

JOHN REDDICK

John was born May 5, 1872 and baptised in the Wesleyan Methodist church.

John and several of his brothers were among the earliest settlers of the Rouleau, Saskatchewan area. He entered onto NE 16, township 15, range 22, W2 on July 23, 1901. He gave his age at that time as 31. On February 18, 1905 he applied for a patent for the property stating on the application that he had built his residence in March 1901 and had begun to reside there at that time and had lived there continuously since then; that he had a frame house 12 feet by 14 feet, a stable 16 feet by 24 feet and a granary 12 feet by 14 feet. He reported these farming activities:

| | <u>Acres Broken</u> | <u>Acres Cropped</u> | <u>Horses</u> |
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| 1902 | 40 | 5 | 4 |
| 1903 | 15 | 40 | 4 |
| 1904 | 25 | 55 | 4 |

And he had 1 pig.

The patent was granted on April 26, 1905.

On March 15, 1917 John married Laura Wilson at Hallville, Ontario. She was born in 1895 in Marlborough township. Her brother had gone to Rouleau and worked with John for several years. In 1915 she went out to keep house for them. In 1916 she returned to care for her mother at Hallville and the following year they were married.

The Kemptville Weekly Advance of March 15, 1917 reported the marriage on March 6, 1917 of Lauraine, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Wilson, Kars, to John Reddick, Rouleau, Saskatchewan, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. S.E. Kerr, Hallville, Ontario. The Wilsons lived on lot 40, concession 4, North Gower Township, i.e. on the North Gower/Marlborough townline, near the Rideau River.

There were two children of this marriage,

Murray, born in 1919

Morley, born in 1925.

Times were difficult for the family in the 1930's and in order to make ends meet Laura worked as a seamstress in Rouleau.

John died on December 5, 1936 and was buried in the Rouleau cemetery. Laura married again, to a Graham, a widower who had been a neighbour for many years. He predeceased her and she retired in Regina and died in 1986. She is buried with John in the Rouleau cemetery