

THE RED AND WHITE STORE

EMIL & EMMA MEISNER OF THE BAYTON SCHOOL DISTRICT BUILT THE "RED AND WHITE STORE" IN 1947. HE ORIGINALLY OPERATED THE STORE FROM HIS FARM IN ORDER TO SERVICE THE LOCAL FARMERS. WITH THE IMPROVEMENT OF ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION, THE MEISNERS FOUND THAT MOOSEHORN BECAME MORE ACCESSIBLE TO THE FARMERS WHICH MADE IT THE CENTER OF ACTIVITY. SUBSEQUENTLY, THE STORE WAS MOVED TO MOOSEHORN.

EMIL AND EMMA MEISNER HELPED THEIR NEIGHBORS BY PROVIDING THE SERVICES OF THE STORE. THEY ADDED AN ADDITIONAL FEATURE BY PROVIDING A POSTAL SERVICE AS WELL. ON A WEEKLY BASIS, EMIL WOULD TRAVEL TO MOOSEHORN TO COLLECT AND DELIVER INCOMING AND OUTGOING MAIL. EMIL AND EMMA ARE A TRUE EXAMPLE OF THE PIONEER SPIRIT IT TOOK TO CREATE A COMMUNITY THAT CONTINUES TO THIS DAY.

PROPRIETORS OVER THE YEARS WERE HARRY MEISNER, ELMER & LYDIA KIESMAN, RICHARD AND ALICE TOBER AND FINALLY ART AND PEARL GERING. THE GERINGS CLOSED THE STORE IN 1981.

THE BUILDING IS IN EXISTANCE TODAY AND IS LOCATED DIRECTLY EAST OF THE WAYSIDE PARK ON RAILWAY AVENUE.