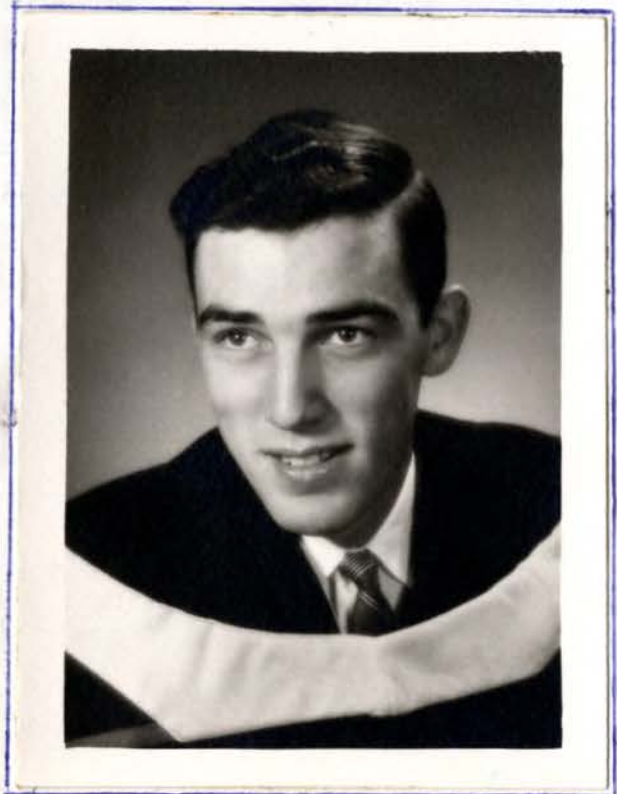


James Jenkins and Frank Danbrook.

This beautiful trophy was won by these two members of the Belmont 4 H Dairy Calf Club at the Provincial 4 H Inter Club Competitions at the University of Guelph, the first time to be won by Elgin County competitors. (1966)

Jim Lyens is the son of Angus and Bernice (Tayler) Lyens of Aven. On his mother's side, he is of pioneer stock of Crossley Hunter, being a grandson of Duncan and Jennie Tayler and a great grandson of Duncan and Margaret (Brown) Ferguson who are written up in detail on Vol. 1 of this Tweedsmuir history.

Jim graduated in 1961 from Western University with the degree of Bachelor of Engineering Science. He is employed by the Allied Chemical Canada Ltd as Sales Supervisor for Ontario.



Jim Lyens



Dr. Alex Fuller.

Dr. Alex Fuller graduated in Dentistry in June, 1966 and is now practicing in Pt. Dover. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Grey Fuller of R.R.# 4, Aylmer. Mrs. Fuller is the daughter of Duncan and Jennie (Ferguson) Taylor, granddaughter of Duncan and Margaret (Brown) Ferguson, of Crossley Hunter.

Donald Lloyd Holmes is the son of William and Gertrude (Evert) Holmes both formerly of Crossley Hunter and both of pioneer parentage in that community. Donald graduated in 1966, from the Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Toronto. He is presently doing post graduate work and will later take a position with the Elgin - St. Thomas Health Unit.



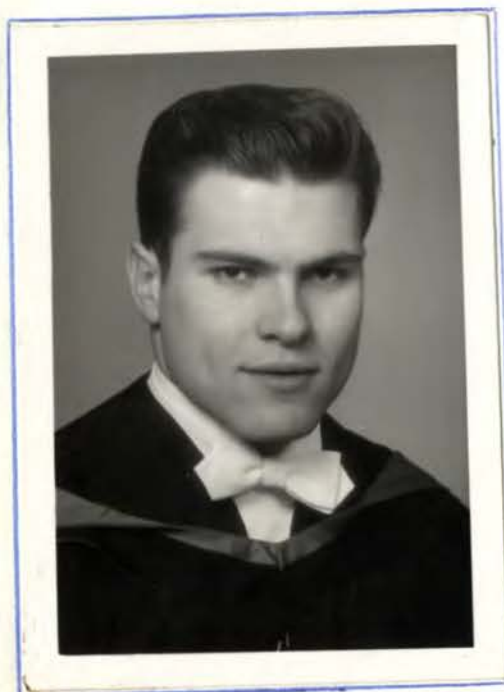
Donald Lloyd Holmes.

S. Leigh Phoenix, the twenty year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Phoenix who has lived a mile east of Crossley Hunter Church on the A Ackert farm, graduated from the University of Guelph at the 1967 Convocation with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering.

He is spending the summer with Imperial Oil Limited in Sarnia and will return to the University in the fall for post graduate studies.

Leigh spent the first seven years of his life in Kenya where his parents were missionaries.

Leigh also is an accomplished pianist and has an fine baritone voice. He is much in demand as a soloist.



S. Leigh Phoenix



Sharlet Millard

Sharlet Millard Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Millard received her B.A. degree in general arts, majoring in history from the University of Western Ontario at the 1967 Convocation. Sharlet is only 19 years old which is something of a record. During her public school years, she went to no other teacher except her mother, who taught at S.S. # 27 Yarmouth (Skelding). From there she attended East Elgin Secondary School. She plans to return to Western in the Fall for advanced study.

TRAGIC DEATHS

Charlie Mathews

On May 26th, 1944, Charlie Mathews the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. *George* Mathews, was driving a team of horses on a land roller, prepar- for corn planting.

No one saw what happened but it is supposed that Charlie may have stepped out on the tongue to adjust some- thing about the harness and fell down between the horses. No doubt, he would call "Whos" as he fell, and the quiet team did stop, just as the roller rolled onto Charlie's head. Later in the forenoon, his father, who was working around the barn walked back to the field to find out why the hoses were standing still so long and found his young son, dead by that time.

Mr. George Abell

On April 29th, 1948, Mr. Abell's son, Ross was finishing drilling a field of oats. His father brought up a bag of seed oats to the barn from the field about 5 o'clock, on the back of the tractor. He backed the tractor up the barn bridge, likely to unload the bag. No one saw what actually happened. The tractor toppled off the side of the bridge, pinning Mr. Abell beneath it.

About twenty minutes later, Ross followed his father up from the field and found him there. He was removed at once to the Hospital in St. Thomas, where he died on May 6th. He was 83 years of age.



In this picture, Mr. Abell is second from the right. On the left is his brother Gustin. In the centre, his brother John. The other two are cousins - Charles and Sam Abell.

Norma Jean Greenwood

Norma Jean, the eight year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Greenwood, a mile north of Crossley Hunter, went with a group of other children, during the 1951 Christmas holidays, to skate on the creek, south of the Church.

As they were crossing the road at the bridge, a car came suddenly over the hill. All the other children managed to get out of its path. but Norma Jean, who was struck and fatally injured. She died in the St. Thomas hospital three days later.

While unloading grain from a pick up truck into his granary, without any warning, Mac Appleford was shot dead by 17 year old Keith Abell, who had worked for him for some time. Dr. Miller was called by Mrs. Appleford. Finding Mac already dead, Dr. Miller notified the police. Young Abell was arrested, charged with murder. He was later sentenced to a life term at Kingston Penitentiary.

Mac was 53 years of age. (Nov. 1962)

Mac was the grandson of Darius Appleford and Elizabeth (Brown), pioneer families of the community. Mac was born and lived all his life on the farm where he died.

Mac was the younger son of James Appleford and Maud (McIver) Appleford.



A Centennial Year Project



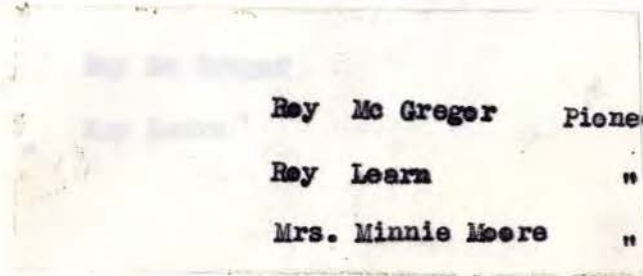
The Department of Agriculture launched a contest for the improving and beautifying of farm homes to be carried out during 1967, Centennial year.

It involved painting, landscaping, etc. In Elgin County 108 completed the contest.

They were rigidly supervised and included before and after pictures and inspection from competent judges.

The Harold Jenkins family received the highest number of points. In this picture is Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jenkins receiving their trophy.

'Century Farms' in the Cressley Hunter Area -



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Henry DeWitt
73 Highway

LYONS

Ernest Jenkins
Clayton Wood
Peter John Starn
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C. Hooker

J. STOVENS

New Area School

Sidney Brunsdon
John Poortinger
Marrion Appleford

Peter Westertorf

Dorchester
Concession of South

J. Davis.

Aaron Roberts

Harold Page

Alex Wood

S. Phoenix

Clarence Willsey Church

Gordon Pettit

Ronald Pettit

Harold Summers

Charlie Cartwright

Quarter

Road

Geo. Jenkins
Arthur Jenkins

Harold Manning

Robbie Abell

Don Jenkins

Mrs. Jim Jenkins

Harold Davies

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Marion Coffey

L. Ashford

Roy Learn

Clarence Willsey

Harold Jenkins

Jack Hide

Dick Wieler

Jim Thomson
Roy Legg

Fred Hide

Walter Moore

Henry Legg
Minnie Moore

Roy Ketchabaw

H. Peters

Joe Leslie

Charles Evert

Roy McGregor

Russell Lunn

Lloyd McVicar

Andrew Betterley

Max Zavitzy

Aleta & Jim Thomson



74 Highway

Paul Morrison

Will Free Jr.
Will Free Sr.

Since 1950 I've had the pleasure of being a member of the Tweedsmuir History Committee of the Kingsmill Mapleton Institute, to procure and record outstanding events of the three communities - Kingsmill, Mapleton and Crossley - Hunter.

I did all the research on the Crossley Hunter section and much of the Kingsmill section. Mrs. Roy McGregor wrote up the section on the Institute and she, with Mrs. Mabel (Bray) Charlton, did the Mapleton section. Mrs. Ken McNeil has written up parts on the Mapleton school and the Disciple Church.

In gathering data on pioneer families and their way of life, I spent four years interviewing people, making notes, writing countless letters and gathering pictures, before I began to write it up.

By this time, similar efforts were being made in the Kingsmill and Mapleton areas and I made a start on the Permanent book (There are now two volumes).

At one time, the Institute decided that a duplicate book was advisable in case one might get destroyed. Mrs. Hugh (Lena) Duncan made a copy of the first volume, which contains the pioneer history. So many wished that they had a copy of their own, that Lena made mimeographed copies, minus the pictures, and they sold for \$1.00.

As people caught on to the worthwhileness of the project, they have cooperated well by sending in old pictures and news items. Each year the books have been reviewed and brought up to date. Mrs. McGregor, who has been the Curator all these years, has been most helpful and we have worked together most harmoniously. Also we owe a lot to Margaret McNeil.

The information contained in these books is precious. Many of the old people who were the source of much of this information, have since died and it could never be gotten again.

To all who have turned in pictures and information, I am most grateful I urge you to support my successor as whole heartedly.



C. Aleta Sweet

Who arranged and typed this
Tweedsmuir History up to
August 1967.

Most sincerely yours,

C. Aleta Sweet