

**Family histories
of the
Slovak settlement
in Lambton and
surrounding counties**

1900 - 1987

These are samples of some of the pictures that help tell the history of the Slovak settlers and their children. There must be hundreds more in boxes and dresser drawers. Don't throw them out. Let's save them for future generations by collecting them now, along with the histories of the Slovak settlers.

Stefan Janiček



One of early Slovak picnics held in the bush 1939-40.



August Gurica killed in 1944



Steve Gaborko and John Gaborko



Rudy Marko



One of the first bands to play at Slovak picnics



One of the first combines operated by a Slovak settler in the Alvinston-Inwood area, 1941



First Slovak wedding in Lambton in April 1938



Former beauties — today they're both grandmothers



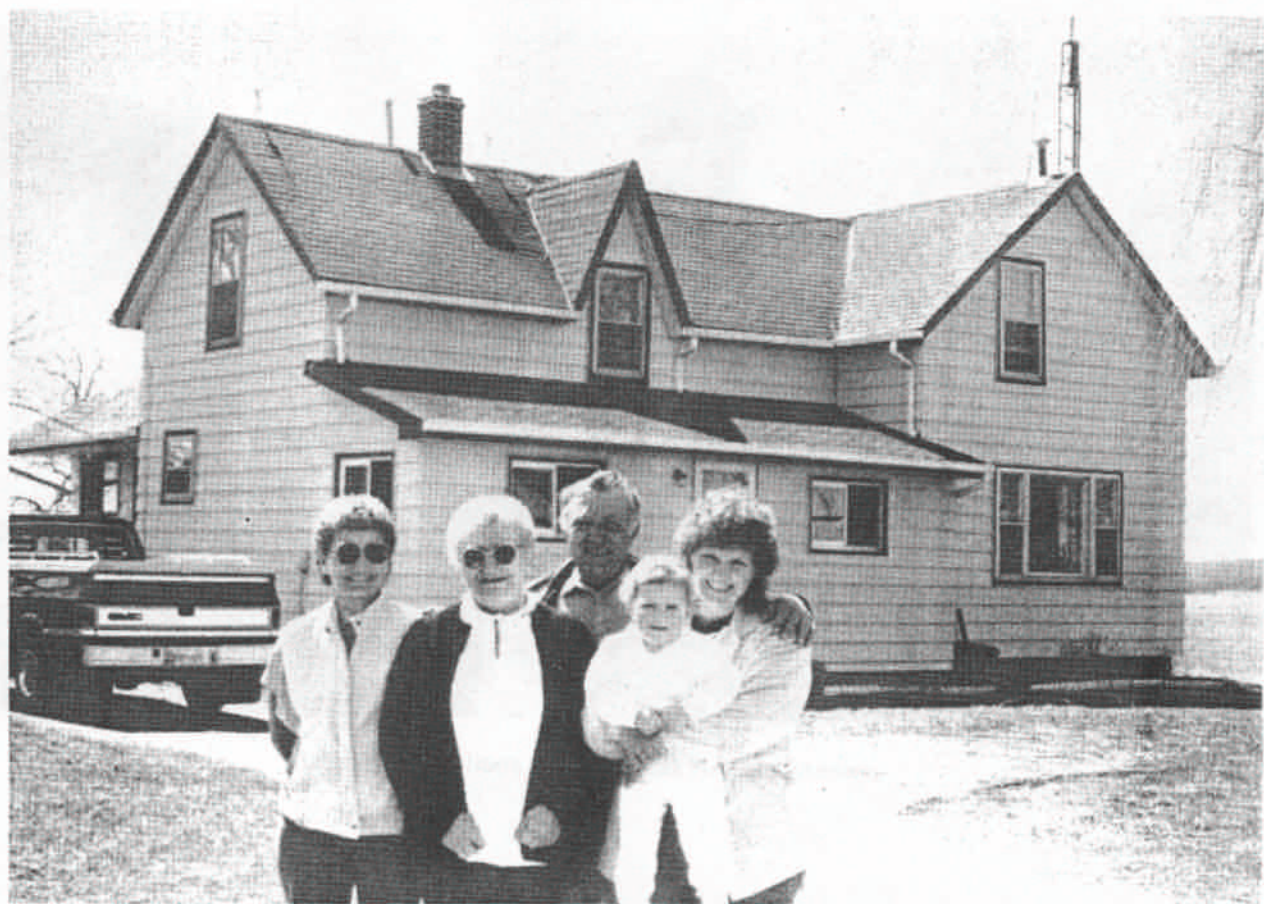
Present generation Slovak beauty



Progress through generations. His grandparents when they came to Canada, like most others, were unable to read or write. Gred Nemček is a successful athlete and attends the University of Windsor.



Four generations of the Lucan family



Four generations of the Vlček family, and the original family home for 50 years.



One of the first Slovak settlers near Inwood



Digging foundations for the Slovak Hall at Alvinston.



The first businessman Rudy Pecena operating a blacksmith shop and custom fabricating in Inwood in the 1930s



His shop



One of today's successful businesses operated by Slovak descendants.



Helping to celebrate Alvinston's Centennial in 1980

