

The Rural Route

Alex Lester was the first to have the rural route at Eden - the length was 32 miles and the length was first measured by tying a rag on the spoke of the buggy wheels and counting the revolutions of the wheels while driving around the route.

Walter McDowell had the route after Mr. Lester for many years. Then Ray Roloson got the route and has it up to the present time so that only a very few have had this responsibility on the Eden route. For a short time Bill Brown ran it for Mr. Roloson.

Bill Berry met the train for any news, mail, express, etc. arriving by train.

The Rural route went west to # 3 highway near Stewart's house and back west to Red Oaks by to Springer Hill back and south to Richmond for mail, on the 8th to the end of the 8th, Talbot road to Maple Grove and north and south on the Ketchabaw road, east to # 19 then down to Straffordville, pick up mail there, east of Straffordville north on J. Howey road, 8th by Roy Andersons out to # 19 north to Ridge road and back east road to the post office.

Alf Jones was post master and Mrs. Annie Jones also was post mistress
Post masters
were

Charlie Johnson, Bob Stroud along with Dicky Williams, Sim Mitchell & Jim Dean, Fred Ravin, Chas. Ravin, Jim Goodyear, Frank Travis, Byron Madill, Stan Denton, N. O. Stilwell, C.J. Ketchabaw, Cornelius Rempel and Mrs. Doris Small, who now has the post office (only) in the front of her residence, second house south of the corner store where her father had the store for a number of years and where she assisted him.

From other sources

Charlie & son and grandson

Alex Howey

John Nethcott (they were old English people).

Alf Jones was shingling Chris Reader's.

Annie Jones had the post office in the front room of the house
The children would sometimes ask for fictitious mail and would receive the answer "No, nothing for him".

(old building west of Chrysler)

Kirk Stilwell - Carm Ball's property

Ren Leach first clerked and then ran the store.

Moved to New England

Nathan Gray kept store 56, had p.o.

Nettie Myers

Moved store to W. McDowells on n.w. corner.

An old man bought out N.H. Gray

Fred Ravin (father) Sim Mitchell Methodist (Grant's uncle)
 Jim Goodyear (used to take snuff)

Ren Leach & Dick Williams (Tillsonburg) Bob Stroud

Frank Travis - Byron Madill

Stan Denton

N.O. Stilwell C.J. Ketchabaw C. Rempel
 Doris Small

Please ask at wicket for mail matter to
your address received at this office

INSUFFICIENTLY PREPAID

NOTE—This card must be handed to Wicket Clerk.

33—150M—29-4-47



RAY ROLOSAN

N.O. STILWELL

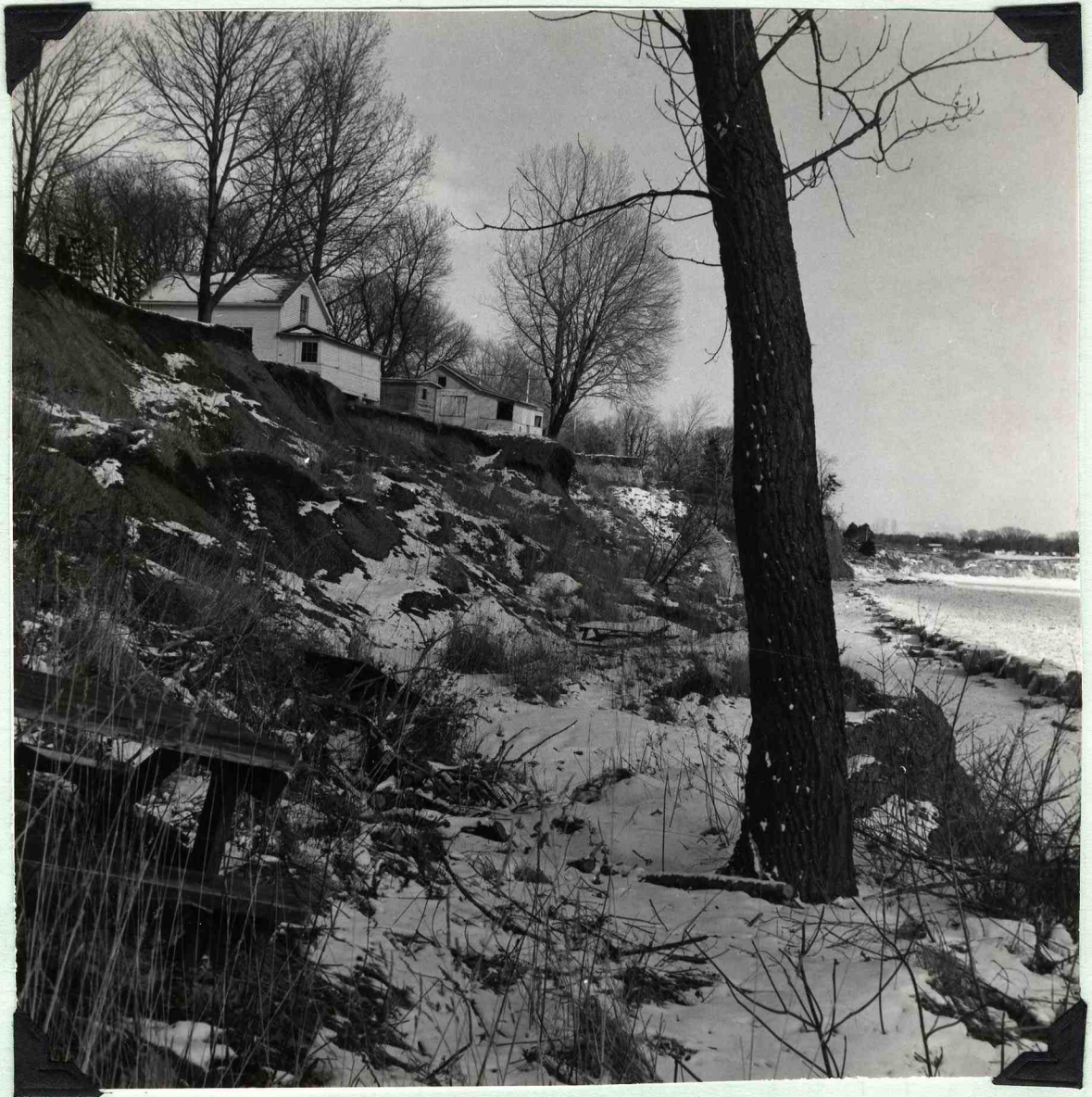
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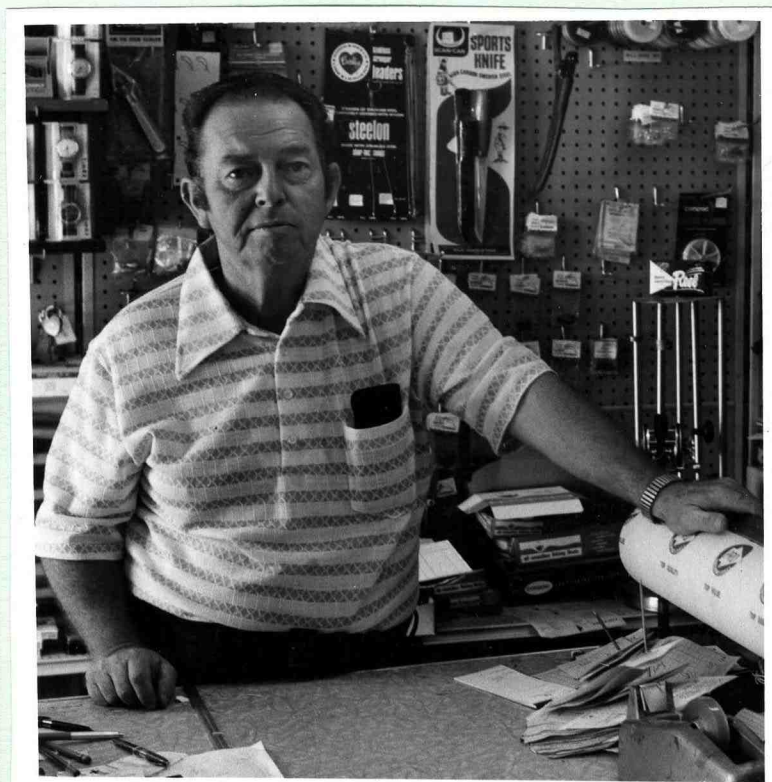
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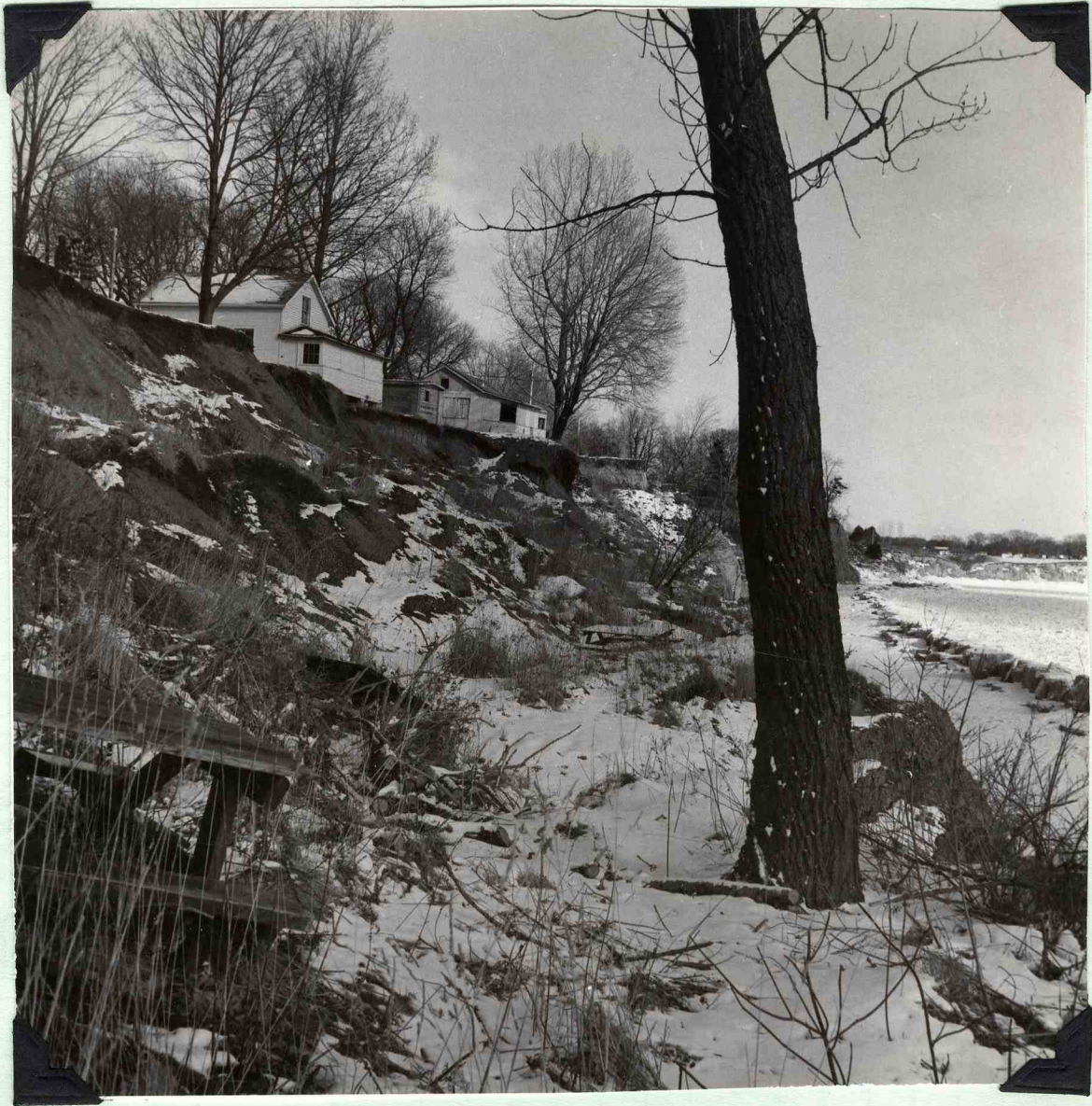
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LES BROWN
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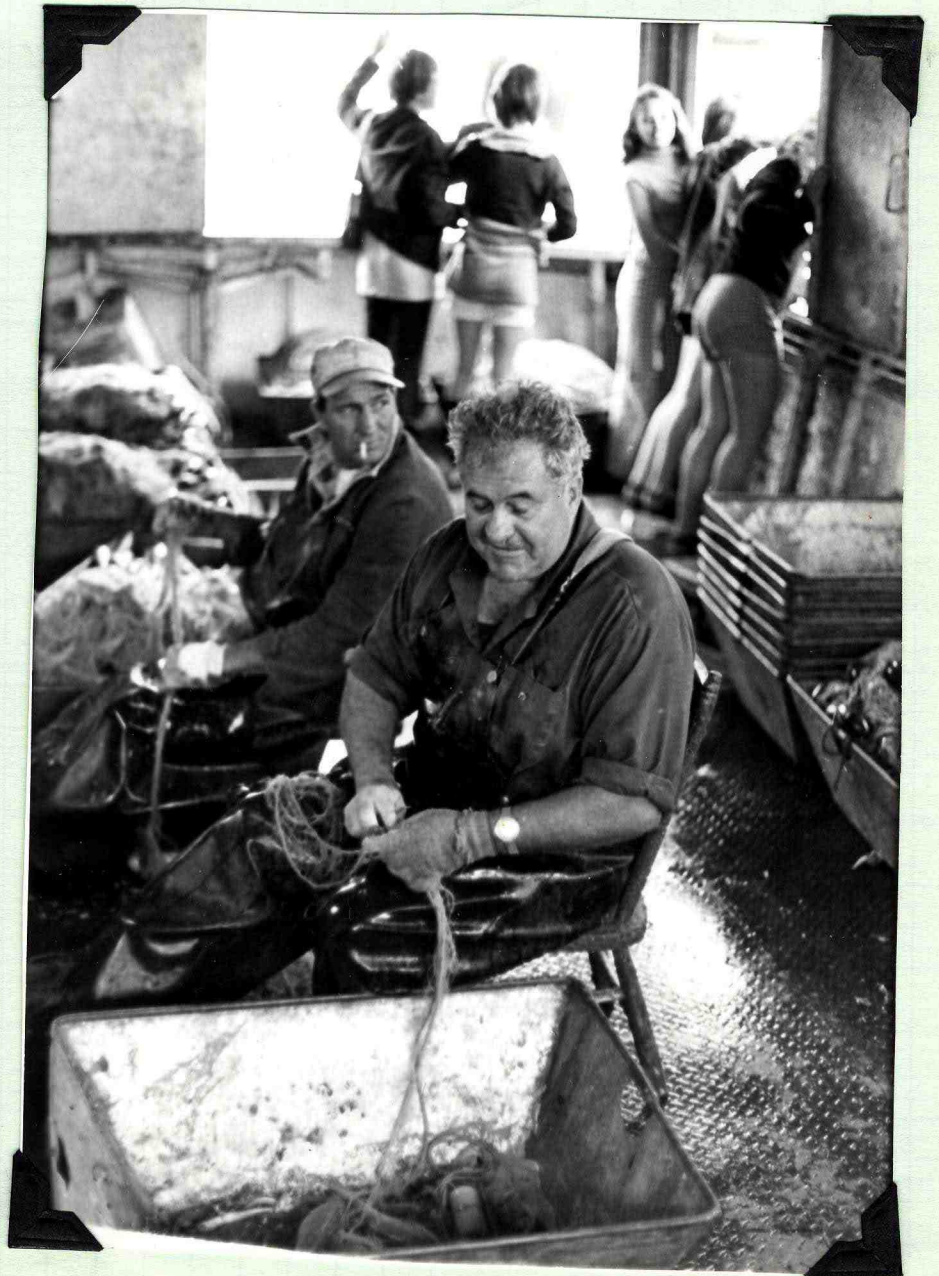
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RALPH HURLEY



MRS. JOHN WARREN CHRISTENS
THE EDWARD J.
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FRANK WILLIAMS

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VIENNA LODGE
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STRAFFORDVILLE



MRS ROBERT JACKSON +
MRS HARRY GRANT
Laid
CORNERSTONE OCT. 25, 1964

BURNING OF CHURCH MORTGAGE

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REV. ALBERT COOK OFFICIATED