

AT NIGHT ALL OF US KIDS WOULD PLAY 'RUN SHEEP RUN', 'STEAL THE STICKS' ON THE ICE AND 'FOX AND GEESE' IN THE SNOW.(H18)

WHEN WE WENT TO SCHOOL WE USUALLY WALKED. IT WAS FUN TO WALK WHEN THE SNOW WAS CRUSTY. THAT USUALLY OCCURRED IN THE EARLY SPRING. WE WALKED ACROSS THE SNOW THROUGH THE FIELDS INSTEAD OF GOING ON THE ROAD. SOMETIMES UNCLE FRANK (FRANK WILBER BACON A-3) OR DAD (ALBERT BACON A-4) TOOK US IN A SLEIGH. I HAVE SEEN THE SNOW SO DEEP THAT THE MEN TOOK TURNS WITH THEIR TEAM TO LEAD THE WAY AND BREAK THROUGH THE SNOW ON THE ROAD. THE LEAD TEAM HAD TO LITERALLY LUNGE TO GET THROUGH THE SNOW AND WHEN THEY GOT TIRED THE OTHER TEAM TOOK THE LEAD.(H18)

ALBERT BACON HOMESTEADED 160 ACRES OF LAND WEST OF THE RIVER. HE BUILT A SMALL ONE ROOM CABIN THERE. WE HAD TO LIVE THERE OR STAY THERE AT NIGHT TO GET THE TITLE TO IT. WE HAD TO FORD THE RIVER BELOW WHERE THE BRIDGE IS. CHARLOTTE DROVE THE TEAM ACROSS WHENEVER ALBERT WAS BUSY ELSEWHERE. WE KEPT COWS OVER THERE IN THE HILL PASTURE. WE RAISED SOME LOVELY POTATOES AND CARROTS UP ON THAT HILLSIDE. THERE WAS BUNK BEDS THREE HIGH AND ONE OTHER BED. MOMA KNEW HOW TO MILK COWS. NONE OF US KIDS EVER LEARNED HOW TO MILK THEM.(H18)

WE WENT OVER THERE TO THE HOMESTEAD ONCE AND THERE WERE BEES, YELLOW JACKETS, IN THE WINDOW. I BET THERE WAS A THOUSAND IN THERE. I HAD TO TEND ELDRED. HE WAS IN THE BUGGY. I HAD TO TAKE HIM WAY OFF FROM THE HOUSE. DAD (ALBERT) ROLLED UP A PAPER AND LIT IT. HE BURNED THE WINGS OF THOSE BEES THAT WERE IN THE WINDOW. THEN HE COULD KILL THEM BECAUSE THEY COULDN'T FLY. I WAS SCARED TO DEATH.(H18)

WHEN ELIZABETH SIMPSON BACON DIED FRANCIS(F-9) MADE A DEAL WITH HIS SON ALBERT BACON. ALBERT BOUGHT THIS HOME AND IN THE EARLY PART OF 1915 ALBERT, CHARLOTTE & THE FAMILY MOVED IN.

ELDRED RUSSELL BACON & MARY FERN BOURNE
MOVED INTO THIS HOUSE IN 1936.



L-R..RUSSELL NORMAN BACON, BONNIE JEAN BACON, SHERYL DUNN