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THE FIRST QUILT IS MADE AT VOGAR

PRODUCTS

The sewing factory, which was one of the job creation proposals at the consult, has been started. Last week, some ladies started work on some samples. They were Sally Monkman, Nellie Pelletier, Katherine Bone and Justine Desjarlais. When the samples were completed, they were taken to Eatons in Winnipeg. The buyer liked them and said that Eatons would purchase the first six quilts that were made. These would be of six different quilt designs and would be put on display in the store before Christmas. Eatons would then send orders for the quilts from the sewing factory here at Vogar.

Last Saturday, Raymond Pelletier lent his old home to be used as the sewing factory facility. The building was cleaned up and Raymond put his old stove inside for heat. Also, a sign, VOGAR PRODUCTS, was put up outside the factory.

On Tuesday morning, four ladies began. They were Nellie Pelletier, Sally Monkman, Sally Beach and Katherine Bone. The first quilt was finished by Wednesday. Nellie took the quilt to a conference in Chicago for display. They hope to sell this quilt and receive many more orders.

Charles M. Home from Winnipeg, a clothing distributor, donated 76 yards of materials to get the production started. The next step is to make new patterns and designs for marketing.

VOGAR HOUSES NOW OCCUPIED

In early September, ten families in Vogar moved from their old shacks into new houses which were constructed with local labour. The original plan for self-help housing dated back almost three years to the time when Arthur Pelletier and his small crew cut poplar and spruce logs and milled

lumber through a winter works grant.

Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, through the Rural and Native Housing Corporation-RANHCOM, adapted one of their housing programs to fit the situation. The former Interlake Manpower Corps agreed to fund a carpentry training program. Crown Lands agreed to sell half acre lots to the residents.

Now finally all the pieces have fitted together into a successful housing project and costs have been reasonable. The following costs are totalled for all ten houses of which four were four bedroom, five were three bedroom, one was two bedroom. All have a cement surface foundation, electric heat, supplementary chimney, drilled well, septic field and gyproc walls. The quality of workmanship in the construction was praised by the C.M.H.C. inspectors.

Construction materials	\$49,250.54
Sub trades-plumbing, painting, wiring, gyproc taping, well drilling	121,664.46
Rentals, fill, bulldozing, etc.	18,414.33
Training allowance to local men	65,327.83
Carpentry instructors	22,192.64
Administrative and supervision	9,339.13
	<u>\$288,188.98</u>

As the total square footage of the houses is 9840 sq. ft., the cost per sq. ft. is an acceptable \$29.08.

The residents will have mortgages for about twenty years with monthly payments scaled to income.

FIDDLING

On Saturday, October 8th, there was a fiddling dance held in the Vogar Hall. Fiddlers present for the occasion were Teddy Houle from Baconridge and Albert Monkman from Vogar.

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The music went from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. with only one five minute break. Everyone present displayed their talents in jigging and many other country dances. Young and old danced through the evening and people spoke of having one of these dances every month if not more often. At the end of the evening, Nellie Pelletier sang a farewell song to the economic group that was visiting from the Institute of Cultural Affairs.

BINGO WINNERS

Siqlunes Bingo winners by game from Monday, September 19th were as follows: Kathleen Swan; Margaret Swan and Colleen Edwards; Eileen Sutherland; Walter Monkman; Mrs. Ardeth Ducharme; Siggi Hallson; Mrs. Edwards; Margaret Hallson; Mrs. Angus Swan; Mrs. Sara Choken; Florence Swan; Mrs. Russell; Margaret Hallson; Florence Swan; and Jerry Baptiste and Mabel Yanke.

"Pot of Gold" winners were Bev Sveistrup in the first game and John Paul in the second game.

Bingo winners by game from Monday, September 26th were: Freda Missyabit; Mrs. Delia Edwards and Tony Choken; Colin Choken; Edna Maytwayashing; Clara Monkman; Tony Choken; Albert Loyer and Leonard Monkman; Vic Sturgess; Mrs. Alice Sumner; Mrs. Anderson; Mrs. Joe Edwards; Myra Chippeway; Burba Swan and Mrs. Campbell; Lillian Malcolm; and Freda Missyabit and Florence Swan.

Edna Sandmoen won the first "Pot of Gold" game and Colin Choken won the second game.

The October 3rd Bingo winners were: Sandra Maytwayashing; Mr. Campbell; Olga Podborsky; Kathleen Swan who won a turkey; Margaret Hallson; Mrs. Harry Ducharme; Sylvia Roulette; Valerie Edwards, winner of a turkey, consolation prizes in that game going to Clara Monkman, Myra Chippeway, and Mary Mancheese; Miss Sandra Maytwayashing; Eileen Maytwayashing; Colin Choken; Florence Chippeway; Sandra Maytwayashing; Mrs. Sumner, Valerie Edwards and Leo

Eileen Maytwayashing, who won a turkey; Edith Paul; Margaret McLean; Clara Monkman; and Florence Chippeway.

The first game of the "Pot of Gold" was won by Eileen Maytwayashing, Wendy Sutherland, Ruth Barnes, Conrad Johnson, Wilfred Paul, Lawrence Choken, Georgina Maytwayashing and Phyllis Paul. Sandra Maytwayashing won the second game.

Bingo winners by game from October 10th were: Mr. Houle and August Yanke; Elsie Pelletier; George Murphy; Sylvia Roulette; Mary Swan; Mary Swan, Mrs. Monkman and Mr. Choken; August Yanke and Freda Missyabit; Mrs. Yanke; Eric Johnson; Colleen Edwards; Stephen Edwards and Joe Edwards; Jerry Pyford and Stephen Edwards; Lawrence Swan and Mrs. Bjornsson; Margaret Monkman and Mary McKelvie who split the "Full House" jackpot; and Mrs. Edwards.

"Pot of Gold" winners were Eric Johnson in the first game and Florence Chippeway in the second game.

The winners of the October Siqlunes 100 Club Draw were: 1st- Elaine Bruce from Ashern-\$60.00, 2nd- Ronald Larson from Vogar-\$40.00, and 3rd- Mrs. Rolf Forseng from Oakview-\$25.00.

NOTES

Arnold and Heather Pyford left Tuesday, September 20th for Lone Rock, Wisconsin, where they visited with Arnold's aunt and uncle, Stefania and Warren Porter. They also spent some time with Arnold's cousins, Warren, Jr. and Gerry, and their wives, Peggy and Donna. Warren, Jr. and Gerry each have a dairy farm near Lone Rock. While Arnold, Heather and Stef were sightseeing in Wisconsin Dells, northeast of Lone Rock, they stopped in to visit Esther Johnson's mother, Mrs. Gaalaas, and her husband, Jacob. Mrs. Gaalaas was surprised and pleased to see a neighbour of her daughter's. Arnold and Heather left Lone Rock on Tuesday September 27th having had an interesting and enjoyable vacation, and arrived in Vogar on the evening of September 28th.

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Congratulations to Mrs. Annie Johnson who celebrated her 70th birthday on September 22nd. Guests at a family dinner held on September 24th included Annie's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Tegelberg, of Transcona and a friend, Mrs. Jessie Fletcher.

Another of our senior citizens, Mary Ann Spence, celebrated her birthday on September 27th. A birthday dinner was held in Mary Ann's honour at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Pelletier.

Congratulations to Mrs. Melina Dubuc who also celebrated her birthday on September 27th.

Art and Gertie Larson from Red Lake, Ontario came on October 5th to visit their relatives in the area. Also, their son Dennis, his wife Barbara, and daughter Cindy arrived on October 3rd from Ear Falls, Ont. Ontario for a visit and some hunting for Dennis.

Thanksgiving weekend visitors to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grettir Freeman were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Freeman and family of Grosse Isle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stanley and family of Stonewall, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Holloway and family of Winnipeg.

Mrs. Sonia Turner and son Kim spent the Thanksgiving weekend visiting her husband Ron, the principal of Dog Creek School, at Vogar. Kim enjoyed the fishing at the Narrows.

A couple of our local hunters, Jim Freeman and Paul Johnson, took part in the Lundar All Canada Goose Shoot. They were on the Clive Campbell team from Teulon which included Bill Lazarovich. The geese made themselves scarce that day as eight teams didn't fire a shot. When the eight teams drew for the tail end trophy, the Clive Campbell team was in luck for the first time that day so they came home with the tail end trophies. The fellows enjoyed the sociability of the Lundar folks and had a good time. Congratulations to the South Dakota team who won the event.

Congratulations to Raymond Larson, who is our new councillor for Ward 2 on the Siglunes Municipal Council. He is replacing Paul Johnson who was a councillor for the past seven years.

Get well wishes to Heidi Holmes who is ill with pneumonia.

Rosa Johnson of Lundar and former teacher at Dog Creek School spent a few days recently with Edith Seal and visited old friends.

DANIEL LINDEN MONKMAN

Daniel Linden Monkman was born September 7, 1958 in Vogar. His parents Daniel Monkman and Alice Monkman, already had two daughters, Carol who was 5 years old and Sally who was 4 years old. Daniel attended the Dog Creek School until he was 12, when he went to Ashern School for another 5 years. Then he started working with the Manpower crew and learned his carpentry skills. He worked on the houses in Vogar and at the Siglunes Community Hall. Daniel enjoyed baseball and soccer. Sally, Marvin and Jeffrey are Daniels brothers and sisters. Joseph, another brother, died when he was a baby. Jeffrey lives with his aunt at Ebb and Flow and is 8 years old. Daniel was very important to his family. He was very generous to his sister Sally and she can remember him as a small boy. The community of Vogar and many friends are saddened by Daniel's death and will miss him in our village.

The wedding of Allan Richard Swan and Miss Marlene McKay will take place on Saturday, October 22nd in Grand Rapids, the home town of his bride to be. Congratulations Allan!

Contributed By Sally Beach