Winchester, who was also the postmaster, so he was appointed postmaster, a position he held until he died in 1932.

In the early 1900's, he realized the need for a telephone system, so formed the Angus-Tabor Rural Telephone Company. He made a trip to the cities to purchase equipment and to learn how to operate and maintain the lines and switchboard. I remember helping him as a small child by riding with him and looking for crossed wires, which meant a break in service. I enjoyed getting to stop at farms along the way where everyone invited us to have refreshments. Angus received all weather reports for the northern area and had to relay them to the eleven other towns. They also received the grain market reports and had to relay this information to the other elevators along the Great Northern.

He eventually added a lumber yard and a cement storage house, and sold most of the lumber for the farms in Angus. In the early twenties he almost lost everything because the farmers built large barns in the spring, intending to pay for them in the fall when they sold their crops. Their crops failed and they were unable to pay.

In 1905 he bought a Haines-Apperson Automobile which he claimed was only put in high gear once during his ownership because the pace was too fast. At that time, gas was bought at drug stores. He told of going to Crookston and filling up with five gallons of gas, and as he came down the road, travellers would unhitch their teams from the buggies and drive them into the fields until he passed.

A story he told was of the first sweet clover grown in the garden of an old couple north of Angus, that was used solely to hang from the kitchen ceiling as a fly preventative. The old couple died but the sweet clover continued to grow, in fact, it thrived and spread. Soon the farmers of the community were crying out against the new weed that was rapidly invading their district. There was no thought at that time that the sweet clover would become one of the farmer's best friends.

J. F. Montgomery was a Thirty-second Degree Mason and a Life Member of the Shriner. He belonged to the Masonic Lodge that paid the first year dues that went in support of the Crippled Children's Hospital was his best investment.

JOHN OBERG

John and Johanna Oberg arrived at Angus, Minnesota, March, 1910, having bought a Section and one half of land, including the farmstead headquarters of the then extensive Winchester Farms. They shipped their house and farm belongings by train, coming from Galva, Illinois.

The Oberg's came to America in 1882 from Ostervala, Vastermanland, Sweden, and settled near Bishop Hill, which is now a State Park commemorating the famous Swedish Colony, which settled there some 150 years ago. A few years later they moved to a farm near Galva, Illinois.

Friends of the Oberg's, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stark, also former Illinois farmers, had moved to a farm northwest of Angus in 1909.

Johanna Oberg's parents, Eric and Margareta Larson, who had come to America with the Oberg's, migrated with them to Angus, Minnesota and with many of the Oberg children at home - made it a rather large household.

Oldest of the Oberg children was John Emil, who was born in Sweden. He became an accountant and was employed a lifetime by a furniture firm in Seattle, Washington. Their oldest daughter, Emma, also born in Sweden, married Carl Orstrum in Illinois. They moved to Angus with the Oberg's and farmed near Angus many years. William C. Oberg and his wife, Nellie, moved to Angus a few years later. The "Bill Oberg Garage & Car Sales" was a well-known business in Angus. Jennie Oberg and Amel Stark who were married at Angus went back to farming at Galva, Illinois, and returned in 1923 to farm the former Will Stark place. Walter Oberg and his wife, the former Minnie Stark became owners of the Oberg farm when John and Johanna Oberg retired, and moved to Warren Minnesota.

Several of Walt Oberg sons and daughters presently live in the Angus and Warren, Minnesota area. Lawrence was known as "Swede Oberg" in athletic circles. Forrest Oberg married Clara Sollie, a teacher at Angus, and they now live near Apache Jet.

Wm. Oberg Station, Karleen Oberg and Helen Stroblo.

in the Phoenix, Arizona area. Clyde Oberg, a Warren, Minnesota Postal employee, whose wife was Eva Earhart of Warren, was in long-time employment at Skokie, Illinois. A snowstorm, April 10, 1910, a few weeks after the Obers arrived at Angus, was something to remember. A heavy snowfall, so heavy that all machinery out in the fields during grain-seeding time was covered entirely for several days. This was a surprising welcome for Illinois people not used to such heavy snows.

My memory of younger days before World War I centers around the Angus Community baseball team. This team played other baseball teams in the areas, as Crookston, Eldred, Brandt-Helgeland, Warren, Alvarado, Euclid, and the Red Lake Falls Indians and even other teams in the Northwest Baseball Tournament.

Among the early-day players on the Angus Baseball Team were Bob Miller, team manager, Charles Sewall, Lawrence Oberg, Walter Miller, Jack Clover, Everett Evans, Harry Miller, Forrest Oberg, Dick Clover, Orin Shoop, Louis Frederick Holm. There were others who joined the team from time to time. Thinking back to our first years at Angus, I have memories of pioneer families who had built the well-organized farming community we found there. Among these pioneers, I recall are names such as Campion, Stroblo, Osterloh, Sewall, Stickler, Iverson, Dobias, Staska, Taus, McClellan, Store Manager Montgomery, Zimmerman, Clover, Evans, Novak, and many more.

We came from Illinois to become part of the Breadbasket of the World, and found an area where farming is still the chief industry, and where people love the land they own and work!

DON STRICKLER

In 1944, I was born in a Crookston Hospital to Jean and William Strickler. I have one older sister, Marilyn, who is now Mrs. Stan Sirek of Wahpeton, North Dakota. I have lived all my life on a farm near Euclid. I first attended school in Warren and as a freshman, I transferred to the Northwestern School of Agriculture in Crookston. I graduated in 1962. Then I spent four years at North Dakota State University in Fargo graduating with a B.S. Degree in Animal Science. While there, I was an active member in the Alpa Gamma Rho Fraternity.

In the fall of 1965, I married Ellen Filipi from Warren. She is the only daughter of Art and Esther Filipi. She has three brothers, Donald, Marlin and Duane. She enjoys a local home-makers group and the St. Paul's Lutheran Ladies Aid. We have four children: Brent, 7; Kari Lynn, 5; Kristen Marie, 4; and Becky Jo, 20 months.

In 1968, I entered into a family-farm corporation with my father, William. The raising of Registered Angus Cattle has been a family project for two generations, but now we have added the growing of sugar beets, small grains, corn and sunflowers.

My interests in livestock have involved me in the State and Local Angus Association and the Northwestern Livestock Association. Presently I am chairman of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Euclid and serve on the Board of Directors of the Angus Co-op Elevator.