Mr. and Mrs. 
Andrew Stinar. 

Mrs. Andrew 
Sinar Sr. 

September 30, 1868, to Andrew and Anna Stinar. He received his education between the ages of six and twelve, when during the months of November to April they used to attend school in the Lutheran parsonage. After he was confirmed, he worked on farms and his wage was $30 a year. He immigrated to America and came to Minneapolis in June, 1886, and got a job at a tannery shop where the wages were $1.50 per day. He came to Tabor, Minnesota in 1888, and worked on the “Irish Farm” for a few years before buying his farm north of Tabor in Farley Township. His brother, Tom, came to America in 1888, with his parents; two sisters, and another brother, John, arrived in 1892. Andrew Stinar married Marie Bandzak of Minneapolis on July 6, 1890.

Mr. Stinar bought his land from the railroad company for $8 an acre and started farming in 1889. This he continued to do till he sold his farm to his son, Andrew M. Stinar in 1930. In the early days oxen were used and Mr. Stinar kept as many as 24 horses on his place. The Stinars built their first home and barn themselves. They kept a few cows so they had their own milk, cream and butter. They also raised a few sheep so they would have their own wool. Mrs. Stinar would card the wool to be used for quilts and for knitting. Mrs. Stinar did all the bread baking and other baking like everyone else with the old wood or coal ranges, and had to churn butter every week. They also did all the canning and put up all the meat etc., so were kept busy. In winter when there was little spare time there was always sewing or mending to be done and sometimes crocheting.

They built a new barn on their home farm in 1912 in Farley Township. Mr. Stinar had over 20 horses at that time. His brother, John, lived with them for several years. They then built a new house or larger house on their farm in 1916.

Mr. Stinar had a steamer and separator and later a threshing machine so threshed for several of his neighbors.

Mrs. Stinar raised turkeys during the twenties and enjoyed this hobby or work, she also enjoyed working in her garden. Grandma Stinar also lived with the Stinar family. They worshiped God together with other families in the neighborhood at the various homes until they organized or built the Lutheran Church at Tabor. It was demolished in 1930 by a tornado so they built a new church, now the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Stinar were the parents of nine children. Two passing away in infancy. The following children were: Andrew Jr., and George of Warren; John of Grand Forks; Anna, Mrs. Fred Jrémisek, of Vancouver, Washington; Thomas, Paul and Edward of East Grand Forks.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stinar Sr. are both deceased; now also their sons, Andrew Jr., John and Paul.

Mr. Andrew Stinar Sr. made his home with his son, Andrew Jr., and wife, Angelina, and family, Myron, Elaine and Ralph from 1930 till 1957.

In 1958, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Stinar, Jr. moved into Warren, where Mrs. Stinar resides at her home on North Central Street.

Fisher Township History

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER
MEETING, October 9, 1876.

Application of a majority of the legal voters of Township 150 Range 48 asking to have a town organized composed of said Township 150, Range 48 and to be known as Town of Fisher was granted and the first town meeting ordered to be at Fisher's Landing on Monday 30th day of October 1876, with William Kinner, Walt Dickensen and B. J. Garrnder for Judges and H. Shepard and H. T. Thompson for clerks. On October 9, 1876, a license was granted to run a ferry across Red Lake River at Fisher's Landing. Records of Fisher Township from this 1876 court house account until 1925 have been lost. They were possibly destroyed in one of the fires in the village of Fisher in the early days.

Ever since the township became self-governing it apparently had taken care of the primary and general elections with the village of Fisher providing the facilities. However, at the 1972 annual meeting it was resolved to sever its election relationship with the village.

The following have served various terms each as town super-visors, clerks, treasurers and assessors over the past years in the order given: supervisors: O. J. Tinkham, Otto Ross, P. M. Aune, Ben Johnson, Carl Strande, A. L. Merrill, August Snyder, Christ Peterson, Thomas Torrison, Alfred Malmberg, Walter Ross, William Davidson, Ben Filipi, Orville Haug, Leonard Berg, Jr. and Larry Haug; clerks: Arthur L. Wagner, E. C. Hopkins, H. J. Widenhoefer, Henry Ross, Sam Ronning and Ferdinand and H. Wilken; treasurers: Isaac Jorgenson, Owen Olson, L. A. Wentzel, John Stalemo, Melvin Peterson and Lloyd Wagner; assessors: Oscar T. G. Olson, C. H. Omlid, Rudolph Olson and Sheldon Ronning. Many other towns people served various terms each as town justice of the peace; constable and road draggers over the past years. Dr. W. H. Hollands served as town health officer for many, many years.

Special recognition should be given to the following for their faithful services as town board members: Sam Ronning as town clerk for thirty-six years; Walter Ross as town supervisor for thirty-six years; Melvin Peterson as town treasurer for twenty-six years; Leonard A. Berg Jr. as town supervisor for thirteen years; Orville Haug as town supervisor for thirteen years; Sheldon Ronning as town assessor for twenty years.

The present town officers are: Leonard A. Berg Jr., Willis Wagner and Larry Haug, supervisors: Ferdinand H. Wilken, clerk; Lloyd Wagner, treasurer; and Sheldon Ronning, town assessor. At a recent annual town meeting the voters approved a resolution empowering the Board of Supervisors to adopt building and zoning regulations and restrictions.

JOHN A. BERGSTRAND
Anna Mathilda Ness was born in Sigernesvagen, near Kongsvinger, Norway, June 30, 1878, to parents Olea and

Mr. and Mrs. John Bergstrand (Anna Ness) 
Best Man — Andrew Larson 
Bridesmaid — friend from Norway.