Lorenzo Davis’ grandfather on his father’s side, William Davis, and the latter’s brother were both Revolutionary War veterans and were in the Battle of Bennington. William Davis had enlisted in the army September 10, 1776.

Lorenzo Davis belongs to the oxcart class of the Red River Valley. He came to Reeds Landing near Wabasha, Minnesota, in 1856. In the fall of that year, Lorenzo traveled back to Dublin, New Hampshire, and later returned to Minnesota with his wife. They resided at Reed’s Landing for a period of twelve years before going to Pope County in 1868.

In 1877, Lorenzo Davis came to Polk County and filed on a tree claim. He brought his family to this area in 1883. They lived on his farm near Burnham Creek until 1901, when he moved to the town of Crookston. Lorenzo Davis served as judge of probate in Pope County and also at Reed’s Landing.

Lorenzo Davis’ son, Fred Lorenzo Davis, was born at Reed’s Landing, May 12, 1860. Fred married Nellie E. Jorgenson (born September 12, 1859) on November 26, 1885. Six children were born to the Fred Lorenzo Davises, among them, Rose Davis Anderson.

The genealogy of Mrs. Davis’ ancestors is no less interesting. She was a direct descendant of Colonel William Prescott of Bunker Hill fame. The title was given for bravery on the part of James Prescott, he was granted a coat of arms.

Another member of the family, John Prescott, went first to Barbadoes, where he became a land owner. He landed in Boston in 1640 and founded Lancaster, Massachusetts. Another descendant, Jonas Prescott, was born April 7, 1727. Jonas served under Captain Asa Whitcomb at Cambridge and Bunker Hill during the Revolutionary War days.

In addition to the historical connections of members of Mrs. Leonhard Anderson’s family, she also states that some were among the signers of the Magna Carta, the great charter which formed the basis of civil liberty.

Leonard and Rose Anderson of Climax, Minnesota recently observed their 59th wedding anniversary. In spite of their ages, 81 and 84 years, both are in excellent health and enjoy many activities in the community as well as visiting with friends.

**KNUTE BOE**

Knute Boe is a life-long resident of Polk County. His grandfather, Jorgan Knutson, came to Polk County in 1871 and returned to Polk County in 1873 with his family. Knute’s parents were Sera Knutson, born in Houston County, Minnesota in 1871, and Svenung Boe, born near Bo, Norway. Knute was born on the land which his grandfather settled as a “squatter” before the survey was made. A strip of land a rod or so wide was left between his grandfather’s land and that of another pioneer settler. This strip was later settled by Niels Paulson. As the survey approached, there was much local discussion as to what would happen with this strip of land, many believing he would lose the narrow corridor, others asserting that “Niles vil ha”. He did, and the narrow corridor became the width of forty acres and so came the name of the town Nielsville.