

Evangelical Free Church, Horsham, Saskatchewan.

January 07, 1940, saw the start of regular Sunday School classes in the Horsham Community Hall. In spring 1940, Frank Goertz, a graduate from Prairie Bible Institute at Three Hills, Alberta, became the first pastor, he was replaced by Miss Jean Grasley, a graduate of the same school. Miss Grasley served until 1942, she was replaced by George Power who in turn was replaced by Henry Poetker in August 1944.

The congregation decided to build a church at the annual meeting held January 07, 1945, work began January 11, 1945, dedication services were held June 17, 1945.

Other pastors who served this congregation were: Glen Smith October 1945 to April 1946, Charles Daku 1946 to 1949, John and Emily Unger fall 1949 to 1951, Merle and Edna Noble 1951 to 1953.

The church was first affiliated with the Fellowship of Gospel Churches, in 1952 the congregation voted to amalgamate with the Evangelical Free Church of Canada.

Pastors serving this church were: Bill King 1953 to 1955, Bill Ruggles fall 1955 to 1960, Alfred Pohl 1960 to 1963, Louis Spady from Medicine Hat, Alberta, served for several months to April 1965, and John Guenther was the last pastor to serve.

Services were discontinued in fall 1965, the pews and organ were donated to the Canadian Sunday School Mission Bible camp at Cypress Hills Park in Saskatchewan, the parsonage was sold to Kelvin Fischer and moved to the Martin Andreas homestead. The church was sold to Lloyd Fischer and moved to his farm where it was used as a storage shed.

Rockhill Cemetery, Horsham, Saskatchewan.

This neatly fenced cemetery is located on the north side of a good gravel road one mile east of Horsham, Saskatchewan. Legal land description is SW 18-17-29-W3. Many of the graves are caved in, the fence is new and painted but the grass is uncut. As at August 31, 1996. It seems that the different blocks were purchased by families and usually same last name burials are in that block. The first section of this record was compiled during a site visit, the second set of records were as found in the R.M. of Enterprise offices.

West row:

Four graves without markers.

Interred in block II are (south block) one unknown and Rageth Caspar died spring 1919.

Interred in block 12 are:

Pelletier George Gilbert.

One unknown.

Second row from west:

Block 10 is south block interred here are:

Person Pete

One unknown.

Block 13 has three burials:

Porter Malissa Jane.

Porter Edward.

One unknown.

Third row from west, south to north:

Block nine south block:

McCormick Leonard Lawrence born March 30, 1916, at Richmond, Saskatchewan, died April 20, 1916, at Richmond, Saskatchewan. Premature birth.

Galligan Ethel Elizabeth.

One unknown.

Block 14 has three burials:

Teague Roy base of marker only.

One unmarked grave.

Dean nee Moist Delisla Belle born June 04, 1873, at Freeport, Illinois, died June 11, 1945, at Wolsley, Saskatchewan.

Fourth row from west, south to north:

Block 08 south block four burials:

Fenton Jessie (spinster) born in Scotland, 70 years, died December 21, 1914, from liver problems. She was a sister to Alexander below.

Fenton Alexander S. born 1849, in Scotland, died October 08, 1923, at Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, from cancer married Anne Wallis in 1879 in County Wexford, Ireland.

Fenton nee Wallis Anne born 1855, in Ireland, died September 04, 1928, at Medicine Hat, Alberta, from cancer wife of Alexander Fenton.

One unknown.

Block 15 four burials:

Dean Gertrude Leah born November 01, 1908, at Anamoose, North Dakota, died April 04, 1919, from scarlet fever of Seba and Delisla Dean.

Dean Jessie Louisa born November 01, 1888, in North Dakota, died July 28, 1924, of Seba and Delisla Dean.

Dean Seba Alfred born August 15, 1869, at Clear Lake, Iowa, died November 24, 1934, from a pulmonary embolism.

One unknown:

Block 56 four burials:

Sandberg Louis M. born 1862, in Sweden, died May 04, 1944.

Sandberg Sofia born 1865, in Sweden, died July 14, 1932, from diabetes, wife of Louis Sandberg.

Unnamed Sandberg child.

One unknown.

Block 62 three burials:

Haskell Sarah born 1881, in England, died March 1952, wife of Fred Haskell.

Haskell Frederick Charles born July 08, 1881, in England died July 01, 1944, from a cerebral tumor, husband of Sarah Haskell.

One unknown.

Row five from west, south to north east side of path:

Block seven four burials:

Warn Nora J.

Warn James Henry.

Warn Sarah.

One unknown.

Block 16 two burials:

Mellbye Melvin Arnold born March 17, 1916, at Horsham, Saskatchewan, died September 07, 1921, from diabetes.

One unknown.

Block 27 two burials:

Foy Ralph Victor born January 04, 1922, at Medicine Hat, Alberta, died February 08, 1922, from water on the

brain, of P and M Foy.

One unknown.

Block 28 three burials:

Haskell George born 1843, in England, died March 24, 1925, from senile gangrene.

Haskell Jane Anne born 1846, in England, died October 27, 1923, from pneumonia, wife of George Haskell.

One unmarked grave.

Block 39 three burials:

Armstrong Helen May.

Armstrong Alice

One unmarked grave.

Block 40 two burials:

Armstrong David.

One unknown.

Row six from west, south to north:

Block 06 three burials:

Covey Charles Paul born at Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, 2 years, 10 months, died March 03, 1916, from pneumonia, of Wesley and Anna Covey.

Covey Glenn T. born 1921, at Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, died March 27, 1937, of Wesley and Anna Covey.

One unknown.

Block 05 three burials:

Anderson Grace born 1909, at Bobcaygeon, Ontario, died July 08, 1917, from Diphtheritic Scarlet Fever.

Anderson Archibald born 1913, at Gilnockic, Saskatchewan, died July 09, 1917, from Diphtheritic Scarlet Fever.

One unmarked.

Block 17 three burials:

Anderson William H.

Anderson Elizabeth.

On unknown.

Block 26 two burials.

Foy Ellen Jane.

One unknown.

Block 29 two burials:

Two unknowns.

Block 38 three burials:

Ratcliffe Frank S. born January 25, 1907, in England, died September 12, 1934.

Two unknowns.

Block 41 three burials:

Janecke Herman.

Janecke Johanna.

One Unknown.

The following grave has a marker but as of December 11, 1996, we are unsure what block it is in.

Werk Emilie born March 17, 1885, in Russia died November 09, 1923, she fell from a hay rack. Inquest conducted by P. Trout, Justice of the Peace.

Row seven from west, south to north:

Block 04 three burials:

Ackerman Inez Viola.
Ackerman Van Edward.
One unknown.

Block 18 three burials:

Knight Walter.
Knight Henrietta Georgina.
One unknown.

Block 25 three burials:

Mooney James Irvin born 1919, at Medicine Hat, Alberta, died October 07, 1922, from injuries when he fell from a
buggy.
Corey William Edward.
One unknown.

Block 30 three burials:

Haskell Mabel.
Mooney Jarold E.
One unknown.

Block 37 three burials:

Stearns William Chester born 1885, in Nebraska, died October 12, 1934, from Hodgkins disease.
Two unknowns.

Row eight from west, south to north:

Block 03 three burials:

Johnson William.
Johnson Samuel.
One unknown.

Block 19 two burials:

Lohman Richard Gerald.
One unknown.

Block 24 two burials:

Mooney James W.R.
One unknown.

Block 31 two burials:

Sturm Christ.
One unknown.

Block 36 four burials:

Rose B.C.
Rose Ralph.

Row nine from west, south to north:

Block 2 two burials:

Campbell R.
One unknown.

Block 32 two burials:
Andreas George.
One Unknown.

Row ten from west, south to north:
Block 01, two burials:
McLeod Mary.
One unknown.

Burials as taken from municipal records:

Ackerman Inez Viola born at Horsham, Saskatchewan, 7 years, 1 month 9 days, died September 19, 1918, of Roy E. Ackerman and Julia Caroline Norby.
Ackerman Van Edward born at Horsham, Saskatchewan, 10 months 20 days, died June 03, 1920, from Bronchitis.
Anderson Elizabeth born in Ontario, 90 years, 5 months 5 days, died June 15, 1940, from rupture of Pontine Artery.
Anderson William H. born in Ontario, 68 years, died April 11, 1919, from Broncho Pneumonia.
Andreas George born in Hungary, 49 years, 17 days, died February 06, 1939, from Coronary Thrombosis.
Armstrong Alice born at Parkbeg, Saskatchewan, 3 1 years, 2 months, S days, died September 27, 1934.
Armstrong David born in Scotland, 78 years, died January 02, 1937, from senile decay.
Armstrong Helen May born February 01, 1932, at Horsham, Saskatchewan, died February 08, 1932.
Campbell R. born at Burstall, Saskatchewan, died October 05, 1919.
Corey William Edward born at Calgary, Alberta, 2 years, 2 months 11 days, died October 01, 1923, from drowning. Inquest conducted by P. Trout Justice of the Peace.
Foy Ellen Jay born in Ontario, 63 years, 6 months, 20 days, died May 05, 1922, from Paralysis.
Galligan Ethel Elizabeth born in Michigan, 52 years, 4 months, 9 days, died June 28, 1927, from Heart Disease.
Haskell Mabel born 1915, at Horsham, Saskatchewan, 11 years, 11 months, 11 days, died May 05, 1927, from Influenza and Meningitis, daughter of Frederick Charles and Sarah Haskell.
Haskell Myrtle born 1913, 18 months, died 1914, of Frederick Charles and Sarah Haskell.
Janecke Herman born in Germany, 78 years, 11 days, died July 01, 1942, at Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, from Senility.
Janecke Johanna born in Germany, 86 years, 3 months, 2 days, died May 22, 1949, at Medicine Hat, Alberta.
Johnson Samuel.
Johnson William.
Knight Henrietta Georgina born at Maple Creek, Saskatchewan, 3 years, 9 months, 26, days, died October 22, 1921, from Diarrhea.
Knight Walter 7 years, 1 month, 17 days, died September 12, 1921, from Diarrhea.
Lohman Richard Gerald stillborn June 09, 1932, at Medicine Hat, Alberta.
McLeod Mary born in Sweden, 56 years, 2 months, 14 days, died May 28, 1941, at Medicine Hat, Alberta.
Mooney James W.R. born July 01, 1929, at Horsham, Saskatchewan, died November 22, 1929, from Pneumonia.
Mooney Jarold E. born at Medicine Hat, Alberta, 1 year, 6 months, died July 17, 1931, by drowning. Inquest conducted by Coroner J.F. Scribner.
Pelletier George Gilbert born October 27, 1921, at Richmond, Saskatchewan, died December 07, 1921.
Person Pete born in Sweden, 40 years, 7 months, 15 days, died March 18, 1917, from Pneumonia and Tuberculosis.
Porter Edward 81 years, died December 23, 1927, at Medicine Hat, Alberta.
Porter Melissa Jane born in Iowa, 68 years, 7 months, 2 days, died July 24, 1919, from Brights Disease.
Rageth Caspar born at Janetz, Switzerland, 77 years, 4 months, 14 days, died March 20, 1920.
Rose B.C. born in England, 46 years, 9 months, died February 23, 1936, suicide.
Rose Ralph 15 years, 7 months, 19 days, died August 12, 1937, at Burstall, Saskatchewan, from Pneumonia.
Sandberg unnamed stillborn December 31, 1935, at Medicine Hat, Alberta.
Sturm Christ 61 years, died April 17, 1936, at Hilda, Alberta, from injuries when runaway team threw him from buggy.

Teague Roy born in Indiana, 34 years, 2 months, 28 days, died April 07, 1919, from Endocarditis and Pneumonia.

Warn James Henry born in Maryland, 64 years, 4 months, 20 days, died August 26, 1922, from an Anurism.

Warn Nora I. born 1884, in Minnesota, died October 28, 1914, during childbirth.

Warn Sarah born in 1860, Maryland, died October 18, 1933.

Catholic Cemetery, Horsham, Saskatchewan.

The location of this cemetery is on the north side of township road 164, two miles north and five miles east of Schuler, Alberta, about one mile into the province of Saskatchewan. Legal land description is SE 30-16-29-W3. The fence has disappeared, a crude wooden, white cross marks this spot where about fifteen graves exist. Most of those interred are nameless as at August 31, 1996. Telephone conversations with Mrs. Eva Schafer of Schuler, Alberta, and her sister-in-law Mrs. Hugo (Anne) Woefle of Medicine Hat, Alberta, have confirmed that this is a Catholic cemetery and about fifteen burials took place here.

During a visit with Elmer and Elva Bertsch July 01, 1997, it was discovered that the first burial at this location was that of Clemetine Schafer. She was interred in a low lying area which flooded the next spring therefore her remains were moved to this higher point of land which became the current cemetery.

Koenig infant daughter of Balzer and Katherine Koenig.

Schafer Clementine.

Schafer John 12 years, of Anton Schafer and Marie Pfeifer.

Schafer Peter of John and Caroline Schafer.

Schafer Rose of John and Caroline Schafer.

Schafer Tony of Alex and Matilda Schafer.

Schafer Anne sister of Joe Schafer.

Schafer sister of Ed Schafer.

Germantown Baptist Church and Cemetery, Horsham, Saskatchewan.

The church built on the Adam Reiling homestead at this location was torn down in 1948, the lumber was used to build a home on Riverside in Medicine Hat, Alberta, for Otto Bertsch and his wife Emma Neuhardt.

Some of the founding families of this congregation were: Jacob Frank, Adam Reiling, Karl Hager, Henry Diede, and Emanuel Haag.

Two pastors who served this church for short periods were Reverend W.H. Grage and A. Knaudt.

This two acre unkempt plot is in the SE 28-16-29-W3 near Horsham, Saskatchewan. The fence is in good condition with a durable steel entrance gate. On October 11 1996 we found two smaller enclosures inside the fence and three other graves.

Northeast corner:

Haag Howard born 1933, died April 1933, of Emanuel Haag and Emma Reiling.

Diede Ted born April 12, 1918, died April 13, 1918, of Henry Diede.

Diede Henry born 1896, died 1918.

Frank Leah 11 months, of Jacob Frank and Lydia Hepper.

Hager Karl born 1882, died June 1934, in loving memory of Henry and Rosie Landsiedel. This on same marker inside small fence. Mrs. Hager married (2) George Sauer, she died November 1974.

Landsiedel Henry and Rosie of Mrs. Karl Hager.

Zimmerman Jack died 1918.

Northwest corner:

Reiling Adam born 1870, died 1932, husband of Elizabeth Engel, they homesteaded this land in 1912.

Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Horsham, Saskatchewan.

This, another neglected final resting place is located in the NE 33-16-29-W3 two miles south and two miles

west of Horsham, Saskatchewan. This once active village has disappeared from the face of the earth without a trace, not even a sign post or railway siding to remind one that our pioneers had built several buildings at this location and lived here for more than half a century. An empty shell, once a proud church building without trace of paint still stands erect at this corner. The windows are long gone and the red brick chimney is beginning to fall to the earth below.

The large four acre property is enclosed on the south, west and north side with a broken down fence, and one must wade through knee deep grass to find the few grave markers. Legal land description is NE 33-16-29-W3. As at August 31, 1996.

Services in this area known as Buffalo Head were first conducted by Reverend Becker in 1918, a circuit pastor, Walter Beltz baptized some children in 1919, and the church was built about 1919.

The first meeting July 11, 1920, was conducted by Reverend John H. Meyer. Some of the founding families were; Jacob Woelfle Sr., Karl Fode Sr., John Mueller, Christian Maier, Henry Finkbeiner, Emanuel Herman, Jacob Finkbeiner, Philip Fischer, Reinhold Sauter, Otto Bertsch, Bernard Jesse, Gottlieb Brosz Sr., Fred Massener, Gottfried Klauss, Andrew Gackle, John Gackle Sr., Jacob Meuller, Karl Rath, Martin Vossler and Reinhold Gackle.

Due to internal dissension a number of members left the Lutheran Church and started the Evangelical United Church one half mile west of the Lutheran church. The Supreme Court at Swift Current, Saskatchewan, was asked to settle the congregations' disagreement and handed down an order February 11, 1921.

The following families remained as members of the Lutheran Church; Karl Fode, Christian Maier, Emanuel Herman, Philip Fischer, Otto Bertsch, Bernard Jesse, Fred Massener, Gottfried Ruch, Otto Rasch, Paul Maier, Oscar Maier, Schafer Fode and Philip Hahn.

The church constitution was written July 05, 1921.

During the first years, the pastor also acted as the church secretary, and served other parishes as well, they included Maple Creek, Fox Valley, and Hatton.

The following pastors served at Zion; Walter Beltz in 1919, John H. Meyer in 1920, Rische 1921 to 1923, J.H. Meichsner in 1924, W.A. Busse 1925 to 1928, G.A. Gehrs 1929 to 1932, Schole in 1933, Becker in 1934, Vicar Ernest Mayon 1935 to 1944, Bruckopp 1945 to 1946, and Witte 1949 to 1950.

The minister's yearly salary for 1944 was \$150.00. The church was usually closed for the winter months, and services were conducted every second Sunday during summer.

The last annual meeting was held June 04, 1950, the last service was conducted in fall 1950 for which Reverend Witte received \$9.00.

Much of the following information was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bertsch of Medicine Hat, Alberta, July 01, 1997.

The lone marker in the extreme northeast corner reads:

Heir Ruhet in frieden Augusta Muller geboren January 15, 1859, gestroben January 17, 1916, Bessarabia, Sauht
Russland.

Northeast corner:

Brost Amel (sic) 7 months, died June 12, 1912, of Johannes and Zelma Brost. (this inscription on east side of grave marker)

Brost Johannes born June 09, 1881, died May 14, 1915, husband of Zelma Brost. (this inscription on south side of above marker)

Fischer Philip born September 07, 1884, at Alexanderfeld, Russia, died March 1950, husband of Mary Christman, moved to Medicine Hat, Alberta, Hillside Cemetery May 1954.

Fode Karl Sr. born July 17, 1853, died June 06, 1932, husband of Magdalena Fode.

Fode Magdalena born January 11, 1854, died April 21, 1942, wife of Karl Fode Sr.

Gackle David born 1880, died 1918, remained single.

Haag Stanley Bruce infant died 1947, of John Haag (alias Schafer Fode) and Metha Bory.

Haag Edith infant died 1950, or 1951, of John Haag (alias Schafer Fode) and Metha Bory.

Herman nee Doeffinger Bertha born August 04, 1890, died February 04, 1927, first wife of Emanuel Herman.

Herman Bertha Elizabeth born July 10, 1929, died July 17, 1929, of Emanuel Herman and Amalia Steinbrechen.

Herman Ida Clara born September 12, 1915, died November 1918, of Emanuel Herman and Bertha Doeffinger.

Interred in same grave with Viola Maier.

Maier Schmolke Viola born April 11, 1917, died November 1918, of Christian Maier and Eva Vilhauer.

Same grave as Ida Clara Herman.

Maier Viola nee Schmolke born August 18, 1920, died November 09, 1941, Jacob and Natalia Schmolke, wife of Paul Maier.

Mueller Jacob born May 18, 1892, died May 15, 1921, of Augustina Mueller, first husband of Hulda Brost, after his death she married John Schmidt.

Rasch Anna Marie born June 11, 1927, died September 1927, of Otto and Emma Rasch.

Reiling Kenneth Otto born December 05, 1943, died April 28, 1945, of Philip Reiling and Alice Rasch.

Schmolke Albert born 1918, died 1920, from diphtheria of Jacob Schmolke and Natalia Tschritter.

Albert and Jacob Jr. died three days apart.

Schmolke Jacob Jr. born 1917, died 1920, from diphtheria of Jacob Schmolke and Natalia Tschritter.

Schmolke Jacob born March 16, 1891, in Russia, died October 31, 1942, husband of Natalia Tschritter born December 18, 1892, in Russia, died in 1958.

Schmolke Henry born May 25, 1930, died in a farm accident September 09, 1947, of Jacob and Natalia Schmolke.

Schmolke son died young of Jacob and Natalia Schmolke.

Evangelical United Church Cemetery, Horsham, Saskatchewan.

This church was formed when the congregation of Zion Lutheran Church was split over some policies. The faction purchased property and built their own church only one half mile west of Zion Lutheran church.

Members of this church included the families of Jacob Woelfle Sr., John Mueller, Henry Finkbeiner, Jacob Finkbeiner, Reinhold Sauter, Gottlieb Brosz Sr., Gottfried Klauss, Andrew Gackle, John Gackle Sr., Jacob Mueller, Karl Rath, Martin Vossler and Reinhold Gackle.

There is a smaller cemetery at this newer location, it again is unkempt and dire in need of attention. The property is probably about four acres and continues to be fenced and uncultivated. The legal land description is SE 04-17 -29- W3. A small building, probably the coal shed still stands in the northwest corner. There are few legible markers in the tall grasses and about twelve graves in total.

As at August 30, 1996.

Interred here are:

Anhorn Edward born July 05, 1929, died September 19, 1930, at Fox Valley Saskatchewan, from acute intestinal infection and convulsions.

Gackle John Sr. born March 20, 1875, at Postal, Russia, died December 20, 1937, of cancer.

Gackle Reinhold born May 07, 1893, in Russia, died December 21, 1945, of Andrew Gackle and Katherine Anhorn, husband of Mary Baumann who died at Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Pudwill ? 20 years, died from a gunshot wound September 18, 1931, at Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Rath Carl born 1884, died 1943.

Rath Katherina born 1880, died 1935.

Sauter nee Seitz Ida born June 07, 1890, at Alt Postal, Russia, died January 30, 1946, husband of Reinhold Sauter born in 1887 at Alt Postal, Russia, died in 1972, at Calgary, Alberta.

May 30, 1999:

We found records pertaining to this cemetery also known as the Postal Congregational Cemetery at Medicine Hat, Alberta, a couple of months ago, this record shows the following interred here. Note discrepancy between previous records and this one.

Brost Gottlieb born November 18, 1856, died March 26, 1925.

Brost Gottlieb born June 24, 1908, died October 29, 1921, at Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Brost Nathaniel born October 22, 1915, died October 17, 1921.

Gackle nee Anhorn Katherine born January 19, 1853, died April 15, 1921, wife of Andrew Gackle.

Maier Herbert born September 03, 1912, died December 09, 1924.

Miller Jacob born May 18, 1892, died May 19, 1921.

Stickel Jacob born March 16, 1923, died October 10, 1923.