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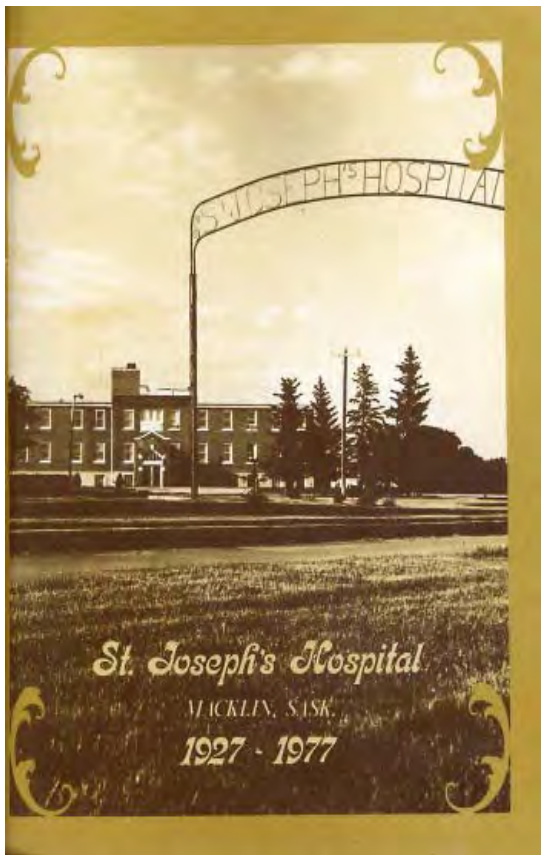
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Macklin, SK

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ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL.



*Commemorating
Fifty Years
of Service
of*

The Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth



St. Joseph's Hospital

*Macklin
Saskatchewan
1927 - 1977*

**COAT OF ARMS OF THE SISTERS OF ST. ELIZABETH
OF THE THIRD ORDER REGULAR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

As shown on the ancient coat of the Franciscan Order we see the crossed arms of Christ and St. Francis. The wound of the nails is displayed in the palms of both our Saviour and the Seraph of Assisi, in token of the stigmata which the latter was privileged to carry. Surmounting all is the Cross, recalling the words of St. Paul so frequently used by St. Francis: "God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." The roses on the lower part of the crest symbolize the words of charity of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. The crown above the cross represents the regal crown of this illustrious princess of charity and glory of the Franciscan Order.



Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth
Macklin, Saskatchewan. 1977.

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His Holiness **P**aul VI
 paternally imparts a special
 Apostolic Blessing
 upon the

Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth the
 Staff, patients and people of the District
 of St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, Sask.,
 on the occasion of their 50th Anniversary of Descent services
 June 25, 1977.

*St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, Saskatchewan 1977.
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Message from
The Most Reverend James P. Mahon
Bishop of Saskatoon

My dear Sisters:

The celebration of fifty golden years of your service to the Macklin District community is cause for great rejoicing throughout the Diocese of Saskatoon. After all, you were part of the inheritance that we received when our diocese was founded in 1975. Already by then you had been in Macklin for eleven years and your new hospital was just six years old, and already the Jewel of Christian service in the west end of the diocese.

It is the quality of the service rendered that we praise the most. Under your guidance, St. Joseph's has provided a Christian atmosphere long recognized by the people. You know that the sick preferred to enter your hospital because they always received the special care for which you have been justly famous.

The spirit of St. Francis has been the cornerstone of your charity. It has been evident not only in the Sisters but in a succession of loyal doctors and hospital personnel. Doctor P. Eid represented that spirit in his own inimitable way for forty-three years; may his memory be ever blessed.

Thank you, Sisters, for your sacrifices, for your lives of prayer, and for your Christian witness in the Macklin community. You have been faithful servants of the Lord so often at the bedside of the sick and the dying.

Wir danken Gott das Er uns Seine Güte kund gethan durch die dienende Liebe der Schwestern der Heiligen Elisabeth. An Bishop Pfr. Mahon would have said if he were here: "Ich bin der Herr-Bischof und Ihre seit seine Kinder in Herrn."

Admirata et faustissimas amos,

James P. Mahon
Bishop of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Message from the Oblate Provincial
of St. Mary's Province

We, the Oblates, join in celebrating the 50th anniversary of St. Joseph's Hospital with gratitude to God for the blessings bestowed upon the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth and those associated with them. It is a joyful celebration shared by thousands who are the grateful friends of the Sisters, — a time to thank all those who made it possible for St. Joseph's to come into existence and to continue in its essential services. It is a fitting time to pay tribute to the Sisters of St. Elizabeth for their glorious achievement in the field of Christian charity. From very modest beginnings, the Sisters have spread their apostolate of charity to thousands of residents in the area.

In celebrating this memorable occasion, I wish, on behalf of the Oblates of St. Mary's Province, to congratulate the Sisters on their great accomplishments during the past half century in the service of the sick, the suffering and the dying. We are only too mindful of the many sacrifices they made for the greater glory of God and for the welfare of their patients.

The Oblates were privileged to have had the Sisters' services in St. Mary's Province for the past fifty years. Those were fifty years of service to anyone who needed it and many of the patients were our own Oblate Fathers and Brothers. The Oblates have indeed been the beneficiaries of these services and always with preferential treatment. We cannot forget those favors the Sisters did for us and the expert surgery by the late Dr. F. L. Eid.

We rejoice with the Sisters on this occasion and join them in thanking God for having blessed their work in Macklin and surrounding areas. What an example of selfless dedication and service to God and man! When we look back on their hardships and sacrifices we know that God was beside them through these fifty years. Only He can evaluate the redemptive labors they have performed during these years in the service of the sick and the dying. If anyone is conscious of God's help and His healing power, surely it must be the Sisters of St. Elizabeth! Thus, a deep personal concern for their patients has become a trademark of St. Joseph's Hospital. And always their qualified personnel have been able to meet the exacting hospital standards. We know the grace of God will help the Sisters to continue their exacting and essential medical services to God's people.

May God bless them with success in the years ahead and help them spread love and understanding to all those in their care. May He guide them, His devoted servants, in their work of mercy — an apostolate that has top priority with the Lord.

Again, on behalf of the Oblates of St. Mary's Province, I express my deepest gratitude to you, Sisters, for your devoted services during the past half century. Only God can and will adequately reward you.

J. W. Paschay O.M.S.






Message from
 The Rt. Honorable Pierre Elliott Trudeau
 Prime Minister Premier Minister

On the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of St. Joseph's Hospital in Macklin, I would like to extend my warmest good wishes to the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Elizabeth of The Third Order Regular of Saint Francis of Assisi.

For half a century you have continued the tradition of service and devotion to God and the Community.

Please accept my sincere congratulations and my admiration for your dedication.



 Pierre Elliott Trudeau

Ottawa,
 1976.



Message from The Honorable Marc Lalonde
 Minister of National Health and Welfare and
 Minister Responsible For the Status of Women

On the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the incorporation of St. Joseph's Hospital, it gives me great pleasure to convey my congratulations and heartfelt appreciation to all those who have provided health services through the years on behalf of this institution. In the past fifty years there have been great changes in the delivery of health care, but the common denominator during this period has been the contribution of people -- the Sisters of St. Elizabeth of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis of Assisi, the health professionals who provided care in the hospital and all those who contributed their time and efforts on a voluntary basis. To all those, and to the Board of Trustees of St. Joseph's Hospital, may I extend my personal appreciation and that of the federal government for the high level of services you have provided the community of Macklin and the surrounding districts. It is my hope that you will continue to prosper and to maintain the high standard of care that has characterized your hospital over the past fifty years.


 Marc Lalonde



*Message from The Honorable Allan Blakeney
Premier of Saskatchewan*

On behalf of the Government of Saskatchewan, I am pleased to extend congratulations to all those who have been associated with St. Joseph's Hospital during its fifty years of hospital services to the people of Macklin and district.

For a half century, St. Joseph's Hospital has made a vital contribution to the quality of life of the Macklin community. I am particularly pleased that the role which St. Joseph's Hospital has played in the lives of so many people is recognized and commemorated in this book of historical highlights. The publication of this book is itself evidence of how much the Hospital is appreciated by those it has served so long and so well.

As you celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of St. Joseph's Hospital on June 26th, 1977, may I offer my congratulations for past work and my best wishes for the future.

Allan Blakeney
Premier

*Message from The Honorable W.A. Robbins
Minister of Health*

On behalf of the Premier, Honourable Allan Blakeney and the Government of Saskatchewan, congratulations on 50 years of service to the Macklin community.

The people of Macklin and District can be justly proud of the record of service of the hospital to the community over the past fifty years.

The hospital staff and management can be justly proud in the excellence of health services which the Macklin and district citizens enjoy. That high level can only be maintained if all of us in the health field continue to work together with a spirit of co-operation and continued dedication.

May the next fifty years of the Macklin Hospital be as full of progress and accomplishment as the past fifty years.

Minister of Health.

*Message from The Honorable Linda Clifford
M.L.A. Wilkie Constituency*

I am pleased to be able to pay tribute to the Macklin Hospital, its staff, and community on the occasion of your Golden Jubilee.

Hospital services are of vital importance to all communities - and Macklin has been fortunate to have the best health care that any rural area can offer.

Contributions of the hospital staff of the past and present are significant. Their total commitment and dedication not only to health care, but to the community as well, is second to none in the Province. Very few hospitals can honor the long time service of staff members as Macklin Hospital did last year.

Congratulations to you for your past accomplishments, and my best wishes for continued excellent service and health care for many years to come.

Linda Clifford, M.L.A.



HOUSE OF COMMONS
CANADA

Message from The Honorable Dr. Cliff McInnes,
M.P. Battleford-Kindersley

Reverend Mother Superior:

Fifty years of continuous service to the community of Macklin and surrounding area is one aspect of the proud record of performance of the good Sisters of St. Elizabeth.

In the operation of St. Joseph's Hospital in that period of time, they have gone through all of the heartaches and the joys of any other pioneer in this country.

Health care in this country has seen many dramatic changes in that time. In my view, some of these changes have been at the expense of good nursing and personalized care. This is not so at St. Joseph's Hospital in Macklin. The Sisters of St. Elizabeth were practicing communism in Macklin long before that word was invented.

Their Christian concern for all who sought their assistance has been and will continue to be the hallmark of their wonderful work in caring for the sick.

As an elected representative of the Macklin district for quite a few years, I can personally testify to the universal respect and affection which is accorded the Sisters.

I certainly include myself as one who shares these feelings of the community. It is my great pleasure to extend my personal congratulations to the Sisters on the occasion of this anniversary.

Yours truly,

Dr. Cliff McInnes, M.P.
Battleford-Kindersley.



Message from His Worship
Jerome Leibel
Macklin

Dear Sisters:

On behalf of my council and myself it is with great pleasure that I offer our congratulations to you Sisters on this occasion of St. Joseph's Hospital Golden Jubilee.

And no better time than now to extend a very special thank you for the true kindness this community has enjoyed at St. Joseph's Hospital for all these years.

Yours sincerely,

Jerome Leibel
Mayor.





*Message from The Superior General
Sisters of St. Elizabeth of the Third
Order Regular of St. Francis of Assisi*

It is always a pleasure to offer congratulations on a Golden Anniversary Celebration! Golden years speak of a wealth of experience and dedication. In God's Divine Plan, nothing exists without a purpose. It is inevitable that a hospital exists for the benefit of alleviating human suffering. It can well be demonstrated that in the past 50 years many patients have found peace, comfort and relief from physical pain in St. Joseph's Hospital. In a Catholic Hospital the ministry to Christ in the person of the sick also builds bridges for those passing from time to eternity.

On behalf of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth, I wish to extend sincere congratulations to the Sisters and the people of Macklin and district who helped to make St. Joseph's Hospital what it is today — a fully-accredited hospital providing a high standard of care to its patients.

We thank those who in the past had the vision, the foresight, courage and dedication to see the need for a hospital in this district. We commend those who in the present are doing a remarkable job of carrying on the good work begun by their predecessors. We know the same dedication will inspire those to whom the future care of St. Joseph's Hospital will be entrusted.

As we thank for the blessings of the past, we pray for God's continued blessing in the future. May those who have served the sick so faithfully one day hear the words of the Master Physician, "Whatever you have done for these, the least of my brethren, you have done to me."



Sister Eleonore Hanns O.S.E.
Superior General 1977 -

Sister Elizabeth Gartner
Superior General



*Message from the Administrator
St. Joseph's Hospital
Macklin*

This year as we celebrate the Golden Jubilee of our hospital, it is a time to be grateful for all the people who have made a reality these fifty years of hospital service in this community and district.

In 1928, the Sisters came and began to beg from door to door for the money and food necessary to begin and run a hospital. Over the fifty years since then, much has changed. Equipment has grown more complicated, drug therapy has expanded, restrictions have been put on small hospitals as to the type of surgery allowed, there is government funding and control.

Though much has changed, what is most important in a hospital and health care remains the same. And that is the care, concern and dedication of many individuals, who are ready to give time, energy, and themselves in the service of others. It is this which makes possible not only the physical maintenance of a building and equipment, but also underlies every physical and emotional healing which occurs within the hospital walls. It is not statistics and equipment, but this care and concern which makes a hospital truly alive and ready to meet the challenges and difficulties of our modern day.

So as we celebrate our Jubilee, we give thanks for each person who has loved and cared enough to make possible our celebration. And we pray that this spirit of love and concern may always characterize the atmosphere of our hospital, so that all who come within its walls, be they staff, patients or visitors, may experience the healing love and power of Jesus.

Sister Dolores Wolfe

Sister Dolores Wolfe

Administrator

Superiors and Administrators of St. Joseph's Hospital 1922 - 1977



Sister M. Euphemia Weiss - Superior at St. Joseph's Hospital Macklin, 1922-33; 1929-30 and 1934-35.
Anna Weiss was born in Eisenmarkt, Austria. She entered the St. Elizabeth Convent in Klagenfurt on April 8, 1896. She came to Canada in 1912. She was Superior General of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Husboldt for three years and served as the assistant to the Superior General for six years. She also served as superior at St. Francis Hospital Scott, St. Michael's at Oxburgh and St. Peter's College at Menaster. She was a good cook and business manager and was chosen to pioneer the opening of a hospital at Macklin, Saskatchewan in 1922. She died at Menaster, Sask. on December 6, 1935.



Sister M. Philomena Jug - Superior at St. Joseph's Hospital Macklin, 1923-26 and 1927-28.
Anna Jug was born on June 11, 1877 in Kärnten, Austria. She entered the Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Klagenfurt, Austria on December 27, 1897. She made her profession of vows on April 11, 1902. She left for Canada on April 30, 1911 and arrived at Menaster on May 11, 1911 along with two other sisters to establish a hospital at Husboldt. She obtained her nurse registration and cared for the sick. She was mistress of novices, Superior General as well as superior at St. Francis Hospital, Scott and St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin. She died at Husboldt, Sask., on July 15, 1943.



Sister M. Seraphina Fürstscheller - Superior at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, 1924-27 and 1928-27.
Mathilde Fürstscheller was born on March 13, 1890 in Tirol, Austria. She entered the convent of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth in Klagenfurt on September 30, 1911. She came to Canada in 1913 and made her profession of vows on December 21, 1913. She was Superior General of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth, Husboldt, 1920-24 and 1937-46. She was superior at St. John's Hospital, Bozeman, Sask., 1936-37. She loved working in the Park, planting trees and flowers. She died on April 3, 1974 at Husboldt, Sask.



Sister Gabriela Lex - Superior at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, 1928-29; 1940-46.
Anna Lex was born on June 28, 1879 at Maria Wörth, Kärnten, Austria. She entered the Convent of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth in Klagenfurt on May 30, 1897 and made her profession of vows on May 5, 1903. She was a cook and served in this capacity for many years. She came to Canada in 1911 with two other sisters to establish a hospital at Husboldt, Sask. She was the bookkeeper for the community for many years and served as superior at St. Peter's College Menaster. She was also a good seamstress. She died at Husboldt, Sask., on June 16, 1952.

Sister Jacoba Schober - Superior of St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, 1930-34.
Theresia Schober was born on October 11, 1876, at St. Paul, Lavanttal, Kärnten, Austria. She entered the convent of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth, Klagenfurt, Austria on August 14, 1909. She made her profession of vows on April 16, 1911. She came to Canada on November 1, 1922, with the last group of sisters from Klagenfurt. She was mistress of novices from 1923-30 and served a term as superior at St. Michael's Hospital, Oxburgh and at both the colleges at Menaster and Hatfield. She was a good seamstress and served the community in this capacity for many years. She died on September 21, 1946 at Husboldt, Sask.



Sister Maria Elizabeth Prazu - Superior at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, 1935-40.
Maria Prazu was born on October 20, 1876 at St. Veit, Austria. She entered the Convent of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth in Klagenfurt, Austria on January 29, 1900 and made her profession of vows on May 24, 1904. She served the community as pharmacist and came to Canada, with a group of sisters, in 1920. She did occupational work and served as pharmacist for many years. She also served a term as superior at St. Michael's Hospital, Oxburgh. She died on October 20, 1962.



Sister M. Florziana Kohlman - Superior at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, 1946-49.
Maria Kohlman was born at Grossmayer, Sask. and entered the convent of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth, Husboldt, on April 14, 1925. She made her profession of vows on November 23, 1926 and celebrated her Golden Jubilee in 1976. She is a registered nurse, a registered X-ray technician and has served the community as Superior General for a period of twelve years. She is presently serving the aged at St. Ann's Home in Saskatoon.



Sister M. Rita Kolheiser - Administrative Secretary at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin from about 1927-49 and Superior from 1949-52.
Barbara Kolheiser was born on June 17, 1910 in Bussia. She came to Canada with her parents in 1922 and entered the convent of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth, Husboldt, on March 27, 1926. She made her profession of vows on April 17, 1929. She attended a course in business administration and bookkeeping and as noted above spent many years at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin. She also served as business manager for the community and as administrator at St. Mary's Villa at Husboldt. She died on March 3, 1969 at Husboldt, Sask.





Sister M. Theresia Poth - Superior at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, 1957-59.

Theresia Poth was born on September 18, 1899 in Hungary. She came to the United States in 1912 and to Canada in 1921. She entered the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Humboldt, Saskatchewan on June 8, 1916 and made her profession of vows on October 4, 1920. She served the community as cook for many years, was business manager at the St. Elizabeth Hospital and Convent at Humboldt. She served as superior St. Michael's Hospital, Cudworth and St. John's Hospital at Bosthern. She died on February 19, 1970 at Humboldt, Sask.



Sister Levitia Remowky - Acting Superior at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin in 1959.

She was born at Claybank, Sask. and entered the convent of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth, Humboldt on August 21, 1928. She made her profession of vows on October 20, 1934. She served the community as a registered nurse and after taking a post-graduate course of Teaching and Supervision in Obstetrical Nursing, she taught in the St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing at Humboldt for many years. She was Superior and Administrator at St. Michael's Hospital, Cudworth and is presently on the administrative council of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth.



Sister Clothilde Gartner - Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin 1965-67 and Superior from 1960-66.

Margaret Gartner was born at Crosswonder, Sask. and attended Falkenburg School. She entered the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth on May 8, 1944 and made her profession of vows on October 8, 1946. She served as administrative secretary for many years at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Humboldt, Sask. She received a certificate in Hospital Administration from the University of Saskatchewan. She was Superior and Administrator of Holy Infant Hospital, South Dakota, Superior General of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth from 1959-77.



Sister Celestine Volk - Superior and administrator at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, 1966-69.

Ann Marie Volk was born at Dennis, Saskatchewan on December 19, 1916. She entered the convent of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth, Humboldt, Saskatchewan on August 27, 1932 and made profession of vows on April 30, 1936. She was a registered nurse and served the sick at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Humboldt, St. Michael's Hospital, Cudworth and St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin. She died on September 20, 1970 at St. Michael's Hospital, Cudworth, Saskatchewan.

Sister Marcelle Haag - Administrator at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin from 1969-76 and Superior from 1966-75.

She served the sick at St. Joseph's Hospital for many years as a registered nurse and registered X-ray Technologist. She obtained her certificate in Hospital Administration and took a post-graduate course at the University of Alberta. At Humboldt, Sask., she attended Erics School and entered the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth on September 11, 1930. She made her profession of vows on October 20, 1934. She cared for the poor in Macao, Brazil, South America for several years and since July 1976 is co-ordinator of medical services at a medical clinic in Salvador, Bahia, Brazil.



ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARIES

Sister M. Gertrudis Hengles was a registered nurse and secretary at St. Joseph's Hospital from 1986-1992. Born in Kärnten, Austria, she entered the convent of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth in Klagenfurt, Austria. She came to Canada in 1935, and made her religious profession of vows in 1933 at Humboldt, Sask. She died on January 15, 1995.



Sister Marie Teresa Fischer was a registered nurse and served at St. Joseph's Hospital as Director of the School of Nursing and an administrative assistant from 1938-37. Born in Balfour, North Dakota, U.S.A. in 1907, she came to Canada with her family and entered the convent of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth in Humboldt, Sask. in 1929, and made her religious profession of vows in 1934. She received her B.S. in Pharmacy from the University of Saskatchewan and a M.A. in Pharmacy from the University of Southern California in 1957. She died on February 22, 1973.



Sister Margaret Marie Prediger, served as administrative secretary at St. Joseph's Hospital from 1956-59. She was born at Macklin and entered the Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Humboldt, Sask. in 1930. She made her religious profession of vows in 1934. She is a registered record librarian and has a certificate in Hospital Organization and Management. She is presently Administrator at St. Michael's Hospital, Cudworth.



Sister Victoria Koenig, served as administrative secretary at St. Joseph's Hospital from 1966-69. Born at Renard, Sask. she entered the Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Humboldt, Sask. in 1945 and made her religious profession of vows in 1949. She is a certified medical record librarian and a registered nurse and is presently employed in nursing at St. Elizabeth Hospital, Humboldt.



St. Joseph's Hospital Board of Governors



Sr. Delores Wolfe
Administrator



Sister Dolores Haug
Board Member



Mr. Marcus Weinkauf
Board Member



Mr. Ian Vassar
Board Member

Sister Delores Wolfe - Superior at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin since 1975 and Administrator since 1976. She obtained her degree in nursing from the University of Saskatchewan and also a Bachelor of Arts Degree. She special in religious education at the University of St. Louis and cared for the sick at St. Elizabeth's Hospital at Barbours before going to St. Louis. She was born at Odessa, Sask., and entered the convent of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth on September 16, 1950. She made profession of vows April 15, 1955. She attended the University of Nelson in B.C. before enrolling in the degree programme in Nursing at the University of Saskatchewan.

HISTORY

From 1952 to 1956 the Superior General of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth and the General Council formed the Governing Board of St. Joseph's Hospital, in line with the Local Superior, the Administrator, and the Sisters' Local Council of St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin as the Executive Committee for the day-to-day operation of the Hospital.

A Lay Advisory Board, consisting of representatives of the towns, villages and rural municipalities of the district surrounding St. Joseph's Hospital, assisted the governing Board in financial matters and building program.

With the increasingly greater use of Public Power and taxation monies, the Sisters wished to expand the representation on the Board of Governors to include representatives of the local district. Thus the Hospital laws were changed and provision was made to include three lay members on the governing Board as follows:

- one representative of the town of Macklin;
- one from the rural municipalities and
- one from the urban municipalities of the district.

There are also three sisters on the Board of Governors and the Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital. This change was made in 1965.

The Board meets monthly or more frequently if necessary and represents the ultimate authority for the conduct and operation of all the activities within the hospital. As such, the Board must attempt to ensure the highest possible standards of patient care are provided at the lowest possible cost consistent with efficient organization and management. These responsibilities include policy making, financial management, maintenance of physical plant, the personnel, the patient, medical and other staff, the moral, ethical and legal aspects of the organization, as well as public relations, so that the position of "trust" is always maintained.



Sister Perpetua Haug
Board Member



Sister Adele Schall
Board Member



Mr. Steve Kloster
Board Member



St. Joseph's Hospital,
Board Meeting.

St. Joseph's Hospital Public Relations Advisory Council

The Lay Advisory Board was dissolved by an act of the governing Board in 1965 and became the Public Relations Board. It consists of representatives from the governing Board, Town of Macklin, Prizate, Evesham, Denzil, Huskisson, R.N. of Eyehill, Seale, Urusslake, and Bent's Hill; representatives from St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary, the St. Joseph's Hospital Staff, and the Secretary of the St. Joseph's Hospital Medical Staff.

PURPOSE: of the Public Relations Board. To take a special interest in the operation of the St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin.

OBJECTIVES: To help create and maintain a good working relationship between the medical staff and the public, and between the hospital and the public. To be willing to give some time and effort to assist the hospital in special projects should there be a need, or when the governing Board requests assistance.

The Public Relations Board changed the name to Public Relations Advisory Council in 1971. It continues to meet twice a year. One meeting is a dinner meeting and one, usually in the spring is a business meeting at which the various representatives have an opportunity to become acquainted. This meeting is combined with the Annual Meeting of St. Joseph's Hospital at which reports of activities of the past year are reviewed.



Meeting of the St. Joseph's Hospital Board and Public Relations Advisory Council. L to R: Sister Dolores Wolfe, Administrator of St. Joseph's; Alf Tucker, guest speaker; Robert Cooper, Chairman of Public Relations Advisory Council; Ben Harris, co-guest speaker; Jerome Lalish, Mayor of Macklin. November 1976.



Public Relations and Advisory Council dinner meeting November 1976.
L to R: Mrs. Rodhouse, Mrs. Nat. Schlosser, Mrs. Mike Stang, Sister Perpetua Haag.



Public Relations and Advisory Council dinner meeting, November 1976.

Dr. Klaus Walsh, dentist, at center foreground at Public Relations Advisory Council Meeting.



Dr. Clive Snape and Dr. M. Luddy with members at large enjoy the dinner at Public Relations Advisory Council Meeting. 1976.



Public Relations Advisory Council Meeting at St. Joseph's Hospital. 1976.

St. Joseph's Hospital Medical Staff 1977



Richard L. Johnsrude, B.A., B.L.P., M.D.
Physician and Surgeon
Chief of Medical Staff, 1966-



William C. Astor, B.A., M.D.
Provoost Medical Clinic.



Clive Snape, M.B., B.Ch., BAO.
(Dublin) 1975, with son Connor.



Marie Ni Lideadhe (Laddy) B.A.,
N.B., B.Ch., BAO. (Dublin). 1975.

Others are:

- Dr. Ronald Gorezba,
Dr. J. Kennedy,
Dr. John H. Hnatuk,
all from Provoost, Alberta.

Dr. M. Laddy and Dr. Clive Snape joined the St. Joseph's Hospital Staff in 1975 and work in group practice with Dr. Richard Johnsrude who has been at Macklin since 1966.

Since 1966 there has been a very close association between the Macklin and Provoost Medical Staff. There are regular joint medical staff meetings and the doctors assist one another when necessary. The three doctors of Macklin, the four doctors at Provoost and Dr. Klaus Walsh, the dentist, form an active medical team and maintain a high standard of medical care in St. Joseph's Hospital. They also have an active group of consultants available when specialized services are needed.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS



Dr. Klaus Walsh, Dentist, Macklin.



Dental Office, Macklin.

CONSULTANT STAFF 1977

Dr. W. Lukas	Radiologist	North Battleford, Sask.
Dr. J.P. Elliott	Cardiologist	Edmonton, Alberta.
Dr. M.G. Runkel	Orthopedic Surgeon	Saskatoon, Sask.
Dr. J.H. Lesky	Surgeon	Saskatoon, Sask.
Dr. W.S. Kinnear	Pediatrician	Saskatoon, Sask.
Dr. L.H. Chansere	Plastic Surgeon	Saskatoon, Sask.
Dr. F.A. Murphy	Pathologist	Saskatoon, Sask.
Dr. T.G. Kih	Urologist	Edmonton, Alberta.
Dr. J.P. O'Keefe	Gynecologist	Saskatoon, Sask.
Dr. C.C. Barkell	Director of Cancer Clinic	Saskatoon, Sask.
Dr. C. Manning	Diseases of Children	Saskatoon, Sask.

The Active Medical Staff have regular meetings and the Consultant Medical Staff render ongoing consultant services by mail, telephone and visits to exchange views and offer consultation in particular cases and to assist the local staff in keeping abreast with advances in the field of medical care.

St. Joseph's Hospital Staff



Sister Adèle Schell, Reg.N., R.N., B.S.N.
Director of Nursing.

Mrs. Helen Schlosser-admissions and
medical records office of St. Joseph's
Hospital.



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Sister Adèle Schell, Director of Nursing since 1969 was also employed at St. Joseph's Hospital from 1943-45 and 1948-52 in the nursing department. She graduated from St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing 1943. She took a post-graduate course in Nursing Administration at St. Xavier University Antigonish, Nova Scotia and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1969.



Sister Dolores Hank, Reg.N., R.T. in
the E-Ray Department.

Mrs. Helen Schlosser at the files.



The 1977 New Year's Baby born January 6, 1977 at 6:30 hours.
L.toR.: Thomas Stangocits, father; Mrs. Rose Ryan, Reg.N.;
Mrs. Evelyn Stangocits, mother with baby son, Thomas William;
Dr. Richard Johnson.



Darlene Cliffe, Reg.N. in the
delivery suite at St. Joseph's Hospital,
Macklin.



Mrs. Philomena Reinhold nurses-aid
cleans the nursery unit,
baby discharged from hospital.

Mrs. Rose Ryan, Reg.N. with Mrs.
Sylvette Vandler and son in the
St. Joseph's Hospital Maternity Ward.



Mrs. Julia Gerling, Nurses Aide
with Mrs. Linda Heidt and son Lee
in the Maternity Ward. 1976.



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John Klein, Reg.N. in the nursery with Baby Brodzinsky and Baby Stang, 1976.



Sandra Alger and Victoria Stang demonstrating the 'Roger Lifter', 1976.



Janion C. Richards, Reg.N. in the drug dispensary at St. Joseph's Hospital.



Mrs. Helen Stang, Reg.N. with the 1976 machine, 1977.

Mrs. Rose Hillis, CNA, in the hospital ward with Mr. George Kloster, our oldest resident at 94 years and nine months.



Mrs. Laura Partington, patient and Victoria Stang, nurse aide in the hospital at St. Joseph's.



Sister Debra Gartner, cook and food service supervisor at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, 1977.



Mrs. Joyce Schmidt, Reg.N. feeding Janette Breton in the unit for the handicapped at St. Joseph's.



Mrs. Rose Teale, Dietary Aide in St. Joseph's Hospital kitchen.



Mrs. Brigetta Holman and Mrs. Helen Holman, food service and dietary at St. Joseph's Hospital in the kitchen.

Cindy Myshan, empty stripper, Carolla Ollenberger, nurse's aide and Goretta Diesel, empty stripper, serving lunch to the patients at St. Joseph's.



Carolla Ollenberger, nurse's Aide, serving dinner to the patients.





Sister Adele Sehall, Reg.N. with Mr. and Mrs. Herwan Betselm in the St. Joseph's Hospital, 1976.



Sister Marie's Anne Zimmerman, Reg.N. at right with Mrs. Marie Stang, nurse's aide in hospital ward.



Mrs. Marie Leibel, Reg.N., center and Mrs. Dorothy Klein with a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Candid shot of nursing staff.
Back row L.to R.: Victoria Stang, Rhona Hillis, Darlene Cliffe, Philomena Reinhold; Front Row L.to R.: John Klein, Janice Richards.



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Mrs. Julia Stang dressing Mrs. Charlotte Huff's hair at St. Joseph's Hospital.



Mr. Anton Watchell, patient on CCI exerciser and petrie scales.



Mrs. Maribel Durvash, Reg.N. prepares the Emergency Service cart at St. Joseph's Hospital.



Mrs. Janice Thomas, X-Ray and Laboratory Technician in the St. Joseph's Hospital Laboratory.

Mrs. Katie Hissling and Mrs. Hilaria Waislauf, housekeeping staff at St. Joseph's.



Sister Adele Sehall, Reg.N., D.Sel., Director of Nursing and John Klein, Reg.N. in the operating room.



Mr. Robert Falkenstein, Maintenance man in the boiler room at St. Joseph's Hospital who has given twenty-seven years of service at this hospital.

Mrs. Corrie Tuffs, CHA, with patient Cory Tuffs in the Children's Ward.



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Mr. Greg J. Wisner started work in his father's drug store in 1974 and purchased the store in 1975. He works closely with the doctors and the administration and staff of St. Joseph's Hospital.

The Druggists of Macklin have serviced the hospital well over the years. At present Greg. J. Wisner is our druggist.

A hospital exists for the patient. The care of the sick is an important service in our society. During 1976 St. Joseph's Hospital staff cared for 508 admissions with 4827 patient days.

There were 64 births and 297 newborn days of care. The average daily census for the year was 12.1.

Staff banquet, Christmas 1976.



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Mrs. Rosabell Stang and Mrs. Jacqueline Sieben in the laundry at Joseph's Hospital.

Sister Dolores Hank and Sister Monica Sperling.



Rev. Frank Hermann, O.M.I., Chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital celebrating the Eucharist in the Chapel.



Front row L.to R.: Sisters Dolores Hank, Reg.N.; Marie Anne Zimmerman, Reg.N.; Rose Kippeschang, seamstress; Back row L.to R.: Sisters Monica Sperling, laundry and linen; Teala Gartner, food service supervisor; Dolores Wolfe, Reg.N., I.D.H., R.N., Administrator and Superior; Anthea Twidiger, housekeeping; Adele Sebell, Reg.N. O.S.H.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL - Christmas 1976.

1st row L. to R.: Marie Stang, Katie Rieeling, Janice Thomas, Carolla Ollendorfer, Sister Dolores Hank, Brunetta Hollman, Rose Twala, Hilaria Wienkauf; 2nd row L. to R.: Beverly Klein, Darlene Giffre, Julia Gerling, Rose Ryan, Sister Adele, Helen Schloszer, Rosabell Stang, Victoria Stang, John Klein, Maribel Burwash.

3rd row L. to R.: Sisters Teala, Marie Anna, Dr. Johnrade, Sister Dolores Wolfe, Eliza Hillis, Rutha Falkenbain, Dr. Ledy, Dr. Shape.

4th row L. to R.: Helen Hollman, Julia Stang, Connie Guffa, Philomena Reinbold, Janice Richards. Missing - Joyce Strittit, Rev. Frank Herman, O.M.I.



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1975-76 Executive of the St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary.
 Mrs. C. Schlosser, President; Mrs. W. Williams, Past President; Mrs. Mary Rohan, Vice President; Mrs. Margaret Stang, Secretary; Mrs. E. Colson, Treasurer.



A group of St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary. 1976.

The St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary are a great support to the hospital. Their voluntary services are such appreciated.

The volunteer Workers or Candy Strippers, as they are called, are sponsored by the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary and continue to render voluntary service at St. Joseph's Hospital.



CANDY STRIPPERS 1976-77.

Back row L. to R.: Cindy Mylan, Elaine Fischer, Susanna Klunk, Colleen Ryan, Rosemarie Holman, Sandra Almer, Joanne Stang, Debbie Degenstein, Gretta Diener. Front row L. to R.: Joan Scherger, Brenda Holman, Gabriele Klein, Adele Reinhold, Delilah Gette.

Mr. Bohus Pulkanstein removing the snow from the driveway and ambulance entrance of St. Joseph's Hospital.



St. Joseph's Hospital and driveway.



Macklin water tower.



The St. Joseph's Hospital is part of a greater community which extends to the town of Macklin and five miles around to towns and villages and a farming community of several rural municipalities.

The town of Macklin paved some of the streets in 1975 and 1976 and installed better lighting.



MAIN STREET AT MACKLIN. 1976



Amelioratory facilities in the town provide care for the aged and activities for the elderly, many of whom live in their own homes.

In 1976 the department of Social Services approved provisions for level three care at the UNIMAC Golden Twilight Lodge.

Senior Citizens "New Horizon" Center.



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Interior of "New Horizon" act center at Macklin.



Twenty-five bed special care home at Macklin, Sask.



Inside the "New Horizon".

Recreation and outdoor facilities include a wide park area around the Macklin Lake about one mile south of the town with golf course, sports area, cabins, swimming and sleeping grounds.



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Historical Review

"Every great undertaking, every notable movement has its historical cause and its guiding genius. The historical cause or occasion of the founding of St. Joseph's Colony goes back in history to the middle of the eighteenth century. The Empress Catherine II of Russia through policies of land, liberally made, succeeded in attracting to Russia many people from Sussia, Alsace-Jorraine the Palatinate. Since 1780 they had broken up into groups, moving east along the Danube, to settle along the shores of the Black Sea as far as the Caucasus, and north east along the Volga and in and around Saratov. But the reality did not live up to the alluring promises. And there were wars and rumors of wars. Perhaps, these people, feeling the dissatisfaction that was so general, feared the future. Perhaps they even felt the first stirrings of the great communist revolution. In any case they began to look elsewhere for new lands. They began to look afar for new homes where they could settle in peace, where they could bring up their children in the fear and love of God, in the religion they had sucked from their mother's breasts.

And into these villages and settlements, them, there began to filter the first stories of far-away Canada. There, they heard, people could have lands for the asking; there they could find their own settlements; there, there was hope for the future. These stories were inspired and had their origin in the far-seeing mind of Mr. F.J. Lange, the guiding genius and real founder of St. Joseph's Colony. It is needless to go into great detail about his home,

his background; to recall, once again, the difficulties he met, the negotiations he had to make with civil and ecclesiastical authorities. His sufferings and privations were great, his disappointments many. His reward was poverty on the one hand, mistrust and suspicion on the other. But his vision and his persevering efforts bore fruit. This was Catholic Action of the first order. Mr. Lange saw the first settlers arrive and he saw the development which followed. May this be his monument!

The first immigrants drove into St. Joseph Colony free of charge on the 23rd of April, 1905. They numbered eleven. On May 11 another group of five arrived from Saskatoon, then a little town of 300 souls. Then the flood began. Free everywhere settlers pushed in. Year by year the number increased, they surpassed the highest expectations. But for the opposition of government circles, Mr. Lange would have extended the colony far since the originally planned size. In spite of difficulties, in spite of the poverty of the settlers, in spite of losses through wintry blizzards and summer prairie fires, in spite of indescribable hardships, the settlers remained, the colony prospered and developed to its present state of moderate prosperity.

If the idea of such a colony originated in the vision of Mr. F.J. Lange, the credit for the actual organization and development, not only in spiritual matters but in temporal matters as well, must, to a great extent go to the clerical co-founders of the colony and to the first pastors in charge. These clerical co-founders were the sons of another man of vision, of the servant of

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God, Bishop Charles Eugene de Masenod, founder of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. It is not in vain that Pope Pius XI called them the 'specialists in the most difficult missions.' "



Bishop C.J. Bourne de Masenod,
Founder of the Oblates

Mort Rev. Albert Pascal, O.M.I.,
Bishop of Prince Albert, Sask.



"The founding and development of such a large Catholic colony was possible only through the co-operation of people of many different backgrounds. The small number of German priests could not carry out the work of organization, and perhaps just as well, because the laity could probably do it as well or better. But at the same time, the toil and efforts of the people would have had no success if the Church authorities as well as the individual priests had not shown a sincere interest in their work. It was the German Oblates who led the way in seeking permission to found the St. Joseph's Colony within the boundaries of the diocese of Prince Albert. A member of the Oblate Congregation, namely, Bishop Albert Pascal, O.M.I., was the person who graciously granted permission. He belonged to the new order as Bishop Edil Legal, O.M.I., of St. Albert, who as previously mentioned, had written to Sir Wilfred, Prime Minister in Ottawa, to request aid from the government for the colony.



Mort Rev. Edil Legal, O.M.I.,
Bishop of St. Albert, Alberta

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With the consent and blessing of the Church officials, the members of the Catholic Colonization Society began their work. The members of the organization searched the area for a suitable district and then disseminated information about the settlement in newspapers, pamphlets and advertisements; they also aided the settlers in making a choice of homestead and in registering it. Thus, settlement could begin.

To provide stability during the development and expansion of the colony, the co-operation of the priest was of utmost necessity. There were many difficult days in the beginning of a homestead. Many a new arrival became dependent. But there was the word and example of the priest which engendered new hope and strengthened their courage. The priests lived with them and suffered with them in heat and cold, hunger and thirst, and in depressing loneliness. Many a priest today will jokingly refer to the difficult early times; but it must not be forgotten the settlement of the colony had its share of misery and self-denial for the priest as well.

In recognition of the Oblate's skillful handling of the flood of immigration, the Church authorities transferred the care of souls to the Congregation of Oblates -- "in perpetuity". The document was signed by Bishop Pascal of Prince Albert in 1910. The document designated the district as "Pastoral and dependent missions". Pascal was the name of the present parish at Leisip. From here the other parishes took root -- the present parishes as well as those farther east and west adjacent as Emmanuel, Provost, Cadogan, Emile and Rutland.

On September 17, 1925, the original document of Bishop Pascal, O.M.I., was reissued by the Superior General of the Oblates, Archbishop Imbertini and His Grace Joseph H. Prud'homme, B.D., Bishop of Prince Albert and Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Most Rev. Joseph H. Prud'homme, B.D.
Bishop of Prince Albert and
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.



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Most Rev. A. Dostentill, O.M.I.
Archbishop of Montreal
Superior General of the Oblates



It had the approval of those which officially designated the boundaries of the mission area covering 77 townships and settled by the flourishing German parishes in the Treeping Lake district."



St. Joseph's Colony in Saskatchewan showing location in Western Canada

St. Joseph's Colony is located in the province of Saskatchewan. The borders of the colony are: on the south, 8 miles south of 50° latitude; on the west, 110° longitude; on the borders of the province of Saskatchewan and Alberta. The area covers 40 miles from north to south and 12 miles from west to the farthest eastern edge. The district forms a regular rectangle which is broken only on the east side, and comprises 77 townships with an area of 2,772 square miles. This is the size of an important principality in Europe. The persons who live in this colony, however, consider it more important than a principality because its most precious it is the first piece of land that they can call their own.

The general composition of the soil of the colony is a top layer of humus with hard clay below. Occasionally, there is a layer of light sand and silt near lakes and in certain localities. Elevations throughout the colony are approximately the same. Great differences are not evident. Farthest to the east is Whiteshore Lake at 2,095 feet above sea level, Macklin on the western edge at 2,157 feet, Wilkie in the north at 2,183, Scotchfork on the south at 2,223 feet. However, here and there one can see high hills. In Township 36, Range 26, one can find St. Donatus Church, there is a particularly high hill about 150 feet in height. Noteworthy too, are the higher areas northwest of Cactus Lake, and north of Gemell, the Bears Hills which were also called John's Hills by the German farmers in the area. A highland surrounds Mackay Lake between Reserve and Rosary Church, and was called "Gehring" (hills); the English name was Bear Hills. Two remarkable hills, visible far and wide, range south of the town of Treeping Lake. Another significant rise is found in the northwest part of the colony in Township 40, Range 19, the so-called Dry Hill, probably because from this hill the Indians watched and spied upon their enemies.

On August 24, 1894, we set out to inspect the new St. Joseph's Colony which is situated 30 miles south of Battleford. We spent two months there travelling back and forth among the colony from east to the other, the land was either government or homesteaded land. In planning the colony, efforts were

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made to pick the choicest homestead land that was still available in Canada. A choice was made, and it seems now that the best selection had been made. There is a sort of a highland that straddles along Eagle Creek and Tramping Lake at a width of 12 to 20 miles. Eagle Creek flows through a narrow and deep valley which is 150 to 200 feet in depth and slopes out on either side.

The whole area is open prairie and completely level. The soil is of good quality, on the average six inches of black soil with clay below. There are a few rocks to be found, but none whatsoever are entirely free of them. For example, in the southern part where there is from 12 to 24 inches of dark clay, not a rock can be found. There is very little wood in the area. The only place where some trees are found is in the ravine of Tramping Lake. In that area, there would be enough wood for houses as well as for fuel. Some 40 miles west and southeast of Tramping Lake, there is a considerable amount of wood. It seems that the area was once covered by many more trees because there are many clumps of trees which are half-burnt. It would be better if there were more trees; at least the people could provide themselves with wood even if they have to travel some distance to get it. On the other hand, however, without trees there was only half the work as compared to bush country where all the trees had to be cleared first at the expense of much time and effort. Those that had 160 acres of open prairie could till it from one end to the other while those who had more bush on their land had to clear that first if they wanted a good farm.

There seem to be plenty of wild game in the colony. We saw antelope in herds of 30 to 40 and plenty of fawns and badgers; there are thousands of ducks on the lake.

A large number of homesteads in the colony are nearly perfect, that is, excellent soil, free of stones and alkali, and so level that the entire 160 acres can be ploughed as a single field. The best homesteads naturally were settled first.

In general, our impressions of the whole area were excellent, and anyone seeing the area would have to agree with us. If anyone is seeking first class prairie land, he cannot find any better than in St. Joseph's Colony."

"The first settlements in St. Joseph's Colony around Tramping Lake, spread westward, and, soon a flood of immigrants covered the area for 50 to 60 miles distant creating the parishes of Grosswarder, Demell, Macklin, St. Peter, St. Dominic, even across the provincial borders to Fort McMurray, Frowst, Galt in Alberta. Practically all settlers in these parishes were from Russia and brought their customs, habits and dress to their new home...."

"The first service in the parish of St. Anthony at Grosswarder was performed by Father Theodore Schwabers, O.M.I., in the old house of Mr. John Edlmann. This was on December 7, 1907."



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Macklin

"Macklin was the logical location for a hospital because it was at the junction of two railways." Thus wrote the historian of St. Joseph's Colony, 1905-1906.



Macklin railway station, coal dock and water tank 1911 with grain elevators at right.

Today in 1977, the historian would say, "The town of Macklin is situated one mile south of the crossroads of two paved Provincial Highways, that is, No. 14 and No. 31. In 1955, the Jubilee Chronicle wrote: "Macklin is situated in the Dryhill Municipality No. 329 on a main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, midway between Edmonton and Saskatoon. Macklin is the divisional point of the C.P.R., with a line going to Edmonton or Saskatoon and one going south to Moose Jaw."

Hugh Kerr on the load of lumber. Joe Wynn with sons, Harold and Allan, Alex Armstrong, Ernie Swanson and two others. The town of Macklin 1911.



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The site was named "Macklin" by the C.P.R. to honor a pioneer associate, an executive of the Free Press, a newspaper printed in Winnipeg at that time.

Father Sablitz describes his arrival at Macklin in St. Joseph's Colony Book "On November 25, 1916, I arrived at Macklin by train. Father Palm, dressed in a fur coat and cap was there to greet me at the station. I was somewhat overwhelmed with the complete change of scenery and the newness of the settlement. We left the station on the north side where the town of Macklin was situated. Suddenly, Father Palm asked me to stop and said, 'Well, what do you think of our town?' 'There is the town!' I asked. 'You are standing in the middle of it!' came the unexpected answer. Truly, we were standing amongst some isolated, unpainted frame buildings which evidently comprised the 'town'. We did not need to stay long for the whole 'town' would be seen in one instant."



Main Street at Macklin 1911. Shows first school site in 1909.

The First School at Macklin with Jim Hillis, Principal.



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Macklin seen in the distance at right from the bridge near the village in earlier years. The bridge is no longer in existence today, 1977.

In these early years the railway formed a triangle within St. Joseph's colony joining the towns of Wilkie, Kerrobert and Macklin. From these three points other branch lines extended. One important railway administration was at Macklin is shown by this newspaper clipping, "Macklin, a lovely little town on the C.P.R. main line about half way between Saskatoon and Edmonton has 10 to 12 trains a day stop at the local station, including four passenger-through trains and a branch connecting with House Jar and interesting points."

The "Macklin Times" a local newspaper owned by Charles Walker was established in 1916. Clippings from these early papers tell us about activities of the early years. On July 3, 1914, we read "George Young, prop. of the building known as the Great 3rd Restaurant, returned last week from an extended trip to China. George has great faith in the future of Macklin and has a gang of carpenters engaged in making extensive improvements to his premises preparatory for the rush that will take place later in the season."

-- July 3, 1914.

The Macklin Times phased out in 1937 when the Unity Herald took over the business. There has been no other local paper printed at Macklin since then.



Dominion Day was celebrated as noted in this report of July 3, 1914: "All who attended the children's picnic on Dominion Day voted it a great success. The day was intensely hot, but did not seem to affect anyone at the picnic. Under the trees a very good lunch was handed out to everyone and after the lunch games began immediately. The very interesting feature of the races was that everybody won a prize. The ball game between Bresnan and Macklin was the special

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Duoets at Macklin 1916. Front row L. to R.: Clarence Campbell, Mark Hiddleston, Lloyd Coorsen, Jack Lee, T.A. Coorsen, Ross K164, Alex Stang, Jim Tanner, Len Price, Fred Tanner. Second Row L. to R.: Bassus, Jim Scott, Ach K166, Cliff Tomsonen, Hall McCallum, Ed Price, Sterling Coorsen, Andrew Bowlen. Back row: Joe Bowlen, Principal Hooley.

attraction, Ereshan kinning by two runs. The Sunday School officers take this opportunity of extending their heartfelt thanks to Dr. Kyster for the welcome he gave the children to the lakeside and to the success of the picnic." July 3, 1913

Parade at Macklin in the early years.

Macklin Lake



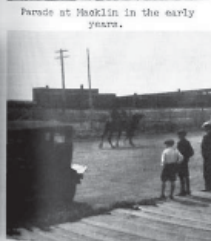
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Empire Hotel. On horse at left Mr. George O'Donnan, at horse's head Mr. Mae McCaffery, between two horses standing on steps Mr. J.J. Bowlen. 1913.



One of the first cars 1916. Mrs. Mary Cooke.



Parade at Macklin.



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Regine Hotel, Pool Room and Dover Cafe, on Front Avenue, Macklin 1911.

Looking Northwest a row of houses from early days at Macklin.



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Today, 1977, there are no more passenger trains and even the freight train runs are infrequent. The last "mail train" stopped at Macklin in 1960.

The Greyhound provided a daily run to and from Edmonton and a privately owned Bus covers the route, via Bemidji and Harwood, MN and from Saskatoon, five days a week.

C.D. McCallum arrived, at what is today known as Macklin, in 1905. A village was formed in 1909. By 1912, it was incorporated as a town. In 1955, the population had grown to 655. Today there are approximately 950 to 1000 people living in the town.



The last mail train stopped at Macklin 1960. Mr. Jack Hanson collecting the Mail. He was also the mail delivery man at St. Joseph's Hospital and Taxi driver for many years.



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Macklin approximately 1913
Looking N.W. City Cafe in
foreground where Hillis
Bros. Garage is today, 1955



Looking Northwest.
House on extreme
right was the
home of Clarence
Campbell, Settler's
residence, 1955.

The Keshill Municipality in which the town of Macklin is situated is bounded by the Sifton N.M. to the west; Cross Lake N.M. to the east; Senlac N.M. to the north and Beart's Hill to the south.

Many of the early pioneers came from different parts of Ontario, Manitoba and other parts of Canada. There were immigrants from England, Ireland, and Scotland. The Barr Colonists came to Lloydminster in 1904 and some of these probably drifted into the areas around Senlac. Most settlers came to either Winnipeg or Saskatoon and on to Battleford where the Registry Office was situated and where they could file for homestead titles. The Settlers received 160 acres for ten dollars and a pre-emption for another 160 acres at three dollars per acre along with certain prescriptions for cultivating the land.



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Most settlers travelled with their families and effects piled on covered wagons or carts, drawn by oxen. A few, who were fortunate enough, had horses. The roads were prairie trails. The pioneers lived in sod houses which, they built as needed. The nearest markets for these early settlers were Battleford or Charlin. A round trip to the market would take a week or longer when the trip was made by oxen.

The first settlers tilled the soil with one or two share ploughs. The process was slow. Gradually tools and machinery improved and the ox-drawn plough was replaced by horse-drawn implements. The steam engine came and was replaced in time and in stages by increasingly larger and more sophisticated machinery.



Harvesting



Plowing

Since the area engaged in mixed farming cream was a notable by-product as shown by this clipping from the Macklin Times January 31, 1924:

"In the Canadian wide butter contest in the Alberta Dairyman's Association convention the Macklin Creamery secured second prize for butter for December and third prize for January butter. This competition includes Creameries all over Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific. In the December butter contest Macklin Creamery was second, two points from receiving first prize and in January contest a few points below second prize.

In addition to the above the Macklin Creamery has the enviable position of having the largest production of butter of any of the F. Burns and Co's Creameries."

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The town also had its share of disasters as seen here:



Brown's Garage Destroyed by fire.

"Macklin Garage Destroyed in Early Morning Blaze. April 30, 1929.

The Macklin Garage was totally destroyed by a fire this Thursday morning. It was first discovered at 1 a.m. by Fred B. Walker, a guest in the Macklin Hotel, quietly spread the alarm. Flames were then bursting from the north-east corner of the building and when assistance arrived the interior was all ablaze, and the only articles saved were a handful of business books.

The Fire Brigade and bucket helpers confined their efforts to protecting the Macklin Hotel and Palace Livery Barn, which were in close proximity, and in constant danger. The raging blaze, fanned by a strong south-west wind, threw sparks like hail which seriously threatened buildings and residences in its wake, but a shower of watchful citizens prevented further outbreak.

The town electric system, run in connection with the garage, was also totally destroyed together with seven automobiles and many valuable pieces of machinery and tools.

The loss is stated to be over \$12,000 with \$4,000 insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown, Mr. Norman Brown, proprietor of the Garage stated that at present his future plans were unsettled."

Cars were coming into use as the Town enacted By-Laws regarding speed limits "Town of Macklin By-Law No. 49. A by-law of the Town of Macklin, governing the rate at which automobiles may be driven within the limits of the Town of Macklin.

The Council of the Town of Macklin enacts as follows:

1. That any person who drives an Automobile or motor-driven vehicle over the streets or lanes of the town of Macklin shall do so at a rate of speed not to exceed FIFTEEN MILES per hour.

Any person found guilty of a breach of this by-law shall upon conviction before a Justice of the Peace or other officer having jurisdiction, be liable to the penalties provided in the by-laws of the Town of Macklin and being by-law No. 15. Read a first time this 3rd day of May, A.D. 1926. Read a second time this 3rd day of May, A.D. 1926.

Read a third time this 7th day of June A.D. 1926 and passed.

TOWN OF MACKLIN

P.W. Byrne, Mayor; A.W.A. Corcoran, Sec.-Treas."

"Macklin's Finances in Excellent Shape. April 7, 1927.

We would call the attention of our readers to the financial statement of the town of Macklin for the year 1927 which appears on page eight of this issue. To those who are familiar with the financial standing of other towns in Saskatchewan, Macklin shows up exceptionally well in comparison.

It will be noted that the only liability is \$533.25 which represents the payment of the last debenture coupon. This amount due and will be paid on August 1, 1927, when the town will be free of all debenture indebtedness.

Cash on hand, in the bank, of \$1,755.22 leaves the council in a position to meet their obligations without having to borrow for current expenses.

From the capitalised assets a depreciation has been written off annually and the present sum of \$3,561.20, could easily be sustained if an inventory were taken.

The only unfavorable item is the amount of unpaid taxes \$3,300.96. This reflects somewhat upon the council and also upon the delinquent ratepayer. The council might have used more drastic measures to enforce the collection and then again the ratepayers thus concerned should show more interest in municipal affairs by paying the assessment levies against them while they are current.

With the excellent condition of the town's finances the council may now safely proceed with some permanent improvements such as better drainage, cement sidewalks, tree-planting, more lights and such needed sanitary improvements."

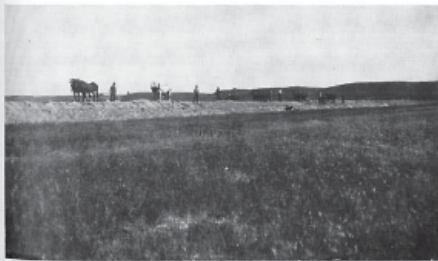
"Hospital Event. April 18th, 1927.

The post-poned social event in aid of St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, will be held on Easter Monday, April 15, in Macklin Memorial Community Hall. The program will consist of progressive whist, vocal and instrumental selections."

"One hundred and one babies were born at Macklin Hospital during the year 1930. January 21, 1931."

Miss Winifred Martin left Monday of last week for Saskatchewan University, Saskatoon, where she will complete her dietician course. October 22, 1931."

Building the road from Macklin to Private.





Mother Apollonia Badeweeher

Back Through History with the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth

Apollonia Badeweeher responded to the call of God and the needs of her times when she founded the Sisters of St. Elizabeth in 1622 at Aix-la-Chapelle (Aachen, Germany), in care for the sick in the hospital.



Aachen 1622



Graz 1692

From here another hospital and convent was established at Graz in 1692.

In 1710 the Sisters of Graz founded a convent and hospital at Klagenfurt, Austria.

The Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Klagenfurt, Austria, celebrated their two hundredth anniversary in 1910, and expressed their wish to begin a new foundation in a mission territory. Mother Fulcheria Wilhelm was the Superior General at Klagenfurt at that time.



Klagenfurt 1710



Mother Fulcheria Wilhelm

Aloisia Wilhelm was born on February 17, 1855, at Burswald in Tyrol, Austria. She entered the convent of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Klagenfurt, Austria in 1879 and made her religious profession of vows on November 15, 1880. Her religious name was Maria Fulcheria of the Good Shepherd. Mother Fulcheria was elected Superior General of the Order and served for a period of six years. It was during her term of office that the Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Klagenfurt observed their 200th Anniversary of founding (1710-1910). As a special expression of gratitude to God for these two hundred years the Bistric expressed the wish to open a house in a mission country. Through the mysterious ways of Divine Providence, Humboldt, Saskatchewan, was chosen to be the mission territory. Mother Fulcheria sent three sisters to Canada in 1911, another seven in 1912 and when her term



of office expired, she herself came to Canada in 1913. She was elected Superior at Humboldt, Sask. in August, 1913, and is affectionately called the Mother Foundress of the Canadian Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth. In 1916 she became ill and died on February 5 at 8:15 in the morning.

During the next several years additional sisters came from Klagenfurt until a total of twenty-seven sisters had come to Canada by 1922 when the last group of immigrants arrived.

Two of these sisters died in 1916 and three returned to Europe. By 1922 some twelve Canadian ladies had joined the community bringing the total number of members of the sisterhood to about thirty-four.

At this time the Community of sisters at Humboldt were operating the St. Elizabeth Hospital which had been enlarged in 1919 and a small group were doing domestic services at St. Peter's Abbey at Humboldt.



First St. Elizabeth Hospital, Convent, Motherhouse and Generalate, 1912.



St. Elizabeth Convent and Hospital, as above after the 1919 addition. East side.



Mother Walburga Swetlin.



St. Elizabeth Hospital
West Side

Mother Walburga Swetlin can be considered the foundress of the new mission at Macklin in 1927. She came to Canada in 1913. She was born in Lightersdorf, Steiermark, Austria in 1867 on December 5. On October 17, 1893, she entered the Convent of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Klagenfurt, Austria and made her profession of vows on April 29, 1896. She served as a waitress and cook at the convent until she joined Mother Palcheria Wilhelms and Sister Gertrudina Pfurtscheller to move to Canada in 1913.



She was elected Superior General of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Insholdit in 1919 and served in this capacity for nine years. It was during her term of office that the Sisters at Insholdit decided to extend their services to other areas of Saskatchewan. Thus, in 1927, two sisters were sent to Macklin to start a hospital.

Mother Walburga died on September 17, 1939.

In conformity with Church Law the young community solicited permission to establish a new foundation in the Diocese of Prince Albert and Saskatoon in St. Joseph's Colony at Macklin, Saskatchewan. Petitions were sent to the Abbot-Ordinary of Muenster, Rt. Rev. Michael Ott, O.S.B. to the Provincial of the Oblate Fathers, Rev. H. Grandin, O.M.I., of Edmonton, and the most Rev. Joseph H. Frouf'homme, Bishop of Prince Albert and Saskatoon.

The replies show the concern of the Church authorities of that time.

In a letter dated December 26, 1927 Abbot Michael Ott, O.S.B. of Muenster responded to the request: "The Venerable Sisters of St. Elizabeth Hospital in Insholdit, Sask., have my permission to take charge of the proposed Hospital in Macklin, Sask. on the following conditions:

1. They must always have a resident chaplain at Macklin.
2. The hospital at Macklin must be under the control of the Provincial (Government) that is, the plans must be approved by the Provincial Government.
3. At least three licensed nurses must remain at the Hospital in Insholdit."

Rev. H. Grandin, Provincial of the Oblates replied in a letter dated December 21, 1931, as follows:

"I have no objections in your taking charge of the hospital at Macklin, the only reason I asked you to wait last summer, was that I had no priest to give you as chaplain. Now Father Brabender seems to be able to stay in Macklin until a new priest comes from the States. In this condition, if the Bishop approves of the foundation, you may expect the regular services of a chaplain, if the arrangements made so far do not disappoint us, and I will be only too glad to see your new hospital prosper."

His Excellency, Bishop Joseph H. Frouf'homme of Prince Albert and Saskatoon sent this letter in French dated January 26, 1932. A translation of the letter reads as follows:

"Illness prevents me to do any act of administration. But I am happy to make an exception today in your favor and I say to you: I heartily approve the foundation of a hospital at Macklin under the direction of the Reverend Franciscan Sisters of Insholdit, Sask. God bless your work."

Thus, the request of Rev. Francis Palm, O.M.I., made in 1915 was not forgotten. To the young community of Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Insholdit, it was a call of God through the Church to send more laborers into the vineyard. As the number of sisters increased and several Canadian ladies joined the Order, the sisters decided to respond to the need for health services in St. Joseph's Colony.

On January 2nd, 1922, Sisters M. Euphrasia Weiss and Marianne Schmidt left Insholdit by train and arrived at Macklin late at night. They stayed with a family while Fathers Palm and Brabender showed them the area and introduced them to the local people.

Sister Maria Euphrasia Weiss, born in Steiermark, Austria, July 22, 1871, was baptized Anna. She entered the convent of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth, Klagenfurt, Austria on April 8, 1896. She made her religious profession of vows in July, 1899, and served as cook at the convent and hospital in Klagenfurt.



Rt. Rev. Joseph H. Frouf'homme



Sister M. Euphrasia Weiss



Sister Marianne Schmidt

She volunteered her services for the missions and came to Canada in 1917. She served as Superior General from 1916 to 1919 and was chosen to open the St. Joseph's Hospital at Macklin. She came to Macklin on January 2, 1922 along with Sister Marianne Schmidt. Through her diligent efforts and endurance a house was soon converted into a temporary hospital and the sick received loving care. She was the first Superior and Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital. She died at Muenster, Saskatchewan, December 6, 1959.

Sister Marianne Schmidt the companion of Sister Euphrasia Weiss went to Macklin in 1922 to establish a hospital in the district. Agnes Schmidt was born in 1893 on January 17. She was the first Canadian to join the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth Convent at Humboldt. She entered in 1917 and made profession of vows in 1918. She became a registered nurse and served in this capacity for many years. At present she is retired at the St. Elizabeth Convent at Humboldt. Sister Marianne served the people at Macklin for a total of thirteen years.

The sisters combated a door-to-door canvass for funds. Most people were generous and hospitable to the sisters. A few however closed the door and turned them away. The sisters wished to serve the people. They knew that deeds speak louder than words. They sacrificed money and bore many hardships until enough money was collected so that a temporary hospital could be provided. A house owned by Frank W. Shaw, who had died in 1921, was purchased and converted into a temporary hospital. In the St. Peter's Bote of February 9, 1922, we read, "On Saturday last week, the reverend Sisters Euphrasia and Marianne left for Macklin for good, in order to start a new hospital. The preparatory measures had been taken several weeks ago when these sisters had been there the first time. God our Lord bless the new foundation."



St. Joseph's Hospital 1922



Sister Serafina Pfurtscheller



Sister Theodora Sieben

On March 9, 1922, we read, "On the 4th of March the Sisters Serafina and Theodora went to Macklin by train, in order to assist in founding the first convent of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth in St. Joseph's Colony and in establishing a new hospital at Macklin.

Sister Euphrasia was named the first Superior of the new foundation. Reverend W. Brubender, O.S.I., was named the first chaplain."

On May 15, 1922, the St. Peter's Bote again reported as follows: "From Macklin comes the report that the Branch Foundation of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth of Humboldt, Sask. has shown great success.

The temporary hospital building was blessed yesterday, May 17, 1922, and will be known as St. Joseph's Hospital. Catholics as well as other denominations aided with each other in support of the new venture.

Dr. F.C. Middleton from Regina, as representative of the government examined the building last week and declared it satisfactory."

The following clipping from the Macklin Times dated November 8, 1923 shows the local peoples' concern for the hospital.

"H.M. Eye Hill Holds Meeting - November 8, 1923.

A regular meeting of the Council of the Rural Municipality of Eye Hill, No. 32 was held in Macklin on Tuesday, October 30th, with the Rev. Mr. Frank A. Bastley, in the chair.

The Reeve and Secretary were empowered to sign a contract with the Department of Highways for an additional grant on the roads of \$100.

The following were allowed the amounts opposite their names for land taken for road diversion or toll for the year 1923.

Alfred Walla	\$10.00
J.P. Kwan	\$10.00
G.H. Shaw	\$ 5.00
F.E. King	\$25.00
Tom Cuttall	\$10.00

A grant of \$200.00 was made in aid of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth for the purchase of a nurses' home.

The Rev. Mr. Sieben was thanked to read that the closed season be from May 1st to November 1st of each year.

Nominating meeting will be held in Macklin on December 3rd, at the hour of 1:00 p.m. and election on December 10th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. - -
 A.W.A. Corcoran was appointed returning officer and the following as deputies with the location of the polls:
 Eugene Jackson at his office in Duncin; Stanley Bunsell at the home of John Deha; Heifery Howard Cotton at St. Peter's Church Hall; A.F. Stanzard at his home; W.L. Faulkner at the home of Mr. Helms; A.W.A. Corcoran at Fire Hall, Macklin.

In a tribute to the pioneers St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Aid listed the following:

Rev. Francis Fals, O.M.I.
 Rev. William Reabender, O.M.I.
 Mother Kallburgs Suetlin, O.S.E.
 Dr. P. B. Kilbott
 Dr. P. L. Eid

The Reeve and council who voted that \$2000.00 loan be made to the hospital:

Mr. Joseph Klottz - Reeve;
 W. B. Waser; John Schackel; Martin Klottz;
 John Reining; J. Weiskopf and W.H. Fahay.

R. H. of Eye Hill for the \$200.00 grant towards the hospital in 1903.
 All those who contributed in any other way.



It was obvious from the beginning that the 10-bed temporary cottage type hospital was entirely inadequate. A small house was rented nearby to serve as isolation house and another was the morgue. Another house was added to serve as residence for the sisters. At the beginning the sisters lived in the basement of the temporary hospital in very crowded quarters.



Moving of the morgue.



Moving of isolation house.
 Mrs. Eid and Mr. Mial Hayward in foreground.



COTTAGE HOSPITAL 1922 - 27 with Sister's residence, isolation house and morgue at rear.

In the early years communicable diseases were a common phenomenon. To prevent spread of the disease a separate building was used to isolate and quarantine the patients. Many of the sisters gave twenty-four hour service in the isolation unit. They would care for the sick and sleep in one of the rooms within hearing distance of the patient so that they could be called. The food was brought from the hospital kitchen to the isolation unit.

When Doctor Eid arrived in 1904 and the influx of patients increased plans were made for a larger, more permanent building. The difficulties were great and mainly financial. With the assistance of Bishop Joseph Prud'homme of Prince Albert, a loan was obtained and in 1906 construction started under the able direction of Mr. Joe P. Berrochiers of Edmonton.

A Report from Rev. W. Reabender, O.M.I., in the St. Peter's Note:

"On July 25, 1905 the 'St. Peter's Note' reported that Dr. Frederick L. Eid had arrived at Macklin after completing his Honours exams and a post graduate course at Columbia



Dr. Frederick L. Eid

University who in their granting of certificate give Dr. P. L. Eid great praise as a physician and surgeon of extraordinary capacity and skill. These people mean that they say and no one at Macklin can complain about lack of medical help.

In the first six months of this year there were 172 patients treated at the temporary hospital. That means 1001 days of care. The good sisters were taxed almost beyond their strength. A total of 524 patients were cared for during 1925. This amounted to 5244 hospital days of care. There were 213 operations performed, 62 babies were delivered and another 371 patients with other medical conditions were treated.

Yesterday Dr. Eid operated on John Pradiger, son of John Pradiger, Dr., of Macklin. The patient feels much better."

"Hospital Notes from the 'Macklin Times', April 15, 1926.

There are ten patients and three babies in the hospital. Mr. Mayer from Salvador had his tonsils removed, and will leave tomorrow.

Mrs. Monaghan underwent a minor operation.

Mrs. Sperling is on the way to recovery.

Mrs. Jean Olsenberger and Mrs. Martin will be able to leave the hospital next week.

Mrs. Reschney from Grossmeier was taken into the hospital sick with Angina she will leave tomorrow.

Mrs. Nelson was admitted in a serious condition.

Mrs. Rosen left today.

One baby was born in the hospital during the week."



St. Joseph's Hospital construction begins.

A start was made with the modest sum of \$2500.00. It was not enough to construct a hospital.

A quarter section of land was purchased in 1926 and the corner stone laid during the summer for a new brick building.

In the Macklin Times we read "Work on the Hospital starts this week. September 9, 1926.

Joe P. Derrochere of Edmonson, has received the contracts for building the new hospital. A number of men are on the grounds getting things in shape and before the end of the week a full gang will be on hand and construction work started.

Mr. Derrochere who has had considerable experience in constructing buildings of large concrete states that the building will be rushed ahead regardless of weather and will be completed and ready for occupancy by January 1, 1927.

The contract price was \$45,000 and includes construction work, material, plumbing and heating and electrical life installation. The electrical work has been secured by Mr. K. A. Brown, of the

town lighting system. Other portions of the work are in the hands of the sisters and when completed and fully equipped will total over \$75,000.

It is stated by those who have seen the plans and consented to judge that the new hospital will be complete in every detail and a credit to the district."

St. Joseph's Hospital Construction at Various Stages





Sisters and friends on the steps of the new St. Joseph's Hospital 1906-07



L. to R. standing:
Sisters M. Xaveria Motechilng
Gertrudis Bergles, Marianno
Schmidt, Theodora Sieben, An-
gela Pfurtscheller; ~~2nd row~~
Sister M. Rosalia Brunner,
Philomena Jug, and Mary Mag-
dalena Walter. 1907-08.

Sister M. Johanna Huber spent some sixteen years at St. Joseph's Hospital working in the laundry, garden and taking care of the children. She tells us that she had her first contact with the sisters Franziska Huber from April 1 to 11, 1907. It was a cold, wet, windy April as the building crew were giving the final touches to the new hospital. Everywhere there were traces of mud, mixed with plaster, paint and wood shavings.

Louise Leibell, Johanna Schaefer and herself, Franziska Huber, began the clean up job of the new building. They slept in the new building but had to go to the cottage Hospital in town for their meals. On their way back to the new building they would carry baskets of supplies. Sister Johanna recalls that they had a great deal of fun and played many pranks on one another. It was hard work and one or the other developed housemaid's knee.

Sister M. Xaveria Motechilng was "Chef" in the kitchen and put the things into their proper place.

Then the patients were moved to the new building.

On April 11, Franziska Huber went to Harbelsdt with Sister Euphrasia to apply for admission to the congregation of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth. As she left, Sister Euphrasia said, "When you are a sister, you can ease



L. to R.: John Prediger, Miss Heisler, Katharina Senger, Mrs. P.L. EIG, a child, Sister M. Theodora Sieben.

back to help us". In 1909 after she made her vows, she returned to Macklin as Sister Johanna Huber.

Katharina Senger was student nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin in 1906 and an aspirant to the sisterhood. She returned to Harbelsdt, completed her nurses' training program and came back to Macklin as Sister M. Wendolina.



L. to R.: Sisters Philomena Jug, Seraphina Pfurtscheller, Rosalia Brunner, Mary Magdalena Walter.
Seated: Sisters Josephina Senger, Marianno Schmidt, Theodora Sieben.

Official Opening of St. Joseph's Hospital 1927

The building was completed and the patients were moved in during April 1927. The new structure had a bed capacity of 35 and the date for the solemn blessing was set for Thursday, May 19, 1927. This was reported in the local newspaper as follows:

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS OPENING CEREMONIES AT ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL, MACKLIN, ON HOSPITAL DAY
May 19, 1927

Right Reverend Bishop Joseph H. Prud'homme Blesses Institution
And Declares it Formally Opened
Mayor J. H. Sanford Gives Official Welcome.

With a mingled feeling of reverence and pride Macklin gathered in force before the new Macklin Hospital and participated in the formal opening and blessing ceremonies on Hospital Day last Thursday, May 19, 1927.

The grounds had been carefully beautified for the occasion, figured flower beds had been sunk and the approach gravelled to give the grounds an artistic appearance for the celebration occasion. Fortunately the weather was favorable, so that the speakers could address the crowd from the steps of the building.

Among the distinguished visitors for the celebration were the Right Reverend Bishop J.H. Prud'homme, the Reverend Father Provincial of the Oblate Fathers, Father Kohler, Father P. Biesler, Father W. Palm, Father W. Treubender, Father J. Hekbert, Father K. Meyer, Father J. Schultz, Father Dubois and Father J. Schoenwaser. The hospital at Mackin was represented by Sister Frances Schmidt; the one at Salsbold by Sister Elizabeth.



Sisters and crowds at opening ceremony.



Hon. Rev. Bishop J.H. Prud'homme at left of door, Mayor J.H. Sanford at right.



Crowds attending the opening ceremony May 19, 1927



They invited guests were forced to excuse themselves on account of urgent business, among them the Hon. Mr. Orisk, minister of health, Regina, and the Hon. Mr. J.C. Elliott, minister of Public affairs, Ottawa. Mr. Joe Derroughery, the contractor, was present from Edmonton in spite of urgent work there.

The official welcome was spoken by J. H. Sanford, mayor of the town, in a carefully prepared and appropriate speech. The mayor spoke as follows: "We are gathered today to bear testimony of pleasure to a task well done. The inauguration of this hospital in our town marks another milestone of progress.

The care of and ministry to the sick and afflicted go hand in hand with the service of Christianity.

Where a Christian community is set up, the problem of this task is faced and as a representative of the town of Macklin, it affords me much pleasure on this occasion to express the pleasure of the town in its having within its bounds an institution such as this.

We have noted the attention to every detail throughout, and have a sense of satisfaction in the knowledge of community security which such a splendidly equipped institution gives.



Crowds at opening ceremony. Speakers on steps at the entrance.

We feel that the grant of the town council as well as any public contributions have been a good investment, in the cause of not only healing the sick, but also the safeguarding of public health.

On behalf of the town council we would express appreciation of the progressive spirit and business enterprise of the order, which has placed this institution, inaugurated for the purpose of public ministry.

To His Lordship, Bishop Fruit'home, to the Sisters of St. Elizabeth, we extend greetings and thanks, and pray that the yeare of aid and public beneficence may prove the wisdom and business foresight of the originators of this plan, which are realized today, in this completed plant."

Mayor Sanford also acted as chairman and next introduced the Right Reverend Bishop Joseph Fruit'home, of Prince Albert, who spoke both in German and English, blessing the institution and declaring it formally opened.

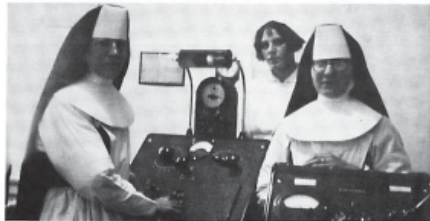
Dr. F. B. Elliott was next called and told of the inception of the hospital movement at Macklin. "Then we were working in the country under utmost necessity," he said, "we had to make use of school houses as hospitals. There were no nurses. We began to realize the value of a hospital. A feeling of unity always characterized this place. Everybody put their shoulders to the wheel and all worked like a perfect organization to get a hospital started. A private dwelling was utilized for some years but the arrival of Dr. F. L. Eid spurred on the movement for a large building and as a result we have this building, which is, in a measure, a result of his suggestions.

The Macklin hospital has a great future. The greatest medical organization on the continent, at Rochester, Minnesota, started in a place no more favorably situated than Macklin."

Dr. Eid, on being called on next, declined to take the credit which had been extended to him and declared that the basic credit was due Dr. Elliott. Dr. Eid also spoke in German.

The next speaker was Father Kohler, of Kerrobert, who spoke in a happy vein and he was followed by Father Wm. Froehner, of Dent, formerly of Macklin.

After the ceremony Father Schoenmayer and Father P. Fals and the Sisters received the visitors in the reception room, and before the end of the day the table was stacked high with gifts to the institution.



Sisters Theodora and Aloisia with a nurse in the X-Ray Room.



Sister Theodora and a nurse in the operating room

The rooms were thrown open and the visitors were conducted through the institution. To see the modern sanitary equipment, the immaculate rooms, the wonderful electrical machines and the safety devices gave the visitors a sense of being transported through space to a celestial abode with which the Sisters were the ministering angels. It seemed like a fairy dream that the rooms were housed on the bleak prairie just outside of Macklin.

In the basement where the good housewives were holding forth with tea and refreshments the visitors began to realize again that he was near home and the good ladies were kept busy until late in the day serving refreshments to visitors. The hospital authorities want to express their most sincere thanks to everybody who helped to make the day a success."



One of the patients' rooms in the hospital



Dr. F.L. Eid at entrance



Sister M. Theodora Sieben in the operating room



Dr. F. L. Eid

The following is a personal account of hospital care as experienced by Alice Zanti, now Sister Salasia.

"Surgery has come a long way since 1927, even though the nursing kindness of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth of early times at St. Joseph's Hospital in Macklin cannot be surpassed by present standards.

That year of 1927, I as a young child of eleven was a patient. Dr. Eid was the family physician of Salvador, Dr. L. Schwartz, had given up all hopes of my recovery. Sister Theodora Sieben took loving care of me, and with God's will, I lived. I was discharged from the hospital after being in bed for three weeks. In those days, after surgery for ruptured appendix, I, on my back, was not permitted to turn in bed for two solid weeks! And only in the third week I was finally allowed to turn on my side. However, I was not allowed to get out of bed for several days as yet. At last the longed-for day had arrived for me to get out of bed. I was eager to get on my feet, but found out to my dismay that my legs gave way under me, and onto the floor beside my bed I slumped. Sister Theodora and the nurse quickly came to my aid. It took three days for me to learn to walk again with help which I appreciated very much.

Thanks to Sister Theodora for her loving tender care without which I could not possibly have survived. And my appreciation also goes to the two Doctors and all the Sisters who worked at St. Joseph's Hospital at the time. By the way, Doctor Eid would repeat that I was a good little girl, but at that time I just could not understand why I should be called good when I lay in bed idle!"



Sr. Theodora and nurse in operating room



Alice Zanti

Since those early years, though the methods in medicine and surgery have improved for the better down through the first half century, yet the loving tender care that the Sisters gave could not possibly be surpassed. May the superior quality of nursing of those first fifty years continue into the future at St. Joseph's Hospital. Many sick people come there for hope and healing, and they too will appreciate that loving care as I did."



Dr. F.L. Eid Preparing the Patient for Surgery



Sister Basalia Brunner
1926 - 27



Sister Marianne Schmidt
1926 - 27

St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing

One of the main problems of rural hospitals in 1927 was finances. Another was to find enough nursing personnel to care for the increasing number of patients. The sisters provided voluntary services. However, there were not enough sisters available and there wasn't enough cash to hire nurses. The only solution seemed to be to conduct a school of nursing whereby the young ladies would give services while receiving clinical experience. The program would be an apprenticeship type of training. The doctors, sisters and other available lecturers would provide the theoretical instruction.



Dr. F. L. Eld and Student Nurses
1927

Dr. F. L. Eld took up the matter with the Provincial Government and encountered some resistance. After much lengthy correspondence and personal interviews with the Minister of Health of that time, it was clear that one of the main obstacles was that St. Joseph's Hospital had only three medical doctors on staff and according to Provincial regulations four resident doctors were required. The three doctors at Macklin at this time were Doctors F. S. Elliott, H. Chapin and F. L. Eld.

Finally a compromise agreement was reached. St. Joseph's Hospital would be permitted to train nurses provided they arranged for affiliation with some larger hospital training school in such a way that the girls would take the first two years at St. Joseph's, Macklin, and the final year at some other larger hospital.

More lengthy correspondence followed with the various Hospital Nursing Schools used by the Government. Many Schools of Nursing declined. Finally the St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing in Humboldt agreed to accept the nursing students from St. Joseph's Hospital for the final year of training.

St. Joseph's provided living quarters for the student nurses, the Isolation Hospital was moved from the cottage hospital to the new site. It was remodeled and provided with running water, sewage and steam heat from the main building. It contained four rooms and a bathroom.

The government accepted by their silence and the joint St. Joseph's - St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing was launched and carried on for about ten

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Sisters Marianna Schmidt, Elisabeth Lepinski and Theodore Sieben with Student Nurses at nurses' residence at Jacklin.



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L. to R.: Sisters Augustine Mainzer, Benedicta Yungwirth, Gertrudis Bergles, and Teresa Fisher, 1909.



Student Nurses

or twelve years until 1938 when the regulations of the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association for Registration of Nurses in the Province and the Government requirements for Schools of Nursing made it necessary to discontinue this affiliation arrangement with Husboldt.

Attempts to affiliate with another school of nursing failed on the Government grant was withdrawn and the nursing school of St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, closed.

Some Interesting Notes Gleaned from The Staff Meetings at St. Joseph's Hospital:

Minutes of Staff Meetings during the early years of 1930 to 1938 indicate that the Sisters' Council met with the Medical Staff several times during the year.

During these meetings, discussion centered mainly around:

1. Discussion of medical and surgical cases.
2. The problem of isolation and communicable diseases.
3. The progress of the school of nursing-affiliation arrangement. The first two years were given at Macklin, the first year was given at St. Elizabeth School of Nursing, Husboldt. After the Fall of 1932, only the second year was given at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, and in 1938 the school of nursing was closed.
4. Post-mortems. Causes of death were reviewed.
5. Hospital Day - Prizes included one year of free hospital care; one year of free medical care at St. Joseph's Hospital under care of any one of the resident medical staff.
6. Equipment.
7. Medical and nursing practices.
8. In 1938 intravenous solutions started being used.
9. Pentamine Zinc Insulin for diabetes was introduced in April, 1938 as was Protonil for Streptococcal infections.



Sister Theodore Sieben, Sr. Felicitas with Student Nurses, 1937.



Srs. Marcelle Haag and Loretta Bernowsky 1938 during their second year of training at Macklin.

The following are excerpts from the medical-nursing staff minutes: October 13, 1931.

Presents Rev. Father Hubbert, Representing Administrator of the Hospital, Sister Teresa, Sister Superior, Dr. Eid.

Discussion: What can be done to continue the nursing school here after we received notice that the present arrangement of affiliation with Husboldt was to be discontinued. After lengthy discussion, it was moved by Dr. Eid, seconded by Father Hubbert and adopted that a letter explaining the situation and our attitude should be sent by Father Hubbert to the Bishop and the Abbot and also to the Mother General requesting that the arrangement as it was before should be continued at the present time. No other solution apparently being possible in consideration of the financial difficulties the Hospital is in.
Dr. Eid,
Secretary."

"Staff Meeting - 20 April, 1932.

Presents Dr. Elliott, Dr. Eid, Father Hubbert, Rev. Sisters Gertrudis, Teresa, Antonia, Euphrasia, Sister Superior.

1. Discussion of the arrangements as regards nursing school after fall, 1932. "Only second year pupils will be taught here." (rest of meeting did not pertain to School of Nursing)."

"Staff Meeting - June 29, 1932.

Meeting opened at 8 p.m. with Dr.'s F. L. Eid, P.R. Elliott, Sisters Superior, Marianne, Zita, and Perpetua present.

Minutes of last meeting were read, moved by Dr. Elliott, seconded by Dr. Eid, that minutes be adopted as read.

1. The work done for the first half of 1932 was reviewed. The record was found slightly better both as regards mortality and amount of work done, than for the same period last year.

2. Questions arising on account of discontinuation of teaching of second year nursing pupils were discussed. "The training school being closed temporarily." (rest of minutes not pertinent to school of nursing)."

However, all was not work either. The student nurses helped to raise funds by organizing a drama club and performing at the local town hall.



Student Nurses in costumes for drama presented at the town hall 1931.

CONCERT AND DANCE
to be held under the auspices of
ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

MEMORIAL HALL, MACKLIN
Mo.
WEDNESDAY, May 17, 1931
at 8 o'clock P.M.



Memorial Hall, Macklin

PROGRAMME

1. ---	Music Not Selected	
2. ---	Segment Dances	Miss M. Fincher
	Lucia Fitzgerald	Miss A. Moore
		(Songs of the Gallies Women)
	Mrs. Margaret T. Kalliger (Soprano)	Miss M. Gale
	Miss Boddie	Miss G. Moore
	Miss Moore	Miss S. Moore
		(Other guests)
	Katy Castle, (Solo)	Miss M. Winkler
	Frances Jones (The Fragrant Rose)	Miss G. Jackson
	Grace Bellamy (Mrs. Kalliger's daughter)	Miss G. Lee
3. ---	March Solo	Mr. G. J. Bell
	Emphatic Quart	Robert, J. Lester and E. Belliveau,
		Stations East, Iowa City
4. ---	Vocal Solo	Mr. F. L. Bell
		Dr. Bell, Accompanist
5. ---	When We Go Out	
	Myra Smith (2 Young Girls)	Miss F. Smith
	Jack Smith (Just for Mother)	Miss G. Lee
6. ---	Mr. G. Moore	
	Mr. G. Moore	Madeline Bell
7. ---	5 O'Clock Step Dance	Miss M. Fincher and Miss M. Underbrack
8. ---	Vocal Solo	Mr. F. L. Bell
9. ---	Humorous -- "Hump Chinkater"	Miss G. Winkler
10. ---	4 Dances Song	by all the women
		and some men

LAURENCE WILL HANDLE PROGRAMME



Main Street at Macklin, Memorial Hall at right.



The Chaplain and a group of Student Nurses at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin

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Last group of student nurses to take second year of training at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin in 1939. They graduated in 1939 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Healdot, Sask.

L. to R.:

Raisie Tuszak
 Inez Holman
 Frances Grant
 Doris Marshall
 Sister Mary Clara Felton, O.S.E.
 Sister St. Ursula Raymond S.D.L.P.
 Sister Perpetua Haag O.S.E., Director of Nursing
 Sister Loretta Suroodsky O.S.E.
 Mary Prueker
 Josephine Walk
 Doris Carter
 Elizabeth Armstrong
 Margaret Grace Cassidy

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Construction of closed-in entrance at St. Joseph's Hospital 1927



During the summer of 1927 a closed-in entrance was added to the hospital.

Already after one year it was evident that the hospital was too small. The sisters' quarters were in the basement as well as the kitchen, dining rooms and laundry. There was no storage cellar and the pantry was quite inadequate. The patients continued to arrive in large numbers as the statistics show.

Statistics show a rapid increase in admissions. 1922 - 195 patients were served; 309 in 1925; 400 in 1926; 524 in 1927 with a total of 5644 treatment days. In 1926 there were 705 admissions in 1927, 1140 admissions and 1603 admissions in 1928 with 12529 hospital days.

1928 was indeed a peak year. In 1927 plans were already under way to add another wing to the hospital. The sisters were housed in the basement of the 1926 structure but the space was needed for kitchen, dining rooms for staff and the laundry. The space for patients care were already overcrowded as can be seen by the rapid increase in admissions. The new wing was added in 1928 bringing the bed capacity up to 75.

In addition a section was set aside for the sisters and nurses living quarters.

Private rooms were furnished by donors whose name plates appear on the door.



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South-West View of Hospital Front Entrance Completed



1928 construction of addition

1928 construction completed



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The Northwest Review said in part: "... St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, Sask. In the diocese of Saskatoon was founded on January 2, 1902, to serve the hospital needs of the German-speaking Catholics of St. Joseph's Colony, under the spiritual care of the German Province of the Oblate Fathers. There are eleven professed Sisters in charge and the hospital has a capacity for forty-five beds." In the early years it was evident that strict economy was required to provide health care at a cost that the people of the district could afford.



L. to R.: Back Row - Sisters Joseph, Marianne, Philomena, Mary Magdalena, Frank, Rose - Sisters Rosalia, Gertrudis, Alicia and Theodora. 1908.

The sisters tried to offset the cost of operating a hospital by rendering voluntary services themselves and by providing for the daily needs from their own produce. Thus a farm was started on the acreage north of and adjacent to the hospital.

The sisters themselves provided the labor force in the garden and on the farm with the assistance of one or two hired men.

A large garden for vegetables was set aside and planted each spring. There were raspberries, chokecherries, and others.

A dairy barn and stables for the horses were built. The horses were used to till the garden, haul supplies and for local transportation in the early years.

Part of the land was seeded in grain for chicken feed and fodder for the cattle.

There was a chicken coop and hog sty as can be seen in the picture.

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This airview picture was taken around 1945 - 50. Note the Hospital in the foreground with park area to the left. Employee residence behind the hospital with smokehouse to the right. Note also the garden to the far right. The farm can be seen in the background.



L. to R. Sisters Benedicta, Verona Fisher, Anastasia, Hyacintha, Gertrudis and Agnes. 1930

The sisters and staff as well as the doctors served all the people of all denominations. The early records show a breakdown of various ethnic groups and religious affiliations. All were welcomed.

The records show that two dollars a day was charged for ward accommodation for adults. Private room charge was two dollars and fifty cents and later three dollars. There were the rates up until 1967 when Provincial Hospitalization was into being. The hospital had entered into some type of health insurance agreement with the Eye Hill, Grass Lake and Bears' Hill Municipalities long before the Provincial Health scheme came into force. During the depression years many people could not

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even afford the two dollars a day cost, but no one was denied health services. Farmers paid with grain, beef, vegetables, and other farm products. Others were unable to pay and the debts were eventually cancelled. In spite of these hardships the hospital continued to give a high standard of care. With the introduction of the Provincial Health Services Insurance it became possible to expand services and the financial base has become stabilized.

To avoid a large deficit in the earlier years, some sisters came to Macklin to work at the hospital. A few registered nurses were hired and many local girls were given on-the-job training as nurses' aides. The rural hospitals could not afford to pay the registered nurses salaries and very few nurses were ready to work in the rural hospital setting.



Sisters at the Grotto: L. to R.: Sisters Rita Wolheim, Lenarina Stroß, Catherine Haesgen, Jacoba Schöber, Paulberik Poth, Teresa Fischer, Hildegard Koenig, Bernadette Wald, Stephani Brest, Elizabeth Lopinski and Johanna Huber. 1955.

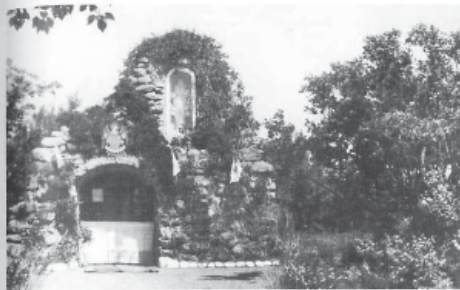
In 1955 a large park with gravel walks and flower beds was landscaped and planted on the north west side of the hospital. A beautiful stone Lourdes Grotto flanks the northern border and a tennis court at the east side. Trees include pine, elm, spruce, poplar and maple, with hedges of willow, lilac, yarrow and cedar. Additional trees were planted around the garden and along the road leading to the hospital.

In the earlier years the Corpus Christi procession would send its way from St. Mary's Church to St. Joseph's Hospital and the grotto in the park.

Many persons could be mentioned in connection with the landscaping of the area around the hospital and the care given to the trees, flowers and shrubbery. I would like to mention only Rodman Falkenstein who has given more than 25 years of service at the hospital and who takes great pride in keeping the grounds clean and beautiful.

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Personnel, Activities, and Grounds



Grotto in the park stone altar prepared and decorated for Corpus Christi.



Mr. Rodman Falkenstein.



Corpus Christi Procession Going Toward The Hospital



Procession at the Grotto at St. Joseph's Hospital



Procession moving along St. Joseph's Hospital driveway returning to St. Mary's Church

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Mrs. Johanna Kid and Sister Seraphina Physchaller Near St. Mary's Catholic Church of 1906-08. St. Joseph's Hospital at far right.



A Sister in the Chapel at St. Joseph's Hospital.



Sister Jacobs Schober, Superior and Rev. J.P. Halbert, O.M.I., Chaplain. 1930.



A nurse in the Chapel at St. Joseph's Hospital.

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Anna Maria Schell, Reg.N. 1949.

Mrs. Mary Stang, Sister Lucy Stang,
Sister Margaret Marie Fiediger,
Mrs. Alex Fiediger and Agnes Stang.



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Anna Maria Schell, Reg.N. Graduate of St. Elizabeth Hospital School of Nursing, Hazelholt, 1943 and was employed at St. Joseph's Hospital 1945-48. She entered the convent of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth, Hazelholt in 1948 and made profession of vows in 1950. Her religious name is Sister M. Adela. She returned to St. Joseph's Hospital in 1955 for one year and has been employed as Director of Nursing at St. Joseph's since 1969, the position she holds today in 1977.



Sisters Elisabeth Sonntag and
Lucy Stang in the park.

Sister Heidi and Magdalena Jurek
at St. Joseph's Hospital.



The original isolation house was converted into a residence for the student nurses or employees. In 1949 it was renovated and enlarged.



Renovation of employee residence



Close-up of employee residence



Completed residence on north east
side of hospital.



Sister Anstrosia Fiediger in front
of employee residence.

In 1967 the residence was declared a fire hazard and consequently it was demolished. Since then the employees, who desired accommodation, have been living in St. Anthony's Convent, the sisters' residence.

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As stated before, 1928 was a peak year for St. Joseph's with admissions at 1603.

The hospital achieved accreditation status as early as 1936 and has maintained a high standard of care over the years. With the help of hospital and medical insurance, a degree of financial stability was achieved and maintained. A high degree of stability among staff members has been a notable contributing factor in maintaining standards of care.



Sisters Isidora Enak, Marcella Hing, Catherine Hoesinger, Genevieve Sommer, Lazarina Stroh, Alphonsa Schneider, Pulcheria Poth.



Dr. P.L. Eld, Mary MacEhem, Ida Graf and Sister Callista. 1947.



Sister Agnes, Josephine Weiskopf, and Sister Lucy Slang.



Sisters Lucy, Loretta, Hildegard, and Irene Brest.



Sister Imelda Gartner in the Medical Records Department.

space until such time that the Sisters could afford to have the elevator installed. The drought years from 1930 and the years during and following World War II were, not the best of times financially. Thus donations were small. The hospital being a "Private" institution could not levy taxes as is done in Union Hospital Districts. However, the project was continued and by 1952 the elevator was installed.

As early as 1937, it was decided that an elevator was needed in the hospital. The St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Aid volunteered to raise funds for the project. They started with a drive for donations of wheat in 1937. At that time wheat netted fifty-one and one-half cents per bushel. The monies were deposited in the bank. The total estimated cost for the elevator was \$15000.00. The Ladies set their objective at \$5000.00 and worked very hard.

The Elevator shaft had been constructed in 1927 as part of the original building but was closed in and the area were used as storage space until such time that the Sisters could afford to have the elevator installed. The drought years from 1930 and the years during and following World War II were, not the best of times financially. Thus donations were small. The hospital being a "Private" institution could not levy taxes as is done in Union Hospital Districts. However, the project was continued and by 1952 the elevator was installed.



St. Joseph's Hospital showing elevator shaft.

In 1947 the Saskatchewan Hospital Services Plan was introduced with compulsory hospital care insurance. The Provincial government assessed all hospitals in the Province and specified a bed capacity rating according to which the hospital insurance rate of pay is calculated. This is adjusted from time to time depending on the number of admissions and average daily census at which the hospital functions.

The rated capacity of St. Joseph's Hospital in 1976 was twenty-five and the average daily census calculated at seventeen.



Mrs. Barbara Klaus with her St. Bernard and Sister Inelda Gardner who tended the flowers and painted the stones.



Sister Astrosia Frediger and visiting sister at the Grotto.



Grotto in the Park area at St. Joseph's Hospital.



Park area prepared for the Pontifical Jubilee Mass July 5, 1952.

Silver Jubilee Celebration

On July 5th, 1952, St. Joseph's Hospital observed its Silver Jubilee. The following is an account of the celebrations as reported in the Macklin Times:

Hospital 25th Anniversary a Most Interesting Celebration.

The great beautiful park surrounding the grotto of Our Lady on the Hospital grounds was the setting where an immense throng of faithful gathered at 10:00 a.m. on July 5th for opening ceremonies of the 25th anniversary celebrations of St. Joseph's Hospital. These ceremonies consisted of a Pontifical High Mass



Altar Prepared for Jubilee Mass



Pontifical High Mass in Park

sung by His Excellency Bishop F. Klein of Saskatoon and assisted at the altar by Rev. Father J. Elms, Rev. Father P. Peist, Fr. H. Klein, Fr. P. Meier and Fr. J. Schultz. A spectacle perhaps never witnessed by most of those attending it was such a disappointment to see those threatening clouds to the west came closer and suddenly break into such a fierce storm that the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass had to be completed in the Chapel of the Hospital.

Many priests from near and far were present to take part in the day's celebrations.

A delicious dinner was served to the public by the ladies of the C.W.L. in the St. Mary's Church Hall, after which everyone retired again to the hospital grounds to patronize the different booths, perhaps the most remarkable of which being the one that displayed all the intricate unbelievably beautiful handwork of the sisters. The merry-go-round proved very popular for the younger set.

From 3 o'clock on the sisters and Hospital Aid Sisters served tea in the hospital basement.



Operating Room

For the older people this Jubilee was an occasion for each and every visitor to view for himself the modern equipment, the spotlessness, the bright rooms and cheerful, efficient staff that make up our grand hospital to bring inspiration, comfort and hope to our generation. Contemplating that which has been done by the Sisters, Doctors and Nurses in the past 25 years makes one stop to think what may be achieved in the future - in the 25 years now begun.



Sisters at the Convto at Macklin, 1922

Sisters Lucy Stang, Anthonia Fredinger, Margaret Marie Fredinger, Seraphina Pfurtscheller, Elizabeth Koenig, Florance Kohlsen, Superior General; Benedicte Jungvirb, Tecla Gartner, Johanna Deber, Isolda Gartner, Veronica Schmidt, Katerina Bossegg, Martina Graessl, Agnes Schachtel and Helia Kamlitz.



Sister Veronica Schmidt and her two helpers in the Laundry, 1924. Josephine Siebes and Eriesta Gartner.

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At 2 p.m. the civic programme took place from the balcony of the Hospital and not on the grounds as planned, due to the severe cold wind blowing. This opened with a splendid address of welcome given by Mayor E. Laumann to all the visitors. He paid tribute to all those who have had a part in bringing this Hospital up to the high standard of efficiency which it is today. He congratulated on the landings all around the Hospital which is certainly a work of art, the result of tremendous toil and planning.



Priest visiting a child in the children's ward.



Sister Veronica Schmidt in the laundry.



St. Rev. Bishop Klein

time in terms of human life and it is an occasion merely "to look back, to look around and to look forward."

History in Short Details

The Sisters of St. Elizabeth came to Macklin from Klagenfurt, Austria in 1911. It was Father Palms, O.M.I. most cherished wish to erect a hospital at Macklin which was a railroad point and considered a desirable location. In 1921 after the arrival of Father Irabender plans begin to ripen. Early in 1922 the original staff of Sisters arrived at Macklin (Sr. Raphaela and Sr. Marianne), 9 months later (Sr. Serafina and Sr. Theodor). Sister Serafina is at present again superior here but unfortunately not present today as she was permitted a visit to her native land after 41 years absence. In 1922 a house was opened with a capacity of 10 beds. The resident medical staff then consisted of Dr. Chapin who now is in New York and Dr. Elliott (now deceased). Dr. Eid came on invitation in 1924. Seen the facilities of the initial hospital became entirely inadequate. A permanent hospital had to be erected. The difficulties were great and mainly financial. Through the help of Bishop Prud'homme a loan of \$100,000 was secured and an additional loan of \$25,000 later on. Construction started in 1926 by Mr. Bercochere, Edmonton, Alberta. On May 19th, 1927, the new building was blessed by Bishop Prud'homme. In 1928 a new wing was added which brought the hospital to present shape and capacity. Since almost its inception this hospital was first on the temporary then upon the fully approved list of the American College of Surgeons, the highest hospital standard attainable in this country. This outline in its historical dates and facts of course says nothing of the unending toil, work and worry which went on literally 24 hours a day all these days for 25 years. Work was always in abundance, money often little or none, particularly through the 10 years of the depression when we often wondered if we could continue and carry on. But somehow we did carry on and found the means to pay interest charges, amortize and capital and maintain our standards. Today we have met all our obligations and can look with confidence into the future. And while so - - looking back -- the foundation of the hospital is due to the pioneer spirit of the Sisters, the vision of Father Palms, the financial help of Bishop Prud'homme, and the realization of its need by Dr. Elliott. Its continued existence is due to the Sisters' efforts, their persistence, their sacrifices and their hard and good work. The contribution the Sisters made to this community through the erection

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and the management of this hospital which has now given services for more than a quarter of a century to all without discrimination of race, religion or social and financial standing is truly enormous and to express the thanks of the community in this place today a welcome duty and a joy and a pleasure. We do not claim perfection - - no human being can do that - - but we can honestly say we tried our best always. However our looking back would not be complete with just a historical appraisal. Here are in a few words the work we did in the 25 years, in official figures. From 1927 to 1951 we admitted 29,385 patients. Had 243,251 hospital patient days. We did 33,913 lab. examinations, 11,200 X-ray investigations, 7,827 operations and 2,895 confinements. Our over-all death rate was 1.7%. Our surgical mortality of course much lower and was nil in 1950, 1951 and so far in 1952. Allow me to state here the names of the resident hospital chaplains, the Bishops we had, the Doctors and Superiors:



Bishop Prud'homme

Bishops: - - Prud'homme, Murray, Pocock and Bishop Klein.
 He then listed all the chaplains from 1922 - 1952 and also mentioned Father F. Palm, O.M.I.
 Our resident doctors - - Dr. Chapin, Dr. Elliott, and Dr. F.L. Bid.
 Then he listed all the Superiors from 1922 - 1952.

To all of these:
 This hospital stands as a memorial "sacra parennis". We have looked back, let us look around. We see a hospital here quite modern, excellently equipped, spotlessly clean, constantly cared for and improved and believed as we now also have an electric elevator at par with city institutions. Words are not necessary - - see for yourself.

What about looking forward now?



Bishop Gerald C. Murray, C.S.B., first bishop of Saskatoon, at Grosswerder, Sask.



Bishop Philip F. Pocock, second bishop of Saskatoon.

What about the future? Here we need not fear. The need for a hospital here is long and well proven. That we can supply and tend to these needs is further proof. Our financial standing is now sound. Long ago we had here developed plans which constituted hospital insurance for residents of certain municipalities.



Sister Immaculata Saretsky in diet kitchen.



Group of Sisters at the Grotto 1952

These schemes were superseded by the present Government Hospital Scheme which if continued in its present form will assure the financial life of the institution. Our standing is the highest obtainable here. We hope to be able to maintain this standing; we shall try to go with the times and new developments and maintain an enviable record as we did in the past. For all this we need of course God's grace and blessing, your co-operation and help and understanding and courage and perseverance, which are the essential virtues of all pioneers.

Let us say a few words of philanthropy to end with. The cure of and for the sick may be to some extent a task of the government.



Sister Mendelina Sanger
in children's ward.



Sister Margaret Marie Prediger
in office.

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But the duty of Christian charity must be and is here the main theme in life. Hospitals must be run on economic basis, bills must be paid and money must be had to do so, but these things are just economic problems to be solved. Above it all and beyond it all and permeating it all must be the christian spirit of sacrifice, of dedication of profession which means the call of one's life, supremely expressed in our catholic nursing orders. But Florence Nightingale was the mother of professional nursing, although I do not want to detract of her great merits in this field. It was however the practice of unselfish love of christian charity as expressed in catholic orders which won the beginning and origin of scientific and professional nursing. Let us meditate today this institution to this spirit again. I always found this spirit alive and tangible in such new or smaller institutions such as this one is. Think this spirit in the face of ever mounting materialism, health insurance and state interference may not wilt and perish in my ardent prayer today. May God grant us physicians who work in this hospital—humility, wisdom, courage and skill to lift at least part of the burden of suffering fellowmen and to the Sisters and nurses the grace of true charity, kindness, understanding and sacrifice which should be the hall mark of a Catholic Hospital. And may we be able to say, when our hour comes, as it came for so many lately connected with the history of this Institution in the last 75 years. "WE HAVE PAID OUR DEBT TO THE TALENTS GOD GAVE US, WE HAVE DONE OUR BEST."

Between speeches the choir of St. Mary's Church under the able direction of Mrs. Bid in beautifully blended voices sang the following three choruses: "Herr Jesus Geste" by Edward August Groll 1901 Cent.; "Dear Us" Prayer for Folk

and Fatherland (Etienne Mermal 18th Cent.), "The Heavens are Declaring" (Ludwig Von Beethoven).

Regrettably, due to some mistake it had been overlooked to call upon Mrs. V. Henderson, who was prepared to speak on behalf of the Hospital Ladies Aid of which she is President, but here is the text of her speech in its entirety.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Mr. Chairman, Distinguished Visitors, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I take much pleasure in extending greetings from the Hospital Ladies Aid to the Sisters and Staff of St. Joseph's Hospital on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of their fine hospital in Macklin and for the splendid services the staff have given to all who have needed them.

We would also extend greetings to Dr. Bid who has been in Macklin since before the opening of this hospital and who was able to give much valuable advice at the time it was being built.

As an organization the Hospital Ladies Aid have enjoyed being able to work and donate to the Hospital many articles which we know have been much appreciated. The following is a list of some of the major items provided by the Hospital Ladies Aid: 2 Air Conditioners; Blankets; Obstetrical Bed; Incubator; Mattresses; Linoleum; Metal Fabricators; Foyer Bed and Mattresses; Overbed Tables; Frigidaires; Germicidal Lamps; \$1200.00 was also given to the Elevator Fund.

The Ladies who have held the office as President of the Hospital Ladies Aid are: Mrs. A. Mitchell; Mrs. E. Jones; Mrs. Alex Hollman; Mrs. V. Hollman and Mrs. Walter Henderson.

May I again, in closing, extend our Greeting and our Thanks to the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. Walter Henderson,
President.



St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary 1926

1. to R.: Mrs. E. Mitchell, Mrs. Eva Hollman, Mrs. Elsie Hillis, Mrs. Tetenshoff, Mrs. Joy Henderson, Mrs. Zuchner, Mrs. Clipperton, Mrs. Burkman, Mrs. Cooley, Sister Seraphina Pfurtscheller, Superior; Mrs. Johanna Eid, seated Mrs. Hagel.

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Supper was again served by the C.W.L. in the Church Hall. The bingo booth had been moved down to the hall so bingo was enjoyed by many for several hours and the attractively displayed prizes mostly articles made by the Sisters. The raffle then took place which resulted in the following:

The Trochiere Lamp, Ruby Delam of Harold; Quilt, Mr. Bill Putter of Macklin China Tea Set, Mrs. Leonard Ryan of Cosine.

The 75th Anniversary decorated Fruit Cake was won by Leona Scherger of Cosine.

It is our sincere hope and prayer that after the next 25 years have been written away in the pages of time that our Hospital, under God's constant protection may continue to flourish and perhaps even expand. May the good Sisters of St. Elizabeth, the guardians of our Hospital, who are ever a model of charity and inspiration to all who come in contact with them together with our capable physician be with us still.

The Prairie Messenger also reported on the Silver Jubilee Celebrations at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin as follows: "Duty of Christian charity . . . the main theme".

"But the duty of Christian charity must be and is here the main theme in life," said Dr. F. L. Bid at the silver jubilee celebration of St. Joseph's Hospital, here, on July 5. This was part of the great tribute he paid to the Sisters of St. Elizabeth, who have conducted the hospital since its beginning.

A large throng of people gathered for the Mass opening the day's festive celebration at the Blessed Virgin grove of Our Lady on the hospital grounds. The Mass was celebrated by the Past Rev. Francis J. Klein, Bishop of Saskatoon, who was assisted by Father J. Binga, O.M.I., Father P. Feist, O.M.I., Father H. Klein, O.M.I., Father P. Sieler, O.M.I., and Father J. Scholtz. Due to a sudden storm, the ceremony had to be completed in the hospital chapel.

The C.W.L. served a public dinner, after which the people patronized the various booths on the hospital grounds till two o'clock, the beginning of the civic program.

Mayor E. Lachmann welcomed the many visitors and paid tribute to those who had a part in bringing St. Joseph's Hospital to the high standard it enjoys today. He congratulated the Sisters on the well-planned landscaping at the hospital.



Sisters and staff in the Park.

Bishop Klein, anxiously awaited on his first visit to Macklin, had glowing words of praise for the late Father Palm, O.M.I., through whose practical foresight and persevering efforts the hospital came into existence.

Bis Excellency noted the wonderful spirit of Christian charity permeating the community, without which the undertaking could not have succeeded.

The next speaker, Dr. F.L. Bid, traced the history of St. Joseph's Hospital as reported in the previous account. St. Mary's Church Choir contributed several songs and Mrs. Walter Sanderson brought greetings from the St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Aid.



Sister Adele with visitors at St. Joseph's Hospital



Carolla Ollenberger and her mother



L to R: Sisters Marcelle Hong, Cecelia Klassen, Clothilde Gartner, Palcheria Roth, Marie Therese (Stephens) Selak, Mary Irene Sitter and Agnes Schachtel.



Sister Justina Wirschowsky
Medical Records

Sister Clothilde Gartner
Superior and Administrator

Sister M. Marcella Haag, R.N. in the Operating Room.



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Theda Frost and Sister Marie Therese
Delak, in the children's ward.
1962.



Sister Marie Therese and a patient.
1962.

Sister Justina and a patient,
Yonno. 1966.



Sister Marie Therese Delak and
Louisa Sebashtel. 1960.



Sisters Clothilde Gartner, Adele
Seholl, Palcheria Poth-Superior,
with two little visitors. 1961.

St. Joseph's Hospital in winter,
the Park area looking south-east.



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Up until 1960 the St. Joseph's Hospital at Macklin had its own water and sewage system. It was decided to extend the water lines and hook-up with the town water and sewage. This was completed by November 1957. The hospital has retained its own water supply system as an emergency standby system. Another major project at this time was the construction of St. Anthony's Convent by the Sisters of St. Elizabeth. This provided a residence for the sisters who up until now lived in rather crowded quarters in the north west section of the hospital.



Northwest view of St. Joseph's Hospital showing ramp and fire escape with outdoor balconies. Section of Hospital beyond the balconies and to the right was the sisters' residence. The balconies were removed during the 1964 renovations.

Some of the service areas in the hospital needed to be provided with more space. The outpatient area was very inadequate and renovation of the hospital was inevitable. The sisters decided to vacate their living quarters in the hospital so that this area could be added to the hospital whenever the renovations could be made.



The sisters at recreation in their hospital living quarters. 1960.



Sister Justina in the record office.



Sister Justina with the children in the old children's ward.



The operating room and Sister Marcelle in the sterilizer room.



Miss Thekla Frost in the assistance office.



Sisters at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin. 1961.
 Back row L. to R.: Sisters Crescentina Joehar, Lazarina Strub, Immaculata Saretzky, Justina Mirashonowsky, Agnes Sobieski;
 Front row L. to R.: Sisters Marie Therese Hahle, Wendelina Bengler, Clothilde Gartner-Superior and Administrator, Marcella Haag, Monica Sperling.

Plans for a sisters' residence got under way in late 1960 with Nebeter, Forrester, Scott and Associates from Saskatoon as architects, who drew up the blueprints for the building. After tenders were opened V.G. Wells Construction of Saskatoon was awarded the contract as General Contractor and Mr. Joseph Verokosky was appointed building superintendent. The sisters generally called him "Uncle Joe". Estimated cost of construction was set at \$126,000.00.

On August 23, 1961 the first load of lumber arrived. The area was cleared and some trees were transplanted.



St. Anthony's Convent

On August 28, 1961 the sod turning ceremony and blessing of the site took place with Rev. Peter Staler, O.M.I., chaplain officiating. He was assisted by Rev. J. Shaps, O.M.I., parish priest at St. Mary's Church, Macklin and Rev. J. Hubbert, O.M.I., Trus Salvador.

Sisters present at the sod turning were: Sisters Clothilde, Superior; Sisters Immaculata, Crescentina, Marie Therese, Agnes, Lucia, Marcella, Lazarina, Justina and Wendelina.



Rev. P. Staler turning the sod for the sisters' residence at Macklin.

Sisters in attendance and five acolytes from St. Mary's Parish, Macklin.



Blessing of the sod for the sisters' residence.



It was decided to name the residence "St. Anthony's Convent." By the middle of September the foundation was poured and steel and wood beams were rising into space. The blueprints included the chapel and chaplain's suite with office and a parlor on the main floor and a large assembly room with kitchenette, lavatories and library on the ground floor. An overhead walk-a-way connects the main floor to the main floor of St. Joseph's Hospital.

The west wing of the building provides living quarters for the sisters and employees who wish to live in.



By October the brick walls were under construction.



Shows relation and proximity to the hospital.



Beams for the chapel are under construction by November.



Roofers at work in late November.



Note the overhead walk-a-way connecting the convent to the hospital.



Building complete on the outside by January 1962.

By February 1962 the plasterers were at work and by April the walls were being painted. In May the grounds were cleared and levelled and sidewalks poured. The lawn area was prepared and in June the lawn was seeded and the flowers planted.



The Old Chapel in St. Joseph's Hospital

During June the convent was cleaned and the final touches were given to the rooms. The new altar for the chapel arrived on June 16 and was installed. The pews from the old chapel were moved in and preparations for the official opening were in full swing. The St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Aid assisted in preparing for a luncheon in the assembly room for some eighty guests.



The New Chapel

In the St. Anthony's Convent chronicle we read:

"June 13, 1962. Dr. and Mrs. J. O'Sullivan and family came to see the convent and to bid farewell. Joseph was served.

On June 16, 1962 Dr. and Mrs. J. O'Sullivan left for High Prairie, Alberta to relieve a doctor during vacation time after which the O'Sullivans were going to Ireland."

OFFICIAL OPENING OF ST. ANTHONY'S CONVENT



June 19th, 1962 was a red letter day for the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Macklin. The day was bright and sunny. The blessing of the convent began at 4:00 p.m. by the Most Reverend F.J. Klein, Bishop of Saskatoon, assisted by Rev. H. Bolhuis, O.M.I. and Rev. H. Henson, O.M.I. The procession started in the old chapel at the hospital and proceeded outside through the main entrance of the hospital and into St. Anthony's Convent at the main door on the south east side. The ground floor was blessed, then the main floor and from here all went to the new chapel where His Excellency Bishop F.J. Klein celebrated Holy Mass with the sisters and their guests. This was Bishop Klein's first major function after his first heart attack.



Dr. F.L. Eid played the organ and all joined in the singing of hymns of praise and thanksgiving. Many Oblate Fathers and Sisters from the district as well as friends and hospital staff joined in the celebration.

After Mass a banquet was served in the Convent Assembly room, to about eighty guests.



The final blessing at the end of Mass.



Most Reverend Bishop F.J. Klein addresses the assembly.

Among the guests besides Bishop F. Klein and the Oblate Fathers were Mr. Keith Bowers representing Webster, Forrester, Scott and Associates as Architects and Mr. Bill Schwinghammer representing W.C. Wells Construction Co., Saskatoon, the general contractor and Mr. Joe Veronovsky the building superintendent.



Rev. P. Bieler, O.M.I. St. Joseph's Hospital Chaplain speaks to the assembly.



Rev. J. Sluga pastor of St. Mary's Church, in the foreground. Father was pastor of session for this occasion. Beside Father is Mr. Joe Veronovsky, "the Joe" the building superintendent and at the extreme lower right Mr. Keith Bowers representing the architect



Mr. Bill Schwinghammer addresses the assembly on behalf of W.C. Wells Construction Co., Saskatoon.



A large group of Oblate Fathers from St. Joseph's Colony and surrounding district attended the official opening and banquet.



Dr. F.L. Eid, resident physician and surgeon at St. Joseph's Hospital since 1964, speaks to the assembly.



Notre Dame Sisters from Salt Lake, Sisters of the Holy Cross from Coquiton, also, as well as Ursuline Sisters of Preleite attended the banquet along with members of St. Joseph's Hospital Staff.

Among the invited guests were Mr. R.J. Pincommsitt, Laboratory and X-ray Technician of St. Joseph's Hospital, beside him is his wife.

On June 24, 1962 "Open House" was held at the convent for the general public. The members of the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary guided the people on tours and served tea and dainties. About four hundred people toured the building.

On July 1, 1962 the Compulsory semi-care came into effect and the Doctors went on strike. Emergency medical services were available at certain centers in the Province. St. Joseph's Hospital was closed to admissions. All patients were either discharged or transferred to another hospital. Mrs. Nancy Powell from Semlar refused to move. She stayed at the hospital at her own risk and the sisters took care of her.

On July 4th Macklin celebrated its Diamond Jubilee. The St. Joseph's Hospital float depicted the Family Doctor of the Horse and Bugzy Days with Carolin Glesberger, the nurse and Evelyn Gartner as the doctor.

During July the sisters completed moving into their new residence. The chaplain Rev. P. Bieler was moved from the hospital into the chaplain's suite.

On July 26, 1962 the volcano news was heard that the medicine strike was over. Normal functioning at the hospital was resumed as the patients arrived.

In August more landscaping was done in the park area.



"Horse and Bugzy Days"
Family Doctor



The park with some of Macklin in the background.



Old X-Ray Unit

Sister Marcella using the new X-ray machine. The patient is Mrs. Rita Bradwell.

The new 200 K A General Electric X-ray unit arrived and was installed in the room on the second floor of the hospital, in August, 1962.

After the 1964 renovations the X-ray unit was moved to the first floor into a new spasms room.





First Christmas Crb in St. Anthony's Convent. 1962.

On January 23, 1963 the sisters received an affirmative reply from the Town of Macklin and the surrounding rural municipalities regarding the building of a new Medical Clinic in the town of Macklin. Plans for renovation of St. Joseph's Hospital began in February, 1963 with Webster, Purvester, Scott and Associates, Saskatoon as Architect. The blueprints were reviewed by the sisters and the estimated cost submitted to the Department of Health for approval.

By October the renovation blueprints were completed and approved for tenders. The contract for \$80,000.00 was awarded to Renal Construction Ltd. from Saskatoon. Since the Department of Health, in Regina, had only approved \$30,000.00 for the renovations project it was necessary to re-submit the projected cost. A delegation from the St. Joseph's Hospital Board and members from the Town of Macklin and the Rural Municipalities met with officials of the Department of Health. Both the Federal and Provincial Departments of Health agreed to meet 2/3 of the renovations cost but since the cost was much higher another approval was required.



Christmas 1963 at St. Joseph's Hospital. Mrs. Mary Stang had birthday on December 23rd and attended Mass with the sisters on Christmas Day.

Mrs. Mary Stang-patient, her family with the sisters and Rev. J. Boser, O.M.I. in Mrs. Stang's room at the hospital.

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Renovations of St. Joseph's Hospital 1964

On January 2, 1964 the long awaited news from the Department of Health arrived, approving the increased cost estimate and increased shared grants of both Federal and Provincial Governments. By this time the cost estimate was raised to \$85,000.00 due to rising cost of building materials. Renal construction agreed to begin work by the end of January, 1964.

The St. Joseph's Hospital staff organized and planned the evacuation of the hospital. Special permission was obtained to set up an emergency hospital on the first floor of St. Anthony's Convent and the public areas of the ground floor. The first floor was set up for the ladies, maternity and nursery units. Beds from the hospital were moved into the rooms and the necessary equipment and service rooms set up.



First baby girl born in the emergency hospital on January 28, 1964 to Mr. and Mrs. Nadine Seidenkauf.



A patient's room in the emergency hospital, Sister Marie Therese, Sister Marcelle.

The parlor of St. Anthony's Convent was converted into an admissions office and information desk. The sister superior's office became the hospital business office.

The ground floor assembly room was transformed into a ward for male patients and the library became the children's ward.

During this time the sisters moved into alone quarters in the remaining ground floor of the convent and others moved into the employee residence.

On January 27, 1964 the construction crew moved into the vacated St. Joseph's Hospital.

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Mr. Rein Miller, left- Nebotek, Forester, Scott & Associates representative; Mr. Joe Remai- General Contractor of Remai Construction, Saskatoon.



Mr. Bert McPherson and assistant Electrical Contractor- Harris Electric Lloydminster.

Klear, Henry and Duayne Larson Gyprockers and Tapers.



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Mr. Robert Crosswell - Building Superintendent for Remai Construction Co.



Mr. Toghians and assistant Plumbing Contractor, Fairway Plumbing, Saskatoon.

Mr. Peter Fahr, right, and assistant. H.H. Reid construction - Mining contractor.



Mr. Orville Leach - Plasterer, Saskatoon.



The "Kem-Glo" Brothers - Western Decorators, Saskatoon.

Mr. Ken McClelland and M.J. Newman, Kindarsley, Government Telephone System.



Mr. Al Galowitz, right and assistant. Floor finishings, Regina.



Mr. Wood, right and assistant. General Electric X-ray Corp. Setting up of X-ray unit in new location.

Representative of Hudson Bay Co. Installation of rods and drapery.



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Local carpenters were employed and many other helpers were engaged by the various subcontractors.

In the Sisters' Diary we read:
"January 27, 1964. The long awaited day done and action is the order of the day as the construction-renovations crew move in." Down come walls and partitions as areas are prepared for a new look. The corridors are extended at both ends to provide a fire escape, giving the hallway that long distance effect.



Stage I. Hallways after removing partitions.



Stage II. Walls and ceilings covered again.

On March 23, 1964 the St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary presented a cheque of \$5,500.00 to the Sisters, to help furnish the new Children's Ward.



St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary present a cheque of \$5,500.00. Mrs. F.K. Helzian, President presenting cheque to Sister Clothilde Carney, Administrator, Mrs. Alex Hollman, Mrs. E. Neahlin, Mrs. Elsie Hillis, Sisters Marcelia and Agnes looking on.



The New Children's Ward





Furniture and equipment begin to arrive in April, and by the middle of May the clean-up crew was busy. There was some delay in construction because building materials did not arrive on schedule but everyone helped to complete the project.

May 14th the crew moved into the kitchen to give it the new look!

Sister Tecla Gartner- food supervisor of St. Joseph's Hospital examines new equipment in the kitchen after renovations.

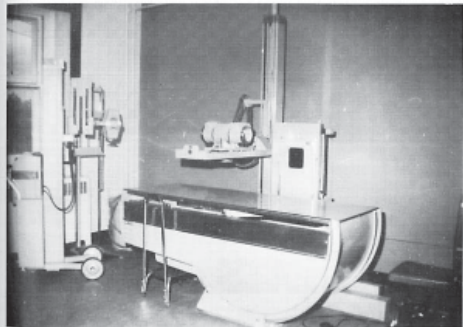


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While the kitchen is receiving the final touches, the sisters enjoy an outdoor supper.



The walls of the new location of the X-Ray unit are covered with 3/8 inches of lead by a specialist in the field and the new unit is moved to this location.



The X-Ray Unit

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The Ladies Auxiliary helped with the clean-up work and in setting up the new furniture. By the middle of June the newly renovated St. Joseph's Hospital was almost ready for the official opening.

In auction sale sponsored by the local unit of the Knights of Columbus netted \$1,100.00.

Mr. Ray Dismert from the American Hospital Supply Company demonstrated the use of the new Isolette for the nursery.

Mr. Ray Dismert demonstrates use of Isolette to Sister Marie Therese Balak.



Sisters Marcella and Marie Therese in new nursery. Isolette at right.

In 1964 St. Joseph's Hospital Staff sponsored a dance which cleared \$600.00 which they donated to the hospital to furnish a room.



Back row L. to R.: Mrs. D. Leibell, Mrs. E. Schlusser, Phyllis Rosein, Vera Fischer, John Klein, Mrs. J. Darling and Mrs. J. Stanga.
Front: Carolleen Ollenberger, Thekla Brust and Evelyn Sieben.

The operating and delivery room floor received a new covering of concrete tile.



Sister Dolores Hawk in the Operating Room after renovations.

Official Re-opening of St. Joseph's Hospital

June 17th we read in the diary:

"Preparations are being made for the big move from the emergency hospital in St. Anthony's Convent, to the newly renovated hospital."

June 20th fourteen adults and three newborns were transferred to the hospital before lunch. All were comfortably settled in their new surroundings for the noon meal. All staff members worked hard so that by evening all equipment and supplies needed for the night were available.



Sister Marcella and a patient
in the newly renovated St. Joseph's Hospital.

After St. Anthony's Convent had served as an emergency hospital for six months the sisters welcomed the volunteer help of the Hospital Ladies Auxiliary to clean the rooms and prepare for the Official Re-opening Day which was set for the 24th of June. The assembly room was prepared to serve tea and refreshments to the visitors.

In the chronicle we read:

"The St. Joseph's Hospital was completely renovated in 1964. During this time St. Anthony's Convent served as an emergency health center to accommodate the sick who came to the hospital. The Official Re-opening of the renovated hospital was held on June 24th. The St. Joseph's Hospital has a rated bed capacity of twenty-five."

A Mass of thanksgiving was celebrated in the morning. Since the town of Macklin had also completed the construction of the Medical Clinic, it was decided to have a joint celebration. The Official Opening of the Medical Centre took place at one o'clock in the afternoon on June 24th and the re-opening of the newly renovated St. Joseph's Hospital took place at two-thirty o'clock. A beautiful

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St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary serve tea and refreshments
in the Assembly Room of St. Anthony's Convent at the Official
Re-Opening Ceremony.

many day added to the joy of the celebration as some one thousand guests moved from the tent to the hospital grounds.

The program included an official welcome by Sister Clothilde Gartner, Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital as follows:

Mr. Chairman, Robert Wiesner; Reverend Father Provincial, Father Simon; Reverend Mother General, Sister Flurrianna; Reverend Fathers, Sisters, Honored Guests; Ladies and Gentlemen:

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you today to the official opening of the newly renovated St. Joseph's Hospital.

In particular I would like to extend a very special welcome to our guests who have come from some distance to be with us on this occasion.

I do not know whether you can call this an "official opening" but we have chosen to call it just that, because our hospital has undergone almost a complete interior renovation within the past five months. In order to facilitate the

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Sister Clothilde Gardner, Administrator.

our staff who had to work under very trying circumstances but who gave their services with a smile; to the architects who designed the changes that were to be made; to the general contractor and sub-contractors who worked so hard to make a new building out of an old one. They have done a good job and are to be congratulated. We feel that we have made many new friends because in spite of the many problems we had, we also had many occasions for a good laugh. I will take the liberty of quoting the foreman of the electrical work, Mr. Bert McVeyden who said, "It is a pleasure to work with you, and I think that we have all built a little bit of love into this project."

Before turning the microphone over to the chairman I will now introduce our special guests and will ask them to please stand up when their name is mentioned. Please do not applaud until all the guests have been introduced and then you may give them a hearty clap.

Mr. Robert Wisner
Rev. Joseph Simon, O.M.I.

Rev. Mother Florimane Kohlsan

renovation project, we set up temporary facilities to accommodate the patients in the Sisters' residence. We were, in other words, operating on sort of a disaster plan.

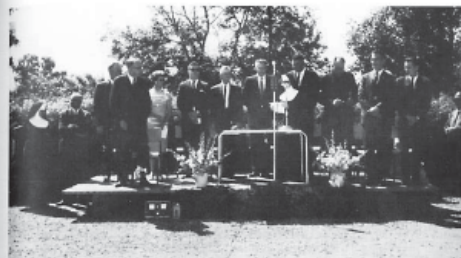
The cost of the renovation is approximately \$100,000.00. This includes the extras which had to be added during the construction program. With the additional furniture and equipment that was purchased, the total cost will run in the neighborhood of 135-140 thousand.

Unlike the construction of a new building, a renovation of this type brings with it many problems, not only in the planning stage but more so during the course of construction. It was a difficult task to be sure but we feel that it was worth while and we can now offer the sick of our community a more modern and better equipped hospital than they have had in the past.

I do not intend to make a long speech or do much explaining. You will have the opportunity to see for yourself what improvements have been made. However I wish to thank everyone concerned for the patience they had during the construction.

Special thanks go to the Sisters who, like St. Elizabeth, gave up their residence to accommodate the sick; to our Dr. (Dr. F.W. Eid) who has had to put up with many inconveniences during this time;

Chairman - Our Provincial of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate of St. Mary's Province
Superior General of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth



Introduction of special guests by Rev. Sister Clothilde, Administrator.

Rev. Peter Heiler, O.M.I.

Dr. Frederick L. Eid
Dr. Klaus Walsh
Mr. Pete Thomas
Mr. Percy E. Hunt

Mr. Royce Gill

Dr. Cliff McInnes
Miss Jeanette Wielotte

Mr. Rein Miller

Mr. Joe Rusak

Chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital

Our physician and surgeon

Our dentist

His Worship, Mayor of the town of Macklin
Acting Director, Division of Hospital Administration and Standards, Department of Public Health, Regina
Assistant Director, Saskatchewan Hospital Association

Our M.L.A. of the Wilkie Constituency
Nursing Consultant from the North-west Regional Hospital Council
Representative of the Architects, Webster, Porrett, Scott & Associates, Saskatoon
General Contractor of Bexal Construction Company, Saskatoon

Rev. Joseph Simon, O.M.I., Provincial of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate of St. Mary's Province, opened the rededication and ribbon cutting ceremonies at St. Joseph's Hospital by asking God to bless the Sisters, hospital staff, guests and visitors and rededicated this newly renovated building for the care of the sick.

The St. Joseph's Hospital constructed in 1927 and enlarged in 1928 was well constructed and modern in every way so that it was possible to renovate the building inside, while preserving the basic exterior appearance.

In May 1950 the Canadian Council on Hospital Accreditation made the following recommendation which prompted the Sisters of St. Elizabeth to seek assistance and plan the renovations program:

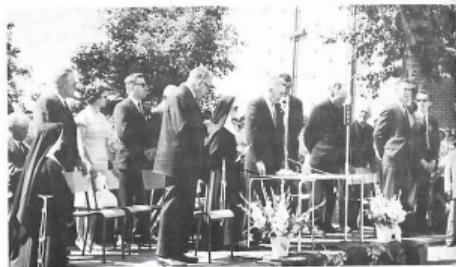
1. There should be more space provided in the following areas: Obstetrics, nurseries, laboratory, medical records department and in administration offices.



Mr. Robert Wieser at the microphone.

*This is
the day which
the Lord
hath made,
let us rejoice
and be glad
in it,*

Rev. Joseph Simon, O.M.I., invocation at official opening, with platform guests.



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Rev. Joseph Simon, O.M.I., blessing the newly renovated St. Joseph's Hospital.

2. There should be an emergency power unit or at least an automatic electrical current substitute in case of power failure.
3. The clinical laboratory should have more space and more equipment.
4. There should be more space for the sick children.
5. A bedpan sterilizer should be available.
6. Facilities for isolation of patients should be improved.

The Sisters therefore decided to vacate their living quarters in the Hospital and move into their own residence, St. Anthony's Convent. The Chapel and chaplain's suite in the hospital were also vacated since there was provision for a chapel and chaplain's suite in the new residence. This provided the necessary space for expansion of service areas without increasing the bed capacity of St. Joseph's Hospital.

In addition to the above recommendations of the Canadian Council on Hospital Accreditation the following service facilities were added in the renovations program: Oxygen and suction pipes were installed in all areas, the X-ray facilities were enlarged, a drug or pharmacy room was set up, an autopsy room was provided, the room for medical records and dictaphone services was expanded and removed from the admissions and administrative offices.

Mr. Percy Bunt representing the Hon. Dave Stewart, Minister of Health and the ribbon at the official opening of the renovated hospital. Mr. F.E. Bunt is acting director of hospital administration and standards with the department of Health, Regina, as guest speaker at these ceremonies. Mr. Bunt saw the hospital renovation as a continuation of the good work of the Sisters of St. Elizabeth, a very active order in hospital affairs of Saskatchewan, and he paid personal tribute to them in their work of healing the sick. He said that the achieving of accreditation is their reward for the years of efficient toil and asked the people of Macklin and district to look upon this act of accreditation as the symbol of the care they receive when they enter the hospital.

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Sisters of St. Elizabeth present at the official opening, 1964.

Mr. Percy E. Hunt, guest speaker at official re-opening ceremony at St. Joseph's Hospital

Mr. Percy E. Hunt - Acting Director, Division of Hospital Administration and Standards, Regina, notes the ribbon at the Official Opening on June 24, 1964.



Mr. Royce Gill - Assistant Director of Saskatchewan Hospital Association.



Mr. Rein Miller - Representative of Webster, Purpeter, Scott & Associates - Architects.

Miss Jeanette Wickert, Nursing Northwest Regional Hospital Council.



The 25-bed hospital was renovated and modernized at a cost of \$140,000 by the contractor, Remal Construction Co. of Saskatoon, with work commencing in January, 1964.

Greetings and best wishes were extended by the special guests. Mr. Royce Gill brought greetings from the Saskatchewan Hospital Association of which St. Joseph's Hospital is a member.

Dr. Cliff McIsaac, Member of Saskatchewan Legislative Assembly for the Milkie constituency in Macklin and district at the official opening ceremonies of the new medical dental clinic. Dr. McIsaac also spoke briefly at the opening of the newly renovated St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. Rein Miller addressed the assembly on behalf of the architects.



Dr. Cliff McInnes, M.L.A. for
Wilkie Constituency.

Mr. Joe Besal, General Contractor for Besal Construction, spoke on behalf of his company.

Miss Jeanette Wickett, Nursing Consultant for the Northwest Regional Hospital Council, North Battleford brought greetings from the Council.

The Northwest Herald reported in part:

"Aided by sunny skies and warm temperatures, residents of the town of Macklin turned out in numbers for the official opening of their new community medical dental clinic and the newly renovated and modernized St. Joseph's Hospital.

The ceremonies were held on Wednesday afternoon, June 24th. There was a definite air of celebration intermingled with pride of accomplishment as the Macklin people saw ribbons cut to formally open the doors to outstanding facilities they will in future years come to view the measurement of general health standards in their community.

Master of ceremonies for both programs was Mr. Bob Wisner who expressed words of welcome to the large crowd assembled in front of the new clinic at 1:30 and at the hospital at 2:30. Visitors were conducted to tours of both buildings during the afternoon.

Immediately after the rededication and opening ceremonies the guests and visitors were toured through the newly renovated St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mr. Joe Besal, General Contractor - Besal Construction, Saskatoon.



Showing part of the crowd present for the official opening of the newly renovated hospital on June 24, 1964.

St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, 1964.



Personnel and Activities



Sister Marie Therese and a nurse aid in one of the newly furnished rooms of the hospital.

Miss Thekla Hunt in the Admittance Office of St. Joseph's Hospital.



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The newly renovated parlor in St. Joseph's Hospital. Sister Marcelle, Director of Nursing and Sister Clothilde Administrator in the newly reconstructed Board Room at St. Joseph's Hospital.



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Delivery Room at St. Joseph's
after renovations.

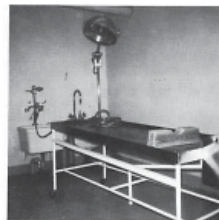


Sisters Marie Therese and
Celestine in the nursery.

Julia Gerling in the nursing station in the reconstructed and
relocated Children's Ward.



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Autopsy Room

Drug Dispensary.

Parlor on second floor in St. Joseph's Hospital.



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The Laboratory at St. Joseph's Hospital after the renovations.
1964.

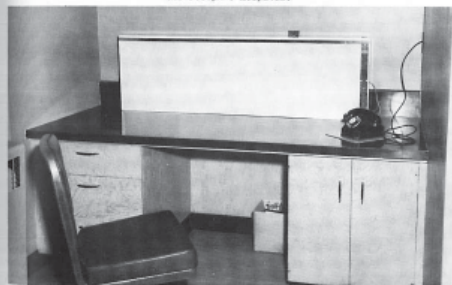


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Staff Dining Room

Radiologists' Office and X-Ray Viewing Service
St. Joseph's Hospital.



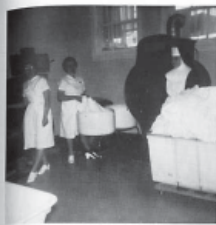
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Medical Records Room at St. Joseph's Hospital.

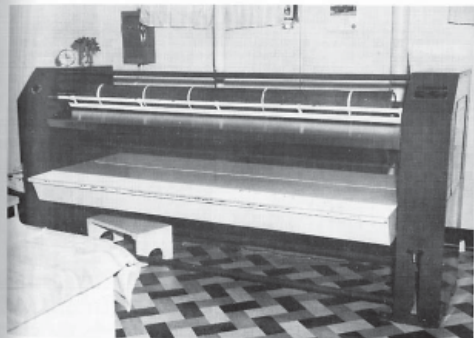


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Sister Monica Sperling and Staff in the Laundry at St. Joseph's Hospital. 1954.

Laundry Equipment.



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St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary serve tea in the Assembly Room at the convent.

After touring the hospital the guests and visitors went to St. Anthony's Convent Assembly Room where the St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary served tea and dainties.

In the evening a banquet was sponsored by the Hospital Ladies Auxiliary and various Ladies Church Organizations. Presentations were made by various groups after the banquet.

The Oblates Fathers donated \$1700.00.

Knights of Columbus District No. 5475 donated \$1100.00.

R.M. of Ryehill donated \$1000.00.

The following organizations furnished a russia Denisil Knights of Columbus, The Catholic Women's League of St. Mary's Parish, Macklin, The Royal Legion of Macklin.

Many other smaller gifts and donations were received.



Office at
St. Joseph's Hospital

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Sister Justine working at Medical
Records.



L. to R.: Sister Clothilde Gartner, Superior and Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital; Mrs. E. Macklin, Mrs. Elise Hillis, Sister Agnes, Mrs. Eva Hollman, Mrs. P.K. Reiman and Sister Marcella Haug.

The 1964 members of the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary presented two cheques to the Sisters of St. Elizabeth. One from the current funds in the amount of \$1,765.00 and the other from the Trust Fund in the amount of \$737.00. The money will be used towards furnishing the new pediatric wing in the newly renovated hospital.



Nursing Station in Pediatrics



Pediatric Ward.

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L. to R.: Mr. Ray Burwash, Mrs. Burwash, Sister Clothilde Gartner, Administrator; Sisters Dolores Hank and Agnes Schachtel.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Burwash, respective presidents of the Macklin Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion No. 252 and the Ladies Auxiliary to the Royal Canadian Legion present a cheque to Sister Clothilde Gartner, Superior and Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital for the furnishing of a ward in the recently renovated St. Joseph's Hospital.



Mrs. Marie Hawk with baby in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Soon after the official reopening day the hospital staff were happy to return to the normal schedules of service. The first baby born in the newly renovated St. Joseph's Hospital was a baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Marie Hawk of Cactus Lake, Sask., on July 3, 1964.

Bishop Francis J. Klein visited the hospital on July 3, 1964 and expressed regrets at not being able to be there for the official opening.

On August 6, 1964 a group of Senior Citizens from the Unity Union toured St. Joseph's Hospital. Among them was Mrs. Effie Larkins from Senlac who donated \$25.00 to purchase a new desk for the Administrator's Office.



Sister Marie Therese, Mrs. Connie Heffner and son, Sister Dolores Hank at St. Joseph's Hospital.

The New Year's Baby at St. Joseph's Hospital arrived on January 10, 1965, a baby boy, born to Mr. and Mrs. Connie Heffner.

Mrs. Connie Heffner and the New Year's Baby at home with the family.



and Mrs. Connie Heffner and baby son.





Mrs. Effie Larkins with Sisters Clothilde, Administrative; Marcella, Agnes and Wendeline.

Sister Agnes Schachtel, one of the sisters on staff at St. Joseph's Hospital, who has given about fifteen years of her life to caring for the sick in St. Joseph's Hospital, was honored by the sisters on her 61st birthday, January 20, 1955.

February 18, 1965, Sister Marianna Schmidt celebrated her Golden Jubilee of Religious Profession. Sister was one of the first two sisters who came to Macklin in 1922 to establish a hospital.

In April 1965 the first two Filipino Nurses were employed at St. Joseph's Hospital. They were Ann Jucon and Jean Abrera. In July three others joined the staff.

Birthday Party for Sister Agnes.



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Sister Marianna Schmidt, Golden Jubilee of Profession.

Pover failure - note coal oil lamp on the table.



Filipino Nurses on staff at St. Joseph's Hospital. Seated L.to R.: Jean Abrera, Virginia Daranco, Ana Jucon. Standing L.to R.: Teresa Sales and Mila Lopez.



St. Joseph's Hospital Centennial Float. "The Health Care Team".

The Canada Centennial and Saskatchewan Diamond Jubilee were celebrated on August 4, 1965. The St. Joseph's Hospital Float depicted "Team Work" as a necessary element in hospital health care.

Sister Teela the food supervisor of St. Joseph's Hospital receives her "Journeyman's" Certificate in Food Service from the Department of Labor.

Sister Teela Gartner-Food Supervisor.



St. Joseph's Hospital Kitchen Staff 1965. L.to R.: Sister Teela Gartner, Augustine Weiskauf, Sister, Kathy Gartner, Agnes Weiskauf, and Anne Gartner.



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Banquet in honor of Dr. F. Eid

October 29th, 1965 the Sisters of St. Elizabeth honored Dr. F. L. Eid for 40 years of faithful service at St. Joseph's Hospital. Some sixty guests shared a delicious banquet. Among the guests were Honorary Robinson representing His Excellency Bishop F. Klein, Premier Ross Thatcher, Dr. Cliff McNamee M.L.A. for the constituency, Robert Wisner, our pharmacist who was Master of Ceremonies for the evening. The sisters and staff composed and sang the following song to honor Dr. Eid at this occasion.

The sisters presented Dr. Eid with an engraved silver tray.

Dedicated to Dr. F. L. Eid

Commemorating 40 years of service as Physician & Surgeon of St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, Sask., the town of Shandin and surrounding districts, October 29, 1965

Tune of Bless This House

- Accept our thanks dear Lord we pray,
Which we offer on this day,
For a man so kind and true,
Very well known to me and you,
It is Doctor Eid to whom we sing,
A great big "Thank You" on this day,
We wish him health and many more days,
To help the sick in various ways.
- The doctor came in pleasant days,
When medicine was practiced in old-fashioned ways,
In days of sudden accidents too,
The medicines were weak, the remedies few,
So if surgery, obstetrics, medicine or pain,
He applied the remedies to all their pain,
For forty years he spent his days,
Helping the sick in various ways.
- He traveled much in days of yore,
On a motorcycle he came to the shore,
When the sisters called him for a case at night
It didn't take long to set things right,
In later years by automobile,
His calls were made with speed greater still,
His surgical skill he drew upon,
And most of his patients do wonderfully well.
- God bless the Eid dear Lord, we pray,
Keep him safe by night and day,
Bless his hands, his health, his
He did much for me and you,
I must love my happy day,
Keep him young though his hair are grey,
We trust him to keep looking gay,
God bless and bless him for many a year.

The Sisters and Staff of St. Joseph's Hospital,
Macklin, Sask.



Hospital Staff at Christmas 1965



Mrs. Passmore, special guest with the Sisters at Christmas, 1965.



Christmas Dinner, 1965.



Sisters view the beautifully decorated crib in the convent chapel, 1965

The Staff Christmas party in 1965 was the first Christmas away from home for the Filipino nurses. The hospital staff sang carols. The sisters invited the Filipino nurses and Mrs. Hattie Passmore to the Christmas Party.

The Christmas baby arrived on Christmas day, a son born to Mr. and Mrs. David Sieben of Salvador.

In January 1966 Sister Mary Celestine Volk was appointed Superior at St. Anthony's Convent. Sister served in this capacity for a period of three years.



Sister Floriana, Superior General at the head of table enjoys a meal with the sisters during her visit in January, 1966.



The sisters enjoy a meal together. Sister Celestine, Superior at head of table. 1966.



Sisters in the Park. 1966. Sisters Rose, Lazarine, Monica, Theda, Antonia and Celestine, Superior and Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital.



Sister Dolores Hawk, Joy Lopes, Luigi Castro and Sister Celestine, Staff at St. Joseph's Hospital, 1967.



Sisters and staff enjoy an outdoor meal. 1967.

In 1967 the Sisters of St. Elizabeth changed their style of garb. Sisters Donata Halbaiser and Martina Granlich and Mrs. Melztyre scold the new dresses.



Sisters Celestine Volk, Superior; Emma Klugechurg, a visitor, Sisters Dolores Hawk, Victoria Kosnig and Monica Sperling.



Sisters at St. Joseph's Hospital. 1967. L. to R. Sisters Dolores Hawk, Lazarine, Rose, Delphine, Celestine, Patricia, Victoria, and Monica.



Sisters and staff at entrance of St. Joseph's Hospital.



Sisters Lazarine and Scrophina at St. Anthony's Convent. 1967.

Sister Celestine, Superior presents a gift to the three seamstresses. L to R: Sister Donata Halbaiser, Mrs. Melztyre, Sister Martina Granlich, and Sister Celestine Volk.



Driveway to front entrance of hospital.

The driveway leading to the Hospital was appropriately decorated with an Archway at the entrance to the grounds of St. Joseph's Hospital. This was the Centennial project of the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary. The metal Archway was designed by Frank Millard and constructed and installed by Scandia Iron Works of Calgary Alberta on October 24, 1966 at the cost of \$440.00. Across the arch is the inscription:

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

In 1975 the driveway was reconstructed and the Archway moved into the grounds away from the entrance to the driveway to straddle the boulevard.

St. Joseph's Hospital with Archway in foreground.



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The Canada Centennial Cake decorated by Sister Teala Gartner, Food Supervisor at St. Joseph's Hospital. 1967.



Sister Adele Schell returned from St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, N.S., with her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. 1969.

Sister Maudie congratulates Sister Adele at right on her university graduation.



Sister Marcella Haag

In 1969 Sister Marcella Haag was appointed Superior and Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital. Sister had completed studies in Hospital Organization and management and received a certificate in Hospital Administration. Sister Marcella was the Superior at St. Anthony's Convent until 1975 when Sister Delores Wolfe was appointed to this position. As Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital, Sister Marcella continued her work until the summer of 1976 when she became co-ordinator of a Medical Clinic in Salvador, Bahia, Brazil in South America. Sister Delores Wolfe took over the Administrative duties at St. Joseph's Hospital at this time, a position she presently holds.

Sister Marcella helped to plan the landscaping and reconstruction of the boulevard and drive-way to the hospital in 1975.

On recognition night in 1969 the St. Joseph's Hospital Board honored all the employees and staff who had served five consecutive years at this time.

On June 27, 1975 the following were honored by St. Joseph's Hospital Board at a special recognition programme:

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Staff of St. Joseph's Hospital who have given five consecutive years of service. Back row L. to R. Sisters Monica Sperling, Marcella Haag-Administrator, Robus Falkenstein, Dr. Richard Johnsrude, Dr. Patrick Daly, John Klein, Sisters Lazarina Struh, and Dolores Mack.

Front Row L. to R.: Mrs. Rose Ryan, Mrs. Julia Garling, Mrs. Helen Schlosser, Euphie Sperling, Mrs. Julia Stang, Mrs. Katie Rissling. 1969.

Dr. R. Johnsrude presenting the awards, assisted by Sister Marcella, Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital. Mrs. Mary Stang receiving her award.



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Recognition Night 1975.



RECOGNITION NIGHT - June 27, 1975.

HONORED STAFF MEMBERS:
5 Years
 Falkenstein, Robus

15-20 Years
 Gardner, Sister Tecla
 Mack, Sister Dolores
 Klein, John
 Ryan, Rose
 Schell, Sister Adele
 Schlosser, Helen
 Schmidt, Joyce

20-25 Years
 Garling, Julia
 Boland, Bergetta
 Ollenberger, Carolla
 Sisaling, Katie
 Stang, Julia

5-10 Years:
 Reinhold, Philomena
 Stone, Bertram
 Stang, Mary
 Stang, Rosabell
 Stang, Victoria

Sister Adele, Director of Nursing at St. Joseph's Hospital celebrated her Silver Jubilee of religious profession on May 24th, 1975.

Sister Adele Schell, right, with Sister Marcella Haag, Administrator of St. Joseph's Hospital on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee of profession of Sister Adele.

PROGRAMME:
 PROGRAMME CHAIRMAN - Mareus Weinkauf
 O CANADA Inez Thomas
 ADDRESS OF WELCOME John Peser
 Mayor of Macklin.
 MUSICAL SELECTION--Macklin Alouettes
 REMARKS Sister Marcella Haag
 Chairman of Governing Board.
 GUEST SPEAKER Linda Clifford
 Liberal Candidate, Milkis
 PRESENTATION OF AWARDS
Dr. R. Johnsrude
Assisted by Sister Marcella.

MUSICAL SELECTION--Macklin Alouettes
 OOD SAVE THE QUEEN
 DANCE TO FOLLOWCountry Cousins
 Orchestra.
 FREE MIDNIGHT LUNCH.



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The St. Joseph's Hospital has a competent Medical, Nursing and Supportive staff. It enjoys full accreditation status and provides personalized care to the people it serves.

The Hospital Board has representation from the towns and municipalities of the area and meets monthly. A Public Relations Advisory Council open to the public meets twice yearly.



Public Relations Advisory Council dinner meeting with St. Joseph's Hospital Board November 1976. Head table, L.to R.: Sister Dalores Wolfe, Administrator; Alf Zosmer, guest speaker; Robert Couper, Chairman of Public Relations Advisory Council; Ron Harris, co-guest speaker; Jerome Leibel, Mayor of Macklin.

St. Joseph's Hospital Staff banquet.



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Christmas Grib in St. Anthony's Convent Chapel.



Bolanda Savilla carrying the Christ Child on a cushion. 1976.



Janella Savilla, accompanies Bolanda. Patient in background.

The 1976 Christmas Eve at the hospital was again celebrated with carols and the presentation of a gift to each patient. Bolanda and Janella Savilla dressed in long white gowns carried the Christ Child and the gifts to the patients.



Connor Snape, son of Dr. Snape and Dr. Leddy. Christmas 1976.



Staff Banquet. Christmas 1976. L.to R.: Rev. Frank Hermann, O.N.I., Chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital. Dr. Clive Snape on Medical Staff at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Staff Banquet. Christmas 1976.



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Pastoral Care at St. Joseph's Hospital

Rev. Francis Palm, O.M.I.

It is well known that the Congregation of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate were the guiding force in the establishment of St. Joseph's Colony. The Macklin District, as part of this Colony gratefully acknowledges the faithful and untiring services of the Oblate Fathers. One of their first priests was the Rev. Francis Palm, O.M.I., who came to the Macklin District in 1909. "A zealous and loyal servant in the vineyard of the Lord he, the good shepherd, laboured diligently during those first years of pioneer life and built a Church, but he is credited with yet another accomplishment and that is the Sisters' Hospital, which without doubt is the most significant institution of its kind (of sanitorial hospitals) in the colony."

"On June 30, 1909, Father Palm arrived in the western missions from Sault Ste. Marie. Father Palm, O.M.I., a new arrival at Prince Albert Diocese from Germany, accompanied Bishop Forster on his Confirmation visits and as such gained a rich knowledge of mission ways and thus was better able to adapt to it. The young priest was sent as assistant to Father Forster in his work. They divided the territory between them. Father Forster



Rev. Francis Palm, O.M.I.,
Pastor of Grosswerder, the
Leibel and St. Ulrich,
1909 - 1909.



A street at Macklin 1909 with first school on the hill at center.



St. Anthony's Church,
Grosswerder. This church
was built by Fr. P. Palm.



Dr. P.L. Eid on the grounds
of the newly constructed St.
Joseph's Hospital at Macklin,
1906.

Official opening of St. Joseph's Hospital, 1907.
Father Palm's dress, a reality!



took the mission stations in Alberta and Father Palm took the Saskatchewan parishes of Grosswerder, the Leibel (St. Henry) and Ulrich (St. Francis) parishes. On his arrival at Grosswerder Father Palm found a sod church but no living quarters for the priest. He therefore had to seek quarters at various farmers' houses and was thankful for any Christian kindness offered to him. For six months Father Palm lived the life of a beggar, going from house to house soliciting a meal and shelter.

In the meantime, the parish built a frame rectory and in December 1909, Father Palm had the pleasure of ending his wandering and moved into his own home. To this day, the new rectory is located on the same site that the old rectory was built."

As early as 1915, Rev. Francis Palm, O.M.I., approached the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Husboldt, Saskatchewan, and asked them to establish a Hospital in the wide open spaces of the prairie of Macklin. At this time the community of Sisters at Husboldt numbered thirteen members, all of whom had come from Klagenfurt, Austria. The Sisters were unable to accept the offer at this time; however, they did not forget and Rev. Francis Palm would not let them forget. After more Sisters came from Klagenfurt and several Canadian ladies had joined the Order, the Sisters accepted the challenge and came to Macklin in 1922.

Through the efforts of Father Francis Palm, a highly qualified physician and surgeon was persuaded to come to Macklin from Germany in 1904. He was Dr. P.L. Eid.

Unfortunately Father Palm's mission came to an untimely end as we read in the St. Joseph's Colony Chronicle:

"In the exercise of his vocation, he came to his end. Although he was ill, he could not bear to see his parishioners without Mass on the Feast of Christmas. After the last mass he immediately had to go to bed, which he was not to leave again. For twenty years,



Rev. F. Palm lying in state at Grosverder, Sask. 1909.

Rev. Francis Palm is carried to the parish cemetery at Grosverder in January, 1909. A large number of priests and faithful were present to pay their respects to their beloved pastor and friend.



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Funeral Services for Rev. F. Palm, O.M.I. at St. Anthony's Church Grosverder, Saskatchewan. January 1909.

People leaving the cemetery after Rev. F. Palm's funeral at Grosverder, Saskatchewan. January 1909.



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Father Palm managed Grossexorder parish for twenty years, he lived a single and solitary life on the prairie; for twenty years, he shouldered distress, sacrifice, renunciation. But with all the exigencies which, as to speak, were the daily ration of his existence, he was always satisfied, and never did anyone hear a word of complaint. He fulfilled the course of his life as a true Oblate, a conscientious member of the Order, a loyal shepherd and father of his sheep. Father Palm was the first priest of the new German-Polish St. Mary's Province, who passed on to eternity. When his earthly remains were carried to the grave, all the priests without exception of St. Joseph's Colony were present to pay their last respects. A large crowd of sorrowing people along with 14 priests were in the retinue to the cemetery at St. Anthony's Church in Grossexorder. Later his body was transferred to the Oblate cemetery at St. Charles in Battleford, Saskatchewan."

Rev. Francis Palm, O.M.I. died on January 2, 1929 at St. Joseph's Hospital. The Last Supper picture receded into the altar of the hospital chapel was a gift commemorating Father F. Palm, O.M.I.



Rev. Francis Palm, O.M.I. died on January 2, 1929 at St. Joseph's Hospital. The Last Supper picture receded in the altar in the hospital chapel commemorated Rev. F. Palm.

The first chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital was Rev. Wilhelm Brabender, O.M.I., 1922 - 1926. Of course the Chaplain was also the parish priest and in the early years each priest had several missions as seen from these clippings in the Macklin Times.

April 8, 1926: "There will be no services at the Catholic Church next Sunday, as Father Brabender will be at Rutland."

September 16, 1926: "Rev. Father Brabender now residing at Scott was receiving acquaintances in Macklin on Monday and Tuesday this week. Besides the town of Scott, Father Brabender has charge of Tramping Lake and Revenue parishes and states that he is kept continually busy looking after the spiritual duties for the large field which he covers in his newly acquired motor car."

The Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth at St. Joseph's Hospital leaned heavily on the support of the Chaplain in efforts to elicit support for the hospital and in obtaining funds for construction.

Father celebrated his 25th Anniversary of priesthood at Macklin in 1929. He served as chaplain from 1923 to 1926 and again from 1927 to 1931 some time after, he returned to Germany.



St. Mary's Catholic Church Macklin. 1916-1926.



In 1926 the basement church was built which served until 1946.



Rev. Wilhelm Brabender, O.M.I. First Chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, Sask.



Oblate Fathers with Bishop Joseph H. Prud'homme, K.C.M.G. Tag 1983 in Leipzig. Rev. F. Palm is at extreme left in back row.

Rev. John Schoenmayer, O.M.I. was chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital 1926-1927. He died in 1921.

From 1921-1932 Rev. J.F. Hubbard, D.M.I. was chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital and Pastor at St. Mary's Church. He was a very close friend of Dr. F. Eid. He died in 1976 at Bettlesford, Sask., where he had retired some years ago.



Rev. Wm. Erabender, O.M.I., chaplain 1927-28 and 1927-31; Rev. John Schoenmayer, D.M.I., chaplain 1926-27; and Rev. Joseph Schneider, O.M.I. Chaplain 1926-27. (picture taken 1930)



Rev. Joseph F. Hubbard, O.M.I. waiting for Dr. F. Eid in front of St. Joseph's Hospital. (taken 1921-22)



Rev. Joseph Boening, O.M.I. was Pastor and Chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital from 1932 to 1933. Father died at St. Ann's Home in Saskatoon in 1974.

Rev. John Fuchs, O.M.I. was Chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital from 1933 to 1935 and Pastor at St. Mary's. He died in 1949.

Rev. August Kim, O.M.I. was Chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital for a short period in 1935. He died at St. Joseph's Hospital that same year.

Rev. Francis Lutz, O.M.I. was Pastor at St. Mary's Church and Chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital from 1935 to 1936. During the final year of his life Fr. Lutz spent many months at St. Joseph's until his death in 1941.

St. Mary's Church Macklin Constructed in 1946-48.



Rev. Thomas Scherroh, O.M.I. Chaplain of St. Joseph's 1936-41 and 1944-50.

Rev. Thomas Scherroh, O.M.I. took over as Chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital in 1936. Besides his duties as chaplain and pastor, Father Scherroh gave lectures in psychology and ethics to the student nurses at the hospital until 1938 when the school of nursing closed. He continued his services as chaplain until 1941.

In 1941 he returned to Macklin for another term as chaplain and pastor. The new stone structure of St. Mary's Church was constructed under his direction from 1946-48. He continued his duties as chaplain until 1950.



Rev. Philip Funke,
O.M.I. was Chaplain
and Pastor from 1942
to 1948. He died in
1951.



Rev. Paul Hilland,
O.M.I. served as
Chaplain at St. Joseph's
Hospital and
pastor of St. Mary's
Church from 1941 to
1942. He died in
1954.

OUR LADY OF THE CAPE CRUSADE

AT MACKLIN

In 1949 the Oblate Fathers from
Cape de la Madeleine in Quebec toured
St. Joseph's Colony with a Statue of
Our Lady to promote devotion in the
Virgin Mary and to strengthen the faith
of the people after the years of de-
pression and the second world war.



Notre Dame du Cap

Our Lady of the Cape



Statue of Our Lady of the Cape on special altar inside the
Sanctuary of the new St. Mary's Church, Macklin. Rev. Thomas
Schmeroh, O.M.I. pastor, kneeling at communion rail. Priest from
Quebec blessing the faithful as right.



Our Lady of the Cape.
The Faithful in
prayer inside
St. Mary's Church,
Macklin, Sask.

Today in 1977 Rev. Thomas Schmeroh is serving as chaplain at St. Angela's
Convent, in Prelebe, Sask.

After Father Schmeroh left in 1950, Rev. Henry Kels, O.M.I. was chaplain
at St. Mary's Church from 1950 to 1955.

In 1950 a rectory was built beside the St. Mary's Church similar in structure
to the church.

At present Father Kels is semi-retired at the Oblate Parish of St. Joseph's
on Broadway and 8th Street in Saskatoon.

Dr. P.L. Eld at left with a group of
men. Rev. H. Kels in foreground.
One of the children, a patient at St.
Joseph's Hospital, seeing Fr. Kels
walking into the hospital resorted to
Father. "Die Schwester hat gesagt,
du hast ein spanische Kepp."

Rev. H. Kels celebrating Mass
in the St. Joseph's Hospital
Chapel.





Rev. Peter Bieler, O.M.I., chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital, 1955-1966.

After 1955 the Chaplains of St. Joseph's Hospital were no longer also members of St. Mary's Church. The first of these chaplains was Rev. Peter Bieler O.M.I. who served at the hospital for eleven years from 1955 to 1966.

In 1955 Father Bieler celebrated his golden jubilee of priesthood. The sisters provided a festive meal and gifts suitable for the occasion. A beautiful cake topped with a chain was decorated by Sister Fulcheria for this occasion.

On February 6, 1964 Father Bieler celebrated his 85th birthday. Present for the occasion was Rev. Joseph Schneider, O.M.I. A festive meal was shared by the clergy, sisters and staff of St. Joseph's Hospital.

In April 1966 the sisters celebrated the diamond jubilee of priesthood of Rev. Peter Bieler. The Most Reverend Francis Klein, Bishop of Saskatoon and Most Reverend John Bockenfuhr, O.M.I., Bishop of Kimberley, South Africa commemorated the Eucharist with Rev. Peter Bieler, O.M.I. as main celebrant.



Rev. Peter Bieler at Mass in the Hospital Chapel.



Rev. P. Bieler, O.M.I. in his dining room. The beautiful golden jubilee cake and gifts are displayed on the table.



Staff members recite verses and present gifts to Rev. P. Bieler on the occasion of his golden jubilee of priesthood.



L-to R: Sisters Clothilde, Seraphina and Florianne, Rev. Joseph Schneider, O.M.I., Rev. Peter Bieler, O.M.I. at the birthday banquet.



Procession at Mass led by Most Rev. John Bockenfuhr, O.M.I., Rev. Peter Bieler, O.M.I. followed by Most Rev. Francis Klein, Bishop of Saskatoon.



Diamond Jubilee of Rev. Peter Bieler, O.M.I. concelerated Mass in St. Anthony's Convent Chapel at Macklin. L-to-R: Rev. Tim Riffal, O.M.I., Most Rev. F. Klein, Bishop of Saskatoon; Rev. Peter Bieler, O.M.I., Most Rev. J. Bockenfuhr, O.M.I., Bishop of Kimberley; and Rev. F. Otterbasi, O.M.I.



Head table set for the festive meal of Rev. P. Bieler's 60th anniversary of priesthood.

Most Rev. John Bockenfuhr, O.M.I., Bishop of Kimberley addresses the assembly at the jubilee celebration.



Dr. F.L. Eid speaks at the diamond Jubilee of Rev. P. Bieler, O.M.I.



The table set for guests at 60th anniversary celebration of Rev. P. Bieler, O.M.I. 1966.

A banquet was served to the district clergy in St. Anthony's Assembly room on the occasion of Rev. Peter Bieler's sixtieth anniversary of priesthood. Bishop John Hockenfahr, O.M.I. of Kiberly, South Africa and Bishop Francis Klein of Saskatoon and Dr. F.L. Eid were among the guests for this celebration.



The Anniversary Cake for Rev. Peter Bieler, O.M.I.



The gifts presented to Rev. Peter Bieler, O.M.I. on his 60th anniversary of priesthood.

In 1956 Father Bieler retired to St. Ann's Home in Saskatoon where he celebrated the Eucharist with the sisters and guests for many years and ministered to the needs of the aged at the Home. He died at St. Ann's Home in 1973.



District clergy and guests at the 60th anniversary celebration of Rev. Peter Bieler, O.M.I. at Macklin. 1966.



Rev. P. Bieler expresses appreciation to the Bishops, staff and guests on his 60th anniversary. At left is Most Rev. F. Klein, Bishop of Saskatoon and at the right is Most Rev. John Hockenfahr, O.M.I., Bishop of Kiberly, South Africa.



L.to.R.: Sisters Monica, Celestine-Superior, Victoria, Dolores Hank, Rev. P. Bieler, O.M.I., Chaplain; Sisters Marie Therese, Antonia, Tecla, Clothilde and Laxarina.



L.to.R.: Sisters Celestine, Superior, Monica, Victoria, Dolores Hank, Laxarina, Clothilde, Florianne and Tecla. Rev. P. Bieler, O.M.I. seated.

Rev. Joseph Schneider, O.M.I. was chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, from 1946 to 1967. Father Schneider retired in Medicine Hat devoting his time to study and prayer.

Rev. Francis Herman, O.M.I. came to St. Joseph's Hospital as chaplain in 1967 and is presently serving in this capacity. He is also pastor of St. Donatus, Cosine.



Rev. Joseph Schneider
O.M.I. at St. Joseph's
Hospital, 1966-67.



Rev. Francis Hermann
O.M.I. at St. Joseph's
Hospital, 1967 to the
present day.



On the occasion of Rev. Peter
Bieler's 89th birthday, February
6, 1968. L to R: Sister Morig-
anna, Rev. J. Schneider and Rev.
P. Bieler.

From 1955 to 1977 the Pastors of St. Mary's were no longer also Chaplains at St. Joseph's Hospital. They do however substitute when the chaplain is away. During this period Rev. George Walliser, O.M.I., Rev. Tim Riffel, OMI, and Rev. Ben Hermann, O.M.I. were Pastors at St. Mary's. Rev. Ben Hermann is pastor at St. Mary's at present.



Rev. George Walliser, O.M.I.
Pastor at St. Mary's. 1955-67.



Luncheon at farewell to Rev. George Walliser
and a welcome to Rev. Tim Riffel in 1967.
Rev. Francis Hermann, Chaplain, is at the far
right with Rev. G. Walliser at his left and
Rev. T. Riffel on opposite side.



Rev. Timothy Riffel
O.M.I. pastor at
St. Mary's Church
1967-76.



Rev. Bernard Hermann
O.M.I. pastor at
St. Mary's Church
1976-

Bishop Francis Klein, Bishop of Saskatoon was loved by the people and was a friend to the Sisters of St. Elizabeth at Macklin. When Bishop Klein was appointed Bishop of Calgary in 1967 the faithful of the diocese gathered at Unity to bid farewell to their Bishop. The following excerpt from the Unity Herald tells the story:

"GOODBYE GATHERING HELD FAREWELL TO BISHOP FRANCIS J. KLEIN."

Roman Catholic parishioners from the western portion of the Diocese of Saskatoon assembled in Unity Friday of last week to bid farewell to Bishop Francis J. Klein. Bishop Klein is to be installed as Bishop of Calgary this week, after fifteen years as Bishop of the Diocese of Saskatoon. Members of the clergy from throughout the western part of the Diocese were also present for the occasion.

A Concelebrated High Mass took place in St. Peter's Church at 6:30 with fifteen priests assisting Bishop Klein. Also in attendance was a massed choir comprising the CMO Choir, St. Peter's Men's Choir and the School Choir. A banquet for the members of the clergy at 8:30 preceded Mass.

Approximately 350 clergy and lay people crowded St. Peter's Church basement for a special program afterwards. Master of ceremonies was Con Eochane who called on Dr. F. L. Kid of Macklin to make a presentation to the departing Bishop on behalf of the Kerrobert District of the diocese. Tony Mann of Unity presented a parting gift on behalf of the Trumpet Lake District, following which Bishop Klein expressed his appreciation and regret at leaving Saskatoon.

Rev. Father Dorn, O.M.I., of Saskatoon, Provincial of St. Mary's Province, also spoke to the gathering, on behalf of the clergy.

Entertainment during the program was provided by chorus selections by each of St. Peter's three choirs. At the conclusion, refreshments were served during which Bishop Klein received the personal regards of the parishioners.

Pictured L. to R.: Tony Mann of Unity and Dr. F.L. Kid of Macklin who made the official presentations; Bishop Klein and Father Wandler, O.M.I., St. Peter's parish priest, Unity. (Bishop Klein died in Calgary 1965).



Medical Services at St. Joseph's Hospital

FRANCIS BENJAMIN ELLIOTT, M.D., O.M. Born in Rayfair, Ontario, on October 15, 1866, a graduate of the McGill University in 1896, he practiced medicine in Glencoe and Napier, Ontario, before coming to Macklin, Saskatchewan in 1910. In May, 1910, he took up a homestead north of the town of Macklin. The following year, 1911, his wife and two children joined him. Their third child, a son, was born at Macklin.

Dr. F. B. Elliott practiced medicine at a time when hospitals and good roads were unknown. In 1914, he obtained his first automobile, a Model T. Prior to that time and even after that time in extreme weather conditions, he travelled with horses. The Macklin Times noted at the time of his death: "Should the weather turn extremely cold, the doctor would put on an extra suit of heavy underwear and answer the call, most of the time catching up on his sleep in a chair or couch in the kitchen or wherever they could put his up or shivering a few winks in the outer or backy."



Dr. Francis Benjamin Elliott



Dr. and Mrs. F.B. Elliott

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Dr. F.B. Elliott and family

Dr. Elliott's outstanding work during the 1918 flu epidemic is something he could justly be proud of, especially when we realize that he had no recourse to hospital or trained nurses. He read in the Macklin Times of October 20, 1918: "During the influenza epidemic which raged in 1918 - 1919, Dr. Elliott was the only practitioner on his feet for many miles around, and drove day and night, often without sleep, giving his skilled attention to flu patients. The low mortality rate in this area during that epidemic is sufficient evidence of the efforts put forth by the worthy doctor at that time."

His son, Frank, recalls: "My father was very proud of the record during the 'flu' epidemic of 1918 - 19. He was on the road most of the time and Mr. John Lawson drove his team or car. The telephone switchboard took calls and routed his trips to cover as many calls as possible. As noted in The Macklin Times, he often slept in the car, the cutter or in a patient's home. My brother lies tells me that he (Alan) slept near the phone when my father was at home, took calls with the name and illness, plus the location by section, township and range, heated 'Charles coal' for the footwarmer and saw that the buffalo coat and robes, and the medical grips were ready. My father was the Medical Health Officer for Macklin and also for The Hill Municipality. At the beginning of the flu epidemic, he and the town authorities enforced strict isolation measures. People coming off the trains were allowed only to the hotels and restaurants. Stores were closed and people phoned in their orders and picked them up outside the stores. All meetings, school classes, etc., were cancelled. My father has told me that there were no deaths from influenza during the epidemic over an area of about 10 - 20 miles in each direction from Macklin! (He knew the exact number of miles each way.)"



Dr. F.B. Elliott in buffalo coat, with friends.



Dr. Elliott loved horses and children. 1946.

This experience convinced Dr. Elliott that there was need in the district for a hospital and when the Sisters of St. Elizabeth arrived in 1922, Dr. Elliott gave whole-hearted support to the project.

"He took post-graduate studies at New York and Chicago realizing that the country doctor must keep pace with science and modern methods." He was Medical Health Officer from 1925 to 1947, devoting much of his spare time to the immunization programs in all the schools of the district.

In 1901 Dr. Elliott joined the Masonic Order and in 1905 a life membership was conferred on him. The fourth Meridian Old Timers Association honored him with a banquet on his 81st birthday in 1947. A large sterling silver tray

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Left: Alex, Jess, Francis, Mrs. Elliott and Dr. P.B. Elliott, 1930.

Frank notes: "My father never would keep books or accounts. My mother, Mary C. Elliott, sometimes with the help of Jess, ran the house and kept any books or records that were kept. She died on August 11, 1955 in Edmonton, Alberta, and is buried with my father in the Macklin cemetery."
 Jess graduated from the University of Manitoba. She taught school for a time. She married Mr. Arthur Fogarty of Valmeright. She died in Valmeright on February 21, 1961.

His son, George Alexander Elliott, graduated from the University of Manitoba, taught school, was Professor of Political Economy at the University of Alberta and later at the University of Toronto. Then for many years he was a member of the Tariff Board in Ottawa. He has written many articles and several books. He is now retired and he and his wife live in Kingston, Ontario. He was given an honorary doctor's degree from the University of Kingston.

His second son Frank is a "Clinical Professor of Medicine" on the University of Alberta staff and has an active practice in Internal Medicine. He is known as "Frank" there but was "Francis" in Macklin.

Dr. Frank Elliott serves St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, as Medical Consultant in cardiology.



Dr. and Mrs. P.B. Elliott with son Alex and Mrs. A. Elliott and Grandson.

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was presented to him with the following inscriptions:

Presented
 to
 Dr. F. B. Elliott
 on the occasion of his
 81st birthday
 October 15, 1947,
 in appreciation of
 the many years of
 faithful service, to the
 surrounding district by the
 Fourth Meridian
 Old Tiesers' Association
 Dr. Elliott died on March 29, 1949,
 at the grand old age of 82 years, 5
 months and 12 days, at 10:45 p.m. at his
 Macklin home. A "Grand Old Gentleman"
 had passed away.

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Dr. P.B. Elliott with family and friends. 1946.



Dr. P.B. Elliott on the Homestead.



Dr. P.B. Elliott with family at various times during his life at Macklin. 1944-46.



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FREDERICK LUDWIG EID, M.D., L.M.C.C.

"An unexpected upturn of events was when Dr. Fritz L. Eid arrived in Macklin from Speyer, Rheingfals, Germany. The young doctor had studied medicine in Erlangen, Bonn and graduated from Heidelberg. He served at the largest hospital in Mannheim, Germany and was, therefore, remarkably well prepared for Medical Practice. Frederick was born in Rosenheim, Bavaria, Germany, on November 4, 1896. After graduation from Heidelberg Medical School, he spent four years doing post-graduate work in surgery. During World War I, he served in the Bavarian Medical Corps.



Dr. F.L. Eid, Physician and Surgeon.
1924 - 1968.
"Zigaretten, Wein und Pretzel"

He came to Canada in 1924 at the request of Rev. Francis Pals, O.M.I., and after becoming acquainted with the Macklin district he went to New York to take a post-graduate course in surgery at Columbia University, New York, and to Montreal to obtain his Medical License for Canada.

In the St. Peter's Note of July 23, 1925, we read: "Dr. Eid, formerly a surgeon in the government hospital at Mannheim, Germany, has arrived in Macklin, Saskatchewan, Canada, after passing his Canadian examinations with splendid colors. He also followed a postgraduate course in the Columbia University at New York. The Medical Faculty of this famous University in their attesting certificate give him the praise of being a Physician and Surgeon of extraordinary capacity. These people seem what they say and nobody in Macklin can complain about being left without medical help." Dr. Eid travelled by train and arrived at the Railway Station at Macklin. In his photo diary he wrote below this picture: "The main and only railway station at Macklin".



C.P.R. Station. The sisters on the platform.



At the Macklin Lake in 1925-26 at "firing practice". Mr. Asmussen, Mr. Schramm, Miss Hara, Miss Stauss, Carmel, Doris, Mrs. Lee Hayward, Hiel, and Dr. Eid.



Dr. Eid and friends.
Not yet married.

After completing his studies and exams he returned to Macklin, and assisted in the planning of the St. Joseph's Hospital, the construction of which got underway in 1926.

On February 25, 1926 the local newspaper reported: "We have heard that Dr. F.L. Eid will leave Macklin in the middle of April for a short trip to Europe in order to inform himself about the latest advances in surgery in the large continental clinics and in order to make studies for the benefit of the construction of the planned new hospital in Macklin. Rev. Father Pals from Grosse-

verder will accompany Dr. Eid partly for the same purpose, as he will probably be in charge of the construction of the new building."

In 1906 he returned to Germany to fetch his bride, Johanna Maria Hollerbach whom he affectionately called "Hanne". They were married in Mannheim, Southern Germany, on June 29, 1906.



Leaving Mannheim on September 1906, after the wedding, so return to Canada.



Hoist in place. Construction of St. Joseph's Hospital in progress at right. 1906.

Dr. Eid returned to Canada on the Express of France in the Fall of 1906 accompanied by a group of Oblate Fathers.

His wife and Rev. F. Palm followed on the H.M.S. Minnedosa arriving in Macklin in December. A heavy storm at sea tossed the Minnedosa and Mrs. Eid relates that she was deathly sea-sick, and feared she would never get to Canada.



On the Express of France. The Oblate Fathers with Dr. Eid second at left.



On the Express of France L-to-R: Rev. H. Kalk, O.M.I., Rev. Joseph Hubbert, O.M.I., Dr. F.L. Eid, Rev. F. Bergmann, O.M.I., Rev. J. Schneider, O.M.I. Front: (unknown), Rev. J. Schmauser.



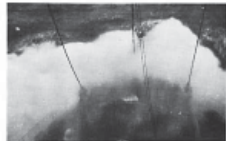
Leaving Mannheim with Rev. F. Palm, O.M.I.



On board the Minnedosa in heavy seas. Waves rock the ship.



X indicates the room in which Dr. Eid lived during his first years at Macklin. Mrs. Eid in foreground.



The Minnedosa at sea.

The doctor and his wife lived in an upstairs room in a wood-framed house in town until they were able to obtain a larger house of their own. After the new hospital was completed and the patients moved, Doctor Eid purchased the old hospital as his home. Mrs. Eid still lives there today. During the early years Mrs. Eid assisted with the care of the sick at the hospital and she has always been a

Mrs. Eid and Sister Theodora in the operating room.





The home of Dr. P.L. Eid and family in 1907. Mrs. Eid on doorstep.
Macklin.

faithful member of the St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary and a leader in the community.

Mrs. Eid recalls the early years when it was necessary to make house calls on the farms. Many babies were delivered at home. She would accompany the doctor on these trips often going with the horse and buggy or by sleigh. If possible, the mother was brought to the hospital for delivery but often the trip was too long and the baby was delivered in a farmhouse along the way.

In the winter time house calls in the country were made by sleigh. Mrs. Eid usually accompanied the doctor on his visits to assist in bringing the sick to the hospital or to deliver babies in the homes.

Dr. and Mrs. Eid with Mr. Mike Duesmer their driver.



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Dr. Eid in buffalo coat and a cap at head of horse. Mrs. Eid in the sleigh with the driver. The cottage hospital in background at right.



Macklin in the winter of 1906-07. The railway and the elevators in the background. Dr. Eid's first car in foreground a Chrysler Coupe.



Dr. P.L. Eid at right with friends on a riding or hunting expedition.



One of Dr. Eid's favorite sports was duck hunting.

A good shot!!!!



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Mrs. Eid in her riding suit.



Mrs. Eid on horseback.

In 1933, when Dr. Eid returned to Germany, he did not like what he saw in his horse country. Nazism was engulfing all of Germany in its brown waves. He returned to Macklin for good. He used his influence whenever possible to unmask and denounce Hitler and his followers, until history itself annihilated them.

Dr. Eid had a sense of loyalty and idealism and once he had pledged his loyalty to the pioneer locality of Macklin, he concentrated on steadfast service in bad times as well as in good. His extreme love of freedom, his rugged independence in thought and expression were recognized by all who knew him.

Dr. Eid saw medical practise rise from primitive pioneering to very sophisticated standards. The St. Joseph's Hospital is evidence of this progress.



Dr. Eid in front of St. Joseph's Hospital. 1930.



Hiel Hayward, druggist and Dr. Eid.



Showing the wide open spaces at Macklin. Dr. Eid, Mrs. Eid and their first car.



Mrs. Eid at center with the Macklin boys.

St. Joseph's Hospital. 1932.



The hospital is a tangible monument to Dr. Eid's initiative, energy and pioneering spirit. St. Joseph's Hospital became an accredited hospital long before any other hospital of its size in the Province. As early as 1938, this status was obtained and has been maintained through the years. This in large measure was due to the devoted and consistent efforts of the management and the services of the doctors, especially Dr. F.L. Eid.

During the depression years of the thirties, Doctor Eid maintained a high standard of medical practice and shared the lot and restraints of the people he served.

He was known to be a highly skilled surgeon by his profession as well as his patients.

In 1969, he was honored by the sisters and people for forty years of faithful service. At a banquet held in his honor he received an engraved silver tray and a song composed by the sisters and staff was sung by the choir.

His brilliance in medicine did not prevent him from reaching out to the wider horizons of art, literature, music, law, religion, and politics.

Dr. Eid took an active interest in the affairs of the community. He was a member of the Macklin Town Council and also served as mayor for one term. He served as Trustee of St. Mary's Church for many years and was the Church organist. At home he was a husband and father.



Father J. Hubbert and Dr. Eid, winter 1926-27. They remained life-long friends.



Dr. and Mrs. Eid at home.

Mrs. Eid and Margaret Eid, a sister to Dr. Eid.



Dr. and Mrs. Eid at Macklin Lake.



1926-27 winter at Macklin. Dr. and Mrs. Eid in a snow drift.



Dr. F.L. Eid.



Dr. and Mrs. Eid had three children; a daughter, Johanna, who died in infancy in 1927; Freddie, whose health was precarious, died at the age of twenty.

Johanna Eid. Died in infancy in 1929.



Freddie Eid taking a ride with Duke, Eid's Residence in the background.



Freddie Eid and his friends at home.

L. to R.: Thomas, Mrs. Johanna Eid and Freddie.



His second son, Thomas Cyril, was born in Marmein, Germany, on July 5, 1933. He graduated from the University of Toronto Medical College in 1956 and is presently a Urological Specialist in Sturton.



Sister Marianne Schmidt and Thomas Eid in the operating room, sending the doll.



Thomas Eid the young surgeon.



Thomas Eid at the car.



In the operating room, Thomas Eid.
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Interior of the Eid's residence.

Dr. Eid's mother visits at Macklin.

Freddie Eid receiving the blessing.
Our Lady of the Cape.



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Dr. F.L. Eid and Mrs. Eid on their
25th Wedding Anniversary,
1951, with their son, Thomas.



Dr. Eid received honorary membership in the Order of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate and honorary membership in the Saskatchewan Division of the Canadian Medical Association. He received the Papal Cross "Pro ecclesia et Pontifice" in 1967 for his outstanding contributions to the church.

The Meridian Booster reported:
"Dr. Eid Honored for 43 years of Service."

Close to 600 people gathered April 26th 1967 at the Macklin High School Auditorium to give honor to a local citizen, Dr. Frederick Eid. This was done in recognition of 43 years of unblemished medical service to the town of Macklin and the district and his outstanding civic contribution, in church and community.

Students of the elementary and high school participated in the festive program with songs of "Hot grasse Bush", the Oxyap Song, the Keel Row, Joshua fit the battle, Simon the Cellarer and the acrostic reading "Doctor Eid" was performed by Grades 1, 2 and 3. A skit entitled "You Don't Say" was done by Tommy Walsh and Alfred Wandler. Mrs. Adolph Stang addressed Mrs. Eid on behalf of the C.M.A. and together with Petra Walsh presented Mrs. Eid with a bouquet of red roses.

Master of ceremonies Dr. Ronald Gardner introduced Father G. Walliser, O.M.I., parish priest of Macklin, who gave the main address of the evening saying:

"As many of you are aware, this is a most memorable occasion because last week the Bishop of the Diocese of Saskatoon has seen fit to obtain from the Holy Father Pope Paul VI, certain honors for various people of the Diocese who have been outstanding in their contribution to the church in many fields of endeavor. There were 74 individuals thus honored and among them Dr. Eid is outstanding. He is the only one who was chosen from a rural area.

I am sure that most of us would like a word of explanation about this decoration. Papal decorations and honors are given to both men and women who merit public token of gratitude from the Pope for their services. The decoration is bestowed by a diploma issued by the Papal secretary of state. The best known decoration is the Papal Cross called "Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice" (For the church and the Pontiff). This decoration is conferred directly by the Pope himself. The origin goes back to Pope Leo XIII who instituted it in 1888. It is given to those who are outstanding in their devotion to the church and Papacy. The emblem is a gold cross with four fleur-de-lis between the arms of the cross; in the centre of the cross is a medal bearing the bust of Pope Leo on the one



PAPAL DECORATION

Dr. F.L. Eid receiving the Papal Decoration "Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice", Fr. G. Walliser, O.M.I., Parish Priest of Macklin. The Sisters of St. Joseph Hospital, Macklin, gave a special luncheon in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Eid preceding the evening festivities. Invited were the entire hospital staff, medical staff and parish priests of the surrounding district and Anglican and United Church Ministers and Mayor P. Thomas.

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side, and on the other, the tiara and the papal keys, with the inscription "Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice". The cross hangs from a red, white and yellow ribbon.

Dr. P. L. Eid is an well-known to this community that I need not say very much of his life story. He was born in 1896 in Bavaria, Germany, his father Ludwig Eid, a renowned educator and professor who was himself also the recipient of this same medal from the Pope. He was also knighted by the Pope as a Knight of St. Peter.

Dr. Eid studied medicine at Erlangen, Bonn and Heidelberg. He specialized in general surgery and came to Canada at the request of the Elisabethan Sisters and Father Paul, O.M.I., in October, 1904.

After 43 years of work in this community, I am certain that his labors in the field of medicine and health in this community were outstanding. His work, however, for the Church, religious Orders and Catholics of this area is less well known. His work in molding together a community, which had a mixed religious and cultural background is worthy of recognition.

I believe everyone is fully aware of the tremendous help Dr. and Mrs. Eid have been to St. Mary's Parish at Macklin. He not only befriended every parish priest who has had to work here, but has been ever ready with advice and encouragement and financial help. We are at a loss to express our appreciation. We are proud that one of our parishioners has been honored by the Holy Father. We are also honored and so is Macklin and so is the district. These honors are rare and because they are rare, they are the more valuable.

Dr. Eid then was presented with a small gift by Father Walliser on behalf of the community.

Dr. Frederick Ludwig Eid died on March 23, 1968, in an Edmonton Hospital at the age of 71, after several months of declining health.

The funeral services on March 27, 1968, were ample proof of his faithful service of some forty-four years. Since the church was too small, the Requiem Mass was celebrated in the school auditorium by Most Reverend James Mahoney, Bishop of Saskatoon; Rev. Leopold Engel, Oblate Provincial; and Rev. George Walliser, Pastor of St. Mary's, Macklin. The service was a manifestation of esteem and friendship. Besides the Bishop of Saskatoon there was a large delegation of clergy of various denominations, Sisters, representatives of the Provincial Government and an exceptionally large crowd of friends, many of whom had come from long distances to pay their last respects.

The Northwest Herald paid tribute to Dr. Eid as follows:

"FESTERED MACKLIN PHYSICIAN, DR. EID, LAID TO FINAL REST"

About 1,500 people were in attendance at the funeral of Doctor Frederick Ludwig Eid at Macklin on Wednesday, March 27th, 1968. The Requiem Mass was celebrated in the school auditorium jointly by Bishop James R. Mahoney of Saskatoon, Father Provincial of the Oblate Fathers, Leo Engel, and Father George Walliser, O.M.I., Parish Priest of Macklin.

Doctors came from as far away as Sarnia and Saint Paul in the east and Peace River in the northwest. Also there were about twenty members of the clergy,



Dr. and Mrs. P. L. Eid, 1960.

most of the Oblate Order, but others also and from various churches.

The youthful and recently consecrated Bishop of Saskatoon in his concluding exhortation for all to do as the doctor had done and use the gifts God has given us for His glory and mankind's benefit said: "Why am I here? Well, part of my job is to be a successor to Bishop Klein. And Bishop Klein loved this man."

The funeral ceremonies did ample justice so far as the faithful work of the doctor in the community for almost a half a century was concerned. More than half of those present were doubtless delivered into this world by him. And everyone else had something for which to be grateful to him as a doctor and surgical specialist. It was left for not a few to ponder also the out-reach of his friendship and of his tastes in music, art, literature and many other things that go to make a full and civilized life. For brilliant as he was in medicine, his horizons reached far beyond his profession. Responsible persons in fields of law, religion, politics, learning and the arts were glad to converse with him and would come far out of their way to reflect with him on many problems outside the medical field... then they added some notes on his personal life, medical education and the historical development of St. Joseph's Hospital, as described elsewhere in this book. The Herald then added:

"The development of this St. Joseph's Hospital was only keeping pace the pace of its surgeon, whose skill and training was an highly spoken of by his profession and by his patients who came to Macklin for special difficult operations from far and wide. Always keeping abreast with new findings in the medical field he was able to treat illnesses with modern standards and the rate of operation mortality in spite of depression, when cases were brought in too late and in spite of the then unknown modern drugs, was the lowest of the province of Saskatchewan. The services he had thus rendered during his lifetime are incalculable.

It is surprising that a professional man of his culture remained for nearly 42 years in Macklin, when many more lucrative and ambitious fields of labour were open to him at repeated times during his life. Those who were acquainted well with his inner life knew that this was due to his sense of loyalty and idealism. One he had transferred his loyalties to this pioneer country and this small locality in particular, he considered it his duty to remain steadfast, in good times and bad, to the locality and the hospital and to his numerous friends.

It was not without reason, that in his college days in Europe, he was called by the old name of "Maoerwaer". He doubt his extreme love of freedom, his rugged independence in thought and expression, was well known even then.

During World War I Dr. Eid served in the Bavarian Medical Corps.

He has been a member of the Macklin Town Council and served one term as Mayor. He has also been a church trustee for many years and he has served as church organist. A year ago he received the Papal Cross "Pro ecclesia et Pontifice" for his outstanding contributions to the Church in many fields of endeavor.

Surviving Dr. Eid are his wife Johanna Eid and his son, Dr. T.C. Eid, who is an urologist in Edmonton and is also on the teaching staff of the University of Alberta.

Fellowworkers were: W. Krabok, G. Amersongen, Dr. W. Amersongen, A. Prediger, Alex Weiskopf, Dr. R. Johnson, D. Elwood, G. Mitchell.

Honorary Pallbearers were: J. Kudsk, P. Fischer, E. Badrock, Dr. G. Schropp, Dr. H. Kueckertz, W. Weidenhammer, C. Johnson, N. Haysard, M. Amersongen, F. Thomas, S. Bradwell, J. Hansen, E. Stang, L. Ehsan, Dr. Aktou, L. Ryan, Leo Haier, Leo Sieben, Dr. A. Perl, Cyril Edwards, R. Gartner, H. Reschny, Dr. O'Sullivan, W. Stang, Dr. Cliff Melnick."



Grave of Dr. F.L. Eid at Nasikin.



Infant Johanna Eid.

His body was interred in the Lakerville Cemetery at Macklin beside his son, Freddie. His daughter Johanna is also buried here.



To perpetuate Dr. Eid's memory in the community for which he lived and where he labored so many years, a Dr. F.L. Eid Memorial Fund was created and duly incorporated to serve local charitable purposes as can be seen from this article in the Northwest Herald:

"There has been a spontaneous feeling amongst people of Macklin and District who would like to do something that would be a lasting memorial of the work that Dr. F. L. Eid has done in this community. It would also make them feel that his great work of healing and comforting the sick would not just cease to be . . . but that it would continue to be felt in their midst.

For this reason the Eid family has consented to have a Dr. Frederick Eid Memorial Fund set up.

The members of this committee in charge of the fund should include Mrs. Eid, Dr. Thomas Eid, the resident physicians, a member representing the hospital and another representing the town and district.

It is hoped that there will be a continuous effort over the years to which individuals and organizations may contribute. It is hoped also that any money realized in this way would be used at the discretion of the committee for the relief of suffering, the giving of comfort and medical assistance to the patients of St. Joseph's Hospital.

The following statistics were taken from the official records of St. Joseph's Hospital and show the services given to this community during the lifetime of Dr. Eid over the last 30 years, 1927 to 1957:

Patients 85,008; Hospital Days 375,669; Operations 16,289; Confinements 4,497; Deaths, 819; Examinations and Lab Examinations 284,375; X-Ray examinations 34,351.

On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin, Dr. F. L. Eid said in his speech among other things the following:

"What about looking forwards, what about the future. Here we needn't fear. The need for a hospital here is well and long proven. That we can supply and tend to these needs no further proof. Long ago we had here developed plans which constituted hospital insurance for residents in Ely Hill, Grass Lake, and Heart's Hill municipalities. These schemes were superseded by the present Hospital Insurance Plan of the Saskatchewan Government which if continued in its present form will assure the financial life of the institution and freedom from worry as regards hospitalization for the patient. Our standard is the highest attainable here. This we hope to be able to maintain. We shall try and go with the times and developments and to maintain an honourable and enviable record as we did in the past. For all this we need of course God's grace and blessing, your co-operation and help and understanding, courage and perseverance which are the essential virtues of all pioneers, and pioneering we did and shall continue to do so, although things should be easier from now on. But let me say a few words of philosophy to end. The care of the sick say to some extent be a task of the Government, but the duty of Christian Charity must be and is here the main theme of our life. Hospitals of course must run on sound economic lines. But this is just an economic requirement to be met. Above all and beyond it all is the Christian spirit of sacrifice and of dedication, of profession which means the call of one's life. Let us rededicate this institution to this spirit again. That this spirit in the face of ever mounting materialism, health insurance, State Interferences may not wilt and perish is my ardent prayer today. May God grant us physicians humility, vision, courage and skill to lift at least a part of the burden of suffering fellowmen and to the Sisters and Sisters the grace of true charity, kindness and understanding. And may we be able to say when our hour comes as it were for so many intimately connected with the history of our hospital "we have made use of the talents God gave us; we have done our best; we have fought the good fight and leave to those who succeed us a stepping stone from

which they may carry on works of charity in the best and highest tradition of nursing and medical care." May God Bless as He has in the past this institution in the future, may it last and grow and be a blessing and a help to all who seek its help and pass through its doors."



Mrs. Eid continues to live in their home at Macklin. This photo was taken in 1976. Mrs. Eid standing beside the sign which is still on the wall by the main entrance of their home at Macklin.

HISTORY OF MEDICAL SERVICES AT ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

When the sisters of St. Elizabeth arrived at Macklin in 1902 there were two doctors practicing in the area, Dr. P.B. Elliott and Dr. H. Chapin. Dr. Elliott came to Macklin in 1910 and served the people until his retirement in 1946. Not much is known about Dr. H. Chapin except that he worked with Drs. Elliott and Eid at Macklin until 1929. It is thought that he lived in New York.

Dr. F.L. Eid came to Macklin in 1928 and served the people until shortly before his death in 1968. His contribution is invaluable and is related earlier in this chronicle. The doctors of Provost, Alberta worked very closely with the doctors at Macklin, and from time to time doctors from Kerrobert, Whyte or Lussland shared responsibilities with the doctors at Macklin. This was especially true since Dr. F.L. Eid was a well-qualified surgeon and patients were referred to him for surgery. Among the doctors from the surrounding areas were: Dr. Igon Schwartz, Dr. W.G. York, Dr. G.W. Cope who rendered services during the earlier years.

Dr. Anthony F. Perl

Especially noted for his services to St. Joseph's Hospital is Dr. A.F. Perl of Burnia, Ontario. The following is an excerpt from his letter of December 28, 1976, written to the Sisters of St. Elizabeth:

"It was very pleasant to receive your inquiry of December 15th, addressed to my office. It stirred up all kinds of memories, and I became again keenly aware that I owe the Sisters of St. Elizabeth a debt of gratitude which I never will be able to pay off. In 1938 and 1939 I received shelter and food from the Sisters and with their kindness and truly Franciscan charity they helped me over the

most difficult period of my life here in Canada.

First of all to give you the dry facts: I stayed in St. Joseph's Hospital in Macklin from September 1938 to the end of that year, and then again from April until June 1939. At that time I acted as kind of an interne, and assisted Dr. Eid in his practices. In July 1940 I came to Provost, Alberta to practise there, and stayed until July 1947. During that time I frequently came to St. Joseph's Hospital to give Dr. Eid consultations in Internal Medicine, assisted at surgery, and acted as his locus tenens when he was absent. These are the facts - however, how I got to come to Macklin is a highly personal story which I am glad to relate to you as to witness the circumstices and surveillance ways of the Lord.

In March 1938 the Nazis annexed my native country - Austria - to the Greater German Reich. In my ancestry did not comply with their racial standards, I was fired from the hospital in which I was a resident, and my medical career was ended. At that time Cardinal Mundelein was Archbishop of Chicago, and was violently attacked in the Nazi press, as he spoke out against their racism. As I had no friends or relatives abroad, and as I could see the handwriting on the wall, I wrote to the cardinal, and asked him for his help, then I decided to write to all archbishops in the U.S., and for good measure I wrote also to all archbishops in Canada and Australia (I got the archbishops from an encyclopedia). I do not think that Mundelein ever got my letter, the Nazis looked after THAT, but politely negative answers filtered back to me from the U.S., Canada and Australia, until on May 9th I received a letter from Archbishop A. Sinscott of Winnipeg, a copy of which I enclose. Very shortly afterwards I received a similar positive letter from Archbishop Monahan of Regina. These were weeks of great fear and anxiety, and of many prayers especially to St. Konrad of Parhana. On June 29th we were all sitting dejectedly in the kitchen, rumours were circulating that all young undisciplined would be deported to Dachau, when the phone rang: it was the telegraph office "We have a wire for you from Winnipeg, Canada it says: 'EVERYTHING ARRANGED. COME. ARCHBISHOP EIDMAYN.'" It was the feast of St. Peter and Paul, and the entrance hymn of that day in the "old" liturgy read: "The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me."

I was admitted to Canada by Order in Council through the help of the then Minister of Mines and Bancourtesy, T.A. Grewar. I arrived in Winnipeg on St. John's Holiday, and shortly contacted the Registrar of the College of P&S of Manitoba regarding how to obtain a license to practise. Well, he thought that I was a real nice fellow, HOWEVER, he was afraid that I would be the spearhead of a flood of refugees, and whereas he just would love to let me write exams, he just could not create a precedence, and - now came the punchline: he did not know if the University of Vienna had an high a standard as the University of Manitoba!!!!!! And you, that was in 1938 when the center of medical science and education still was in Vienna. So - Archbishop Sinscott gave me \$50.00, and sent me on to Regina, to see Archbishop Monahan. While I stayed in the (nowadays defunct) Hospital of St. Joseph in Winnipeg, I met Father Jack Schemmer, a O.M.I., who told me about Macklin and Dr. F. Eid. In Regina my arrival coincided with the bishops' conference



Dr. Anthony F. Perl, M.D., FRCPC(C), MACP, FRCPC. 1938-1947 at Macklin and Provost.

and late in the evening, after their business was finished, I was called in. The foregathered prelates really did not know what to do with me, or for me, so I said rather diffidently "there is a Dr. Eid in Macklin..." whereupon the whole august gathering unanimously felt that it would be a wonderful idea to send me to Macklin. Abbott then wrote a letter to the Superior of St. Joseph's Hospital and the next morning I was off on the old Moose Jaw - Macklin train. I established in the pitchdark night through the ankle deep dust from the station to the hospital, slushing the Abbott's letter, and was kindly received and served-for by the Sisters; they put me up in a private room which I occupied as usual. I went to Edmonton to serve a short internship prior to writing Alberta Provincial examinations. - The rest was easy. Dr. Eid and I remained life-long friends; I had the opportunity to see Mrs. Eid in Edmonton last month, and enjoyed over so much to talk again to this wonderful, stout-hearted lady! When Dr. P.L. Eid died in 1968, Dr. Anthony Pearl wrote the following for the newspaper from Sarnia, Ontario:

"Dr. P.L. Eid - A Great Loss

Dr. Frederick Ludwig Eid of Macklin died on March 23 in an Edmonton hospital at the age of 71. He had been in poor health for several months.

The fast-birding member of "second-generation" pioneers who brought the West into the mainstream of Canadian life has lost in Dr. Eid a sharply-profiled representative. Proud, as his friends called him, came in 1928 from his native Germany to Saskatchewan to work with the Sisters of St. Elizabeth in a small cottage hospital in Macklin. Conditions were primitive, work plentiful, arduous and challenging. The young surgeon was soon to acquire "a thorough knowledge and understanding in the management and conduct of the English practice or medical practice carried in Canada, and of the ways, means, oddities and peculiarities pertaining to the medical practice in Canada," as his quaintly-worded contract stipulated. This temporary stint of practice upon which Dr. Eid thought himself engaged lengthened into well over forty years - through drought, dust storms, grasshoppers, crop failures and the Great Depression.

In 1935 Dr. Eid returned to Germany, and what he saw he did not like. The sewer of Nazis had overflowed and had engulfed all of Germany in its brown waves. He not only returned to Macklin to stay, he also returned to the German Consular-General with an appropriate letter, the honorary citizen diploma which the doctor had been bestowed by the Weimar Republic for his services to German-speaking communities in Saskatchewan. Ever since he used his not inconsiderable influence to unmask and denounce Hitler and his criminal gang until history blotted them out after twelve bloody years.

The Sisters of St. Elizabeth replaced the original cottage hospital with a substantial brick building - St. Joseph's Hospital. Mainly through Dr. Eid's unceasing efforts that hospital received accreditation by the American College of Surgeons long before any other hospital in Western Canada. Hospital and its location centre, were thus recognized. St. Joseph's Hospital was later enlarged and in one of the tangible monuments to Dr. Eid's initiative, energy and pioneering spirit.

Dr. Eid very much assisted by his precious wife, maintained a fine home which was for many years a gathering point for his numerous friends; it was an oasis in the then culturally rather bleak expanses of rural Saskatchewan. Fine meals and many a lively and heated argument ranging over varied topics were enjoyed and often climaxed or brought down to earth by one of the doctor's witty remarks. Especially the priests of the Oblate Order found always the Eid's home open to them; yet Dr. Eid had long ago anticipated the spirit of ecumenism and counted many a Protestant minister among his most intimate friends. He had the rare gift of attracting people and of making them into true and lasting friends. He made the words of the Gospel, "I was a stranger and you made me welcome!" very much his own - so which say and to the least of the writer of these lines, bear

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with me.

Although he cloaked his innately shy nature in gruffness, I am sure he enjoyed the many honors that came his way; above all the Papal order "Pro ecclesia et pontifice", honorary membership in the Saskatchewan Division of the CMA, honorary membership in the Oblate Order of Mary Immaculate, Mayor of the Town of Macklin, etc.

Dr. Eid was predeceased by an infant daughter and a son who lived in very precarious health to the age of twenty. He leaves his widow and one son, Dr. T.C. Eid, a urologist in Edmonton, to whom go our deepest sympathies.

Dr. Eid's funeral was a manifestation of the esteem and friendship by which he was held. The Bishop of Saskatoon officiated in the presence of a delegation of clergy of various religious denominations, religious sisters, representatives from the provincial government, and an exceptionally large crowd of friends, many of whom came a long distance to pay their last respects; the local Catholic Church proved to be too small and the ceremony was held in the school auditorium, filled to capacity.

To perpetuate Dr. Eid's memory in the community, for and in which he had laboured so long, a Dr. P. L. Eid Memorial Fund has been created and will shortly be duly incorporated to serve local charitable purposes.

No more fitting an epitaph could be given to Dr. Eid than the Horatian words which he, a man of profound classical education, liked to cite in the original Greek: "A physician who means so much to so many." (Ilia II, 518).

- A.P. PERL, M.D.,

Sarnia, Ontario, 1968.

Another Provost doctor who frequently assisted with surgery at St. Joseph's Hospital is Dr. Wm. C. Aston. Dr. Aston recalls that the trip to Macklin, especially in the winter of 1948, was something one would not readily forget. The roads were very poor, however, he would manage to drive from Provost to the Saskatchewan border where he was met by a sleigh and team of horses which took him the rest of the way to Macklin. Dr. P.L. Eid would also go to Provost to perform or assist with surgery. Sometimes he made the trip with a ski-plane.

Dr. Wm. Aston is on the active staff of St. Joseph's Hospital at present along with his three colleagues-Doctors John Hattink, Ronald Gersmehl and J. Kennedy. As Doctor Richard Johnson states, there has been a continuing close association between the Provost and Macklin Medical Staffs, with regular joint staff meetings and assisting one another when necessary.



Dr. Wm. C. Aston.

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Dr. M. Woloshow worked with Dr. P. Eid in 1947 - 1948. L.to R.: Dr. M. Woloshow, Sister Dolores Hank and Mrs. Woloshow, taken at Macklin in 1966.



Dr. Hugo Schlagintweit, Physician and Surgeon. 1961.

A large number of doctors worked with Dr. P.L. Eid for short periods as loan tenets, for experience or to relieve Dr. P. Eid on vacations. A few doctors worked with Dr. Eid for several years in varying capacities.

Among these were Dr. M. Woloshow who came to Macklin in 1947. At present he is living in Vancouver, B.C.

Dr. Hugo Schlagintweit, Physician and Surgeon writes: "I had indeed come to Macklin in June 1951, straight from Germany where I had graduated in Medicine at Heidelberg in December 1947. I stayed with Dr. P.L. Eid and helped him in his practice in the summer and fall 1951 until I went to the Micaeroida Hospital in Edmonton to do my internship which was required before I could write the Licentiate of Medical Council of Canada examinations which I did in May 1952. After this I started my own practice in Goodsville. Naturally I regarded Macklin virtually as my home in a New Country and went back frequently to visit and also had Dr. P.L. Eid come to Goodsville to do Surgery, (and to shoot ducks).

Thomas C. Eid, F.R.C.S.(c) Urologist. Dr. Thomas Eid, son of Dr. P. L. Eid writes:

"I graduated from the University of Toronto (after spending a year at the University of Saskatchewan) in 1956. Interned at St. Michael's in Toronto 1956-57, and then came to practice with my father at Macklin in the Summer, 1957. I spent one year there, 1957 to 58 as a practicing physician before going back for post-graduate work to complete my specialty which is Urology.

I did one more home to Macklin and worked with dad for short periods of time off and on over the next five years. I worked with my father as an associate. At that time my qualifications were M.B., L.M.C.C. In 1963 I received my Fellowship in the Royal College of Surgeons, (F.R.C.S.).

My present position is an appointment on the active medical and teaching staff in the Urology Division of the University Hospital in Edmonton."

Dr. Thomas Eid is presently on the active consultant staff at St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin as specialist in Urology.

Dr. Jerome Schropp During the years that Dr. Jerome Schropp was practicing at St. Michael's from 1946-1961, Dr. P.L. Eid travelled to Dahnorth to perform or assist at Surgery. At other times, Dr. Jerome Schropp, brought his patients to St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin for surgery.

Dr. Harold Burkhardt served as Loan and then as full time assistant to Dr. P.L. Eid at Macklin from July 1955 to July 1957. Dr. H. Burkhardt writes: "Prior to coming to Macklin I had trained for three years in Hospitals in Germany and Canada. I must confess I quickly fell in love with Macklin and was only too pleased when Dr. Eid invited me to become his assistant. My wife and I spent two very happy years in Macklin and we both have retained a very fond spot in our hearts for the town and the hospital. Dr. Eid was a superb Surgeon and Teacher and I profited greatly from my association with him both in learn and in medical and surgical levels. Coming from Regina I was greatly impressed by the standard of Surgical and Medical Care evident in Macklin at the time and by the modernity and the excellency of the Hospital. Had it not been for the fact that my wife was a qualified Physician as well, and there did not seem to be enough work in Macklin for three Physicians at that time, we might still be there now.

We will certainly be happy to attend the celebrations for the golden jubilee of St. Joseph's Hospital. Both my wife and I send you our best wishes and regards."

Dr. R. Johnson, who was the local pharmacist at this time recalls that the Doctors Burkhardt were at Macklin in the early fifties and worked with Dr. Eid. "This Association was an excellent one, and the health care given by this group to this area is widely recognized."

Dr. J. O'Sullivan joined the Medical Staff at the St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin in 1959 and worked with Dr. P. Eid until 1962. Dr. O'Sullivan is presently practicing in Belle Fourche, South Dakota, U.S.A.

Dr. R. Leighton Pate, who presently is a Thoracic-Cardiovascular Surgeon with the Scottsdale Surgical Associates in Arizona, writes: "Your letter reminding me of the delightful experience that I and my family had in Saskatchewan in 1966 was very pleasant indeed. I am pleased to hear that you are preparing a golden jubilee book of St. Joseph's Hospital.

My family and I traveled to Macklin for the month of June and July in 1966 where I performed a loan tenet for Dr. Eid. At that time I had just completed my general rotating Internship at the University of Alberta Hospital. The loan at Macklin was my first experience and my sole experience in practice of family medicine.



Dr. Jerome Schropp Dahnorth, Sask. 1942-61.



Dr. Harold Burkhardt. 1955-1957.



Dr. J. O'Sullivan. 1959-1962.



H. Leighton Fish, M.D.,
F.A.C.S.

The months that we experienced there with the people of Macklin, with the personnel and sisters at St. Joseph's Hospital and particularly with Dr. Egid was a memorable experience for all of us indeed. I was saddened a few years ago by the passing of Dr. Egid who I am sure rendered inestimable services to your community and I am sure will be highlighted in your historical chronicle.

Following my experience there in Macklin I returned to the University of Alberta where I carried out three years of research in surgery related to organ transplantation. I then carried out five years of postgraduate training at the University of Alberta Hospital specializing in cardiovascular and thoracic surgery. I practiced cardiac, vascular and thoracic surgery at the University of Alberta Hospital for nearly three years before my move one year ago here to Scottsdale, Arizona.



L.to.R.: Sisters Monica,
Antonia, Dolores, Victoria,
Dr. H.L. Fish and daughter,
Sisters Marie Therese,
Lazarine and Deola.

L.to.R.: Sisters Lazarine,
Dolores Huse, Dr. H.L. Fish,
Sisters Victoria, Antonia,
Monica.

Front: Sisters Deola and
Marie Therese with Dr. Fish's
daughter.

Dr. Egid, M.D., F.R.C.S.(c)



Richard Johnsrude came to Macklin as a young married man with an infant son, in 1954, having bought the drugstore from Axel Hayward, and as local pharmacist joined the health team of St. Joseph's Hospital. Dr. Johnsrude comments "Dr. P. Egid was the only doctor here in that year and as you know, was very widely known and revered in the whole northeast corner of the province. The hospital at this time was very active surgically because of Dr. P. Egid. He was at this time one of the last of the itinerant surgeons, travelling to various places, often by airplane to do surgery. These points were often points where doctors, who had practiced here with him, had established their own practice.

The point I remember most vividly is Ouborth. The doctor there at that time was Dr. Jerry Schroppe." (another point was Goodwill).

In 1958, Richard Johnsrude sold the pharmacy to Robert Wieser, moved to Vancouver and entered Medical School in 1961 at the University of British Columbia where he graduated in 1965. Dr. Johnsrude writes: "At this time I elected to return to Macklin to practise with Dr. P. Egid. Not only had we become very good friends during the time when I was pharmacist here, but I also respected him greatly as a man and a doctor.

I returned to Macklin in August 1966, and have practiced here during these past eleven years. There have been many doctors coming rather temporarily here with me, since Dr. P. Egid died in the spring of 1968. We continue to have a close association with the doctors at Provost. We have regular joint staff meetings, and have particularly in the past helped one another when requested.

The sustaining institution through all this has been St. Joseph's Hospital. The level of medical care has always been high, and with the present staff of Dr. M. Leedy and Clive Snape, our four colleagues at Provost, Drs. Mm. Acton, J. Hnatuk, H. Gornabe, and J. Kennedy, Dr. Klaus Walch, the dentist, and myself, it is felt that this tradition of medical care will be maintained."

Dr. Richard Johnsrude was appointed chief of staff in 1970.

Among the many doctors associated with St. Joseph's Hospital since 1966 were:

Dr. Patrick Daly, a distinguished doctor and surgeon, who practiced at St. Joseph's Hospital from 1969 to 1971, when he retired. Dr. R. Johnsrude says of him "With his wife Sully, he became quickly, a very respected physician both in St. Joseph's Hospital and in the community. He died in 1975, fondly remembered by everyone in the health field here." He was appointed chief of staff at St. Joseph's Hospital in 1969.



Richard L. Johnsrude, B.A., L.F.P., M.D.
Physician and Surgeon.



Dr. Patrick Daly.



Dr. Charles Smart-Abbey.

Dr. Charles Smart-Abbey was accepted on the medical staff at St. Joseph's in February 1972. He stayed for only a short time.

Dr. R. Johnsrude comments: "Dr. Charles Smart-Abbey was an enthusiastic, well-trained young man who felt a small town a little too confining and elected to practice in Calgary where he is presently giving sterling service."

Dr. Martin Hunt joined the medical staff at St. Joseph's in 1974, and stayed for almost two years. He decided to return to England and is presently practicing there.

Dr. Andrew Paul Haines practiced medicine at St. Joseph's Hospital as a Locum during the summer of 1974. He was one of a large number of doctors who practiced for short periods as Locum Tenens at St. Joseph's Hospital.



Dr. Andrew Paul Haines.



Dr. Martin S. Hunt.

Dr. K. Ledy and her husband Dr. Clive Snape joined the St. Joseph's Hospital staff in 1975, and are in group practice with Dr. R. Johnsrude. Dr. Johnsrude observed that both of these doctors are "exceptionally well trained, conscientious and talented young doctors." They are settling at Macklin, raising a family and are active in the local community.

Dr. K. Ledy was born in Sheffield, England. She took her premedical studies at Trinity College, at the Dublin University graduating with a B.A. in 1971. She took her medical education at the same University graduating with a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, Bachelor of the Art of Obstetrics in June 1973. She interned at the Royal City of Dublin from 1973 to 1974 and practiced at

1963-64-Croose, Sask. for one year before coming to St. Joseph's Hospital at Macklin.

Dr. Clive Snape was born in Lancashire, England. Received his B.A. from Trinity College, Dublin in 1967. He also took his medical education at this university graduating with a Bachelor of Medicine, a Bachelor of Surgery and a Bachelor of the Art of Obstetrics in 1970. He took his internship at the Royal City of Dublin in 1972 and his Fellowship for Internal Medicine from January 1973 to June 1974. He practiced medicine for short periods at Itasca-Croose, Imperial and Montmartre, Sask. before coming to St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin. (see page 21 for pictures).

PHOTOGRAPHS



In the early years Dr. Pat Wilkinmon was the only dentist at Macklin. This picture shows Dr. Pat with his friends at Macklin.

L. to R. Niel Hayward, Fred Foster, Dr. Pat Wilkinmon, dentist; Mr. Meredith and Archie Swastie.

Dr. Klaus Walsh is presently the only practicing dentist at Macklin where he opened his office in 1954. Dr. Johnsrude comments that Dr. Klaus Walsh has been "a most formidable, and valuable member of the health team at Macklin. He has not only been an exceptional dentist and dental Surgeon, but is also one of the most conscientious and progressive citizens of Macklin. His gift of time and talents cannot be measured and we may never fully appreciate his contribution to health care and the civic community here."

Dr. Klaus Walsh studied at the University of Cologne, West Germany and received his license to practice dentistry in 1950. He received his Degree in Dental Medicine in 1958. In 1958 he came to Canada, studied one year at the University of Montreal to obtain his Canadian license. He came to Macklin in 1964 and was given privileges to perform oral surgery and extractions at St. Joseph's Hospital. In 1964 he moved his office into the new Medical-dental clinic at Macklin.

The Northwest Herald reported: The New Medical-Dental Community Clinic

"A special program to mark the official opening of the newly-restored St. Joseph's Hospital will be held on Wednesday of this week, June 24th. Also included in the program will be the official opening of the new Medical-dental clinic recently completed in Macklin.

The general public has been invited to attend the special program which includes ribbon cutting ceremonies at the clinic at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon and at the hospital at 2:30 p.m.



Dr. Klaus Walsh, practicing dentist at Macklin for many years, spoke briefly at the ribbon cutting ceremonies which marked the official opening of Macklin's new Community Medical-Dental Clinic held immediately prior to the opening ceremonies of St. Joseph's Hospital on June 28. Dr. Walsh, who will operate the dental clinic, has installed three complete units featuring the very latest in ultra-modern dental equipment.

The Macklin Community Medical-Dental Clinic has been erected on main street in Macklin through the efforts of the town of Macklin and the R.W.S. of Eye Hill, Heart's Hill and Senae to maintain a standard of medical and dental services for the town and area. Building of the clinic was contracted to the Wolfe Construction of Keroberst and Harsh Satisfield at a cost of approximately \$15,000. However, with equipment and furnishings total value of clinic would likely surpass the \$200,000 mark. The clinic measures 40 feet by 45 feet and has a total of 3,600 square feet of floor space. A total of 21 rooms are contained in the two-story building.

storey clinic which also includes medical offices for Dr. F.L. Eid and examining and diagnosis rooms as well as space for medical records and a general main office area.

Besides containing offices of Dr. F.L. Eid, Macklin's resident physician for many years, are offices and dental clinic of Dr. Klaus Walsh who has expanded his facilities to meet the ever-growing demand by adding new and modern equipment. Also contained in the building will be the public health offices and optometrist quarters for D.A. McKillop, Optometrist.

Up until 1964 the medical clinic for the staff of St. Joseph's Hospital was within the hospital itself. In 1965-66 when St. Joseph's Hospital was re-zoned the town of Macklin and surrounding municipalities agreed to build a medical-dental clinic in the town of Macklin. Presently Doctors Richard Johnsrude, M. Luddy, and Clive Snape share the medical clinic and Dr. Klaus Walsh operates the dental clinic.



Dr. F.L. Eid cut the ribbon at the official opening of the Medical-Dental Clinic at Macklin, June 28, 1964, and spoke briefly to the assembled community.



Waiting Room at the Macklin Community Medical-Dental Clinic.



Mr. Cliff McInnes member of the Saskatchewan Legislature - Ullie Compton address the crowd at the official opening of the Medical-Dental Clinic.



One of the Dental Units in the Macklin Community Medical-Dental Clinic.



Doctor's Office at the Macklin Community Medical-Dental Clinic.

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PHARMACISTS

A necessary segment of the health team is pharmacy services. The first druggist at Macklin was Mr. Jack Burford who operated a drug store there in 1922.

Mr. Niel Hayward, opened his drug store at Macklin in 1925. He was a close friend of Dr. F.L. Eid and served the community until 1958 when he took over the operation of the Hotel.

Mr. Richard Johnsrude bought the drugstore from Niel Hayward in 1957 and as local pharmacist joined the health team until 1958 when he sold the drug store to Robert Wisner.

Mr. Robert Wisner joined the health team in 1958 when he bought the pharmacy from Richard Johnsrude. He gave seventeen years of valuable service to the town of Macklin, St. Joseph's Hospital and the surrounding community. He retired in 1975.

Mr. Greg J. Wisner started work in his father's drug store in 1974 and bought it when his father retired in 1975. He is presently the local pharmacist on the health team at Macklin and is giving excellent service.



Mr. Niel Hayward, druggist, 1925-1953.



Mr. Niel Hayward and Dr. Eid.



Mr. Robert Wisner, Pharmacist, chairman at the official opening of the Macklin Community Medical-Dental Clinic, June 24, 1964.

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St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary and Volunteers

In the Constitution of the Auxiliary to St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin we read:

"Purpose: The purpose of this voluntary Auxiliary group shall be to assist the hospital, in every possible way, in the interests of the best patient care. This purpose shall be accomplished under the direction of the hospital administration, by interpretation of the hospital to the public, by service to the hospital and its patients and by fund-raising in a manner satisfactory to administration and in harmony with the planning of the community."

The Macklin Hospital Ladies Aid was first organized in 1906 with Mrs. Mitchell as President. Charter members were Mrs. E.B. Mitchell, Mrs. Dave Scott, Mrs. Lloyd O'Horsman and Mrs. H. Zibonsden. The Aid was re-organized in October, 1937. Ten ladies attended this meeting. Mr. Frank Beattie, Beave of Eyehill R.M. chaired the meeting. Officers elected were Mrs. E.L. Jones, President; Mrs. H. Hayward, Vice-president; Mrs. S.B. Carver, Secretary; Mrs. A.B. Smart, Treasurer. It was decided to hold meetings once a month at the homes of members or at the hospital. Membership was to be 25¢ per year with a sanitary levy of 10¢ for tea. Records from this meeting in 1937 to the present, 1977, are kept by our 2nd Vice-President who acts as archivist, keeping the records up to date. Ten meetings are now held each year, taking July and August as holidays. The December meeting is a "fun" meeting at which we have a special program, complete with trees and exchange of gifts. The Sisters provide the lunch for this meeting and it is always a bountiful one. At this meeting we give the Sisters a personal gift.

Fee structure has changed. In 1960 the fees were raised to 35¢ per year with a 25¢ tea levy. In 1970, the tea levy was discontinued in favor of a \$2.00 per year membership, which has remained unchanged to date.



1977-78 Executive of the St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary.
Mrs. C. Schlosser, President; Mrs. H. Vollman, Past President; Mrs. Mary Hansen, Vice-President; Mrs. Margaret Stang, Secretary; Mrs. M. Colson, Treasurer.



Back row l. to r.: Mrs. C. Schlosser, President; Mrs. H. Vollman, Mrs. F. Hillis, Mrs. M. DeGustein, Mrs. M. Colson.

Front row Mrs. Mary Hansen, Mrs. Margaret Stang, Mrs. M.R. Macklin. 1977.

In 1948 the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary re-organized and launched a drive for Associate Membership which was successful. This was done to enlist interest from and give wider representation on the auxiliary from the surrounding villages and rural areas.

The St. Joseph's Hospital Aid, Macklin, became affiliated with the Saskatchewan Hospital Aid Association in 1948, and received a 25-year certificate in 1967. The name of the organization was changed to St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary when the Provincial Association changed to Saskatchewan Hospital Auxiliary Association. (S.H.A.A.).





St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Aid. 1947.
 Front row L.to.R.: Mrs. J. Brown, Miss F. Blair, Mrs. Blair, Mrs. J. Schrock,
 Mrs. P. Klomod, Mrs. Handonick.
 Back row L.to.R.: Mrs. F.X. Rehanan, Mrs. E. Thompson, Mrs. P.L.
 Aid, Mrs. H.U. Ryan, Mrs. Gerling, Gale Thompson, Mrs. Joy
 Henderson, Mrs. Eva Hollman, Mrs. J. through.



Standing L.to.R.: Mrs. F.X. Rehanan,
 President; Mrs. E.B. Mitchell,
 Mrs. Magel, Mrs. Dousetta, Mrs. Joy
 Henderson, Mrs. F.L. Aid, Mrs. Joe
 Reinbolt, Mrs. E. Hillis, Mrs. John
 Rechner, Mrs. Andy Rehanan, Sister
 Seraphina Furtscheller.
 Seated L.to.R.: Mrs. Mike Volk, Mrs.
 Fina Stangovits, Mrs. Joe Gerling,
 Mrs. Joe Schultz. 1954.



L.to.R.: Mrs. Margaret Magel, Mrs.
 E. Mitchell, Mrs. F.X. Rehanan, Mrs.
 U.P. Weakin, Mrs. Leo Gartner,
 Sister Seraphina Furtscheller;
 Seated: Mrs. Joe Reinbolt, Mrs.
 Dousetta, Mrs. John Rechner.
 Front: Mrs. Eva Hollman, and Mrs.
 Dad Hollman. 1955.



First Meeting of District #1 held
 at Lloydminster June 1955.



Lloydminster June 1955.

The Province is divided into Dis-
 tricts. Macklin belongs to District #1.
 At least two members attend the District
 meetings and the Provincial Conventions,
 if at all possible. Three of our members
 attended the first Meeting of District
 #1 held in Lloydminster in 1955 and
 every meeting has been attended since
 then.

L.to.R.: Mrs. Frank Stang, Mrs. Clara Gigg,
 Mrs. Mary Macklin, Mrs. Leo Stang, Mrs.
 Martha Conly, Mrs. Angela Stangovits, Mrs.
 F.X. Rehanan, Mrs. Klis Hillis, Maria
 Matter, Mrs. Leo Gartner, Mrs. John Buch-
 ner, Mrs. Joe Reinbolt.
 Front row: Mrs. Andy Rehanan and child,
 Mrs. Gladys Crieb and child, Mrs. Eva
 Hollman, Mrs. Hurkman. 1957.



St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary 1956.
 L.to.R.: Mrs. E. Mitchell, Mrs. Eva Hollman, Mrs. Klis Hillis,
 Mrs. Jatsloff, Mrs. Joy Henderson, Mrs. John Rechner, Mrs.
 Clipperton, Mrs. Hurkman, Mrs. M. Conly, Sister Seraphina
 Furtscheller; Superior: Mrs. Johanna Aid,
 Seated: Mrs. M. Handl.



The Hospital Ladies Auxiliary representatives attend meetings of the "Parks and Recreation" and "Donor's Choice." They entertain at the Nursing Home as well as giving donations to the Home. Floats have been provided in the local parades.



"Medicare in Home and Suggy Days"
Float 1962.



St. Joseph's Hospital Float 1965.
"Teamwork in Health Care." This float received second prize.



"Teamwork in Health Care".
Canada Centennial and Saskatchewan
Diamond Jubilee Float. 1965.



Float.



Sister Dolores Hawk and Sister Celestine Volk with a group of
St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary. 1967.

Old Timers Float and Activities at Macklin.



Parade and Floats at Macklin.





Archway at entrance to driveway,
St. Joseph's Hospital, Macklin,
1966.



Archway moved to new
location on driveway 1975

The Archway at the St. Joseph's Hospital Grounds was a Centennial Project, of the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary. This metal Archway was designed by Mr. Frank Willard and constructed and installed by Soudia Iron Works of Calgary, Alberta on October 24, 1966 at the cost of \$40,000. Across the Arch are the letters "St. Joseph's Hospital."

In 1975 when the driveway was changed it was moved away from the entrance to straddle the boulevard.

The Auxiliary also sponsor the Candy Strippers.

The "Candy Strippers" were started in 1965-66. The Auxiliary supply the uniforms. These were at first pink and white striped aprons and caps, but at the request of the girls, they were changed to red and white striped "bibs" worn with white slacks. In June the auxiliary usually have a social for the Candy Strippers and their parents, at which time the girls receive their certifications. The first-year girls receive a pin as well as their certificate, the second-year girls get a souvenir spoon and certificate, the third-year get a "Madagascar Lily" cup and rosette and a certificate, the fourth-year receive a piece of jewelry and certificate.

The Auxiliary are proud to say that several girls have received the fourth year awards. The socials may take the form of a barbeque at a cabin at the Macklin Lake, or a gathering at the Auditorium of St. Anthony's Convent, the hospital sisters' residence. The Auxiliary also provide the girls with tickets to the current series of "Overture Concerts."

Through the years the activities have included social evenings, dances, teas and bake sales, auctions for auction sales, raffle sales, card parties, and a Walk-a-thon. The Walk-a-thon was very successful, a total of over \$2000.00 was realized. Most of our members "walked", those who didn't walk, took jobs in patrolling or served soup and sandwiches to the participants at the end of seven mile walk. Hospital Day was always the

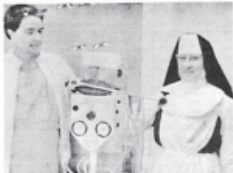
big event. In former years, it was held on the Hospital grounds on the Sunday closest to May 12. There was a bazaar, bake sale, raffle, raffle for the kiddies, and tea was served. For several years now this has not been done but rather a Tea with silver collection and a guided tour of the Hospital is conducted instead. Associated membership cards are sold each year for \$1.00 each. Direct appeals to the public for donations have been held only twice. Once for the "Elevator Fund" and again in 1960 for "Meals on wheels thermal tray cart" for the hospital. The Elevator Fund started in 1937 with a drive for donations of wheat. Even at \$12 per bushel, the members raised \$24.25 that year. Our final donation of \$1174.23 in the Elevator Fund was made in 1951.

The St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary worked very hard during the years when St. Anthony's Convent was built and St. Joseph's Hospital renovated. For this purpose the auxiliary donated two cheques in 1964. One from current funds for a total of \$2,765.00 and another from the Trust Fund in the amount of \$777.00 for a total of \$3,500.00 to be used to furnish the newly renovated children's ward.

Ladies Auxiliary presenting the cheques 1964.

L-608: Sister Clothilde Gariner, Administrator; Mrs. E. Meakin, Treasurer; Mrs. Elsie Hillis, Sister Ignus Schachtel; Mrs. Eva Hollman, Secretary; Mrs. Mary Nelson, President; Sister Marcela Haas, Director of Nursing.





St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary present a cheque of \$600.00 to purchase this new respirator. Mrs. E. Hillis, President of Auxiliary and Sister Celestine Volk, Superior.

The St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary act as a liaison between the Hospital Administration and the Public. A representative of the Auxiliary is a member of the Public Relations Advisory Council.

PRAYER FOR HOSPITAL AUXILIARIES

Almighty God and Heavenly Father of Mankind, bless we pray these our various endeavors in the respective hospitals in which we strive to bring comfort and hope to all who are in pain or distress of mind or body.

Guide us so that we may use the privilege given us to help the aged, the ill and the very young with generosity, with gentleness.

Give us the strength to labour diligently, the courage to think and to speak with clarity and conviction but without prejudice or pride.

Grant us we beseech thee, both wisdom and humility in directing our united efforts to do for others only as Thou would have us do. AMEN.

Since 1927 the following have served at various times as officers of St. Joseph's Hospital Ladies Auxiliary:

PAST PRESIDENTS:

Mrs. E.S. Mitchell was the first President in 1926. There are no records available after that until 1937. From 1937 until 1977 the following served as Presidents:

Mrs. A. Jones - 1937-40; Mrs. W.E. Thompson - 1941-49; Mrs. Eva Hollman - 1950; Mrs. Joy Henderson - 1951-53; Mrs. F.F. Nelson - 1954-55; Mrs. E. Hillis - 1956; Mrs. E. Mitchell - 1957-58; Mrs. E. Hillis - 1959; Mrs. W.F. Meakin - 1960-63; Mrs. F.K. Nelson - 1964-65; Mrs. E. Hillis - 1966-67; Mrs. Marie Dagenstein - 1968; Mrs. H. Colson - 1969-70; Mrs. W.F. Meakin - 1971-72; Mrs. I. Hillis - 1973-74; Mrs. P. Vollman - 1975-76; Mrs. M. Schlosser - 1977.

SECRETARIES OF THE AUXILIARY:

It is not known who was secretary during the early years. From 1927 to 1977 the following served as secretaries, some of whom had several terms:

Mrs. S. Carver, Mrs. A. Jones, Mrs. E. Fair, Jean Elliott, Mrs. F.K. Nelson, Mrs. P. Elwood, Mrs. Eva Hollman, Mrs. Vera York, Mrs. W.F. Meakin, Mrs. P. Stang, Mrs. E. Hillis, Mrs. Leo Gardner, Mrs. J. Henderson, Mrs. J. Degenstein, Mrs. J. Schosheiter, Mrs. J. Sieben, Mrs. H. Reschly, and Mrs. M. Stang, who is secretary for 1977.

TREASURERS OF THE HOSPITAL LADIES AUXILIARY from 1927 to 1977, many of whom served several years and repeated terms:

Mrs. A. Smart, Mrs. E. Mitchell, Mrs. P.L. Bid, Mrs. J. Brough, Mrs. H. Hardcastle, Mrs. W.P. Meakin, Mrs. C. Giggis, Mrs. Eva Hollman, Mrs. Leo Gardner, Mrs. M. Schlosser, Mrs. F.F. Nelson, Mrs. W. Trotter, and Mrs. H. Colson, who is treasurer of the Auxiliary for 1977.



Back row L.toR.: Mrs. W.E. Thompson, Mrs. V. Henderson, Edith (McCallum) Pratt, Mrs. W.E. Kilpatrick, Mrs. M. Storey, Mrs. L. Wagar, Mrs. Geo. O'Gorman, Mrs. D.W. Scott, Mrs. Catherine Haag, Mrs. Joe Gerling, Mrs. B.S. Proctor and Joan, Mrs. Stang. Kneeling: Mrs. John Eubank, Jean Elliott, Mrs. A. Mitchell, Mrs. H. Rescher - kneeling. 1940.

DONATIONS AND MAJOR PURCHASES FOR THE HOSPITAL

During the years, the Auxiliary has donated many things to the Hospital. In the earlier years, blankets, vaporizer, air-conditioners, hot-water bags, ice packs, and baby beds were donated, to mention only some items.

1940	— An obstetrical bed was purchased for	\$ 275.00
1942	— An incubator	251.17
1943	— mattress and springs	175.20
1944	— curtain rods from metal fabricators	177.80
1945	— metal equipment and two Fowler beds	375.62
	— installation of curtains around beds	38.75
1946	— four Fowler beds	230.90
1947	— mattresses and exercise bars	177.85
1948	— two over-bed tables	140.00
	— mattress and exercise bar and chairs, plus the rental for a phone in nurses' residence	200.00
1949	— bed lights and mattresses	107.81
	— three over-bed tables and mattress	250.00
1950	— installation of a refrigerator for patients' use	200.00
	— Fowler bed	97.18
1951	— two geriatric lamps	331.08
	— commode chairs	55.24
	— Total donation of Elevator Fund	127.23
1952	— 25th Anniversary of Hospital, cash donation	250.00
	— kitchen, foot stools, and over-bed tables	150.00
	— electric clock	8.19
1953	— installation of a men's bathroom	1102.00
	— bed table	87.00
1954	— bed-side tables	344.24
	— balance on men's bathroom	90.00
	— chairs	88.00
1955	— refrigerator	257.34
	— foot stools	125.00
	— bed table	138.00
	— clocks plus installation	52.81
1956	— bed tables	184.69
	— mattresses	213.87
	— emergency lamp	52.00
1957	— group tent	102.00
	— bed-side sofas	54.00

1958	— installation of canteen	100.00
	— Walk-in Refrigerator	795.00
	— Electrocardiograph	841.00
1959-60	— suction pump	310.00
	— five duplex bed tables	394.41
1960	— district-wide canvass for "Meals on Wheels thermal tray cart"	2300.00
1961, 62, 63	— no major donations	
1964	— renovation and furnishings of children's ward	3500.00
1965	— children's ward furnishings	1200.00
1966	— metal Archway at gate to hospital grounds and the installation of gates	440.00
1967	— respirator	607.10
1968	— balance on Derivations	500.00
1969	— three TV's and four radios	834.38
1970	— Air Conditioner units	1016.82
1971	— bed for children's ward	293.47
1973	— metric scales	139.74
	— pillow cases	57.45
	— donation to Nursing Home	200.00
1975	— renovations to children's ward	946.00
	— doors for children's ward	806.87
	— wall plaques	74.05
1976	— two TV's	209.90
	— toy box and toys	119.81
	— donation to Nursing Home	100.00

NOTE: The pillow cases bought in 1973 were a special Christmas gift. They were all hand-decorated by members of the Auxiliary. The wall plaques are a series of small plaques hung horizontally by bars. On each plaque is engraved a major donation made to the hospital by the auxiliary for a period of from five to ten years. The plaque hangs in the entrance hall of the hospital. The Auxiliary hope to continue to add plaques in years to come. The St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary act as a liaison between the Hospital administration and the Public. A representative of the Auxiliary is a member of the St. Joseph's Hospital Public Relations Advisory Board.

Volunteers Candy Stripers

St. Joseph's Hospital Women's Auxiliary at Macklin, Sdsk. organized a Candy Striper volunteer program in 1966. We were amazed at the response from the teenagers in this community who were ready and willing to assist as volunteer workers at the hospital after school hours. Macklin community is proud to have such a project in our hospital. Sister Stephana Polak, R.N., was in charge of these young girls and since 1969 Sister Adele Schall, R.N. has been in charge of these generous young girls. Mrs. Mary Colson and Mrs. Nellie Gerling also helped Sister Adele. At first the girls wore aprons made of white and red striped material and in 1972 the volunteers started wearing pink-and-white pants and red and white-striped tops. Thank-you to all those who have done Volunteer work.



Candy Stripers with Instructors.

Candy Stripers 1966-67

Bonnie Schmidt	Eleanore Burvash
Judy Thomas	Sharon Ellis
Mary Eikel	Maribel Gerling
Hilma Kine	Betsy Kine
Fauline Weinkauff	Aloysia Gartner

Candy Stripers 1968-69

Peggy Kine	Fauline Weinkauff
Barbara Segenstein	Elaine Eilkey
Sanna Gartner	Phyllis Vollman
Betty Kidley	Marlene Dostel
Lillian Ollenberger	Pat. Reschry
	Cecilia Stang

Irene Ritz
Theresa Gallingner
Pat. Bahish
Marilyn Dawson
Verry Stephens
Ernesta Emsch

Clara Stang
Charlotte Johmets
Lorraine Stang
Valerie Wachter
Bertilla Gartner



Candy Stripers 1969-70.

Left to right: Beverly Ollenberger, Patricia Bahish, Irene Ritz, Yvonne Scherger, Lucel Bohleider, Phyllis Vollman, Betty Sieben, Vandy Dawson, Georgina Gartner.
Missing were Valerie Wachter, and Sandra Stephens.

Candy Stripers 1970-71



Back row L. to R.: Kathleen Gartner, Marion Reichert, Marie Leibel, Marlene Colson, Marilyn Gartner, Sister Adele, Nicola Walch, Mrs. Nellie Gerling, Shirley Hilsenberger, Joan Stang, Charlotte Michel.
Middle row L. to R.: Betty Sieben, Marion Sieben, Vandy Dawson, Sandra Stephens
Front row L. to R.: Dorothy Olorowsky, Beverly Ollenberger, Bernie Peser.
Missing is: Patricia Behman.

Candy Stripers 1971-72.



L. to R.: Nicola Walch, Patricia Behman, Marlene Colson, Lucille Reichert.

Next row L. to R.: Marion Sieben, Kathleen Gartner, Marion Reichert, Marlene Colson, Nicola Walch, Marie Leibel, Marilyn Gartner, Joan Stang, Vandy Dawson, Charlotte Michel, Betty Sieben, Shirley Hilsenberger, Sandra Stephens.
Front row L. to R.: Dorothy Olorowsky, Beverly Ollenberger, Bernie Peser.

Candy Strippers 1972-73

Marlene Colson
Audrey Gartner
Lorraine Gartner

Bernadine Gartner
Marie Liebel
Hanne Ryan

Elaine Gartner
Brenda Guchert
Virginia Hollman

Patricia Degenstein
Katherine Sieben
Johanna Gette



L. to R.: Marlene Colson, Mrs. Mary Meakin(President); Mrs. Mary Colson.



Marilyn Gartner, Mrs. Mary Colson.
(Hosp. Aux. Member).



Betty Sieben, Bernice Pezer, Elsie
Gborowsky, Virginia Hollman, Marie
Liebel.

Betty Sieben, Mrs. Meakin.



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Marilyn Gartner, Marion Sieben,
Charlotte Riebel, Louise Freidiger,
Nicola Walsh, Marlene Colson.

Marlene Colson.



Candy Strippers 1973-74

Johanna Gette
Theresa Schachtel
Bernice Gartner

Bernice Pezer
Bernice Reinhold
Elaine Gartner

Vicky Sieben
Cathy Hauck
Veronica Zabish

Lorraine Gartner
Agnes Reschky
Patricia Degenstein

Johanna Gette
Bernice Gartner
Cathy Hauck

Agnes Reschky
Adele Reinhold
Bernice Reinhold
Joanne Sieben

Candy Strippers 1974-75

Gleennia Gartner
Caroline Kaiser
Maureen Blits
Paulette Gartner

Debbie Degenstein
Joanne Stang
Sandra Alger

Candy Strippers 1975-76



Back row L. to R.: Adele Reinhold, Gleennia Gartner, Sandra Alger, Rosemarie
Enlman, Roxanne Kluck, Debbie Schonheiter, Debbie Degenstein, Colleen Fyan,
Caroline Kaiser, Cathy Hauck.
Front row: Jean Schaefer, Delliiah Gette, Bernice Reinhold, Joanne Stang, Brenda
Hollman, Gabrielle Klein.

Candy Strippers 1976-77



Back row L. to R.: Cindy Nyohan, Elaine Fischer, Roxanne Kluck, Colleen Ryan, Rose
Marie Hollman, Sandra Alger, Joanne Stang, Debbie Degenstein, Corretta Diesel.
Front row: Jean Schaefer, Brenda Hollman, Gabriele Klein, Adele Reinhold, Delliia
Gette.

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The Larger Community of Macklin

The area around Macklin was hard hit during the drought years, commonly called the "dirty thirties". This is well expressed in J.A. Loefer's "Canada: An Outline History" when he says:

"A significant feature of the Depression in Canada was the disparity of dislocation evident in different regions of the country. Worst hit by far were the prairie provinces, where incomes were almost totally dependent on wheat. With the export trade at a disastrously low level, the price of wheat often did not cover the costs of production, let alone farm taxes, depreciation, and interest on debts. As if this blow was not great enough, the period of the Depression, more particularly that of 1933 to 1937, saw the southern regions of the prairie provinces devastated by severe drought. Where previously the yield per acre had been 27 bushels, the return dropped to an little as 3 bushels, and total prairie wheat production dropped from over 350,000,000 bushels in 1920,000,000 in 1937. Even the prairie cities were seriously affected by the collapse of the wheat market. A measure of the disaster caused by the Depression on the prairies can be seen in the fact that a quarter of a million people migrated from the prairies in the decade 1931-1941, some to other parts of Canada, especially the cities, and others to the United States."

The area around Macklin was no exception as shown by the following clipping in the Macklin Times, February 19, 1931.

"February 19, 1931: Despite the fine weather, we're told there is an 'economic' billiard. Many of us regretted the passing of square meals."

Since then the area has made a remarkable recovery. Better methods of farming along with modern advances have restored the land to quality and quantity yields. 1976 was one of the best years in grain yields the area has known.

PRIESTS CELEBRATE 105th ANNIVERSARY February 12, 1931.

The Oblate Fathers of the Milkie and Macklin districts celebrated the 105th anniversary of the approbation of their Billers at Macklin on Wednesday, February 11th, 1931. The very Rev. Father Thomas Sebnereb, of Regina, had come to Macklin for the occasion. A solemn High Mass with three Priests was sung, afterwards benediction was given during which all the Fathers renewed their vows.



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Brick structure of School of 1912-13 which was enlarged in 1928 and destroyed by fire in 1934.



Parade in the early years.

The one-room school of 1909 became a four-room brick school by 1912 which was added to in 1928 and destroyed by fire in 1934.



Parade in 1927.



Street in Macklin.

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Macklin School destroyed by fire in 1934.

Dominion day celebrations at the school and through the town of Macklin.



Part of the parade in motion.



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Macklin School District No. 2420

A new brick structure was built in 1935 with five rooms and full basement. In 1937 the school was incorporated into the Kerrobert Langer Unit and the new wing added in 1954 supplied another four modern classrooms, office and furnace room.

The official opening of the new addition to the Macklin School was held on December 5, 1954. The contract was let by the Board of the Kerrobert School Unit #44. Architect was Mr. J. E. Collidge, Town and Country Contracting in Sutherland. Various subcontractors from Saskatoon and Macklin were employed. Total cost was \$63,215.00.

The Macklin School in winter behind snow banks.



The new wing constructed in 1965 added another four classrooms, a gymnasium and a modern science lab. Another section was added in 1969 with three more classrooms, a biology lab, home economics room, an office and staff room. The final addition was built in 1974 bringing the structure to its present size.

The Macklin School showing later additions.





St. Joseph's Hospital. 1977.

Anglican Church. 1910.



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The present hospital was constructed in 1965-67, with an addition in 1968. It was renovated in 1964. The site of St. Joseph's Hospital on the edge of the town of Macklin is situated on the northeast side of Highway No. 31. The acreage owned by the Franciscan Sisters of St. Elizabeth was developed to provide a small farm, garden, park area and residence for sisters and staff. The sisters sold the farm to Mr. Mike Rasling in 1969.

Macklin has an Arena, Memorial Community Hall, Senior Citizens Center, Senior Citizens Housing Unit, and Nursing Home.

The Macklin Golden Twilight Lodge is a 25-bed special care home which was opened in November 1974 with the official opening taking place on June 9, 1975.



Guests at Golden Twilight Lodge
Mr. John Edgik and Arthur Holin.
Ulnase Golden Twilight Lodge.



Memorial Community Hall



Macklin Lake



Holy Trinity Church. Anglican.

The first Church built at Macklin was the Holy Trinity Church constructed in 1910.

The present Grace United Church was completed in 1912.

The first St. Mary's Catholic Church was constructed in 1916, rebuilt in 1936 and again in 1946.

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Greece United Church

Macklin belongs to the Lakeland Library Region, has three churches, Catholic, Anglican and United and has a well-developed resort area with cottages at the Macklin Lake one half mile south of the town. There is the Lakeview Ball Park and golf course with summer cottages and trees on the north and east shores of the lake with swimming areas.

On June 15, 1955 Macklin and District celebrated Jubilee Days with special attention given to "Old Timers". The program started at 10:00 a.m. with a parade - RCMP Band - Floats.



Old Timers Picnic At Macklin Resort Area.

Main Street in Macklin.



Airview picture of Macklin. 1957.

Old Timers Parade.



In the afternoon there were ball games, water sports, races, Old Timers' Ball Game, band music, Jubilee Pageant and special honoring of Old Timers. Supper was served on the grounds.

In the evening there were fireworks and a Dance at the Memorial Hall with lunch.

The Horisone Recreation Center was opened on July 19, 1976. It is open to those 40 years of age and over. Activities include dicing, bingo, cards and other games, square dancing and hand-crafts.

The business community kept pace with other developments of the town. There are banks, general stores, lumber companies, filling stations, repair shops, implement dealers, hardware, fabric centers, dry goods, groceries, jewelry, home appliances, drug and liquor stores as well as the various trades which opened shops as the years passed.

East of the Lake is the Macklin Lakeside Cemetery where those who have gone to their reward, find a quiet resting place amid the trees and flowers planted by those who visit to pay their respects. For as scripture says: "We know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens." (2 Cor. 5) and in Phil 3 "For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven Jesus the savior we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body."



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