

# SOME PRAIRIE TWH HISTORY

EDWARD ZACHARY, ERICKSON, wrote on his renewal slip, "I've sold my partbred TWH gelding, and since then I haven't ridden a horse. I still love horses though, and I am back in Erickson, Manitoba, where I first saw Tennessee Walking Horses so many years ago."

Edward remembers two young Walkers that were imported from Fisher's Palomino Farm in Souderton, Pennsylvania over fifty years ago. At that time, Fisher's Palomino Farm claimed to be the largest breeder of palomino Tennessee Walking Horses in the world. (See their ad from *The Tennessee Walking Horse*, 1945, on the facing page.) P.K Fisher also raised several other breeds besides TWH - as long as they were good palominos. That beautiful golden colour made palominos the height of fashion at the time.

So I decided to do some detective work, to see if I could find out the names and numbers of the young Walkers that Edward remembers. Looking up what I could find in the copies of the old Canadian Live Stock Records papers that Eldon Eadie had given me, there it was - #15 in the Canadian records of TWH registered in Canada. SUPER'S GOLD DREAM #482627 was a yellow female with both hind socks and white mane and tail, born May 14, 1948. She was by Allen's Supergold 440077 out of Westbrook's Yellow Girl 441284. She was bred by P.K. Fisher of Souderton, Pennsylvania, and owned May 14, 1949 by Ray D. Waterbury of Erickson, Manitoba. So she came to Erickson, Manitoba, Canada as a yearling.

Barker's Moonbeam  
(Golden Sunshine F44 x Squirrel Mare)

**Sire: ALLEN'S SUPERGOLD**

Daisy Mai Barker (Roan Allen F38 x Daisy Barker)

**SUPER'S GOLD DREAM**  
TWHBAA 482627; Cdn #15

Nimble King  
(Rex Chief 1899 ASR x Raven McDonald 3801 ASR)

**Dam: WESTBROOK'S YELLOW GIRL**

Moss's Acie (Unknown parents -  
Registered by Executive committee on production.)

The next TWH registered in Canada, #16, turned out to be Tennessee's Baby Mine 521059, a chestnut filly with both hind socks and a star, mixed mane and tail, out of Super's Gold Dream and sired by a horse called Sunny Tennessee #470970. Hmm - where did he come from? I couldn't find any record of him in the old Canadian Live Stock Records papers. Baby Mine was born May 22, 1952, also the property of Ray D. Waterbury of Erickson, MB. Had he bought Sunny Tennessee too, but never registered him in Canada?

Checking in the set of TWHBAA Stud Books given to me by the Williamson family, I found that SUNNY TENNESSEE #470970 was the new name of FISHER'S RED HAL #470970! Fisher's Red Hal #470970, alias Sunny Tennessee, was a sorrel colt sired by Fisher's Wilson Allen out of Golden Pearl. Bred by P.K. Fisher, Souderton, Pennsylvania, he too was registered as the property of R.D. Waterbury, Erickson, Manitoba. So Sunny Tennessee must have been the other one of the two Walkers Ed remembers seeing.

Sunny Tennessee and Super's Gold Dream had one more Canadian registered offspring, a colt named Ray's Tennessee Waltz #17, 510734. He was a yellow colt with 3 stockings and white mane and tail, born in 1951, also bred by Ray Waterbury. He was sold to R.E. Tiffin of Indian Head, SK in November of 1957 where he sired several foals including the mare Wycotts Waltztime #42.

In *SUPER'S GOLD DREAM* and *SUNNY TENNESSEE*, we have two Tennessee Walkers that came up to Manitoba from the U.S. as yearlings over 50 years ago and who still have registered descendants on the Prairies today. Anyone with a horse descended from Wycott's Waltztime, such as Chapie's Summer, for example, pictured below with Peter Symons riding, has a horse with over fifty years of Prairie TWH history behind it. She is descended from them both through their great granddaughter, Alberta Maybelle S. # 77. *Marjorie C. Lacy*

