

In the fall of 1907 this Sod House was built on Gustav & Hannah Tastad's homestead - NE 1/4 sec. 6, tp. 29, range 5, w. of 3rd.

It was a two-roomed house, with whitewashed walls, scatter mats on the wood floors, curtains, and plants on two large window sills.

It was cosy and warm in winter and cool in summer, and it was their first home. Evelyn, Jennie and Gudrun were born here. Peder and Edward were born in the new frame house built in 1912-13.

After the towns appeared, this house was between Glenside and Hawarden, and was a stopping-off place for people driving with horses between Outlook and Elbow.

Mom baked bread for the many bachelors in the area. They had a little organ, and a guitar, so there was always music and singing when the neighbors visited. The Pastor also made this his stopping place when serving the community, as his home was at Elbow.