

Shirley Champion's Mount Clemens history

My Family Moved to Mount Clemens in 1932. I was starting first grade at Lincoln school. My father was working at Fisher Body in Pontiac Michigan since 1925. The Stock market crashed in 1929 and the Country was in the Great Depression. He was laid off from Fisher body and was unable to make house payments, we lost our house. With the help of relatives my father opened up a popcorn store in downtown Mount Clemens next to the old Prihs Dept. Store on Macomb Street My parents rented a house on Welts street for \$15.00 per month. In 1937 my father got a job at American Aluminum factory in Detroit. They were able to buy a house in Mount Clemens.

Memories of Mount Clemens :

- When I was a little girl, visiting with Mrs. Lightbourne on the front porch of her Bath House on Welts Street.
- Watching the new County Building being built. I remember they had to stop work on the building until after the Great Depression was over.