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Son to Aleksi Garnell, Henry, shares on his 1977 WMPL Heritage line interview: There were no saloons in Oskar. Only 1 booze license was allowed in Stanton Township. There was a saloon in Redridge before Schmidts area had the bar.

Maybe there was one on the Blue Top Cabin Road once too, owned by Victor Kuru when the canal was being built. He did not operate the bar, the building was on the property.

Owners.

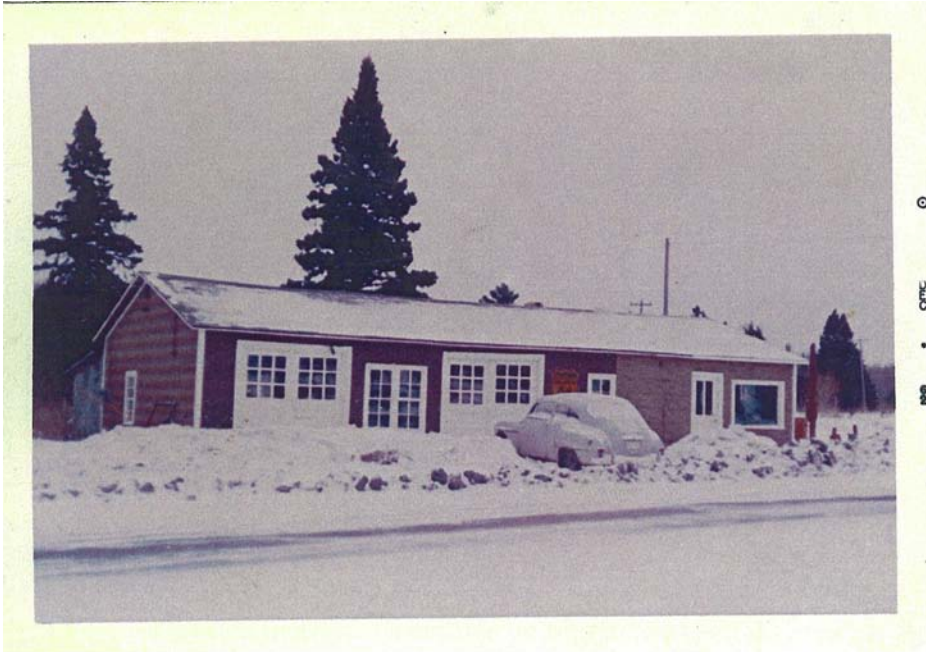
- Bruce and Kelly Coponen. They live near Obenhoff Lake.
- Henry Lantto (no relation to Adam Lantto nor descendants) had a farm in Obenhoff. Jody is a granddaughter of Henry, and she is now the owner of Schmidts Corner Bar, unless rumors are true and she has sold it.
- Bill Traub
- Ken/Noni Ruohonen.
- William Heikkila owned the bar right after prohibition. There was candy sold in the bar for the kids who came with their parents. The mining company in Freda did not

want a bar in the town area. But didn't want workers coming home from other towns.. so allowed a bar on outskirts of town.

- Pictures attached have owner Wally Jolie. He lived according to a fire insurance policy at 934 Ethel Ave. Hancock in 1948. He insured his home and contents from 1948 to 1951 with Oskar's Farmer's Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

- George Nelson.

The garage in pictures of Schmidt's Corner belonged to John Ruohonen. He did repair work there after Wm. Heikkila had the bar.



Also in some pictures is a home of Jurmu. Read about their family in Families in Stanton Township Chapter.

From the vault at the Stanton Township hall comes this information:

Stanton Township Treasurer paid \$42.50 for a license fee distributor voucher to Liquor Control Commission on Sept 2, 1937. George H. Nelson Licensee 6 months. Tavern code E 84.

Wallace Jolie had Liquor Law Enforcement Inspections on form in 1952, 1953, 1957, and 1958 in the vault.

Inspection on 9/29/1952. Licensees were Leonard Colombe and W. Jolie. Deputy Sheriff doing the inspection was Ernest Schmidt. The same for 10/25/11/25/12/20 of that year.

Inspection on Jan 19 and Feb 14, 1953, was Colombe and Jolie. On March inspection form just Jolie was listed as licensee. Schmidt was Deputy Sheriff doing the inspection.

Inspections in March thru December 1957 licensee was Wally Jolie. In March Arthur Lantto was Deputy Sheriff. Then April thru Dec was George H. Nelson. Inspections from Jan. thru Dec. 1958 licensee was W. Jolie.

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