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## INTRODUCTION

IN MAR 1996 AFTER THE DEATH OF MY FATHER, ELDRED RUSSELL BACON, I WAS AT MY MOTHER'S, MARY FERN BOURNE BACON, HOME. SHE RECEIVED A PHONE CALL INVITING HER TO THE 150TH RELIEF SOCIETY WARD PARTY. SHE SAID SHE GUESSED SHE WOULDN'T GO BECAUSE WE DIDN'T WANT TO LEAVE MY HUSBAND, JAMES EDWARD FESER, THERE AT HOME BY HIMSELF. THEY DIDN'T SAY IT WAS FOR ALL EIGHTEEN AND OVER, MALE AND FEMALE, AND THAT IT WAS A VERY SPECIAL PARTY.

THE NEXT DAY RUSSELL HAYES CAME BY AND BROUGHT A FAVOR FROM THE PARTY. HE SAID THAT THERE WERE TABLES SET UP ALL AROUND THE WALL IN THE GYM AND PEOPLE HAD MEMORIBILIA AND PICTURES ON THEM. HE SAID THAT THERE WAS A PICTURE OF MY FATHER, ELDRED RUSSELL BACON, ON ONE OF THE TABLES.

I DECIDED THAT THERE MIGHT BE PEOPLE IN THE TOWN, GEORGETOWN ID, THAT HAD PICTURES OF MY PARENTS OR MY GRANDPARENTS OR GREAT GRANDPARENTS THAT I HAD NEVER SEEN.

I WENT TO THE HOME OF GLORIA HIGGINS AND SHE HAD ME GO TO HER MOTHERS, JOSEPHINE STODDARD PETERSON. I TOOK MY TAPE RECORDER WITH ME WITH EXTRA TAPES. I WENT THROUGH JOSEPHINE'S PICTURES AND FOUND SOME PICTURES OF MY GRANDFATHER, ALBERT BACON, THAT I HAD NEVER SEEN. WE TALKED ABOUT THE TOWN AND SHE TOLD ME

ABOUT EACH HOUSE AND WHO HAD BUILT IT OR WHERE IT CAME FROM AND WHO HAD LIVED IN IT. THE PICTURES I GOT FROM HER I TOOK TO A COPY CENTER AND HAD COPIES MADE FOR ME AND TOOK HER PICTURES BACK TO HER.

I THEN VISITED RAY AND LAPRIEL DUNFORD, STAN AND ROSE DUNN, EARL AND GLENNA BARTSCHI AND DID THE SAME THING. I ASKED THEM ABOUT THEIR LIVES, THEIR PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. THEY ASKED ME IF I WAS GOING TO PUT THE INFORMATION AND PICTURES IN A BOOK. I SAID "I DO NOT KNOW. RIGHT NOW I WAS JUST GETTING INFORMATION FOR MYSELF."

I SAW MORE AND MORE PEOPLE AND GOT MORE AND MORE PICTURES. I ALSO READ HISTORIES, JOURNALS, STORIES AND ANYTHING THAT HAD BEEN WRITTEN ON THE PEOPLE IN GEORGE-TOWN ID.

I REALIZED THAT PEOPLE DID NOT WRITE DOWN THE COMPLETE NAME OF WHO THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT AND ALSO WHEN THEY MENTIONED WHERE THEY HAD LIVED IN GEORGETOWN ID THAT THE PERSON THAT LIVED BY THEM I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW WHO THEY WERE.

I DECIDED THAT IF I DID A BOOK ON GEORGE-TOWN ID I WOULD DO IT BY HOUSE, WHO BUILT IT, WHO LIVED IN IT AND PICTURES AND INFOR-MATION ON THE HOUSE AND THE PEOPLE. I DI-VIDED THE TOWN UP ALPHABETICALLY AND NUMBERED THE HOUSES. I DECIDED TO ONLY IN-CLUDE THE HOUSES WHEN THE TOWN WAS FIRST STARTED IN 1869 TO THE YEAR 1950 IN SEC- TION 'A«, A-L WILL BE THE FIRST HOUSE AND A-2 THE SECOND AND SO ON AND THEN SECTION 'B' CLEAR TO THE END OF SECTION 'N'.