

There were 7 litters farrowed the first fall. The next spring 11 litters were farrowed. 12 litters were farrowed in the fall of 1983. Spring of 1984 farrowed 22 litters. The average of pigs raised per litter over this period of time was 8 pigs per litter.

PUREBRED WATTLE HOG SALE

A public purebred Wattle hog sale of breeding stock was held the 16th of September 1984, where the hogs were received very well and most individuals sold for \$500.00 for the smaller pigs, to \$3100.00 for the top bred gilt. The herd was cared for by Keith Prentice and family and also Ralph Fairchild. The remainder of the herd was sold because of Bob's health, and Keith had taken another job where he could no longer care for them.

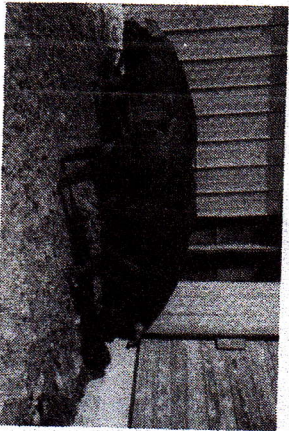
The main breeding herd was purchased by Wayne Frerichs and family of Greenville, IA, where the Endow lines are continued to be developed. Boars from the Endow herd have been used in commercial herds for crossbreeding, with over 3,000 market hogs sold on grade and yield. These hogs have sold for very good premiums over market price.



Longfellow



Group of gilts before farrowing (spring 1984) sired by Big Mac.



2 gilts by Big Mac before farrowing (Note the big six inch wattle on gilt to the left).



Wildman III at 1 year, son of Wildman II, Timberline-Wengler cross bloodline boar.

REGISTERING RED WATTLES

All individuals used from the original 30 head selected from the 6 herds of the Wengler Waddle lines, registered in the first registry were Simon, Samson, Mama Red, Juliet, Sassy, Blondie, and the other first hogs were recorded by Mr. Wengler. The sow, Rose Bud, was registered as number 67. The top 18 head were kept along with Rose Bud for the foundation of the Endow Wattle bloodline herd. They were registered as numbers 94 through 110.

About this time Mr. Wengler started the Wengler Red Waddle Hog Assn. The boar Ernie, son of Jungle Papa and Jungle Mama, was registered in the Wengler registry as number 44. He was transferred to us by Mr. Wengler. From the lifetime experience with registered livestock we realized an ear mark or identifying mark was needed for the hogs. A Wattle Hog Assn. was considered, then we decided on a registry service only. The purpose of the registry is to record the parentage of each individual and where the information may be obtained for use to match up certain bloodlines by anyone on request. Endow Wattle hog lines introduced the Timberline hogs into the Wengler bloodlines, giving a new unrelated line in 1984. The registry, kept by Ruth Prentice, is called Animal Registry and will record any breed of animal, old or new.

Although my health failed and my disability caused me to be unable to raise the hogs, I enjoyed the matching of the certain lines and feel we had an advantage by having access to a large part of the breeding herds where we could select the most lean, outstanding individuals. I had many requests for the background of the Endow Wattle Hog line. All the original individuals were recorded to us as Red Waddles and Wengler Red Waddle hogs.

When Ruth started the registry service, they were changed to the spelling of Wattles, as the hogs are so identified by the wattles on most of the individuals.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE RED WATTLE HOG

The Wattle hogs seem to be free of most recessives such as swirls, mule foot etc.

On the color, the hogs will be in shades of light red to dark red, some nearly black or a blackish red. Some will be red with black hair mixed in