

RURAL MAIL.

Rural mail has been in operation for over 40 years. Up until then people went to Hall's store at Latta. This meant that mail was not too regular in the homes.

At one time there was a post office at Phillipston in the house now owned by Lee Ketcheson. Later it was moved to Bethel and the mail was called for at the house beside the church at Bethel.



Mr. James McMullen.

From Bethel the Post office was moved to Latta. Later a Post office was established at Halloway and mail boxes were purchased and rural mail followed as we know it.

Mail Couriers have been Mr. Jim McMullen (Blake McMullen's father), Ernest Wilson, Fred Carter, Arthur Reid, Don Rose and the present mail man Mr. Clayton Reide who pur-

chased the store from the Rose family and who is also the Post master.

It should be recorded that the first mail courier - Mr. Jim McMullen drew mail for a period of 36 years.

April 22, 1969 Halloway P.O. was closed permanently. Mail is now delivered from Roslin and Stirling - RR 2. Roslin mail is delivered by Frank Emerson and his son Bill (Moir) RR 2. Stirling mail is delivered by Harold Juby - Stirling

The Hydro was put through this community in 1930 and almost every home was wired. To-day there are only a very few who are not enjoying the advantages of electricity.

The local doctor - Dr. Dan Faulkner of Foxboro - was the first to own a motor car around these parts. But Mr. Walter Townsend and Mr. John V. Ketcheson were the first in the immediate community to own and drive cars.

Mr. William C. Sills brought the first mower into the district. It was a Buck eye manufacture made in the U.S.A.

Mr. Samuel Youker had the first reaper called "Bells of Ohio". This machine had a reel that tipped the grain over on a table after it was cut and a man stood on a platform and raked with a hand rake, what he thought was enough to make a sheaf, and a man or two following bound the loose sheaves by hand. This was a very heavy machine for a team of horses to draw with two men riding. The next was the self raker, then the self binder. To-day the work of cutting and threshing can be