

Stephen Sereda  
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Austrian Immigrant  
Bulgaria  
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Reason for coming: Father had only a small farm and 4 sons [and] needed to make a living farming. Not sufficient land, therefore, 3 brothers immigrated in 1898 and 2 step brothers followed.

After landing in Halifax, they (Stephan, Euphemia, daughter Matrona and infant son Wasyl (six weeks) travelled by train to Strathcona in NWT (later Alberta). They then travelled to Rabbit Hill South of Strathcona to where a family related to mother (Marie Koziol) Stefan Kohut had settled in 1897. From there they travelled on foot West about 10 miles and eventually claimed a homestead.