

McPHERSON COUNTY
Historical Society
INC.
McPHERSON, KANSAS 67460

**Register of Pioneer Families
of
McPherson County, Kansas**

Volume 1, Part A

last names: A - J



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Introduction

As part of the observation of the centennial of the county in 1970, the McPherson County Historical Society and other county historical organizations convened at a banquet to honor the descendants of pioneer families in the county. Persons throughout the county were invited to submit names of their pioneer ancestors, as well as documents and other historical information, for inclusion in this register of pioneers.

Under the leadership of Linn Peterson (1920 - 2010), McPherson historian and long-time president of the MCHS, the number of pioneers added to the register increased steadily and now numbers over 1,000.

Peterson added valuable historical information to many entries in the register over the years. These include newspaper clippings, correspondence, and his own notes. Thus, a listing for a particular individual may include material about other members of the family as well.

Over 40 years later, the McPherson County Historical Society and the other county historical organizations continue to induct families into the register at their annual dinner. Now, the many volumes of the register are available to the public online in their entirety via the web site of the McPherson Public Library, as well as in print and in the McPherson Room of the library.

How to Use This Volume

The application forms and any accompanying information for each pioneer are arranged in the volume as indicated by the contents page. The names are listed as submitted by the family member completing the application. The name of a spouse may be found in the material under a particular name even though it is not listed in the contents.

Women who were inducted into the register singly are listed by their married name, if applicable, with their maiden name in parenthesis. There also are typically *see* references under the maiden names directing the user to the married name.

Titles and nicknames are listed in parenthesis.

Many immigrants changed their names upon arriving in America. If the family provided both names, the main entry for the person is listed in the contents under the American name with *see* references under the original name. Note that last names where both the original and American names are similar, such as Jansson – Johnson, Nilson – Nelson, Olafson – Olson, Bjork – Burk do not have *see* references under the original name.

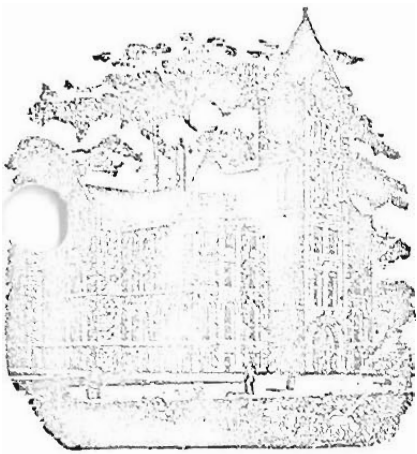
The date column indicates the year that the pioneer settled in McPherson County, and the township column indicates the township.

Please remember that the great majority of the information included in this volume was provided by family members. Neither the McPherson County Historical Society nor the McPherson Public Library are responsible for its accuracy.

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Adell, Carl Charles Gustaf	1881	Union
Almgren, John Fredrick	1876	New Gottland
Anderson, (Israel) John	1868	Smoky Hill
Aurell, Franc Oscar	1884	McPherson
Aurell, John Erick	1872	McPherson
Aurell, Selma (Brandt)	1883	Smoky Hill
Bowker, Harrison	1871	McPherson
Brandt, Selma (see Selma Aurell)		
Bremyer, Jacob K	1872	Delmore
Briggs, Sven Alfred	1887	Little Valley
Brown, Archibald	1873	McPherson
Buckman, Henry Smith	1873	Hayes
Burch, Robert Franklin	1870	Gypsum Creek
Burk, Gust	1871	New Gottland
Burk, Swan	1871	New Gottland
Caldwell, Paris Oscar	1872	Mound
Carlson, A G & Maria	1872	Union
Carlson, Magnus	1868	Smoky Hill
Carpenter, Daniel D	1871	King City
Clark, Anton	1872	McPherson
Claypool, James McDonald	1867	Marquette
Cole, Thornton Churchill James	1870	Mound
Cramer, Jacob B	1872	Empire
Dorf, Johan Gustaf & Christina	1869	Union
Elmquist, Nels Magnus	1868	Smoky Hill
Elmquist, Peter M	1869	Bonaville
Erickson, Anders	1868	Marquette
Erickson, Erick (see Erick Hedberg)		
Esping, Otto William	1870	Union
Fairchild, Almon	1872	King City
Falk, Carl (Charles) Gustaf	1880	Hayes
Ferm, John	1868	Smoky Hill
Finkle, Joseph	1872	Lone Tree
Finney, Carl	1871	Smoky Hill
Fisher, Simon Peter	1871	Harper
Florman, Olof	1873	Castle

George, William Henry (Dr)	1873	Canton
Gibbs, James	1875	Canton
Grant, Charles Oscar	1876	New Gottland
Grant, John P	1872	McPherson
Graves, John Martin	1872	Groveland
Gustafson, Andrew J	1872	McPherson
Hagberg, Andrew Johan	1869	Union
Haight, Joseph Beverly	1871	McPherson
Håkanson, Åke & Brita	1868	
Hanna, James Thompkins	1870	Lone Tree
Hanson, Hans & Lisa (see Anders Erickson)	1869	Marquette
Hawkinson, Alfred	1870	Union
Hedberg, Erick	1869	Marquette
Hedin, Lars	1869	New Gottland
Hedlund, Peter (see Nils Olsson)		
Hill, Peter	1872	McPherson
Holdeman, John A	1871	Meridian
Hughes, John Fletcher	1867	Marquette
Hutchinson, Geroge Thomas & Cynthia	1875	Canton
Jackson, Frederick	1870	McPherson
Jansson, Gustaf	1868	New Gottland
Jansson, Jonas	1872	Delmore
Jansson, Maria (see Maria Johnson)		
Jansson, Marta Lisa (see Marta Lisa Nelson)		
Johnson, Carl Gustav	1872	McPherson
Johnson, Gustaf	1866	Smoky Hill
Johnson, Gustav	1868	New Gottland
Johnson, J F	1868	Smoky Hill
Johnson, Maria (Jansson)	1870	Delmore
Jönsson, Jon (see John Ostlind sr)		
Jukes, Richard jr	1867	Smoky Hill



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(Settlers 1859-1870 - recognized 1971 Banquet)

(To be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the
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101st Birthday of McPherson County.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

(To be completed and returned to Linn Peterson, President of
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Mar. 28 '71
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl CHARLES GUSTAF ADELL
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler MY GRAND PARENT 1881
Month and year settled in McPherson County Mar. 21 1851 Ban. - July 6 1879
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union 7 30
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer SMALAND SWEDEN
Pioneer's age when he settled in County GRANDFATHER 28 MOTHER 18
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? YES
Is homestead still in possession of family? NO
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Mrs. H. A. Adell, Mrs. Conrad Adell, Mrs. Miss Mary Adell, Mrs. Margaret Adell, 310 N. 1st,
Conrad Adell, Chicago, 18 Wendover, Kans
Adell, Adell, & Adell

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler, which is of particular
significance or interest? My grandparents lived to see the
Marquette was a cedar house, later the house on which
lived there home. The young girl the Adell girl, who
fell was 15" coffee. She was 25 ft. (Lion Head) Adell.
The Adell raised Mary Ann. Her mother was a fine family
and was born in Sweden, came to Adell, Joe, Harry, Edward
and John, Esther, Niece, Miriam, Edith, Mabel, Helen.
They were charter members of the church at Marquette.
The Adell were a happy, social, and much as
they were together; enjoyed each other & grandchildren.

Your Signature: Mrs. Eldon Peterson
If woman, Maiden Name: Mary Adell H. Peterson
Your address: 418 E. Grand, McPherson
Your occupation: Housewife



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(Descendants of Pioneers who settled in County between 1859 and 1870 will be recognized at Banquets at McPherson College April 3rd.)

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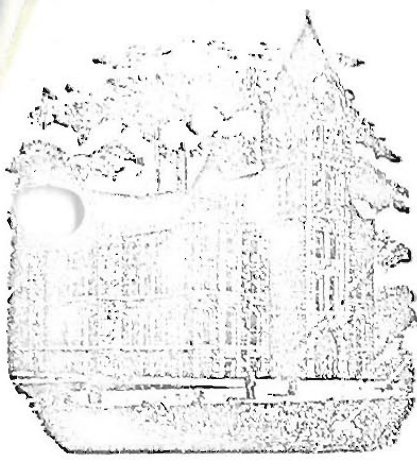
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Mar 31, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather John Fredrick Almqren
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1 1876
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gattland, Ks.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Carpenter
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden - Kalmar, Smolan
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 56
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No - sold to Burks
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs Norman Bengtson nee Ingrid Runbeck Bengtson, Douglas Bengtson, Deborah Bengtson gr. gr children.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular significance or interest? Letters from residents in New Sweden - la. relative to his assistance to the founding of New Sweden Church and his personal help to new Swedish immigrants to adjust to their new environment.

Your Signature: Mrs. Arthur Runbeck
If woman, Maiden Name: Lucille A. Runbeck
Your address: 601 S. Main St (Box 165)
Your occupation: Retired teacher and artist



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1870 and prior
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March 30, 1971
Date *my*

Name of your Pioneer forefather *John (Israel) Anderson*
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler *my grandfather*
Month and year settled in McPherson County *1868*
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled *Sec 8*
Occupation of Pioneer Settler *Farmer*
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer *Sweden Swedish*
Pioneer's age when he settled in County *16 or 17 when he arrived in U.S.*
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? *yes*
Is homestead still in possession of family? *yes I live on it now*
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: *yes* Mrs. Henry Schreiber & family - Lindsborg, Ks.
Mrs. Carl J. Erickson, & family, R.R. McPherson, Kansas
Mrs. Bruce Elbert, McPherson, Kansas

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest?

*Grandfather homesteaded in Sec 8 -
Township 17 - or so soon as I was a boy
he was owned by an Anderson since the
Indians owned the prairie*

Your Signature: *Charence Anderson*
If woman, Maiden Name:
Your address: *300 N. Kansas, Lindsborg*
Your occupation: *Farmer*



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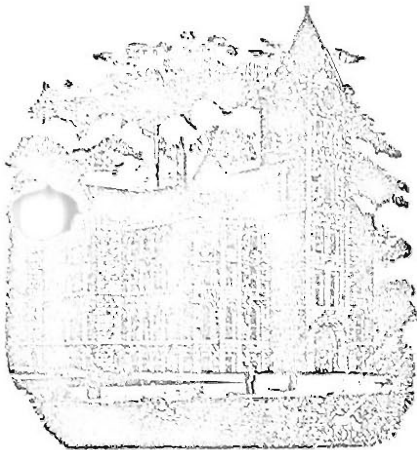
March 30 - 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Franc Oscar Aurell
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County June 19, 1884
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled McPherson Mo.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Shoemaker
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Junstad, St. Aby, Ostergithon Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 21 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
Is homestead still in possession of family?
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Harold F. Aurell - Son -
P.O. Box 796, McPherson, Kansas
Grand Children - Great Grandchildren & Great Great Grandchildren

*Mr. Albert Aurell - 6 children - 9 Grandchildren
Mrs. Wilhelmina Aurell - 1 child
Mrs. Curtis R. Wilkins - 4 children - 2 Grandchildren
Mrs. Violet Lindblom - 1 child*

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? He had an uncle and Aunt that lived in
Franklin Township; he lived with them a while and went to school at
Poplar. He learned to read with a few years English and worked
for 2 years before going to McPherson where he made shoes
and repaired them and had his own shop; he remained in the
same business all the rest of his life. Died at the age of 82.

Your Signature: _____
If woman, Maiden Name: Ethel F. Lindblom Aurell - Clark
Your address: 111. Box 132 Mrs. Carl E. Clark
Your occupation: Housewife



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3-25-71

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather John Erick Aurell

Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son

Month and year settled in McPherson County Early in 1879

Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SE 15-19-3

Occupation of Pioneer Settler Shoemaker in Sweden

Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Oct. 22 1840 Sweden

Pioneer's age when he settled in County 39 yrs

Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes

Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes

Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson

County? Names and addresses: Son - John Aurell, 108 Eastwood McPherson

Daughter Mrs. C. V. (Esther) Johnson 1111 E. Kans Ave

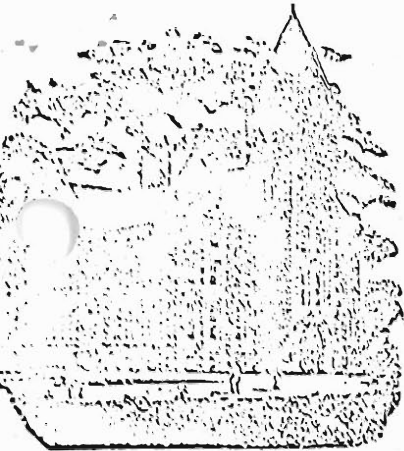
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest?

Your Signature: John E. Aurell - by Betty

If woman, Maiden Name: Granhedsted

Your address: 204 Lakeside Dr McPherson, Ks

Your occupation: Housewife



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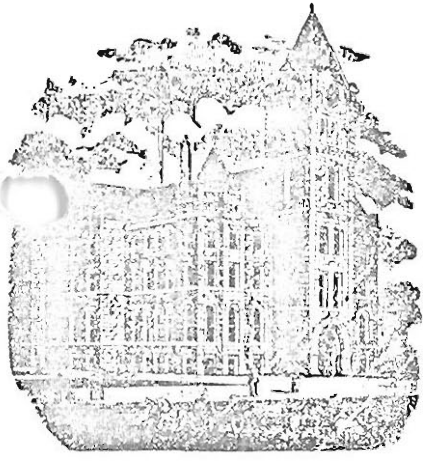
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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Selma Brandt - Aurell
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Daughter -
Month and year settled in McPherson County Sept 4 - 1883
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Lindsborg, Mo.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler House Keeper -
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Bunnells, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 14 Years -
Did settler homestead in McPherson County?
Is homestead still in possession of family?
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Harold H. Aurell McPherson, Kansas
Box 796 -

and ~~to the~~ grand children, great grandchildren and
great grandchildren.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Tohrie Stromquist went to Sweden and brought
back young people and my mother and her sister came over with
him. He got them down here to do to pay for their trip.
She stayed in Lindsborg 8 months and then moved to McPherson
and did house work until she married in 1883 and spent the rest
A her life in McPherson. Died at the age of 59.
Was married to Frank Oscar Aurell at the home of Dr. W. B. Smith
By Rev. H. Wait. Three children were born to this union, 4 girls 1 boy.

Your Signature:
If woman, Maiden Name: Eloise Elizabeth G. Hill
Your address: Mrs. Carl E. G. Hill Box 132
Your occupation: House wife -



1972

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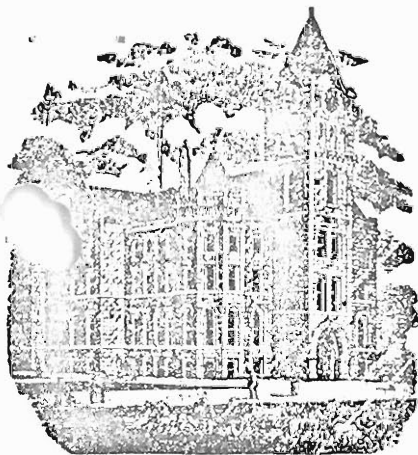
10-16-72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Harrison Bowker - S.P. (Pete) Fischer
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great grandson - grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1871 - 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled T3-McPherson + Harper T34
Occupation of Pioneer Settler merchant - farming - cattle - merchant See 11
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Eng - Northumberland, Pa. Ger - Eng
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 34
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? - yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: none that I know of other than my children

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Pete Fischer homesteaded north of McPherson because he thought this would be open cattle range - both bought school - bought and shipped cattle from western part of county. had stock store at Johnsons - and produced ice in McPherson.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Harrison S. Bowker
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 409 S. Maple, McPherson
Your occupation: attorney

H Bowker had Bowker Beehive & stores in McPherson of few boys two were given professional training & two remained in store but lost their inheritance through fire. Insurance was unavailable at that time.



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10-31-72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather J. K. BREMYER
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Delmore Twp. Sec. 10
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Upper Sandusky, Ohio
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 23
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Clara Aurell, The Cedars, McPherson, Ks.;
Jay Bremyer, Jeff Bremyer, Jill Bremyer, Seth Bremyer, all of
1407 Dover Road, McPherson, Ks.
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: [Signature]

If woman, Maiden Name: [Signature]

Your address: Box 149, McPherson, Ks.

Your occupation: Attorney

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Mrs J. Bremyer's Maiden name
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Jacob
Mrs. J. K. Bremyer's Maiden name
was Clapsaddle.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1914.

J. K. BREMYER DEAD.

From Friday's Daily.

One of the oldest settlers and business men of McPherson, J. K. Bremyer, passed away this morning at 4:50 o'clock after a short illness since Tuesday afternoon. He suffered from congestion of the brain.

The deceased was one of the first settlers of the county, coming here as a single man and homesteaded a claim in Delmore township in the seventies. He raised stock and was a successful farmer. His trade in stock soon required that he move to town and he came to McPherson where he established himself in business. Later he took up the real estate and loan business in which he was successful. He was interested in the advancement of the city and helped to establish or bring good business here. He was a member of the I. O. O. F., Fraternal Aid, Occidental, and the Order of Elks.

He was born in Seneca county, Ohio, October 14, 1850, was married November 25, 1878. Four children remain to mourn his death. They are F. H. Bremyer of Chicago, Mrs. Mr. Brandon, Clara, Mremyer and Andy Bremyer, McPherson.

When a boy he left home and went to southern Canada. Here he worked in the lumbering camps in winter and was a sailor on the lakes in summer.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the residence, 201 North Walnut. He laid to rest in the McPherson cemetery beside the remains of his wife who passed away on the 29th day of March, 1905.

THE BREMYER FUNERAL.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The funeral of J. K. Bremyer was held Sunday afternoon from the home at the corner of West Marlin and Maple Streets. The body was in state at the residence from nine o'clock in the morning till one o'clock in the afternoon and funeral services were held at two-thirty o'clock. Rev. D. M. Yetter, pastor of the Methodist church, conducted the services. At the grave the Odd Fellows Order had charge of the services. The following were the pall-bearers: T. J. Darrah, W. S. Bukey, Adam Barkley, Benj. Kydd, T. C. Sawyer, John Zimmerman. Burial was in the McPherson cemetery beside the remains of his wife who passed away in nineteen hundred and five.

The relatives that were present from away were his son, F. H. Bremyer, and wife, Chicago; a brother, John Bremyer, Kirby, Ohio; a sister, Mrs. Pete Pauley, Kirby, Ohio; another brother, Nick Bremyer, Little Rock, Arkansas; John Pauley, Junction City, Kansas; Mrs. Wm. Hammer, Lincolnville, Kansas, and J. G. Johnson, Hinton, Oklahoma.



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Rec 7/31/96
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The following information will be placed in a Register of Pioneer Families who settled in McPherson County, Kansas. It is the intent of the Historical Societies of McPherson County to honor such families in an appropriate ceremony at the Annual Dinner of the Societies held each fall.

Please complete the Form and include such other pertinent and interesting information as you feel would be of general interest. The Form should then be forwarded to either the President of one of the Societies or to the Chairman of the Committee in charge.

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jacob K. Bremyer
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872 (June)
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled Delmore
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer, horse and mule trader
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer German and French
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 21
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: John K. Bremyer, Jay K. Bremyer, Jeff W. Bremyer, Jill Bremyer Archer, Seth Bremyer, Aaron Bremyer, Kamee Bremyer, Matt Bremyer, Robbie Archer, Ali Archer, Sam Archer, Anna Archer, Max Archer
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Lived in Ohio from birth in 1850 until 1864, then in Michigan; homesteaded in McPherson Co. in 1872; 1895 sold the farm and moved to McPherson City.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: [Signature]
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Box 1146
Your occupation: McPherson, KS 67460

lost deed
find is homestead
June 23, 1881 -
SE 1/4 of SW 1/4
and S 1/2 of SE 1/4
S 10; and SW 1/4
SW 1/4 of S 11,
in Township 18S,
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April 7, 1905 Daily Republic

Kidneys Are Weakened by Over-Work.

Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

to be considered that only bladder troubles were to be traced to the kidneys.



but modern science proves that nearly all diseases have their beginning in the disorder of these most important organs.

The kidneys filter and purify the blood—that is their work.

when your kidneys are weaker, you can understand how the entire body is affected and the organ seems to fail to do its

sick or "feel badly," begin the great kidney remedy, Dr. Swamp-Root, because as soon as the kidneys are well they will help the other organs to health. A trial will convince anyone.

When you are sick you can make no mistake in doctoring your kidneys. The extraordinary effect of Dr. Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy, is soon realized. It is the highest for its wonderful cures in distressing cases, and is sold by all

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OBITUARY.

Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Bremyer was born in Franklin County Pa., May

20, 1860. At an early age she came to Kansas, and was married to Mr. J. K. Bremyer at Salina, Kan., Nov. 26, 1878. Eleven years ago they moved to McPherson where they have since made their home. She died at her home in West McPherson Wednesday Mar. 29, 1905, of paralysis of the brain.

The funeral was held from the home Friday, March 31 at 2 p. m. conducted by Rev. W. A. Morrison of the Christian church. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband and four children Frank, Mary, Clara and Andrew, a mother, three brothers and two sisters. Their son Frank, two brothers and a sister live in Washington and could not be at the funeral.

The funeral was very largely attended by citizens and friends in and out of the city and a large concourse followed her to her last resting place. The countless friends condole with the family in this their unexpected sorrow.

For Sale.

OFFENSIVE CATARRH

I suffered for a long case of Catarrh, and for medicine without any benefit.

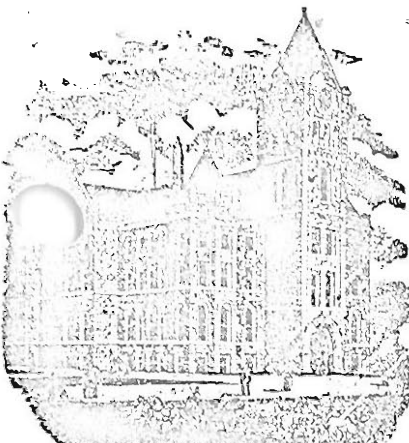
I had a continual headache, my eyes had grown purple, my nose stopped up, my breath had a disgusting odor, and I could not sleep.

I heard of your S. S. S. I commenced to use it, several bottles I was never able to had the slightest relief from the disease. Miss M. Cor. 7th & Felix Sta.,

Wheeling, W. Va.

I had Nasal Catarrh for years. I used S. S. S. with very good results. I tried local applications and getting no permanent relief. I reached the conclusion that the trouble was in the blood. Knowing that S. S. S. was a good blood medicine, I decided to try it. I did away entirely with the catarrh. I used it for several weeks in the nostrils, and it came out in mucus and spit, especially to dislodge the catarrh. 1627 South St. Ft.

The filthy secretions are continually dropping from the throat, find their way down the throat and are absorbed into the blood.



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March 25, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Swen Alfred S. A. Briggs Father - John
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County February, 1887 Little Valley
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 21-9-5
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Ophiom Illinios. Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
Is homestead still in possession of family?
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Son; Arnold Briggs,
Grandsons; LeRoy Briggs, Ted Briggs, Kenneth Briggs,.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Came to Salina, Kansas on the train, then went
to the farm 5 miles west of Inman Kansas, in a horse and buggy.

Your Signature: Kenneth L Briggs
If woman, Maiden Name:
Your address: Widom, Kansas. 67491
Your occupation: Farmerstockman

Dear Mr. Peterson,

We have your letter concerning Pioneers of McPherson County.

It is our understanding that John Briggs came here and bought land for his sons to farm--Charles or Carl August and Elmer but as far as we know Elmer never stayed here and John never lived here himself. I believe the land was in Elmer's name until he died and then given to a daughter or daughters but S.A. Briggs farmed the land for a while and (as he was not given land) when he bought the place on which we now live, his father had made provision for an older brother to pay him \$4,090 in cash.

Mable Briggs says she is working on Charles .

Sincerely

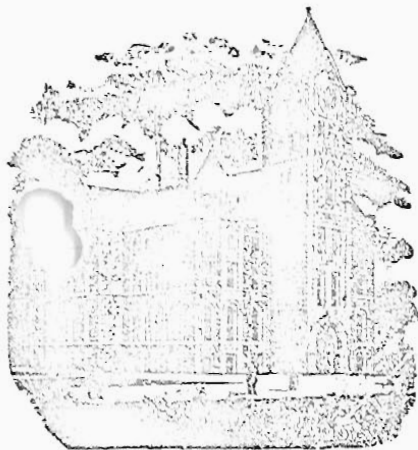
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Rt. 1 Box 63

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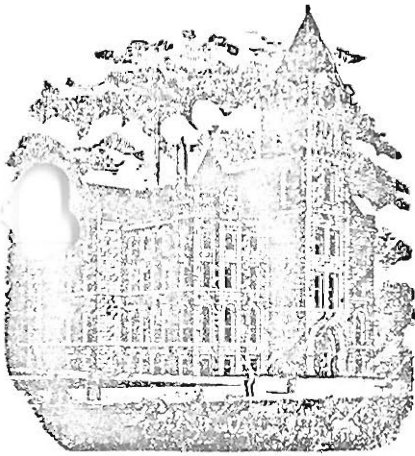
March 27, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Archiebold Brown
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County August 1873
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 2 of Twp 19 S. R. 3, E. 6 N.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Rancher - Cattleman
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Clacklin, Ireland - June 3, 1849
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Don W. Brown - Rt 1 - McPherson, Kan

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular significance or interest? Came to America June 1868 - age of 19
Lived in New York 2 yrs; in California 1 1/2 yrs. for low
settling in McPherson Co.
Moved to Salina, Kas. for supply once a year
later rode home back. Moved this time to Salina during 6 months

*Over the
homesteaded
now site of
H.A. High School
(L. Peterson)*

Your Signature: (Mrs. F. Ramsey)
If woman, Maiden Name: Carla (Kansas)
Your address: housewife
Your occupation: Wife of Publisher - Canton: lot.



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Oct. 15, 1972

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather HENRY SMITH BUCKMAN
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRAND DAUGHTER
Month and year settled in McPherson County JULY 1973 NE 1/4 Sec. 18
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled HAYES MONITOR
Occupation of Pioneer Settler LOGGING & LUMBERING IN DELAWARE CO MICHIGAN
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer VERMONT - ENGLISH
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 58 BORN DEC. 1, 1814
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? YES
Is homestead still in possession of family? ONLY ONE SO FROM TIMBER CLAIM QUARTER
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: NO

ROBERT MORRIS CRISLER, 154 RONALD BLVD LAFAYETTE, LA, 70501
GLENN BUCKMAN, 216 WOODLAND, CLATHE, KS. 66061

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? NO

THEY WERE DESCENDANTS OF ETHAN ALLEN OF
REvolutionary WAR FAME

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Ruby Buckman, Crisler
If woman, Maiden Name: Ruby Buckman
Your address: 1111 E. KANSAS AVE
Your occupation: RESIDENT THE CEDARS

HENRY BUCKMAN'S SONS, MORRIS and FRANK, along with
CLARK BALDWIN'S SONS, WILL and HENRY, came by
COVERED WAGON July 17, 1873. HENRY HAD
STAKED 3 QUARTER SECTIONS, ONE EACH FOR HIMSELF,
DAUGHTER NELL, and ^{SON,} MORRIS (FRANK WAS UNDER 21)

MORRIS TIMBER CLAIMED THE 4TH QUARTER, THE
DEED SIGNED BY CHESTER A ARTHUR DEC. 10, 1883.

IN 1874, HENRY BUCKMAN WAS APPOINTED
POSTMASTER AND MONITOR P.O. NAMED.

MORRIS TOOK OVER FOR HIM AND CARRIED THE
MAIL FROM MURPHERSON TO STONE QUARRY UNTIL 1887
(THE APT. THEN KILLED) HE RECEIVED \$600 per year.

HENRY BUCKMAN, HIS FATHER, JAMES BUCKMAN
and ^{SON} FRANK BUCKMAN, are BURIED IN WINDOM
CEMETERY (THEN CALLED WHEATLAND)

HENRY DIED IN 1881, THERE IS A
MONUMENT THERE

H. Buckman #2



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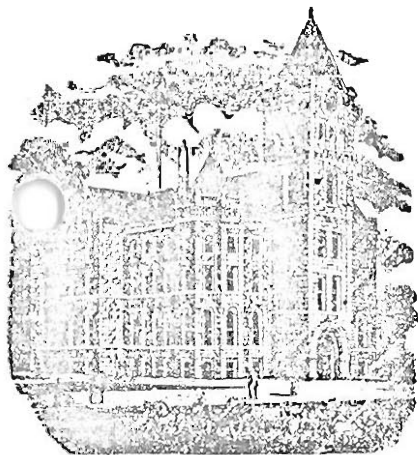
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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Robert Franklin Burch
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870 Dec 4-17-1W (Hypsum Creek)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Barren Co. Kentucky (English)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 37
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Dean Burch, Rosburg; Lloyd Burch, Milton Burch,
Edgar Burch, Grice Burch, McPherson; Olive Lohr & Elva Anderson Hypsum R 1
Pauline Heim, Wilbur Burch, Dorothy Likens and Bertha Likens, Canton.
All grandchildren, and many great grandchildren.
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? John Burch II, my great great grandfather
was with George Washington at the Siege of Yorktown.
John Burch I was born in England and settled in Virginia.

Your Signature: Raymond Burch
If woman, Maiden Name:
Your address: Hypsum Kansas R 1 Box 67448
Your occupation:



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10-17-72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Gust Burk
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County May - 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled N. 10th Sec 34-18-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Stockraiser
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Gottenberg Sweden - Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No

Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Son - David E. Burk - Veterinarian

L. Naughton - Ruby Benson - Son - Gustav Burk - E. St. Louis - Miss Burk Jr.
E. L. Naughton - Mrs. Jewel Henry - 218 N. Oak St.

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Came to America 1861

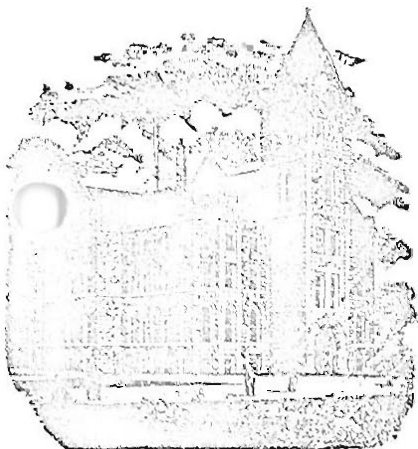
County - 1869 - No Civil War Service
has Postmaster - P.O. in house - then
settled - in 1871 worked for the post and only before at what is now Kansas City

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Stacy H. Burk

If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 323 S. Hartup

Your occupation: _____

Mrs Judith Henry
218 W. Oak St
Moberly, Kans.



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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Mr. & Mrs. Gust Burk
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled T. 34 - S. 18 - R. 3 (New Holland)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Mechanic
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26 yr - 31 yr
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes, Sec. 34 - T. 18 - R. 3
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes, by Ruby Benson EHE
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses:

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Mr. & Mrs. Gust Burk

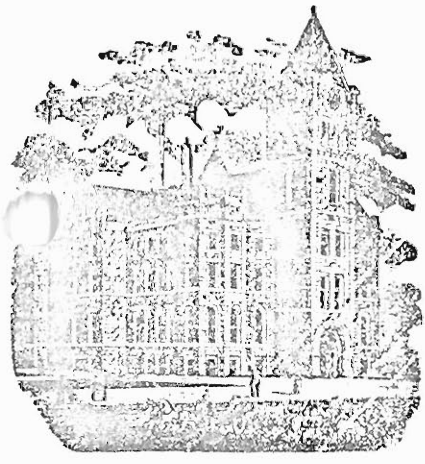
Homesteaded 160 acres in what is now the New
Holland Community.
They were Charter Members of the New Holland Lutheran
Church, July 8, 1872.
Mr. Burk was the first director of the Burk School
organized May 7, 1875. (later called New Holland School, Dist. 75)
The Post Office for the immediate area was in the
Gust Burk home.
Mr. Burk was one of the first directors of the Farmers'
Merchants Bank of McPherson which was incorporated in 1891.

Your Signature: Miss Ruby Benson

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 718 East Main, McPherson,

Your occupation: School teacher, Park Hills, Mo.



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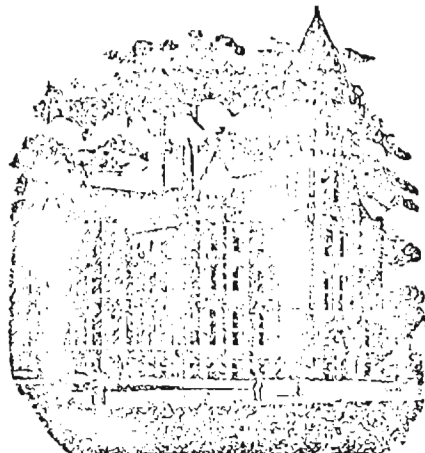
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Oct, 16, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Swan Burk
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County April 13, 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gottland - 35
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Qvenam, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 34
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Vance Carlson - 700 E Simpson
Mrs. Helen Loghe - McPherson
704 N. Walnut - McPherson
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? _____

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Swan Burk
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Rt 3, McPherson, Kansas
Your occupation: Farmer - Cattleman



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Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Sven Björk (English spelling Swan Burk)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Came to Kansas April 1871--Filed claim
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gottland Twp Sec 35
Occupation of Pioneer Settler General Farming - wheat & broomcorn
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born 12-23-1839 at Qvenum, Västergötland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 33 yrs
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes--Filed Claim 5-4-1871
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: 16 descendants live in McPherson, County
4 of the grandchildren are Swen Burk, Marilyn Burk-Carlson, Frances Strom-Johnson,
Helen Strom-Logbeck
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting
and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of
particular significance or interest? He became a citizen of the USA 9-9-1870
Dug the first permanent water well on the big prairie. For shelter a shack was built
by placing boards upright to a ridge pole. The family residence was built in 1877
He had a fine orchard of 230 bearing apple trees, 125 peach trees and a choice vineyard.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Helen Logbeck
If woman, Maiden Name: Helen Strom Logbeck
Your address: 704 N Walnut, McPherson, Ks.
Your occupation: IBM Control Supervisor of FAMI Ins Co

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Swan Burk's grandfather was a soldier in 1814 in the war against France and was the first to be known by the name of Bjork, which name was assigned to him during his military service to avoid the confusion from the similarity of names from the Swedish custom of adding "son" to Christian names to provide surnames.

His parents both died when he was 9 years old

He helped organize the New Gottland Lutheran Church and was on the building committee. Served as Deacon for many years as well as SS superintendant 6 years

He told of having the postoffice in his home and was postmaster from 1872 to 1877

Served as judge of elections and was Justice of Peace for several terms

Township trustee for 5 years

Delegate to conventions both county & Congressional

By Feb 1893 besides his 160 acre Homestead he owned 560 acres

Helped organize the Home State Bank and was director of this institution until 1921

He celebrated his 90th birthday by taking a plane ride

He died at the age of $97\frac{1}{2}$ years --Was the last Charter Member of his church

He had:

married three times (first, died)
9 children
12 grand children
33 great grand children
26 great great grand children
80 descendants as of 1972

AUTOBIOGRAPHY
SWAN BURK

I left Gothenburg May 5, 1865 - arriving New York about May 22, 1865. Party of twelve acquaintances on the boat purchased tickets to Ottumwa, Iowa, which was the end of the completed line on the C. B. & Q. Railroad. Out of the party only a few had money. I had barely enough to purchase my ticket. Others who had surplus money, loaned to those who were short. Arriving in Ottumwa, nine of the party went back to Burlington and took a job on a gravel train in the neighborhood of Glendale, Iowa. I worked one day (Saturday) then visited on Sunday with a family named Wiberg at New Sweden, and went to a Swedish church where the service was conducted by Rev. Håkan Olson. At the church I met John Lauger who invited us to dinner at his house. John Lauger offered me a job clearing land at \$10.00 per acre and board. I went back to the gravel train and worked one week, at the end of the week went back to John Lauger's place and went to work. I grubbed about two acres before harvest and then went to work in harvest. Two men cradled the grain and I tied grain behind one man. I soon learned to swing the cradle. The two men both quit the second day and I started cradling, which work I did for John Lauger each year for four years. I also went out and cut grain for other people.

I made my home at John Laugers each year for four years, even though I was working part of the time for other people in the neighborhood. I worked one whole winter clearing 21 acres for a German named Mike Damm. At the end of one year I sent a ticket to my brother, Gust, who still was in Sweden. We worked together or separately for a number of people in the New Sweden community. Two years after I came, Gust and I sent a ticket to our sister Mary who was in Gothenburg where she worked with our brother, John in his tailor shop. She came to Almgren's at New Sweden. Then she went to Mt. Pleasant where she got a job as a seamstress. Mary came out to visit on vacations and her future husband, Halberg, came out from Boston to visit her. They were acquaintances from Sweden. In about 1869 she and Mr. Halberg were married and she resided in Boston, Massachusetts until her death about 3 years later.

A cousin named August Swensson came from Sweden. His father was my mother's brother. He had a wife and two children. He and Gust went to Red Oak, Iowa which was the end of the C. B. & Q by that time, Swensson got a job on the railroad. There they built a shack and when completed his family went by train to join him and that is the last I heard of him.

Gust went to Kansas in the spring of 1870. He joined a family named Pherson from New Sweden in Mitchell County Kansas. There he filed on a homestead. He wrote to me and I had in mind to go to Kansas to homestead. However, the land was pretty well settled and by all nationalities. We wanted to get into a Swedish community so that we could have a Swedish Lutheran Church. Then I read in "Hemlandet" about the Swedish colony at Lindsborg. On March 13, 1871 I started by team and wagon from Jefferson County, Iowa. My route was southwest. I crossed the Des Moines river on a ferry and ferried the Missouri river at Nebraska City. I had company with three wagons. They were going to Mitchell County Kansas. However, Gust was working in Manhattan so I turned south at Tecumseh, Nebraska and went down the Blue River to Manhattan. Gust was working for the first and only professor at the Kansas State Agricultural College, taking care of his horses and being in general a handy man at his home. I became acquainted with this professor but do not recall his name.

Gust went with me. We stopped at the Land Office in Junction City and inquired about available government land, especially in McPherson County. We were informed that there was an abundance of good homestead land in McPherson County, Kansas. They also told us the land office would be moved to Salina on May 1. We got to Lindsborg April 1, 1871. We stopped over Sunday in Lindsborg April 2 and heard Dr. O. Olsson preach. On Monday, April 3 we rode our horses south to look for land, thus reaching for the first time the "big prairie" where we subsequently settled. We were told of John Hanson's place and went there. We reached John Hanson's place where he and his father had the half-section of land on which the Hanson family lived. They had just started to build a log house astride the line between their two places. We borrowed a spade from Hanson and went on south until we found a government survey stone marker

with the following inscription; on the South 1 mark, on the East 2 marks, on the North 5 marks, and on the West 4 marks. This, of course, was the corner of sections 26, 27, 34 and 35 in New Gottland Twp., or the corner where District 75 School is built. We went on farther south and would dig in the ground to examine the soil at various places. However, we saw no appreciable difference in the soil and determined to file on two adjoining quarters in Sections 34 and 35. The Hedlund family had been in the neighborhood in the fall of 1870 and had had Section 26 surveyed. They were not there at the time but had piled up 4 mounds of dirt where the four quarters joined in the center of Section 26 to indicate that they laid claim to the land. We returned to Lindsborg the same day. We then rented some land from a Mr. Carlson near the company house just east of the big bluff. A Mr. Johnson, a brother-in-law of Felling was living alone in the Company house and he asked us to live with him. We planted corn and oats on the land we rented.

On May 4, 1871 we went to Salina and filed on the two quarters we had chosen. Gust went to Mitchell County and sold the relinquishment on his homestead there to another party for \$75.00.

On May 5, 1871 I went out to my place in Section 35. I started to break prairie immediately and broke up about 5 acres from the corner to where my house now is. After a time Gust joined me and planted corn on this tract. Soon we were notified that Fellings were to return to the Company house in Lindsborg and that we would have to vacate. I went to Salina after a load of lumber and Gust and I built a shack by placing the boards upright to a ridge pole. About July 1 we started the well that is under the porch of my house. This was the first permanent well on the big prairie in McPherson County, as Mr. Hanson just reached water and was unable to finish it for fear of caving, though they and we used some water out of their well by dipping it out. The first week or so we hauled water for the horses from Turkey Creek a mile south, and got water for household use out of Hanson's well. After a week or so it started raining and I dug a sort of cistern into which we diverted some water that kept us in water until the well was completed. The corn we planted grew to a height of 12 feet. The appearance of this corn and the well were objects of interest that influenced many people who came in

looking for land. We also planted some sugar cane and made a barrel of molasses in the fall. Mr. Paulsen made the press for us out of a log. The next year I bought a molasses mill and made molasses for a couple of years and sold some molasses as well as pressing cane for the neighbors. After two years I sold the mill to one of the Mennonites south as I had started to grow broom corn and did not have time to fool with the molasses business any more.

The first year we fed our corn to our horses and some pigs and chickens.

In the fall of 1871 I sowed some wheat but planted it too late and a rain and frost froze it out in the fall.

In the spring of 1872 I planted some spring wheat which made a lot of straw but very little wheat. In 1872 we also planted some corn and oats. The oats was very good and the corn reasonably so. In the fall of 1872 I planted winter wheat again.

In the meantime Gust and I broke land whenever we could.

I brought a good wagon from Fairfield, Iowa and a team of mares. In 1871 I sold these with the harness and wagon for \$400.00 and a mule and saddle to "Trädgårdsmästare" Anderson at Lindsborg. I intended to go back to Iowa for another team and wagon, but Fellings brought in a team from Illinois and I bought a team and a new wagon and harness from them for \$350.00. This team was Jim and Jenny. They were 3 years old at the time. Jim was sweenied and I gave him to John Almgren who thought he could cure him. Jenny lived until about 1897 when she had a bad lump on her throat and in the fall we asked John Johnson to take her out and shoot her.

I do not know much about my people in Sweden.

My grandfather was a soldier and in 1814 he was away to a war against France but I am not aware of where he was. When he came back the soldiers brought the first potatoes that had ever been known, at least in our part of Sweden. My grandfather was the first to be known by the name of Björk, which name was assigned to him during his military service to avoid the confusion from the similarity of names from the Swedish custom of adding "son" to Christian names to provide surnames.

My father was Sven Björk. He was born February 1, 1800. My mothers name was Kajsa but I do not remember her surname at this time. She was three years younger than my father. They lived at Qvenum (now Kvánum) in Skaraborgs Lan, Västergötland, Sweden.

I was born December 23, 1839 at Qvenum. The children were, Anders, Johannes, Jonas, Sven, Maria and August (Gust). Anders was married and is the father of Sanfred and August Burk who live in New Gottland. Anders died before I left Sweden and before August was born. Anders' wife remarried Johanson, and August Ek of McPherson and Mrs. Myers of Templetten, California besides one sister in Sweden were her children by her second marriage.

Jonas worked at Qvenum for many years and then went to Gothenburg where he was injured shoeing a horse and later died unmarried. I and Gronberg and another "bonde" attended his funeral in Gothenburg. We took a boat at Lidköping on Lake Vänern, through Göta Canal and Lake Vättern. We came back on the railroad to Foglavik from where we had to walk 3 Swedish miles to get home.

Both my parents died in March, 1850 within a week of each other. Johan Petter Gronberg was made guardian for myself and Gust and Mary.

Johannes (John) was confirmed before my parents died and was a tailor's apprentice to Anders Lustig. Later he went to Gothenburg where my father had two sisters. The first time he was able to get a job. He walked both ways and got a job at Kvánum for another year. Then he returned to Gothenburg and got a job and later began to operate his own tailoring business. He later sent for our sister Mary and she worked with him sewing in his shop, until she came to Iowa. John came to America and lived some time in Boston and New York and later came to Kansas in 1889 where he lived in Hutchinson. I lived at Grönbergs until I was confirmed at about the age of 15 after which I shifted for myself. My services were auctioned off to the highest bidder.

HIS WEALTH WELL EARNED.

Aug 11 '09

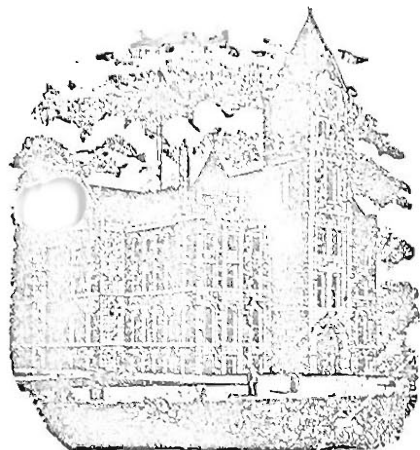
THE OLD TIMERS ENJOY KANSAS
PROSPERITY

SWAN BURK TELLS OF TIME
WHEN PENNIES WERE AS
BIG AS DOLLARS ARE NOW

No county in Kansas has more wealthy pioneer farmers than McPherson county. They are now regarding life with comparative ease, but there was a time when these same men and women passed through hardships, that today seem hard to believe. Swan Burk of New Gottland township reminescently tells of the old times of buffalo meat and corn bread in an interview by a representative of the Kansas City Driver's telegram. The article is as follows:

Swan Burk of McPherson, Kansas, is rather glad of the fact that in the early days when he settled in that county he had to endure a great many privations. There were buffalo and deer, and it was 30 miles to the nearest railroad point. For 9 years he had no nearer railroad connections. All that time he had to make long trips every time he needed any grain, or when he wanted anything in the way of provisions. He has seen wheat selling as low as 10 cents a bushel," he said. "I look back once in a while and recall some of those old time trials. I regard them as a great blessing, as I can now enjoy all the modern comforts that the farmers are having. Land was cheap in those early days, but it was not worth anything, and so there was no object in getting it. Some persons talk now

about the great opportunities the early settler had, in getting so much land at such a trifling cost. Well, we were unable to see into the future then any more than the people of the present, and so we could do nothing that would seem to benefit us any more than persons do now. A few pennies then looked larger than dollars do now. I suppose there are places right now where the investment of a few hundred dollars would bring back big returns at some future time, but we do not know where those exact places are and so it was in early days. It is easier to make money now than it was then. The old timer who held to his land and faced hardships, who is well off today ought not to be envied. He deserves all he has. And I believe no one enjoys life better now than the modern Kansas farmer."



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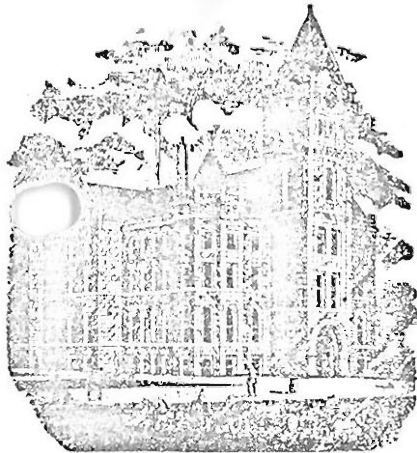
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March 25, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Paris Oscar Caldwell
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather, Donation
Month and year settled in McPherson County March, 1872 1st town
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled town N.W. 10 Section
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer 40-21-2
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Tule River, Raleigh Co. West Virginia Irish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Glenn Davis, Canton, Kansas

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Yes, I have a letter written by my
Grandfather's brother, Wm. Caldwell, who came to Kansas
and bought land 11 miles west of here. The letter was published
in the Moundridge Journal many years ago. It tells
those early years.

Small town from W. Virginia - 2 Scott Brothers, 2 Packs, Perry Carpenter and
P.O. Caldwell - came to this county for each 16 acres of land. Got good
title by clearing out 5 years and paying \$14.00 to the gov't - hardships
of grasshoppers, drought, etc.
Your Signature: Mrs. Frank Burgan
If woman, Maiden Name: Arnold Caldwell Burgan
Your address: Moundridge, Kansas
Your occupation: Housewife



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Valley Historical Association no later than
October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

Oct. 16, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Paris Oscar Caldwell
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1872 July
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Mound Sec 10 Mound
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Table Rock, Raleigh Co. West Virginia
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24 yrs (Irish)
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Ellen Davis
Canton, Kansas

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? clm sending a clipping -
from the Moundridge Journal.

al have the original copy of letter that was
published in Moundridge Journal
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Mrs. Frank Burgan

If woman, Maiden Name: Arvilla Caldwell

Your address: Moundridge, Ks.

Your occupation: Farmer's Wife (Housewife)

(over)

There have been 2, 50th Wedding
Anniversaries celebrated in the
Caldwell home.

1. P. O. Caldwell & Dora his wife
Dec. 1925.

2. Albert Caldwell & wife Dec. 9, 1953

Albert Caldwell was the oldest son
of P. O. Caldwell. He died in March 1967

3. Arvilla Caldwell Burdick & husband
Frank all lived in this house

Great Grandson Lamonte Prince Davis 1973
Children: La Juan Jo Davis #1 Canton 674 28
Lamonte Prince Davis Canton - Texas Supervisor
Lamonte Prince Davis Jr



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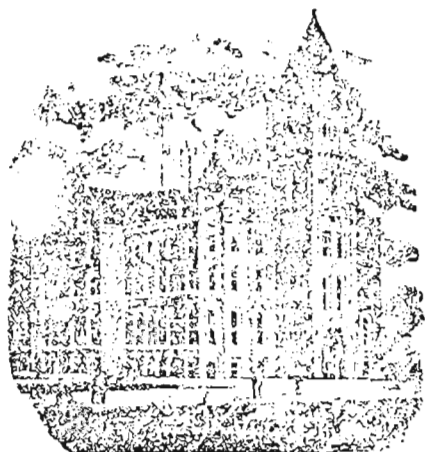
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March 24th 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather A. G. and Maria S. Carlson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand father & Grand mother
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union S² NW⁴ Sec 18
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County A.G. was 25 Maria was 22
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes - final papers filed Oct. 27, '77
Is homestead still in possession of family? A great grand son is buying it
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Contract
Names and addresses: Virgil Lindstedt Marquette,
Mrs. Eunice Hoffman Marquette, Island Carlson - 214
E. Lutherland, McPherson
Gail Lindstedt - the great grand son that's buying the place
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular significance or interest? my grand parents first home on the homestead was a "dug out". My father, the late Carl F. Carlson and his oldest brother & sisters were born in the dug out. I was born on the same place in the present house on the farm. Diphtheria raged in 1885 and my grandparents lost their four oldest children with this dread disease. They all died within two weeks and two of them died so close together they were buried in the same grave - one casket and tops of the others.

Your Signature: Rosalie Nelson
If woman, Maiden Name: " Carlson
Your address: 1119 N. Grimes McPherson
Your occupation: Register of Deeds



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The following information will be placed in a Register of Pioneer Families who settled in McPherson County, Kansas. It is the intent of the Historical Societies of McPherson County to honor such families in an appropriate ceremony at the Annual Dinner of the Societies held each fall.

Please complete the Form and include such other pertinent and interesting information as you feel would be of general interest. The Form should then be forwarded to either the President of one of the Societies or to the Chairman of the Committee in charge.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather MAGNUS CARLSON
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1868
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Smoky Hill 17-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Brick Mason & Farmer W 1/2 SE 4
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Varmland, Sweden (Swedish)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Late twenties
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No (Owned by Terence Carlson)
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Sara Shogren R. R. Lindsborg (Great Grandaughter)
Katie Shogren " " (Great Great Grand-

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

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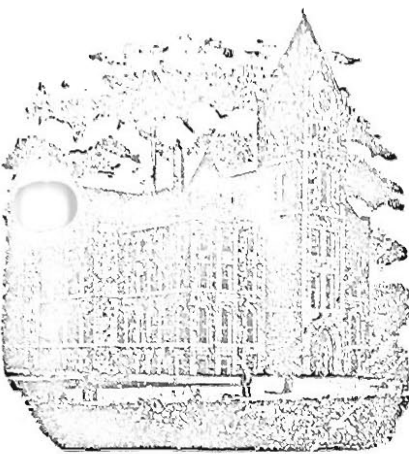
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: S. E. Carlson
If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 332 N. Second Lindsborg, Ks. 67456
Your occupation: Administrator of Bethany Home

Magnus Carlson was a brother in law of C. R. Carlson. He was married to C. R. Carlson's sister Maria. C. R. persuaded Magnus and his wife to come to America and to the Smoky Valley not only because they were related, but for the fact Magnus was an excellent brick and stone mason. Magnus was the foreman on the early stone homes built in the areas including his own, part of which still stands on acreage owned by Terence Carlson. This home is famous because of Sandzens's painting which can be seen

in the Sandzen Art Gallery here in Lindaborg, Sandzen painted this farm home many other times, and of course, there are many re-productions around.

Magnus Carlson was the Head Stone and Brick Mason on Old Main on the campus of Bethany College. My Father, Paul Carlson, remembers working on this building with his Dad and often related how the bricks were hoisted to the top floors during construction. Teams of horses were used to draw buckets and containers of brick, mortar, etc. to those top floors. Old Main must have been well built as they had quite a time in demolishing this historic building.



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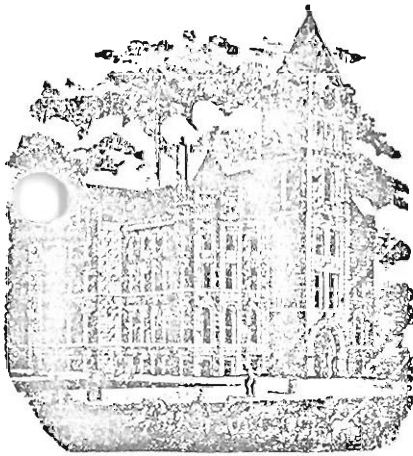
March 30, 1971.
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Magnus Carlson (father in law)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Father in Law
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869 in Lindsborg
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled _____
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Mason and farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Värmland Sverige Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County about 38
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: no

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest?

Magnus Carlsson's son Paul Carlsson

Your Signature: Mrs. Agnes Carlson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 103 N. 3rd St.
Your occupation: Lindsborg Mo



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October 14, 1972.
 Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Daniel D. Carpenter
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
 Month and year settled in McPherson County Unknown 1871 - (6-14-1871)
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Unknown Sec 7-20 - 6NE, 4E
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Carpenter (and farmer)
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Penn. Dutch Meadville, Penn. (New York) KC?
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County Unknown
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
 Is homestead still in possession of family? No
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Robert Carpenter Great Grandson 212 South Walnut McPherson, KS

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Yes - D.D. Carpenter served in Civil War

A Cousin of Major James G. Thompson, House of Representatives, was the first girl born in King City, Mo. - Sarah H. (Clark) Thompson - Baptist Church offering
 (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Fred Carpenter

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 601 E. Elizabeth

Your occupation: Swedish Smorgasbord employee

Dear Fred: I think that you are one of the descendants of this family, a very early one in the King City area. I would like to have the completed form by Wed. Oct. 18th. Tickets to the Swedish Smorgasbord at Lindsborg are \$2.50 per person, and the families will be recognized. We want the form for our files whether or not anyone from the family attends.

Sincerely, Linn Peterson



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March 31, 1971 *Chicago*
Date *1870* *1870*
Name of your Pioneer forefather *Anton Clark* *Son of Mr. & Mrs. John Clark*
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler *Grand daughter*
Month and year settled in McPherson County *Feb - 1872* *see McPherson Empire*
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled *10-19-3*
Occupation of Pioneer Settler *Farmer*
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer *Sweden* *Elby for many years*
Pioneer's age when he settled in County *17 yrs*
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? *Yes*
Is homestead still in possession of family? *Yes*
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: *See page attached*

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular significance or interest? *Came to Kansas Feb 1872 after the Chicago fire. He had everything but his money in the bank. He filed for homestead 1874. It was granted Sept 15 1873. He 1881 He married Christina Johnson. He came to America and first settled at Wisconsin. She worked for awhile in the area and was confirmed in the First Church at Wisconsin. The children were born to this union. Three living and six deceased. The 3 daughters of 4 sons grew up and received the grade school education at Wisconsin. Then they went to Sweden to live at Sweden. At that time they had the 14 children in McPherson of the area. Children that grew to adult hood. One is still living. A lady is Joseph H. Clark and Christina. My father Carl E. Clark & his sister Edith now passed away in the last year or so.*

Your Signature: *Laila H. Clark*
If woman, Maiden Name: *Laila H. Clark*
Your address: *P.O. Box 100, McPherson*
Your occupation: *Homemaker & Educator*
Daughter of E. Clark
and Carl E. Clark

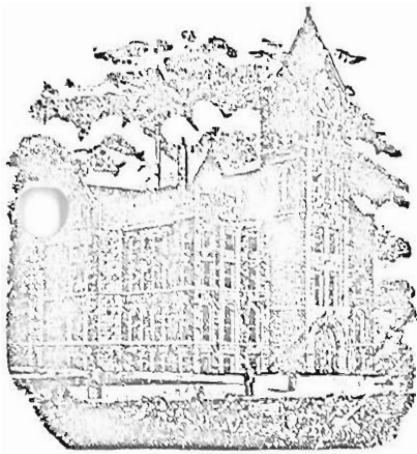
101st BIRTHDAY OF McPHERSON COUNTY
10-19-3
McPherson now lives on the

11/25/70
Relatives of Miss. Edith Elizabeth Clark

- X1. Sister Deceased-Edla Clark-Nelzene, Husband Carl Nelzene-Living
Galva, Kansas
1. Violet Nelzene-Tillman, Husband Hilding Tillman, Lyons, Kansas
- X2. Betty Nelzene-Halgarth, Husband Marvin Halgarth Deceased
Galva, Kansas
- X3. June Nelzene-Johnson, Husband Wayne Johnson, Galva, Kansas
4. Dwight Nelzene, Wife Doris Nelzene, *MOLINE*, Oregon
- X5. Gordon Nelzene, Wife Lola Russell-Nelzene, McPherson, Kansas
2. Sister Deceased- Millie Clark-Lindberg, Husband Nels Lindberg-Deceased
1. Frances Lindberg-Markle, Husband Cle Markle, Sublette, Kansas
2. Donald Lindberg, Wife-Bea Lindberg, Sublette, Kansas
3. Jeane Lindberg-Thelander, Husband Milton Thelander, Salina, Kansas
4. Ernest Lindberg, Wife Marie Lindberg, Great Bend, Kansas
- X5. Marie Lindberg-Muller, Husband Max Muller, Lindsborg, Kansas
6. Phyllis Lindberg-Bruce, Husband Jim Bruce, Luray, Kansas
- X3. Brother Deceased-David W. Clark, Wife Edith Clark-Living
McPherson, Kansas
1. Evelyn Clark-Brinkmann, Husband Bill Brinkmann, Wichita, Kansas
2. Louise Clark-Single *(adopted son)*
Lawton, Oklahoma *David*
- X4. Brother Geriatrics-Joel Clark, Wife Nannie Clark, R.R. McPherson,
Kansas
1. Maurice Clark, Wife Delores Clark, Newton, Kansas
- X2. Lucille Clark-Abel, Husband Bill Abel, R.R. McPherson, Kansas
- X3. Charles Clark, Wife Susan Clark, R.R. McPherson, Kansas
4. Laurene Clark-*Soderstrom* Husband Ray *Mount Prospect*, Illinois
5. Fern Clark- Malm, Husband Donald Malm, *Cedar Falls*, Iowa
6. Stanley Clark, Wife *Diana* *S.T. George*
Manhattan, Kansas
7. Annia Mae Clark-Ledy, Husband Veral Ledy, *Seward*, Nebraska

5. Brother Deceased-Carl C. Clark, Wife Esther Clark-Living
R.R. McPherson, Kansas
- x1. Doris E. Clark-Bruce Husband Arland Bruce, McPherson, Kansas *6 Children 9 Grandchildren*
- x2. Elaine Clark-Banman, Husband Wilbur Banman, Lindsborg, Kansas *2 Children*
- x3. Rachel A. Clark-Walline, Husband Curtis L. Walline, McPherson, Kansas *3 Children, 4 Grandchildren*
4. William A. Clark, Wife Lois Clark, Casper, Wyoming *2 Children, 1 Grandchild*
5. Eleanor A. Clark-Gustafson, Husband James Gustafson, Smolan, Kansas *2 Children*
- x6. Faye C. Clark-Lindholm, Husband Victor Lindholm, Lindsborg, Kansas *2 Children 3 Grandchildren*
7. Joy C. Clark-Kilbride, Husband Thomas J. Kilbride, Woodside, L.I., New York *7 Children*
8. Dick E. Clark, Wife Mary Jo Clark, Nashua, New Hampshire *3 Children*

6. Brother Deceased-Martin Clark, Wife Laura Clark-Living, Galva, Kansas
1. Warren Clark- Diseased, Surviving Son Larry Clark, *Austin*, Texas
2. Aledia Clark-Kaiser, Husband Clinton Kaiser, Durham, Kansas
- x3. Norma Clark-Coughenour, Husband Gaylord Coughenour, McPherson, Kansas
4. Vernon Clark, Wife Donna Clark, *Barterville* Oklahoma
5. Lois Clark-Roth, Husband James Roth, *Perry* Oklahoma
- x6. James Clark, Wife Jannis Clark, Galva, Kansas



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Mar 23 - 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather James McDonald Claypool
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County April, 1867 80a.
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled secs 5 and 10-17-5 Marq.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer - Stockraiser
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vinton County, Ohio - English - Scotch-Irish.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25 years. (born Oct 10, 1842.)
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes.
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes. Owned and operated by Rev. J.S. P. Claypool
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Mr. Jack M. Claypool - 606 E. Ave. B., McPherson, Ks. Grandson
Earl Crest, Brewster. Mrs. Lucille Lindh, Marquette - Granddaughter.
Mrs. F. J. Lindh, Marquette - Great Grandson.
Sharon Jade,

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? There is a sand knoll on the homestead where the
Indians had a camp at one time. They were friendly to my father and often got
supplies from my father. People came for years seeking arrowheads and clay pott-
ery at this spot. The original deed on the homestead is still kept in a safety
deposit box at the Citizens Bank, and is signed by U. S. Grant.

Jack's father was the oldest son of James M.

Rev. James P. Claypool's father was the youngest son of James M. - Father James Noratio
Mrs. Lucille Lindh is my daughter, and a granddaughter of James M.

Two Daughters in boys - Della (Claypool) - Betty Home - Mrs Elizabeth Clayton - Mrs

John M. Claypool fought under Gen. Sherman in Battle of Gettysburg

Your Signature: James P. Claypool

If woman, Maiden Name: James P. Claypool

Your address: Bethany, Mo.

Your occupation: Fundboy Mo. - Retired

Name of father - James M. Donald Clappard - October 9, 1861 - 1865

Relation of Pioneer settler - Father - Daughter

Month & year settled in McPherson county - April 1867

Township & Section or Town on which first settled -

Marquette - 10-17-5 - Marquette - 8-17-5

Occupation of Pioneer settler - Farmer & stock raiser.

Birth place & nationality of settler - Winton, Ohio - English, Scotch-Irish

Pioneer's age when settled in county - 25 years

Did pioneer homestead in McP. county - Yes - ^{now owned and operated by 3242 McPherson}

Do homestead still in possession of family, ^{Richard A. Pile, Clappard,}

Are there other descendants of this settler who reside in McP. Co.

Names and addresses of other descendants -

Jack, M. Clappard 606 E. Ave. B. McPherson Kansas ^{great-grandson}

Richard M. Clappard 532 N. Cahoon Ave. McPherson ^{great-grandson}

Mrs. Lucille Smith - Marguerite Kane's great-grandson.

Henry R. Smith -

There is a sand knoll on this homestead where Indians had

a camp for some time - they were friendly and often got supplies

from my father. People came for years looking for the knoll and

they pointed at this spot. ^{knoll - James A. Clappard's daughter}

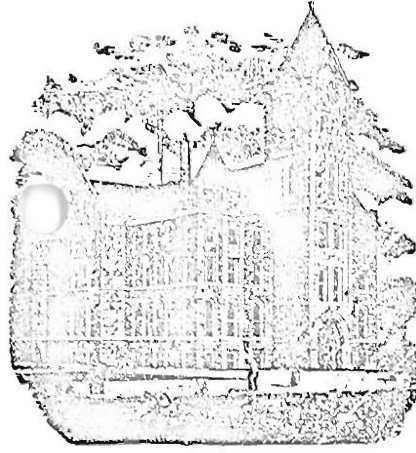
Jack McDonald Claypool
His father now deceased was the
oldest son of Pioneer father -

James Peter Claypool -

His father was the youngest son of
Pioneer father - also now deceased.

Mrs Lucille Smith is the daughter of James
and Grand daughter of Pioneer father.

Original blood steel kept
in safety deposit at Citizens
Bank - Signed by W S Grant.



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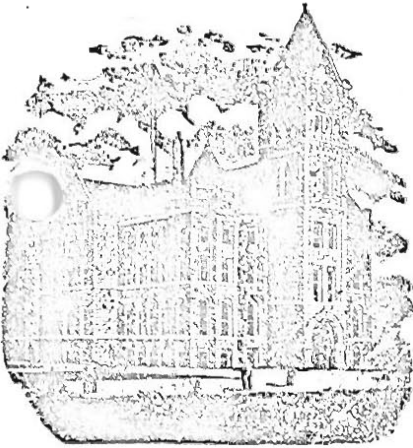
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April 1, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather James McDonald Claypool
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
 Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1, 1867
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Township 17, Section 3
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer & stockman
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vinton, Ohio Oct 10, 1842 English
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
 Is homestead still in possession of family? yes, Rev. James Claypool
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
 County? Names and addresses: yes, Jessie Gustafson, daughter Bethany Home
Earl Crist, grandson, Lumborg
grandson and his daughter 42 sons Sharon Jackson 3 girls & 2 boys all of
Morquette Dick Claypool, son of Mrs. Home & Richard Claypool of daughter, grandson
 Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
 significance or interest? 1st settler. 1st to take land & 1st to broke land
is Morquette townships. He walked to his place from Sedalia, the nearest
town and lived in a dugout on the river at first. Indians lived close
by at times and when he had to leave he would bury any thing he
wanted to keep in a barrel of ashes, as the Indians always
roasted his shotgun when he was gone. Was very hard to wash
clothes & dig them as Indians would take them. He married
Alice Gordon in 1876 had 6 living children one of whom was
my mother. Jessie Gustafson of Bethany Home, Lumborg is
his surviving child & 2 daughters, one Laura, wife Claypool of
Bethany home, and Elizabeth Claypool of McPherson.
 Your signature: Norma Erickson
 If woman, Maiden Name: Norma Crist
 Your address: RR 1 Morquette, Kas
 Your occupation: Housewife

(Mrs Kenneth Erickson)



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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March 31-1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Thornton C. J. Cole
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County In south part of town, approx. 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 22-21-2
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Stockman
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Channahville, Illinois
Pioneer's age when he settled in County (870) I think. We have no paper
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes They were lost.
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: No

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? I remember many interesting
stories or facts told by my Grandparents. The
most interesting fact is that when they were deciding where to locate the
town of McPherson here was quite an ar-
gument. The settlers from the North part of the town
thought it located farther North and the
settlers from the South and Grandfather said
it should be located at this place. He said the South East
part of his homestead. When the land was surveyed
the high this property they decided this was the best
location.

Your Signature: Grace B. Putnam
If woman, Maiden Name: Grace B. Putnam
Your address: 402 West Cole St. McPh.
Your occupation: House Wife

2/29/92 - John C. Jenkins, R#1, Box #746,
Wendover, Ks. La Cole descendant
of Hunter C. Cole

2/29/92 - John C. Jenkins. R #1, Box #146,
Wendover, KS. Is Cole descendant
of Thornton C. Cole

NW corner of large part of ^{10/19/42} Thornton
Cole Homestead

First on location of Town
h. on S.

Spencer Treves

Edward George North

other ^{small} ~~small~~ ^{black} Walnut & hickory trees

or Chickadee - had soft vocass.
got under leaves, to feed them
as soon as trees (mulberry)

Brick factory on Ole farm
from Doc built spur
across to it

History on Arch.

Yusuf Bawa.

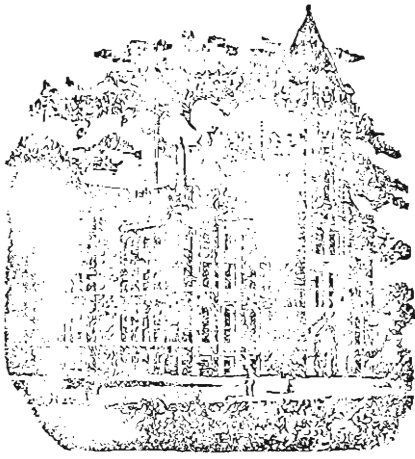
only clay from area

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Valley Historical Association no later than
October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

Oct. 14, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Thornton Churchill James Cole
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Early Summer of 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Windsor 22-21-2
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Stockman
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Beardstown Ill. English & Polish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Twenty One
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes a Granddaughter
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Yes, John Jenkins Grandson and three teenage children, John G. Jenkins Jr. Marce Denise Jenkins & Jeffrey David Jenkins McPherson
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Was Not a Civil War Veteran

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Mrs. Herbert Kutz
If woman, Maiden Name: Grace B. Newcom
Your address: Moundridge Kansas 67052
Your occupation: Housewife 402 West Oak St.

(over)

John C. Jenkins - 1614 East Garon Street, McPherson, Kas.

Mrs. Mary - Col. first child born in what is now
Moundridge. Oldest of five children

They came from Illinois. Grandmother from West
Virginia, then to Illinois.

It place called half-way house - (McPherson to
Newton.) - Travelers stopped all night upstairs.
at the - remove lumber etc. for travelers to
stay all night. Apple. East of house - fluff
stopped for water on way also.

Trail with a paved gravel path.

Have Biggest Elm tree in Kas.

Indian ^{Winterset} trail through yard from Southeast
sometimes killed animals

Tall prairie grass.

Years before town

Great for trees - Cottonwood gone north. Black Walnut and Mulberry
Bath. hedge trees - balls behind these trees.

Raised silk worms at night. ^{to plant} - Pappas came
and got leaves for them - almost killed trees

old house - 50x12 large porch
lumber

Had oxen.

Went down to get salt - lumber wagon.

Rain - water out salt
2 mule hauled pumpkins in ox cart. Oxen
frightened, lost salt.

Grasshoppers - salvaged coffee.

Went southward - to

hungry people - some left for family.

North west part of Moundridge is the homestead

one bad brick factory on col. farm
only one in area.

Farm has had 2 owners - Col. & H. H. H.

Grant great Grandchildren

Frank E. Peterson, McPherson

Grant, great, great Grandchildren

{ Jeffery Peterson, McPherson
Daniel Peterson, "

Leonard E. Peterson
McPherson

{ Lesley Peterson

Marilyn Sue Peterson
McPherson

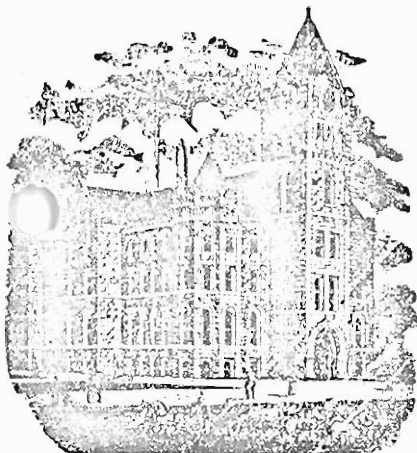
{ Joe^{Peterson} Peterson, McPherson
Roy Peterson, "
Juli, "

Jackie Grant, Dulles

Amy Grant, "

Lance Grant, "

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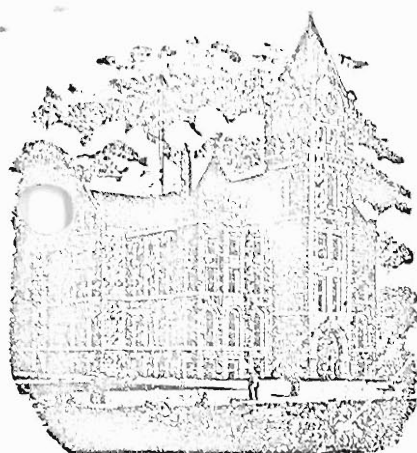
10-19-72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jacob B. Cramer
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872 July-Dec 20
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled King City Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer near Galva, Henry County Ill. Penn. Dutch
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 54
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Great grand children, and great great
grand children.

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting
and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of
particular significance or interest? Yes. Co. G. 89 Ill. Vol. Infantry.

He was born in 1818 and died at Galva, Kans. 1906. In year 1879 when
railroad was built, his oldest daughter Mrs. J. E. Doyle, suggested the
town be named Galva, as the family moved from near Galva, Ill. to Kansas.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Jay B. Cramer
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 401 S. Grand
Your occupation: Retired



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(1870 and prior)
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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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March 24, 1971

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Johan Gustaf and Christina Samulsdotter Dorf
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County October, 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled S $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 22-17-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smålen, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County He 44, She 40
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Sold, December 1968
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Yes, see below
Kermit Dorf, 116 N. Cherry, Lindsborg, Great Grandson
Elsie Dorf, 425 N. Second, " Granddaughter

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest?

Dorraine (Dorf) Shannon 201 E. Normal, Lindsborg, Great Granddaughter
1 Geoffery " " " " " " Great Great Grandson
2 Janice " " " " " " Granddaughter
3 Karen " " " " " " "
4 Kristen " " " " " " "

Your Signature: Julius B. Dorf
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 116 N. Cherry, Lindsborg
Your occupation: Retired



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The following information will be placed in a Register of Pioneer Families who settled in McPherson County, Kansas. It is the intent of the Historical Societies of McPherson County to honor such families in an appropriate ceremony at the Annual Dinner of the Societies held each fall.

Please complete the Form and include such other pertinent and interesting information as you feel would be of general interest. The Form should then be forwarded to either the President of one of the Societies or to the Chairman of the Committee in charge.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

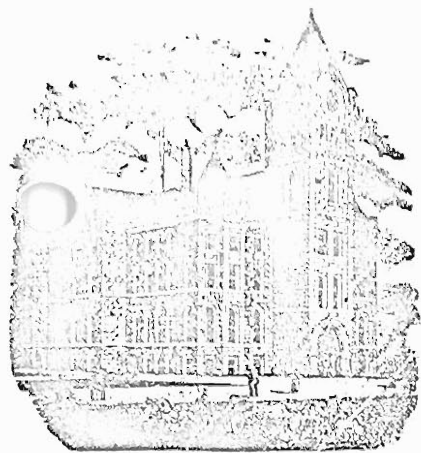
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Nels Magnus Jonasson Elmqvist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler My Great Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County Left for America in 1868
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Lindsborg, Kas.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and a watchmaker
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Asa, Sweden & he was Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County About 49 years of age
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Lida Jarnstrom, Lindsborg, R. 1
2. Raymond Elmqvist, 635 N. Main, Lindsborg, 3. Larry Elmqvist, 618 N. 2nd, Lindsborg
4. Ronald Jarnstrom, R. 1, Lindsborg, 5. Mrs. Ronald Jarnstrom, 331 N. 2nd, Lindsborg.
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? I don't know that he was in the war started before he left for America. Asa, Sweden, was a farmer & forest parish 30 miles north of Vagg, Asa is a very old parish and there has been a church there for 700 years.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Mrs. Kenneth Jarnstrom
If woman, Maiden Name: Nelsa Elmqvist
Your address: R. 1, Lindsborg, Kas.
Your occupation: Housewife

Nils Magnus Elmquist was also a watch-maker. At least one watch he made is still owned by a man, Sviert "i Hagnet". Nils Magnus even had a clock on the wall of the house, that struck the hours. The sound was loud and could be heard for a mile. He also had a very small watch on the end of his walking stick which he used when he walked to church.

Both Nils M. Elmquist and his wife, Maria Christina, died in 1908 and are buried in Elmwood cemetery at Lindsborg.

P. M. Elmquist (son of Nils Magnus) came to America in May, 1869. He and Peter Johnson were hunting for Mr. Elmquist's father and his brother John, who had taken up land by Spillman Creek. They had walked about 8 miles when they saw a pretty black & white animal running on the road. Mr. Johnson playfully pushed the animal with his foot. Suddenly they were covered with a foul odor which almost choked them, and ruined their food and clothing! (They had no skunks in Sweden.)

Father Elmquist's home was a hole in the river bank covered by two quilts. Sunday afternoon, May 6, at two o'clock, Elmquist, his father and Peter Johnson were sitting in a wagon in front of a dugout, when a band of 16 Indians came riding by. The Indians shot at them, one bullet hitting the wagon near Elmquist. The Swedes then found their way into the dugout where they found weapons and ammunition. They held the Indians at bay killing two of them. The next day a platoon of 6 cavalymen arrived. The Swedes went with the soldiers and found the countryside devastated and 13 white people gruesomely murdered. They helped bury the dead. Two women and one child were taken captive by the Indians. One woman tried to escape but was killed. The child, who was 8 days old, was dashed against a stump and killed by the Indians. One day the other woman noticed some soldiers coming to the camp. She acted as though she was searching for something and managed in that way to get away from the camp. When she saw the soldiers were close enough she ran to them and was saved.



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Mar 20, 1971

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter M. Elmquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand-daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Bonaville - 31
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born 1844 in Asa, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25 years old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Raymond Elmquist (Grandson), 420 N. Chestnut,
Lindsborg. Steven & Dean Elmquist (Great Grandsons) 251 Jackson,
Lindsborg. H.C. Elmquist (Grandson) 112 S. Swedonia, Marquette.

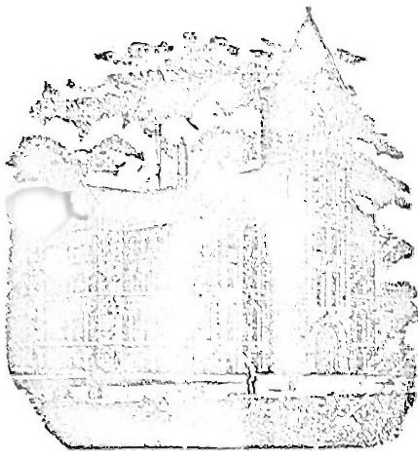
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? In May, 1869 P.M. Elmquist set out from Salina,
to find his father, Nels Elmquist and brother John, who had taken land
by Spillman Creek. Their home was a hole in the river bank covered by
two quilts. While sitting in a wagon a band of 16 Indians came by and
shot at them. The men hid in the cave and fought off the Indians. They
killed 2 Indians. The next day six cavalry men came by and the men went
along with them. They found 13 white people had been gruesomely killed.
They wrapped the bodies in what rags they could find, and buried them
in a common grave, which they covered with sod. Two women and a child
were taken captive by the Indians. One woman tried to escape but was
killed, and the child (8 days old) was dashed against a stump & killed.

Your Signature: Mrs. Kenneth Jarnstrom

If woman, Maiden Name: Viola Elmquist

Your address: Lindsborg, Kansas, Rt. #1

Your occupation: Housewife



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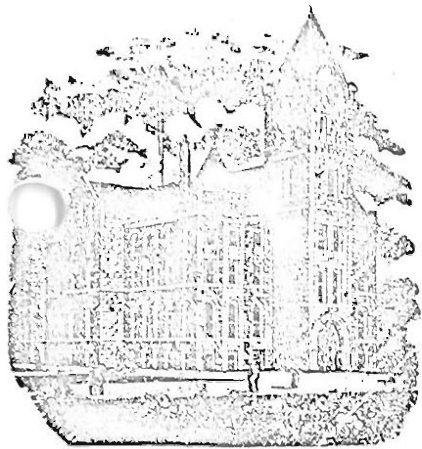
December 15, 1971
Date

2 daughter of A. Erickson

Name of your Pioneer forefather Anders Erickson and family; Hans and Lisa Hanson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great grandson ; grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County December, 1868 ; Spring, 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled So. half of southwest quarter } Hanson
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer } in Section 24, Twp. 17, } placed
 } South range five west } nearby
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vicinity of Enköping, Dalarna province, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Erickson - probably in 50s; Hans and Lisa Hanson - 23 and 22
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes, both
Is homestead still in possession of family? Hanson - yes; Erickson - no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: By marriage to Otto Hanson, son of Hans and Lisa Hanson:
Mrs. Alina Hanson, Marquette, Kansas

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Emil Hanson, son of Hans and Lisa Hanson,
has written an approximately 50 page description of early events, including
the following: conditions in Sweden at the time of the migration, and what
the parting scene was like, according to his father; the formation of
the Galesburg and Chicago land purchasing companies; the trip to
Kansas of Anders Erickson; early settlers; the 4th of July celebration
in Marquette, 1881; life conditions and contacts with Indians.
I have a copy of the manuscript. My sister, Mrs. Paul Olson,
2525A St, Lincoln, Nebraska, has another copy.

Your Signature: Robert L. Hanson
If woman, Maiden Name:
Your address: 516 College Ave, Boulder, Colo.
Your occupation: Professor of Sociology and Research
Program Director, Institute of Behavioral Science,
University of Colorado



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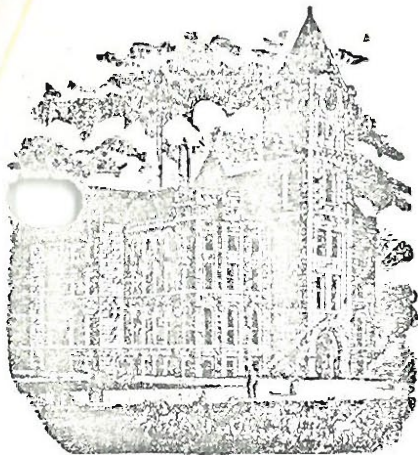
March 29, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Otto William Esping
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Father Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870 (from Chicago) 1867.
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union, Twp Sec 17
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Noderhult, Sweden 1850.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 21 - (or 17)
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Clarence Esping
Lindsborg, Kansas
Bertha Esping, Lindsborg, Kansas.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Otto Esping moved to a farm
east of Lindsborg, Kansas. In Bonaville Township
year of 1884 and lived there the remainder of his life.
Fifteen children.

Your Signature: Miss Inez Esping
If woman, Maiden Name: Lindsborg, Kansas
Your address: Retired
Your occupation: 230 Weber St.

p. 64 Pioneer Trading American
Culture Billed



McPHERSON COUNTY
Historical Society
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McPHERSON, KANSAS 67460

(Information to be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the Third Annual Banquet of the two County Historical Societies, October 21, 1972.)

102nd Birthday of McPherson County.

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Oct 12 - 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Almon Fairchild
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grand Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County After 1865 1872?
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 21
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Buffalo Hunter & Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer American
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 21
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: None except my family
Lucile Miller - Don Fairchild

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Settled 12 miles south of McPherson South east of Indian
My father Homesteaded in County
1865

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Ray Fairchild

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 426 So Grand

Your occupation: Retired

(over)

Could tell you lots of interesting
things. If we could talk.
There was only two huts at Salina
One Government filing for Homestead & the
other coffee & some sugar
Wasn't a sign of anything between
12 miles south of McPherson and Salina.
p. 44. Nyquist Book.

Almon Savadine, Superintendent of Title M. Miller

Final Receiver's Receipt No 1939. Application No 3174
Commodities

Receiver's Office Wichita Kas Oct 17 1877

Receiver of Almon Fairchild the sum of four dollars - cents
being the balance of payment required by law for the entry of
North West quarter of Section 32 in Township 21 S of Range
3 West containing 160 Acres under Section 2291 of the Revised
Statutes of the United States

James L. Dyer Receiver,

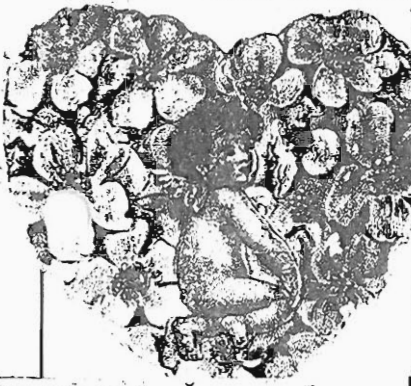
State of Kansas I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a final
Receiver's Receipt as filed for record on the 22nd day of Oct^r in 1877 at 7 A.M.

John F. Hughes
Reg. of Deeds

Final Receiver's Receipt No 3177 Application No 10344
Commodities

Receiver's Office Salina Kas Oct 18th 1877

Receiver of Andreas Berggren the sum of four dollars - cents
being the balance of payment required by law for the entry of



OLD BUFFALO HUNTER

Al Fairchild and wife of Belmont township left last week for a visit at Mrs. Fairchild's home at Peoria, Illinois. They will return by way of St. Louis, for a short stay, intending to be absent about four or five weeks. Mr. Fairchild has the distinction of being one of the oldest residents of Kansas in Kingman county. He crossed the Missouri river in 1870 and settled in Harvey county, northwest of Newton over fifty years ago.

He has killed buffalo in Reno, Kingman, and Barber county, and, becoming attracted by the fine water and rich farming lands of Kingman county, moved over here from Harvey a generation ago.

He said he had seen fine fat buffalo hind quarters sell at 4 cents a pound, and they were splendid eating. Buffalo-grass he said made the finest and softest bed for the hunters that could be imagined, and they would use it for a bed in preference to the finest bed that could be found in the cow-camps or cabins of the occasional pioneer settler.

Antelope and prairie chicken and wild turkey were also plentiful in Mr. Fairchild's hunting days and the question of meat for the early settlers was easily solved. He wound up his extended story of frontier life by saying "those were the best, and healthiest and happiest days of my life, and I wish I might be able to find a similar situation and enjoy such an experience again, just for a few weeks, as I am satisfied it would make me feel 50 years young."

Methodist church services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Dellinger. Interment was in Hoosier cemetery.

Among those from out of town who attended the funeral were Joel and A. J. Anderson, Bridgeport; Pete Lindblau and E. Wilson, Assaria; Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stuart, Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. Coon Stuart,

A. Fairchild, 82, Died Last Friday

Almon Fairchild, a resident of Belmont township for over forty years and one of the very few of the early-day buffalo hunters over this section of Kansas, died in Kingman last Friday, his death being caused by cancer.

He went to a Wichita hospital six weeks ago, but returned to a home here about a week ago. Through all his last illness and suffering, Mr. Fairchild was patient and uncomplaining and was sustained by the Christian faith in which he had lived so long and which he retained until his death.

His death brings to a close a life which had been an example of honesty and integrity, and his reputation as a man and a good citizen was known to scores of people who never had the privilege of knowing him personally.

Mr. Fairchild had been a resident of Kansas since 1869, when he came with his parents to Wathena. In 1871 he went to Harvey county, and from there to Kingman county in 1891, moving in 1898 to the home where they have since resided.

In the early 70's he hunted buffalo over the section of Kansas to the west of here and otherwise took part in the experiences of those pioneers who frequented the country before the advent of the first settler.

Almon Fairchild was born in Washington county, Iowa, November 21, 1850; died January 13, 1933, at the age of 82 years, 1 month and 23 days. He was married to Cathalina Parsons August 23, 1877. To this union were born eleven children, two of whom died in infancy.

In 1927 Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild celebrated their golden wedding anniversary, at which time there was a large gathering of relatives. With them at the table that day were 35 children, grand children and great grand children.

Mr. Fairchild was converted in early manhood and united with the Methodist church. Later he moved his membership to the Christian church at Spivey and where he was a member at the time of his death.

Besides the one who has been his wife for 55 years, he leaves the following children: Verna Slaughter, Chattanooga, Okla.; Nellie Schonlau, Santanta; Lydia Smith, Wayside; Ray Fairchild, McPherson; Guy Fairchild, Zenda; Inez Brown, El Dorado; Violet Ramsey, Plains; Nevada McCue and Roy Fairchild at home.

Funeral services were held in the Cleveland Methodist church January 16, conducted by Rev. Robert A. Potter, and interment was in the Cleveland cemetery.

Mrs. A. Fairchild to Be Buried Saturday

Pioneer Mother Died Wednesday
at Home Where She Had
Lived 50 Years

Mrs. Catholenia Fairchild, 80, widow of the late Almon Fairchild, died Wednesday at her home west of Cleveland where she had lived for fifty years. She had been in poor health as the result of a stroke a few years ago.

Funeral services will be held at the Cleveland Methodist church at 2:30 Saturday afternoon with Rev. R. A. Potter, a former pastor at Cleveland, officiating. Burial will be in the Cleveland cemetery. The Livingston mortuary is in charge.

Mrs. Fairchild was born in Marshall county, Ill., July 3, 1861. She was married August 23, 1877, to A. Fairchild, an early-day buffalo hunter and plainsman. They came to Kingman county in 1891 and Mrs. Fairchild had lived since that time on the farm where they first settled. Mr. Fairchild died January 13, 1933.

She was the mother of eleven children, eight of whom survive. They are Roy Fairchild and Mrs. Vada McCue at home, Ray of McPherson, Guy of Zenda, Mrs. Orville Brown of Chicago, Mrs. Lydia Smith of Arkansas, and Mrs. Charles Schonlau and Mrs. Johns Ramsey, both of Plains.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their kind consideration during the illness and after the death of our mother.

Mrs. Nellie Schonlau
Mrs. Lydia Smith
Ray Fairchild
Mrs. Inez Brown
Mrs. Viola Ramsey
Guy Fairchild
Roy Fairchild
Mrs. Nevada McCue.

Mrs. Kate Fairchild has been seriously ill at her home the past week. Callers included Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bryant and Betty, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shepherd, Rev. and Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. C. W. Sloan, Mrs. Mary Messenger, Mrs. Eldon Bray and Mrs. Eugene Weniger. Johns Ramsey and daughter Audrey Jean of Plains were Friday callers.

Mrs. Lydia Smith Dies in Arkansas

Mrs. Lydia Smith, a former Kingman county resident, died April 27 in Cotter, Ark., at the age of 71 years. She had been an invalid since 1946, following a paralytic stroke.

A funeral service was held in Cotter, then the body was brought to Kingman, where a service was held Monday afternoon, Apr. 29 in the Livingston chapel. The Kingman service was conducted by Rev. R. A. Potter. Burial was made in the Cleveland cemetery in Kingman county.

Lydia Martha Fairchild, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Almond Fairchild, was born October 25, 1885, in Harvey county, Kansas. She moved to Kingman county with her parents in 1891.

On June 5, 1901, she was married to George A. Smith in Kingman. They moved in 1903 to Seward county, Kans., where they proved up a claim. In 1939 they moved to Arkansas, where they continued to make their home. She was a member of the Methodist church.

Surviving are the husband, George Smith, of Cotter, Ark.; two daughters, Mrs. Cecil Flory of Wichita and Mrs. Millie Phillips of Tampa, Fla.; one son, Walter Smith of Dallas, Texas; four sisters, Mrs. Nellie Schonlau of Satanta, Kans., Mrs. Nevada McCue of Kingman, Mrs. Inez Brown of Redondo Beach, Calif., and Mrs. Violet Ramsey of Plains, Kans.; three brothers, Guy and Roy Fairchild of Syracuse, Kans., and Ray Fairchild of McPherson, Kans.; also six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Card of Thanks

We are very grateful to those kind friends who assisted in so generous a measure with words and expressions of sympathy to us in our recent bereavement.

Mrs. Vena Slaughter
Mrs. Nellie Schonlau
Mrs. Lydia Smith
Ray Fairchild
Mrs. Inez Brown
Mrs. Violet Ramsey
Mrs. Nevada McCue
Roy Fairchild 42t1p

Mrs. Slaughter Dies

Former Resident of Kingman
County Passes Away Oct. 10

Mrs. Vena Slaughter, 62, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Almond Fairchild, pioneer residents of Kingman county, died at her home in Chattanooga, Okla., Thursday, October 10.

Mrs. Slaughter was born in McPherson county September 17, 1878. Her parents moved to Kingman county in the early days. She grew to womanhood here and was married to Charles Slaughter November 3, 1895. They moved to Oklahoma about thirty years ago.

Surviving are her aged mother; her husband and four children; three brothers, Roy Fairchild of Spivey, Ray Fairchild of McPherson and Guy Fairchild of Satanta; five sisters, Mrs. Vada McCue of Spivey, Mrs. Nellie Schonlau of Satanta, Mrs. Johns Ramsey of Plains and Mrs. Lydia Smith of Arkansas.

Roy Fairchild of Syracuse is visiting his sister, Mrs. Nevada McCue who underwent a major operation Friday. April 17, 1944

FAIRCHILD--ZERBE.

Roy Fairchild and Mrs. Lois Zerbe were united in marriage last Sunday, May 13, at 3:30 p. m. in the Methodist church parsonage.

Rev. R. L. Wells, pastor of the church, officiated, using the single ring wedding ceremony.

The bride wore a white lace dress with black accessories and a corsage of red roses and gardenias.

Mrs. Fairchild is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kidson of Syracuse. She is a graduate of the Syracuse high school and has made her home here most of the time following her graduation. At the present time she is employed as secretary of the Hamilton County Farm Bureau.

She is a talented musician, a leader in the county 4-H club movement, and an untiring worker in all church and community affairs.

Mr. Fairchild has extensive farm interests in Hamilton county and is an official in the Methodist church.

Guests at the wedding were members of the family and close friends and included Mrs. Fairchild's daughter, Norleen, her mother, Mrs. E. J. Kidson and son, Evan; Mr. and Mrs. Chester Zerbe and daughter Irene; Misses Lois and Fern Patton and Mrs. R. L. Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild left Sunday evening on a short wedding trip, after which they will return to make their home in Syracuse.

Mrs. Vada McCue received word of the marriage of her brother, Roy Fairchild, and Lois Zerbe at Syracuse, Kans., May 13. After a short trip to Colorado the couple will be at home in Syracuse. Mr. Fairchild is engaged in farming.

and he farmed the ground which he became a young man.



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McPHERSON COUNTY
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The following information will be placed in a Register of Pioneer Families who settled in McPherson County, Kansas. It is the intent of the Historical Societies of McPherson County to honor such families in an appropriate ceremony at the Annual Dinner of the Societies held each fall.

Please complete the Form and include such other pertinent and interesting information as you feel would be of general interest. The Form should then be forwarded to either the President of one of the Societies or to the Chairman of the Committee in charge.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

(Charles)
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather CARL GUSTAF FAIK
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1880
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled HAYES SEC 21-NE 4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer HAKER SAN KOPING LIAW, SWEDEN
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 49
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: NO

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

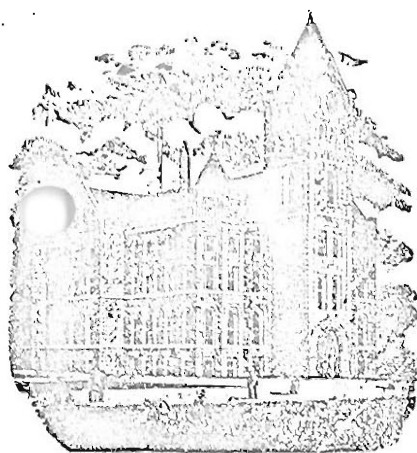
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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Mrs. Emma Alton
If woman, Maiden Name: Eichenshaw
Your address: 415 Chapin McPherson
Your occupation: Nurse



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(1870 and prior)

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Mar. 27, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather John Ferm
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1868
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 4-17-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer - Attorney
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Storörs Värmland Sweden (Swedish)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 42
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Yes Emma Larson, Lindsborg
Lillie Adell, Lindsborg; Granddaughters of John Ferm
Landris Ferm Lindsborg, Great Grandson of " "

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? John Ferm 1st President of First Swedish
Agricultural Land Co. (Inc. Mar. 12, 1870 for 20 years)
This Company Purchased 13,168 Acres of Land from Kansas
Pacific Railway Co. "E.D." for sum of \$29,629.84 and
agreed to place 50 families on this land within 18 months.

Your Signature: Landris Ferm
If woman, Maiden Name: #1 Lindsborg, KS.
Your address: Printer & Farmer
Your occupation: Printer & Farmer

	Born, Date, Place	Birth Date	Death Date
John Ferm	Storfors, Varmland, Sweden	Mar. 27, 1827	- - -
Carolina Lindberg	Nyed Sorken Varmland Bjurbacks	Jan. 18, 1822	- - -
Charles Ferm	Bruk Varmland, Sweden	Sept. 10, 1847	- - -
Grid Hanson	Bollnas Hallsing- Sweden	Mar. 27, 1860	- - -

Children:

Child	Place	Birth Date	Death Date
Mina Christine	Lindsborg, Kansas	July 31, 1880	
Emma Aurora	" "	Feb. 9, 1882	Sept. 27, 1883
Roscoe Torgny	" "	Nov. 1, 1883	Missing
Emma S. A.	" "	Aug. 11, 1885	Living Lindsborg
John Albert	" "	Apr. 5, 1887	Apr. 16, 1887
Carl Johan	" "	Mar. 15, 1888	Jan. 18, 1967
Faithful Elizabeth	" "	Mar. 4, 1890	Aug. 16, 1900
Conrad Theodore	" "	Jan. 27, 1892	-----
Philip Arthur	" "	Jan. 28, 1894	Mar. 5, 1961
Edith Maria	" "	Mar. 10, 1896	Dec. 4, 1896
William Bryan	" "	Sept. 12, 1897	Dec. 3, 1959
Lilly Ruby	" "	May 12, 1900	Living Lindsborg
Benjamin Rubin	" "	April 10, 1902	" California
Cecil W.	" "	Jan. 11, 1905	Nov. 16, 1938

Children of William Bryan Ferm:

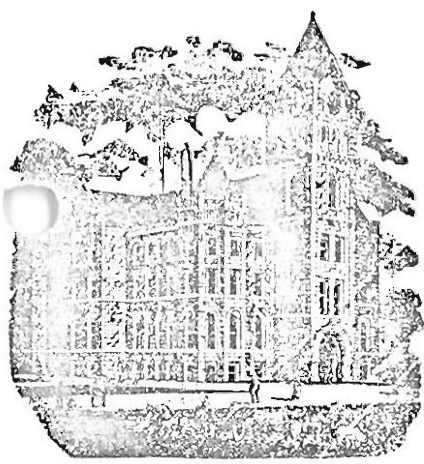
Addresses

Child	Place	Birth Date	Address
Landvis Ferm	Chicago, Ill.	Oct. 9, 1924	Lindsborg, Kansas
Dean Ferm	Kansas City,	July 27, 1926	Wichita, Kansas
Patricia Ann	Kansas City	July 27, 1926	Denver, Colo.
Jacqueline Colleen	Lindsborg, Ks.	Nov. 28, 1929	Salina, Kansas
Evans William	Lindsborg, Ks.	Dec 3, 1930	Quemado, New Mexico

Children-of-J

Married Name	Children
Patricia Ann Mrs. Robert Nunn	Roy Samuel Stewart, Married Texas Craig Allan Student Denver
Jacqueline Colleen Mrs. George Garrison	Larry and Dennis - - - Students
Dean Ferm - - - - -	No children
Evans Ferm - - - - -	Deborah, Pamela and Jennifer
Landvis Ferm *--- - - -	Leanne Kay Married living New Jersey (No children) Lana Sue Student Wichita Univ. Lori Jean " Lindsborg High School Lesley Earl " " " " Lisa Marie " " Grade School

Tony Voshell



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October 20, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Joseph Finkle
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County March 24, 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Empire Township, Sec. 4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer & Carpenter
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer New York & Welsh & Scotch
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Between 45 & 48 yrs old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: on back

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Farm was one mile west of old Empire town. Now a ghost town and Empire Cemetery. Settled Empire 3-24-1872 in Salina

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Tony Voshell
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 1330 N. Maple
Your occupation: Emp. McPherson Concrete Co.

Tony: I am wondering if this is not your Mother's family, and if so I would like information on it. I would like to get all forms back by the 19th. Thanks.

(over)

Linn Peterson.

1. ^{Mr.} Willard Gibson - McPherson (Mildred)
2. ^{Mr.} Donald Gibson - McPherson
3. Mr. Glenn Peterson - McPherson
4. Miss Shelly Gibson - McPherson
5. Tony Voshell - McPherson - Doris Voshell (McLier)
6. Mr. Perry Morse - Galva
7. Mrs. Lesha Babcock - Galva
8. Bob Babcock - R.R. McPherson
9. Mrs. Harold Minkley - McPherson
10. Mr. Lynn Dinkle - "
11. Mrs. Luan Hassman - R.R. McPherson
12. Mrs. Robert Sellberg - " " + family
13. Miss Madeline Dinkle - McPherson
14. Mrs. Anna Morse - McPherson - (her grandfather)
15. Mrs. Jack Robinson - Galva + family
16. Mrs. Albert Larson - McPherson
17. Mrs. Bertha Shulheim - Galva
18. Mrs. Gordon Nelson - McPherson + family
19. Rick DeDour - McPherson

Joseph had 12 Children - 3 passed away as small children. He came here from Michigan on the train with his 9 remaining Children.

FAMILY REUNION

Finkle family gathers for 78th annual reunion

Reunion 8/31/06
Descendants of Joseph and Mary Ann Finkle gathered for their 78th annual reunion at the Galva Senior Center. Leonard Williams, Salina, led the blessing. Sue Williams led the business meeting. There were 23 descendants and one guest, including four generations of one family: Jenika and Hadley Allenbach; dad Josh Allenbach; grandparents Keith and Shelly Allenbach; and great-grandma Mildred Gibson, all of Moundridge.

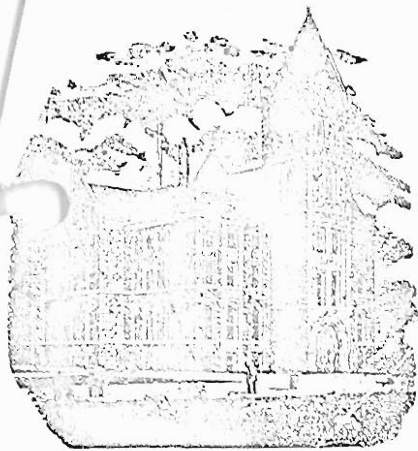
Certificates were given for: oldest direct descendant and oldest indirect descendant, Marj and Roland Elliot, respectively, husband and wife from Hutchinson; the youngest direct descendant, Jenika Allenbach; youngest indirect descendant, Keith Allenbach; and traveling the longest way, Gene Beck, Zolfo Spring, Fla.

Deaths since last year's reunion were: Tony Voshell, Dale Hawn, Ed Colby and Beulah Morse. There were no marriages and no births reported.

Officers for next year are: Doug Morse, Hutchinson, president, and Tony and Kathy Nelzen, Newton, secretary-treasurer.

The group sing was led by Doug Morse with Carroll Hassman, Wichita, accompanying. Hassman also played patriotic selections from the Revolutionary War, Civil War, World War I and World War II.

The 2006 reunion will be held Aug. 5 at the Galva Senior Center.



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(1859-1870)

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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl Finney
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great grand son
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1871 (OK) See 34-5H
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled
Occupation of Pioneer Settler

Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Stjernberget, Rimmeren, Sweden - 1821
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 50 years

Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No, his son John Carlson Finney bought from U.P.R.R.
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes J. Carlson, NE 4 Sec 3-18-3

Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Edward O Nelson, R.F.D. 1 Lindborg, Norman, Nelson
R.F.D. 1 Maryette, Raymond Finney, R.F.D. 2 Lindborg, Maryette, Howbrey
605 N. Walnut McPherson, Leon Lungstrom, 518 E. Lincoln, Lindborg
Eugene Lungstrom, W. & Pine, David Lungstrom, S. Cherry, Lindborg

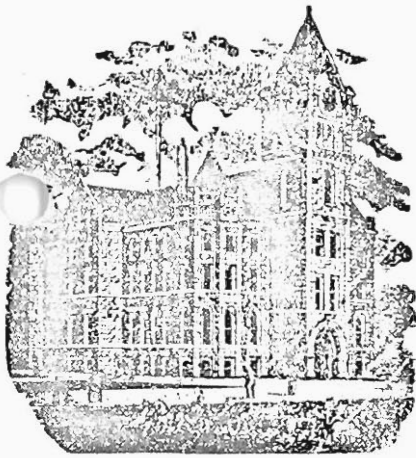
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Carl Finney was born Karl Peterson,
In 1851 he changed it to Carl Peterson's name. He and his family
left Sweden April 24, 1868. The son John Carlson left Sweden
Nov. 27, 1867. Bought land from U.P.R.R. April 29, 1880

Your Signature: James C. Youngquist
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 1217 Cedar, Lindborg, KS 67456
Your occupation: Teacher, dis. man
retired

History of the
Church as well
as the early days of
the community give the year
in which he lived
where he was born
April 1, 1860 when he left
Sweden (Lavalish, P. M.
1860-18) and 1871 of his
house,

J. Youngquist

JAMES C. YOUNGQUIST
121 N. CEDAR STREET
LINDSBURG, KANSAS, 67456



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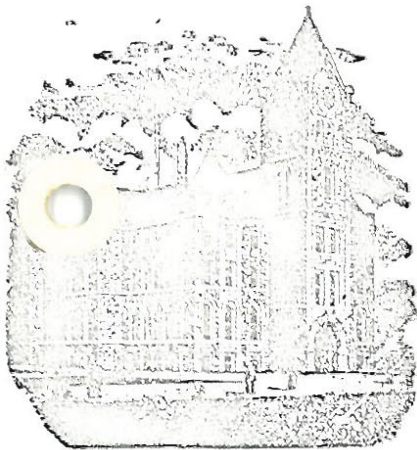
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10-16-72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Linn Peterson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 11-18-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farming, Stock Raising, Mercantile
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer _____
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Wm. brother of Josiah R. Fisher, Member of McPherson Lion Club
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Homesteaded north of McPherson - broken range for cattle. Bought and chopped cattle. Sold in Kansas. More in McPherson. Produced life - an McPherson - sold was in McPherson south of McPherson.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Jack Peterson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 102 W. Maple McPherson
Your occupation: Farming



Original 1971
Duplicate 1994
By LeRoy Olson

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March 31 1971

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Olof Florman (Olson)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872 or 1873 Castleburg
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Township 19 Sec. 13 & 12
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 44 ? 1823-1872
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: _____

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest?

Martin Seidel - Great Grand Son; Philip G. Grandson; 172 Stone House
Mrs. Arelene (Burdett) Seidel - Great Grand Daughter; Bertil - Vm. 182 Plaster Stone
Victor Olson - Marguerite
LeRoy Olson Marguerite - Box #157 Farm underneath
housellson Carlson

Your Signature: Olof Florman
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 701 E. Oak, McPherson, Kans.
Your occupation: Locksmith

Mrs. Katrina Florman (died January 25, 1908)

From the Marquette Tribune of January 30, 1908:

OBITUARY

Mrs. Catherine Margaret Florman was born in Sweden, June 21, 1821. She came to America with her husband, Olof Florman, in 1869 and settled on Sharps Creek. She leaves two daughters, four sons and twelve grandchildren. One of the daughters is Mrs. Charley Peterson, of Pueblo, and the other Mrs. Vincent of Fairbanks, Alaska. Joe and Lewis live in Pueblo, also, and Pete, at whose house she died, lives on the Sharps Creek farm. Olof Olson, the other son, lives at Marquette. The funeral was held at the Mission Church Tuesday afternoon in charge of Rev. Hedstrom of McPherson and Rev. Bengtson, of this city. The remains were interred beside her husband in the Marquette Cemetery. She attained to a ripe old age and passed away in the fullness of time exceeding men's allotted age by 16 years.

*Olof changed name from
Florman to Olson — others in
family retained Florman name.*

Olof Florman (died May 19, 1896)

From the Marquette Tribune of May 22, 1896:

DEATH OF OLOF FLOORMAN

On last Thursday at 11 o'clock a. m. Mr. Olof Florman passed from this earthly sphere to that above.

Mr. Florman was born in Sweden in June 1823 and immigrated to America in 1869 and settled on a farm along Sharps Creek a few miles south of here where he has been living ever since. Mr. Florman passed through many hardships that have infested the early settlers and he was among those who witnessed the terrible massacre by the Indians in those early days. He has enjoyed fair health of late years and came to his death principally of old age, being in his 74th year.

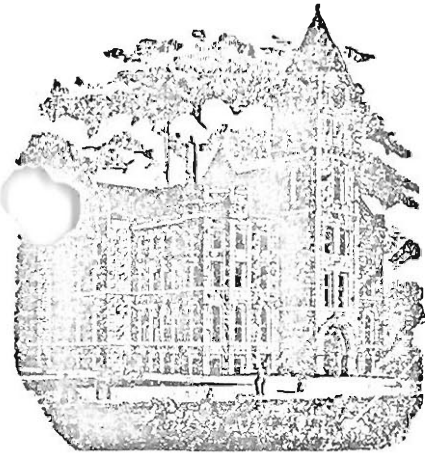
Funeral services were held in the Mission Church Wednesday afternoon and a large crowd followed the remains to the Marquette Cemetery where the last sad rites were performed of laying to rest his remains.

Mr. Olof Florman leaves an aged wife, 4 sons and 2 daughter to mourn his death and a large circle of dear friends who join them in this their sad bereavement.

The following articles were in the same issue:

Louis Florman and sister of Pueblo, Colo. came down Wednesday morning to attend the funeral of their father.

Louis Florman of Pueblo made us a pleasant call yesterday morning and told us his early experience in Marquette for he was one of the old timers here and originated the plan and put it in operation of building the large brick block that decorates our fair little city. Mr. Florman has been in the paper and paint business at Pueblo for sometime and runs the largest establishment in this city. He employs over 30 men and it keeps him and his brother busy looking after them. They do as much business as all the rest put together in Pueblo.



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October - 15 - 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Dr William Henry George
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County May 1873 725 E. 19-29-1
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 3 miles west of Canton
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Doctor
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Hillsdale County, Michigan, American
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 28 years old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Jean Zimmerman-Ray
1129 North Elm, McPherson, Kns. (Mrs Carl Ray)
Barbara Winget - Great Granddaughter
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? (over)
Kept first daughter in Canton until 1882

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) (Mrs. Glenn
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Lucille Zimmerman
If woman, Maiden Name: Lucille George
Your address: 723B - Perschler Drive
Your occupation: Retired

Dr Wm George graduated from the University of Michigan as a doctor of medicine in 1869. He was assistant acting surgeon for 1 year in the regular Army and was a surgeon in Custer's Army at Ft Abercrombie - Three weeks before his time was up, he was replaced by another young doctor sent there - Dr George returned to his home ^{in Michigan} & the other man went with Custer on his last stand & was killed. Dr George married Julia Aldfield Oct 25 - 1873 & was the first couple to be married in McPherson, after the County Seat was moved back to McPherson by Rev Wm McClinton. And they homesteaded 3 miles west of Canton.

He founded the town of Canton in 1879 & built the first store building & residence there. He was elected first Mayor also - He lived there until 1910, when he moved to McPherson & built a home on south main - He died in 1912, Buried in Canton Cemetery

Betty C. Weir - Flo. Weir also

Dr. W. H. George.	Born	Married	Died
Julia F. George	Sept. 27, 1845	Oct. 23, 1873	Oct. 19, 1912
Carrie Mae George	Aug. 3, 1853		Oct 8 - 1930
Bertha E. George	Mar. 13, 1873		Mar. 20, 1873
Blaise M. George	May. 28, 1876	June 6, 1900	Dec 15, 1920
W. H. George, Jr.	July 13, 1878		Aug. 10, 1885
Clara Maud George	Oct. 6, 1880	Jan 29, 1901	Dec. 26, 1910
Mary Belle George	Aug. 23, 1883	June 28, 1903	
Alfred Lincoln George	May 24, 1886	June 7, 1905	Feb. 14, 1917
Charles Augustus George	Feb. 3, 1889	May 31, 1908	March 4, 1969
Ludile George	May 16, 1890		June 13, 1890
	8-1893	April 18, 1923	March 6, 1965
	Sept-23-1898	Oct 6 - 1914	

Rate of Tax Levied in McPherson County, Kansas, for the year 1908.
McPherson County, General Revenue
State of Kansas

W. H. George & Co. - Wichita

1908/1916

1921
Road Laid Out

Office of Treasurer of McPherson County, Kansas. No. 111

12/17/1908

McPHERSON,

RECEIVED OF

John G. Pitts

DOLLARS,

in full for First Second half of all Taxes for 1908 on the following-described property in McPherson County:

DESCRIPTION	Sec.	Twp.	Rdg.	No. of Acres	Valuation	TAX	Rebate	Penalty	Advertising	Total
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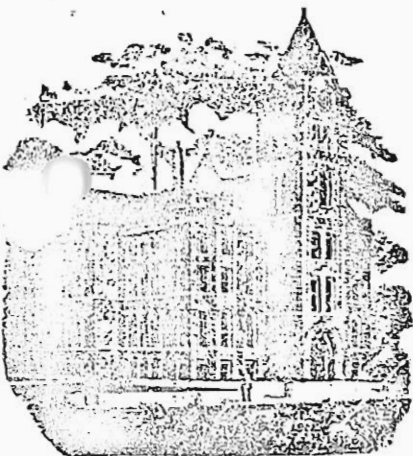
Personal Property 1st - 2nd half
TOTAL,

for Taxes Sept., 1908, \$
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Taxes Sept., 1908, \$

RATE OF TAX ON OTHER SIDE.

of McPherson County, Kansas.

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1129 North Elm, McPherson, Kans. (Mrs Carl Ray)
Barbara Winget - Hunt - daughter
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? (one)
Kept first daughter in Canton I.D. 1882

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) (Mrs Glenn
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Lucille Zimmerman
If woman, Maiden Name: Lucille George
Your address: 723B - Herscher Drive
Your occupation: Retired

Mother of Bruce Zimmerman

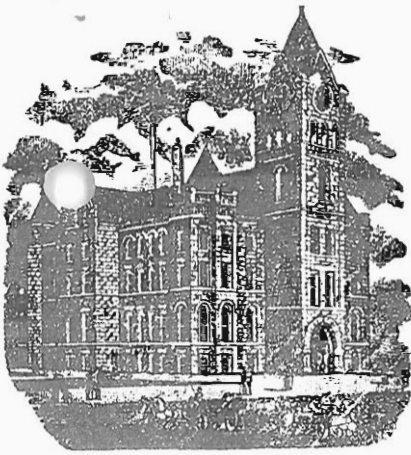
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Dr. W. H. George - - Canton, Kansas Physician

2-6-1996

1. Daughter - May Belle George, Mrs. A. J. Petz (George) - Barbara Winget (Mrs. Lester) - Betty G. McGoon, Florida
2. Daughter - Lucille George - Mrs. Jean Zimmerman - Mrs. Earl (Jean) Ray
3. Son - Charles Augustus George - Charlotte Allen, Wichita, Kansas.



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List of references relating to Dr. William Henry George
a Pioneer in the Canton community of McPherson County,
Kansas:

Book published in 1932: - McPherson County Historical Society
Pioneer Life and Lore of McPherson County, Kansas
Author - Edna Nyquist. - - - Page 92 relating to Canton.

McPherson County Historical Society Book of Pioneer.
Families - Alphabetical, with information on area
they settled and dates, etc. Date submitted: October 15, 1972.

Canton, McPherson County, Kansas, History of the
Canton Community, 1864 - 1988 - The Dr. W.H. George Family,
with picture of families of Dr. George. - - Page 8.

helpful. Hopefully the above information will be
for one of the descendants of Dr. George in connection
with providing and submitting other related information
about a McPherson County Pioneer of McPherson County.

Dated and copied this 4th day of August, 2006.
McPherson County, Kansas.

Signed: _____

Linn Peterson
Linn Peterson, retired President
of McPherson County Historical
Society on the above day
540 E. Hill St., McPherson, KS
67460



Mr. & Mrs. Linn Peterson
540 E Hill St
McPherson, KS 67460-3527

DR. W. H. GEORGE FAMILY

Dr. William Henry George was born in Hillsdale County, Michigan, September 27, 1845. He died October 19, 1912, from appendicitis, and was buried in Canton Cemetery.

He graduated from Ann Arbor Medical University of Michigan March 1869, and began the practice of medicine. He was acting-assistant surgeon of the regular Army for 1 year. He married Elizabeth Parker, April 1869, and they had one daughter. His wife died in March 1870. After that he decided to come west and seek his fortune.

He homesteaded on a farm 2 miles west of Canton in June 1873. He met and married Julie F. Oldfield, daughter of Amos and Eliza Oldfield, October 1873. To that union, ten children were born. He followed the practice of medicine and farming, moving around alot over the years.

Dr. George erected the first two buildings in Canton, the first was a residence built June 7, 1879, and the other a store building built about the same time. He was the first mayor of Canton, was once McPherson County coroner, and always took an active part in politics and public enterprise. He was a very quiet man, except when it came to politics, and then he could orate quite capably. He was an ardent Republican and his home was always the head-

quarters for the Republican politicians. He was a great reader, always searching for some knowledge to help mankind. He had said his greatest defeat was when he was helpless to save some young person.



Dr. and Mrs. W. H. George, son William, daughters Bertha and Edith (sitting) around 1885.

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He believed much in divine power and said it had been revealed to him many times, as he didn't take the credit for all his cures. He took some of his cases to Dr. Axtell, at Newton, and some to Dr. Hertzler at Halstead, as there was no hospital facilities in McPherson. He was the typical "county doctor" often getting

paid with meat or vegetables instead of money.

Dr. George sold his practice and goodwill to Dr. Edgerton in 1909 and moved to McPherson. He had practiced medicine for 41 years from 1869-1910.

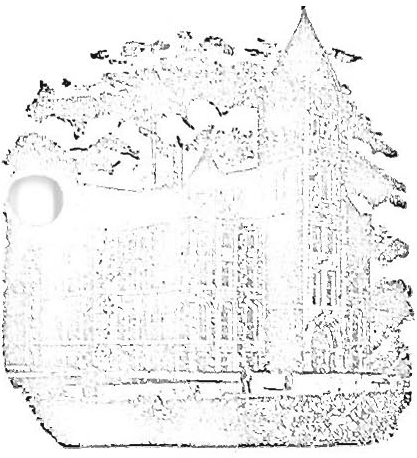
sent to Iowa for relief through the grange and Mr. V was the distributor of the goods. It was not especially successful economically, though, but it certainly was socially. They had singing schools, literary societies, suppers, and they always had a good time. They were all on the same level socially with their sunbonnets, calico dresses, overalls, and sometimes bare feet. They talked plain English, using very little slang but a great deal of profanity. They made their neighbors welfare part of their welfare to evade loneliness for they had few contacts with the outer world. Newspapers and books were scarce and reading of any kind was not often indulged in.

Anyway, sometimes neighborliness was a necessity then for when trouble or sickness stalked in the door there was really no one to go to but the neighbors. If a rattler bit a man in his bare feet when he was ploughing, a jug of whiskey could usually be found in his own house and then the neighbors would do all they could to relieve the poisoned condition. Doctors were rare and usually far away although when necessary old Dr. George in his plough shoes and overalls would come walking in to do his bit lifting some heavy hearts into merriness once again.

Mr. J. Whitright

In 1873 Mr. J. Whitright, a veteran of the Union Army walked from White City, Kansas to the Salina land office to see if he could get a homestead in the central part of the state. The land agent there told him to go over into McPherson County and scout around to see what he liked of the unclaimed land. He walked over to Canton township then and decided he liked the lay of section thirty.

Then he walked again to Salina to tell the land agent he didn't have the money just then to pay the deposit on the homestead. The agent promised not to refer the quarter to anyone as unclaimed land and Mr. Whitright walked back to White City. He worked there till he had enough money to pay the land agent, then walked again to his claim. He built a six by eight dugout, lived in it alone, broke sod, and worked for his neighbors for a while. He really lived in White City for a year or two though, coming back to his claim only occasionally. After visiting his claim he often went a



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March - 31 - 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather James Gibbs
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grand Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1865 & 1875 In 1884 Okla
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Canton W. North
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer (Sec 8-19-1) 1875
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Michigan (part Indian)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 48
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson 15 Children
County? Names and addresses: yes Vera Burch 1104 S Walnut McPherson
Charles Lemiss R. 1 Canton Mrs. Norman Schmidt R. 1 Canton
Lucien Lemiss, Lloyd Lemiss 124 S. Hickory McPherson
Arnold Lemiss 813 N. Myers McPherson, David Lemiss
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular Canton
significance or interest? Married twice - 30 Children
David Lemiss now living in Canton, Mo
Born July 27 - 1886, born in a dug out 1 1/2 miles
North of Canton, is a grandson of
James Gibbs
James Gibbs buried in Canton Cemetery
Born 1817 died 1903 - wife Louisa Jane - died Feb 4, 1930 age 106

Your Signature: Lillie Boyce
If woman, Maiden Name: Lillie Lemiss
Your address: Box 126 Canton, Mo
Your occupation: house wife

Information from Arnold Serviss: Great Grandmother lived to age ~~103~~. She was part Indian : (Dog eating tribe?) Cooked coffee in a pot, and drank from the pot. Smoked a pipe and chewed tobacco. Known as "Old Granny Gibbs", and walked round the countryside. She is said to not know her actual age. Per Arthur Cunningham, Louisa Jane *died 2-7-1930* Gibbs lived to age 106.

There were three boys : Samuel, Albert and James. Tall, dark skinned. She is said to have had 15 children, and outlived all of them except 6. She died on 2-4-1930 (See the McPherson Weekly Republican of 2-7-1930.)

According to obituary, she had 15 children. Died in Winfield, Kansas, and had been born in Mansfield, Ohio on August 9, 1823, and came to McPherson County in 1875

CANTON WOMAN 106 DIES

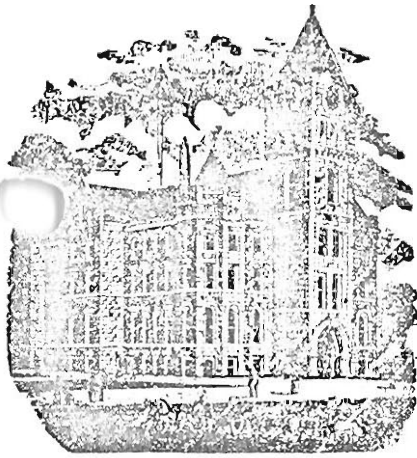
Louisa Jane Gibbs Who Homesteaded In McPherson County In 1875 Passes Away At Home Of Son Near Winfield—Burial At Canton Tomorrow. *Rep 2-7-30*

Winfield, Feb. 4—Louisa Jane Gibbs, 106, well known in this vicinity because of her extremely advanced age, died yesterday afternoon at the home of her son with whom she lived, Albert Gibbs, three miles north of Atlanta. Death came from natural causes, preceded by a gradual failing of strength the last few weeks.

Mrs. Gibbs, who came of a farming family and who spent most of her life on the farm, was born at Mansfield, O., August 9, 1823. She came to McPherson county with her husband in 1875. She was the mother of 15 children and outlived all but six.

She is survived by 111 direct descendants, six living children, 50 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren, and 25 great-great grandchildren, besides several hundred other persons related by marriages.

The funeral is to be held at 1 p. m. tomorrow at Canton, near where she lived for many years.



Bernice Feldt

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October 17, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Charles Oscar
C. O. Grant
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1876 Spring
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled McPherson SE quarter Sec. 34
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Marlunda, Sweden, Denmark, Sweden - Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Hattie Iselt (97) Mrs. Myrtle Peterson (94) Julia Grant (92) Daughters
Mrs. William Linn, Mrs. Byron Carlson, Bernice Feldt - Grand Daughters
Mrs. Vernon Rossett - Great Grand Daughters & 4 Great Great Grand Children
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No See Bishop's Colony

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X

If woman, Maiden Name: Bernice Feldt

Your address: 431 S. Fisher - McPherson

Your occupation: Retired Telephone Operator

wife Child Holcomb
Children: Hattie Matilda Grant (Mrs. Carl Grant)

Albertina Wilhelmina

Matilda Ward Grant -
Ruth Grant

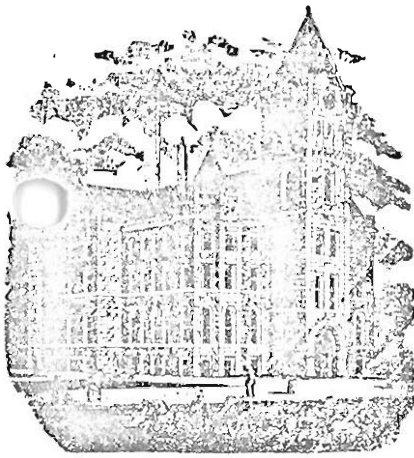
Nellie Alfreda - Freda

Assen Wilfred Emanuel

Lola Adeline - Mrs. - Olsen - Ellen
Marie + Rodney

Blenda Victoria -

8 Mabel Marinda -



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10-14-72

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John P. Drant *Wife Betty E. Nelson - Grand daughter of C. J. Nelson*
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson John Peter Jonasson
Month and year settled in McPherson County May 1872 *New Holland*
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled McPherson Sec. 1
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Cattleman
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Marlared, Sweden *(born 1837)*
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 35
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs. E. W. Wall and Mrs. Frank Morris - both McPherson; Mrs. John P. Drant, Tulsa *(Grandchildren)*
(none on record)
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No. Came to America 1863, lived in Illinois
John P. Drant was elected the first trustee of McPherson Township which was organized Feb. 24 - 1873 and also trustee the following year.
In 1887 he was made County Commissioner - served 6 years. Worked on the New Holland Southern Railway.
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Elinor Drant
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Tulsa, Oklahoma
Your occupation: N.C.R. Pipeline Headman

Great Grandchildren
Edgar ^{Tate Martin}
U. L. Grant, McPherson

Great, great grandchildren
{ Jerry Grant, McPherson
Dorcy Grant, "

Waldo C. Grant, McPherson { Mrs. Fred (Linda Peterson) "

Great, great, great
Grandchildren
Jeffrey Peterson
Daniel Peterson
McPherson

Nona Rivas, McPherson

{ Leo
Dana Rogers, Galva
Dawn Rivas, McPherson

Arita Jo Alexander, Galva

{ Daril Alexander, Galva
Darla Alexander, "
Diane Alexander, "

Jean Ek

{ Gail Wedel, Galva
Steve Ek, "
Brad Ek, "

Great, great, great
Grandchildren

Donna Koehn Galva

{ Cynthia Helm, Galva
Brent Koehn, "

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Kristin Wedel
Leah Ek

Rendall Myers, Galva

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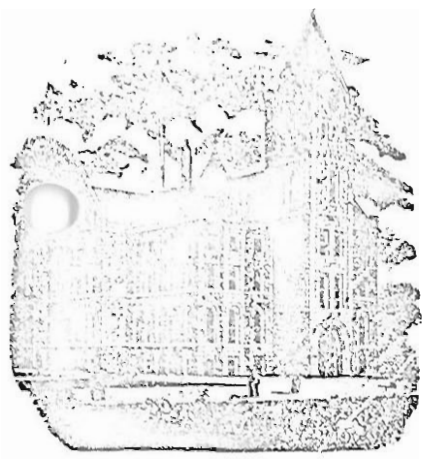
{ Laura Myers, Galva
Rena Myers, "

David Grant - Moved To Seattle
Washington -
Daughter Martha Grant - Colang
Oscar Grant -

{ Jacki Grant Galva
Amy Grant "
Lance Grant "
Kent Danyluk, "

Carl Grant - Banker in McPherson - also owner
son of second Mrs. John (Grant and marriage)
Nephew C. Grant - Galva - Mrs. C. H. Galva
Charles Ek - Grant

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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather John P. Grant - settled in Spring 1872
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler my grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County February 22, 1874 (made claim)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer, cattle feeder, broom corn raiser
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer England, Sweden - then to Glasgow, Scot.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County thirty five
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Grant A. Morris (Rosalind Olmstead), City
A number in Galva community

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? County Treasurer, 1894-1898, and my
brother served as deputy Commissioner 1880-1886
Donated land (40 acres) for Town of Galva and Lutheran Church
Mr Grant was President of the New Settlers Association which sought
to start a town and got the County seat at an election in May 1873

Your Signature: Mrs. Ernest A. Wall
If woman, Maiden Name: Ermias Olmstead
Your address: 920 East Pacific, City
Your occupation: Homemaker

1996

Descendants of Johan Peter Jonasson later known as John Peter Grant

Rosalind Morris
412 S. Maple
McPherson, KS 67460

Rex Jav Morris
105 Eastmoor Dr
McPherson, KS 67460

Theodore Alan Morris -
1437 North High Drive
McPherson, KS

Megan
Stephanie
Danielle

Eric Wall -
820 E. Euclid
McPherson, KS 67460

Eric Whitney
Landon
Collyn

Udell "Udie" S. Grant
1427 Meadowlane
McPherson, KS 67460

Gerald "Jerry" Martin Grant
1445 Ranch Road
McPherson, KS 67460

Kyle Cooper
Brian Charles
Laurie Louise

Gary Udell Grant -
1500 North High Drive
McPherson, KS 67460

Corey

Timothy Duane Grant -
1312 Eastmoor Drive
McPherson, KS 67460

Trevor Duane

Linda Marie Peterson -
746 E. Euclid
McPherson, KS 67460

Dan
Corey

Jeffery Peterson -
McPherson, Ks 67460

Mallory Grace

Kurt Myers
502 S. Empire
Galva, KS 67443

Paula Marie Fly -
Rte. 2, Box 4
Inman, KS 67540

Nicole
Zachary
Kenda

Travis and Taylor Myers - (brothers) sons of Brett Myers
439 Parklane Drive
Galva, KS 67443

Monday, October 11, 1901.

A \$5,000.00 FIRE.

Two Large Barns on John
Grant's Farm Consumed
Last Night.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING

Total Destruction of Build-
ings and Contents--
Small Insurance.

On Thursday evening, ex-Treasurer John P. Grant sustained a loss of \$5,000 by fire, two barns on his farm in section one in McPherson township with all their contents were entirely consumed.

The fire was caused by lightning which struck the buildings about 6:30 o'clock. The barns were large, being filled with grain, hay and farm implements, one being 40x42 feet and the other 26x40 feet.

In the barns were stored twelve tons of alfalfa hay, three thousand bushels of wheat, five hundred bushels of oats and a quantity of corn, all of Mr. Grant's farm implements, the implements of his tenant and tenant's brother, and that of others in the neighborhood who had placed them there out of the weather. One calf was also burned.

Mr. Grant carried \$800 insurance on the two barns and \$400 on the grain. The tenant, Mr. Johnson, probably had a small amount of insurance on his share of the grain, but at this writing we cannot say how much.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1909.

THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS AGO

WHEN A HAY CROP WAS HARVESTED ON MAIN STREET

BUT THAT WAS BEFORE THE TOWN WAS STARTED—LAND WAS NO OBJECT THEN

While C. O. and J. P. Grant were in Kansas City last week they were interviewed by a reporter for the Daily Drovers' Telegram. The result was the following bit of history which appeared in that paper:

C. O. and J. P. Grant, wealthy retired farmers of McPherson, Kansas, are at the yards on their way to Galesburg, Ill., their former home. These brothers are pioneers of McPherson county. They went there from Illinois in the early days, when Central Kansas was unsettled, located on claims, and remained. There was not a town in the whole county, and very few settlers anywhere in all that country then. Those who were there were poor, just like themselves. While they still own their valuable farms, the brothers live in McPherson. "I remember well," said J. P. Grant, "in the fall of 1872, cutting wild hay on land on which the nice little city of McPherson, our county seat now stands. We could cut hay any place in those days. The country was big, and land was no object. We had many trials and experiences, however, before we got down to living right. The prairies were dotted with sod houses for a good while. But look at McPherson county today: It is a grand sight with its rich farms well improved and owned by rich farmers. We have no poor farmers in the county. They have paid all they owed long ago, and most farmers now carry a bank account. Many of them have money loaned out, as banks pay no interest on deposits now. They take our money and keep it for us, but they have so much, and the demand for it is so limited, that they will not pay any interest. Wheat has been our leading crop. But we are spreading out in other products, corn and alfalfa, and so we raise so much feed that we are never short. If one thing fails we have something else to take its place."

John W. Shannon
800 N. Grimes
McPherson, KS 67460

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800 N. Grimes
McPherson, KS 67460

Sydni Shannon Kretzer
800 N. Grimes
McPherson, KS 67460

Nona Lee Rivas
102 S. McPherson
Box 544
Galva, KS 67443

Kaden Joe Michael

Dana Lee Rogers -
210 S. Santa Fe
Box 486
Galva, KS 67443

Richard "Rick" Dean
Steven Lee

Dawn Rene Thiessen
Rte. 2, Box 26
Galva, KS 67443

Anita Jo Alexander
415 S. Mulberry
Box 164
Galva, KS 67443

Daril Ray Alexander -
1976 20th Ave.
McPherson, KS 67460

Jennifer Lee
Jessie Eldina
Jonathon Ray

James Eldon

Daria Jo Westbrook -
2851 Kiowa Rd.
Canton, KS 67428

Annanda Jo
Alex Dean
April Diane

Andrew John

Lance J. Grant -
Main Street
Galva, KS 67443

Ashley Richelle
Amy Richelle

Nolan Jack

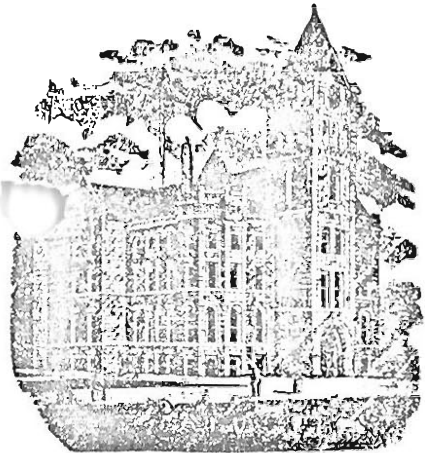
Amy Sue Campbell -
1329 Northcourt
McPherson, KS 67460

Jack Colton
Riley Jane

Jacki Eilene Koehn -
Frontier Rd.
Canton, Ks 67428

Luke Dwight
Jake Andrew
Shane Jack

Holly Maria



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102nd Birthday of McPherson County.

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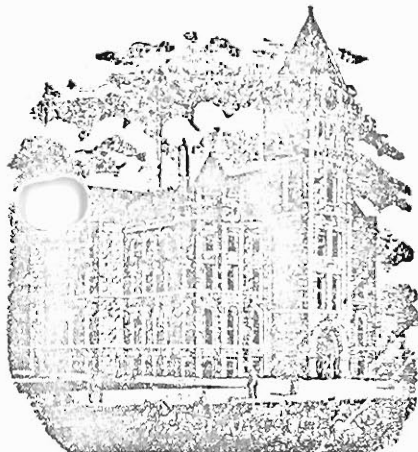
Oct. 21, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Martin Graves - brother in law
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand ~~son~~ Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 34 Twp. 6N.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Missouri
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 7
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Bought Homestead
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Sister ~~and~~ Grand Children
Elmer Opley

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Yes - Have no information

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Emma B. Russell
If woman, Maiden Name: Emma Beyer
Your address: 812 N. 1st
Your occupation: Homestead Farmer, wife



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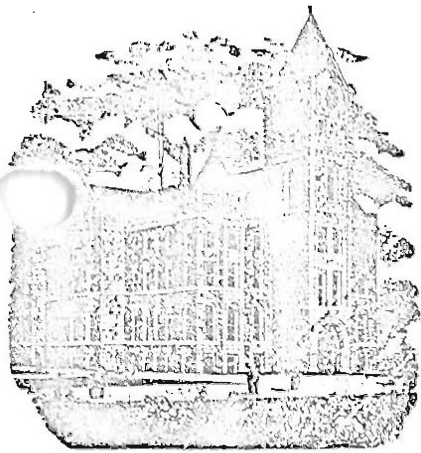
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10-13-1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather ANDREW J. GUSTAFSON Charlotte
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather (wife Portland)
Month and year settled in McPherson County APRIL 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled McPherson Township 22-19-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER AND SHOEMAKER
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer VRIGSTAD, KONKOPINGSSAMOLAND, SWEDEN
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 32 - BIRTH MAY 23, 1839
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? YES - Wife Charlotte
Is homestead still in possession of family? YES
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Chester Swenson - 700 N. Cherry - granddaughter
Mrs. Earl Shagar - granddaughter - Galva, Kansas
Mrs. Bob Shaw - great-grand-daughter - 222 N. Oak, McPherson, Kansas
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Came to America 1866 to Chicago to manufacture hupts and shoes
In 1872 he raised 2000 bu. of wheat, an average of 35 bu. per acre.
3 children - Ed - born 11-12-1870, Fred 9-24-73 and Anton 4-30-1877
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Carl M. Gustafson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: R #3 - N. Maxwell, McPherson, Kansas
Your occupation: Insulator - refinery & Eng. Emp.

Mrs Gustafson's brother was David Lindblom
father of Ed Lindblom of Lindblom & Roseberg
Store - his daughter - Antenna Lindblom Stoner.

Charlotta Lindblom-Gustafson was born 12-26-1844. in Yllested, Sweden.



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(1870 Prior.)

(To be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the
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3-29-71

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Anders Johan Hagberg
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County October 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Section 22, Union Twp
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Ramsdella Sweden Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 36
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Albert M. Cedarholm ^{Marquette, Mo.} (Grandson) Edgar Cedarholm ^{Henderson, Mo.} (Grandson)
Robert Ahlstedt ^{Henderson, Mo.} (Grandson) Beth (Ahlstedt) Lindblad ^{Henderson, Mo.} (Granddaughter)
(over)

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest?

Your Signature: Mrs. Lela (Alyce H.) Peterson
If woman, Maiden Name: Alyce H. Cedarholm
Your address: Henderson, Kansas
Your occupation: Housewife

Vincent Cedarholm (son of Albert Cedarholm) great grand son
~~Lenora Claypool~~ a Waukegan Co

Lenora (Cedarholm) Claypool (daughter of Albert Cedarholm) great grand daughter
McPherson Co.

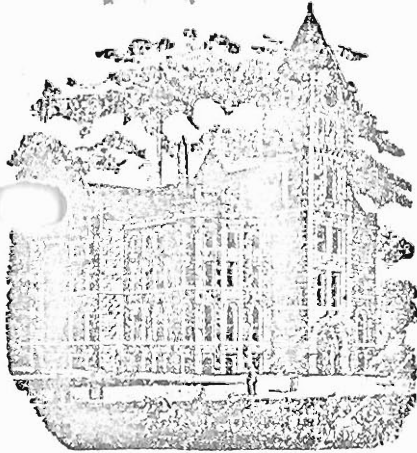
Mildred (Abelstidt) Lundquist (daughter of Robert Abelstidt) great grand daughter
Lindborg Co. & R.R.

Maynard Abelstidt (son of Robert Abelstidt) great grand son
Lindborg Co.

Iran Lindblode (son of Runk (Abelstidt) Lindblode) great grand son
Lindborg Co.

Iran Runkblode " " " " " " " " " " " "

Andrew Swenson (son of Agnes Abelstidt Swenson) great grand son
McPherson Co. (deceased)



Mrs. Frank Hutchison
1111 E. Kansas Ave.,

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10-17-72
Date

Joseph Beverly Haight

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather J. B. Haight
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler I was my father
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1871 He went to King City first then here
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled with the same men
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Carpenter, helped build first building in McPherson
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Swiss County, New Jersey (American)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 22 yrs old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? He homesteaded where old Hospital stands
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: No. I had 4 Morris of Maquette just went
to Kansas City, Mo to make her home at 94 yrs old

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting
and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of
particular significance or interest?

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Haight Street in McPherson is named after him
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Mrs. F. Hutchison
If woman, Maiden Name: William B. Haight
Your address: 1111 E. Kansas Ave. McPherson
Your occupation: Retired

Dear Mrs. Hutchison: I would very much like this form to be completed and in my
hands by Wed. Oct. 18th. Yours is one of the pioneer families of McPherson.
Sincerely, Linn Peterson

(over)

Mrs. Hutchinson's Grandson -

2/23/83

~~Hutchinson~~
Mr. Joe ~~Hutchinson~~ - Has 3 children - better than
16709 All Bond,
Cincinnati
Ohio 45242

Relatives or

Heirs of Joseph Beverly Haight

Joseph Hutchison
~~10709 Old Pond, dr.~~
~~Cincinnati, Ohio 45242~~

Mrs. Lou Schmidt
7546 Graystone Court,
West Chester, Ohio 45019

Ina J. Bonney
4816 Westwood
Kansas City, Mo. 64112

~~(513) 793-2346~~
3822 Torrey Pines
Blvd.
Sarasota, FLORIDA
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(513) 777 9128

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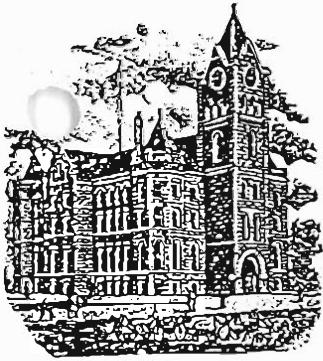
Joseph B. Bonney, Jr.
4008 Forrest Beach Dr., NW.
Gib Harbor, WA. 98335

(206) 265-2463

(816) 931 2502 (6-22-94.)
McMurrays relate to Bonneys
(Mrs. Dr. Galen)

Mrs. Bonnie Dee/ Dean
15 Michel Road,
Coman, Montana 59864

(406) 676-0050



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Ake Hakanson & Brita (Wife) Helena Hedlund Hakanson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Sept 1868 for Brita
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 24 T 16 R 3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmers
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Ake from Province of Skane, Sweden Brita from Hamrange Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Ake about 27-28 yrs old. Brita 21 yrs old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: yes, Kenneth Forsberg in Lindsborg, Ks.

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Karen Walling-Mendoza
If woman, Maiden Name: Walling
Your address: 424 S. Hickory, McPherson, Ks.
Your occupation: _____

See Reverse Side



^{Skog Sweden}
^{Hammars Sweden}
Brita's parents (Nils & Brita Persdotter Hedlund), immigrated to Lindsborg in Sept. 1868 with a group from Illinois. It is not known if Nils & Brita Hedlund filed a homestead or lived with their children's families. Possibly Peter & Maria Hedlund or Ake & Brita Helena (Betsy) Hakanson after they married in 1869. Marta was another sister of Brita & Peter. She was married to ^{Lars} Alin & later to Sven Anderson. ^{formation from 1868 - record at the Church}
All were members of Bethany Lutheran Church, Lindsborg Ks.
There was another sister ^{To Marta} Krustina Maria married to Hedlund

Brita Hakanson (known also as Betsy or Lina) married Peter Walline in 1885 at Bridgeport Ks. He immigrated from Hille, Sweden in 1882. All of Brita & Ake Hakanson's living children took their stepfather's name, Walline.

Peter's Step Children:

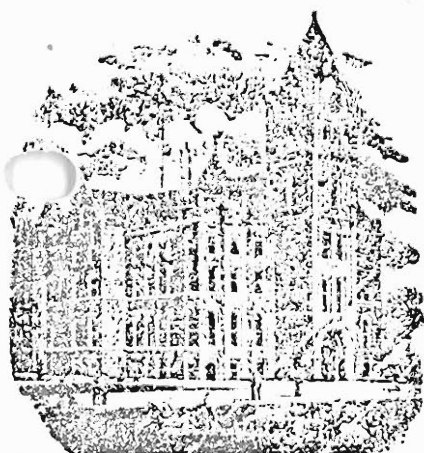
Carl David Walline	
John August	"
Nils Emil	"
William Peter	"
Anna Lydia	"
Clara Helena	"
Axel Emanuel	"

Peter & Brita Walline's Children:

Emily Maria
Albin Leonard
Arvid Nathaniel

Peter Walline had a sister Betsy L. Walline who married a man named ^{E 1 + 35} Bengston and their son was Herman Bengston.

Carl David Walline married Amanda Augustina Nelson on Dec 2, 1902. She was born in Johnstown Ks. One of their sons - Daniel David Walline is Karen Walline-Mendoza's father.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather James Thompson Hanna
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter - 1871
Month and year settled in McPherson County Somewhere near 1869 or 1870 3rd Sec. #32
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Lone Tree, Sec. 32
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Carpenter - Will Wright
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born Feb. 3, 1830, New York, Canada Co., Minn.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Approx. 40 yrs. (Irish)
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Robert Hurst Moundridge Kansas. 67107
125 W. Galie

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest?

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Yetta Spivak
If woman, Maiden Name: Yetta Harrison
Your address: 1513 E. Kansas Ave. McPherson
Your occupation: Retired theatrical performer

Please Refer to
Reverse side of sheet.



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My Grandparents came to Kansas from Astabula, Ohio, and settled in Lone Tree Town. Some years before McPherson was founded to buy merchandise and staples it was necessary for my Grandfather to travel by team and wagon to Salina going up on one day, staying overnight and returning the following day.

One very severe winter, they lost 2 young children by death due to an epidemic of Diphtheria. It was necessary the children be buried on the farm. Some years later when the family moved to Galva, they brought the children's remains to a lot in the McPherson Cemetery, where they were buried and one stone marks their graves with names and dates of death.

While in Galva my Grandfather had a Nursery - Growing a number of kinds of trees, which he sold in Salina, New Gattland, McPherson and also was a Carpenter.

Went to Pasadena, Texas area in late 1890's and later returned. Teacher also.
Wrote book regarding our community.

which I wish to sell at the right kind of price. Address, FRED LEBEAU,

—Adv.

Galva, Kansas.

Wesley B. J. 3-17-1916

OBITUARY

JAMES T. HANNA.

James T. Hanna passed away at his home in Moundridge on Thursday afternoon, February 10. He had been failing in health for the past year or so and last fall they moved to Moundridge in order to be near their daughter, Mrs. E. E. Durst, but it seemed that the end was near and soon after moving here he became bedfast and remained helpless until the time of his death. Funeral services were conducted at Moundridge and the body was taken to McPherson, where funeral services were conducted at the Presbyterian church.

Mr. Hanna was one of the first pioneers of the county. They came to King City township from Ohio, in 1871 as members of the Ashtabula colony and founded King City, the town that was to have been county seat. King City passed into the discard a few years after its founding, but its ambition was not entirely lost for when McPherson commenced to shoot up out of the prairie, King City was moved to McPherson almost bodily. McPherson county history was made at that time and it was Mr. Hanna's delight to relate incidents of the early days.

Mr. Hanna was born in Cortland county, N. Y., February 3, 1830. He was a veteran of the Civil War and during his early manhood passed through many eventful periods. His life's story was one of unusual interest. He is survived by an aged and faithful wife and four children, eleven grand children and two great grand children. The children are: Wade and Tom Hanna of Houston, Texas; Mrs. Cloyd Harrison of Los Angeles and Mrs. E. E. Durst of Moundridge.

JAMES THOMKINS HANNA

James Thomkins Hanna, born Feb. 3, 1830, State of New York, Onida County, was of Irish descent (the name originally O'Hanna). He came to Kansas with his family in about 1869 and settled in Lone Tree Township, before there was a McPherson.

It has been an amazing fact to the family that he came from such a different environment, as a captain of his own ship, which he built himself and sailed the Great Lakes with cargo for many different ports. Also his wife, Esther, came from New Bedford, Massachusetts, where the men of her family were "whalers."



James Hanna

After some bitter winters and the loss of two children from diphtheria, the family traveled by covered wagon to Houston and Pasadena, Texas. Later returned to Kansas and settled in Galva about 1894 to 1895.

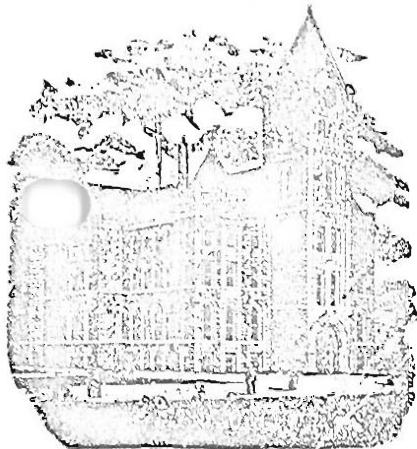
While in Galva, he still did carpenter work, building cabinets, etc., but soon had a nursery, growing a variety of fruit trees, maples and evergreens. Quoting from his diary: "Sold 40 apple trees \$4.00 sold 40 apicote trees \$4.00." Many of the trees were sold and delivered to Salina, Solomon, McPherson and

14 Moundridge. During this same time, he also raised bees and the farmers bee hives.

James Hanna was a devoted Mason, studied Masonry from time he was a young man in New York. Also he was a strong porter of the Republican Party, and made trips in a "surrey fringe on top" to McPherson to attend Republican Party

As they grew older, they moved to Moundridge, where eldest daughter, Emmaline Durst, lived. James died in 1

Submitted by Mrs. Yetta Harrison Irwin (granddaug



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4-1-1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Alfred Hawkinson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Fremont Community
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farming, Cattle Banker
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: no

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest?

B.F. Simpson, Grandfather settled in McPherson County in 1873 in
Spring Valley Township, Farmer, Born in Scotland. Homesteaded but
not in family

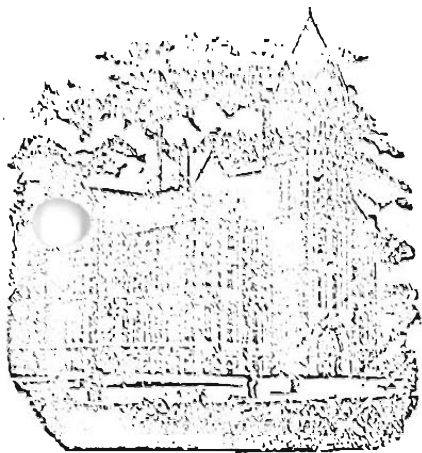
Both Grandfathers rode to McPherson on Dec. 28, 1877 from opposit corners
of the county to obtain their marriage licenses. Both were married on
Jan 1, 1878. They did not know each other until their childred Milton
Hawkinson and Ruth Simpson (my parents) were married. In the Court House
the Marriage License Record Vol. A shows one licence on one page and on the
opposite page the other.

Your Signature: Alfred S. Hawkinson

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 520 S. Maple McPherson, Kansas

Your occupation: Abstracter



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(1870 Prior)

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101st Birthday of McPherson County.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

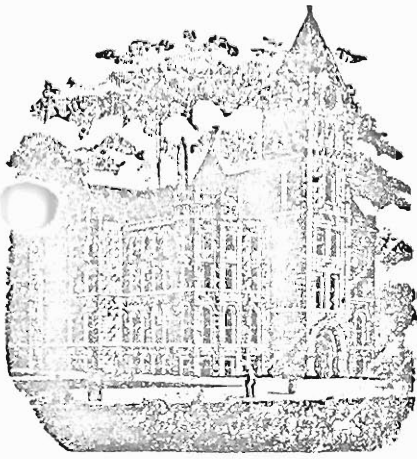
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McPherson County Historical Society, prior to Banquet)

March 8, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Erick Hedberg (Erickson)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County July 4, 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union, 17 Range 5 Sect. 22
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Rancher
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Lindberg, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Yes (Grandson) Arnold W. Hedberg, who with his
wife, Marlene, and five children live and farm the land homesteaded by Erick
Hedberg.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Erick (Erickson) Hedberg, his mother Martha Erickson,
his brother John (Erickson) Hedberg, two sisters Anna & Bertha (Erickson)
had to walk from the Union Pacific Depot, Salina, Kansas to the place
of homestead. They had the usual experiences of all early settlers with
Indians, buffalo etc. They worked on the railroad called Kansas
Pacific Railway Co. Their first home was dug out, later a log
cabin. Drought, grasshoppers, the Shoky Hill on rampage, were among the
problems for the settlers. The dug-out and log house always leaked when it
rained. Erick Hedberg and his brother John, did help build the Fremont Stone
Church in 1870 and also helped build and finance the first Lutheran church of
Marquette.

Your Signature: John F. Hedberg
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Box 191, Marquette, Mo.
Your occupation: retired farmer and rancher



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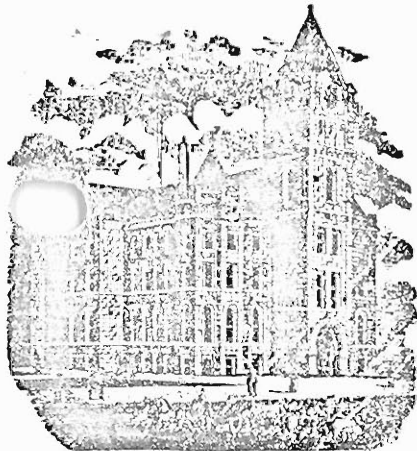
October 20, 1972.

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Lars Hedin
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
 Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 24 -18-3 (New Cottlam
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Swedish - Gards, Sweden
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 28 or 29 years
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
 Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Carl W. Hedin, R1, McPherson living on homestead
Lucille Hedin Wedel R1, Canton, Mo. - Everett Johnson R3, McPherson
Leland Johnson R1, McPherson
 Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Mrs. Lucille Wedel
 If woman, Maiden Name: Lucille Hedin
 Your address: R1 Canton, Mo.
 Your occupation: Farmer's Wife - Woodstock, Ark.



For Bob Hill
John Dyer

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10-18-72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter Hill
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand-son
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 9 - McPherson Twp
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer unk. but believe it was Illinois Kentucky
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Harry B. Hill, Galva, Kansas, Frank D. Hill
Galva, Kansas, Lawrence Hill 701 E. Seitz, McPherson, Kansas
Peter's Son Robert Hill of Menard
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Yes, Peters enlisted when Civil War broke out in Co. H, 110th Illinois Infantry at Jonesboro, and was attached to the Army of the Tennessee which was commanded by Gen. McPherson when he was killed in the battle before Atlanta. Peter Hill married Celestia Lamer 2-12-1872 (she was daughter of August Lamer. (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) born in Union Co. Illinois.
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Robert L. Hill
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 731 E. Euclid, McPherson, Kansas
Your occupation: Policeman

Peter Hill

10-10-96
From Larry
Hill

Peter Hill was born January 15th, 1845, in Marshall county, Kentucky. At the age of 2 or 3, he first moved with his family to Massac county, Illinois, then Union county, Illinois, and then to Jackson county, Illinois. He lived in Jackson county until he moved to Kansas.

When the Civil War broke out, he enlisted in Company H, 110th Illinois Infantry at Jonesboro, Illinois, that was attached to the army of Tennessee. He was in the battle of Perryville, Kentucky, on the Union side. He was later released from the army because his mother was very sick. He served one year in the army, he was only 17 years old.

Peter worked for Augusta Lamer in Illinois and in 1872, Peter and his brother Jonathan moved with the Lamer family to Kansas. They moved to an area 2 or 3 miles east of Lindsborg. Augusta Lamer homesteaded the land. Peter and Jonathan built a log house on the Kentucky Creek.

On February 12, 1872, Peter married Celestia Lamer, daughter of Augustus and Ellen Lamer. In 1873, Peter and Celestia homesteaded farmland 3 miles north of McPherson. From this marriage, 5 children were born: Robert, born February 8, 1873; Nellie, born September 18, 1878; Cora, born 1880; Nettie, born 1884; and Lena, born 1890.

Peter was known to be an excellent farmer. He had 1/2 Section of land that he raised grain on, mainly wheat. In 19 years it was said that he never had a failure and he was considered one of the best farmers in McPherson county.

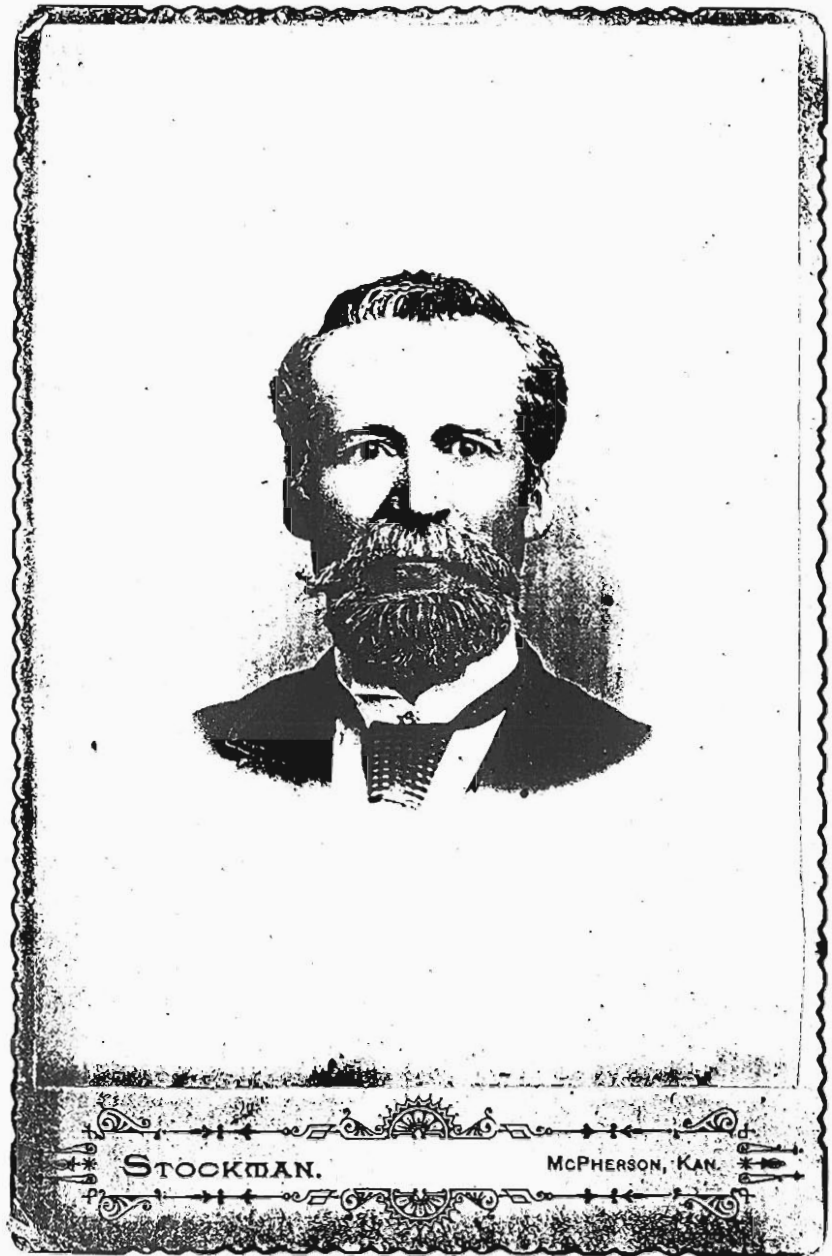
Celestia had cancer that was removed twice, but the third time it took her life. She died on February 21, 1894. Peter past away in 1911 from a stroke. He was a member of the Baptist church.

(over)

Etter Hill - 1845 - 1911

The Homestead n. of McPherson is now owned by Jack Mathis.

1. Robert Hill (1873 - 1950) - married Edna (Hanson) Hill in 1894, - Robert was staying at the Hanson Home, while teaching School at Good Hope Dist. #37. - Robert is my Grandfather of (Lawrence Hill)
2. Nellie Hill - (1878 - ?) married a Ira Simpson and they lived on the original Homestead n. of McP. until they died, no children.
3. Cora Hill (1880 - ?) - married a Dan Fields. They lived in San Francisco Calif. - no children
4. Nettie Hill (1894 - ?) - married Ira Severson, they lived in San Francisco, Calif. - They had two daughters, - one died young.
5. Lena Hill (1890 - ?) - married a Warren Culp. They lived in Troy Kansas, - had two girls and a boy - I think.



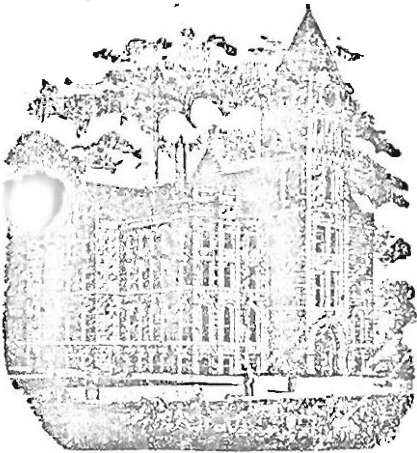
Peter Hill - 1845 - 1911



Celestia (Lamora) Hill

B = ?

D - 1894



Please complete and sign return
I will attach your sheet
Linn Peterson

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Sept. 21, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John A. Holdeman
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1871?
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 26-21-1 (Meridian)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER and MINISTER
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer COLUMBIANA, INDIANA WAYNE CO. OHIO
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 22 or 23
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? (over)
Is homestead still in possession of family? NO
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Rolan Ratloff - Canton, Ks. Eugene Ratloff - Canton, Ks. Mrs. Marjorie (Lassuth) Galva, Ks. W. Lloyd Holdeman - Canton, Ks. 5/2/00
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? _____

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Thomas Ratloff
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Rt 1 Canton
Your occupation: farmer

Holdeman #2

* Ancestors came to Pennsylvania in 1727 from Holland - but had originated in Switzerland (How long they were in Holland is unknown.)

I don't think Grandfather John A. Hornesteaded in this County -

However his father, my Great Grandfather, I believe did. His name was David S. Holdeman. There are lots of Descendants of his around.

I was going to check whether his land was still in the family, but have been too busy with farmwork. However I think it is.

8.30.73
**HOLDEMAN COUSINS
ATTEND REUNION**

Approximately 321 relatives from a number of states attended the 35th Holdeman cousins reunion in the 4-H building at McPherson, August 26, 1973.

Following a bountiful basket dinner, the house was called to order by the president, Willard Holdeman and a short program and business meeting convened. Galen A. Schmidt led the group in singing, "God Is Love". Roma Jantz gave a reading and two songs were brought by a group

arranged by Harold Johnson. A reading "Memories of My Grandfather, David S. Holdeman" written and read by Mrs. Obed Johnson; two songs by a group arranged by Dayton Johnson of Richhill, Mo; a short business meeting after which Milferd Wenger closed the meeting with prayer.

Mrs. Aaron Boeckner was reelected Secretary. The next reunion will be in two years, the Lord willing.

Thomas Ratzloff

Thomas Ratloff
Canton, Kansas

Sept 21-72

Sirs:-

I see by the paper you are looking for descendants of early settlers of the years 1871-1872 - I am not positive as to the year my mother's parents moved to McPherson Co. except they lived in Elkhart Co Indiana in 1869 - and were already established in this Co (McPherson) in 1872 - probably coming here in late 70 or in 71 - my Grandfather I John A. HOLDEMAN - helped build the Railroad between Newton and Dodge City.

They lived on a farm in Meridian twp

Parents - (my Grandparents) ^{no "R"}
not spelled with "R"

JOHN A. HOLDEMAN married ANNA KILMER
They had 9 Children of which my mother was the youngest.

KATHERINE HOLDEMAN
She married my father JONAS RATLOFF.

my father was born in a sod house between Canton and Durham. They had 6 Children
Myrtle - Mrs Burton Fosnot of Denver Colo.
Rolan - Canton Ks. (City)

me -> Thomas - " " RR #1

Eugene - " " (City)

Marjorie - Mrs Albert J. Wink RR Galva Ks.
Menford - Lyons Ks.

of course we all have children and some of them have children.

If you need any more information let me know.

Respectfully
Thomas Ratloff
Canton Ks.

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James O'Casey
Feb 29/8
Ponce City
74602

Patricia Dren
Eugene F. Holdeman
House born Lyons

Joe Frank

John F. Holdeman
John F. Holdeman

James J. Allen
Born 1844 in 1881
Salmt. Holdeman
b. 4.7.1858
Ponce City, Ok.

Meridian Tap
Married 3-31-1881

Mother in

arrapahoe Co
1860 Ks.

Anna

19.14.92

1921

Frank, James & Conrad
Holdeman

1/2 D B Holdeman
all Sec 35 Mer
except 1/2 SW 1/4
Sec 35

John Johnson

Frank Holdeman
W 1/2 NE 1/4 Sec 26
Frank Holdeman

2 B Holdeman
SE 1/4 SW 1/4 Sec 34

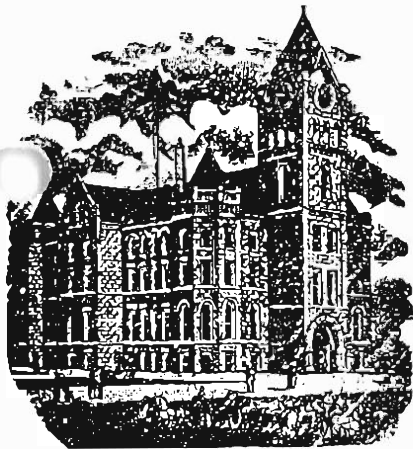
D. B. Holdeman

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Dir. D. B. Holdeman
(res of Joe Holdeman)

1970 Allen Holdeman, Heister
Archie H. Holdeman
Fanny Holdeman
Earl J. Holdeman

Willard Holdeman SE Sec 35

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ES Holdeman R 2 Box 63 Holon Tex 10



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather JOHN HOLDEMAN
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRANDSON
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870 - month not known
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled MERIDIAN
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER AND MINISTER
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer OHIO - SWISS & IRISH
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 22
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? YES
Is homestead still in possession of family? NO
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: MENFORD RATZLOFF - McPHERSON, KS ^{SIRI POWELL}
MARJORIE UNRUH - GALVA - ILL. ^{McPHERSON}
ROLAN UNRUH - GALVA - MARCIA UNRUH - GALVA
CONNIE RAKESTRAW - CANTON, ILL. ^{ALYSSA MOORE}
LOREN RATZLOFF - CANTON - TRACEY MOORE - CANTON
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? ^{MOORE - Canton, Mo.}

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Thomas Ratzloff
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Route 1, Canton, Mo.
Your occupation: Farmer



My Grandfather, John Holdeman helped to build the Railroad between Newton and Dodge City.

JOHN Holdemans Father David Holdeman also lived in Meridian Twp, coming to Kansas in 1873

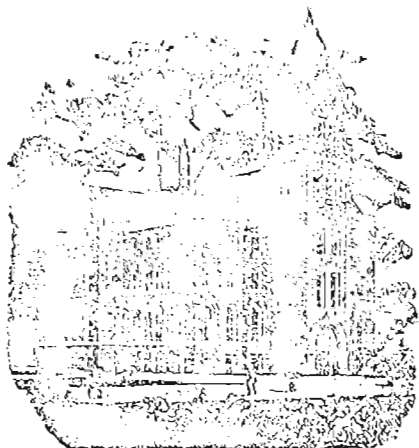
David Holdeman and his ^{father, Christian} ~~father~~ were both born in Pennsylvania. my Grandfather John was born in Ohio Feb 6-1846 and from Ohio they moved to Indiana.

The first of my ancestors to come to America was Nicholas Holdeman arriving in Pennsylvania in 1727. They came from Holland but were originally from Switzerland

THERE ARE MORE DESCENDANTS LIVING IN MEPPERSON CO BUT THEY ARE CHILDREN, & I DO NOT KNOW THEIR NAMES

T.R.

Orig 4-1-71



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(18th Prior)

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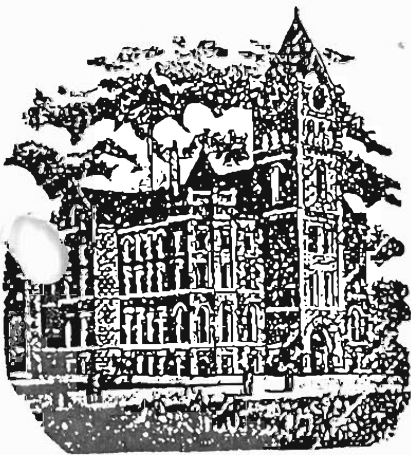
April 1, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather John F. Hughes
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1867
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 1/4 Sec. 8-17-5, Marquette
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Miller in Penns. - Farmer & Stockman; Kans. twp.
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Dec. 12, 1842 Franklin, Vanego Co. Pa.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25 died in 1914 Welch-
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: John L. Hughes, Marquette, Kansas
Mrs. Albin (Maurine) Gustafson, Marquette, Ms.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest?

He was elected to office of Register of Deeds 1874, re-elected in
1876 of McPherson County.
He was elected to Kansas State Senate in 1905 and served 2 years.

Your Signature: John L. Hughes
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Marquette 7th Box 33
Your occupation: retired Farmer



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Fletcher Hughes
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1, 1867
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Marquette (Formerly Sharp's Creek)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer, Miller, politician Wb Sec. 8-17-5
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Franklin, Berango Co, Penn. Welsh
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25 yrs.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Wm L Hughes, Charlotte Koehn & families of Marquette, Ks.

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Yes, Co A 121st Penn. Volunteers.

He was in Battle of Gettysburg & Fredricksburg.

He was elected Register of Deeds in 1874-79 McPherson County

Was elected to state legislature - 1905
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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: x John F Hughes

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: Box 306, Marquette, Ks 67464

Your occupation: Retired Farmer



Will you please let me know the time and place of Banquet I want to come if possible. Mrs Markley also prie and when to let you know can son and grandchildren also come?

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descendents of pioneers who came into county from 1859 - 1970 will be recognized on April 3, 1971. at banquet.

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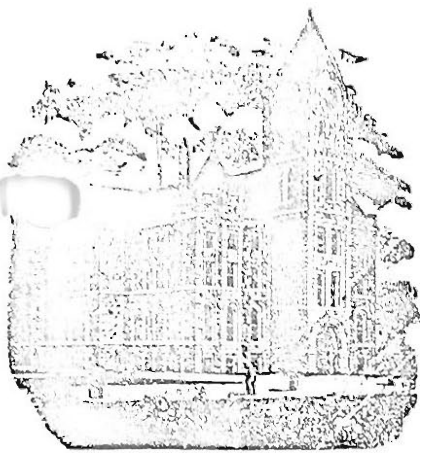
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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather George Thomas & Cynthia Johnson Hutchison
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler father and mother daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 11 1875 11 1879
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 1 mile east of Canton, Ks in
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer & carpenter - mother housewife & seamstress
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Virginia - long time American
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25 or 30 mother was 19
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes - above farm
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes - I own the homestead
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: none - there were 8 children all deceased except myself. There are 18 grandchildren but none in McPherson Co.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular significance or interest? My father and a brother Lewis drove wagons on the Santa Fe trail prior to homesteading. The Santa Fe trail crossed our farm. The brother Lewis was captured by the Indians.

Your Signature: Mrs Clair Markley
If woman, Maiden Name: Florence Julia Hutchison
Your address: Belle Plaine, Kans 67013
Your occupation: Retired Teacher - I taught in

(My husband retired) McPherson city schools in 1909 to 1912
teacher and farmer my husband is still living we have two
U.S. Veteran children Mary Louise and Lewis Clair and 4 grand
children. Mary Louise lives in Palmer Alaska



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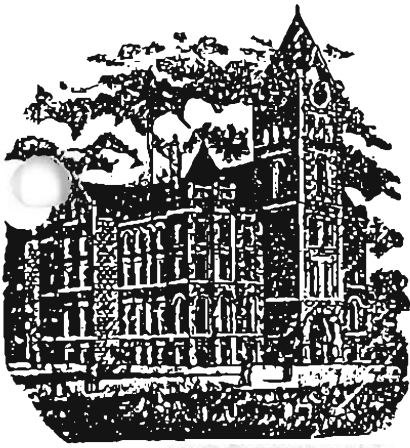
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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Frederick Jackson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 7-19-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer England
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 29
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Morris Parr 222 W. Chestnut
Raymond Parr 311 S. Walnut

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? He was the founder of the Alliance
Insurance Co. in 1885 also Farmers Alliance, grocery

State representative from Populist Party in 1890
McPherson City Finance Commissioner - 1918
Owner of Pearl Milling Co in early 1900's

Your Signature: Mary F. Nichols
If woman, Maiden Name: Mary Florence Parr
Your address: 612 N. Elm St. McPherson
Your occupation: _____



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather August Jansson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler my Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring 1868
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SE 1/4 17-18-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Nova, Bearboy County, Westergalland Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 38
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: My son Duane Johnson and Mary Ann Johnson daughter
Lindsborg / Kans R2. Berdette Johnson McPherson R3. Coalinga Douglas,
Alameda
Clarence Johnson Lindsborg / Kans R2. Grand Children Russell, Allen, Nathan,
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? My Grandfather was married in Sweden and a daughter was born, when his daughter was seven years old, his wife died, he decided to take his daughter to America. So in the year 1868 three years after the Civil War.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Sidney A. Johnson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Lindsborg / Kans Route 2
Your occupation: Farmer

Please return completed forms to : Mr. Linn Peterson

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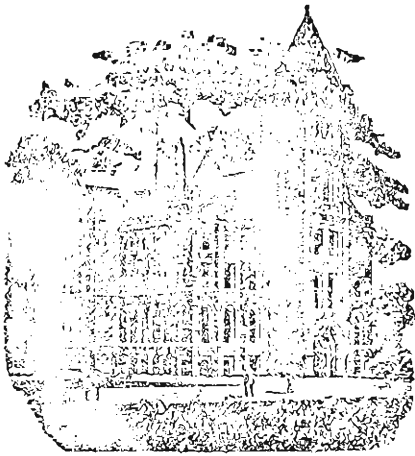
Lustaf + Selma then nine years old arrived in New York. The voyage was long and wearisome across the stormy Atlantic. They started westward first by train to Chicago, and on to St Louis, and then by boat to Kansas City, from there in the company of others on foot and by Wagon train. When they arrived in the Smoky Valley, they stayed with a distant relative by the same name Gustaf Johnson, who was one of the first 17 people who had filed for a homestead of 160 acres which would become Lindsborg Community in 1866. Grandfather was afraid of floods on account of the Smoky Hill River, decided to leave this fertile valley and move Southward and in 1868 homesteaded a tract of land six miles South of Lindsborg in New Scotland Township S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ 17-18-3.

The little town of Johnston was in this same section, which had a general store, contained a Post Office, a Union Pacific Station which was an old railroad box car, stock yard where livestock were loaded for the Kansas City Market, and coal + grain bins. A Creamery, an ice cellar, a large platform where supplies were loaded. Lutheran Church where Sunday School and the worship service were held in the afternoon.

Grandfather got a job working on the Railroad at Junction City so he left his daughter Selma with his distant relative Gustaf Johnson.

In the Spring he walked to Junction City and in the late Fall when the work discontinued he walked back home to his first home a dogout made in a little knoll close to the banks of Indian Creek. Here he + his Daughter managed to survive and await the arrival of Carolina Anderson born Hova Skarborg Sweden Nov 8 - 1846, whom he married 1869 who became my Grandmother.

My Father John A Johnson was born in the dogout Nov 14 - 1872. When he was six years old, he watched the Union Pacific Railroad first locomotive pull across the prairie through Grandfather's land. (from Lindsborg to Madison)



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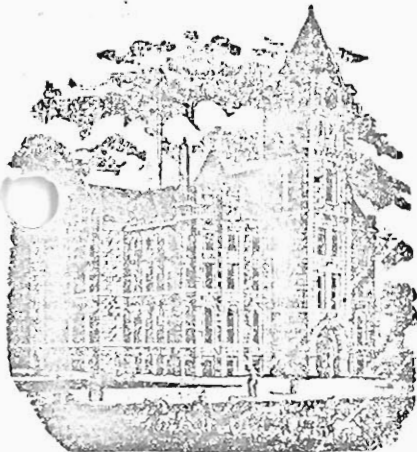
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Oct 14, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Tansler (changed to Johnson in America)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1892 - Homestead Sec. - 18, 8, 46
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Range 20, Homestead 12-24
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden - Jones Township - Born 5-25-1823
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31 yrs
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mary - my mother, P. Nelson and Lindberg, Olsen B. of McPherson and Eugene F. Straker from McPherson
granddaughter - several children
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Lived in Kansas, Sweden, born 1823 in Sweden
settled in McPherson, Kansas, 1892 - 1893
settled in McPherson, Kansas, 1892 - 1893
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: M. Lucille Johnson
If woman, Maiden Name: Lucille Johnson
Your address: 1104 N. Main
Your occupation: Homemaker
one of which is writing poetry



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October 13 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl Gustaf Johnson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Six 27-19-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Castergottland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? He filed but did not prove up - August brother
Is homestead still in possession of family? settled on his
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Yes
Names and addresses: Daughter Emily and her infant; Anna Hanson - did not live 1966 - no. Children of the Johnsons - only living child.
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest?

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: x H. H. Johnson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Rt #2, McPherson, Ks.
Your occupation: Farmer

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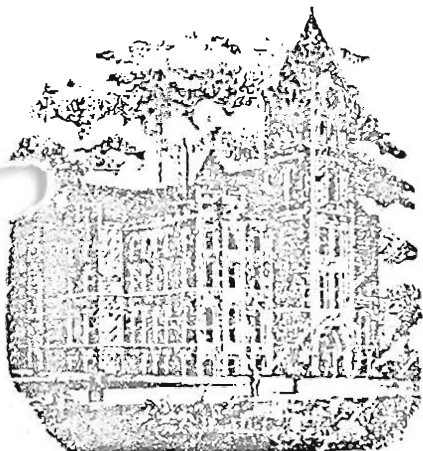
Swenson, L. J. (son)

Turned first year with oxen. Traded oxen
off for mules. Went through grasshopper year
1874 - began Sunday - Clouds, late evening.
1886 - Plague killed thousands of cattle also people
some killed mules. Went through '90s depression.
Mother - Emily Christina Backstrom came from
Sweden in 1887. Married 1888 in Sweden by
J.P. Sec. 21 - Long City Twp - Spring 88
and lived there since.

C.H. Johnson was killed in an accident
on Dec. 21, 1884, when his pickup
was struck by a train on Ave. A (East).
He had attempted to back up and turn
a ramp but backed into tracks and was
struck by train.

Kept a diary most of his life

C. H. Johnson A 2



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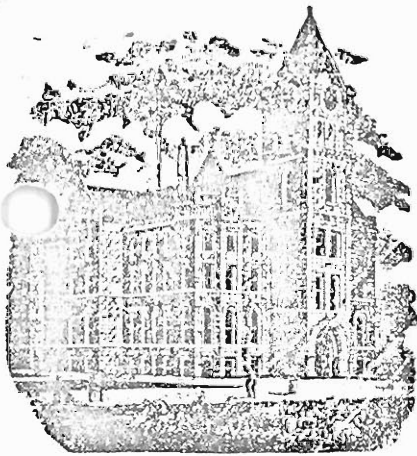
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Mother Emma Christine Backstrom 1887
 Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl Gustav Johnson
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
 Month and year settled in McPherson County April 1872
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled R.C.
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Skaraborg, Sweden
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 21
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
 Is homestead still in possession of family? No
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: No

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: x M.H. Johnson
 If woman, Maiden Name: _____
 Your address: McPherson
 Your occupation: Retired farmer



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10-2-6-72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Gustaf Johnson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County homesteaded May 1, 1866 (Was here in 1865)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Smoky Hill
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Brick mason and Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vastergotland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 23 yrs old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Clarence Sand 4225 Hartup - grandson

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? _____

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Harold Harrison
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 248 27th Hutchinson
Your occupation: Teacher

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When my grandfather returned from Salina with the finishing lumber for his first house (the family lived in a dugout) he found his house had burned to the ground so he had to mortgage his farm and rebuild.

His first wife died (Kustava) and left 5 small children so her sister Ida came to America to take care of the children and became his second wife. Ida was my grandmother.

Gustaf Johnson was Lindsborg's oldest settler according to the Bergen book.

G Johnson #2

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McPHERSON PEOPLE ENJOYED OPEN-AIR PROGRAM.

McPherson people had an opportu-
ty for the first time Monday night
to hear the McPherson Band since
their practice for the Semi-Cen-
nial. They rendered a few numbers
on Main Street and marched to the
West Park, where despite the cool
weather people gathered to listen to
a concert, such as but few cities of
McPherson's size can enjoy.

There is a growing sentiment in
favor of boosting the band and Mc-
Pherson will in all probability have
regular concerts again next summer.

Up to date job work at the Repub-
lican office.

GUSTAF JOHNSON.

THE LAST OF THE FIRST SWED- ISH PIONEERS WHO SETTLED IN SMOKY VALLEY IN 1886.

Gustaf Johnson died at his
home at Lindaborg Monday Aug.
28, at the age of 68 years, 7 months
and 15 days.

Mr. Johnson was born in Vaster-
gottland, Sweden, Jan. 13, 1843, and
came to America in July 1865. His
first stopping place was Chicago,
but here he stayed only a few days.
From Chicago he went with a party
of men to work on the Union Pac-
fic railroad which at that time was
building at Lawrence, Kansas. Fail-
ing to find work at the railroad
camp the party concluded to go to
Junction City, a distance of 10 miles
and they walked the entire distance.
The party was composed of Gustaf
Johnson, Lind, Sponberg, Nordlund,
Hultquist and Beckstrom. The party
remained in Junction City for about
a year and during this time Mr.
Johnson was working as a stone
mason.

In April 1886, Mr. Johnson togeth-
er with eight other young Swedes
decided to go further west and find
homes. They went to Salina and
from there south to Lindaborg. At
that time Salina boasted of one
frame building, two log houses and
a saw mill. About ten miles south
of Salina they found a Swede by
the name of Carligen living in a hol-
low tree. He was the only Swedish
man in the Smoky Valley at that
time. The party continued south
to what is now called Shields Ford.
In May the party returned to Junc-
tion City and filed on their claims.
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in the fall when they returned to
build houses on their claims.

When Mr. Johnson reached his
claim he found two buffaloes that
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he expected to build his house or
dugout. In Feb. 1889, Mr. Johnson
was married to Miss Gustava Swen-
son. This was the first marriage per-
formed in McPherson county. To this
union were born five children, four
of which are now living. Mrs. John-
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gradually failing. A short time ago
he was taken seriously ill and last
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great beyond.

The deceased was a man of a very
congenial disposition, a faithful mem-
ber of the Betany church. A man
of character and true christian spirit.

He leaves a wife and five children,
Oscar and Herman Johnson, Mrs.
Frank Newman, Mrs. John Ferris and
Mrs. Harry Hanson, besides many oth-
er relatives and friends to mourn
his departure.

To appreciate the grandeur of a
storm at sea, one should look at it
from the shore.

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Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler My grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County April 1867
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Range 17 Sect. 19
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Hofva, Vastergotland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Clarence Sand grandson, The Cedars McPherson

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? no

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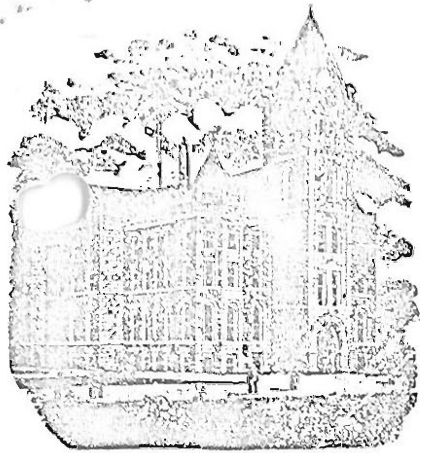
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Harriet Hansen

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 2 E. 27th Hutchinson, Ks.

Your occupation: Retired

Dev. Bergins book says grandpa was Lindbergh oldest Swedish settler and was the honored guest at Bethany Church's 40th anniversary.



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Mar. 30. 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Gustav Johnson (w/ Carolina)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Before July 1868 SE Sec 17
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Holland w/
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Swedish Nofa Vestergröden Oct 20 - 1830
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 38 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Grand daughter - Mrs. Algot Peterson Sundberg

Mrs. Rose Cullen Malm Sundberg & Edna Johnson Sundberg
Clement Johnson Sundberg (John Johnson Smith Center)
Burdette Johnson R. 3. McPherson & Roy Johnson R. 1. Mich.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? He as well as my father & grandfather
worked on the railroad coming this way from
Junction City. My grand mother's a step daughter
stayed alone with them on the prairie for many weeks
& when Grand father did come home, she walked
& carried what supplies he could afford from home
They helped build the R.R. to McPherson in 1878
My son Herman Johnson was my father
born Feb 26 1873

Your Signature: Mrs. R. M. Malm
If woman, Maiden Name: Marie E. Johnson
Your address: R. 3. McPherson Kans
Your occupation: housewife

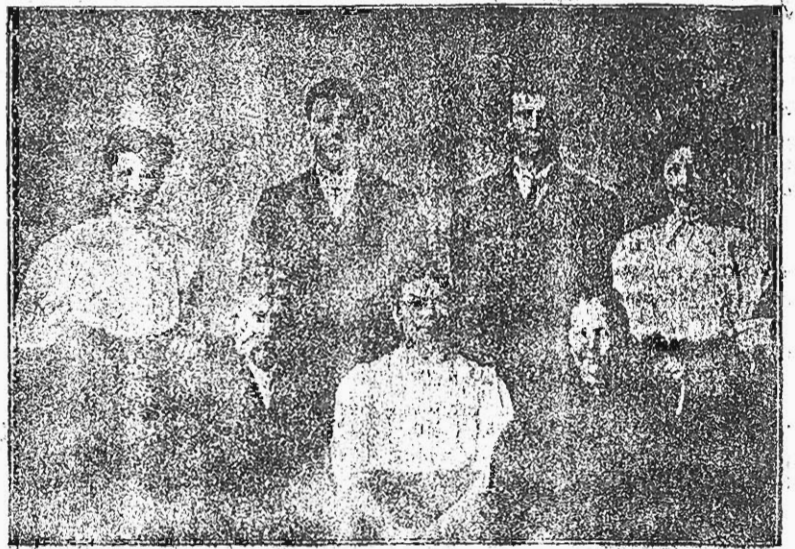
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GUSTAF JOHNSON AND FAMILY.

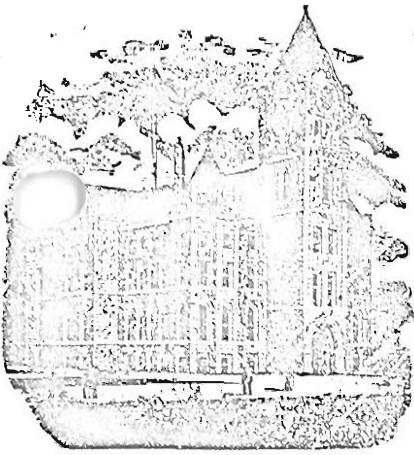
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From the Young Lutheran's Companion.

The first president of the United States was a man of Swedish descent. That is to say, the man who held the highest office in the Confederation congress, when the constitution was adopted was John Hanson of Maryland, a descendent of the original Delaware Swedes. This little-known fact has recently been pointed out by Captain C. M. Machold, a Danish lecturer now in America, in a lecture on "Scandinavians in America." Maryland recently unveiled a statue to Hanson in Statuary hall of the capitol at Washington. The following extracts from Captain Machold's lecture give the facts in compact form:



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Mar. 30 - 1971
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Name of your Pioneer forefather J. J. Johnson - born Nov 5 - 1838
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County July 19 - 1868 E 25 W 4 Sec. 20
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Smoky Hill - 17.3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Swedish born in Visby, Gotland.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 30 yrs.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes 80 A
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: none other than my family

Great Grandsons - Paul & Norman Malm
Great Great Grandchildren - Rola Jean, Mary Beth & Barbara
Kenneth Ray - Leroy Wayne and James Laine Malm ^{Kan.}

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? I know that only 20 people
17 Swedes, 1 German, & 2 Irishmen lived in the
immediate area around Lundberg when my
great parents homesteaded - including my great-grand
father's son. My mother - Mrs. Herman Johnson
was born Feb 23 - 1873. She was born in a
log cabin and the floor was made of horsehairs
which my grandmother scrubbed with white sand
from the sand bar in the river & as hard made
by my grandfather of stiff rushes grown along the
rich bank.

Your Signature: Mrs. R. N. Malm

If woman, Maiden Name: Maria E. Johnson

Your address: R 3 McPherson Kan.

Your occupation: housewife

My mother said the
grooming white plank
floor was the envy
of the neighborhood.

Dear Sir:-

I am sending this information but we will not be able to attend the attend the banquet.

You will note that both of my gran fathers homesteaded in McPherson

Co. in 1868. E 2 Sec 20-54
J. F. Johnson - 1 mi south of Leudsburg along the Sonokoy Shell river. I think the land is now owned by Mr Carl Swenson
It is located 1 mi west of the old Adolstadt Felling Station

The land homesteaded by Gustav Johnson is ^{EE Sec 17} now owned by Arthur Lump & is located 1 mi south of Johnston
I regret very much that we do not own one of each

tracts.

I hope these facts are of interest to you.

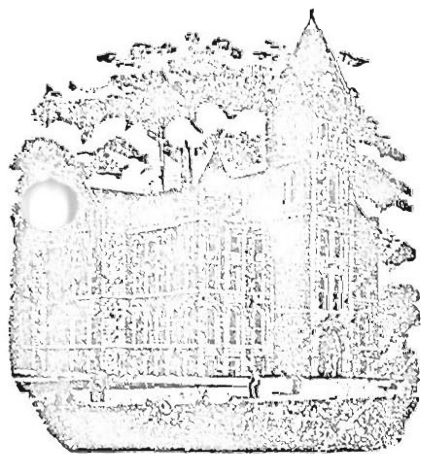
Thank You -

Mrs. R. W. Malin

R. 3 McPherson Ks

Gustav Johnson - my fathers father - Came earlier in the year

J. F. Johnson my Mothers father - came July 19-1868



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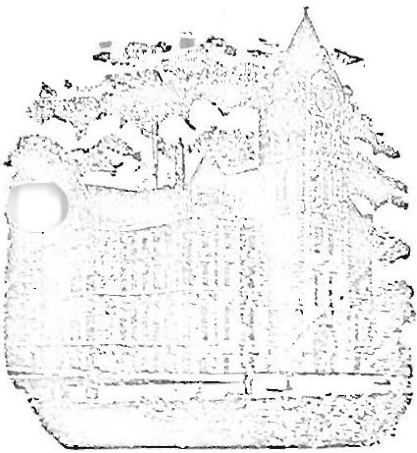
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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Maria Jansson-Johnson (Mrs Jonas Johnson)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler My grandmother
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Delmore SE 1/4-15-18-2
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Midwife husband stockman and farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Laxarby, Sweden Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Maria, 34 years Jonas, 42 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes, a grandson owns and operates
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson land.
County? Names and addresses: yes, several great grandchildren and
many great, great grandchildren.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? My grandmother lived until 1923, and I remember
her well. There was no question why the earlier settlers homesteaded
where they did. The abundance of timber, lush green grasses and
crystal clear brooks reminded them of their homeland. For the
continuation of their Christian heritage, the small Swedish settlement
organized a church in the home of Jonas Johnson. This church they
named Kristvalla. "CHRIST'S VALLEY"

Your Signature: Mrs. Carl Chinberg
If woman, Maiden Name: Edith Logbeck
Your address: R.R.# 3 McPherson
Your occupation: Homemaker



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3/25/71

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather RICHARD JUKES JR.
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler COUSIN - 2ND
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1860 or 1871 - 1867 (10)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled PROBABLY SEC 13 OR 14
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER Illinois SMOKY - MILL TOWNSHIP
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer FATHER CAME FROM THE ENGLAND TO U.S.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County APPROX 22
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? NO
Is homestead still in possession of family? NO SOLD 23 YRS AGO
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: GLADYS JUKES - 115 N 2ND ST
LINDSBURG, KANSAS - DAUGHTER - (Glenn Jukes was
father of Norman - Gladys was Cousin of Clarence)
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Daughter stated her dad moved
from Salina to McPherson County and
purchased farm about 1 mile east of Lindsay
in 1870 or 71. Had 2 sons and 3 daughters.
1 daughter died Jan 1971 and Gladys is only
survivor. Family moved to SALINE CO IN 1868 FROM
MURPHY'S BORO, ILLINOIS. RICHARD JUKES JR MARRIED
A GOODWIN GIR DAUGHTER FROM MCPHERSON COUNTY.

ONE BROTHER OF ABOVE
JUKES DIED OF
WOUNDS IN CIVIL WAR
ON UNION SIDE

Your Signature: Norman Jukes

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 1352 N Maple

Your occupation: Insurance Agent