

Visited Bertha Davis on June 22-1993.

Just celebrated her 103rd birthday June 6th
certain a lady with brilliant mind and
memories!

Born in Oaks North Dakota ^{June 6, 1890}, came to farm
on Mission Creek, south west of Pine City in 1895.

Then the family came near Princeton, the
plum trees were in blossom, it impressed
the 5 year old Bertha. Arriving to their farm
they lived in wagon box for 6 week, while
their father build their new home.

The front ^{room} for few years served as a bedroom
later on addition was built for a kitchen.

Whenever the parents gone to Pine City, she
said "We ran to Mission Creek, and my
brothers walked the logs;" Mission Creek
was wide like Cross Lake now and was
filled with logs." She watched as the men
get the logs out of Mission Creek."

"One time a logger purchased a pair of boots
from Herman Boucher and never did paid him for boots."

Remember how the wolves followed them

to school. Ober Steurne was once attacked by wolves. Food would be filled with howling wolves in those days". He walked $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the Ausmus school across a trail my father made.

"He had lot of home dances. Ober Steurne played, he always have parties, we had a good time. Some time Ed Kendall played a ~~violin~~ violin".

"Pine City would have 4 of July ^{Parade} and late in fall we go to the Fairs".

"There was a low water petition and her father sign, Mission Creek was no good ^{it} land". Farmers were mad at my fathers. ^{more} ~~Farm~~ Father.

First Christmas Bertha remember, having a Christmas tree, string of popcorn and tinsel. That year her father purchased 9 barrel of apples was divided with neighbors and we always had neighbor children over, they came for they knew we had those apples".

"As we grew older, gone to silent movies. pick up all the other kids, piled in the

wagon or sled. Tied the team at rail post and no one ever touched the team. Movie was 10¢.

Remember Fritz Johnson + George Russell had steamer Dirty Bess ^{with logs} behind and ^{take logs} ~~tow~~ to dam at Chenaquatana".

"Steamer Fritzen made many trips every day and land on every shore to pick some one up."

July 29 1912, Bertha's father killed, when a load of hay tipped.

Mrs Ed Kendall cooked at ^{Mercantile} ~~Mercantile~~ Store every Saturday for farmers day.

Bertha Davis met her husband Jack Davis, ^{son of} at a dance; he was a fire man at Pokegama Sanatorium.

What do you remember of the Pokegama Sanatorium. "It was hard to get there, until all log were out of lake". They had a large farm and lot of cattle, chicken + hogs. Huge Barn.

She remembers Dr Tiesberg was the doctor there.

"P.W. Mc Allen had a farm west side of Pokegama Lake. He was a big shot & forbid people

Cross his farm!"

Bertha worked at the laundry for 9 years in Pine City.

"There was 6 of us May, (Bertha, Margret,
Bernie, Frank and Pat Hady, 3 boys + 3 girls).

Bertha died Nov 13 - 1994