesemaker to make cheese in this plant.

1896

Ferdinand Gartman built a cheese factory around 1896 on the N.E. N.E. corner in Section 15. The factory was operated by his son, August for about six years. This land is now owned by Rick Borchardt.

It was sold to Peter Christiansen around 1902. Cheesemakers who worked for Mr. Christiansen were as follows: Albert Taves, Harold Klasseg, Ervin Korner, William Hass, Frank Preston and Henry Schneider. The Factory was sold to Laabs Cheese Company of Milan in 1933. The plant was shut down with the milk going to the Milan plant. The building was converted to a garage and burned down one year later.

1905

The Factory known today as the Frankfort Cheese Factory, Inc., was started up by the Hoernke Bros., Carl and Ernest along with Gerhard Punke around 1905. Later on April 20, 1908 it was organized as the Frankfort Cheese and Butter Cooperative. This was signed by the Secretary of State, J.A. Trear, on May 5, 1908.

In 1924 it was sold to Ernest Leffel who within a year sold to Edward Schultz. Evert Johnson bought the factory from Edward Schultz and ran it until 1945 and then sold it to Frank Marquardt. Frank Marquardt ran the factory until 1948 and then sold it to Theodore Dirks. In 1967, Delmar Telschow bought the factory and incorporated with his son, Dennis. Dennis Telschow and his wife Delores bought the corporation in April of 1986.

1924

William Giese built a cheese factory on his father's farm August Giese, Sr. on the N.E. N.E. corner in Section 9. Mr. Giese operated the plant until 1928 when he sold it to Alfred Baer. Mr. Baer and his family operated this factory until 1944 when they sold to the Sandmire Cheese Company. The building burned down one week later.

1925

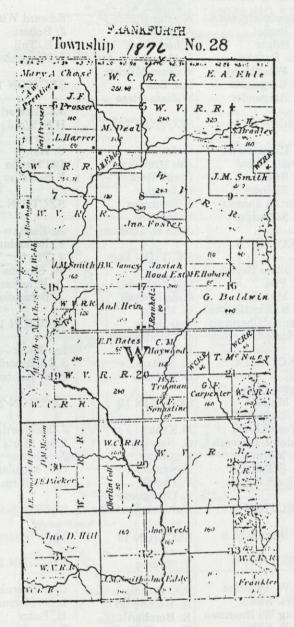
Herbert Wehrman built a cheese factory on the N.E. N.E. corner in Section 20 in 1925. He made cheese until 1935 when he sold the factory to Ralph Scheel who operated it until 1945 when the State Department of Health closed the factory for not complying with the new regulations. In 1946 the building was sold to Art Behringer who remodeled it into a tavern, known today as the Buckhorn Bar.



Frankfort Cheese Factory

WINE ALL CALINE DANNER CALINE The Stateout iconts. DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME: J. J. A. Juvan, Georetary of State of the State of Misconsin, do hereby certify that on the 20th day of April A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eight _ there was filed in the Department of State an instrument in writing purport. ing to be Articles of Association, with a view of forming a corporation to be known/as_ Frankfort Cheese & Butter Company with a Capital Stock of Two Thousand and Thirty Dollars, the business and purpose of which being the manufacture and sale of cheese, butter and dairy products. Fetc. Dollars, the fee required by The sum of Ten law having been paid receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and a certificate having been filed in this Department to the effect that said Articles were recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Marathon County, Wisconsin on the 30th day of April A. D. 1908. Therefore, the State of Hisconsin does hereby grant unto the said Frankfort Cheese & Butter Company the powers and privileges conferred by Chapter 86 of the Wisconsin Statutes of 1898, and allacts amendatory thereof and supplementary therete, for the purposesabore stated and in accordance with the said Articles of Association. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at the Capitol in the City of Madison, the _ day of_ May year of our Lord one thousand, nine hundred and eight . Geerclary of State

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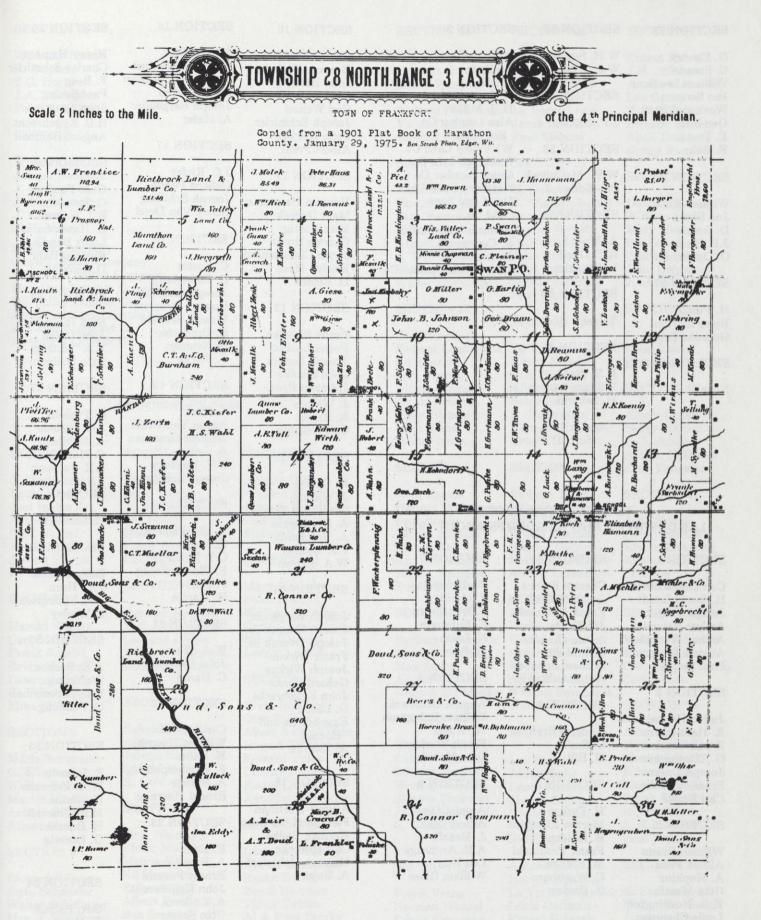
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Theodore Grammer Floyd Van Dreel Edwin Weiland R. Goldschmidt

SECTION 18

Delphin Dommer Norman Wenzel Fred Tim **Delbert** Podevels **Eugene Podevels** Mary Sazama R. Goldschmidt

SECTION 19

Clarence Fecker Leo Leffel Andrew Kordus Thomas Schilling Arnold Asplund Edweard Grauman Norman Wenzel

SECTION 20

Leo Leffel **Daniel Boris** Edward Boucher Otto Mielke Leo Leffel Jacob Schilling Paul Sazama

SECTION 21

Robert Ballerstein Norbert Van Rooy Delbert Ballerstein Harvey Behringer Keith Van Rooy Walter Brown Otto Mielke **Daniel Boris** Ida Sazama Martin Hamann Fred Burow

SECTION 22

Ed Hoernke Henry Schultz Albert Syring Norbert Van Roov **Robert Ballerstein Delbert Ballerstein** Herman Hoernke Ernest Hoernke

SECTION 23

Richard Totzke Mike Panzigrau William Stendel Ted Kohler Anna Dallman Ernest Hoernke Herman Hoernke Herb Passehl

SECTION 24

Herbert Passehl R. Koberstein Anton Borchardt **Rav Bandle** Alvin Archon William Borchardt Gerald Borchardt

SECTION 25

Leo Fandre Albert Bahr Arnold Bornowski Lester Schneider Mike Panzigrau

SECTION 26

Seopold Hartl La Verne Treankler Jacob Bohman Keith Van Roov Henry Randt William Stendel **Ruben Syring**

SECTION 27

Harvey Behringer Ida Gunderson Edwin Hoernke Hulda Wolff Henry Hoffman Delmar Leffel Alvin Dallman Henry Randt

SECTION 28

Bruce Wussow **Bernard Leffel** Elmer Belanger Lee Grant Carl Wenzel John Geiger Ida Sazama

SECTION 29

Leon Sazama Frank SHortner Alphonse Leick Bertha Leffel

SECTION 30

Bruss Land Inc. .. Harry Bender Corwin Dallman Merten Bennet Lem. Louck

William Stendel Fred Nienow American Can Barb Velek Elmer Mueller Ernest Hoernke

SECTION 32

Herbert Nienow Edward Rank Connor Lumber Co. George Hoernke

SECTION 33

Albert Syring William Luckjohn Milton Grieser Elmer Belanger Lloyd Treankler Joseph Schoenfuss Delmar Leffel **Bernard** Leffel

SECTION 34

Lariere Trenkler Gerald Borchardt Jacob Bohman Louis Heucke Herman Totzke

SECTION 35

Leonard Bornowski Herman Adams Harold Custer Arthur Haffner Carl Treml Henry Hoffman Donarion Bohman

SECTION 36

Anthony Stack L. Bornowski Mike Hartl Jr. L. Winistorfer L. Schneider Sr.

L. Schneider Jr.

SECTION 31

Land Owners From The 1990 Assessment Roll

Section 1 Helen Rodman Edwin Dorfschmidt Robert Rodman Judy Rodman George Burger Raymond Schirmer, Sr. Gene Rodman John Krampien Carol Krampien Herbert Seeger

Section 2 Erwin Schoenrock Neal Koepke Anna Koepke James Myszka Urban Bargender Matthew Meier **Russell** Giese William Giese Alvina Giese **Clarence** Bargender Shirley Bargender Neal Koepke Lawrence Lake **Ronald Brown** Janice Brown Edith Koepke

Section 3 Clarence Bargender Gaylord Solchenberger Vernon Leffel Lawrence Bargender Elsie Giese Caroline Halverson Mark Bargender Bonnie Mueller Ronald Brown

Section 4 Arthur Remus Wayne Belanger Raymond Schemenauer Peter Schemenauer Elmerd Schemenauer Darrell Schillinger Walter Schillinger Section 5 Edward Kalepp Edmund Lehman Rose Lehman Peter Calmes Walter Augustine Annette Augustine Leonard Jantsch Ronald Meyer Hugo Mielke Richard Mielke Franklin Gustafson Elmerd Schemenauer Elsie Giese

Section 6 James Gumz Michael Gumz Loucks Dairy Farms, Inc. Bruce Gross Douglas Blair Dudley Blair Eugene Blair Sara Blair Harold Ven Roov Michael Sebold Clarence Heil Dale Gustafson Karen Gustafson Leonard Jantsch Elvera Jantsch Susan Hoffman Franklin Gustafson Janalee Gustafson

Section 7 Leonard Jantsch Melvin Carter Roland Reel John Kampmeyer Delbert Uhlig Norman Becker Joseph Sazama Henry Leffel Richard Grammer

Section 8 Harold Kirchner Cletus Schraufnagel Franklin Gustafson Harold Kirchner Mary Jo Kirchner Farm Credit Bank of St. Paul Daniel Mielke Michelle Mielke Wilfred Raasch Hugo Mielke John Busche Merlin Kilty Section 9 Donald Ballerstein Orville Barkow Jr. Gregory Mueller Linda Mueller Merlin Kilty Richard Stibbe Lynn Stibbe Carl Mielke Albert Wolff Edward Mielke

Section 10 Thomas Bunkelman Walter Streit Loddie Loskot Dorothy Wenzel Farm Credit Bank of St. Paul Peter DeYoung June DeYoung Loren Wenzel

Section 11 Carl Totzke John Totzke Larry Block Arthur Hoesly Neal Koepke Anna Koepke Ralph Dahlke Anne Dahlke Ronald Brown Janice Brown Douglas Brown Dorothy Brown Robert Martyn Denise Martyn William Martyn Federal Land Bank of St. Paul

Section 12 William Pelkey Jack Pelkey Terrence Byrne Federal Land Bank of St. Paul Theodore Oasen June Oasen William Martyn Loddie Loskot Dorothy Loskot Ralph Dahlke Anne Dahlke Kenneth Dahlke Section 13 Kenneth Dahlke Ralph Dahlke Anne Dahlke Oscar Held Federal Land Bank of St. Paul Leonard Ebben Leta Ebben Robert Borchardt Delbert Ballerstein Susan Schueller Rodney Passehl Mary Passehl

Section 14 Federal Land Bank of St. Paul Robert Martyn Denise Martyn Theodore Streit Arthur Sell Edward Wiederhoeft George Hoernke Anita Hoernke Leonard Bornowski LaVerne Bornowski Lucille Heucke Gary Nienow Audrey Nienow Fred Totzke Harold Hoernke Robert Johnson Roxanne Fochs Leonard Ebben Leta Ebben

Section 15 **Ricky Borchardt** Pamela Imhoff Russell Giese Arthur Voigt, Jr German Lutheran Church **Gary Nienow** Peter DeYoung June DeYoung Raymond Halida Susan Halida John Hamann Bruce Wussow Nancy Leffel Arlene Hoernke Ralph Hoernke Town of Frankfort John Hamann Joyce Hamann Delmar Telschow

Section 16 Arthur Voigt, Jr Arthur Voigt Gene Fecker Merlin Kilty Vernon Leffel Town of Frankfort Connie Kilty Ralph Hamann Farm Credit Bank of St. Paul Edwin Weiland, Jr Gloria Weiland, Jr Douglas Gray Mary Glasel Mark Heeg Faith Heeg Myron Leffel

Section 17 Richard Grammer Daniel Mielke Michelle Mielke Edwin O. Weiland Richard Goldschmidt Patrick Kilty Deborah Kilty

Section 18 Richard Goldschmidt Joseph Sazama Dean Kruger Nancy Kruger Bernard Dahlke, Jr. Northern State Power Co Elmer Hoffman Everett Wenzel Hildegard Augustine Loren Weiland

Section 19 Gary Fecker Clara Wenzel Herbert Schilling Mark Heeg Donald Poehnelt Michael Poehnelt Vickie Poehnelt Dean Kruger Nancy Kruger James Asplund Donald Schilling Brice Bender Section 20 Edwin Weiland Jr. Gloria Weiland Jr. Richard Cole Mark Heeg John Brill Town of Frankfort Town of Hull Donald Schilling Leo Leffel Richard Weiland Albert Mielke Edwin E. Weiland

Section 21 Robert Ballerstein Leopold Kunkel Delmar Telschow Dennis Telschow Delmar Dahlke Ralph Hamann Ida Sazama Mark Heeg Albert Mielke Bruce Wussow David Or Marlene Ort Ramon Levoy

Section 22 Ralph Hoernke Dennis Telschow Delmar Telschow Frankfort Cheese Factory, Inc. Gary Wussow Mary Wussow William Martyn Bruce Wussow **Robert Ballerstein** Ramon Levoy Troy Wussow Kelly Wussow Alex Swiderski **Terry** Cliver Bernice Cliver Marilyn Levoy Robert Zorman Darrell Sazama Michelle Sazama

Section 23 Richard Totzke Delmar Telschow Leonard Ebben Herbert Passehl Caroline Passehl Robert Borchardt Charlotte Borchardt Gary Wussow Mary Wussow Joseph Kepner William Martyn Judy Wagner Roger Ballerstein Ronald Ballerstein Section 24 Rodney Passehl Mary Passehl Gerald Borchardt Barbara Borchardt Terry Borchardt Dawn Borchardt Robert Borchardt Raymond Bandle Genevieve Bandle Daniel Kaser Mardell Kaser Harold Finke Rosalie Borchardt

Section 25 Rueben Syring Kenneth Bahr Roger Bohman Robert Hamann Wilma Hamann Robert Hamann, Jr. Lester Schneider, Jr. Dianne Leonhard Roger Thompson Peggy Thompson

Section 26 Randall Syring Darla Syring Roger Ballerstein **Ronald Ballerstein** Kim Borchardt Leonard Ebben Leta Ebben Ramon Levoy Jacob Bohman Michael Snider Mary Snider **Rueben** Syring William Shanks Lynn Shanks Roger Bohman

Section 27 Joseph Kepner John Reckner **Charles** Marcis Donna Marcis Dale Myszka Gayle Myszka John Hamann Bruce Wussow Darrel Leffel Joseph Wirkus **Robert Wirkus** Frank Wirkus Randall Syring Darla Syring Warren Sutton Pong Sun Sutton Herbert Hoernke Section 28 Bruce Wussow **Charles** Marcis Donna Marcis Patricia Sazama Leon Sazama Thomas Geiger Clara Wenzel Erlan Wenzel Tammy Wenzel Loren Wenzel Charlotte Wenzel Frank Repking Norman Busche Rosemary Bohman Clifford Bohman

Section 29 Albert Mielke Anthony Eilers William Stuart Janet Stuart Rita Massmann Eiler Cabinet Shop, Inc. **Gregory** Peregrin Marathon County Sam Ezeldin Frank Bradke Sam Giancola Herbert Davis Christine Lynch Laddie Strejc **Dennis** Leffel Shirley Leffel

Section 30 Raymond Krebsbach Kevin Lieders Mary Lieders Brice Bender Leonard Riehle Merton Bennett Wayne Gaulke Corwin Dallman

Section 31 Arvin Podevels Vivian Podevels Leonard Bornowski LaVerne Bornowski Lucille Heucke George Hoernke Anita Hoernke Elmer Mueller Al Kaiser Sharon Kaiser James Jicinsky Delbert Ballerstein Susan Ballerstein Dill Creek Hunting Club, Inc.

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Section 32 Gary Nienow Audrey Nienow Harvey Maxam Judith Maxam Donald Czerwinski Arlene Czerwinski Florian Cerny Dill Creek Hunting Club, Inc.

Section 33 Larry Syring Delores Hartl Charles Marcis Donna Marcis Darrel Leffel Cheryl Leffel Delmar Leffel Joseph Schoenfuss Milton Grieser Frank Repking Section 34 Michael Snider Mary Snider Gerald Borchardt Barbara Borchardt Darrel Leffel Frank Wirkus Marie Heucke Norbert Raebel James Bohman Daniel Leffel Section 35 Harold Custer Larry Custer Joseph Wirkus Donavon Bohman Louis Treml Clarence Gumz

Section 36 Jerome Stack Lester Schneider, Jr. Peter Van Der Leest Patricia Van Der Leest Michael Hartl, Jr. Larry Custer Lester Krahn Duane Bohman Arne Ruha



FARMERS' DIRECTORY OF FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP - 1930

Abbotsford Postoffice

LOWE, Roy., wife Clara; children Sherman, Ruth, Katherine, Wesley, Section 6. In county for 5 years.

Athens Postoffice

- BUNKE, Frank, wife Wilhelmina; children Carl, Otto, Emil, Norma, Bernice, Eric, Martha. Section 5. In county for 20 years.
- DVORAK, Jos., wife Rose; children Henry, Eddie, Jos. Jr., Chas., Lottie, Robert, Willie. Section 6. In county for 10 years.
- POTTS, Chas., wife Anna; children Aneda, Chas. Jr., Roland Viola, Alfred, Robert. Section 5. In county 16 years.

Colby Postoffice

- BARTZ, Fred, wife Mary; children Harvey, Armin; grandson, Elmer Meinke. Section 18. In county 18 years.
- BENDER, George, wife Emma; children Henry, Florence, Avanel, Melvin. Section 30. In county 8 years.
- BEYER, Wm., wife Leona; children Leona, Wm. Section 16. In county for 6 years.
- BRADOW, Arthur, wife Anna; John and Anna Sazama. Section 19. In county for 31 years.
- BUROW, Fred, wife Martha; children Helen, Alice, Viola, Herbert. Section 21 and section 16. In county for 16 years.
- BUROW, Gust. Section 16. In county for 16 years.
- FUHRMAN, Chas., wife Caroline; children Tillie, Freda, Albert, Anna, Emma, Mary, Norma, Ruth. Section 7. In county for 50 years.
- HAMANN, Martin, wife Erna; children Arabelle. Section 21. In county for 37 years.
- HAMANN, Reuben, wife Emma. Section 16. In county for 29 years.
- HEPPNER, Robert C., wife Katherine; children Stella, Charlotte, Bernice, Katherine, Marie, Robert C. Jr. Section 7. In county for 16 years.
- HOLUBETZ, Ferd., wife Wilhelmina; children Wm., Henry, Olga, Hugo, Victor, Hilda. Section 6. In county for 15 years.
- KROPELIN, Edwin, wife Adelaide; children George, Elmer. Section 18 and Section 8. In county for 27 years.
- KROPELIN, Fred, wife Anna; children Adolph, Ena, Anna, Mata, Emma, Arnold. Rents house in Section 18 and owns 80 acres in Section 13 in Hull Twp. In county for 27 years.
- KUBS, J.J. wife Margaret; children Thomas, Wenzel, Sylvester, Helen, Elroy. Section 20. In county for 12 years.
- LEFFEL, Otto, wife Bertha; children Elroy, Leo, Melvin. Section 20 and Section 16. In county for 37 years.
- MIELKE, Otto, wife Anna; children Alvina. Section 20. In county for 18 years.
- PODEWELS, Albert, wife Ida; children Melvin, Harold. Section 7. In county for 33 years.
- SAZAMA, John Jr., wife Ida; children James, Marie, Sylvester. Section 21. In county for 37 years.
- SAZAMA, Jos., wife Elizabeth; children Jos. Jr., Margaret, Tony, Mary, John, Frank. Section 7 and Section 18. In county for 46 years.
- SAZAMA, Paul, wife Mary. Section 20. In county for 39 years.
- SCHILLING, Andrew, wife Frances; children May, Jane, Nora, Opal. Section 19. In county for 27 years.

- SCHILLING, Joe, wife Augusta; children Adeline, Thomas, Clarence, Mabel, Margaret, Herbert, Erwin. Section 19. In county for 27 years.
- SCHMELZER Bros. Father, Julius; mother, Augusta. Section 19 and in Hull Twp. Section 24. In county for 2 years.
- SCHUH, Joe, wife Rose; children Irene, Lenice, Leland. Section 17. In county for 3 years.
- SMART, Ben, wife Anna; children Erma, Norma, Leah. Section 6 and Section 8. In county for 38 years.
- STEINBECK, William, children Peter, Alice. Section 18. In county for 3 years.
- SWOBODA, Ferdinand, wife Theresa; children Ferd., Frederick, Harry, Mary, Mildred, Elizabeth. Section 8 and Section 5. In county for 15 years.
- SYRING, Albert, wife Celia; children Evelyn, Arlene. Section 15. In county for 31 years.
- THIEL, Eugene, wife Norma; children Iris, Gordon, Ellen. Section 8. In county for 29 years.
- TRAEDER, Dan, wife Helen; children Maynard, Gordon, Bernadine. Section 20 and Section 21. In county for 12 years.
- TRAEDER, Wm. E.; children Harold, Laverna, Henrietta, Wm. A., Gaylord, Evelyn, Norma, Floyd. Section 9. In county for 13 years.
- VAN DREEL, Anton, wife Elizabeth; children Henrietta, Leona, Loretta, Lawrence. Section 19. In county for 26 years.
- VAN DREEL, Henry, wife Mary; children Rosalind, Helen, Jerome, Verena, Ludwilla, Virgil, Floyd. Section 17. In county for 21 years.
- WEHRMAN, H., wife Alvina; children Anita, Wallace, Eugene. Section 20. In county for 30 years.
- WUCHERPFENNIG, Ferd., wife Eleanor; children Adam, Ben, Mary Fitzel, Rose Wucherpfennig. Section 22 and Section 21. In county for 42 years.
- WUCHERPFENNIG, Ferdinand. Children Elizabeth, Ferd. Jr., Gustav, Amelia, Frank, Albert, Fred, Augusta, Reinhold. Section 22, Section 21. In county for 43 years.
- WURTHMAN, Walter, wife Edith; children Irvin, Helen, Lillian. Section 7. In county for 30 years.

Edgar Postoffice

- BAER, Alfred, wife Clara; children Marguerite, Fred, Bertha, Elizabeth, Genevieve. Section 9. In county for 2 years.
- BALLERSTEIN, Herman, wife Laura; children Robert, Delbert. Section 22. In county for 35 years.
- BALLERSTEIN, Wm., wife Louisa; children Norma, Imgard, Myrtle. Section 14. In county for 17 years.
- BANDLE, Louis, wife Dora; children Ruth, Raymond. Section 25. In county for 21 years.
- BANTES, Joe, wife Mary; children Florence, Wilbert. Section 14. In county for 10 years.
- BARGENDER, August, wife Rose; children Rose, Agnes, Mary, Andres, Hilda, Clara, Isadore, David, Aleva, Dora. Section 1. In county for 29 years.
- BARGENDER, Joe, wife Marie; children Kathryn, Elaine, Bernadine. Section 3. In county for 28 years.
- BARGENDER, Joe, children John, Anna, Frances, Joe Jr., Mary, Rose, Johanna, Stephen. Section 14. In county for 44 years.

- BAUMAN, Wm., wife Olga; children Arnold, Alma, Ruth. Section 24. In county for 43 years.
- BIELKE, Carl, wife Augusta; children Carl Jr. Section 2. In county for 25 years.
- BOBERT, Ewald. Father, John; brother, Arnold. Section 16 and Section 15. In county for 36 years.
- BOHMAN, Joe, wife Rose; children Joe Jr., Alfred, Louis, Anton, Felix, Harvey, Alice. Section 36 and Section 25. In county for 22 years.
- BORCHARDT, Richard wife Emma; children Hilbert, Herta, Emma, Eric, Walter, Willie, Margaret, Ruth. Section 13 and Section 24. In county for 60 years.
- BORNOWSKI, Richard wife Leona; mother, Dorothy, father, Adolph; Alice Schneider. Section 13. In county for 31 years.
- BROWN, Chas., wife Mary; children Herbert, Walter. Section 11. In county for 30 years.
- CESAL, Frank, wife Anna. Section 2. In county for 33 years.
- CHRISTIANSON, Jacob, wife Minnie; children Peter, Jacob Jr., Herman, Minnie, Sebastian, Lavina. Section 11 and Section 16. In county for 45 years.
- CHRISTIANSON, Jake, wife Margaret; children baby; cousin, Ida Hohndorf. Section 13. In county for 21 years.
- CHRISTIANSON, Peter, wife Caroline; children Albert, August, Caroline. Section 11. In county for 44 years.
- DAHLKE, Bruno, wife Margaret; children Marie, Elaine. Section 13 and Section 18 and Section 7 in Wien Twp. In county for 31 years.
- DAHLKE, John, wife Freda; children Esther Petri. Section 12. In county for 52 years.
- DAHLKE, Victor, wife Veronica; children Margaret, Myrtle, Beatrice, Alex. Section 13 and Section 12. In county for 38 years.
- DALLMAN, Gust, wife Anna; children Emma, Elsie, Alvin, Louis, Florence, Evelyn, Ruth, Roy. Section 23 and Section 26. In county for 50 years.
- DORFSCHMIDT, Carl, wife Ida; children Augusta, Helen, Edwin, Raymond, Esther, Evelyn. Section 1. In county for 27 years.
- DORFSCHMIDT, Herman, wife Bertha; children Carl, Otto, Richard, Albert, Herman Jr. Section 1. In county for 24 year.
- DVORAK, Henry, wife Antoinette; children Angela, Raymond, Donald. Section 11. In county for 30 years.
- DVORAK, Louis, wife Emma; children Dorothy, Louis Jr. Section 10. In county for 3 years.
- EGGEBRECHT, Henry C., children Joseph, Edwin, Elizabeth, Henry, Fred, Carl. Section 24 and Section 14. In county for 53 years.
- EHMKE, Wm., wife Ida; children Otto, Erna, Theodore, Freda, Walter. Section 11 and Section 2. In county for 8 years.
- ELLENBECKER, George, wife Katherine; children Marie, George Jr., Magdalene, Rosalind. Section 2. In county for 23 years.
- FANDRE, Mrs. Gust, children Clara, Martin, Leona, Rebecca, Linda, Delia, Ada, Leo, Eliza, Norma, Ervin, Earl, Loretta, Ramona. Section 25. In county for 45 years.
- GERKE, Julius. Children Julia, Eloise, Alois, Spencer, Joyce, Olive, Gerald. Rents in Section 12.
- GIESE, Arthur, wife Elsie; children Wm., Lorinda. Section 3. In county for 27 years.
- GIESE, August wife Alvina; children Leonard, Laverna. Section 9. In county for 30 years.

- GIESE, Fred, wife Mary; children Minnie, Anna, Helen, Edna, Freda. Section 9. In county for 35 years.
- GRIBOWSKI, August, wife Martha; children Elizabeth, Adlegunda, Hattie, Ella, Margaret, Gertrude, August Jr., Arnold, Martha; granddaughter, Bertha. Section 8. In county for 30 years.
- HANEMANN, Emil, wife Mabel; children James, Fay Hanson. Section 2. In county for 39 years.
- HAMANN, Mrs. Henry. Children Geo., Malinda, Elmore, Goldie, Hilda and Erna Wussow; Clarence and Royal Hamann. Section 24. In county for 18 years.
- HARTL, Anton, wife Regina; children Marie, Agnes, Laura, Leopold. Section 25. In county for 19 years.
- HEISER, John, wife Louisa; children Ray, Lucille. Section 23. In county for 11 years.
- HOERNKE, Albert, wife Mata; children Albert Jr., Arnold, Carl, Arulla. Section 15. In county for 40 years.
- HOERNKE, Edward, wife Freda; children Herbert. Section 22 and Section 15. In county for 29 years.
- HOERNKE, Ernest Jr., wife Selma; children Geo., Laverne. Section 23 and Section 22. In county for 32 years.
- HOERNKE, Ernest Sr., wife Tilda; children Ernest, Wm., Herman, Alvin, Otto. Section 22. In county for 40 years.
- HOERNKE, Herman, wife Alvina; children Viola, Lawrence, Luella, Laura. Section 23 and Section 22. In county for 36 years.
- HOERNKE, Wm., wife Louisa; children Hertha, Harold, Alma, Erma. Section 14. In county for 39 years.
- HOHNDORF, Herman, wife Bertha; children Linda, Annie, Freda, Emma, Maida, Ida, Norma, Eleanor, Herman, Bertha. Section 15. In county for 36 years.
- HON, Joe. Children Frank, Henry, Joe Jr., Bessie, Ella, Mary, Wm. Section 3. In county for 20 years.
- JAHNKE, Frank, wife Anna; children Edith, Hilda. Section 2. In county for 53 years.
- JOHNSON, A.M., wife Elva F.; children Lois, Erland, Bernard, Anetta, Doris; Bernhardt Punke, helper. Section 22. In county for 4 years.
- LOSKOT, Adolph. Mother, Agnes; father, Joe. Section 12 and Section 3. In county for 26 years.
- LOSKOT, Frank, wife Mary; children Frank Jr., Loddie, Kamil. Section 12 and Section 11. In county for 30 years.
- MARTYN, Peter, wife Emma; children Elmer, Esther, Isaac, Emma; mother Susan. Section 10. In county for 40 years.
- MESALK, Otto, wife Susan; children Alvin, Molly, Alma, Harold, Elmer, Olga, Helen, Freda, Helmuth, Clara, Dora, Linda, Selma, Erma, Lillian. Section 8 and Section 9. In county for 37 years.
- MIELKE, Leopold, wife Amelia. Section 14. In county for 18 years.
- MIELKE, Martin, wife Erna; children Arthur, Lawrence, Leonard. Section 1. In county for 42 years.
- MOHR, John, wife Elizabeth; children Evelyn, Bernice, Lorene, Norman, Marie, Marcella. Section 4. In county for 47 years.
- MOLLECK, Jacob, wife Rose. Section 4. In county for 30 years.
- MUELLER, George, wife Anna; children Oscar, Alvin, Clarence, Leona, Arnold, Dorothy, Esther, Minnie, Orville, Elsie. Section 10. In county for 59 years.
- MULLINS, M., wife Ellen; children Mary, Chas., Jack, Joseph, Betty. Section 11. In county for 2 years.

- NEITZEL, Fred, wife Esther; children Myrtle, Ruth. Section 1 and in Wein Twp. Section 6. In county for 34 years.
- NIENOW, Fred, wife Marie; children Fred, Herbert. Section 10 and Section 15. In county for 38 years.
- OSHE, Wm. Section 36. In county for 52 years.
- PAGAC, Frank, wife Barbara; children Stephen. Section 3. In county for 1 year.
- PETER, Wilhelm. Children Eric, Reinhold, Paul. Section 15 and Section 16. In county for 20 years.
- PETRI, Wm. J. Chidren Walter, Arthur, Luella. Section 23. In county for 50 years.
- PUNKE, Mrs. G. Children Louisa, Mata, Phillip, Gerald, Rudolph, William, Carl, Bernard, Marie, Herman, Arnold, Elsie. Section 14 and Section 17. In county for 31 years.
- RANDT, Henry, wife Alma; children Gordon, Doris, Ray, Eunice. Section 26. In county for 30 years.
- RASMUSSEN, Earl, wife Erna; children Delbert, Beatrice, Ruby. Section 24. In county for 3 years.
- REMUS, John, wife Anna; children Elnora, Arvilla, Lucille, Anita, Arletta. Section 15 and Section 16. In county for 39 years.
- REMUS, Otto, wife Augusta; children Walter, Olga, Herman, Dorothy. Section 11. In county for 45 years.
- REMUS, Richard, wife Caroline; children Albert, Myrtle, Augusta. Section 4. In county for 39 years.
- RODMAN, Warner, wife Mary; children Herbert, Raymond, Oscar, Henry, Marie, Hattie, Virginia. Section 1. In county for 25 years.
- SCHILLINGER, Vincent, wife Josephine; children Frances, Viola, Ferdinand, Rudolph, Otto, Walter, Herbert, Sylvester. Section 4. In county for 26 years.
- SCHMIDT, Ernest, wife Freda; children Edwin, Hildegard, Arnold. Section 4. In county for 8 years.
- SCHMIRLER, Anton, wife Louisa; children Anton Jr., Bernard, Edward, Paul, Hilbert, Joseph, Frances, Albert. Section 4. In county for 43 years.
- SEEGER, Otto, wife Sophie; children Marie, Arnold, George, Margaret. Section 23 and Section 14. In county for 23 years.
- SEEGER, Paul, wife Marie; children Arthur, Erwin, Alfred, Viola, Esther, Myrtle, Herbert, Kenneth. Section 1. In county for 25 years.
- SEMOLKE, Frank, wife Katherine; children Margaret, Marie, Rose, Alvis, Lawrence, Lorraine. Section 12. In county for 52 years.
- STENDEL, John, wife Ottilie; children Wm., Ottilie; nephew, Wm. Lowe. Section 26 and Section 23. In county for 40 years.
- STENDEL, Victor, mother Albertine. Section 25. In county for 34 years.
- STERZINGER, Frank G., wife Adena; children Ambrose, Wm. Section 9. In county for 23 years.
- SYRING, Herman, wife Hedwig; children Milda, Irene, Clarence, Reuben, Verna. Section 26. In county for 40 years.
- SYRING, Paul, wife Ida; children Ervin, Esther, Carl, Ella, Paul Jr., Arthur, Herbert, Ida, Harry, Betty Jane, Crystal. Section 24. In county for 47 years.
- THOMAS, P.C., wife Ida; children Wm., Albert, Edward, Marie, Louise. Section 10. In county for 3 years.
- TOTZKE, Ferd., wife Emma; children Emma, Herman, Fred, Herta, Albert, Elsie, Wolga, Aurelia. Section 13 and Section 11. In county for 35 years.
- TOTZKE, Otto, wife Bertha; children Mathilda, Ella, Richard. Section 23. In county for 27 years.

- TUTTRUP, Arthur, wife Marion; mother, Mrs. Julius Tuttrup. Section 26. In county for 27 years.
- VIEGUT, Emil, wife Marjorie; children Marvin, Carieta, Jacqueline, Virginia. Section 13. In county for 26 years.
- VOUGHT, Roy C., wife Susan; children Valeria, Lillian, Margaret, Aaron, George, Archie, Marjorie, Leland. In county for 42 years.
- WENDTLAND, Art, wife Marcella; children Clarence. Section 1. In county for 37 years.
- WENZEL, Carl J., wife Phoebe; children Gladys, Norman, Eldred. Section 10. In county for 38 years.
- WETZKE, Ed., wife Anna; children Tracy, Otto, Hulda, Ida, Leopold, Carl, Anna, Hugo, Addie. Section 11. In county for 5 years.
- WIEDERHOEFT, Wm., wife Edna; children Edward, Victoria. Section 15. In county for 37 years.
- WIRKUS, Steve, wife Magdalene; children Dallas, Allen, Tribulah, Marvel, Virgilla. Section 12 and Section 14. In the county for 40 years.
- ZENK, Mrs. Albert. Children Carl, Henry, Hilda. Section 9. In county for 36 years.

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- ADAMS, Felix, wife Ethel; children Herman, Margaret, Robert, Clarence, Frances, Eugene, Arnold, Bernard, Marie. Section 35. In the county for 16 years.
- BORNOWSKI, ADOLF JR., wife Gertrude; children Leonard, Arnold, Violet. Section 36. In the county for 35 years.
- BULGREEN, Emil, wife Mathilda; children Martha, Walter, Arthur, Ida; nephew, Henry Farning. Section 33. In the county for 26 years.
- CUSTER, Philip, wife Bertha; children Harold, Bernice, Doris. Section 35. In the county for 19 years.
- DALLMAN, Otto C., wife Clara; children Walt, Minnie, Otto, Mae, Wm., Ella, Lillian, Herman, Marion, Reinhold, Geneva, Gladys. Section 26. In the county for 53 years.
- DALLMAN, Otto W. Section 34. In the county for 26 years.
- FORSS, Leonard, wife Madeline; children Leo, Melvin, Donald, Maynard. Section 28. In the county for 11 years.
- GALL, Mrs. Mary. Children Anna, Bertha, John Jr., Frank Reith. Section 36. In the county for 35 years.
- GERL, Joe, wife Ida. Section 36. In the county for 7 years.
- GILLIS, John, wife Mathilda; children Elias, Rupert, Beatrice, Eugene, Lorraine. Section 36. In the county for 3 years.
- HARTL, Mike, wife Elizabeth; children Marie, Anna, Magdalene. Section 36. In the county for 13 years.
- HELMEK, John F., wife Anna; children Marie. Section 33. In the county for 37 years.
- HEUCKE, Richard, wife Cornelia; children Elsie, Arnold, Louis, Marie. Section 34. In the county for 51 years.
- HUGGINS, Mrs. J., children Mellie, John, Catherine, George. Section 27. In the county for 20 years.
- JOHNSON, Jacob H., wife Sophia; children Ida, George, Henry. Section 27. In the county for 25 years.
- KLUMB, Fred, wife Emma; children Dorothy, Harriet. Section 22 and Section 27. In the county for 4 years.
- LEFFEL, Wm., wife Clara; children Viola, Bernice, Bernard, Myrtle, Delmar; Niece, Lucille Leffel. Section 28. In the county for 28 years.
- LUCKJOHN, Wm., wife Clara. Section 33. In the county for 7 years.

- PASSEHL, Ernest, wife Louisa; children Bertha, Ernest Jr., Herbert, Lorene. Section 27. In the county for 28 years.
- ROBERTSON, Earl, wife Mildred; children Virginia, Robert. Section 28. In the county for 5 years.
- ROBERTSON, Wm. J., wife Bertha; children Madeline, Earl, John, Eva, Gladys. Section 27 and Section 28. In the county for 5 years.
- STACHOWIAK, Anthony, wife Cherubim. Section 35 and Section 34. In the county for 2 years.
- SULLIVAN, Leonard, wife Frena; children Arnold, Ione, Harold. Section 34 and Section 27. In the county for 12 years.
- SYRING, August. Children Elizabeth, Ida, Amy, Frank, Albert, Martin, Helen, Edna, Stella, Alma. Section 22. In the county for 42 years.
- WENZEL, Earl, wife Naomi; children Vivian Mae, Laverne. Section 33. In the county for 31 years.
- WILMES, Peter. Brother, John Wilmes. Section 35. In the county for 12 years.

FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP

AIRD, VERNON J.: O: FN 2-T-C; PH 257-7189; WF Rose; CH Charlene, Todd; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Employed by Wimmer; Edgar

ASPLUND, JAMES T.: O: FN 19-T-3; PH 223-4903; WF Sandra (Ramker); CH Sheryl, James A., Gregory, Brian, Donna, Jennifer; MI Catholic; Co Res 23 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1958; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

BALLERSTEIN, DONALD D.: O: FN 9-T-2; PH 352-3191; WF Carol (Smith); CH David; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1979; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

BALLERSTEIN, D.H.: O FN 13-T-A; WF Sue; Info N/A; R1, Edgar

BALLERSTEIN, ROBERT J.: O: FN 22-T-2; PH 223-3260; WF Alice (Wolff); CH Roger, Doris, Richard, Gayle, Ronald, Donald, Linda; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; WWII-Army; American Legion; Farmers Union; Town Assessor; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1949; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

BALLERSTEIN, ROGER: FN 26-T-2; PH 687-2487; WF Sharon (Davis); MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1979; Gen Farming, Dairying; Edgar

BANDLE, RAY: O: FN 24-T-2; PH 687-4368; WF Gen (Borchardt); CH Carol Jean, Sandra Rae; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Farmers Union; ASC; Township Supervisor; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1946; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

BARGENDER, CLARENCE: O: FN 3-T-3; PH 257-9157; WF Shirley (Zunker); CH Wanda, Penny, Tammy, Brian, Lisa, Kim, Joe, Stephanie; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family 4 generations Gen Farming, Dairying; Edgar

BARGENDER, LAWRENCE J.: O: FN 3-T-2; PH 257-7871; WF Beth (Schraufnagel); CH Debra, Mark, Robyn, Rebecca, Tracey, Kristy, Shelly, Troy, Wendy, April MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1959; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

BARGENDER MARK R.: O: FN 3-T-C; Ph 352-2257; WF Bonnie (Mueller); CH Ryan, Joshua; MI Lutheran; Co Res 22 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1959; WF employed by Standard Container; H by Stratford Homes; Edgar

BARGENDER, URBAN: O: FN 2-T-5; PH 257-7066; WF Arlene; CH Sherry, Scott, Jaye; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Semi-retired; R1, Edgar

BARKOW, ORVILLE JR.: O: FN 9-T-B; WF Laverna; MI WF employed by Basket Factory; H by Bergs Farm Equipment; R1, Edgar

BARTZ, **MELVIN H.**: O: FN 25-T-A; PH 687-2330; WF Violet (Koehler); CH Dianne; MI United Church of Christ; Ladies Aid; Cod Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1962; Retired; Stratford

BECKER, NORMAN: O: FN 7-T-1; Info N/A

BELANGER, WAYNE: O: FN 4-T-A; PH 257-9080; WF Geraldine (Obenberger); CH Nancy, Darrell, Debra, Corinne,

James, Cheryl: MI Catholic; Korea-Army VFW & Auxiliary; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1971; Owns Belanger Trucking; R2, Athens

BENDER, BRICE H.: O: FN 30-T-1; PH 223-3155; WF Alice (Bohman); CH Duane, Diane, Daniel, Dean; MI Catholic; Altar Society; K of C; Farm Bureau; Marathon County Fair Board; Homemakers; 4-H Leaders; Wisc. Federation Comp.; Tri-State Breeders; FFA; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1943; Gen Farming; Dairying; R1, Colby

BERGER, GARY C.: O: FN 14-T-B; PH 352-3163; WF Cindy (Riviers); MI Catholic; Co Res 3 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1978; WF employed by Marathon Cheese; H Teacher; R1, Edgar

BLOCK, LARRY M.: O: FN 11-T-B; PH 352-2817; WF Sandra (Ven Rooy); CH Larry J., Teresa; MI Catholic; Co Res 5 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1976; WF employed by Kraft; H by Tischendorf Constr.; R1, Edgar

BOHMAN, CLIFFORD J.: O: FN 28-T-2; PH 687-4542; WF Rosemary (Wirkus); CH Dorothy Jo, Billy; MI Catholic; Vietnam-Army; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1978; Employed by Cherokee Garage; R1, Stratford

BOHMAN, DONAVON J.: O: FN 35-T-2; PH 687-3533; WF Dorothy (Ven Rooy); CH Linda, Cindy, Patrick, Gary, Kelly; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family 50 yrs.; Gen Farming; Milk Hauler; R1, Stratford

BOHMAN, DUANE: T: FN 25-T-3; Info N/A

BOHMAN, JACOB H.: O: FN 26-T-4; PH 687-3529; WF Armella (Breu); CH Kenneth, Roger, Duane, Kathy, Mary Jane, John, Diane, James, Gloria, Gail; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Co-op Board; Hillside Cheese Factory Board; Co Res 42 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1939; Gen Farming, Livestock, Dairying; Semi-retired; R1, Stratford

BOHMAN, JAMES G.: O: FN 34-T-4; PH 687-3123; WF Diane (Kraus); CH Jennifer; MI Catholic; Farmers Union; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1941; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Stratford

BOHMANN, ROGER A.: O; FN 25-T-1; PH 687-2343; CH Kevin, Troy, Michelle, Chad; MI Catholic; Army; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1968; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Stratford

BORCHARDT, CHARLOTTE: FN 23-T-B; PH 352-2848; CH Jean, Carol, Betty, Robert; MI Lutheran, Ladies Aid; Altar Guild; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1967; Retired; R1, Edgar

BORCHARDT, FRANK A.: O: FN 25-T-B; PH 687-3576; WF Rosalie (Dallman); CH Richard, Karl, Larry; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Korea-Army; Co Res Lifetime; Employed by Weyerhaeuser; R1, Edgar

BORCHARDT, GERALD D.: O: FN 24-T-1; PH 352-2938; WF Barbara (Poeske); CH Kim, Scott, Terry; MI Lutheran; ALCW; Army; Township Board; School Board; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1922; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

BORCHARDT, ROBERT R.: O: FN 13-T-6; PH 352-2504; WF Patricia (Christiansen); CH Ricky, Angela, Amy; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1890; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

BORNOWSKI, LEONARD B.: O: FN 25-T-1; PH 687-2308; WF LaVerne (Hoernke); CH Joan, Cheryl, Dawn, David; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1961; Beef; Gen Farming, Livestock; R1, Stratford

BREHM, **JAMES**: O: FN 13-T-5; PH 352-2493; WF Joan (Kawa); CH Russell, Sheila, Andrew; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1979; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

BROWN DOROTHY L.: O: FN 11-T-5; PH 352-2274; MI Lutheran; St. Johns Evening Circle; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1890; Retired; R1, Edgar

BROWN, RONALD F.: O: FN 3-T-1; PH 352-3056; WF Janice (Hamann); CH Douglas, Larry, Beverly, Bruce, Stacey; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Church Board; Farmers Union; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1934; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

BROWN WALTER: T: FN 11-T-2; PH 352-2995; WF Emma (Totzke); CH Ronald, Miriam; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Evening Guild; Co Res Lifetime; Retired; Edgar

BUNKELMAN, THOMAS R.: O: FN 10-T-1; PH 352-2415; WF Florine (Literski); CH Brooke; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Farmers Union; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1979; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

BUSCHE, JOHN C.: O: FN 8-T-1; PH 223-4779; WF Janet (Damitz); CH Deanna, Cynthia, Merrilee; MI Catholic & Lutheran; NFO; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1978; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

BUSCHE, NORMAN F.: O: FN 28-T-A; PH 687-2457; WF Fay (Conaway); CH Duane, Danny, Bonnie; MI Lutheran; WWII-Navy; VFW; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1949; Employed by Hillside Co-op & American Cheese; R1, Stratford

BUTTKE, ANTON J.: O: FN 24-T-A; PH 687-2149; WF Alma; CH Gordon, Ray Randt; Doris, Eunice, Janet, Karen, Ronald, Betty Buttke; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid-Steward; Co Res Lifetime; Retired; R1, Edgar

CAREY, PATRICK H. SR.: O: FN 23-T-4; PH 687-5813; WF Ann (Metcalf); CH Patrick Jr., Teresa, Joan, Michael, Frank, John; MI Catholic; Korea & Vietnam-Navy; VFW; Farmers Union; NOW; Stratford Farmers Co-op; ADA; Co Res 13 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1978; WF employed by DHIA; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

CARTER, MERVIN E.: O: FN 7-T-A; PH 223-3890; WF Marlene; CH Julie, Denise; MI WF employed by Zettler Constr.; H by Peterson Bros. Constr.; R1, Colby

CUSTER, HAROLD P.: O: FN 35-T-3; PH 687-2341; CH John, Larry; MI Baptist; Co Res Lifetime; Stratford

CUSTER, LARRY: O: FN 35-T-4; PH 687-4283; WF Jan (Perlock); MI Baptist; Co Res Lifetime; Stratford

DAHLKE, BERNARD: O: FN 18-T-3; PH 223-2461; WF Marie (Podevels); CH DuWayne, Delmar, Sharon; MI Catholic; Lions; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1952; Heavy Equipment Operator; R1, Colby DAHLKE, DELMAR: O: FN 21-T-A; PH 223-4976; WF Cindy; CH Stacy; MI Co Res 1 yrs.; Construction Worker; Colby

DAHLKE, DENNIS: T: FN 12-T-3; PH 352-2483; WF Brenda (Wisnewski); CH Seth, Erin; MI Catholic; Vietnam-Army; Co Res Lifetime; Employed by General Telephone; Edgar

DAHLKE, KENNETH A.: FN 13-T-3; PH 352-2730; WF Diane (McKee); CH Cheryl, Steven, Scott; MI Catholic; Farmers Union; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1926; Gen Farming, Dairying; Edgar

DAHLKE, RALPH P.: O: FN 13-T-2; PH 352-2636; WF Anne (Zemski); CH Dennis, Donna, Daniel, Dale, Debra, Dawn; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1881; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

DE YOUNG, PETER: O: FN 10-T-7; PH 352-2059; WF June (Rietveld); CH Dennis, Wayne, Terry, Kent, Kevin (Deceased), Burt; MI Lutheran; Church Council; Air Force; Farm Bureau; Homemakers; Co Res 3 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1978; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

DILLINGER, MARY: O: FN 27-T-A; PH 687-2402; CH Francis, Leonard, Inez, Clara, David, Ervin; MI Catholic; Co Res 5 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1977; Retired; R1, Stratford

DORFSCHMIDT, EDWIN E.: O: FN 1-T-4; PH 257-7727; WF Geraldine (Kreutz); CH Nancy, Gary; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Century Farm; WF employed by Weyerhaeuser; H-Retired; R1, Edgar

EGNER, GERALD J.: O: FN 14-T-2; PH 552-2619; WF Donna (Reiche); CH Jeremy, Tara, Todd, Raun; MI Lutheran; Church Council; NFO; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1976; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

FECKER, GARY J.: O: FN 19-T-1; PH 223-4586; WF Beverly (Runkle); CH Douglas, Carman, Jacqueline, Derrek, Gary Jr., Adam; MI Catholic; Christian Mothers; Vietnam-Army; 4-H Leader; 4-H; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1961; Gen Farming, Dairying; Owns F & G Trucking; R1, Colby

FECKER, GENE: O: FN 16-T-B; PH 223-4072; WF Karen (Sutton); CH Jeremy, Ryan, Carrie; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1975; Employed by Stratford Co-op; R1, Colby

FINKE, GERALD J.: O: FN 35-T-1; PH 687-3525; WF Carol (Redpath); CH Mike, David, Karin; MI Catholic National Holstein Assn.; Homemakers; Co Res 3 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1978; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Stratford

FINKE, HAROLD: O: FN 24-T-4; PH 352-2722; WF Marcia (Jordan): CH Bret, Brian, Bridget; MI Catholic; Vietnam-Navy; Homemakers; Co Res 3 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1978; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

GIESE, ARTHUR F.: O: FN 3-T-5; PH 352-2104; WF Elsie (Schmidt); CH William, Lorinda, Noreen, Meldon, Sandra, Etola; MI Lutheran; ALCW, Ladies Aid; Farm Bureau; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1922; Gen Farming, Livestock; Semi-retired; R1, Edgar

GIESE, AUGUST J.: O: FN 9-T-C; PH 352-2454; CH Ethel, Ruth, Laverna; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1898; Retired; R1, Edgar

GIESE, RUSSELL W.: O: FN 2-T-D; PH 257-9013; WF Barbara (Drexler); CH Julie, Wayne; MI Lutheran, Farm Bureau; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Employed by Frankfort Cheese Factory; R1, Edgar

GIESE, **WILLIAM**: O: FN 15-T-2; PH 352-2402; WF Alvina (Mielke); CH Ellen, Russell; Bureau; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1949; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

GOKEY, ROBERT A.: T: FN 22-T-3; PH 223-6411; WF Sandra (Poeschel); CH Robert Jr.; MI Lutheran; Both-Army; Co Res 1 yr.; Employed by Myers Mfg.; R1, Stratford **GOLDSCHMIDT, RICHARD C. JR.:** O: FN 18-T-4; PH 223-4431; WF Nancy (Weideman); CH Michelle, Kim, Richard 4th; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1946; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

GOLDSCHMIDT, RICHARD J., SR.: T: FN 18-T-5; PH 223-2936; WF Ruth (Furhmann); CH Richard Jr.; MI Lutheran; Co Res 59 yrs; Retired; R1, Colby

GRAMMER, RICHARD F.: O: FN 17-T-3; PH 223-2562; MI Catholic; Co Res 28 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1953; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

GRAMMER, THEODORE R.: T: FN 17-T-3; PH 223-2562; WF Margaret (Sellung); CH Beverly, Mary Donna, Richard, Dennis; MI Catholic; Township Clerk; Co Res 28 yrs.; Retired; R1, Colby

GRIESER, HATTIE: T: FN 33-T-4; PH 687-2454; CH Gladys, Marvin, Dorothy, Milton; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Retired; R1, Stratford

GRIESER, MILTON E.: O: FN 33-T-3; PH 687-2454; WF Kathleen (Strehlow); CH Milton Jr., Norman, Chad; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1931; Gen Farming, Dairying; Employed by Stratford Homes; R1, Stratford

GUMZ, **CLARENCE H.:** O: FN 35-T-A; PH 687-4940; WF Beatrice (Haffner); CH Sharon, Arvin, Arnold, Clarence Jr.; MI Lutheran; WWII-Army Air Force; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1960; Retired; R1, Stratford

GUSTAFSON, FRANKLIN: O: FN 8-T-6; Info N/A

HALVERSON, CAROLINE: O: FN 3-T-A; PH 352-2845; CH Larry, Charlene, LaVerne; MI Lutheran; ALCW; Ladies Aid; Homemakers; Co Res 20 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1961; Retired; R1, Edgar

HAMANN, JOHN P.: O: FN 15-T-B; PH 352-2751; WF Joyce (Nagel); CH Allen, Gayle; MI Lutheran; Army; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1967; WF employed by Data Flow; H by Frankfort Township; R1, Edgar

HAMANN, RALPH H.: O: FN 21-T-4; PH 223-4743; WF Mary (Schepar); CH Bonnie, Dale; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1916; WF employed by Marshfield Rest Home; Gen Farming, Dairying; Colby

HAMANN, WALLACE J.: T: FN 27-T-4; PH 223-4743; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Employed by Weyerhaeuser; R1, Colby

HARTL, MICHAEL J.: O: FN 36-T-1; PH 687-2301; WF Delores (Mueller); CH Michael G., Cathleen, Pamela, Sandra; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1922; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Stratford

HEEG, MARK A.: O: FN 20-T-3; PH 223-2698; WF Faith Maxam); CH Kristie; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1979; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

HEIDEN, MARK E.: O: FN 36-T-2; PH 687-4146; WF Mary (Andres); MI Catholic; Co Res 11 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1980; WF employed by Kick-A-Poo Cheese; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Stratford

HELD, RODNEY: T: FN 13-T-6; Info N/A

HEUCKE, ARNOLD: O: FN 34-1-2; PH 687-2458; MI Lutheran; WWII-Army; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1927; Retired; Stratford

HEUCKE, LOUIS H.: O:FN 34-T-2; PH 687-2458; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1927; Retired; R1, Stratford

HEUCKE, MARIE: O: FN 34-T-2; PH 687-2458; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1927; Retired; Stratford

HOERNKE, ERNEST: O: FN 14-T-D; PH 352-2988; WF Selma (Lueschow); CH George, LaVerne, Lucille; MI Lutheran; Farmers Union; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1956; Retired; R1, Edgar HORNKE, HAROLD E.: O: FN 14-T-C; PH 352-2640; WG Elfrieda (Theilig); CH Kenneth, Sandy, Ginny, Cherryl, Darryl; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1979; WF employed by Frankfort Cheese; H Carpenter; Edgar

HOERNKE, RALPH B.: O: FN 22-T-5; PH 352-2810; WF Cheryl (Dallmann); CH Lisa; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1876; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

HOESLY, A.L.: O: FN 11-T-A; PH 352-3121; WF Esther; Info N/A

HOFFMAN, ELMER: O: FN 18-T-B; MI United Church of Christ; Co Res Lifetime;

JANTSCH, LEONARD J.: O: FN 5-T-2; PH 223-3537; WF Elvera (Kreuger); CH Charles, John; MI United Church of Christ; Church Council; WWII-Navy; American Legion; Township Board of Supervisors; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1950; Gen Farming, Dairying; 3022 State Hwy 29, Athens

KASER, DANIEL N.: FN 20-T-B; PH 223-3031; WF Mardell (Milford); CH Jeff, Valerie, Michelle; MI Catholic; Navy; Co Res 8 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1973; Owner of Buckhorn Bar; R1 Colby

KILTY, MERLIN: O: FN 8-T-3; PH 223-2009; WF Donna; CH Deborah, Michael, Patrick, Mark; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; School Board; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1934; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

KILTY, MICHAEL: O: FN 16-T-D; WF Connie; CH Jennifer; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; WF employed by Marshfield Clinic; H by Merlin Kilty; R1, Edgar

KILTY, PATRICK A.: FN 9-T-3; PH 223-6103; WF Deborah (Geiger); MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Employed by Merlin Kilty; R1, Edgar

KIRCHNER, HAROLD F.: O: FN 8-T-2; PH 223-2070; WF Mary Jo (Raleigh); CH Jeff, Sara, Ian; MI Catholic; Altar Society; K of C; National Guard; Farm Bureau; Co Res 4 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1977; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

KNETTER, ALLAN: T: FN 36-T-B; MI Co Res Lifetime; Owner of Country Aire Tavern; Employed by Basket Factory; Stratford

KOEPKE, EDITH C.: O: FN 2-T-A; PH 352-3087; CH Aledith, Neal; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; LWML; Evening Guild; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1879; R1, Edgar

KOEPKE, NEAL A.: O: FN 2-T-1; PH 352-3087; WF Anna (Mathis); CH Steven, Michael; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Farmers Union; Central Wisc. Tractor Pullers Assn.; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1879; Gen Farming, Dairying; Jacques Seed Corn; R1, Edgar

KOPS, DOUGLAS G.: O: FN 23-T-3; PH 352-3133; WF Janet (Miller); CH Lori, Anthony; MI Lutheran; Farmers Union; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1978; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

KRAMPIEN, JOHN: O: FN 1-T-2; PH 352-2793; WF Carol (Neitzel); CH John, Dwight, Kenneth, Dennis; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Farmer Union; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1881; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

KRAUSE, **LOIS**: O: FN 22-T-E; CH Todd, Roger, Eric, Lisa; MI Co Res 15 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1975; R1, Stratford **KUNKEL**, **LEOPOLD A**.: O: FN 21-T-B; PH 223-2650; WF Mae (Greiff); CH Keith, Kevin, Kent; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Sunday School Teacher; Choir Director; Korea-Army; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1971; Employed by Land O'Lakes; R1, Colby LAKE, LAWRENCE: O: FN 2-T-B; PH 257-9046; WF Magvalene (Ellenbeck); CH Eugene, Norbert, LeAnder, Charlene, Glen, Darlene, Gary; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1934; Retired; Edgar

LANDWEHR, DUANE A.: O: FN 26-T-B; PH 687-3534; WF Marlyn (Treankler); CH Dawn, Terry, Ardelle, Susan, Douglas, Sherri, Sandra; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Korea-Army; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1965; Employed by Rollohome; R1, Stratford

LAUX, LENA: T: FN 7-T-3; PH 223-2052; CH Theodore, Roland, Delmer, John Willard, Mary, Virginia; MI United Church of Christ; Co Res 5 yrs.; Retired; R1, Colby

LEFFEL, **DARREL O**. O: FN 34-T-3; PH 687-2453; WF Cheryl; MI Darnell, Wendy, David, Pamela, Darin, Russel, Cindy; MI Lutheran; Councilman; Army; Farmers Union; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1968; Gen Farming; Dairying; Owner of Leffel Mfg.; R1, Stratford

LEFFEL, DELMAR L.: O: FN 33-T-C; PH 223-3014; WF Orleata (Cole); CH Cheryl, Dennis, Delmar, Roxanne; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1948; Retired; R1, Stratford

LEFFEL, **DORIS**: O: FN 16-T-C; CH Darrell, Myron, Dale, Darlene; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1971; Retired; R1, Colby

LEFFEL, **HENRY**: O: FN 7-T-C; WF Mary; CH Alice, Arlene, Luverne; MI Retired; R1, Colby

LEFFEL, **LEO H.**: O: FN 20-T-2; PH 223-2850; WF Joanne (Gierl); CH Dan, Gary, Diane; Scott, Peggy, Jackie; M1 Catholic; Altar Society; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1911; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

LEFFEL, **MARVIN L.**: O: FN 15-T-5; PH 223-2055; WF Nancy (Polzin); CH Holly, Cheryl, Janice, Clyde; MI Lutheran; Korea-Army; Farmers Union; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1968; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

LEFFEL, **MYRON**: FN 22-T-C; PH 223-4324; WF Carla Jean (Poeschel); MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1978; Both employed by Marshfield Warehouse; R1, Stratford

LEFFEL, **VERNON H.:** O: FN 16-T-1; PH 223-2968; WF Patricia (Loss); CH Virginia, Michael, Jeff, Jim; MI Lutheran; Army; Homemakers; 4-H Leaders; 4-H; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1961; WF Shaklee Dealer; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

LEHMAN, EDMUND G.: O: FN 5-T-A; PH 223-4201; WF Rose (Roman); CH Edward, Shirley, Gary, Diane; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1963; Retired; 3026 State Hwy 29, Athens

LE VOY DARRYL D.: O: FN 22-T-1; PH 352-2831; WF Sharon (Davenport); CH Duane, Rebecca, James; MI Community Bible; Ladies Aid; AMPI; Co Res 3 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1978; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

LE VOY, RAMON L.: O: FN 26-T-3; PH 687-5887; WF Marilyn (Shain); CH Juanita, Candida, Catina, Kellie (deceased), Ramon; MI Community Bible; Co Res 4 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1977; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

LONDO, DENNIS R.: O: FN 14-T-A; Info N/A

LOSKOT, LODDIE L.: O: FN 10-T-5; PH 352-2689; WF Dorothy (Erickson), Cli Harold, Donna; MI Presbyterian; Church Board; Farm Bureau; Township Board; County Board; Town Chairman; Lions; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1937; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

LOUCKS, DAVID: O: FN 6-T-1; Info N/A

MCGUIRE, MARK A.: O: FN 11-T-1; PH 352-2044; WF Mary (Feldman); CH Michael, Melissa; MI Community Bible Church; Farmers Union; Co Res 1 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1981; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar **McPHERSON, DAVID B.:** R: FN 12-T-2; Ph 352-3073; WF Rebecca (Skenandore); CH David; MI Methodist; Co Res 3 yrs.; For a in Family since 1978; WF employed by Edgar Packing; H by Badger Basket; R1, Edgar

MARCIS, CHARLES E.: O: FN 28-T-1; PH 687-3191; WF Donna (Pietrzykowski); CH Steven, Twins-Sherri & Merri; MI Lutheran; Sunday School Teacher; Army; 4-H Leaders, 4-H; Co Res 36 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1975; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Stratford

MARTYN, RANDY: T: FN 11-T-3; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; R1, Edgar

MARTYN, WILLIAM E.: T: FN 11-T-3; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Edgar

MARTYN, WILLIAM P.: O: FN 11-T-4; PH 352-2784; WF Judith (Joernke); CH Randy, William E., Robert, Perry; MI Lutheran; Sunday School Teacher; Church Council; Korea-Army; Farmers Union; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1884; Gen Farming; Dairying; Mallard Seed Dealer; R1, Edgar

MATYSIK, JEROME: O: FN 2-T-2; PH 257-7714; WF Carol (Wilde); CH Michelle, Nicole, Jeremy; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1978; Gen Farming, Dairying; Electrician; R1, Edgar

MAXSON, CLARENCE: T: FN 2-T-A; PH 352-3087; WF Aledith (Koepke); CH Laura, Ann, Frank; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Employed by Bethesda Gift Shop; Edgar

MEIER, MATTHEW B.: O: FN 2-T-4; PH 257-7708; WF Beverly (Diedrich): CH Corisse; MI Assembly of God; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family 4 generations; Employed by Michael Construction; Self-employed Saw Mill; R1, Edgar

(Gorichs); CH John, Bridget, Edward, Mark, Marilynn; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Sunday School Teacher; Air Force Farmers Union; Co Res 4 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1977; WI employed by St. Josephs Hospital; Gen Farming, Dairying; 3024 State Hwy 29, Athens

MIELKE, ALBERT O.: O: FN 21-T-3; PH 223-2117; WF Elaine (Mueller); MI Lutheran, Ladies Aid; Co Res Lifetime; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

MIELKE, CARL: O: FN 9-T-A; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1946; Retired; R1, Edgar

MIELKE, HUGO: O: FN 17-T-1; WF Jean; Info N/A

MIERKEY, EVAN: O: FN 6-T-D; PH 223-4572; WF Clara (Dieken); CH Clarence, Evelyn, Carol, Mardella, Edith, Evan Jr.; MI Lutheran; Co Res 27 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1954; Retired; Colby

MROCZENSKI, RONALD J.: O: FN 15-T-1; PH 352-2975; WF Elaine (Schwamman); CH Kristy; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Holy Name Society; Vietnam-Air Force; Cemetery Assn.; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1978; WF employed by Edgar Clinic; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

MYSZKA, JAMES E.: O: FN 2-T-3; PH 352-2886; WF Marlene (Singer); CH James Jr., Tracy, Robert; MI Catholic; Vietnam-Army; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1979; Gen Farming, Dairying; WF-RN; R2, Edgar

NIENOW, GARY: O: FN 15-T07; WF Audrey; CH Ronnie, Jackie, Kim, Ricky; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; WF employed by Employers of Wausau; H Self-employed Carpenter; Colby

OLSEN, MARK W.: T: FN 3-T-4; PH 257-7713; CH Kimberly, Rocky; MI Co Res 3 yrs.; Cattle Buyer; R2, Athens

PANZIGRAU, MICHAEL F.: O: FN 23-T-5; PH 687-2145; WF Mildred (Pilgrim); CH William, John; MI Lutheran; Co Res 70 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1934; Retired; Edgar

PASSEHL, LOUISE: O: FN 13-T-4- PH 352-2176; CH Bertha, Ernest, Herbert, Laurence; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family 4 generations; Retired; R1, Edgar **PASSEHL, RODNEY K.:** O: FN 24-T-1; PH 352-2644; WF Mary Jean (Wenzel); CH Kelly, Tracy; MI Catholic & Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family 4 generations; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

PELKY, JACK: T: FN 12-T-1; PH 352-3166; WF Bertha; CH William; MI Lutheran; Co Res 1 yrl; R1, Edgar

PELKEY, WILLIAM D.: O: FN 12-T-1; PH 352-3166; MI Lutheran; Co Res 1 yr.; Farm in Family since 1980; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

PODEVELS, ANNA: T: FN 18-T-3; PH 223-2461; CH Erma, LaVern, Marie, Marjorie; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Retired; R1, Colby

RAASCH, WILFRED: O: FN 8-T-A; WF Bertha; MI Lutheran; Co Res 6 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1975; Retired; Colby

RAEBEL, **NORBERT** J.: O: FN 34-T-1; PH 687-3119; WF Lorna; CH Eva, Willy, Pat, Lisa, Jeanie; MI NFO; Stratford **REEL**, **ROLAND W**.: O: FN 7-T-2; PH 223-2700; WF Mary (Stini); CH Nancy, Berdine, Twins-Ronald & Donald, James; MI United Church of Christ; Womens Guild; Co Res 35 Yrs.; Farm in Family since 1946; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby **REMUS ARTHUR E.:** O: FN 4-T-1; PH 257-7607; WF Ellen (Flick); CH Susan, Arthur R., Scott; MI Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family 3 generations; Gen Farming, Dairying; R2, Athens

REMUS, MYRTLE: T: FN 4-T-1; PH 257-7607; MI Retired; Athens

REPKING, FRANK P.: O: FN 33-T-2; PH 687-3158; WF Isabel (Raffel); CH Douglas, Jeanne, Mark; MI Catholic; National Guard; Co Res 7 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1974; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Stratford

REYZER, **JEFF J.**: O: FN 18-T-A; PH 223-6404; WF Sharon (Dahlke); MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1979; Employed by Wergin Construction; Colby

RODMAN, GENE A.: O: FN 1-T-A; PH 257-7996; WF Martha (Ortman); CH Gail, Corrine, Wade; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Co Res Lifetime; Employed by Belanger Trucking, Edgar

RODMAN, HELEN: O: FN 1-T-B; PH 257-7864; CH Robert, Gene; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Owner of Rodman's Bar: R1, Edgar

RODMAN, ROBERT G.: O: FN 1-T-3; PH 257-9075; WF Judy (Becker); CH Brian, Blain, Bradley, MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Church Board; Sunday School Teacher; Army; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1953; Dairying; R1, Edgar

RUHA, ARNE V.: O: FN 36-T-A; PH 687-4666; WF Gladys (Mikes); MI Lutheran & Catholic; Co Res 15 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1966; Both employed by Stratford Public Schools; R1, Stratford

SALYER, DON: T: FN 10-T-6; WF Shirley; CH Diana, Joe, Donna, Donnie; MI Lutheran; Employed by Peter De Young; R1, Edgar

SAZAMA, DARNELL L.: O: FN 21-T-2; PH 223-6505; WF Doreen (Kilty); MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; WF employed by Hedelers Super Market; H by Belanger Trucking; R1, Colby

SAZAMA, IDA: O: FN 21-T-1; PH 223-2453; CH James, Sylvestor, Leon; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Century Farm; Retired; R1, Colby

SAZAMA, JOSEPH V.: O: FN 7-T-4; PH 223-2606; WF Gertrude; CH Richard, Wayne, Joseph K., Orville, Phillip, Coral, Maria; MI Baptist; Ladies Aid; Sunday School Teacher; Brotherhood; WWI-Army; American Legion; VFW Auxiliary; NFO; REA; ASC; Township Board; Elevator Board; County Board; School Board; Masons; Shriners; Moose; Elks; Lions; Odd Fellows; Eagles; Country Club; Homemakers; 4-H; FFA: Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1860; WF employed by State of Wisconsin; Gen Farming, Grain, Livestock, Dairying, Sheep, Poultry, Custom Work; R1, Colby SAZAMA, LEON P.: O: FN 28-T-3; PH 223-4477; WF Patricia (McHough); CH Darnell, Darrell, Darla, Dorine; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family 4 generations; WF employed by Kraft Cheese; H by Abby Ag-Lime; R1, Colby

SCHEMENAUER, ELMER M.: O: FN 4-T-B; PH 223-4507; WF Cecelia (Calmes); CH Raymond, JoAnn, Elmer Jr., Peter, Susan, Kathleen; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1931; Retired; R2, Athens

SCHEMENAUER, PETER A.: O: FN 4-T-2, PH 223-3485; WF Marian (Gierl); CH Craig; MI Catholic; Snowmobile Club; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1931; Gen Farming, Dairying; R2, Athens

SCHEMENAUER, RAYMOND: O: FN 4-T-3; PH 223-3359; WF Joyce (Zettler); CH Marian, Kevin, Kurt, Keith, Kenny; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Army; Snowmobile Club; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1931; Gen Farming, Dairying; Employed by Murrays; R2, Athens

SCHILLING, DONALD: O: FN 19-T-5; WF Inez; MI WF employed by Kraft Cheese; R1, Colby

SCHILLING, JAMES: O: FN 16-T-E; PH 223-4820; WF Robin; CH Vanessa, Nicky; MI Co Res Lifetime; WF employed by Mr. B's. H Factory Worker; R1, Colby

SCHILLINGER, DARREL L.: O: FN 4-T-4; PH 223-2976; WF Mary Ann (Klimpke); CH Clayton, Ben; MI Catholic; Farmers Union; JC's; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1941; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

SCHIRMER, RAYMOND SR.: O: FN 1-T-C; PH 257-7832; WF Margaret (Polacek); CH Robert, Raymond Jr., Irving, Pearl, Glenn, Carole, Adrianne, Patricia, Katherine; MI Co Res 15 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1966; Retired; R2, Athens

SCHNEIDER, IDA: T: FN 36-T-5; PH 687-2339; CH Lester Jr., Carol, DuWayne; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Co Res Lifetime; Retired; R1, Stratford

SCHNEIDER, LESTER JR.: O: FN 36-T-4; PH 687-2342; WF Phyllis (Blizzard); CH Steven, David, Peter, Patricia; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid, Sunday School Teacher; Korea-Army; Farm in Family since 1944; WF-Librarian; R1, Stratford

SCHOELZEL, DENNIS: FN 9-T-D; WF Edith; Info N/A

SCHOENFUSS, CAROL: T: FN 36-T-B; MI Co Res Lifetime; Employed by Edgar Basket Factory; Stratford

SCHOENFUSS, J. LAVERNE: O: FN 33-T-1; PH 687-2329; WF Alma (Van Der Leest); CH Eunice, Eugene, Twins-Donna & Diane, Nancy, Richard, Annette; MI Catholic; Altar Society; Holy Name Society; AMPI; Foresters; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1946; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Stratford

SCHULTZ, HENRY A.: O: FN 22-T-4; PH 687-2140; WF Myrtle (Lueke); CH Vivian, Crystal, Carl, Bill, Gary, Renee, Mike, Wendy, Mary; MI Lutheran; Co Res 35 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1946; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

SEBOLDS, FELIZ: O: FN 6-T-C; Info N/A

SEEGER, HERBERT SR.: O: FN 1-T-1; PH 352-2940; WF Mary (Welbes); CH Barbara, James, Alice, Herbert Jr.; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1900; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

SPIERING, JAMES: O: FN 26-T-A; WF Linda; MI Employed by Cherokee Impl; Edgar

STACK, **JEROME G.**: O: FN 36-T-3; PH 687-2306; WF Mary (Van Der Leest); CH Todd, Jason; MI Catholic, Altar Society; Navy; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1948; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Stratford

STREIT, WALTER L.: O: FN 10-T-2; PH 352-2182; WF Margene; CH Ted, Mary, Susan, Jim, Twins-Donna & Darlene; Info N/A; Edgar

SUTTON, ARCHIE W.: O: FN 27-T-B; PH 687-4331; WF Catherine (Komatz); CH Warren, Karen, Richard Sharon, Daniel, Tina, Laurie, Charles; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid, Sunday School Teacher; Army; Homemakers; Co Res 17 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1964; Employed by Stratford Farmers Co-op; R1, Stratford

SUTTON, DANIEL: T; FN 36-T-6; PH 687-2180; WF Carol (Wolk); CH Eric, Tony; MI Employed by Stratford Farmers Co-op; Stratford

SUTTE, DUANE G.: T. FN 12-T-A; PH 352-3179; WF Patsy (Raatz); MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Employed by Loddie Loskot; R1, Edgar

SYRING, ETOLA: O: FN 33-T-B; PH 687-2135; CH Delores, MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family 3 generations; Retired; R1, Stratford

SYRING, LARRY A.: O: FN 33-T-5; PH 687-5860; WF Illa (Potts); CH Joseph, Sara; MI Catholic; Co Res Lifetime; WF employed by Danel Grocery; H by Marathon County; R1, Stratford

SYRING, RANDAL: T: FN 25-T-4; MI Co Res Lifetime; R1, Stratford

SYRING, RUEBEN F.: O: FN 26-T-1; PH 687-2142; WF Arabella (Hamann); CH Sharon, Geraldine, Randall; MI Lutheran; Church Board; Evening Guild; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1917; Gen Farming, Livestock, Dairying; Bus Driver; R1, Edgar

TELSCHOW, **DELMAR**: O: FN 23-T-A; PH 352-2431; WF Audrey (Ballerstein); CH Dennis, Dawn, Denise; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Korea-Army; VFW; Lions; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1977; Co-Owner of Frankfort Cheese, Edgar

TELSCHOW, DENNIS P.: O: FN 22-T-B; PH 352-2432; WF Delores (Mielke); CH Mark, David; MI Lutheran; Organist; Sunday School Teacher; Youth Group Counselors; National Guard; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1956; Co-Owner of Frankfort Cheese; R1, Edgar

TELSCHOW, DENNIS D.: FN 21-T-B; Info N/A

TOTZKE, AARON A.: O: FN 12-T-4; PH 352-2972; WF Cindy (Telschow); CH Victoria, Eric; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1978; Gen Farming, Dairying; Edgar

TOTZKE, ALBERT: T: FN 13-T-1; PH 352-2137; WF Agnes (Hartl); CH Carl, John, Aaron, Jane, Kaye, Kristine; MI Lutheran; ALCW; Altar Guild; Farm Bureau; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Retired; Edgar

TOTZKE, CARL A.: O: FN 14-T-1; PH 352-2708; WF Jean (Paul); CH Cathy, Jeffrey, Jeremy, Carl Anthony; MI Lutheran & Catholic; Vietnam-Army; Farmers.Union; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1908; Gen Farming, Dairying; Edgar

TOTZKE, FRED J.: O: FN 14-T-A; PH 352-2790; WF Marie (Hartl); MI Lutheran; Retired; Edgar

TOTZKE, JOHN: O: FN 13-T-1; PH 352-2137; MI Lutheran; Vietnam-Army; Farmers Union; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1908; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

TOTZKE, RICHARD C.: O: FN 23-T-1; PH 352-2672; WF Viola (Rieke); CH Rolland, Arla Mae, Myron; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; ALCW-Pres.; Farm Bureau; Past Chairman Town Board; Homemakers-Pres.; Past County Commissioner; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1903; Retired; R1, Edgar

TOTZKE, ROLLAND H.: T: FN 23-T-2; PH 352-2894; WF Judy (Dahlke); CH Shawn, Matthew, Jennifer; MI Lutheran; National Guard; Co Res Lifetime; WF employed by Marathon Cheese; H Owns Frankfort Auto & Machine; Edgar

UHLIG, DELBERT: O: FN 7-T-B; PH 223-4143; WF Nancy (Reel); CH Keith, Kathy; MI Jehovah Witness; Co Res Lifetime; Truck Driver; R1, Colby

VAN DREEL, FLOYD J.: O: FN 17-T-4; PH 223-2263; WF Marion (Wiltjer); CH Douglas; MI United Church of Christ; Co Res Lifetime, Farm in Family since 1908; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby **VEN ROOY, HAROLD J.:** O: FN 6-T-B; PH 223-4645; WF Evelyn (Herrmann); CH Kenneth, David, Karen, Lyle, Diane; MI United Church of Christ; WWII-Army Air Force; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1972; WF Beautician; H Operating Engineer; R1, Colby

VOIGT, ARTHUR SR.: O: FN 16-T-A; PH 352-2519; WF Amelia (Jahnke); CH Arthur Jr., Gerald, Judy, Patricia, Karen; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1952; Retired; R1, Colby

VOIGT, ARTHUR JR.: O: FN 15-T-6; PH 352-2857; MI Lutheran; Vietnam-Army; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1952; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

WEBER, WALTER: T: FN 19-T-4; PH 223-6516; WF Tammy; MI Employed by Ernest Schilling; R1, Colby

WEILAND, EDWIN E.: O: FN 20-T-C; PH 223-2491; WF Gloria (Westphal); CH Jill, Kerry, Patrick; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

WEILAND, EDWIN O.: O: FN 17-T-2; PH 223-2234; WF Lorraine (Diers); CH Susan, Richard, Edwin E., Gary, Jeffrey, Loren; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1960; Gen Farming, Dairying, Colby

WEILAND, GARY: T: FN 8-T-4; PH 223-4059; WF Peggy; CH Kimberly, Matthew, Amandy; MI WF employed by Edgar Basket Factory; H by Fenwood Feed Mill; R1, Colby

WIELAND, RICHARD E.: O: FN 20-T-1; PH 223-4896; WF Kristi (Heinrich); CH Shelly, Tammy, James; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family sence 1974; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

WEINKE, FRED J.: O: FN 8-T-5; PH 223-2962; WF Margretta; CH LeRoy; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1972; Retired; Colby

WELCH, TAMMY: T: FN 4-T-3; PH 352-2498; CH Jason, Joshua; MI United Church of Christ; Co Res 1 yr.; Student at NCTI; R1, Edgar

WENZEL, ELDRED A.: O: FN 10-T-3; PH 352-2555; WF Dorothy (Kautman); CH Gloria, Loren, Erlan, Darla; MI Lutheran; Past School Board; Homemakers; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1908; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, -Edgar

WENZEL, EVERETT N.: O: FN 18-T-1; PH 223-4773; WF Donna (Grayson); CH Shannon, Shayne, Robert, Brenda; MI Lutheran; ALCW; Church Council; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1959; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Colby

WENZEL, LOREN E.: O: FN 10-T-A; PH 352-2007; WF Charlotte (Recore); CH Erin, Lucas, Lewis; MI Lutheran; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1979; Employed by Dairyland Transport; R1, Edgar

WENZEL, NORMAN C.: O: FN 19-T-2; PH 223-2783; WF Clara (Dupke); CH Sharon, Everett, Darnell; MI Lutheran; WDC; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1942; Retired; R1, Colby

WIEDERHOEFT, EDWARD W.: O: FN 14-T-E; PH 352-2057; WF Verona (Huebner); CH Warren, Ardell, William; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Co Res Lifetime; Farm in Family since 1973; Retired; R1, Edgar

WOLFF, ALBERT: O: FN 9-T-1; PH 352-2859; WF Miriam (Brown); CH Mary, Rhonda, Perry; MI Lutheran; Sunday School Teacher; Co Res 36 yrs.; Farm in Family since 1940; Gen Farming, Dairying; Poultry; R1, Edgar

WUSSOW, BRUCE E.: O: FN 15-T-3; PH 352-2913; WF Doris (Haas); CH Kim, Gary, Janna, Jill, Tom, Troy, Kelly; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Korea-Army; Farmers Union; Director of Harmony Co-op; Junior Farmers Union; Co Res Lifetime; Gen Farming, Dairying; R1, Edgar

WUSSOW, VELDA P.: T: FN 15-T-4; PH 352-2254; CH Betty, Bruce, Norma, Morris; MI Lutheran; Ladies Aid; Co Res Lifetime; Teachers Aid; Semi-Retired; Edgar

WOZNIAK, L.: T: FN 19-T-5; Info N/A

Township Tidbits

Post Offices and Mail Carriers

The first post office where residents of Frankfort could pick up their mail was the Richard Bahr residence in the Town of Wien, Section 30 across the road from Frankfort. It was opened in 1870 and in operation until about 1890. The south side residents probably went to March Rapids and the west side to Cherokee.

Perry Swan, who owned the Swan saw mill in Section 2, established a post office in 1884 and operated it until 1892. It was then moved to the Joseph Schmirler residence in Section 10 until 1898. From there to the Lewis Chapman residence in Section 3 until 1903 or 1904 when the rural route delivery system went into effect.

Up until this time the mail was delivered on horseback to the local post office and each resident picked up his own mail.

The mail carriers who served on Colby Route 1 into Frankfort were first King Cole, Herbert Lawge, Harry Collier, John Peterson, Harold Reyer, Joe Will, Joe Steinwand, Frank Goltz, Frank Sell, Frank Goltz Sr. Angus Lamont and Kenneth Laube.

The mail carriers on Edgar Route 1 serving Frankfort were Charles Graves, Albert Prehl, Douglas Rifeman, Herbert Straub, Roy Fergot and Willie Hall.



LaVerne Bornowski on her father's turkey farm.

Highway N

The road now known as County Trunk N was the direct route from Colby to Wausau before State Highway 29 ws built in 1929.

The old direct route was the first road running east and west through Frankfort and with the coming of the automobile, the county named this road Highway 16 in 1918. It was also called the Yellowstone Trail because this was one of the well-known routes to take you to the Yellowstone Park.

The route was also used the the bus lines running between Wausau and Eau Claire. Later the route was called Highway 29 until the new 29 was built in 1929. Now it is County Trunk N.

Highway 97 was built in 1930 running from Marshfield to Athens. The old 97 ran one mile east of the present road through the town of Wien.



Supervisors Size Up Situation

Chairmen of neighboring townships and friends of long standing, Richard Totzke, Town of Frankfort, 5 feet, 3 inches tall and weighing 130 pounds, jokes with Donald Franckowiak, Town of Eau Pleine, 6 feet, 5 inches tall, weighing 240 pounds.



"Mr. Cheese"

From the Daily Herald, Wausau-Merrill, Wis., Friday, June 19, 1981

Probably the most visible farmer in Marathon County is Loddie Loskot of rural Edgar, whose pickup truck with signboards promoting milk and cheese is a familiar sight on city streets and county roads.

Since 1964, Loskot and his pickup trucks bearing their special signs have traveled more than 500,000 miles in 40 states, and have been entered in several hundred parades. Loskot's truck was one of more than 200 units in the five-hour parade held in conjunction with the International Lions Club convention parade in Chicago in 1980.

Loskot estimates the signs have been seen by several million people from New York to California, from Florida to Oregon. He hopes to take his truck, with the new signs installed a week or so ago, to all 48 contiguous states and maybe Alaska. During the past nearly 20 years, there have been eight different signs on four Loskot pickups.

For Loskot and his wife, Dorothy, year-round promotion of milk, cheese and other dairy products is natural. "You do what comes naturally and enjoy doing. I believe it serves a purpose helping people provide a better life," Loddie says.

"Having been raised on a farm, having worked in a cheese factory and milked cows for more than 50 years, it is my philosophy that you should promote your own business. And, Wisconsin is number one in dairying," he adds.

The couple had an average herd of 40 to 50 head of livestock, including 25 to 30 cows, through the years since beginning farming on the 120-acre Parkhedge Farm in 1937.

He admits the size of his dairy operation has dropped considerably in recent years since he is semi-retired, so that he and his wife can spend more time on their off-farm activities. "We've got fingers in a whole lot of pies," Loddie says.

Their personal campaign to sell dairy products spans more than 30 years and has gone beyond the installation of signs and the traveling. In fact, their list of activities is almost endless.

The couple have distributed more than 30,000 recipes and brochures during the years, and have hired Ben Punke to paint about two dozen signs which were then turned over to 4-H clubs and cheese factories for display. They recall their "first venture in promoting dairy products" began with the Franklin 4-H Club in 1949 with club exhibits on dairy products at the Wisconsin Valley Fair and Athens Fair.

In 1952, he convinced the Marathon County Farm Bureau to have a dairy display tent at the Wisconsin Valley Fair, and in 1953, the Farm Bureau set up its first dairy food stand at the fair. Since then, each August, the food stand has been in the same spot in Marathon Park selling dairy foods. For 25 years, the Loskots supervised the stand, with the help of other Farm Bureau members, but, for 10 of those years, the Loskots operated the stand alone.

In 1954, he started the first June Dairy promotin banquet, held that year at St. Paul's Church, Wausau, and served as program chairman for seven years. He was also chairman of the countywide dairy promotion committee for two years.

As a charter member of the Colby Lions Club, he took cheese and literature to display in the Wisconsin Pavilion at the New York World's Fair in 1964. The couple also attended the World Expo Fair at Montreal, Canada, in 1967, and the National Homemakers convention at Orlando, Fla., in 1975.

At the recent Athens Lions Club Cheese Days banquet, Loddie Loskot, master of ceremonies, was called "Mr. Cheese" by his fellow Lions members. He has been chairman of the Cheese Days promotions since he helped establish the first one in 1968.

About ten years ago, Loddie worked with American Dairy Association of Wisconsin to promote, among dairy farmers in four area townshps, a 2-cent per hundredweight of milk checkoff for ADA promotion. An ADA member since 1960, he has personally made a voluntary contribution of 5 cents per hundredweight for the past several years.

In 1970, he convinced the County Board agricultural committee to build a "welcome to Marathon County" sign on old Highway 51, near Knowlton.

He has been a member of Consolidated Badger, producing Grade A milk for 20 years; a member of the publicity committee for the Alice in Dairyland program in Wausau; and a member of the finance committee for the Wausau Area Chamber of Commerce soliciting funds for the June Dairy Princess Program.

Loskot's work has not gone unnoticed. On a wall in the couple's living room are the 1943 gold cup award of excellence for increased dairy production from Gov. Goodland of Wisconsin; the 1956 outstanding farmer award for dairy herd improvement, farm organization leadership and soil conservation practices from WBAY, Green Bay; the 1975 service to agriculture award from the Marathon County Farm Bureau; a 1980 certificate of recognition for 10 yeas of leadership to the Marathon County Extension Program; and a number of other citations.

Activities other than dairy promotion also vie for Loskot's time and energy. He has been a trustee of Edgar Presbyterian Church for 40 years; a school board director for 20 years; 4-H leader for 22 years; town of Frankfort supervisor, three years; town chairman, 12 years; Marathon County Board supervisor and member of its agriclture committee, 11 years; member of the county planning commission, five years; director of the Athens Fair Association, 12 years; county Farm Bureau director for three years and president for seven years; and state Farm Bureau director, six years.

Loddie's enthusiasm for promotion of dairy products and for community service have been shared by many.

Ice Age organic material unearthed in Frankfort

January 1982. Tribune-Phonograph.

Not far below the surface of the Town of Frankfort fire pond is a still-recognizable layer of vegetation that may have grown several hundred thousand years ago.

That estimate comes from the Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Survey in Madison, whose experts studied a sample of material discovered during the pond's excavaton and compared it to other similar material from the same glacier-deposited formation.

Robert Ballerstein, who lives just up the road from the site, was interested in the pond's creation two years ago, and was a frequent observer of the work. Excavation down to about 16 feet did not yield the spring the township had counted on, so a backhoe operator went down in that hole and dug about 25 feet deeper yet.

Ballerstein noticed a black peaty-looking material coming out of that deeper excavation, and went down to look at where it was coming from.

"I had never seen such black dirt. It was black as coal, and very loose too. I got ahold of a big chunk of it and pulled, and just about fell over backwards," Ballerstein said.

The object he had yanked out of the excavation wall was a big piece of organic material, and it opened up to reveal swamp grass and cattails.

"At first I thought it was a big rock, but then I saw it was some kind of plants. It wasn't alfalfa, I knew that, but I wanted to find out exactly what it was," he continued.

Ballerstein, sensing a significant find, gave a sample of the stuff to a Marathon County official, who sent it to the Geological and Natural History Survey (GNHS) in Madison. The material was scrutinized by the staff and found to be consistent with material found in another neighboring glacial layer of considerable age.

Radiocarbon dating of similar material, a GNHS official said, has yielded dates "beyond the capability of carbon-14 dating methods, so the material is certainly greater than 40,000 - 45,000 years old."

The organic stuff, which is compressed and can be peeled off layer by brown layer, is a component of a soil unit known as the "Edgar Till" laid down during Ice Age times or earlier.

According to John Attig of the GNHS, the word "till" refers to material deposited directly by glaciers. Geologists can determine the direction of a glacier's flow, and the distance it traveled, by examining material laid down in tills.

The Edgar Till, Attig explained, is special. "What that glacier laid down is different from most of the other deposits in the area. Minerals and fossils in the layer make it clear the glacier came from the Winnipeg lowlands in Canada, and came from the northwest, whereas most of the other glaciations in this area originated in the Superior or Michigan basins, and came from the north or northeast,: he said.

The Ice Age, which the world is still experiencing, began two million years ago. Ice sheets have been advancing from the north and retreating back "as regular as clockwork," Attig said, for most of that time. During that two million years, there have been 15 to 20 continent-sized glacial events worldwide.

Later ice sheets tend to obliterate evidence of earlier glaciers, making tougher work for scientists trying to identify characters of each flow. Erosion also wears away formations over time. Attig said the area around Abbotsford, now virtually flat, probably looked more like the Chequamegon area near Medford after the last glacier - very swampy, with bogs and broken terrain. There is conjecture, Attig continued, that the material in the Edgar Till is slightly younger than the stuff in a layer it covered, the Medford Till. That layer is from 750,000 to 2.1 million years old. "So the Edgar Till is a very old unit in Ice Age terms. It's beyond the reach of radiocarbon dating," he stated.

He said the age actually cannot be determined. It is also possible that younger organic material became covered and mixed with other layers.

Of the 100 or so samples of material from the Edgar Till, fewer than half a dozen have yielded organic material like the one from the Frankfort fire pond. Most are composed of various proportions of three basic materials - sand, silt and clay.

"Evidence indicates that the ice came and went, and there was time in between for organic material to accumulate," Attig said.

The theory is that the advancing glacier plowed up soil and other debris and buried sections of swampland. Swiftly and completely cut off from oxygen, the vegetation did not decompose as it would have if exposed to air for any length of time. It became compressed in layers under further deposits of soil and is now located in the western and northwest areas of Marathon County, even underlying another glacial deposit, the Merrill Member, in the north.

The material Ballerstein emerged from the hole with is one of 197 samples of the similar local samples identified by the state. According to Attig's report, "it displays considerable thickness for a glacial unit, ranging up to 25 meters (roughly 25 yards) on upland areas; more commonly the unit is 6 to 15 meters thick. The greatest thickness occurs at the western edge of the county and the unit thins and becomes patchy eastward."

Ballerstein prefers a Biblical interpretation of the presence of the ancient vegetation. He feels it was inundated during the time of the great flood described in the Bible, which only Noah and his family survived. If ice was involved, he said, it was the submerged masses of icebergs that plowed through the water and leveled the vegetation, also pushing soil over it and sealing it from oxygen.

Whatever the exact cause for the layer of organic stuff, Ballerstein is excited about it. "This is special. Where else are you going to find something that old? You can't go to Shopko and buy something like that," he stated.

Ballerstein, somewhat of a student of natural history, said he has heard stories of old farmers trying to drill wells in the Frankfort area and hitting old logs and other material at around 28 feet - close to the depth at which he found the vegetation.

The letter from Tom Evans of the GNHS stated that the material in the Edgar Till belongs to the early Pleistocene Age or the late Pliocene, "so this material is likely to be much older (than 45,000 years), possibly several hundred thousand years."

To geologists, however, that distant past is merely a tick of the clock in the history of the earth. The Ice Age has occupied the earth for the past two million years. Dinosaurs were dominant, by contrast, 200 million years ago.

There is every reason to believe, Attig continued, that another round of glaciation is coming. The past 700,000 years have shown a regular cycle of about 90,000 years of ice and cold, followed by 10,000 to 12,000 years of "interglacial" periods like the one we are in now. If calculations are correct, in another couple thousand years, glaciers will again be moving south.

"The glaciation is based on the geometric relationships between the earth and the sun, and that is cyclical. Unless we grossly change the relationship between the earth and the sun, there is no reason to believe that cycle will not continue. It would be presumptuous to think the pattern will change just because we're here," the scientist concluded.

State championship title



Wenzel honored at Colby Sunday (1974)

State Champ - Gus Wenzel displays his trophy and a map of Wisconsin showing the wrestling meets that step by step took him to Madison Saturday where he won the State Championship title in his class. The picture was taken in the CHS gym Sunday afternoon where a large crowd gathered to honor their Champion. A television set on the stage and one placed on each side of the gym allowed the gathering to watch the re-run of Wenzel's championship bout.

Kilty new president of state school group

(January 1982)

Merlin Kilty of rural Colby was selected last week as the new president of the Wisconsin Association of School Boards. His election came during the organization's annual convention in Milwaukee.

Kilty, 46, is a nine-year member of the Colby School Board, and is currently vice president of the board. With his three sons, he operates a 640 acre dairy farm near Colby. He is a member of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) Board of Control, chairs a regional Cooperative Education Service Agency (CESA) board and serves on the governing board of the Wisconsin High School Forensics Association.

He is also a member of the board of directors of an insurance company and is past president of the Wisconsin Farm Business Association. As WASB president for one year, he will head a group which represents 2,800 school board members in all of Wisconsin's 433 school districts.

1958 Tornado

Marathon County Damage is Heavy From Worst Storm Here in 28 Years

Damages that may aggregate hundreds of thousands of dollars were caused in Marathon County, particularly in the western and southwestern areas, by the worst windstorm the area has experienced since the June 13, 1930, tornado leveled more than 200 barns in the western part of the county and in adjoining counties. Much of the damage was caused in the Towns of Johnson, Hull and Frankfort.

Completely leveled barns, damaged dwellings, disrupted telephone and electric services, windowless homes and twisted and mangled farm machinery were left in the wake of the storm that was at its height between 9 and 11 o'clock last night.

A Town of Frankfort farmer named Elmer Mueller, reportedly lost a barn and sustained severe damage to the family dwelling.

Other barns reported down in the Town of Frankfort were on the Herbert Brown, Albert Podevels, Walter Remus and William Martin farms.

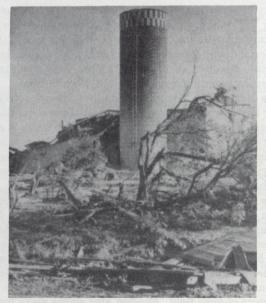
Persons who traveled in the stricken areas of the Towns of Johnson, Hull and Frankfort reported the destruction of many of the downed barns to be so complete that "only kindling" was left of some of them.

The complete leveling of some farm structures was also accompanied by the partial destruction and serious damage to others. There were reports of end walls being blown out of some barns, doors and windows being ripped loose and valuable farm machinery scattered over a wide area and badly damaged.

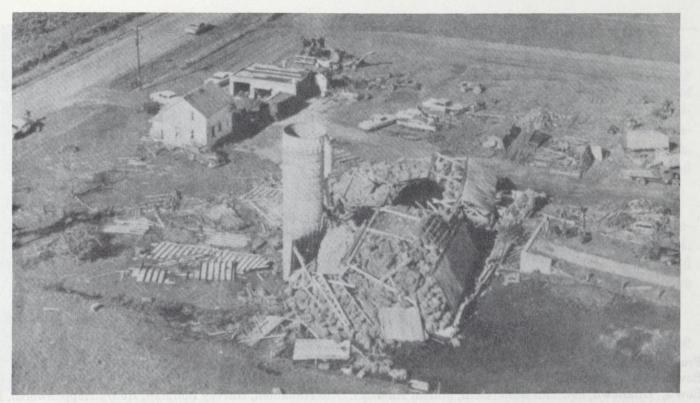
Efforts to secure contacts in the stricken areas were delayed by the special demands being made upon the lines still functioning since relatives from away were seeking to assure themselves of the safety of relatives in the communities hit by the storm.

The damage in rural areas was in strange contrast to Wausau and other more settled communities, where the damage was listed to washed out lawns, gardens, and some minor cave-ins.

1967 Tornado



Only the Silo Still Stood - Mike Hartl Jr. farm.



Mike Hartl farm



Frankfort Baseball Team Circa 1913 (l-r) Fred Neitzel, Loddie Dvorak, Frank Dvorak Kneeling: Walter Neitzel, Charles Dvorak Standing: Art Wendtland, Joe Burger, Joe Loskot, Leon Chapman, Martin Jahnke



Front Row: Mrs. Herman Syring, Caroline Koehler, Beatrice Gumz, unknown, Helen Kobs, unknown, unknown Row 2: Mrs. Emil Schmidt, unknown, unknown, unknown, Mrs. Hoppenworth, unknown, unknown, unknown Row 3: Unknown, Herman Ballerstein, Martin Hamann, Otto Hanamen, Harvey Bohman, Henry Hoppenworth, Bill Thomas, unknown, Wm. Leffel

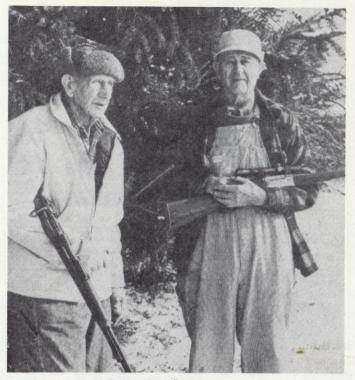
Row 4: Reinie Wellner, unknown, Herman Syring, Ed Bauman, John Sazma, Leonard Bornowski, Ray Bandle



Front row: Jeanne Mielke, Bernice Miller, Alice Bender, Mrs. Hilmershausen, Dorothy Loskot, Marie Fergot, Mrs. Ringle, Esther Lallanthen, Laura Lenhard, Mrs. Henry Van Dreel.

Row 2: Betty Weirsig, Mable Schultz, Cecelia Schemenauer, Mrs. Kenny Schreiber, Mayme Kilty, Donna Kilty, Mrs. Zahorka, Mrs. Fred Blanke.

Row 3: Charles Missar, Barb Missar, Marcella Runzheimer, Alvina Giese, Anna Mielke, Mrs. Leona Carter, Esther Bauman, Norman Weirsig's sister, Mrs. Leonard Bornowski, Gertrude Bornowski, Mary Kilty, Audrey Telschow. Row 4: Reinhold Fischer, Delbert Ballerstein, Jenny Werner, Geraldine McNeight, Milda Hamann, Velda Wussow, Erna Ballerstein, Mrs. Ray Schemenauer, Mrs. Henry Aderhold, Mrs. Hertha Wolk, unknown, Mrs. Henry Weber



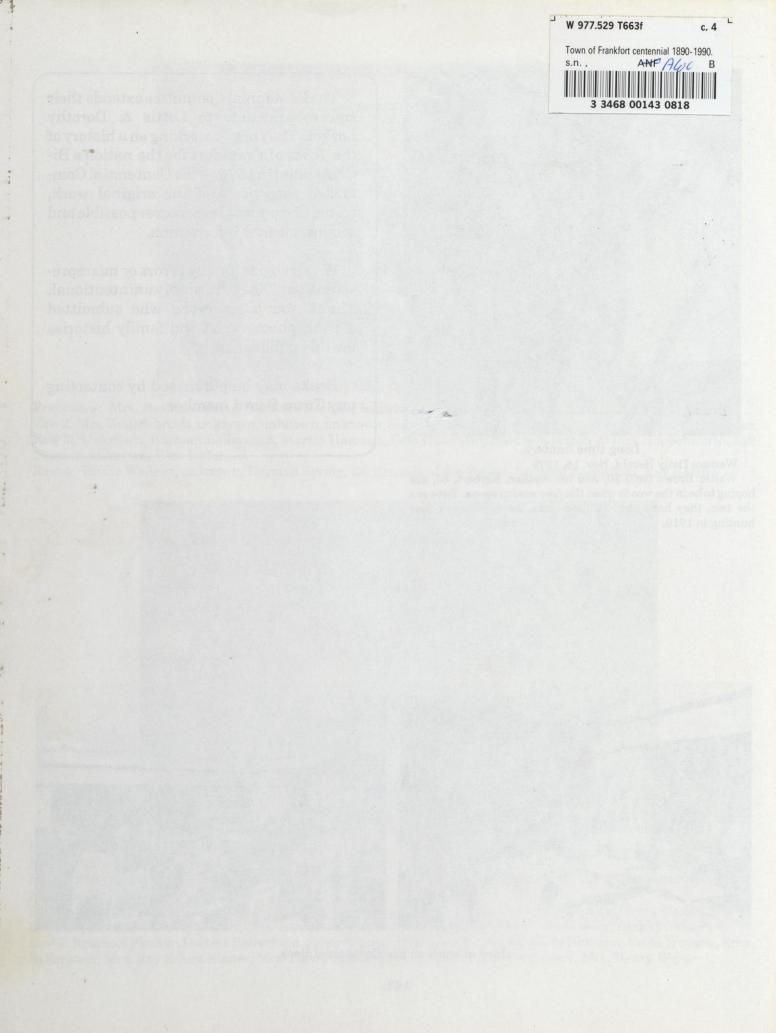
Long time hunters Wausau Daily Herald, Nov. 16, 1979 Walter Brown (left) 80, and his brother, Herbert, 83, are hoping to be in the woods when the deer season opens. Between the two, they have shot 82 deer since the pair began deer hunting in 1919. The Centennial Committee extends their sincere gratitude to Lottie & Dorothy Loskot. They began working on a history of the Town of Frankfort for the nation's Bi-Centennial in 1976. This Centennial Committee used parts of the original work, edited and updated whereever possible and sought out new information.

We apologize for any errors or misrepresentations. They are purely unintentional. Thank you to everyone who submitted stories, photographs and family histories for this publication.

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Hard at work on the Centennial Book



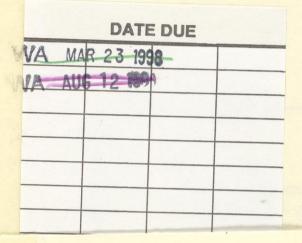
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The Town of Frankfort is on the western side of Marathon County, six miles east of the county line and 12 miles north and 12 miles south of the county line, with no towns or villages within. From the center of our township, we are 9 miles east of Colby, 9 miles west of Edgar, 12 miles south of Athens and 9 miles north of Stratford.

Coming into our township, we have five telephone lines, five mail routes, four school districts and we can call four fire departments.

We are a rural township. As of the 1990 census, we have a population of 743.

