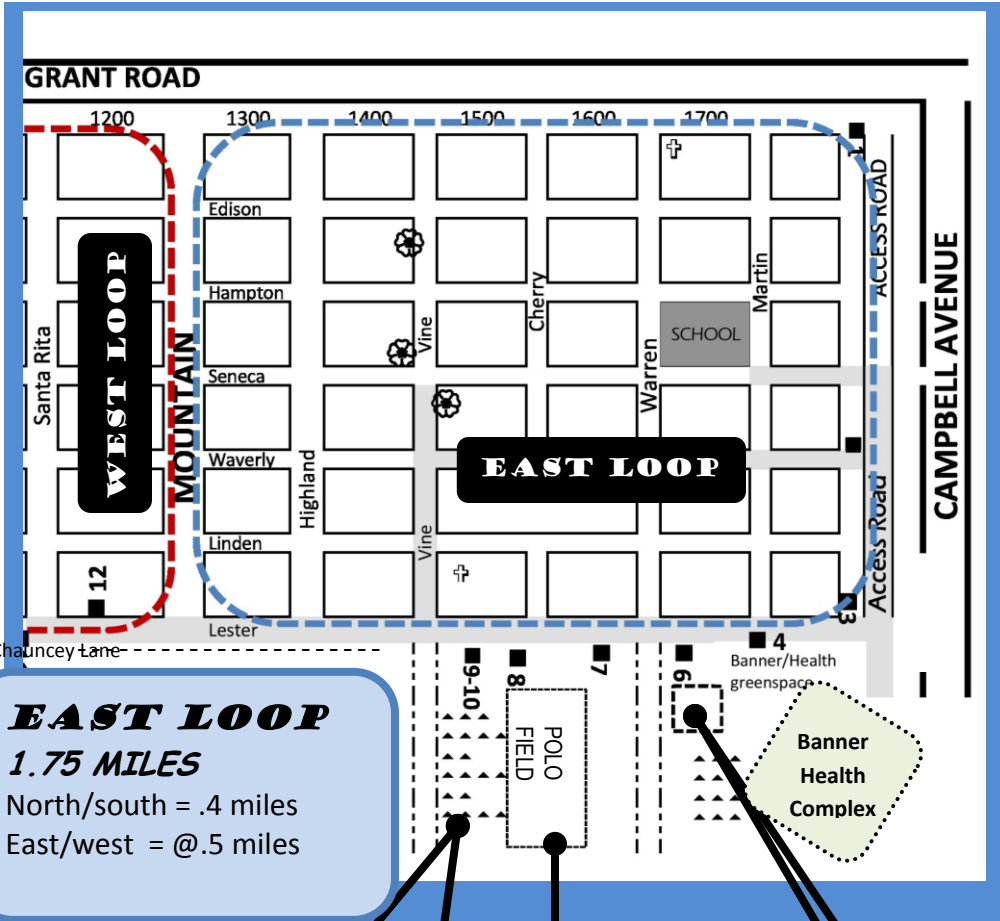


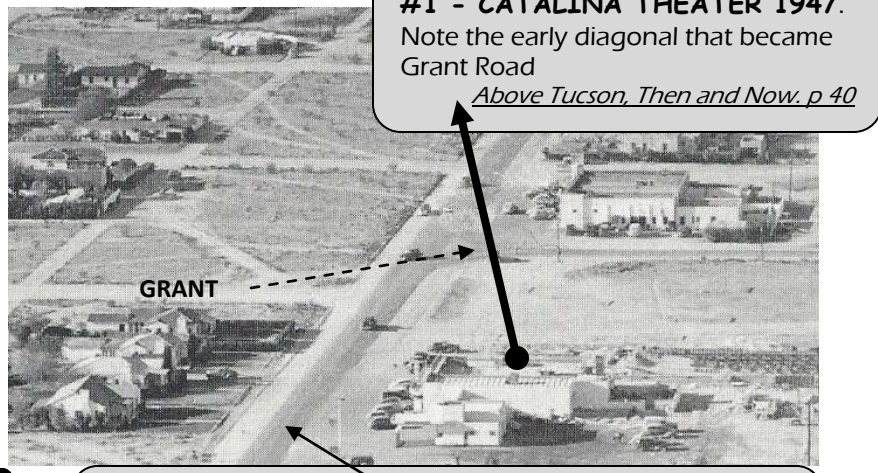
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WALK/BIKE EAST LOOP

1 3/4 MILES and 100 years of history



EAST LOOP
1.75 MILES
North/south = .4 miles
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#1 - CATALINA THEATER 1947. Note the early diagonal that became Grant Road
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CAMPBELL AVENUE
Formerly Oak Street and probably named by Ana Lester, was changed to honor, attorney __Campbell.

#2 - FIESTA DE LOS VAQUEROS 1923
The northwest corner of the Catalina Vista Neighborhood was the site of the first Fiesta de los Vaqueros!

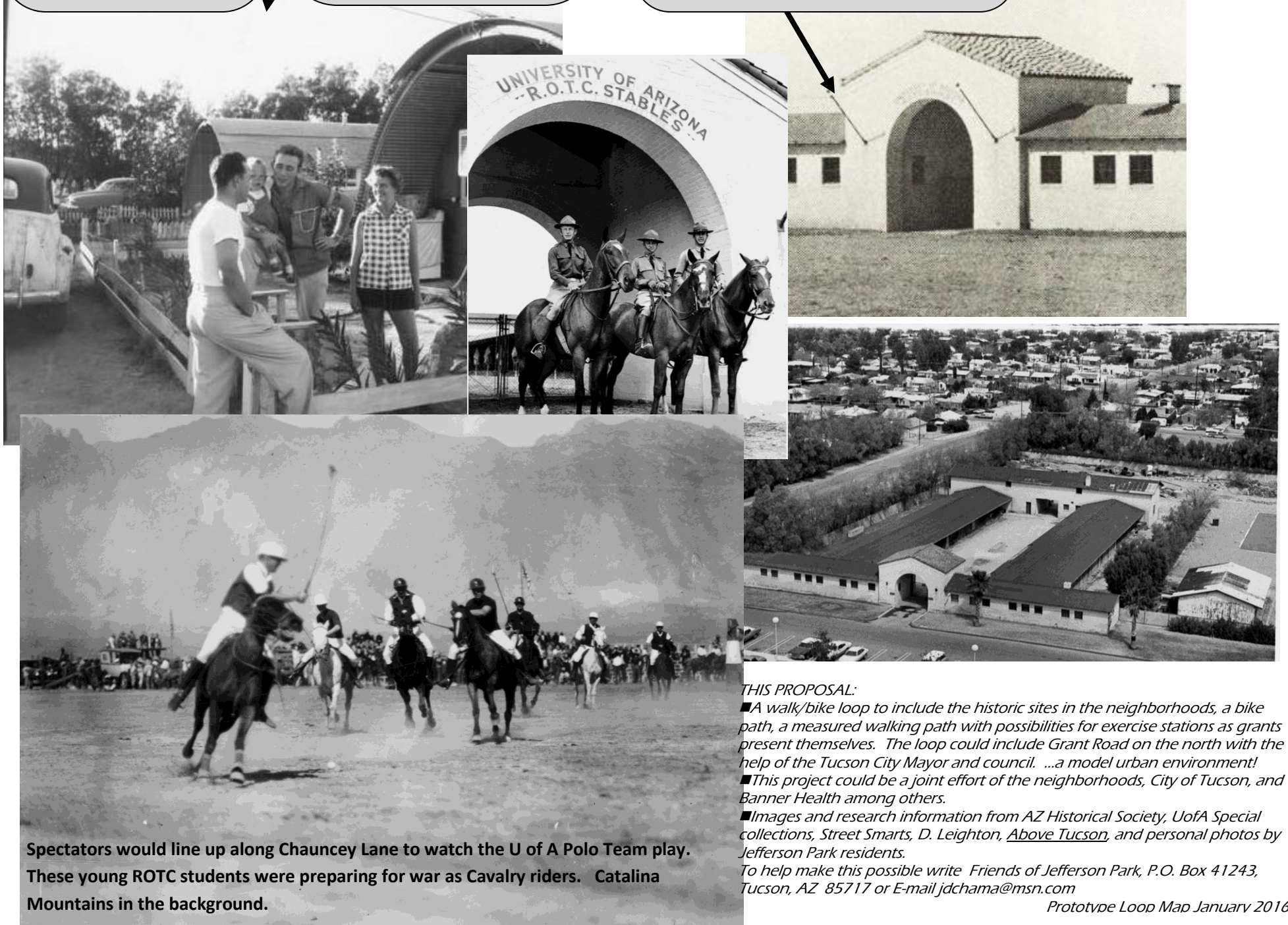
Wealthy winter visitor from Philadelphia, Leighton Kramer built Rancho Santa Catalina. As president of the Polo Club, he purchased the property which became the AZ Polo Field and created the first Tucson Rodeo in what is now Catalina Vista Neighborhood.



6 - STABLES 1936
The ROTC. Stables were located on the east side of Warren Avenue, next to the old UA polo field. It was completed in March, 1936. Cavalrymen took care of the horses and taught UA students to ride and perform cavalry formations.

#9-10 - POLO VILLAGE STUDENT HOUSING 1946-1960
After World War II, 114 two-family Quonset huts were built around the Polo Field to house the many World War II returning veterans. The boundaries were Chauncey Lane(N), Drachman(S), Vine (W), Martin (E).

#8 - U of A ROTC POLO TEAM 1940's
Saturdays and Sundays, people would park their cars on Lester and Chauncey Lane and watch the U of A Polo team practice. The last game was played on Pearl Harbor Day. The players went to war, the cavalry was mechanized and the horses were auctioned off.



Spectators would line up along Chauncey Lane to watch the U of A Polo Team play. These young ROTC students were preparing for war as Cavalry riders. Catalina Mountains in the background.

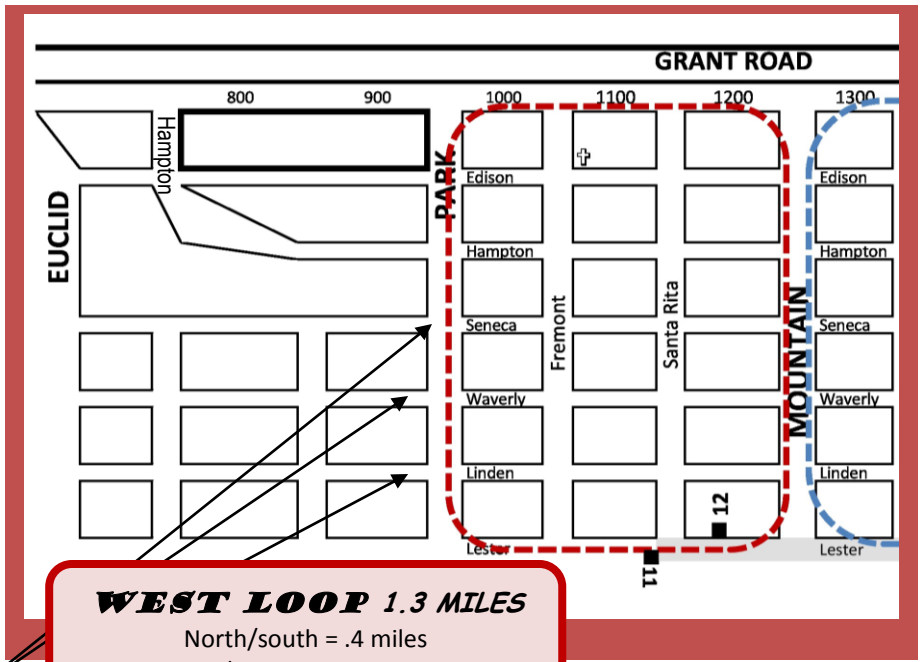
THIS PROPOSAL:
 ■A walk/bike loop to include the historic sites in the neighborhoods, a bike path, a measured walking path with possibilities for exercise stations as grants present themselves. The loop could include Grant Road on the north with the help of the Tucson City Mayor and council. ...a model urban environment!
 ■This project could be a joint effort of the neighborhoods, City of Tucson, and Banner Health among others.
 ■Images and research information from AZ Historical Society, UofA Special collections, Street Smarts, D. Leighton, *Above Tucson*, and personal photos by Jefferson Park residents.
 To help make this possible write Friends of Jefferson Park, P.O. Box 41243, Tucson, AZ 85717 or E-mail jdchama@msn.com
 Prototype Loop Map January 2016

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1 AND 1/3 MILES and 100 years of history



1949 - View looking north to the Catalinas from Hampton near Grant

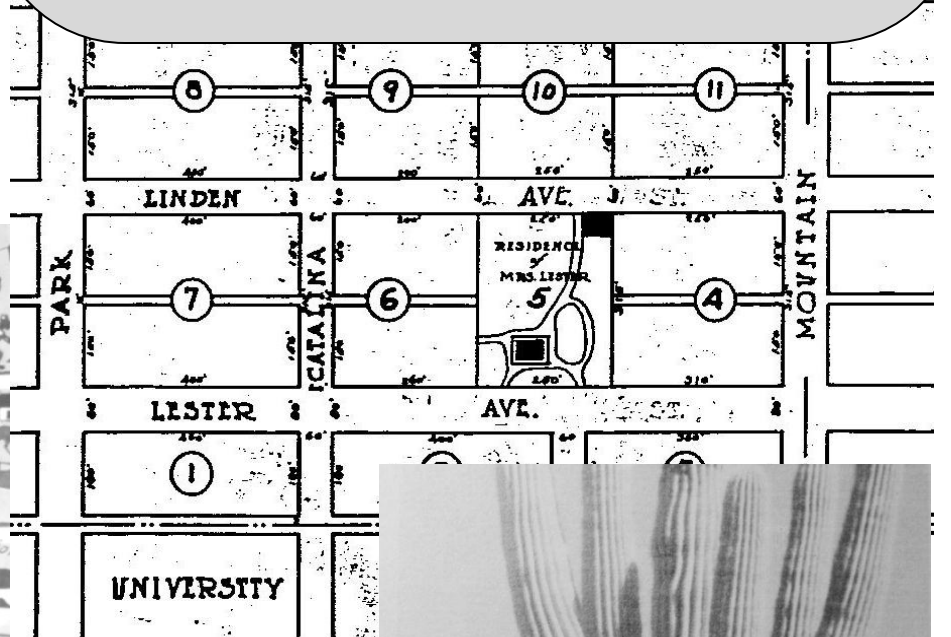
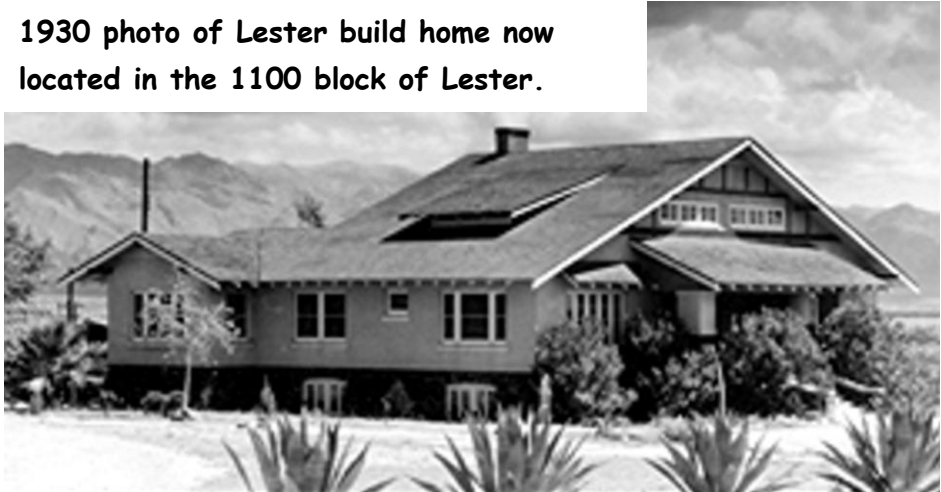


GRANT ROAD
 Formerly, North Street because it was the most northern road in Tucson. Subsequently it was named Grant after the Grant family who owned a ranch on the far west end of the road.

@1905 - Naming the Streets: "By 1903 Anna had married Frank Lester and hence the name for **Lester Street**. She then began naming streets for trees familiar to her native Germany. We now have **Seneca, Waverly, and Linden** – all European tree names. It is suspected she also gave other Tucson streets their tree names. Among them are Elm, Walnut (now Cherry), Pine (now Warren), Maple (now Martin), and Oak Street (now Campbell Avenue). During the 1600's and early 1700's trees were frequently used to form streets in Europe."* *AZ Star, *Street Smarts*, by David Leighton

#12 - THE HOMESTEAD petitioned in 1903
 A 26-year-old, German immigrant, Anna Stattelmann, laid claim to a 158-acre tract of land from Park Ave to Campbell, from Lester north to Grant. A year later she married Frank Lester.
 The original residence was "32x32 feet, plus five chicken houses and a barn, with 10 acres fenced, a well, windmill, tank and other small buildings. Estimated value \$1,500". (homestead proof 1903)
 Several of the homes she built still stand today. She was one of the very first to rent to U of A students and she established a school to serve the neighborhood. Located here are three of the four iconic Craftsman Bungalow homes built by Anna Lester at the turn of the century. The original homestead is located on the northwest corner of Santa Rita and Lester. It is hidden behind dense overgrowth.
 Note the volcanic rock taken from the base of "A" Mountain in the foundation walls of several of these homes.

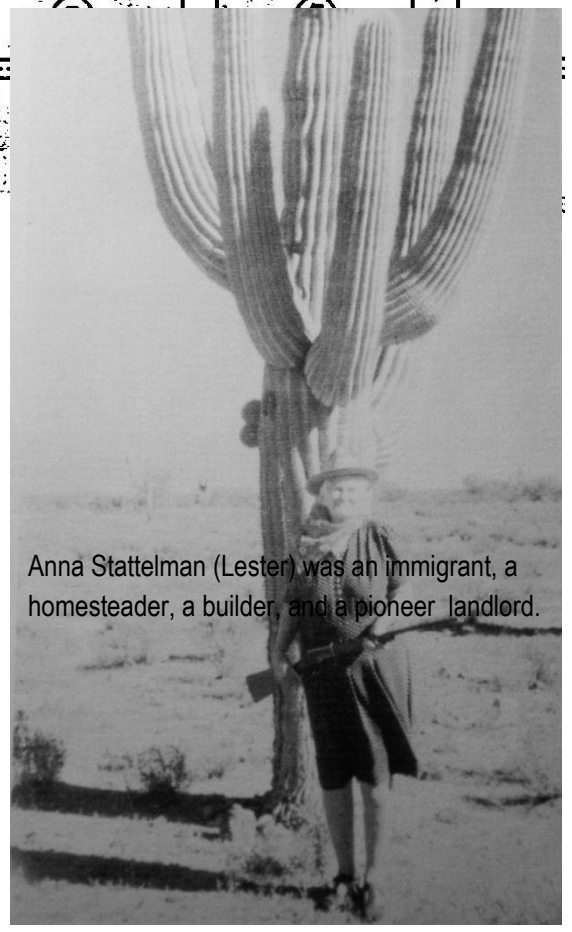
1930 photo of Lester build home now located in the 1100 block of Lester.



#11 - TENT CITY 1890- 1920
 At the turn of the century 7000 tubercular invalids (almost 1/3 of the entire population) inhabited Tucson. Arriving by railroad to the warm desert air of Tucson they settled in "Tentville," as it was called. Tentville extended 3/4 mile north of Speedway from First to Campbell Avenue. Life was hard for these citizens. There was no indoor plumbing and water had to be hauled from shallow wells.



Comstock Hospital and Barfield Sanatorium were later established to help these poor souls.



Anna Stattelmann (Lester) was an immigrant, a homesteader, a builder, and a pioneer landlord.