

A LITTLE FARM HISTORY

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Late Alander Burke Farm-Lot 16(east half)Con.14,East Garafraxa

This Crown land was bought by Alexander and Ellen Burke in 1875. It consisted of 200 acres. They sold the west half to Robert Burke.

In 1904 Alexander E. Burke bought the east half from his Father's estate and built a house at the cost of 900 dollars. This is the brick house that still remains on the farm.

Alexander married Evangeline G. Bryan in 1905. Their family consisted of Harold, Alice (Mrs. Frank Call), Cecil, Marjorie (Mrs. Delisle Eversen) and James. They farmed here until their son Cecil married Olive Stump and took over the farm. Mr. and Mrs. Burke then moved to Waldemar.

In 1946 Charles and Elsie North, then John A. Ewing owned it. A small portion was sold to the County of Dufferin for road widening.

In 1954 John and Margaret Irving bought the farm. (Their son Barry, married Helen Lomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lomas)

In 1966 it was owned by the Gerald Barter Lodge. In 1967 the barn burned.

In 1972, the present owner bought it. His name is Peter Zentil and he has built a new barn.

Mrs. W. Wolfe and Mr. James Burke 1977.

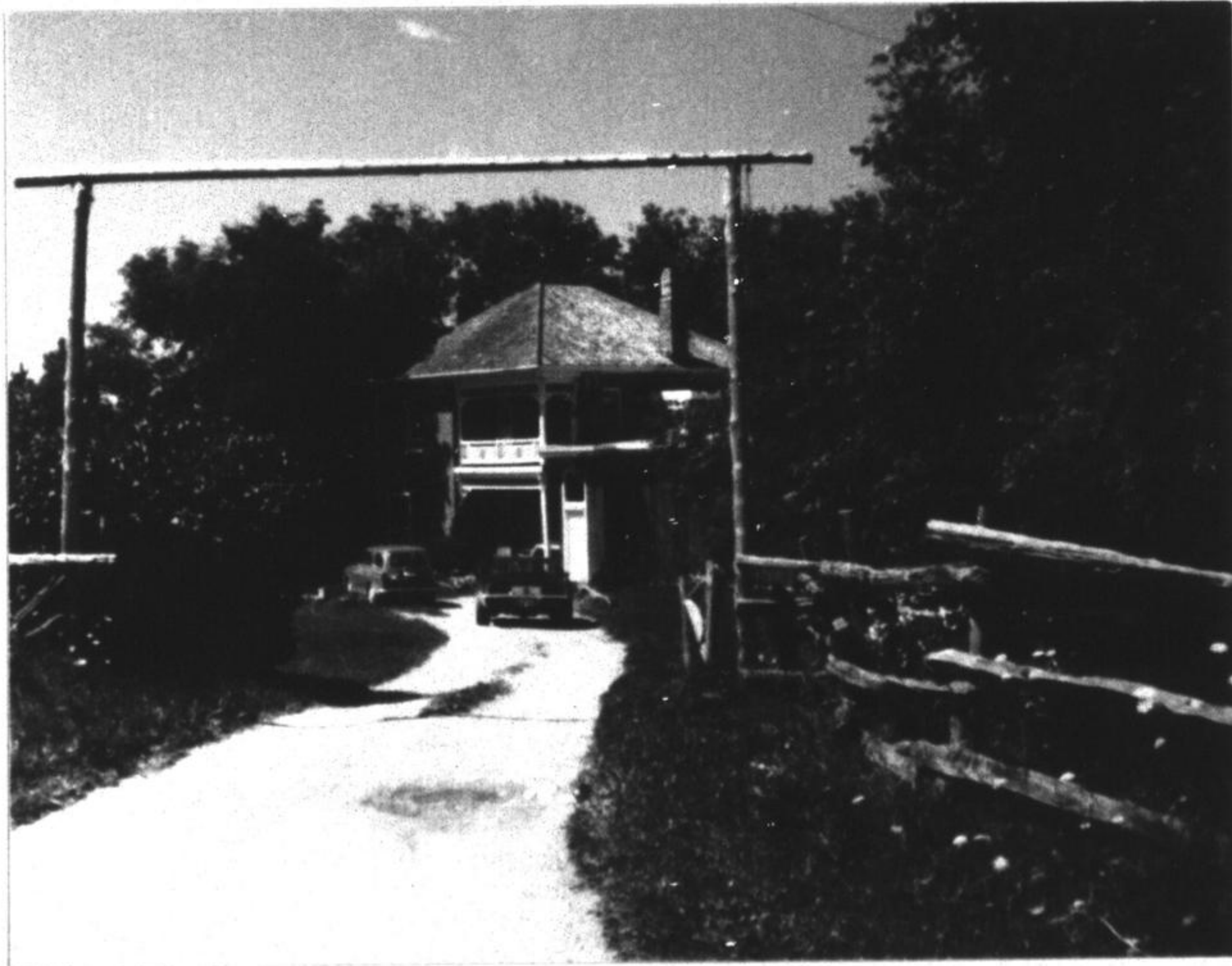


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