

## **Beaded Dress Yoke**

The dress yoke (circa late 1940s) shown on the next page was donated to the Louis Riel Institute by Judy Kaczmarz (née Young). Her parents, John and Jean Young lived in the Pas, Manitoba for many years. Their next door neighbours were the Métis family of Horace and Laura Halcrow. This beaded yoke was on a jacket made for Judy Kaczmarz by Laura Halcrow.

Laura Halcrow (née Heurd) was born February 9, 1882 at Warroad, Minnesota and died on October 8, 1945 (aged 63) at The Pas. She is buried at Saint Michael's and All Angels Cemetery, Big Eddy, Opaskwayak Cree Nation. Her husband Horace Halcrow (1882-1945) was a clerk with the Hudson's Bay Company at Ile-a-la-Crosse from 1899 to 1907. Upon retirement he moved to the Pas. He was a mining prospector and developer and a fur buyer. He served for eight years on The Pas municipal council and was elected Mayor of The Pas in 1922.



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