

Left to right: Albin Botello, Epperson, George Ray Shotter, Frank Shotter, Daisy Wayne

Frank Shotter is the man who is still known and remembered for running the first fox farms in Hoonah. Mr. and Mrs. Shotter and their son lived out at Garteeni and raised their foxes. Once a year, the foxes, except the ones used for breeding purposes, were killed and skinned for their pelts. The pelts were a light or dark blue or a light grayish blue and they were sold for 35.00 to 225.00 dollars a piece. The pelting and stretching were done by special people that Mr. Shotter paid.

The foxes were fed fresh fish from the stream, cereal bought by the hundred pound sacks, and cod liver oil bought by the fifty gallon drum.

Mr. Shotter had fox farms at Game Creek, Garteeni and other places. Before he died, Mr. Shotter sold his Garteeni property to Geraldene Thompson. The white house was moved into town and Stanley Thompson and his family now live in it.