

U. E. Lodge, Maynard, home of Lt.-Col. and Mrs. S. L. Spicer, where the charter presentation took place Saturday afternoon.

LOT 9
Concession 3

U. E. LODGE was the name given this holding by STERLING LEROY SPICER, when he built this retirement home there on the site of the original Spicer home. It is much larger, but contains some of the materials from the original dwelling.

The SPICER family was granted Loyalist lands, but lived for a time on the Conc. 2, where the Merwin Lane joins it. Later, they bought the farm where the lodge stands today.

CHESTER SPICER and his wife, MARY HODGES, lived on Lot 10, Con. 3, in the house known as the Tannery (once used for that purpose by Wm. White), and in other houses locally.

Their family: STERLING LEROY (1886-1981)
EDNA ILEANE (1904-1931)

Edna married DOUGLAS TIMM, and died, with her infant, in childbirth. Buried Maynard Cemetery.

Sterling graduated as a medical doctor, and practised in Toronto, retiring from the Canadian Army with the rank of Lt.-Colonel. He built the Lodge during his later years, and, on retirement, came to live there with his second wife, Florence Mildred Flinn.

From his first marriage to AMY WARD, there is a daughter, ILEANE, who married EDWARD MORRIS, and resides in Mississauga.

On removal of Dr. Spicer, and his cousin housekeeper, Mrs. Pansy Spicer Lane, to Prescott because of his advanced years, the holding was sold to Mrs. Lane's brother, VERDUN SPICER, a retired secondary teacher, who makes his home there with his wife.

1981 sold to C.A. Ellis. (Clayton) from L'Original.
Mrs. Ellis is an underwriter with Mutual Life.



U. E. Lodge, May 28, 1960



VISITORS AT U. E. LODGE

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| 1. Louise Wilson | 2. Allie's sister, | 3. Allie's sister, |
| 4. Mrs. Mildred Spicer | 5. Allie Brady | 6. Allie Brady |
| 7. Dr. Sterling Spicer | 8. Charles Prue | |



Province of }
Quebec. }

Dated the *fifth* — day of *November*
Anno Domini 1784 — At *Augusta* —

THE Bearer hereof *Simon Peter Sherwood*

— being entitled to *two hundred*
— Acres of Land, by his Majesty's

Instructions to the Governor of this Province, has drawn
a Lot (N^o *9* —) consisting of *two hundred acres*
in the third Concession in ^{full} part of the said Pro-
portion, in the Seigneurie of *Augusta* —
and having taken the Oaths, and made and signed the
Declaration required by the Instructions, he is hereby
authorized to settle and improve the said Lot, without
delay; and being settled thereon, he shall receive a
Patent, Grant or Deed of Concession, at the expiration
of Twelve Months from the Date hereof, to enable him
to hold an Inheritable or Assignable Estate in the said
Lot.

John Collins, D. 14^e



Hillbloom Orchards
1986 - Doug + June Allen

Con. 3 Lot 9 Hillbloom Orchards, named thus by Arnold Robinson who operated market garden and orchard with his wife, Marjorie Keeler. Daughter June married Douglas Timm died in childbirth, as did the baby.

Arnold sold to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ralph who continued to operate the farm and orchard..

Following their deaths, the farm was sold several times. Wilfred Clarke and his wife, Marion Ralph lived there for a number of years.

Doug Allen and his wife, June, son Timothy and daughter Catherine purchased and operate the orchard as well as a farm fertilizer business.



BRUNDAGES' CORNER got its name from the fact that this farm was originally owned by a family of that name, NEHEMIAH BRUNDAGE. He operated an inn here, and records show that in 1861-62 liquor was sold here. It is said that the stage coaches stopped here, whilst the horses were tended at a blacksmith shop operated by the Service family across the road.

1873 or 74 the farm was sold to a Mr. BLACK, and the farm was run by him and his son ALEX BLACK.

1902 Alex married MARGARET and they lived there until the death of Alex in August 1934. Their two sons, GORDON and HUGH went to live in New York State, and in her late years, the mother resided with them.

1935 the farm was rented to Mr. J. I. ROBINSON, and worked by his brother GEORGE ROBINSON. In 1945 the Robinsons purchased the farm.

The present house was built by Mr. Black shortly after he bought the farm. At that time, Alex was a boy of 10 or 12 years. He was born on the farm in the old house. Mr. Black Sr. died 1906.

- from Mrs. Margaret Black,
Newton Falls, N. Y.

The farm was worked by John Robinson, and occupied by various farm employees.

1973 William Young, Brockville purchased the farm house and an acre of land.

1976 it was sold to Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Levere.

*They moved to Iroquois
house sold to Don Perrin*

*1991 Occupied by Hitsman, numerous renovations to
exterior. Barn demolished, new one built.
He operates towing service.*

LOT 8

Concession 3

BRUNDAGE'S CORNERS



1861-62 this lot was owned by JAMES SERVICE, SR. who built the stone house now occupied by MANSELL AND NELLIE STERRETT HOUGH.

Mr. Service was a blacksmith and operated his shop on the corner, opposite BRUNDAGE'S INN. This was convenient for travellers, especially for the stage coach driver.

1945 Mr. and Mrs. Hough moved to this farm, owned then by Mansell's father, CARMAN HOUGH.

In the intervening years it had been the home of WILLIAM ROBINSON, (1857-1937) and his wife, AnnEliza Spicer, who died 1927, aged 67.

The SERVICE FAMILY: buried in Maynard Cemetery, but no record as to dates, etc.

Rev. William Service

Rev. Dr. Charles Service, a missionary to China

Nellie, married Rev. F. E. Pitt

Ketha, married Rev. R. C. Armstrong

Various other tenants have lived there, including Mr. and Mrs. Neal, Ian and Betsy; the Alvin Saunders family;

1981 - Mr. Mansell Hough lives there alone since the death this year of his wife. Nellie was a Life Member of Maynard Women's Institute, and active in all aspects of community life. She won many prizes at Spencerville Fair for her garden products and baked goods.

Their son, Gerald, with his wife, Barbara, and ³two children built a home immediately back of the homestead, and live there. The farm is not worked, the hay is cut and there is a garden.

Sarah Jane
Andrew
Mary Ellen

LOT 8
CONCESSION 3
MANSELL HOUGH HOME

The MANSELL HOUGH home was owned by JAMES SERVICE, SR., a blacksmith, and his wife. Both were Scotch Presbyterians. They built the stone house, with stone from the quarry on the Will Robinson farm, Maple Avenue. Mr. Henry Spicer, Mansell's great-grandfather, drew the stone. The house was built large, with a wide stairway leading from the front door to the second storey. It has been said that a team of horses could go abreast up the stairway. Adjoining the stone part, was a large frame summer kitchen and drive shed with loft over all.

The blacksmith shop was built more in front of the home, but west of the driveway. Here we now have our garden, and slabs of plaster and lime abound on this one spot which was the site of the old shop. Here Mr. Service must have worked diligently at his trade of village blacksmith. One of the Service children became a Methodist missionary working in far off China. A grandson, Edward Service married a widow lady with one son, a Mrs. Loosley from Hamilton. This son, Fred Loosley, became president of the Hamilton steel plant.

The property was sold by Ed Service to Mr. William Robinson, Sr., and his wife, Eliza Spicer. When the Robinson estate was settled, it was purchased by Carman Hough and his wife, Carrie Spicer, who used the land for farming, while living on the present Bernier property and Robinson land. Through hard work on the farms, it has now become the property of her son, Mansell.

Strange as it may seem, after forty years of living in different homes in the Maynard community, he returned to where he first saw the light of day, having been born in a back bedroom which is now used for a utility room and bathroom. At that time, his parents rented the Service home, later moving to the Spicer homestead, on which site is now U. E. Lodge. The Spicer home was moved across the field to the hill site where Wilfred Clark now lives, and the old house is the red barn.

Since we moved to the Service homestead in April 1945, many holes have been plugged, old wall paper removed, new coats of paint and paper have been added. Much repair work was needed, as it had been rented to many tenants, who lived in the house alone. In 1964 it lost its colonial look, when the old plaster finish was removed, and a new white stucco added by the Sterrett brothers, Stuart and Fred. A bathroom and cupboards have been added, but there is still much room for improvement. The years bring many changes, but the old homes sure have stood the tests of time. How thorough were the old pioneers and builders!

-contributed by Nellie Hough,
Feb. 1967

NOTE: Re Service family.

Lot 190, Maynard Cemetery is in name of JAMES SERVICE, SR., but no records exist of what burials were made there.

A son REV. WM. SERVICE, died at Aultsville, aged 71 years, buried Picton.

Dr. CHARLES SERVICE was missionary to China

NELLIE married Rev. F. E. Pitt

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Fron $\frac{1}{2}$ E. Couch, on 1861-62 map
Rear $\frac{1}{2}$ D. Scott on same map.

David Mack TH Lot 7 Con. 2 (se corner of the crossroads)

1802, no names between Lots 3 and 10 on Concession 3

1802 listed W $\frac{1}{2}$ lot 7 Daniel Spicer

E $\frac{1}{2}$ lot 7 John Bonker



A BIT OF HISTORY HAS DISAPPEARED

A letter from Wm. Bouwman of Guelph enclosed snapshots of the house at the northeast corner of the Third Concession of Augusta and Hillbrook Road before the wreckers moved in. Pictures of this landmark are going into the archives of The Forwarders' Museum and the Grenville County Historical Society.

According to Mr. Wilbert Barton, the house was moved there when Victor and Maggie Hare married, it came from "up the road".

Another bit of county history comes our way this issue with a letter from William Bouwman, now of 92 Imperial Road North, Guelph, N1H 7Z9, with photos of buildings that have disappeared. These, as he explains in his letter, are gone but not forgotten.

"During the summer of 1987 one day I noticed the wrecking crews moving in.

"I am sure these are the last pictures taken of this landmark on the Third Concession of Augusta and Hillbrook Road, (the northward continuation of Merwin Lane)."

Below the Fort Hill

by J.A. MORRIS

We are told by Augusta Township's unofficial or official historian, Goldie Connell, that these buildings stood on the northeast corner of that intersection.

"I am donating them to you for any purpose you may now have or find in future years," adds Mr. Bouwman. "Or you may donate same to The Forwarders' Museum or any other organization in your area."

Thank you, Mr. Bouwman. As you kindly sent several copies of each view, copies will go to the archives of The Forwarders' Museum and to the Grenville County Historical Society.



Brundage's Corner Ice storm 1941
S.E.



Home of Mr. & Mrs. Wallace
Alberry

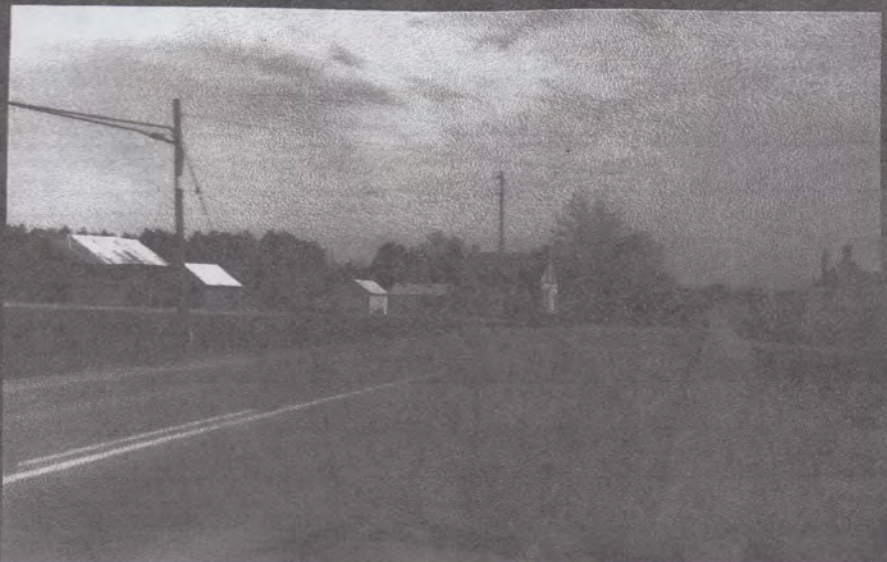


Victor + Margaret Robinson
Brundage's Corner N.E



Photos by J. Bouman-
kindness of J. A. Morris

House demolished
1987...





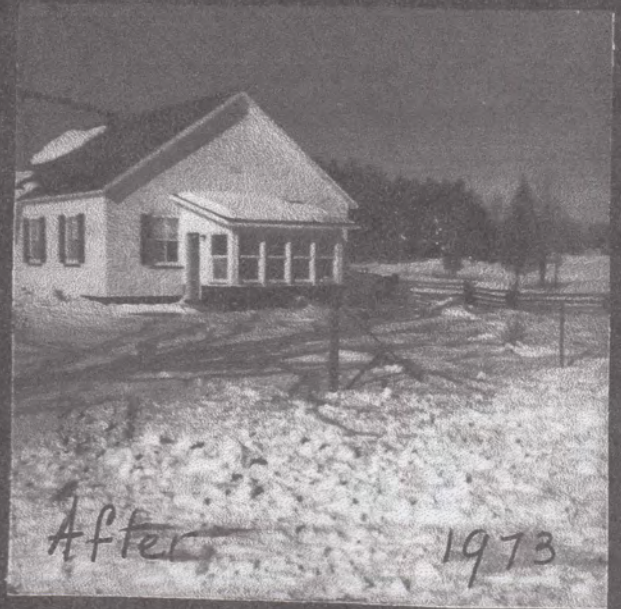
BRUNDAGE'S CORNERS

This four-corner meeting was named for the family that ran Brundage's Inn and Nehemiah Brundage farm. Now County Road #26 (Third Concession) is crossed by Merwin Lane from the south and Hillbrooke Road from the north.

At the left, is the home of Mansell Hough, one time the Service family operated a blacksmith shop here, often servicing the stage coaches and travelling vehicles. In the centre is the home and outbuildings of Victor Robinson farm, later occupied by Louis Marshall family. Next is the home of Mrs. Ida Alberry, once the Place family lived here, and still later, Edgar Knapp and his family. At the right, is the former Alex Black residence, once the site of Brundage's Inn.

-photo by John Bouman

thanks to J. A. Morris



S.S.# 7, BRUNDAGE'S SCHOOL, was purchased by Bruce and Goldie Connell when it was declared surplus by the Leeds & Grenville Board of Education.

They had it converted for dwelling, the old porch was torn down, and a new one built, a furnace and modern plumbing was installed, and a kitchen built in. The floor was raised 18" to allow for forced air heating. It provided 2 bedrooms and bathroom, large living-room, kitchen and utility room. A covered entrance at the west side was erected.

The Connells rented the home to various tenants for a number of years, until 1983 when they sold to Ronald and Patricia Young.