

During 1928, many meetings were held to discuss whether or not Elkhorn was to get electricity. By 1929, electric street lights were installed.

On October 1, 1933, Elkhorn's largest business was destroyed by fire. The Trading Co. Store had served the village and district for 35 years. The fire completely destroyed the building and contents, which were partially covered by insurance.

During the early 30's Mr. Lindy Moore bought some property formerly owned by Mr. Dodge for Beaver-Dodge Co. and took over the proprietorship of McIntosh's filling station. A short time later, Mr. Geo. Pearson went into partnership with Mr. Moore. Later Mr. Pearson took over full ownership of the garage, and up until the present time has been known as the B. A. Service Station.

During the thirties, the farmers experienced crop failures. There was a great scarcity of potatoes and a feed shortage.

On July 21, 1934, Mr. George

Bartley opened a general store called the United Stores Ltd. In 1935, the Elkhorn Bakery changed hands again when the Lund Bros. sold it to Mr. Cecil Ashmore. The same year Mr. W.H. Parker arrived in the village to take over McFadzean's blacksmith shop situated at the rear of Walker's garage. Then in May 1936, Mr. Edwin Wheaton took over.

In May 1938, a Stadium was built on First Street near the site where the Broadley Block was situated. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dahl remember well their part in the building of the Stadium. Money was scarce, so the side wall lining was made out of three or four thicknesses of corrugated cardboard boxes. Mrs. Dahl had the task of mixing the paste that stuck the layers together and she used approximately 150 lbs. of flour in the process. The frame of the structure measured 80 x 36 ft., and held approximately 350 people. The opening of the Stadium was held on June 9 in the form of a banquet. The Province of Manitoba was represented by the Honorable I. B. Griffiths, Minister of Public Health at this time. The first event that took place in the building was a dance held on Field Day.



Building the Old Stadium