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1975 REUNION REPORT - Fifty-five Krauses, several meeting each other for the first time, enjoyed two wonderful days together in the "Home" area where we all grew up. - Saturday at Dorothy and Harry's near the Homestead and Sunday at Erna and Ray's out at Ashley Lake. All admitted our Reunions are becoming more precious each year, and we want to say a hearty THANK YOU to our hosts and hostesses.

GREETINGS FROM EUROPE - Sabisches sent a telegram to be read at the Reunion, but it never arrived. It is being traced. It would have been so nice to hear from you as you had planned.

PICTURES BY PAUL - Cousin Paul was one of several who took pictures by the dozen. I have his negatives. Please place your orders by May 1 for distribution at the Reunion. THANK YOU, PAUL. It's not the photographers, ^{fault} that we all look a year older!

COSTS: 8x10 are \$2.92 that includes the tax.
5x3½ are 28 cents, including tax.
These are March 1976 prices. : # ? % *
Postage for the 8x10 pictures usually comes to about 50 cents.

The following pictures are available:

1. THE GROUP - all of us at Dorothy and HARRY'S.
2. "THE SIX KRAUSES."
3. "FIRST COUSINS" - 6 KRAUSES, WALT, LEONA, and ALICE FLATT.
4. "SECOND COUSINS" - MARGARET, JON, BOB, FRED, PAUL & BUTCH KRAUSE, PENNY LINHART & MARGARET ZIMPELMANN
5. BRUNO with his pick and shovel.
6. BRUNO - close up.
7. WALT - close up.
8. WALT and ALFRED SIEGEL.
9. BRUNO, ALICE K. and WALT.
10. EATING SCENE - Margaret B. Harry, Alice K. and Hanna.
11. PICNIC TABLE SCENE - Bruno, Alfred S., Bonnie, Butch, Rusty, Jon, Lyndie, Walt, Alfred K., & Leona.

QUOTES: from Margaret Z. "What fun time that was and how fortunate we are to have a family that cares about one another."

Marlene: "Frank completed a woodcarving course thru a Community Course. He has done some nice pieces."

Lilly: "Thanks for keeping me posted on "KRAUSE KAPERS". Sorry. Lilly you couldn't be with us."

Penny: "Mardi LeAnn was born Oct. 5 and seems to be the only one not in a "tizzy" about Christmas. Hi to everyone."

Walt K.: "I'm working part time again now."

LaZetta: "We will be enjoying the company of Dave's folks and Judy for Christmas."

QUOTES, cont. Gertrude Freiburger; "Herman gets around with a cane now."
Remember Herman had a stroke several years ago.

THANK YOU'S - to Alice K. for her fine poem. It was read at the Reunion and by popular request was printed for your pleasure.

to Margaret for sharing her and Gerta's episode - in bear country?

to Shirley for the Baked Beans Recipe. m - m - m- GOOD!

to Paul our photographer with codices of patience.

to the hosts and hostesses again, heart: THANK YOU!

HOPE I HAVEN'T OVERLOOKED ANYONE!

GET WELL WISHES - to Edna who suffered a stroke Jan. 22 and thankfully is improving. We hope she will be up and around soon.
- to Ray who broke his leg while ice skating on Ashley Lake just before Christmas. He's up but is still on crutches.
- to Edith who's been in the hospital with stomach ulcers.
- to Margie who had surgery on her elbow to straighten out a nerve condition.

WE WISH EACH ONE OF YOU A SPEEDY RECOVERY.

SAD NEWS - With a sad heart we report the death of one of our loved ones - Leopold Schmidt, the husband of our cousin Lenchen (Krause) Schmidt, passed away October 6, of an heart attack. Colleen and Archie had visited them just a week before.

1976 Reunion - We are invited to Gerta and Bud's in Spokane for August 7 and 8. They have lots of parking for trailers and tents. Our good "Old Fashioned" pot luck still seems to be the favorite menu. Everyone is looking forward to seeing YOU there. In the meantime keep well and have a safe journey!

DID WE EVER TELL YOU ABOUT THE TIME -

Bruno fell through the ice on Whitefish River?

Old Nick ran away with Hanne and Bruno and Harry?

Harry, Bruno and Hanne instituted the "first" sit down strike?

Gerta lost her pet chicken?

Erna married the cousin of the thrasher's water boy?

Alfred "ran away" for the last time?

God has plans - no problems.
There is no osnic in heaven.

With much love - Auf Wiedersehn!

Sabina has called March 2 to wish me Happy Birthday and to say Special GREETINGS to each one of you. Thank you Herta, Karl-Helms, Wolfgang and Christian. We would like to invite you to the Family Reunion.

Hanne & Alfred

ALICE AND BRUCE KRAUSE

There is a man with a beard so white, and eyes so sharp, he could see by night,
Who loved the Lord and everything right.
He and his peace lovin' wife, lived on a mountain, away from all strife.
They were meek people, not very bold, and one desire of their heart, was to
find some gold.

Together they worked hard, dug a big hole in the ground; the hole got deeper and
bigger round, but nothing much was ever found.
The time came that a family re-union was held in the old home town; his kin-folk
would come from all around.

The prospector thought he'd skip this one year, but as time drew near, he changed
his mind, and said to his wife, "Dear, put on your Sunday best, we'll go
to town and join the rest. Dress with lots of fues, we'll make our best
we got the 'dust.'"

His wife being a peace loving soul, said "O.K. I'll play the role."

So all duded up in their very best, off they went to join the rest.

Kissin' cousins, they were there by the dozens; brothers and sisters, uncles and aunts
all were there in their fancy pants!

As big as life, in strolled the prospector, and his peace lovin' wife.
You could tell by the clothes that they wore, they weren't very rich, but awful
poor.

But they loved their relatives and they loved life, this old prospector and his
peace lovin' wife

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BAKED BEANS - Shirley Siegel's Recipe

A favorite dish of all who attended the Reunion 1975

Brown in bacon grease 1 green pepper & 1 onion
Add pepper (black) and bacon
Add: 2 can baked beans
1 can lima beans
1 can red kidney beans
2tbsp brown sugar
3 tbsp vinegar
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. dry mustard
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup chili sauce

Bake at 350 - about an hour

The Saga of Gerta and Margaret's Night at Ashley Lake

This episode took place on Sunday evening, Aug. 3rd - the last night of our annual family reunion, and I felt that it was too good not to share with the rest of the family.

As most of you know, Erna and Ray had invited all of us out to their cabin at Ashley Lake for the day and we had our usual bountiful "Must-Go" pot luck, along with some new, delicious dishes. Later that afternoon their son Frank arrived, along with Marlene and their two little boys and Marlene's brother Edna and his wife. The hours flew by as they always do when you're having fun, and before we knew it, people were starting to head for home as it was getting dark.

Gerta and I had planned to start for Spokane in her car the next morning, but we agreed to find a place to crash in for the night. Harma and Al wanted to start for Bremerton that evening, but Erna persuaded them it was fool-hardy to start out at that late hour, so she was faced with twelve people to bed down for the night.

In her usual resourceful fashion, Erna found a bed for Keith and his wife at a nearby neighbors and arranged for Gerta and me to sleep at another neighbor's, a bit farther down the road. Now, Erna had taken me to visit this family when I first came through and spent the night with them on my way to Kalispell, but that was in broad daylight. Not wanting to appear completely stupid, I assured them that I could find the place again, so Ray furnished us with a flashlight and we started down the road with our over-night bags and some clean sheets and pillow cases under our arms.

Well, it turned out that all houses look pretty much alike in the dark and we took a wrong turn and got off the main road. Pretty soon it became apparent that we were not at the right house, so we started back and took a "short cut" up to the road. Needless to say, we were soon stumbling around in the underbrush with our arms loaded with assorted "stuff". In an attempt to light Gerta's way so that she wouldn't stumble, I dropped the sheets but fortunately it was dry under foot and we could brush them off and continue on our way.

Eventually we did find the right house where we were warmly greeted by the owner and escorted to our comfortable bed. It was in a partially finished house with a magnificent view of the lake, so once we got ourselves settled, we had a couple of queens - except for the outdoor conveniences which we both had to take advantage of at dawn the next morning.

The episode ended happily and we had a good laugh about it at breakfast the next morning. It brought back a lot of happy memories when we were girls together on the farm!

by Margaret Zimpelmann

EASTER MESSAGE - He who gave for us His life,
Who for us endured the strife,
Is our Paschal Lamb today.
We, too, sing for joy and say: Hallelujah!