Martha Lehman Sievers and niece Jeanette Lehman.

Germany. Two sons, Albert and Robert were born in Germany. Richard went alone to America seeking employment and a new home for his young family. He stayed in New York briefly and then went to Pennsylvania. Otelie came over soon with baby Robert, and two year old, Albert, and after some searching, the family was reunited in Bells Grove, Pennsylvania. They lived in Pennsylvania one year. The West beckoned, so the young family moved on to Minnesota. They acquired land near Thief River Falls, but settled in Crookston in 1882 in what became known as Sampson's addition. Their permanent resident was 406 Woodland. They started with a small house and enlarged as the family grew and circumstances permitted.

Richard was a tinsmith as were his sons, Robert and Avall. There were eight children born in America: Frank, Edith, Max, Avall, Martha, Julia, Richard Jr. and Hattie. Martha, 86, is the only child surviving and lives with her husband, Theo Sievers, in Lake Montezuma, Arizona. A granddaughter, Mrs. Edwin Eistert (Jeanette Lehmann), daughter of Robert, is the only relative living in the Crookston area today.

Jeanette came to Crookston in 1920 and was raised by her grandparents, as her father, Robert, died as a result of injuries received in an explosion in his tinshop in Red Lodge, Montana. Richard Lehmann and Mrs. W. Beck Sr. were brother and sister. There are no Beck relatives in the area now. Otelie passed away the year of their 50th Wedding Anniversary at the age of 73. Richard lived to the ripe old age of 93 and was proud of the fact that he was never hospitalized or had ever visited a dentist. Ten grandchildren survive, as do 23 great grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren, one of whom lives in Germany — the starting point of Lehmann Family History.

FRANK IVERSON LERUM

Frank Lerum's father, Iver C. Lerum came from Lyster Sogndahl, Norway. His mother, Maria Hillestad came from Bergen, Norway. With their families in 1863, came to the United States and settled in Modina, Wisconsin. Iver enlisted in the Wisconsin Voluntary Infantry on January 5, 1864, and was mustered out of service on August 29, 1865. He served in company H 27 regiment Wisconsin Vol. Infantry during the Civil War. He married Maria Hillestad in 1868 in Modina, Wisconsin. Iver and Maria lived in Wisconsin till 1875, when they moved to the Crookston area and farmed Section 28 in Andover Township and had eleven children: Joe, Carry, Ed, Inger, Chris, Mary, Frank, Clara, Robert, Phillip, and William. All the children had Iverson for their second name, taken from their father's first name. Mr. Chris Lerum farmed Section 29 in Andover township until his death in 1942, when his step-son, Merriam Simonson took over. Ed Lerum also remained in Crookston and worked for the Great Northern Railroad.

Frank Iverson Lerum, born November 12, 1883, in Andover Township. The country school house was about 500 feet from their home. The teacher lived with them. Mr. Lerum was employed by the Great Northern Railway in 1903 and retired in 1951 with 48 years of service.

He married Elsie Bjorgo, March 6, 1912, in Crookston, Minnesota. Her father was Erick Bjorgo, born in Vosavagent Voss, Norway, near Bergan. Mother, Marie Flage, born near Bergen, Norway. They were married in Norway and came to the United States in 1865 and settled in Lamberton, Minnesota. They lost their home and farm buildings by a very bad tornado. He rebuilt a large home on a hill plus other farm buildings. They had eight children: Annie, Nels, Julia, Hannah, Knute, Ole, Elsie and Fred. The Bjorgo's moved to the Red Lake area in about 1909.

Frank and Elsie were blessed with six children: Elba (Mrs. Rolland Breed) of Crookston, Minnesota; Frances (Mrs. John Sands) of Minneapolis, Minnesota; Leota (Mrs. George Franklin) of East Grand Forks, Minnesota; Bette Jane (Mrs.