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Register of Pioneer Families of McPherson County, Kansas

Volume 1, Part B

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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.

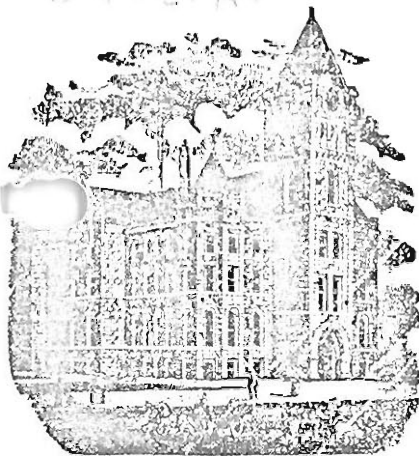
The date column indicates the year that the pioneer settled in McPherson County, and the township column indicates the township.

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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(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.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

(To be completed and returned to Linn Peterson,
 President of McPherson County Historical Society,
 or to Christian Swenson, President of the Smoky
 Valley Historical Association no later than
 October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

October 14, 1972.

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Joseph Kubin (Anna Goodsheller)
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Sons.
 Month and year settled in McPherson County October - 1871 (SW 1/4)
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Jackson - (15-19-4)W
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vyskytna - Czechoslovakia
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 21 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: Dr. E. F. Kubin - Jeff Kubin - 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. Kubin settled in Jackson

township northeast of Conway - Big Basin area. - (Remembered)
McPherson when met a tree for propane between home and home tree
in home tree township

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: John M. Kubin x

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 505 E. Ka. Ave - McPherson KS

Your occupation: Farmer

Dear Mrs. Kubin: If your family does not have one of these already, I would very much like to have one completed and in my hands by Oct. 18th. The Banquet is Sat. October 21st at Lindsborg. \$2.50 per person for Swedish Smorgasbord. I would like to have information on the Pioneer Families whether anyone from the family is present to be recognized.

Sincerely, Linn Peterson

Joe Kubin Saw McPherson Rise From The Bare Prairie

By L. E. Lindell

The day was warm, the sky clear and a gentle breeze blew from the south the day Joe Kubin, now 98 and the first homesteader in Jackson township west of McPherson, climbed down from his covered wagon onto the sod he was later to break and turn into his own farm.

That was 76 years ago in mid-October 1871, more than a year before the townsite of McPherson was laid out by the town company that came down in covered wagons from Salina.

Joe Kubin also came down from Salina to stake out his claim on what was to be known then as "The Flats". There were no trees to be seen in any direction and the only movement was the waving of the heavy prairie grass in the light breeze. The grass was still green for the fall frosts had not yet turned it brown.

Came From Wisconsin.

Joe, with one brother and two sisters, arrived in Salina after driving overland in a covered wagon pulled by a team of horses from Wisconsin. His father and mother and other brothers and sisters came a few weeks later, and he met them in Topeka and brought them on out to Central Kansas. Most of his sisters remained in Topeka where they found employment.

At the federal land office in Salina Kubin was told there was no land to be had along the Union Pacific railroad grant in the Salina area, and it was from a tip from a livery stable hand that he learned of the open prairie country in a good soil area some 35 miles to the south. He was told there was a thriving town in the area known as King City, which was on the route of the Santa Fe Trail.

The Kubins and their covered wagon arrived first at the two-room log cabin of Phil Kumli and his family on Sharps Creek at the northwest edge of what is now Jackson Township northwest of McPherson. The Kumli's, hearing the Kubins were going to homestead near them, invited them to use the second room in their cabin until they could build their own home on their claim. The Kubins welcomed the opportunity.

Stakes Out His Claim.

The next day after arriving at the Kumli homestead Joe Kubin rode away to stake his own claim, which was 160 acre of prairie land in section 15, 9-4W, in northern Jackson Township. A neighbor woman living up on Sharps Creek told Joe after he had staked his claim on "The Flats" that he was crazy for homesteading where he did because the "wind will blow your brains out."

The first building on the Kubin claim was a one-room soddie Joe

"About half of the 1,200 head of cattle must have died the winter of 1871 and 1872," Kubin recalled. "When spring came Wilson & Simpson hired some of us, along with a few of the Indians, to skin these dead cattle. Some of these cattle were so rotten all we had to do was to cut the skin away from the head and feet and then pull the skin off with a team of horses."

Prairie Fires A Threat.

Joe was married on Sunday, March 11, 1873, at Salina, to one of the Goodsheller girls, and with his bride drove down to his sod house on the homestead late that evening. Long before they reached their claim the Kubins saw the smoke of a prairie fire which was sweeping across the dry prairie on the heels of a strong March wind. When they arrived home they found the fire had burned off the prairie grass on the west half of their homestead but did not damage their house or barn. Before he had left for Salina to be married, Joe and his brothers had plowed a fire guard around their house and barn and this probably saved their property from the fire.

"I heard a town company from Salina was going to start a town where McPherson is now located," Joe Kubin recalled with a clear memory for a man 98 years old. "I walked up a little hill near my claim and five and a half miles to the southeast I could see something on the prairie that had not been there before."

"I was curious and walked over to see what was going on. I found men driving stakes and digging a well. A few days later they started building a store. I believe it was the Bowker store, and my mother was the first customer Bowker had. She bought a \$6 bill of goods."

Saw The Hopper Invasion.

The grasshopper invasion of the summer of 1874 is vivid in Kubin's memory. It was a Sunday, Joe related, and he was sitting just inside the door of his soddie when he noticed the few chickens he had in his yard jumping around picking at something on the ground.

"I went to the door," Joe said, "and looked up into the sky. Grasshoppers were starting to fall out of the sky into the yard like snow flakes. In a little bit they were coming down thick and fast and within two hours they obscured the sun. It wasn't until the next day that they really started doing damage to the crops. The hoppers cleaned out the corn and gardens but the prairie grass was too tough for them. They flew in from the south."

"Those hoppers were tough ones. You won't believe it, but it's true. They didn't eat the wooden handles out of the hoes but they

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THE KUBIN FAMILY TREE

1935 - Elsie Kubin Nelson

I started this family tree in March 1935. The first information was written by Uncle Joseph Kubin for his son Jeff, and was passed on to me by Jeff's wife Helen.

"Family Tree of Kubins had its origin in the county of Tabor in Bohemia in village of Vyskytna. One of its members named Joseph (Vaclav) moved to another small village name Bransov (Branisov), short distance to south about the year 1760 and settled on a small farm (Chalupa).

He married Catherine Horky (Alzbeta Horka) and there was born three(4) children, oldest being a boy named Joseph (Josef), who was my grandfather. (Records from the archives show that a baby girl, Anna, died in infancy and two girls were born after Joseph).

When Grandfather was about six years old his father died and the widow then sold the small farm and gave the money to her brother, Joseph Horky (Josef Horka) a farmer in the village of Strmecky, whose farm consisted of about 50 acres and Joseph (Josef) was living with his uncle-- there was no children in his uncle's family and Joseph being a good worker and of good disposition was considered as their son. When Joseph (Josef) was about 17 years old the Napolianic War was raging and Joseph (Josef) was ordered with a team and wagon to haul provision for the army which lasted nearly a month before he got back again. At this time people was living under feudal sistem and the nobility was the roolers of common people. There was a Manor about 3 mil. north of our village and a road along Horky's (Horka's) farm leading to the estates was often traveled by an officer, the people called him "director." This man seeing Joseph (Josef) working took a likeness to him--sometimes he would stop and talk a few words to Joseph (Josef) asking about his uncle who was not feeling well, a.c.t. Not long after this he stoped and asked Joseph (Josef) whether his uncle ever mention who would get the farm after he be dead. Joseph (Josef) of course didn't know as his uncle never mentioned anything like that. Not long after his uncle received a notice to appire a certain day at the director's office--"I like to know what he wanted with me" uncle was saying. So when that time arrived Joseph (Josef) saddled the horse and helped his uncle in the saddle and took the shortest way across the country, Joseph (Josef) leading the horse as uncle was not feeling well. What happened in the director's office uncle never said but Joseph after he put the horse in the nobility barn which was free for the farmers horses, went to the office of the director and standing in the hall, director was talking to uncle saying-- "then write your name here." About six months after this, uncle died and there was to be a settlement made of the estate. All the people interested was notified to be present. Mother of Joseph (Josef) was not interested any other way only she wanted to get her money she gave to her brother--and there was no note or nothing to prove the money was loaned to him. The clerk took some papers and started to read: The estate of Joseph Horky (Josef Horka) is to be settled at this moment. As there is no will and no indebtedness the property is to go to his widow. While this was going on the director was walking back and forth then stop before the clerk and said: "Wait little bit, so we will not skin a billy goat" (common expression in the Boh. language) and took from the pigeon hole a paper and give it to the

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clerk--the reading as follows--"After I am dead, all my property war
willed to my nephew, Joseph (Josef) Kubin." Signed Joseph Horky (Josef
Horka) and two witnesses. The widow now jumped up from her seat and the
officer was asking her what she wanted to get from the estate for her
endowment. She said she wanted all the property for herself and nothing
less--the officer told her she be entitled to certain percent of the
valuation according to law. So she got so much grain, one cow, 2 sheep,
money, chickens and also one pear tree in the orchard and of course one
room and the board. But as she refused to live with her nephew a new
contract was made for her endowment and Joseph (Josef) in order to start
farming was looking for a wife. It was not much trouble to find one--the
Napoleonic Wars took many men in the army, they never returned and there
was a surplus of girls and young widows. A widow a little older than
Joseph (Josef) was a daughter of a farmer named Truka (Trnk) in Stremeccky
was married about 4 years ago. They was living hardly one year together
when her hysband was taken in the army where he lost his life so she was
living with her father and stepmother when my Grandfather offered to marry
her. A neighbor woman hearing the news told the young widow that if she
marry Jos. Kubin whe will never have bread enough as the field back of the
house is the poorest field in the whole village. This field was about 10 ac.
and considered a big one in that country but on one side of it was a high
ground and a road running alongside of it, it was a field with snow every
winter and in the spring when the snow was melting the water was spreading
all over the field and it was unproductive on that account. Grandfather
know if a ditch was made along the road and the field the water would run
both ways--south and north. So he was asking the director permission to
make the ditch he can't give the consent himself but will try what he could
do. The permit was granted and after the ditch was made the field was
producing fine crops. The feudal sistem was abolished in 1848 in the
revolution of that time. My father was married in 1847 and I being the first
born was 1850. When about 6 or 7 years old I remember Grandfather got notice
to appear in a courtroom such hour and day. He was wondering what they
wanted with him so when he got to town there was 2 more old fellows like
Grandfather and also was wondering what are they called for. When finally
the door opened and was before the officer was asked whether in such and such
year and time was hauling provisions for the army. Grandfather was the first
one asked. Grandfather told the officer that he was hauling bread, the
officers looking in the paper while questioning--what become of bread? The
answer was that he was eating it himself--at times he was feeding it to his
horses, some was stolen by the soldiers and finally some was rotted. All
the officer said--the other fellows was not interrogated. In the year 1858
my father wanted to sell his farm and go to America--but Grandfather objected
so father put it off his mind. Grandfather died in 1863. He was a strong
robust man. It was in Aug. 1862 coming home to dinner from the fielus and
being hot, he past a little pond being fed by spring took his shoes off and
was bathing his feet in cold water. From that day he started to feel bad
and one year later was dead. The year of 1868 father made nis mind to go
to America. The main reason was that we boys, that is Bro. Mat and myself
soon be called to the military service. The war of 1864 Prussians and
Austrian took Sleswick and Holstrie from the Danes, in that war some of the
soldiers from our neighborhood was killed and the war Austria and Prussia

in 1866 made the parents uneasy about the boys. So father sold his farm and on the 3rd day of May 1868 we boarded a sailing vessel in Toremán and got to New York on the 3rd day of July 1868."

I have written the above as much like Uncle Joe wrote it as was possible, I'm not sure I have the names of the villages spelled correctly but that really makes little difference. The following pages I have assembled and they are as accurate as possible. --

Elsie Kubin Nelson

1980 - Laurene Kubin Yowell

Following taken from material of Jeff Kubin, given to me by Marale Straka Kubin:

In 1858 Mathias Kubin wanted to sell his farm, of about 50 acres, and move his family to America. His father, Josef, did not want him to do this so he decided to stay on his farm. In 1863 Josef died and the dream of going to America again came to mind. In 1868 Mathias sold his farm and the family prepared for the move to America.

Several factors entered into the decision to leave Bohemia. Mathias had friends who had earlier moved to Wisconsin, and they wrote glorying reports of the new land to which they had come, and of the opportunities it promised for the future. A second factor that influenced him greatly was the future of his family. Mathias and his wife, Katarina, had at that time a family of three boys and five girls and to think of a future of any kind for a family of that size in a crowded community, such as Bohemia, was discouraging. The older boys were approaching an age when it could be expected that before long they would be leaving home to establish homes of their own, and certainly a new country such as America had things to offer beyond anything Bohemia. There were requirements and restrictions in the home country that troubled the Kubins. They were not in sympathy with the military that was so much in control at this time. They knew that if they were to remain in Bohemia each of their sons would be required to spend at least four years in the army, thus giving up that much of their life to a cause in which they did not believe. They were a deeply religious people, firm in the faith of the Orthodox Evangelical Reform Church and they did not appreciate the State Church to which they knew that they would have to conform were they to remain in Bohemia. Taking all these things into consideration it is not surprising that they should decide to make the move.

It was no small task to get ready to leave an old home and move to a new land. The first task was to dispose of the farm and other holdings and to get the assets into a form that could be carried to the new country. A total of some \$7,000.00 was received from the sale of the holdings, which was a considerable sum of money for that time. How to get it to America was the real problem. International matters were far different than they are today. Banks were not trusted, whether this distrust was based on a justifiable fear we do not know. Gold by express or some other method seemed equally hazardous, so how could this transfer be made? It was decided that the safest way would be to divide it into a number of small packages and hide these in and among the boxes, chests and clothing that they were

taking with them on the boat. One amusing story told in the family to do with Josie, who was only two years old, her mother, Katarina, had made her a special pair of panties in which she had sewn a large pocket-like pouch, and in this they placed \$1,000.00 in gold. The gold arrived in America safely and for many years thereafter, Josie was known as "The girl with gold in her pants."

It was well understood that a hard long journey was before them, (true to what might be expected) the journey proved to be not only longer and more difficult, for it was not until July 3rd that they landed in New York. A ticket to cross the Atlantic included transportation and little else. Food was provided for the journey but it was of such a poor quality and amount that many who were not in good health could be expected to survive the entire journey. The Kubins were very conscious of all this and had provided what seemed adequate food for the trip. Due to stormy weather and other difficulties the trip was lengthened by several days and before landing they were forced to live on the food provided by the ship company. They arrived at New York exhausted, after 9 weeks at sea, but all survived in reasonably good health.

After reaching America, no time was wasted in trying to get to their destination, which was Wisconsin. Several relatives and friends had already made the trip to this same locality, and Mathias knew that the sooner they could reach this point the better it would be for all of them. Their journey's end was near the small town of Blue River in Grant County which is well to the southwest corner of the state. They were pleased with what they found; crops had certainly been good the year before as everyone seemed to have an abundance of food, and already vegetation had started to grow, yet the days were still cool. The land was quite level, and while some of it was covered with hard-wood timber much was rich grass land that provided much pasture. One feature that they had not been accustomed to in the homeland was that this land had been covered by glaciers in an earlier period and these glaciers had left many boulders, some rather large, but many small ones that had to be cleared before farming could be done.

Mathias purchased a 200 acre tract of this virgin land, and proceeded at once to clear and make ready as much of this land as possible before it became too late for the spring planting. There was no shortage of work to be done, for any time that work could not be found on their own farm either Mathias or his boys, their neighbors were anxious to employ them.

There were three great loyalties that were possessed by the Kubin family of great worth to a pioneer community: First was loyalty to the family, and that meant a closely knit group, which was needed if they were not to lose their courage and faith in a new land. Second was that a deep religious conviction that kept the members of the family looking forward to something better, with a determination to do their best. Third was that the Kubins believed in hard work; to be idle when there was work that could be done was to them a sin.

Things were going well in the new land and the Kubins were finding themselves prosperous, but glowing reports of a part of the country some 800 miles to the west and south sounded even more challenging. The country they had been hearing about was Kansas, a vast area of open plains to which not many people had as yet gone. This new country offered not only land upon which there were no trees and rocks to trouble the farmer, but also free land: to country where there was still 160 acres awaiting any man over 21 who would make application for it and promise to make it his home.

The challenge was too great, so by the close of their second year in America we find Mathias offering his Wisconsin farm for sale at a handsome profit and he and his family moved to Kansas. They did not know too much about the place but were attracted to the central part area.

The trip to Kansas was far less exciting than the one to Wisconsin had been yet when thought of in terms of the mid-twentieth century it was far from easy. On Sept. 15, 1871 the Kubins left their home in Wisconsin by horse-drawn wagon for Dubuque, Iowa where Mathias and Katarina, with their younger children were to board a boat for Hannibal, Missouri while Joseph and Mat and their two older sisters Mary and Anna were to continue their journey to Topeka, Kansas by covered wagon. Those going to Hannibal were to continue on to Topeka by train, where the two groups were to again meet Van Kuchera (Later known as Van Goodsheller), a neighbor friend of the Kubins, who had gone to Topeka earlier where he was able to find work as a gardner, and in anticipation of the coming of hte Kubin Family had rented a house in which they could live until such time as a more suitable home could be found. The family upon arrival moved into the rented house, and the two older girls began to look for work at once so they be of assistance in supporting the family while Mathias and the older boys would go on farther west in search of a location to live.

Mathias and his two older sons and Van Kuchera were soon on their way to Kansas. They reached Salina and from there were directed to a small town called Lindsborg. Lindsborg was located some 20 miles to the south. A cowboy who directed them had spent some months herding cattle on the plains; south of Lindsborg. The description that was given to them of the country made it more certain to Mathias that they should investigate the area. A few days later they started south to the town of Lindsborg, only to find out later that the town of Lindsborg consisted of only one house with no direct roads to it. Spending most of the day always traveling south and whenever possible following wagon trails that had been made by earlier travelers they met another traveler who seemed to know a bit more about the country and was able to point out to them in the distance a single house, which he said was lindsborg. It was near dusk and the stranger advised them to go on into Lindsborg for the night as there was no suitable place for camping between where they were and Lindsborg. When they arrived at Lindsborg they were welcomed and assigned a place on the campsite where they could put up for the night, rest and feed their horses.

The following morning they were advised that a few families living south of the river had settled on or near Sharp's Creek but there was no place in the immediate location where they could cross the river, and they would have to follow the river some four miles west where they would come to a ford and would be able to cross. The ford that they were directed to was later known as Shield's Ford and was much used for the next few years. After crossing to the south side of the river, they soon found themselves in the valley of what they were certain must be Sharp's Creek, and they followed it to the south and west. It was evening when they came in sight of a small house and in the yard near the creek they saw a man drawing water from a well for his cattle. The man was Philip Kumli, a recent immigrant from Germany, who had taken claim to the quarter section upon which he was living. Mathias was able to make known to Kumli thir mission, and that he was a recent immigrant from Bohemia. Kumli was quick to respond that his wife was a Bohemian and that she had not met anyone from her home

country for some time. Imagine the chatter that took place upon the meeting of the Bohemians. Van Kuchera, who was more of a linguist than were either the Kubins or the Kumlies, proved of great help in the conversations that followed. It was getting late so the party accepted the invitation of the Kumlies to spend the night with them.

Mathias was greatly impressed by what they had seen; the flat plains, the luscious grass and the apparent uniform deep soil. Added to that the land could still be secured at virtually no cost if they acted quickly. They had heard that a village of considerable size had been established some six miles to the south and east of the present cite of McPherson known as King City. Early the following morning they started in the direction of King City. There they found out that the County Surveyor (as he is now called) lived in the vicinity of Gypsum Creed and as this county had already been surveyed they had to talk to him if they were to be at all certain of the exact location of the tracts they hoped to homestead. They were convinced that the part of the county they were interested in was known as Jackson Township. With the help of the surveyor they were able to find stakes that located the corners of the various sections and from these they could definitely describe the land upon which they wanted to make claim. It was now nearly dark so they decided to go to the Kumli home and return to the plains the following morning. Unfortunately there came a seven inch snow that night and in the morning the land that had looked so familiar to them the day before had changed its appearance and the result was they chose land for their claims exactly one mile west and closer to the Big Basin than they had intended. They did not discover their error until too late to make a change.

A very close friendship developed between the Kumli and the Kubin party in the few days that they were together. To the Kumlies the possibility of getting new neighbors who had so recently come from Europe was a dream almost too good to be true. The Kumlies were very reluctant to see the party leave, fearing something might come in the way of their returning the following spring. It was certainly too late in the autumn to think of building a house on one of the claims in which the family could spend the winter, so what could be done to guarantee that they would be there when spring arrived. After considerable thought Kumli made the following proposition to Mathias: "We have a house as you can see, and we propose to let you and your family share the house with us for the winter. We will take the lower floor and you and your family may have the upstairs." This would indeed seem to be fair, but when you remember that the upstairs had only one room and it was not finished, the proposition looked less inviting. There was no permanent floor or ceiling in the upper room, and the idea of 10 people living an entire winter in one room seemed a near impossibility. The house was what is known as a dug-out, built on the side of a hill, with part of the first story below the ground level. Close beside the house was a second building built in much the same manner, but with the walls that were above ground made of sod from an adjoining hillside, and here came part of the solution, as this building would afford sleeping quarters for the older boys. Before time to depart Mathias decided that they would accept Kumli's offer. Joseph was sent to Salina for a load of lumber to finish the second floor of the Kumli home while Mathias and the others made ready for the move into their new home.

Another factor that may have had some influence on the Kumlies being so generous with their home was that they were expecting the birth of their first child sometime in the spring. Katarina, Mathias's wife was an experienced midwife and her presence might mean a lot to the young Kumlies in the birth of their first child. Had this fact been revealed it is doubtful if it would have changed things very much for the Kubins were also expecting another child in the spring.

In late October returning with the lumber from Salina Joseph encountered a cold rain that turned into ice and snow. He came upon a shack of a Swede by the name of Olson. Olson could speak no English and Joseph could not speak Swedish but they soon were able to understand each other. Olson invited Joseph to spend the night in the shack but he preferred to stable his horses on the side of a windbreak, sheltered from the storm, and he on the wagon with the load of lumber. Joseph awakened in the night covered with ice and snow and very cold. He returned to the shack and spent the rest of the night on the floor beside the kitchen stove. By mid-morning the next day the storm had subsided and Joseph continued on.

The winter passed. The two families Kubins with eight children and the Kumlies living in a small two room house, each room 12' by 16' was not easy, but they survived. During the winter Mathias and the boys spent their time cutting timber and sawing it into posts and firewood along the creeks to be used on their claims. They also worked for other settlers herding cattle and other chores.

In the spring Mathias started to dig a well. Water had been hauled from wells along the Sharp's Creek for household use and the livestock. To dig a well with no power equipment for lifting of the dirt from the deepening well was not easy work. When reaching a depth of fifty feet they encountered a sand layer which caved into the well. This well was abandoned and a new one started. They devised a method to hold the sand from caving in and reached clear water at sixty feet. They did not know it at the time but they had dug into the Equeus Beds that later became famous for the abundant supply of fresh water.

That spring Mathias had almost completed the house on his claim. It was a large two-story house 16' by 24' with 12' ceiling. If records are correct it was the first dwelling built in McPherson County that had a shingled roof.

The rains came and the Big Basin that appeared as only a vast flat was filled with water and became a lake of several thousand acres. Water fowls by the thousands came to the lake and provided quantities of food for the newcomers in the form of saled and dried water fowl.

Now it was time to break the tough prairie sod to get it ready for planting the spring crops. Mathias had bought several pairs of oxen to use for this work and it proceeded with remarkable speed. Soon he had several acres ready for planting. To plant the seed on the newly plowed ground was not a difficult task being few weeds to contend with the first year. To plant corn and similar crops they would take a spade or an axe split open the sod and drop the seeds in the opening. No further work was done with the crop until harvest. The process was as follows: an adult or older child would go first and drop seeds, one for the furrow, one for the devil and one to grow. The first year crop was a good one and almost

everyone had plenty of corn, potatoes, melons, pumpkins, squash, beans, etc. They had found a land of abundance and were pleased with Kansas. When Mathias and sons were not busy on their claims they worked for others. The standard wage at this time was \$20.00 a month. Indians were sometimes a nuisance but almost 100% friendly; what they usually wanted was food and were satisfied if they could leave with a loaf of bread or a piece of meat of very inferior quality.

Some may criticize the Kubins for relinquishing the language of the Old Country and many of its customs. The language is almost completely lost. Contributing to this rapid change was first the Bohemians were a small minority group in Kansas, with the English language being used 100% in all their contacts and taught in the schools. Some of the older generation made an honest effort to preserve at least a reading knowledge of the language among their children but this was a losing battle. Secondly they came to America with the purpose of becoming a part of the new country.

Many times when I looked at the Original Family Tree, that my sister Elsie compiled, the urge to update it was very real. It was not until 1980 when my brother Milford Kubin went to Czechoslovakia and found the Mathias Kubin farm in Strmecky and the home in Branisov that I really became interested. I had worked on it some but really started on it in earnest after that and the more I worked the more fascinated I became. In 1985 my brother Milford asked me to go to Czechoslovakia with his daughter Nancy Kubin Martin. It was a dream come true. After a year of planning Nancy and I left New York on a German 737 jet on July 21, 1986 returning to New York on a German 747 jet August 10, 1986.

While in Czechoslovakia we were able to find records of our family dating back to 1719. Franticek Kubin was married in 1739, he was probably 18 or early 20's when he married so the years of his birth 1719 may vary a few years. This material has been added to the original family tree that Elsie had along with other material that has come to me while working on this update. In the original history of the family I have made corrections of names and places in parenthesis as we found them in the old records. You will note in the original family tree the spelling of the names Mathais and Katerine. Records show that they were spelled Mates and Katerina, however on the deed, when they sold the Wisconsin farm, they were spelled Matias and Katarina. We found no record when Matias was changed to Mathias.

I have tried to make the update as accurate as possible. When, over the coming years, changes take place in each family if you will let me know I will try to include all changes as I receive them. --

Laurene Kubin Yowell

Early County Genealogy

The Van Kubin Family

The Kubin family had its origin in the county of Tabor, Bohemia, in the village of Vyakytina, and for a number of generations resided in that country working at various occupations. Mathais Kubin, the father of Van Kubin, was born in that country in 1822, and in 1847 married Katherine Trefil.

In 1858, Mathais Kubin first made plans to come to America, but because his father objected, the plans were postponed. The father passed away in 1863, and in 1863, Mathais Kubin definitely made up his mind to leave his native land and bring his family to this country. One of the main reasons for this decision was the fact that the two oldest sons of Mathais and Katherine Trefil Kubin, Joseph and Matt, were to be called into military service in the near future. The family farm was sold, and on the third day of May, 1868, the family boarded a sailing vessel in Toremán and arrived in New York on the third day of July the same year.

Mathais Kubin and his family came to McPherson county in the fall of 1871, selecting their homestead. The first winter in this county was spent with the Philip Kumli family on Sharps Creek.

The Kubins moved to their homestead in March, 1872. To Mathais Kubin and his wife were born ten children, Joseph, Matt, Mary, Anna, Kate, Frank, Josie, Frances, Van, and Fred.

Van Kubin, the ninth child of Mathais and Katherine Kubin, was born at the log cabin home belonging to Philip Kumli on February 13, 1872. On October 30, 1894, he married Emma Kuchera, who was born in Republic county, near the town of Munden, on August 30, 1874. To this union were born six children as follows:

Elsie. Born on August 11, 1895, and was married on July 12, 1922, to Edwin Nelson, who was born on July 12, 1894. To Edwin Nelson and Elsie Kubin Nelson were born two children, Ruth Ione, and Pauline. Ruth Ione was born on July 18, 1923, and passed away on July 23, the same year. Pauline was born on July 8, 1926, and now resides with her parents at 706 North Elm street, McPherson.

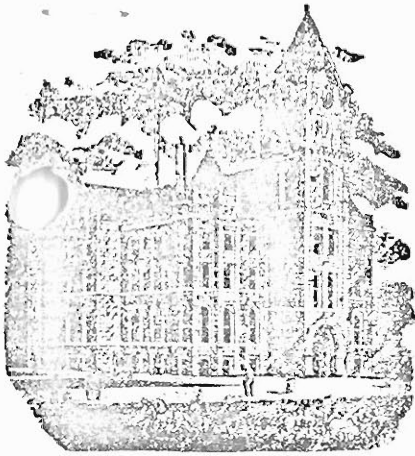
Wilbur. Born on May 8, 1898, and on November 21, 1923, married Anna Gustafson, who was born on February 6, 1895. To Wilbur Kubin and Anna Gustafson Kubin were born two children, Billie Ann and Galen Dwight. Billie Ann was born on February 6, 1926; Galen Dwight was born on October 11, 1927. They live with their parents on a farm about six miles northwest of McPherson.

Milford. Born on February 15, 1903, and on June 15, 1929 married Mary Whiteneck, who was born on March 9, 1906. To Milford Kubin and Mary Whiteneck Kubin was born one son, Robert Hart, on July 24, 1933. Milford and his family reside in the Philippine Islands, where he is stationed as captain in the medical corps of the United States army.

Haven. Born on July 6, 1903, now residing at home.

Grace. Born on September 1, 1909, and was married on November 24, 1928 to Roy Yowell, who was born on October 3, 1907. To Roy Yowell and Grace Kubin Yowell were born two children, Jimmie Van, and Lois Joy. Jimmie Van was born on August 5, 1930; Lois Joy was born on June 27, 1932. They live at home with their parents on a farm three miles northwest of McPherson.

Laurene. Born on September 27, 1915, and is now employed in the offices of County Superintendent J. A. Blair, in the court house, McPherson.



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11-7-1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Mathias Kaskin
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County February 1972
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Jackson 19-15-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Pransac, Bohemia - Bohemian
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 50 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: other page

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 he was not a soldier in

Civil War. He did have previous for the army during
the Napoleonic War at the age of 17
Van Kaskin one of first children born in County 2-13-1872

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Mrs. Harold G. G. G.

If woman, Maiden Name: Harriet Kaskin

Your address: Rt. #3 McPherson Mo 67460

Your occupation: Housewife

Descendants: - Van born Feb 13, 1872 ^{3/15/2001} per Lauren Jewell
Dorothy Kulin (deceased) son of Mathias & my father
Elsie Kulin-Nelson (Mrs. Edwin A.) 325, N. Main Lindsay
Willbur J. Kulin - Rt. #3 McPherson
Dr. Milford J. Kulin - Rt. #4, Columbia, Mo.
Haven J. Kulin - Rt. #3, McPherson
Grace Kulin-Yewell (Mrs. Roy L.) Rt. #3, McPherson
Laurens Kulin-Yewell (Mrs. Harold) Rt. #3 "

Cousins - (Children of Joseph Kulin.)

John Kulin

Dr. Edison Kulin

Jeff Kulin

Carrie Kulin-Burgess - The Cedars, McPherson

Josie Kulin-Lafferty

Stanley Kulin

Elizabeth Kulin-Arnold

Grandfather sold his farm in Bohemia in 1868

Boarded ship for America May 3, 1868.

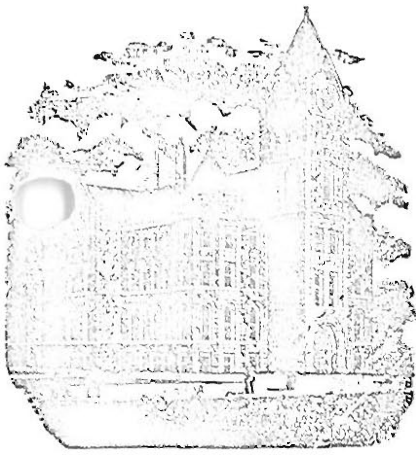
Landed in New York July 3, 1868.

They lived in Wisconsin three years.

Grandparents came from Wisconsin to Zepka by train. 7 Children came by wagon & met parents in Zepka.

Grandfather walked from Zepka to what is now McPherson County. They stayed with the Philip Kunkle family on Sharps Creek the first winter. Came to Sharps Creek Oct. 1871.

after making at different places Grandfather took possession of site that is now section 19-15-4 Feb. 1873.



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March 30, 1971

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl John Landgren
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870?
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW 1/4 Sec. 6-18-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Krisdale, Smoland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County about 38
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? ~~bought land~~ yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes. Marvin Landgren now owns.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Children of Mrs. Glover Yowell- Mrs. George Shafer
and Mrs. Herbert Shafee, McPherson., Mr. Percy Yowell, and Mr. Vernon Yowell,
McPherson, Kansas. Mr. Marvin Landgren, Lindsborg and 3 sons.

Mrs. Philip Anderson, McPherson
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Ed's mother was one of first three students at

Indian Creek School near Johnstown- Other two were August Lundstrom and his
brother. C. J. Landgren worked on Kansas Pacific Railroad as it was being built
from Salina westward. They lived in a ~~house~~ in early years, and his mother
told stories of seeing Indians. — (Ed's house) usually friendly and in need

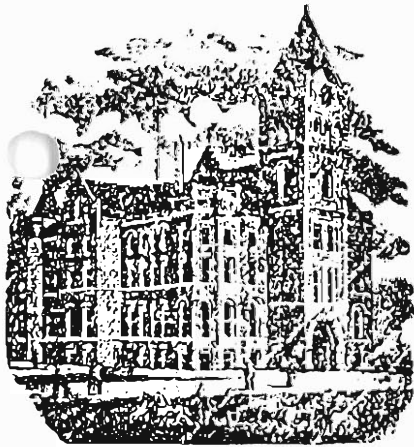
of food.
C. J. Landgren as a pioneer, held handles of a walking plow
used to plow a furrow at the putting in from street
in Lindsborg.

Your Signature: X

If woman, Maiden Name: Mr. Ed Ralston

Your address: North Oak St.

Your occupation: Retired Cafe Operator.



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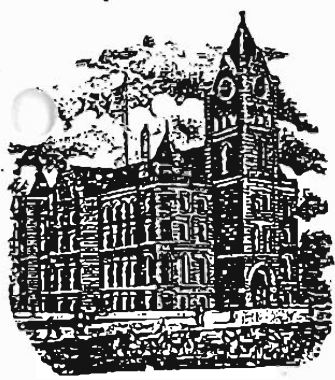
(Last name Person in Sweden. Took name of Landgren in America.)

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl Johan(Person) Landgren
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1890?
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled N. Cottland SW 1/8 6-18-3 80 Acres
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Kristdala, Smaland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes. Marvin Landgren, 3rd generation, owner
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: Lindsborg: Dean Landgren; McPherson: Yowells-Percylee, Vernon, Dula Schafer, Arvilla Schafer; & Eunice Landgren Anderson.

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? The Ice cellar on the Landgren Homestead was filled with ice cut from the Smoky Hill River by neighbors to provide ice for all concerned.

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: x Eunice L. Anderson
If woman, Maiden Name: Landgren
Your address: 1451 Ranch Road
Your occupation: Retired Educator & Housewife



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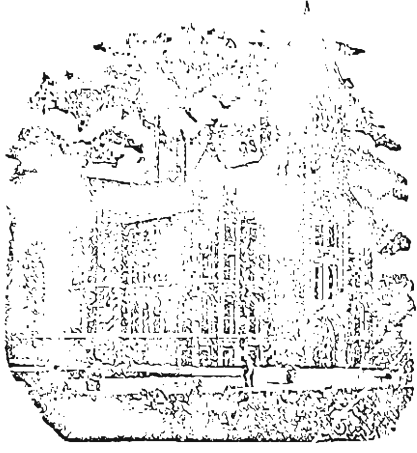
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather P. F. LINDH
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GREAT GRANDSON
Month and year settled in McPherson County OCT. 1869
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled T-17, SECT. 4 MARQUETTE TWP.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, POSTMASTER, NOTARY
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer KALMAR COUNTY, SWEDEN
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 29
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: KERRY LINDH, 276 WHEATRIODE RD. MARQUETTE - ORIGINAL SETTLEMENT ADDRESS. LANA LINAH ROCKS - MARQUETTE, KS. LA RUTH ADAM LINDH - MARQUETTE (SON OF KERRY) GOMA LINDH BUEFINGTON - MARQUETTE LINDH MARQ
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? STARTED POST OFFICE @ ORIGINAL SETTLEMENT HOME CALLED CALMAR - 1872, HAD RIVERSIDE OF LAND, SERVED AS JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, HELPED ESTABLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH IN MARQ., GRAD. F. COMMERCE COLLEGE IN STOCKHOLM.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X [Signature]
If woman, Maiden Name:
Your address: 276 WHEATRIODE RD., T-17, S-4
Your occupation: SACES MGR.

CHERYL LINDH ANDERSON - MARQUETTE
& FAMILY

ADAM LINDH - LIVES @ 276 WHEATRIODE RD., MARQ.

* 2 Houses on ORIGINAL HOMESTEAD STILL OCCUPIED BY LINDHS
KERRY, MARLYN & ADAM AND LA RUTH



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(1870 Prior)

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March 13, 1971.

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather A. G. "Papa" Linn (Andrew Gustaf) was Peterson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson (My Mother's side.)
Month and year settled in McPherson County April , 1866.
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 1/4 Sec. 30-17-4 Union.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer-Stockman- Stonemason Also Sec. 10
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Swedish- born Boros, Vastergotland, 12-2-1843.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 23 years died 2-25-1901.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes at Higgins, Texas (Panhandle)
Is homestead still in possession of family? No - residence of Abner Lundquist
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: No. One son, Roy Linn , by second marriage,
still lives near Perryton, Texas. Also, a daughter, Ina Gregg, is living in Enid,
Oklahoma.

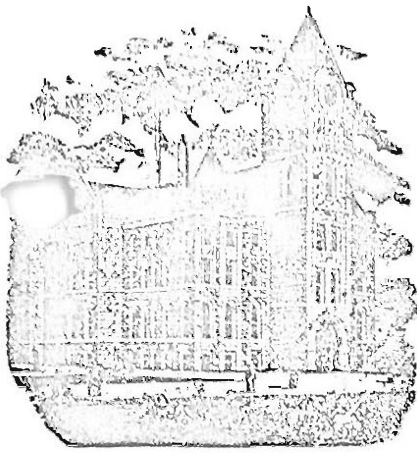
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Linn was one of the very early settlers in County. He
married Viola Jane Maxwell-Hockman, sister of Wm. J. Henry, early day Lindsborg
postmaster. They had two daughters - Grace and Emilie Jane (my mother) His first wife
died when children were babies, and he married Mrs. Carolina F. Peil, a widow.
Planted timber claim in bluffs West of Lindsborg, of osage orange, and it is still
stands today. At one time owned land scattered over Northern townships of county,
but lost most in depressions of that day. Was hired as stone foreman when County
Courthouse was built in 1894, and while living in Oregon, had helped build the
Haceta Head lighthouse along the Oregon coast. Linn was of the Masonic Order,
and the family was not a part of the Lutheran Church.

Your Signature: Linn Peterson

If woman, Maiden Name: Emilie Jane Peterson

Your address: 596 E. Hill McPherson, Ks

Your occupation: City Clerk



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March 31, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather PETTER MAGNUSSON
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRANDSON
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1868
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Section 1 New
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Miller Gottland
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden Yaxlo J. J. J. J.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County About forty 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: _____

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Petter Magnusson was also legally known as
Peter Monson and when he worked on the railroad he was known as
Peter Poole because Magnusson was too hard to write or remember.
Petter Magnusson worked for the ~~#####~~ railroad during the first
years and was gone from his homestead for as long as nine months at
a time while his wife Anna and daughters Mathilda and Amanda stayed
alone. They were frequently visited by Indians who asked for food.
All were friendly and happy with amount given them except one lone
Indian. Upon receiving food he asked for he raised one finger saying
"One Squaw", then he raise two fingers and remarked "Two Porpoose".

Yes. Grandma gave him the extra food.

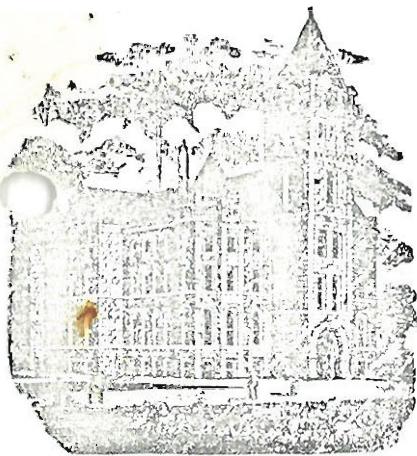
Your Signature: Al Magnusson

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 211 N. 2nd Street, Topeka, KS

Your occupation: mechanic & contractor

*P. L. P. Pioneer Swedish American
Culture - B. B. B.*



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Oct. 11, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jeremiah Maxfield Marston

Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand son

Month and year settled in McPherson County No information except the date of the Land Grant

Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Map 2432-17-1

Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer

Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Pittsfield New Hampshire USA citizen (English)

Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31 yrs.

Did settler homestead in McPherson County? By "Land Grant" in 1874

Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes. I own it & live there.

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

County? Names and addresses: Son Donald L. Marston, Roxbury, Ks. Albert H. Marston, McPherson, Ks., Delbert A. Marston, Canton, Ks. and the children

son of Charlie Marston (deceased)

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 was a member of Company F

Twelfth Regiment, New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry. Enlisted at age 19 Aug. 16, 1862. Mustered in Sept. 5, 1862 as Private. Mustered out

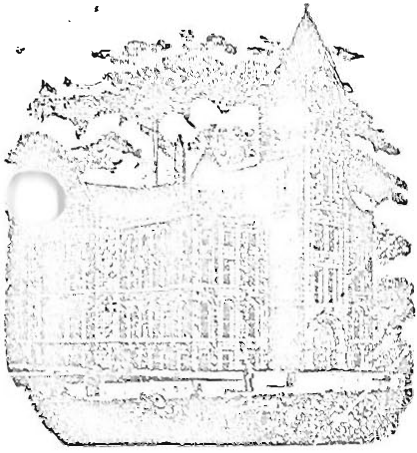
June 21, 1865. He was a Sharp Shooter, a special group of men sent on patrols (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) of great danger.

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Carroll M. Marston

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: Rt. #1 Gypsum, Ks 67448

Your occupation: Farmer - Lumber



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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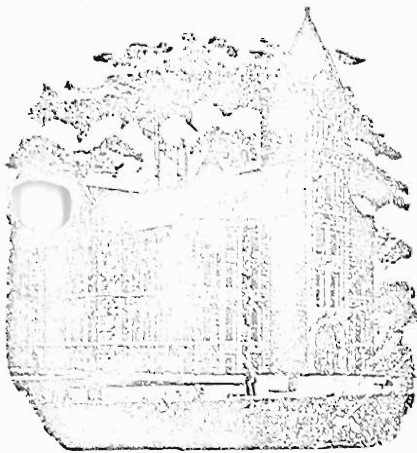
March 27, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Jeremiah M. Marston
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872 October
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 17-1
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer (Gypsum Creek Township)
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Pittsfield New Hampshire
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 29 years old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes (Partly) (Grandson) Carl
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Donald L. Marston Rofbury, Kansas.
Sons Delbert G. Marston Canton, Kansas
Albert H. Marston McPherson, Kansas

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

Died Jan 30, 1912. Rofbury Kansas
Was a carpenter as well as a farmer
helped build at Bridgeport a mill also
served in the Civil War on the North side

Your Signature: A. H. Marston
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 105 Langel Court
Your occupation: McPherson, Kansas
Retired Shoe Merchant



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April 28, 1971.

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather James Wesley McCarty
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1885
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Jackson
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer _____
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 41
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: Paul L. Smith, Dr. Dwight L. Smith, Leo Smith
Mrs. Joyce (Kenneth) King Smith and daughter.

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

Your Signature: X
If woman, Maiden Name: Lena May McCarty-Smith
Your address: _____
Your occupation: Farmer

Walter L. Smith
Farmer

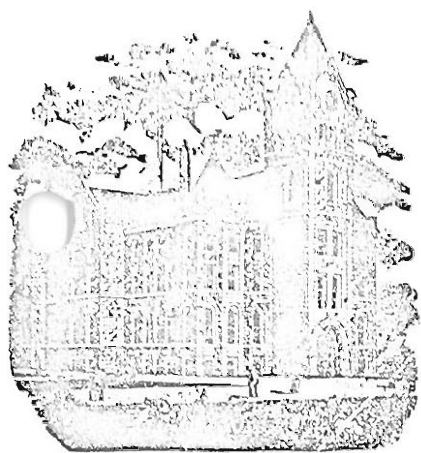
Lena came to County when 5 years old. Came by train and settled on farm north of Conway. Her mother was Nancy Jane Buchanan born 10-29-1845. Her father was born 7-16-44 in Morgan County, Ohio. They were Methodists. McCarty is buried in McPherson Cemetery. They were married, 9-26-1867. and had 3 children - Chester O., Irvin and Lena May.

Mrs. McCarty died in 1914. Mrs. Smith was married to Herman C. Smith in He died March 10, 1920. She remained on farm and raised family. She rented from father-in-law, W. R. Smith. She went to California in the 1920's and worked for North American, and came back here about 1954 when I. F. Talbott's sister died. They lived on 160 a. 3 1/4 m. N. of Conway. Kubins own 1/2 and Kaseys 1/2 now. Near Wheatland School.

House where they came when they moved here called the big house on the plains. 20 x 20 with lean to kitchen. 1/2 upstairs.

She had letter written by father's brother in Civil war when he was in hospital. December 1861. Charles H. McCarty. His brother Will died in War. She wanted to be nurse during ~~XX~~ Spanish American War but folks would not let her. Mrs. I. F. Talbott was her father's Sister. Talbott wrote the obituaries for her folks.

McCarty #2



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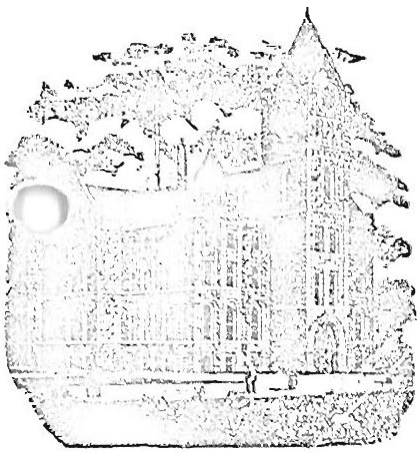
April 1, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Rev. William McClintick
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great-Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County June 1873
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled About 1 mile NW of
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Minister-Farmer-Nurseryman city of McPherson
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Early 1800's in Ohio Irish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 43
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Don't know
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, Kansas

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

He was a Free Methodist Minister and was elected 3rd mayor of city
of McPherson. He was mayor at time of his death March 25, 1879.

Your Signature: John L. Hughes
If woman, Maiden Name: RR - Marquette, Ks
Your address: RR - Marquette, Ks
Your occupation: Retired Farmer



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3/29/71
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Benjamin Franklin Mc Hill
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Twp 26-19-3 (SW 1/4)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer West Virginia - Scottish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County about 23-24
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? He had a timber claim
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: Martha Richardson - Lindborg
Jarvis Robinson - Lindborg
Michael Robinson

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? When B.F. Mc Hill was locating on the
timber claim he wrote back to West Virginia that
it looked like a town so it would be near by. This
was the City of McPherson. He served the country
as a Commissioner, and Representative at first. He
had been associated with the Farmers Alliance in
its beginning. It is an interesting fact that my great
grandfather & my husband's grandfather (C. H. Hill) served
as Commissioners at the same time.

Your Signature: Louise K. Robinson
If woman, Maiden Name: Mc Hill
Your address: 214 N. Cedar, Lindborg
Your occupation: Homemaker - Bookkeeper

10-25-83

Full name of your pioneer forefather Benjamin Franklin McGee
Your relationship to pioneer settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County May 10, 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather
settled SW 1/4 Sec. 26-19-3
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer - County Commissioner
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Baltimore Hills, Md. Scotch-English
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25
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:

You have them

Was the pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do
you have any interesting and pertinent information regard-
ing the pioneer settler which you feel is of particular
significance or interest? No, he was barely too young

He helped to found Farmers Alliance Ins. Co. Treasurer for many
years.

Information provided by- - Your signature Theda Nelson

If woman, maiden name Theda Felton Nelson

Your address Tascoff, Kansas

Your occupation Director of Services for
Aging - Ottawa County

I am sure of the date, I
lived with him & he told me of it
often.

Slosson and McGill Have Seen McPherson
Grow From Buffalo Wallows to Pavements

Sixty years of progress. That is what two McPherson men have seen since 1871. Sixty short years of building, building, building--a period like the conquest of Caesar in his little world many centuries ago.

Half a century ago it was a question of "to be or not to be" when one came to Kansas. It was not a problem of how he would like the climate or the water and housing facilities, but it was a question if he could live through the hardships the pioneers were forced to endure. Life in Kansas sixty years ago was as broad and hazardous as the Great American Desert of which Kansas was a part. It was the stepping stone to a greater empire, a unit of a stronger union, and the birth place of a mighty people who were to play a part in the world of affairs.

Only the eastern part of Kansas, named from the Indians, was known to any degree by the adventurous spirited pioneers who ventured westward in search of new homes. In 1871, just sixty years ago, H. L. Slosson and B. F. McGill were laboring in a small factory in Lawrence, Kans., with their hearts yearning to seek some adventure. Civilization was crowding around them. They could not feel the free and easy spirit of the uncrowded spaces of the prairie for it was getting so that "elbow room" was at a premium and the breath one breathed was "second hand."

Both of these men were unmarried at that time and naturally they were free to do as their conscience guided them. Free men, new country, and adventure went together and it was not until another young man who had passed through McPherson county had arrived in Lawrence that they realized they were going "west" to homestead.

It was in 1871 that their demand for adventure became unbearable when a friend of the two boys who had already taken out a homestead north of what is now Wichita and who had come back to Lawrence to work in the factory told them of the wonderful land in central KANSAS This friend

he had left his claim and traveled overland north until he hit the Santa Fe trail in what is now McPherson county, and then traveled along its route east to Lawrence. In McPherson county, he related to them, there was the best land in all the world on which to homestead. The grass was tall and heavy and the land was flat, and ideal for cultivation and grazing. -337

Young Slosson and McGill had been saving the money they had been making at the factory for some time and the appeal of their friend was too much for them. They met one night in a room near the factory and made their plans and reached a mutual agreement. Slosson was to furnish the horses and harness and McGill was to get the cooking utensils, and the wagon and cover. With their meager savings they outfitted themselves with two old horses, and a second hand wagon that was good enough to "suit the occasion."

Early in April of 1872 they hit the trail for McPherson county, the land of their dreams. The spring rains made the heavily traveled Santa Fe trail no means of easy transportation. Swollen streams had to be forded for there were no bridges, and more than once they nearly lost their entire outfit in the torrents of a raging river.

After many days of journeying the distance from Lawrence to McPherson was covered successfully with no mishaps to their spent horses and equipment. They were not disappointed in what they found, nor were they any too elated with the prospects of having to live in this new and seemingly wild country. When they settled they had no neighbors, for they were practically the first one's here.

In 1872 McPherson was a mere vision of the future for there was not one house, store, or "filling station" on the present site. There was nothing but prairie grass and more prairie grass with a little clump of trees here and another clump there. Trees grew along the streams where they were insured with water nearly the year round. Buffalo wallows penetrated the soil where Main Street now stands.

They picked the location for their two homesteads and these were -338- situated in the vicinity where the McPherson Cemetery is now plotted. They drove the stakes for their homesteads then made the 36 mile trip to Salina where they had to file their claim with the government land office.

Returning from Salina they were faced with the difficulties of breaking the soil and planting it to some crop, but their first troubles came when they started to erect their homes. No timber of any size or quantity was to be found near with which they might construct their huts. The young pioneers were not versed in the art of building prairie homes with the native sod for this was their first venture into pioneering. They solved this housing problem by making another journey to Salina where they purchased a meager supply of lumber and with this they built their first homes.

Each of the young men broke five acres of sod and planted it to corn, and as soon as this was completed they went to work improving their new holdings.

There was very little if any of the wild animal life left in this part of the state when Slosson and McGill arrived. The deer, antelope, and buffalo were gone. Mr. Slosson tells of an incident that happened during the first year he was here when he helped kill the last buffalo in McPherson county.

He was working in his field one day when a short distance to the south he saw a large bull buffalo lumbering along near a small creek. He summoned some of his neighbors, who were now beginning to settle the country and together they went out to bag their buffalo. The animal was a large shabby bull. They knew that it was one of the bulls that wandered from the main herd that must be along the Arkansas River somewhere west and south of here. The little group of hunters cautiously stalked their big game and coming up over a little rise of ground near the animal they opened fire with their rifles. With the first volley the large animal

crashed to the ground dead. It was the first buffalo that many of the little group had ever helped kill and to some of the settlers it was the first one they had seen. From that time on no other buffalo was seen in the county.

After they had broken a few acres of land and had erected their huts,, there was very little for them to do on their homesteads so McGill and Slosson again hitched the old team of horses to the wagon and headed farther west. Their aim was to go to Fort Dodge, out in western Kansas along the Arkansas River, where the main line of the Santa Fe was then building. They had heard that the railroad was hiring large gangs of men in building the right-of-ways and roadbeds, and while they were waiting for their crops to grow, they secured work. The long drive to the western part of the state was a great treat for them for they drove through new territory and in more arid districts than they had ever before seen.

Life in the railroad camps was one continual experience after another that might linger in the memories of one for years to come. As the laying of the rails continued westward saloons and gambling houses followed in their wake and these added to the merriment of the men who were working on the new line. Money was "easy come, easy go," and drunken brawls were not uncommon. Neither of the two men drank nor did they indulge in any of the games of chance, for they were saving their money to prove up on their homesteads back in McPherson county.

The railroad was not near the Arkansas River in many places and as a result the drinking water for the men was sometimes not fit to drink. Frequently men would become sick from the water and would have to go down to the river several miles distant where they could secure good drinking water. Mr. Slosson fell victim to this bad water and as a result he had to leave the railroad camp. Mr. McGill was anxious to continue with the line for some time yet and so he and Mr. Slosson parted for the time being. Mr. Slosson went back to his homestead in the wagon and the return trip to this county was an eventful journey.

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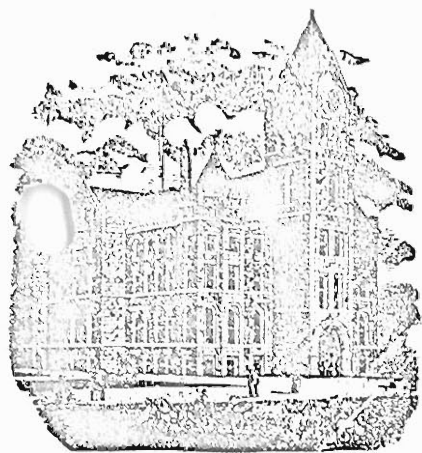
Soon after Slosson left Fort Dodge he noticed in the distance to the southeast across the river a black ribbon-like chain of hills. As he drew nearer he saw that the hills were not hills after all but that it was one gigantic herd of buffalo. None of the buffalo were on the north side of the river. The hot and dry weather had driven them down from the uplands and open prairies where they had been feeding and now the herd was grazing along the green bottoms of the Arkansas River.

It was a wonderful sight to Mr. Slosson, and for twenty miles he drove along the north side of the river without going out of sight of the big herd. For twenty miles this herd extended with thousands and thousands of shabby animals slowly ambling along the river banks. Many of the men working on the railroad deserted their labors and took up arms against the buffalo for the hides were bringing high prices at that time. Many thousands of buffalo were killed in the many drives they made against the herd.

Returning to McPherson county Mr. Slosson started making improvements on his homestead. By this time more settlers were beginning to come into the county and his neighbors were now closer together. The city of McPherson had been founded and the town lots surveyed. As soon as the first store was erected Mr. Slosson went to work in it as the first store clerk in McPherson. This store was known as the Bowker Store and the original building is now standing on the block with the County Jail and the City Library.

Soon after the Farmers Alliance Mercantile was established Mr. Slosson became manager and for 16 years he headed this organization. Later he purchased a large mercantile at Windom and for many years to follow he managed this store, but he still kept his home in McPherson.

Mrs. Slosson died a number of years ago and since then he has been living on North Main Street. Mr. McGill is still residing in McPherson and he is still connected with the Farmers Alliance Insurance Company.



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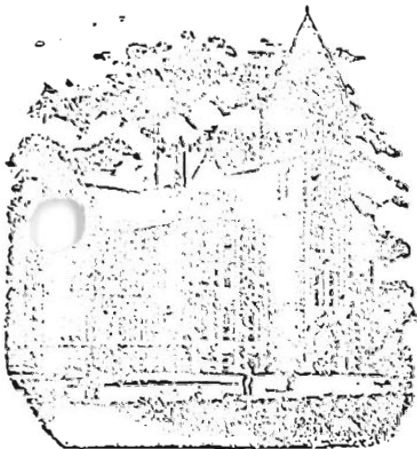
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March 31 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather David Marion Mills
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County October 1873
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Castle Township 19 Section 14
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Galick, Ill. French & German Descent
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Eighteen 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: Robert Emory Mills - son, lives at R.R. 1 Windom Kansas. A grandson also lives at R.R. 1 Windom Kansas.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular significance or interest? Helped put in the railroad from McPherson through to County line. He used a team he called Betty and Barney. He was very proud of them and quite a few of his fellow workers wanted them in the 1874 he broke and with a horse and open

Your Signature: Robert E. Miller
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: R.R. 1 Windom
Your occupation: Retired Farmer



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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Robert Minns
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1866 - 17 Probably Summer
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Blair, Sec. 31
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer England - Warwick, English
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 33 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: Robert Minns; Rural McPherson.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Grandfather lived in a dugout on Sharps Creek.
Later built log house east of creek & later a frame house.
He & grandmother often visited the Indians who took all their
bread, fresh baked - and all the buttons she used for children
clothing. They lived for Mrs. Barnett for some
time after the Indian raid - she lived 2 miles from
the Minns home. One time grandmother was forced
to put all 6 of her children on the kitchen table
to keep them from drowning in her. They lived
in the dugout.

Your Signature: Opal M. Bayless
If woman, Maiden Name: Opal Minns
Your address: 305 - Henderson Dr. McPherson, Kan.
Your occupation: Registered Nurse.
a graduate of McPherson Co. Hospital.

Mc Pleasant, Texas
April 16 - 1971.

Dear Mr Peterson:

Thank you for the letter and the farm to file -

In answer to your questions -

My Grand father was Robert Minns who settled on Sharps Creek - in 1866. I had always thought it was 1868. The land on which he settled still belongs to my mother who will be 90 years old Dec 1st. It has never been out of our family. My father brought my mother as a bride to that farm and they always lived on it. He farmed it as long as he was able and still cared for his stock until a week before he died at the age of 87 in Jan 1958. That land is now rented to Leamon Miller. I have a brother Harold B. Minns who lives in Heatridge, Colo. Robert Minns who lives east of McPherson is a great grand child. His father ~~Ray~~ Diego or "Dog" Minns as he was commonly called was a grand child of Robert Minns - but he, too, is dead some 5 or 6 years ago. Lester Minns is the grand child of Fred Minns who was Robt Minns Brother but he was never a homesteader. In fact I know very little about that family. Yes, Hannah Minns was my Grandmother - she too was born in England, Halesingham 1832. Grand father was born in Warwick 1827.

Robert Minns who lives east of McPherson has 3 sons and his Brother D.O. Jr - who died about

5 years ago also has 2 Sons, Robert, I believe
live in McPherson. His Sons are Gerald and
Ronald.

Robert's sons are Doyle, Douglas and Dean.

My Brother has no children - and I have
2 - Robert - 28 yrs of age and Carolyn 32 - of
course they are Bayles' but are descendants.

Mrs Lehmburg (who I once knew in Girl
Reserve work as Maurine Allen of Moundridge)
tells me you may publish some type of book
on McPherson Co. History - Will you let me
know if you do - I'd be most interested.

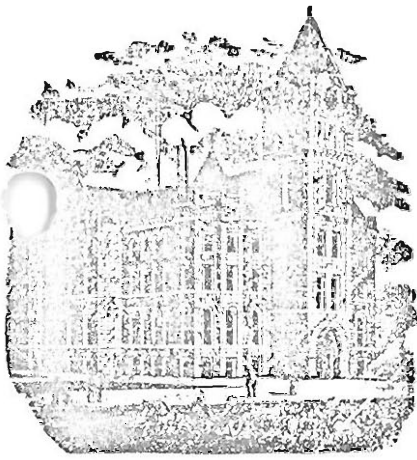
You should know me - I knew your father
and met people in and around McPherson
until 1940 - I graduated from the Hosp.
there - Spent about eight years doing private
duty, Hospital duty - worked for Dr. Heston
some and for Dr. Hodge 3 years. Joan
Lytle Harrah, Lucina Swanties, Lola Hodge
Francis Livingston were all good friends
of mine.

Thank you —

Sincerely,

Opal M. Bayles.

305 Henderson Drive
Mt Pleasant, Tex 75455



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8th

October 17, 1972.

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Moors
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Daughter
 Month and year settled in McPherson County May 1873
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 3 Kenedeland
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Casco Village Maine - Yon Keu
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24 yrs old
 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: William Moors 818 So Maple; Esther Bretches 321 W. Setz; Ruth Moors Hill 223 So Walnut; Ross Moors 516 No Oak; Fred Moors PFD R

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. Failed to pass Physical - He

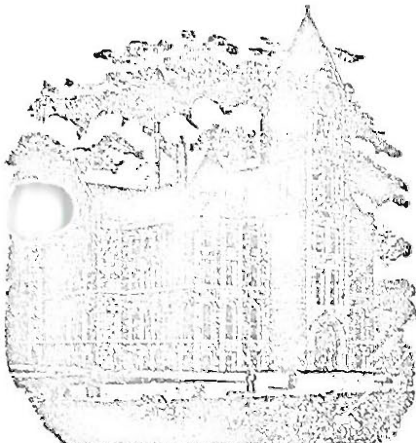
Died on his Homestead 9th Feb 1873 died May 27 1939
Broke leg in a fall according to descendant of a neighbor

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Esther Bretches (mshbyp)
 If woman, Maiden Name: Esther Moors
 Your address: 321 West Setz - McPherson
 Your occupation: _____

George A. & John Meers came
together and homesteaded adjacent
quarters - with Dagouts. George
married Ida Johnson but had no
descendants.

John Meers married Christina Johnson
had 3 boys and 2 girls: ^{Marion} Melborn, Charles ^{Maple} ^{Nordling}
and Chester (twins), Esther ^{Pratt} & Emma who
married J. W. Hiebert.



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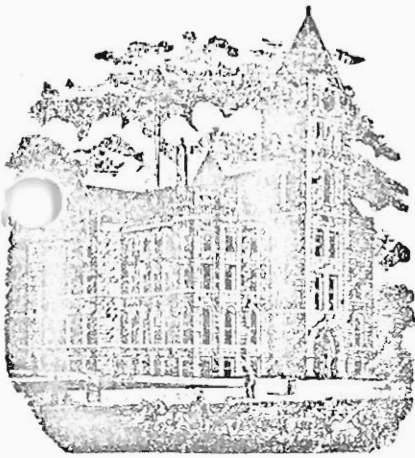
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Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Andrew Nelson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grand-daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1879
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Empire NW1/4 Sec. 9
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vasterland, Sweden Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 28
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
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: Emil Nelson, Windom, Kansas
Richard Lee Swick (son) - McPherson

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? No

Your Signature: Mildred Nelson Swick
If woman, Maiden Name: Mildred Nelson (Mrs. Ray)
Your address: 414 South Hartup
Your occupation: Housewife



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Oct 14 - 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Andrew Peter Nelson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County March or April 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW 1/4 1-19-3 McP. Twp.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Kalmar, Askershamm Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 38 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: Mrs Hannah (Nelson) Peterson 1002 N. Maple
McPherson Edwin Nelson 325 N. Main Lindbergh

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: Melford Nelson

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 1126 Fairview McPherson

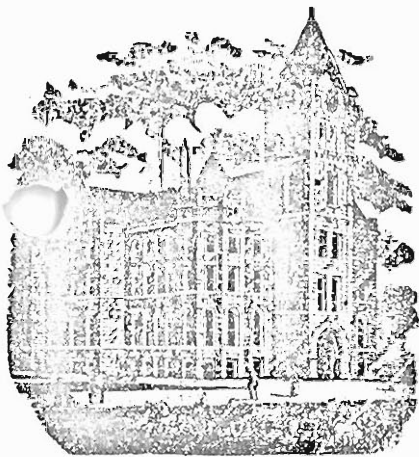
Your occupation: Retired Farmer

over

My Grandfather, came from Sweden
in 1868 lived in Paxton Ill. 3 years came
to Salina Ks 1871 came out here that fall
filed on homestead went back to Salina
and worked on the railroad that winter
moved out on the homestead in the spring
of 1872 lived in a dugout about 3 years
built a small house which still stands
but has been added to several times.

My father, C. J. A. Tubor was 7 years
old at that time.

A. J. Tubor, Jr.



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102nd Birthday of McPherson County.

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October 24, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Lars Nelson ^{Wife} (Lise Andersdotter-Nelson)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County July 24, 1872 or 3
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled E. 2nd Sec. 12-17.5
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer 52 SE 1/4 Sec. 12-17.5
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden - Dalarna - 1832.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 40?
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes.
Is homestead still in possession of family? No. - Oscar Petrick owns now.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: (see reverse side)

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 U.S. first to Illinois

Was married when he came to U.S. - Wife - Lise - After her death
he married Mary Hultgren - Children - 1st Marriage - Anna (married
a Thompson; Lise - married Erick Sjogren; Hannah (single); John; Oscar; Samuel
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Ernest C Barclay
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 211 N. Elm St. McPherson
Your occupation: Ret. Teacher

Digit. by Wm E. Davette & W. H. Wright
in 1995

Samuel was in Spanish American War - (did not return)
none of Boys married.

Theresa was Emory's mother's mother Husband Erick Sjogren.

Ten Children in Family

- 1 Clarence Sjogren
- 2 Chester Sjogren - son Kenneth and Marilyn.
- 3 Walter Sjogren
- 4 Waldor Sjogren
- 5 Julia (married Wm Barclay)
- 6 Edith (married Ray Leblond)
- 7 Mabel (married J. Holder)
- 8 ~~Elsie~~ Harold Sjogren (married Elsie Harrison)
- 9 Marnie. (married Albin Engdahl)
- 10 Edna. (married _____ Kramer)

Julia Barclay

1. Ralph Barclay (deceased)
2. Emory C. Barclay.

When alone he used to tell of early days and
when Indians would buy tobacco from settlers.

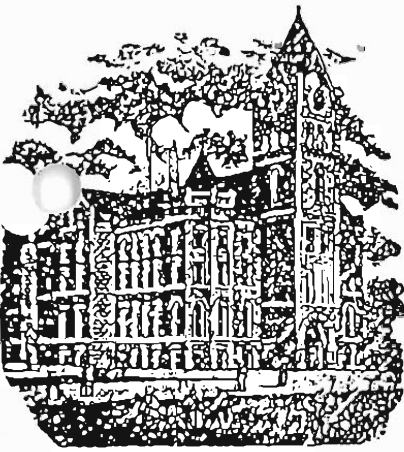
Kenneth working on family tree. Has many information.

Mrs. Carl Karsch (Hahn) also in this family

Bernice Engdahl - Hahn.

Lois Ann Hahn - Garretts

Kare Nelson Jr.



Rec: October ³¹, 1995.
Submitted 10-24-1972
by Emony Barker McPherson

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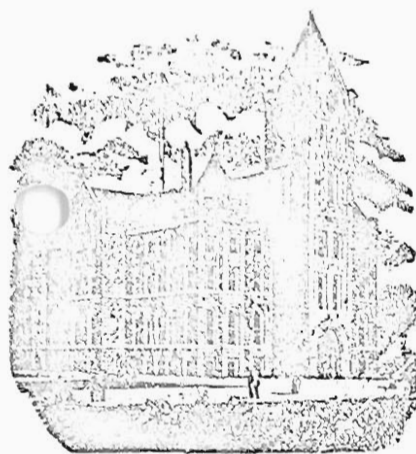
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Lars (Nilsson) Nelson and ^{in Sweden} Lisa (Anders-
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great-great ~~son~~ granddaughter ^{dotter)} Nelson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled Marquette Township ^(S-SE4-12-17-5)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Svartnäs, Dalarna Province, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 41 yrs. and 40 yrs. old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes - on 7-24-1878
Is homestead still in possession of family? No (I don't know for sure)
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Eleanor Burnison, R.R. Marquette; Sarah Jane Smith, Marquette; Glendora Elvin, Lindsborg; Ken Sjogren, Lindsborg; Jeanette Flohr, Lindsborg; Marilyn Hendrix, McPherson; Don Kramer, 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: Lisa Ann Hansen (Mrs. Wm. E.)
If woman, Maiden Name: Lisa Ann Nelson
Your address: 2142 West 18th Wichita, Ks. 67203
Your occupation: Homemaker (former teacher)

Lars and Lisa Nelson's daughter, Greta Lisa (known as Dizzy), married Erick Sjogren, who was also the son of a pioneer who settled in Marquette Township in 1869. Erick and Dizzy Sjogren were my great-grandparents. She came to Marquette with her parents from Sweden when she was 13 yrs. old. He came to Marquette with his parents in 1869 from Sweden.



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(1870 + prior)

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March 29, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Marta Lisa Jansson-Nelson (Mrs Swan Nelson)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler My grandmother's sister
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1880
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled S.E. 1/4 - 3-18-2
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farming and Cattle
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Laxarby, Sweden Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Marta Lisa, 22 years; Swan, 31 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes (Miss Selma Nelson)
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes, one daughter lives in Lindsborg
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson Co.
County? Names and addresses: Yes, Mrs. Robert Brandt, Lindsborg, Kansas

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? By hard work they were able to survive on the
Bounty of the land, they often witnessed the Indians crossing the
prairie lands. Interest in their home and family life led them into
becoming charter members in the Kristivalla Church.

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

OBITUARY.

SWAN NELSON

The funeral of Swan Nelson of Delmore was held on Saturday afternoon, December 29, 1905. Although the skies were threatening a large crowd was present at the home where Rev. Dorf conducted a short service in English at one o'clock. The remains were then taken to the New Gottland church where the funeral was held in the Swedish language and the remains laid to rest in the New Gottland cemetery. There were many beautiful floral designs from his many friends.

Mr. Nelson was well known and respected not only in the community in which he lived, but was a friend of almost all the old settlers in the county. He was a steady and industrious man and was successful in accumulating a goodly share of this world's goods, thus leaving his family well provided for. He was among the very earliest settlers in this part of the state as he homesteaded his farm in 1868 when bands of Indians, buffalo and deer roaming over the wild prairie were no uncommon sight. He had the privilege of watching all the nearby towns laid out and grow to their present condition. Salina was his nearest trading point.

When Mr. Nelson came to America from Sweden in 1864 he had barely enough money to pay his ship passage. In 1868 he came to Salina and tramping on foot across the prairies laid out a claim on Gypsum creek. For several years he made regular trips to Salina, a distance of twenty-six miles, bringing back provisions and supplies. One day a sick pony was left near his place by a band of Indians. Mr. Nelson succeeded in bringing the animal back to health and after that his trips for provisions were made on horse back.

Mr. Nelson's health had been poorly for a number of years but not serious. Christmas day he spent with the family and after eating supper he retired for the night. He was restless and did not go to sleep right away. He suddenly complained of a pain in his heart and before his wife could light the lamp he fell back lifeless. His Master had called him to finish the Christmas celebration in his eternal home. At the time of his death he was 62 years and 5 days of age.

He leaves a wife, four daughters and three sons to mourn his departure. The two eldest daughters are married to the Tarnstrom brothers.

The family have the sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement.

Jan. 4, 1906



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter Nelson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1888
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Township #12 S - 8-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Barabatzburg, Sweden (1844)
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: John H. Nelson, Hiwam (Wilma) Nelson, Larson, R. L. Lindberg, Mrs. Maynard (Vickie) Nelson, Anisett, Lindberg, Jr. 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? No

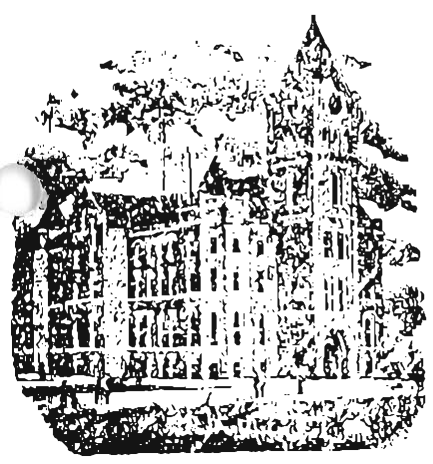
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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Doris Pearson
If woman, Maiden Name: Doris Nelson
Your address: 301 North Third Lindberg Kn.
Your occupation: Housewife (67436)



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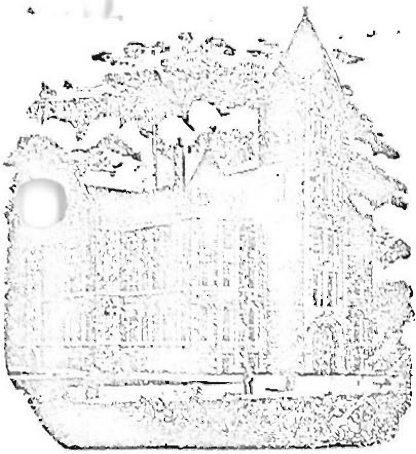
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Gunnar Olson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1889
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled So. 7 Lindsborg
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Norway - 1812
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 57 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: Margaret Gunnarson Soby, William Soby, Charles E. Soby, Mary Soby, Mark Lyell, Estika Lyell, Margo Lyell *all of 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? _____

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Clarence Gunnarson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 514 N. Chestnut
Your occupation: Teacher Lindsborg



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(1859 - 1870)

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101st Birthday of McPherson County.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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April 1, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Nils Olsson, Great Grandfather, and
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Peter Hedlund, Grandfather
Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Believed came from Sweden in 1870.
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gottland; S26, T.18
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and then had hardware store in early days
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Gotland, Sweden; Swedish. of McPherson.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Approximately 25 yrs.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes; SE/4, 26-185-3W.
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes; 1 quarter; my husband & I own this.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Grandson- Arnold Hedlund, 506 South Main,
McPherson.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Few old timers who recall homesteading, an old
atlas, and our family tree. (Story attached)

Your Signature: Virginia Mitchell (Mrs. Don)
If woman, Maiden Name: Hedlund
Your address: Route 2, McPherson, Kansas
Your occupation: Homemaker; Secretary

To homestead and make claim in New Gottland Township, my great grandfather, Nils Olsson (custom seems to be that names were changed after coming to America when the Swedes found there were too many Olsons, Petersons, etc.) and thus they named themselves Hedlund, as the three sons were all Hedlunds, this we know, and they were Jonas, Olaf, and Peter, my grandfather. The father and 3 sons staked their claim in center of N.G. Township, with each taking a corner of the dugout as his sleeping quarters, so that each could claim the quarter, so at this early day the whole section was owned by the Hedlunds. The SW/4 owned by Olaf Hedlund, and he in his later years moved to McPherson, and his daughter, Mrs. Joe Berggren, owned this place and believe her son, Andrew, still owns a portion of it. Jonas Hedlund staked claim to the NE/4 and owned this many years but this was sold to Anderson family, and Jonas went to McPherson where he was in the broomcorn business for many years. His two sons, Walter and Paul, operated the Ford agency in Elk City, Oklahoma. We believe then the NW/4 must have been staked by the father, Nils Hedlund, and then my grandfather, Peter Hedlund, staked and owned the SE/4, of which my father, Waldemar, became owner, and at his death, we purchased from the rest of the heirs. Seems Peter only lived till near middle age as both of my grandparents were deceased by the time my father was 21, and ~~he~~^{she} had gone to McPherson before his death and ran a hardware business, leaving the farming to my father. *Our grandfather, Peter Hedlund, to the best of our knowledge, was also a charter member of the New Gottland Evangelical Lutheran Church.*



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather (Jon Jönsson) → wif. Kerstin John Ostlind, Sr.
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County October 1971
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 18-17-3 McPherson
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer + railroad worker
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Gunnarskog Parish, Värmland SWEDEN
Pioneer's age when he settled in County born 8-13-1866
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes dug out to sod home
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: Bert Ostlind, 1763 Overland Rd, McP. - grandson
Bruce Ostlind 2064-16th McP great grandson, my name + address below

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?

Clipping copy enclosed about John Ostlind, Jr, son of pioneer

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: x Anita M. Chase

If woman, Maiden Name: Ostlind

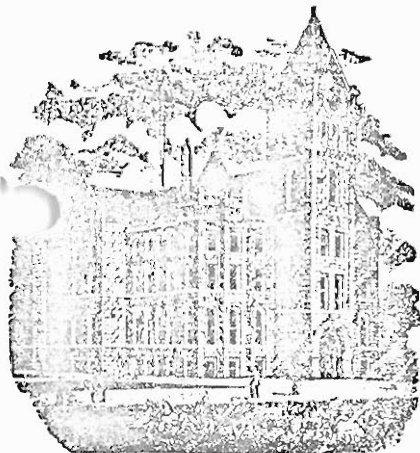
Your address: 632 E State, Lindsborg KS 67456

Your occupation: retired R. N.



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10-20-72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather William P. Pack
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County July 27, 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Twp. 22 S. Sec. 15
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer & Cattleman
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Monroe County, W. Virginia - English
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 27 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: Mrs. Nettie Pack - Hardke, 415 South
1st McPherson, Kansas, daughter of William P. Pack, age 7
and 4 - 82.
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: was a soldier in the
Civil War.

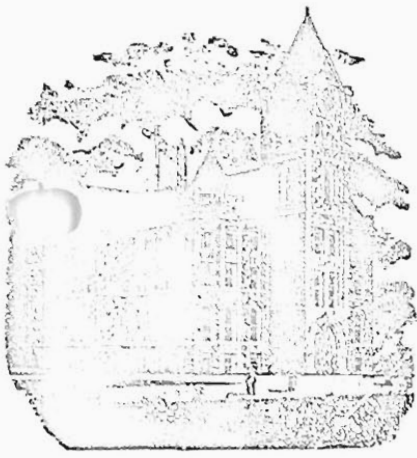
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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Ruth W. Pack

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address:

Your occupation: Retired (McPherson City - Pleasant)



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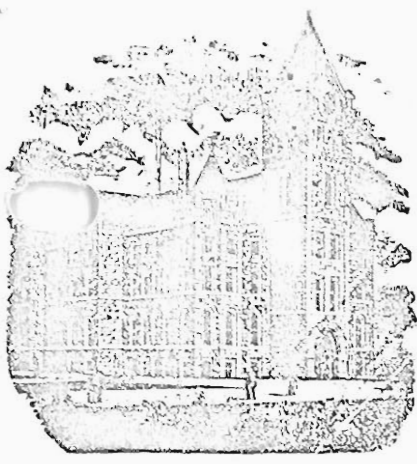
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3/29/71
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Nils J. Palmquist - Brita his wife
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 2-18-4 Harper
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer VENF, Sweden - Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 45 wife 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: Arthur Palmquist; Neil Yowell; Annie
Palmquist (wife of Neil); William Engstrom; Jerome Palmquist;
Charles Palmquist; Anne C. Palmquist; John & Susan Palmquist;
Michael & Irene Palmquist - all of Lindborg
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest?

Your Signature: Linn Peterson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 214 N. Cedar, Lindborg
Your occupation: Farmer



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(1810 and prior.)

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July 14 - 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Sven August Palmquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County Some time in 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union - Sec. 21 SE 4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden Smolen
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 58
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: Ruth Palmquist Sorenson Belknap home Lindbergh
Philip Palmquist 515 Windsor Lane McPherson
Elva Palmquist Nelson 1223 N Main - Almond's Children
Della Nelson, Mrs. Nelson Howe (Gregory Bradley and Janice James Howe.)

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

He was a charter member of the Freemount Congregation

The three children listed are children of
Almond Palmquist

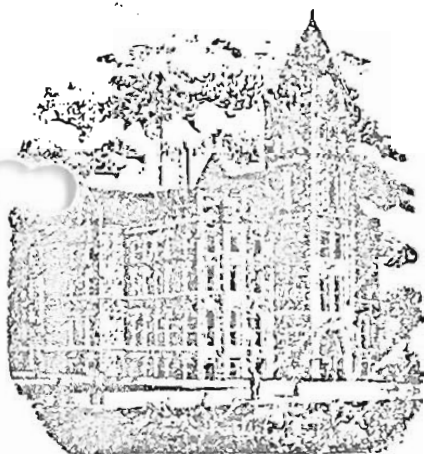
He came to Freemount from Galeburg, Ill

Philip born in 1892.

Your Signature: Philip Palmquist
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 515 Windsor Lane
Your occupation: Retired

1. Almond - (son) - daughters Ruth & Elsie; son Philip
Almond - J. E. Marston Sisters - _____ + _____ Flohr
2. John Edward - healed rock & build
Daughters:
1. Eleanor
2. Ethel

3. Will Kalmfurst - Judge + Sheriff
San Juan Co., Colorado
Daughters:
1. Blanche - _____
2. Agnes - _____
Albion
Gunnville in Durango



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Loren August Palmquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandchild
Month and year settled in McPherson County February 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Freemont area
Occupation of Pioneer Settler tailor in Sweden, farmer in America
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smalan, Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 58
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: Ethel D. Palmquist, Lindborg, Elva Nelson, McPherson, the Lundstroms - Lawrence, Allen, Robert E. 2212 S. M. St., Mrs. Don (Els) Howe and Gregory, Broadway and Janice Howe
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, or do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? _____

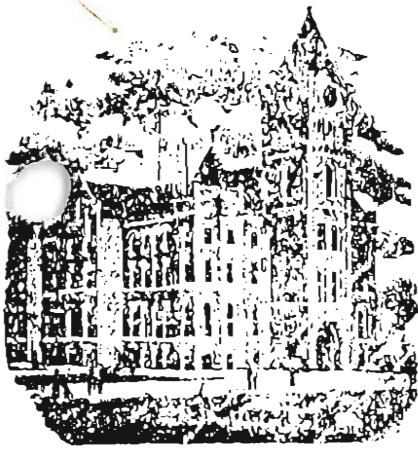
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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X

If woman, Maiden Name: Ethel D. Palmquist

Your address: 420 E.oline

Your occupation: Lindborg, Kans. 67456



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Sven August Palmquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County February 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SE 1/4 Sec 21, Township 17-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Tailor in former state - Farmer and homesteader
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born in Småland, Kalmar län 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: Mrs. Chester Weide (Caroline Johnson) S. Washington Lindborg Co.
Mr. James Maitland Johnson Lindborg 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? No

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Warren L. Johnson

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: Box 310 228 S. Chestnut

Your occupation: Hardware Merchant



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Palmquist family reunion held

The annual Flohr-Palmquist Family Reunion was held on September 28, 2003, at the Freemount Lutheran Church near Lindsborg. A number of family members attended church services and enjoyed a duet by Nancy McCullough and Leah Ann Anderson, who sang "This Little Light of Mine." Over fifty relatives enjoyed a delicious potluck supper.

After the meal, the business meeting was opened by Emma Sundberg, President. The first verse of "Children of the Heavenly Father" was sung in Swedish and English. Devotions given by Elston Flohr were from Psalms 111. Roll call of members present from each family was as follows: John Peter Flohr, 7 members present; Johanna Flohr Ekstrom, 2 present; Elizabeth Flohr Palmquist, 3 present; Charley Flohr, 16 present; and Emma Flohr Palmquist, 18 members present.

Lois Howe, granddaughter of Emma Flohr Palmquist, shared memories of her grandmother. Emma Flohr Palmquist was born in 1862 in Sweden, the youngest of eight. She has 12 children, 30 grandchildren, 68 great-grandchildren and 82 great-great-grandchildren. Lois had a scrapbook of family photos for everyone to look at.

Emma reminded everyone to sign the guest registry. Notes were read from Frances Cade and Patsy Flohr Fitch. Frances is homebound and in a wheelchair. Patsy is ill and couldn't attend the reunion either. Cards were signed for Pearl Peterson, Ethel Flohr, Donald and Patsy Fitch and Frances Cade. John Nelson had genealogy books for those who wanted one and updates for those who already have books.

The minutes were approved as read. It was decided to have next year's reunion at the Walsburg Lutheran Church near Leonardville on the fourth Sunday in September. Elston Flohr gave the historian's report. Officers elected for next year were Alice Farmer, President, and Kathy Dinkel, Secretary-Treasurer. The oldest person present was Marlin Young. The youngest was Signe Howe.

Those attending the reunion were: From Lindsborg: Emma Sundberg, Don and Lois Howe, Margie Johnson Lloyd, John and Margaret Nelson, Lucille Johnson, Elston Flohr, Brad, Marsha, Emily and Signe Howe, Bob and Maridene Lundstrom, Dallas Nelson, John and Jeanette Flohr, Ralph and Ruth Flohr, Jim Flohr, Eleanor Lundquist,

Marjorie Swenson. From McPherson: Jennifer and Charles Kinzel, Lucy and Mike Wattine, Charles and Lucy Johnson, Richard and Janet Gregwire. From Hutchinson: Helen and Leo Rogers. From El Dorado: Ted and Alice Farmer. From Assaria: Ed, Kathy and Eric Dinkel.

From Salina: Betty Young Zorn and Steve Michel. From Marquette: Marlin and Marilyn Young, Joan Wickstrom. From Randolph: Jerome Flohr, Veryl Flohr, Russell and Terry Peterson. From St. George: Marcia Stockam. From Frankfort: Brent and Melanie Hawkinson.

Elva Nelson

LINDSBORG — Elva G. Nelson of the Bethany Home died Nov. 16, 1989, in Asbury-Salina Regional Medical Center. She was 84.

Born May 14, 1905, in Harper Township of McPherson County, she was the daughter of Almond and Emma (Flohr) Palmquist. She married Clarence F. Nelson Oct. 24, 1925, in Hutchinson. He died Jan. 12, 1979. A retired nurse aide at Memorial Hospital, McPherson, Mrs. Nelson moved to Lindsborg from McPherson in 1985. She was a member of Freemount Lutheran Church, rural Lindsborg.

Survivors include a son, Dallas Nelson; a daughter, Lois Howe, both of Lindsborg; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted 11 a.m. Monday by the Revs. Stanley Swan-

son and Don Hawk in Freemount Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Freemount Lutheran Cemetery. There will be no visitation.

Memorials are suggested to the Freemount Lutheran Church, New Gottland Lutheran Church, Bethany Home or the McPherson County Humane Society in care of Anderson-Hays Funeral Home.

Written by Almond Bengtson

I was born in (Berlin) now called Sweden
Ill. Sept 29 - 1859.

my father Sven August and mother
Anna Sophia and sisters Emma ^{Sophia August} & ^{Augusta} Ida
& brother Ed came from Smaland, Kalmar
lan Sweden in Aug. 1858 in a sailing
vessel. Were 6 weeks on the way.

Four children were born in Ill.
namely Almond, Mary Ellen, Ida Cecilia
and William Nathaniel.

Father was a tailor. Would go to
the homes to do the sewing.

Attended public school 4 yrs in
Ill. Belonged to the Swedish Lutheran

church there. Rev. Jonas Swenson
and Rev. A. Andreen were ministers.

Was baptized by Rev. Jonas Swenson
Mr & Mrs John Rodell were the sponsors

Mother had suggested they move
to Kans and start farming being the

boys were were old enough to help
but she passed away in 1868.

Father and family left for Kans in
1870.

(Called the Capekberg Land Company

in 1868 they organized a land company
and sent them men to Kansas to locate land
they selected land in the Smoky Valley

2-160 acres for each member and the members
drew lot as to which piece of land they should have
the price was from 2.00 to 3.10 dollars per acre
they chartered a passenger coach and freight car
in Salisbury Ills to take us to Kansas

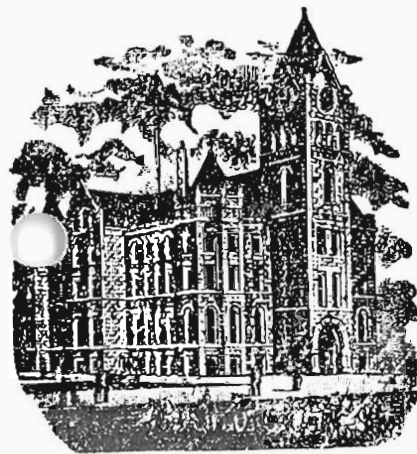
we got to Salina about sundown Feb 8th
there was not room for us all in hotel or friends
homes so some of us slept in a house being
built without doors or windows slept on the
floor. The next day Mr John Rodoli came to meet
us and sister Emma on Feb 9th and William
went with him to Fairmount
the men had to wait in Salina for the freight train
they came the next day with the horses and wagon and some
gear. we lived in a dugout until father got the horse built
on south east quarter sec 21 township 17 range 24 west

the first job I had was herding cows for 2 months
for 1.5 cent a week was there 3 weeks had to go
a foot then I got a job herding cattle for 25¢ a
month and had a pony in the fall I got another
job at 8.00 a month on sharp creek had to stay out
in all kind of weather froze my toes during
the Christmas holidays the people name was
Maxwell the next summer I headed for
Stevens at first along the river and later
in a steamy built of heavy tar paper shed
to prepare my horses and take care of 200
head of cattle

Almond Palmquist?

I was promised 12 dollars a month but they were
dishonest people and when I brought the cattle
home in a snow storm they paid me only 8 dollars a
month after that I was home farming for

Father untill I got married to Emma Caroline
Flohr in 1880 we lived happy together for 60 yrs
and had 12 as fine and good children as you
can find any where she passed away in 1919



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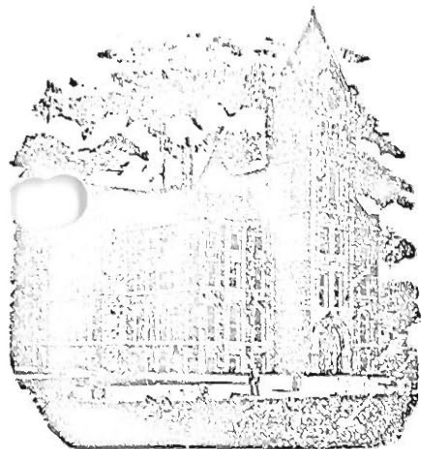
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Heinrich Pauly
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler "My Grandfather"
Month and year settled in McPherson County Feb 1892 - 1868
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled
Occupation of Pioneer Settler N. W. Quarter of N. W. quarter
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Alexander 3rd Little Valley
Pioneer's age when he settled in County
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes grandson born on this 40 in
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: 1895 own this 40 My son farms it
In 1890 Grandfather was killed by a runaway team in Undermyer
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? Mr David C. Pauly

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: x D. C. Pauly (Rev)
If woman, Maiden Name:
Your address: Albion Kas
Your occupation: Retired Farmer



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(1870 + Prior.)

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101st Birthday of McPherson County.

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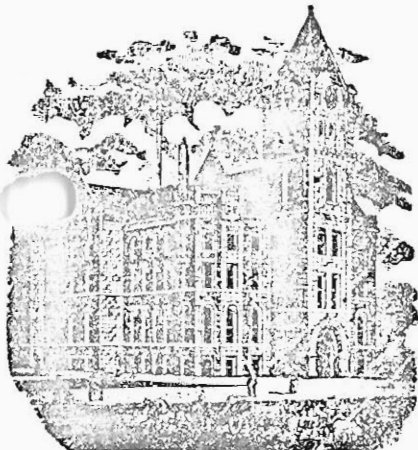
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March 31-1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather August (Gust) Peterson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Marquette, Kans.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Construction worker, farmer, hardware, Postmaster
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Väster-götland, Sweden Aug. 10-1854
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 19 years old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? no
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: James R. Peterson and family.

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

Your Signature: Mrs Richard H. Peterson
If woman, Maiden Name: Geneva Burdison
Your address: Marquette, Kans.
Your occupation: Housewife



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October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

October 21, 1972.
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Ingewert A. Petersen (Petersen)
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. (SE¹/₄) 3-19-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Stockman
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer North Schleswig, Denmark (Lille Emmerske)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Born March 13, 1849 - 22 Years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes. Sold claim to Chris Matson-1872
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. John E. Carlson, 522 N. Ash - Daughter.

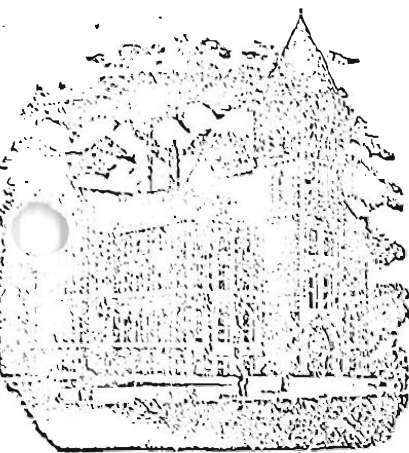
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No. Came to McPherson County with several Janes from Lawrence, Kansas - Matson, Petersen, Gibson. Sold out claim to go West to California and the gold mines, also Nevada including Virginia City. Later returned to Denmark, then back to Kansas to buy a farm NE¹/₄ Sec. 1-18-3. 1883.
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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: [Signature]

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 540 East Hill St., McPherson.

Your occupation: City Clerk



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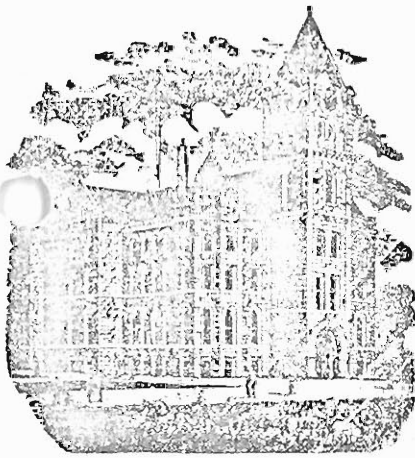
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March 24th 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Mattis Pool
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grand Father
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1874 or 1875 around 1870.
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Smoky Hill 20² 784
Dec 26
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 21 or 22
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes, final papers filed 7-29-1880
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: Leonard Patrick, Reuben Patrick and
their children, Lindsborg. Oscar Patrick & his sons, Marquette
Mrs. Joe Blomberg, Lindsborg. Donald Patrick, 623 N. Maple
McPherson. Oscar Johnson Jr., Lindsborg. Mrs. Arlie Holm, Salva
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Mattis Pool came to America leaving
his wife and two children in Sweden until he had
a place for them to live. How much later they
came I do not know. A summer cyclone mid-
afternoon in the late 80s took their home and
left them only a cave. Great Grandpa Pool & a son
were in the field working and Great Grandma
& the rest of the family saw the cloud and
went to the cave. No more lives were lost
but all their material possessions were blown away.

Linn Peterson
p. 62. Pioneer Spanish American
Culture - Best

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



Mrs. Nola Paulsen

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10-18-72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Paul P. Paulsen
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1878?
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gattland 25-18-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Adeline Co. 1868 - Carpenter + Cabinet maker - farmer
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: Corne H. Paulsen
Hickory Manor
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? Rode his horse out of Latvia for Carpenter work until he homesteaded. Went through Agri College in Sweden - Army on hand.

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Nola Paulsen (Sond)
If woman, Maiden Name: Corbett
Your address: Box 37, Latvia, Kansas
Your occupation: Farmer & Gas Station

(Maxine has more information) not Paul

Paulsen - (brother of)
Vergel Loderne
Gordon
Verna Gordon
Maxine Tilbury
Frances Bugman

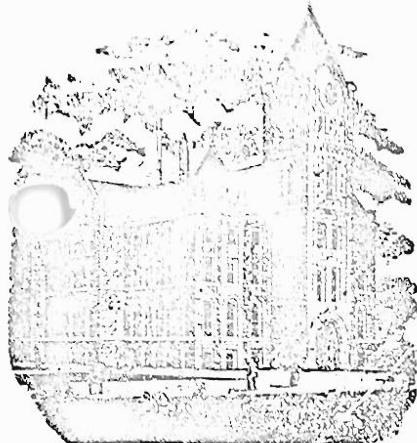
(young) Minnie Paulsen (and) Strongjust
Leslie Strongjust.

1845.
1850

19 (dead) Herman Paulsen
(no family) deceased

y Pauline Newell married to
(3 sons.) deceased.

1 ho.
2 — (boy)
3 — (boy)



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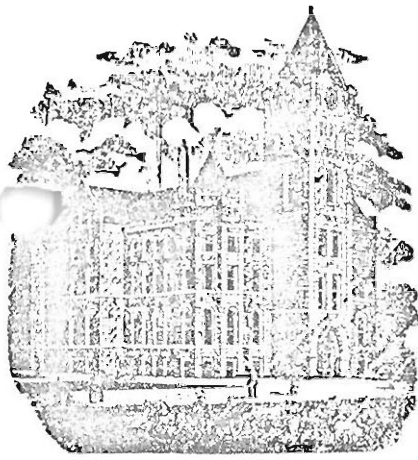
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March 19, 1971.
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Sanford Reese
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County May 15, 1866
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 1/4 Sec. 31-17-1.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer New York
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
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 Reese, McPherson Great Grandson
G. Arthur Reese - son of Sanford Clyde Reese, Roxbury " "
Elmer Reese - son of G.A. (Peggy Reese-Tolle (Mrs. Laverne), Roxbury G D
Father of ...
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Interesting story - p. 12-15, pioneer Life &
Lore of McPherson County, Kansas. 1932 Edna Nyquist.

Your Signature: _____
If woman, Maiden Name: Elmer Reese
Your address: Roxbury, Kansas.
Your occupation: _____



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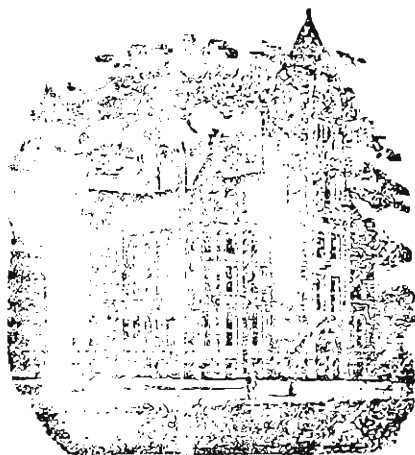
October 14, 1972.
 Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Bernhard Reichert
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
 Month and year settled in McPherson County June 1, 1871. Stake claim in Spring of 1870
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 1/4 13, 20 (K.C. Twp.)
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer - Stock raiser
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Germany - German
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County Not sure Born 1838 - age 33
 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: Great Grand son Dennis Reichert - McPherson
Great Grand-daughter Agnes Reichert, McPherson, Great Grand-daughter Beulah
Carey, 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? Was an Ohio Volunteer - with Sherman's March to The Sea. Came to Kansas with AshTabula Colony

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Arthur W. Reichert
 If woman, Maiden Name: _____
 Your address: RR #1, Box 160
 Your occupation: Farmer - Stockman

Dear Folks: We would like to have this completed on your grandfather, and returned to me by Wednesday, Oct. 18th. We are selling tickets for the banquet-a Swedish Smorgasbord at Lindsborg- \$2.50 per person. Families will be recognized. We want the information whether or not you plan to attend. Thanks. Linn Peterson



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105th Birthday of McPherson County

Register of Pioneer Families of McPherson Co., Kansas

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OCT. 14, 1975
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Lyman Benjamin Register
Your relationship to Pioneer Settler daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson Co. 1874 - Homesteaded 4/20/1882
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled
SW 1/4 of Sec. 6 - Twp. 19 - Range 5 Windsor, Kansas
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer near London, England (Eng.)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 32 yrs. old ish
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. Russell Swanson (granddaughter - living on the homestead); Mrs. Virgil Cory (great granddaughter) Windsor; Lloyd Lyman Harter (grandson) Windsor
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

Information provided by---Your signature Hattie Harter
If woman, Maiden Name Sarah Harrier Harter
Your address Box 13, Windsor, Kans.
Your occupation housewife 67491

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Lyman Register was 13 years old when he joined Co. A, 179th Ohio Infantry Volunteers at Medina, Ohio. He placed a piece of paper with "16" in his shoe & volunteered as "over 16". He served as Pvt. from Aug. 16, 1864 to May 27, 1865. ~~Discharged at Nashville, Tenn. when they~~ found out his real age—by reason of "Instructions from War Dept."

Mr. Register was born Sept. 22, 1850 near London, England and came to the U.S. with his parents George and Harriet (Lawes) Register when he was 4 years old. The family lived near Medina, Ohio and Minnesota. He came here alone and homesteaded the farm is now occupied by his third generation. He married Mrs. Dora Osborn Foley on March 1, 1896.

^{THE} Mr. Register's name is inscribed on the plaque of General McPherson Statue in the McPherson Park.
d. Feb. 18, 1925



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Lyman B. Register
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Probably Spring of 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 26-19-5
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farming
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer English b. near London, England
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24 yrs. old
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? He was a Private in Company A, 179th Regiment of The Ohio Volunteers for 10 months. He was only 14 years old. He had the number "16" in his shoe and told them he was "over 16". Honorably discharged.
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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Phyllis Swanson
If woman, Maiden Name: Phyllis L. Flaster
Your address: 87 Navajo Rd, Windom,
Your occupation: housewife 25.42491



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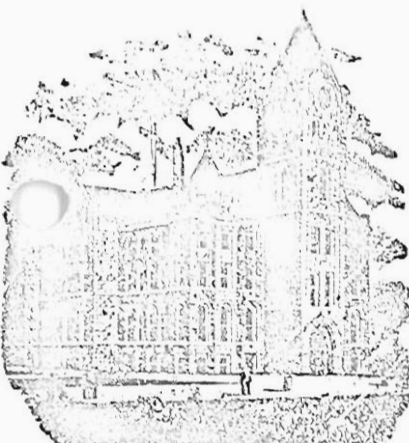
OBITUARY

Lyman B. Register was born September 22, 1850, near London, England, and passed away February 18th, 1925, about 7:20 a. m., at the age of 74 years, 4 months and 27 days, at his home in McPherson, Kansas. When four years of age, he came with his parents from England to Medina, Ohio. They moved from Ohio to Minnesota, where they made their home for some time. In 1874 he came to Kansas, taking up a claim three miles north of Windom, Kansas, where he endured the hardships of the early days. He moved to McPherson, Kansas, in August, 1920. He was married to Mrs. Dora Foley, March 1st, 1896, one step-son and one step-daughter making their home with them. One step-son lived with his grandparents. Three daughters were born to this union, Rosie Nell, who passed away in infancy; Ida Ethel, who brightened their home for fifteen short years, when the dear Savior called her home, and Mrs. Hattie Harter, now living in Hutchinson, Kansas. He served as a Private in Co. A. of the 179th regiment of the Ohio volunteers, serving ten months. He was always a kind and loving husband and father; his step-children he loved and cared for the same as his own. His life was ever the same from one day to another. He made many friends and always enjoyed their company. He had been in poor health for over a year, but not in bed but a short time during the last two months, of which he was a constant sufferer. But through it all he passed peacefully to the Great Beyond, and the angel of death came to him as a welcome guest, a deliverer, an emancipator. He has four living brothers, his four sisters passing on some years ago. He leaves to mourn his loss, his loving wife, one daughter, Mrs. Hattie Harter, of Hutchinson, Kansas, one step-daughter, Mrs. Nora Waldo of Hutchinson, Kansas, Mr. Chris. Foley of Pendleton, Oregon, Frank Foley of Denver, Colorado, and seven grandchildren, Edith Waldo, Rea Waldo, Lucinda Waldo, Lila Harter, Lloyd Harter, Phyllis Harter, and Franklin Foley, Jr.

Funeral services were conducted in the Christian Church at Windom, Kansas, by R. P. McPherson, Christian minister of McPherson, Kansas, and the body laid to rest in the Little River cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our many friends who assisted us during the illness and death of our beloved husband, father and grandfather, for the many floral offerings and especially do we thank the Windom choir, the American Legion and those who furnished cars. MRS. EMMA D. REGISTER, MR. and MRS. H. D. HARTER AND FAMILY.



McPHERSON COUNTY
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INC.

McPHERSON, KANSAS 67460

(1870 + prior)

(To be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the
2nd Annual Banquet of two County Historical Societies, April 3, 1971)

101st Birthday of McPherson County.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

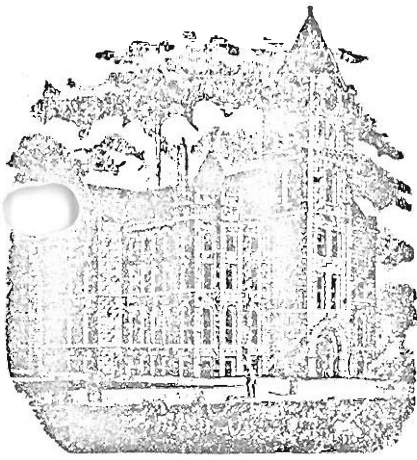
(To be completed and returned to Linn Peterson, President of
McPherson County Historical Society, prior to Banquet)

March 29, 1971.
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather John P. Rodell
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great Granddaughter.
Month and year settled in McPherson County February of 1869. (Galesburg Company)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 28-17-4 (Union.)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
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: Mr. Abner Lundquist- R.#1, Lingborg, (His Mother.)

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? John P. Rodell was very prominent in the organization
of the Freemount Lutheran Church, being a charter member. On June 12, 1869, 35
men women and children met in the John P. Stromquist dugout to organize the
congregation- the group included 18 men, and John P. Rodell was elected Chairman
and John P. Stromquist, Secretary. He was also instrumental in helping organize
school in the area during the time that Dr. Olof Olsson was County Superintendent
in the first years of the County. Freemount District No. 5, probably met first
in the church. He also was prominent in getting the first church bell for the
Church, which was destroyed when the church was burned after being struck by
lightning. The bell was melted down, and many bookends made from it for members
of the congregation.

Your Signature: Mrs. C. M. Benton
If woman, Maiden Name: Miss Rodell
Your address: R#1 - McPherson, Kan
Your occupation: Housewife



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10-14-72
Date

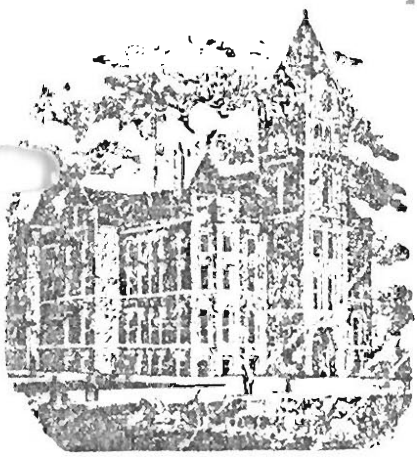
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather N J Victor Sand
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler son
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1877
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW 7-19-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Agriculture
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Oskar Thomsen Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 19 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? He bought place from Homesteaders
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. except 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

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Clarence H Sand
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: _____
Your occupation: _____

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rain - 12-22-1858
died 5-4-1935

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Nels Jon Victor Sand
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1897
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Lindsborg Area Sub Sec 7-19-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Oskarshamn, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 19
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
(over)

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 Lawrence Sand
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: R.R. 3 McPherson, Ks.
Your occupation: Maintenance

Laurence E. Sand - (grandson)

Betty Jean Sand Gili (granddaughter)

Kit Lee Sand - great grandsons

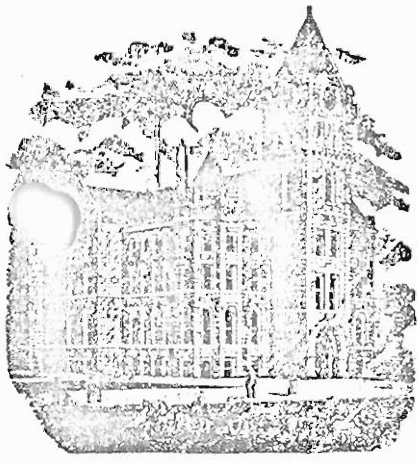
Kandi Lin Sand Koehn - great granddaughter

Sandra Kay Gili Kaufman - great granddaughter

Barbara LaNette Sand Welister - great granddaughter

Benita Le Ann Sand Landgren - great granddaughter

Bernice LaNay Sand - great granddaughter



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Oct. 16, 1972
Date

*Selected
Land in 1872*

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Peter Seelberg
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County March 23 1873 19
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW 4 Section 5 - Range 3W
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Morlanda Smolan Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 49 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: Leila Lovett - Conway - Edith Herbert 700 E. Madison

The above are granddaughters

McPherson

Greatest grandchildren are on reverse side of this paper.
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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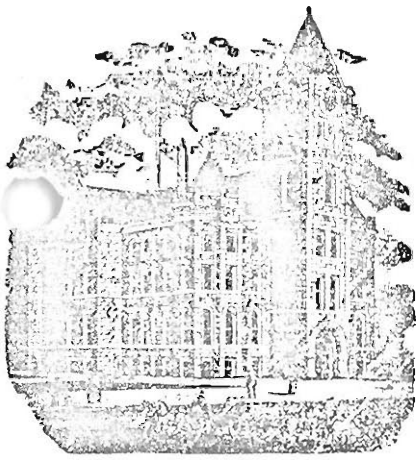
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Lila A. Tector
If woman, Maiden Name: Lila A. Seelberg
Your address: Osola, Kansas
Your occupation: Retired

Ch. McPherson Co.

Great grandchildren of J. P. Sellberg
Le Roy Sellberg 5 Senora Mr. McPherson
Robert Sellberg Route 3 McPherson
Marie Larson Route 3 McPherson
Marvin Sellberg Route 3 McPherson
Waneta Beattie Conway, Kansas
Mildred Malm 428 North Carrie McPherson
Beulah Malm Lindsberg, Kansas
Elmer Cooper 527 East Hill McPherson
Donald Herbers 700 East Marlin McPherson
Ivan Sellberg 201 South Maple Lindsberg

Many great-great grandchildren also

Great-great-great grandchildren in McPherson County



Dupl. 10.28.98
by Eleanor Smith
(myself)

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Oct., 5, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather George Wilson Shelley
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County August 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Probably Sec 34 of McP.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer (but later transferred & moved to Sec 22)
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Franklin, Erie Co, Penna. Long Scotch ancestry.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24 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: His daughter Grace married John Macklin. They are both dead but their son Herbert Macklin & family live north of Canton and two daughters - Mrs "Jack" Smith of Galva and Mrs Dorothy Tolle of
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? Just missed the war because of youth.
(See reverse side for other items)

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

Information provided by - SON - Your Signature: Wilson E. Shelley

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 1314 E. Fairchild, McPherson

Your occupation: was farmer but now 85 and retired.

My grandmother's son & family

Rev. Ambrose Shelley Jr. - Grandfather -

Father helped build the first building built in McP. City, working for Mr Bowker on it in July of 1872. After it was built, his father (my grandfather) who was a United Brethren minister, preached several Sundays in the Autumn of 1872 in that Bowker bldg. Sometimes when the weather was be only the Shelley's and the Bowker's attended.

In October of 1871, my father (Geo. W. S.) was followed to McP. by Rev. Ambrose Shelley Jr & wife and also Aunt (Mrs. M. E. Blood) and her son Foster and daughter Rosa. All of them except Rosa are buried in McP. Cemetery. (South West) - Rand Stone.

Again writing of my father, the Edwards Historical Atlas of McP. Co, issued in 1884, records that when McPherson township was organized, Feb. 24th, 1873, George W Shelley was the first Clerk.

Rosa married Geo Foster - near Hutchinson (East.) Kent.

Shelley first Homestead South of McPherson.

Father's sister, Nancy, married to John Hall, father of Fred Hall. North of Winifred, (Oscar Hall, wife Mary, sister Mary (married father) father - married Hancock. Geo's father was William. Vernon Shaw - was half second cousin of William Shelley. sister (Mary) - married Shaw. William Hall - father of Mary - wife's sister "Mabel".

Survivors in McPherson County-- of George Wilson Shelley

Grandchildren--

Eleanor Macklin Smith
Box 535, Galva, Ks. 67443

Herbert A. Macklin
Rt. 1 Box 13
Canton, Ks. 67428

Dorothy Macklin Tolle
Rt. 1, Box 95
Gypsum, Ks. 67448

Great Grandchildren

Phyllis Macklin Schmidt
1016 Sycamore Place
McPherson, Ks. 67460

Lana Macklin Wilson
Rte 1 Box 48
Canton, Ks. 67428

Gordon G. Tolle
Box 122
Inman, Ks. 67546

Survivors -- Out of County

Grandchildren

Wilbar R. Macklin
510 N. 19th St. #37
Canon City, Colorado 81212

Great Grandchildren

Janice I Goering
Box 223
Flagler, Co. 80815

Shirley M. Brumbaugh
621 Ft. Uncompahgre
Grand Junction, Co. 81504

Keith L. Fasnacht
3249 Main St. Apt. #4
Clifton, Co. 81520

Glen F. Fasnacht
600 E. Sherman
Hutchinson, Ks. 67501

Ann J. Bartholomew
1207 Forrest
Hutchinson, Ks. 67501

Great Grandchildren - Continued

Donald Macklin

Bartlesville, Ok. 74003

Elaine Macklin Harder
P.O. Box 1087
Laramie, Wy. 82070

Joann Macklin Holman

Oklahoma City, Ok

Mary Ann Tolle Bettis
8745 Riley
Overland Park. Ks. 66212

Barry Macklin
609 N. Reynolds
Canon City, Co. 81212

Robert Macklin

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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather George Wilson Shelley
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County August 11, 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled McPherson Twsp.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Erie County, Pennsylvania; English
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes, was one of first four
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: Herbert A. Macklin Rt. 1 Box 13 Dorothy Macklin Tolle Rt. 1 Box 95
Eleanor Macklin Smith Box 535 Galva, Ks. 67443 Canton, Ks 67428 Gypsum, Ks. 67448
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: Eleanor Smith

If woman, Maiden Name: Eleanor Macklin

Your address: Box 535, Galva Ks 67443

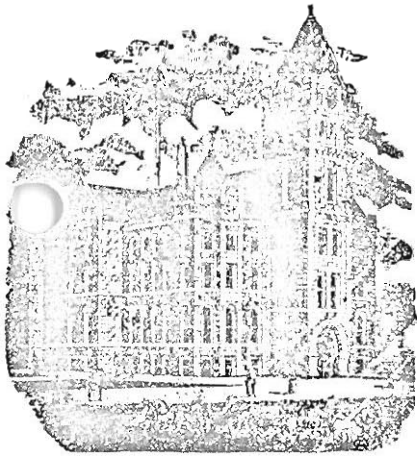
Your occupation: Retired



OBITUARY

George Wilson Shelley was born in Franklin township, Erie County, Pennsylvania, January 3, 1847, but in November, 1848 he and his parents moved to Ashtabula County, Ohio. While there George became a member of the United Brethren in Christ at the age of about twelve years. His father, Ambrose Shelley, Jr., was a minister of that faith and it is interesting to note that after their removal to Kansas it was he who first preached a sermon in McPherson. At the age of 24 George came to Kansas arriving in Allen County, April 17, 1871. About three weeks later he, with two or three other young men walked through southern and central Kansas seeking a location and finally choosing McPherson County. They walked back to Allen Co., for harvest and then with a wagon and yoke of oxen came to make McPherson county their home. Thus Geo. W. Shelley was a real pioneer of this community. He and three others filed on claims August 11, 1871, being the first settlers to file on land in McPherson township. In October of the same year his parents and sister joined him here. This was before there were railroads or even a townsite here and the next year when Mr. Bowker erected McPherson's first building Mr. Shelley helped in its construction. Although unassuming and never much in public life he always, in a quiet way, assisted with those religious, educational and civic enterprises that build a worth while community life. After the United Brethren Church at McPherson disbanded he did not again affiliate with any Church but never lost his

belief in his Lord nor his interest in his Lord's cause. March 15, 1881 Mr. Shelley married Ellen E. Hancock who also had come here from Ashtabula Co., Ohio. To this union five children were born of whom two reached adult life and now survive him, Wilson G. Shelley who lives on the old homestead near McPherson and Mrs. Grace E. Macklin of the Canton, Kansas community. In December, 1917, he and his wife retired to a home in McPherson where he continued to reside even for some years after her death in 1922. Since then he has made his home with his children. About three weeks ago he went to Salem Home at Hillsboro where, because of furnace heat and other conveniences it was thought he could be made more comfortable for the winter. Although Mr. Shelley has been in failing health for a number of years he has remained quite strong and only during the last few days was he seriously ill. About ten days ago he fell and received a bad wound on his head after which he failed rapidly and left his earthly life October 31, 1933, at the age of 86 years, 9 months and 28 days. Besides his son and daughter he is survived by five grandchildren and many other relatives and friends who will miss him here but who look forward to a happy future reunion in that "Land where we never grow old." The funeral service was conducted at the Congregational church of McPherson Friday afternoon, November 3rd by its minister, Rev. J. M. Evans and burial was in McPherson cemetery.



Jay Sitts -
420 S. Chestnut

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October 14, 1972.
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather James Sitts
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County April, 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 3-20-4 (Groveland)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Stock Raiser
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Canada West - May 16, 1844
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 28
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes Sold out 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: James had son- George, father of Jay. Jay has son- Max ; Jay's brother was Walter (deceased) and he has a son, Marland. Orville was another son of James. He had a son- Warren.
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? Served in Eighth Michigan Cavalry
Plowed the first land in Groveland Township.

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Jay Sitts

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 420-S-Chestnut McPherson

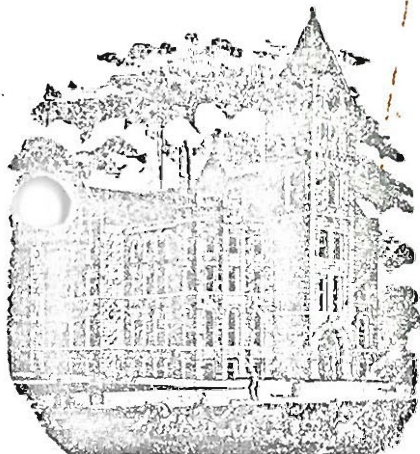
Your occupation: Courtside

Children of James Sitts.

1.

George H. Sitts
Born at Emiley Michigan -
Feb - 22 - 1869, 5 str.
William - Billy - 1893.
Alfred.
Fred.
Orville.
Claude.
Harry.
1. Sister.

Adam.
John.
Cousin of James
Jackson. 1869. 1870.



Jyle Sitts
(Son)- Asa Sitts

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October 14, 1972.
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John W Sitts
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler My Father
Month and year settled in McPherson County about March 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 4-20-40
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Canada - English & German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26 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: None
Had two other sons Arthur and Ernest
My son Asa W. Sitts
a member of the Michigan Cavalry
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 hunted Buffalo & sold the hides. Sold in Salina as Butchman. Helped build first house built in Groveland Township. - Son of Daniel Sitts
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Jyle W Sitts
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 516 N Chestnut City
Your occupation: Retired

Mr. Sitts: Jay is completing one on James Sitts. Please complete and get to me by Wednesday-Oct. 18th. We are selling tickets to the banquet at Lindsborg-\$2.50 per person for Swedish Smorgasbord. We want the information whether or not anyone from the family is planning to attend.
Linn Peterson

The brothers of John H. Sitts (Lyle Sitts' father.) were:

Adam Sitts - Died in 1923.

James Sitts - was grandfather of Jay Sitts.

George Sitts - lived in Oregon where he died.

William Sitts - Died in McPherson in 1930's.

John H. Sitts' sons were - Lyle W. Sitts, Arthur C. Sitts and Ernest C. Sitts.

Lyles mother was Hattie E. Homstead who died in 1927. (married in 1871.)

had a Chinaberry Tree (yellowberry tree which came from Michigan and was very hearty.)

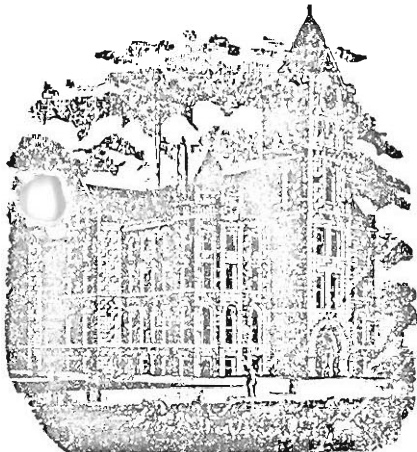
located along the alley at 516 South Chestnut Street, and also on the

place in the country - NW 1/4 80 acres of Sec. 4 - 20 - 4 (Lawrence Twp.)

George H. Sitts was born on Feb. 22, 1868 in Wadley, Michigan.

Brothers and Sisters:

1. William - "Bill".
2. Clyde -
3. Fred -
4. Oleville
5. Harry
6. _____ (female.)



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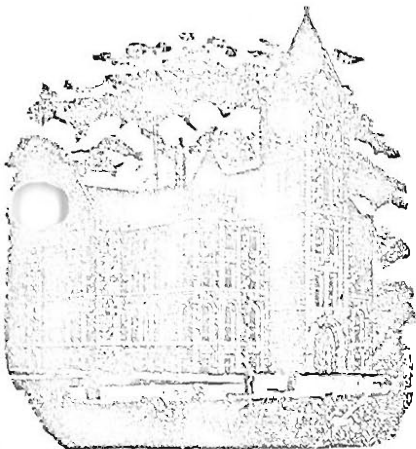
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Full Name of your Pioneer ~~forefather~~ Herbert Lewis Slosson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County April of 1872 E2SE Sec 27-19-3
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled one mile east of McPherson
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer & Store Man
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Canton New York -- English
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Twenty-one 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: Thelma Jean Newton - 1105 S Walnut
Helen Luty, 321 S Elm; Mrs. Marguerite Pitcher, 424 Smokie
Hollow Thelma Carter, 1022 N. Ash; Mrs. Mary Hapner, 537 S. Hartup
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: Helen V. Carter
If woman, Maiden Name: Helen V. Slosson
Your address: 537 S. Hartup
Your occupation: housewife

Mrs. Betty Knight, 601 Lawrence,
Helen Slosson, 1105 East Main



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101st Birthday of McPherson County.

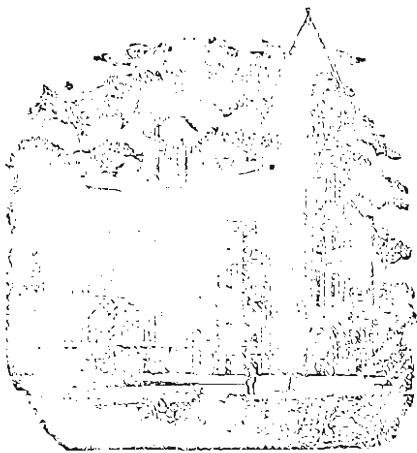
REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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March 29, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather (Nicholas) Nikolaus Spångberg (Spongberg)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandson filed claim, May 1,
Month and year settled in McPherson County came in April, 1866, settled on land
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Township 17-3, section 29 & 30 / April 1st, 1867
Occupation of Pioneer Settler stone mason - farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vastergotland, Sweden (Hofva) Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County ? born 8-17-1838 died 9-14-1916
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. Hubert Mattingly, Mrs. 507 N. 3rd,
Mrs. Warren Webster, 236 S. 3rd, Mrs. Joe Chambers, 451 Roosevelt,
Mrs. Esther Stenberg 301 S. Washington, Mrs. Leonard Johnson, 410
S. Washington, Ivan Sallberg, 201 S. Maple, all of Lindsborg and great,
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular great,
significance or interest? grandchild
He was among the first Swedes to come to Lindsborg.
His wife Marie was born in Hofve in 1838 and came to Lindsborg
with Dr. Olof Olsson to Lindsborg in 1869. She married Nicholas
Spongberg that fall. name b 8-17-1838 died 9-14-1916 per Stones

Your Signature: Charles Spongberg
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 1103 Lyndon Rd.
Your occupation: Teacher



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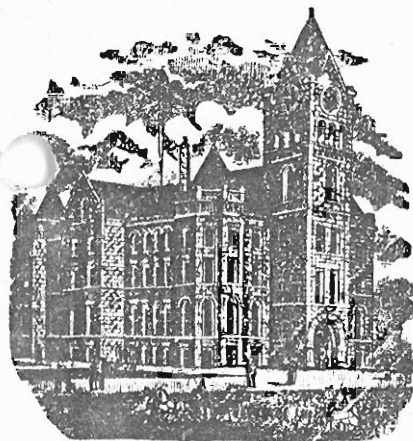
March 30, 1971

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Alexander Carraway Spilman
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1876
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Gypsum Cr. Twp. Section 9
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer & Stockman (also see below)
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Yamacraw City, Mississippi - English
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 33
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: Marshall Spilman, Gypsum, Mo.
Mrs. Cecil Ash, Gypsum, Mo. - Fred Jacobson, McPherson, Mo.
Nadine Ash, Lehigh, Mo. - Brad Spilman

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Newspaper correspondent for Lawrence Mo. Newspaper
in 1857 - Elected as private in Sixth Kansas Volunteer Cavalry Aug. 1861,
mustered out as Captain Nov. 31, 1865 - Surgeon, 4th State Regiment
from Salina 1865 - Probate Judge, McPherson 1886 - Mayor of
McPherson 1895-1900 - 1886-1919 Abstract Business
A creek west of Salina, Spilman Creek, is reported to commemorate
the eloquence of Grandfather's remarks upon the loss of his
pack mule in that therefore unnamed
creek

Your Signature: Mrs. Ruth Nields
If woman, Maiden Name: Ruth Spilman
Your address: Box 271, Lehigh, Mo.
Your occupation: Homemaker



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(Information to be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the Seventh Annual Banquet of the two County Historical Societies, October 26, 1976.)

106th Birthday of McPherson County

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF
McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

(To be completed and returned to S. M. Dell, President of McPherson County Historical Society, or to Howard Patrick, President of the Smoky Valley Historical Association no later than October 26, prior to the Banquet.)

Full name of your pioneer forefather ALEXANDER CARAWAY SPIKMAN
Your relationship to pioneer settler GRANDDAUGHTER
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather
settled GYPSUM CREEK SECTION 9
Occupation of pioneer settler FARMER-STOCKMAN-SURVEYOR-JUDGE
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer YAZOO CITY MISS 10/5/1837
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 33
Did settler homestead in McPherson County?
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:
(See back)

Was the pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do
you have any interesting and pertinent information regard-
ing the pioneer settler which you feel is of particular
significance or interest? yes. Was with Colonel Phillips in the
Indian Brigade was captain in Union Army when he left service

Information provided by- - Your signature Ruth Nease
If woman, maiden name Spelman
Your address Lawrence
Your occupation housewife

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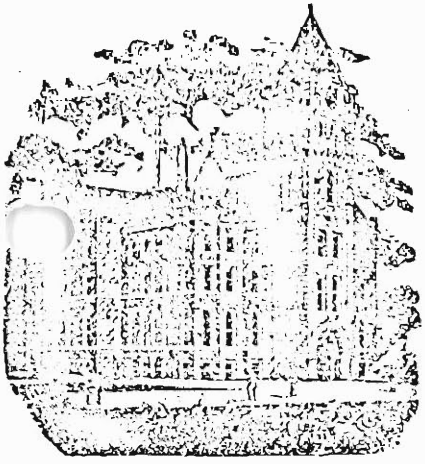
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102nd Birthday of McPherson County.

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October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

10-16-1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Alexander Strom (+ Charlotte)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Came to New Gottland in 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gottland Twp 18-19-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Harlunda, Skaraborgs Län Gov Dist Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 36 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: 20 descendants live in McPherson, County
5 of the grandchildren are Irene Strom Larson, Mildred Strom Nelson, Dorothy Strom Mogenson, 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? Was born 10-27-1836--Came to America 7-4-1866
Charter Member of New Gottland Lutheran Church.

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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 FAMI Ins Co

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He had;

- 10 children
- 12 grandchildren
- 19 great grandchildren
- 30 great great grandchildren
- 3 great great great grandchildren
- 74 descendants as of 1972

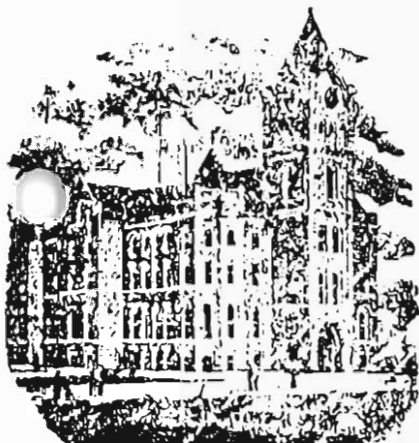
Alexander Strom's real name was Peterson--but to avoid the confusion from the similarity of names from the Swedish custom of adding "son" to Christian names to provide surnames, he changed it to Strom. His brother Gus kept the name Peterson. Gus has a daughter Lenna Lois Peterson born 2-5-1886 living in Darien Conn. She was married to Frank Francia. She has two daughters both married & have children.

1993 - Dorothy Strom-Moore - 230 S. 3rd, Lindsborg

Frances Strom-Johnson - 425 W. Paline, Lindsborg

Ellen Strom-Lofback, 702 N. Walnut, Mosheim

Another reminder of how suddenly our end might come was brought to us just before Christmas, when one of our deacons, Emel L. Strom, unexpectedly was taken ill and died without regaining consciousness. Emel Leonard Strom was born on the homestead of his parents, Alexander and Charlotta Strom, northeast of McPherson, Kansas, on March 29, 1877. He was reared in a Christian home and was confirmed in the New Gottland Lutheran church on May 22, 1892, by Rev. A. Wahlén. He was a continuous member in the Lutheran church and served several years as trustee and lately as deacon of the New Gottland church. He lived in Lindsborg, Kansas, several years. He attended Bethany college for sometime and later worked in the carpenter trade. During his residence in Lindsborg he was a member of the Messiah chorus and the Male chorus, and his interest in music was maintained for many years after he left Lindsborg. On April 24, 1907, he was married to Ida Burk, and they have since lived continuously on farms in the New Gottland community. Together with his farming activities he also took considerable interest in the insurance business. He passed away at the age of sixty-four years and 9 months at the McPherson hospital on Dec. 22, 1941, at 6:50 p. m. following a cerebral hemorrhage at 6:21 a. m. He is sur-



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather C. J. Stromquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County early 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 28-17-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer until 1898 - then moved to McPherson, (county)
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer born 1842 in Morlanda Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 28 yrs
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes - Paul Danielson - grandson
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: over

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 - He was considered one of the

best politicians in the county, had many important jobs
such as membership in the Legislature, county treasurer
secretary for Swedish American Insurance Co. etc.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Margaret Zies

If woman, Maiden Name: Carlson

Your address: 336 N 1st Sundsborg 125

Your occupation: Retired

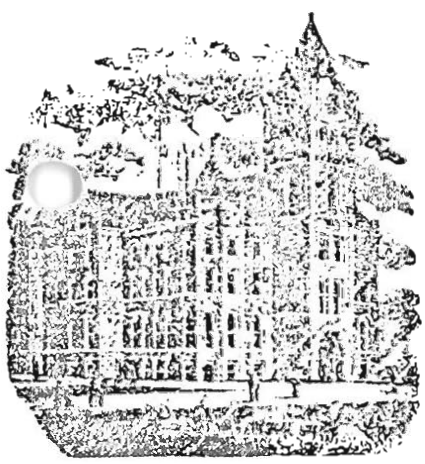


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- moved to Sundsborg in 1904

Margaret Carlson Zee - grand daughter
Signe Carlson - grand daughter
Ingelborg Carlson Anderson - grand daughter
Paul Danielson - grand son
Aida Danielson ^{Mrs. Angoff} Dahlsten - grand daughter
Harry Dahlsten - great grandson
Mrs. ^(Mrs. Ray) Ceres ^{Strong} Hapsten (- 12th Dalmon, 12th (added 11-85))



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jahn Peter Stromquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County Dec. 1868
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled Union East of
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer, Stone Mason
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smolander, Swedish Smolander
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 28 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: Laura Berg & Alma Nelson
Bethany Home Leona Hazelwood Salina Vera Halstead
Salina Leonard Stromquist Topeka
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: W. Planner A. Berg
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
When my Grandfather _____ Your address: 421 W. Salina
Your occupation: Retired

Came to the Fremont Community in 1868. There were no houses between Salina and Fremont a distance of 28 miles, but a few dugouts served as habitations; they walked from Salina carrying a few supplies, it was an untrodden path through bluestem and snow with the bluffs as their only guide.

From Mount Church
Bought 160 A from
Rail Road
80 A, Homestead
Road

IN THE SPRING OF 1868 THE Galesburg Land Company was organized
Olaf Thorstenson was elected president and my grandfather
John P. Stromquist Sec. They ~~entered~~ ^{INTERED} A CONTRACT WITH THE RAIL ROAD
CO FOR THE PURCHASE OF 22 SECTIONS OF LAND IN McPHERSON CO.,
AND SALINA COUNTY. THE PRICE VARIED FROM 1.50 TO 5.00 PER ACRE,
ONE-TENTH PAYABLE IN CASH AND THE BALANCE IN TEN ANNUAL
PAYMENTS. EACH TRACT WAS NUMBERED AND PARCELLED TO MEMBERS
BY LOT.

WALKING FROM SALINA THEY ARRIVED AT SUNSET AT THE COMPANY
HOUSE (BOLAGSHUSAT) NORTH WEST OF LINDSBORG. THERE THEY
RECEIVED FOOD AND SLEPT WELL ON THE GROUND. THE NEXT
MORNING THEY TRAVELED ON TO THE HOME OF SOLOMON
STEPHENS. THEY HAD BEEN INFORMED THAT HE COULD
TELL THEM WHERE THE LAND THEY HAD BOUGHT WAS LOCATED.

THE NEXT MORNING THEY HIRED A TEAM & LUMBER WAGON
TO GO TO SALINA TO BUY SUPPLIES. THE COST \$7.00 BUT THEY
COULD RIDE. IT OFTEN HAPPENED THAT THEY PAID \$1.00 OR \$2.00
TO WALK BEHIND A WAGON. GRANDFATHER BOUGHT AN AXE &
A FEW UTENSILS. 100 LB FLOUR FOR \$1.50, ONE BU OF POTATOES
\$2.50 AND SOME SALTED PORK 35c PER POUND.

HE STAYED WITH A. G. LINN WHEN HE BUILT A LOG HOUSE
14' BY 20'. HAY & SOD SERVED AS ROOFING.

ON JUNE 12, 1869 THE FREMONT CONGREGATION WAS
ORGANIZED IN HIS HOME. THE OLD CHURCH WAS MADE OF SANDSTONE.
THE NEW CHURCH OF BRICK. GRANDPA MADE 400,000 BRICK
USED IN ERECTING IT. WHEN THEY HAULED THE ROCK, THERE WERE ONLY
7 YOKES OF OXEN AND 2 TEAMS OF HORSES AVAILABLE.

IN 1874 GRASS HOPPER'S DESTROYED THEIR CROPS. PRAIRIE FIRES OF 1874
CAUSED LOSSES. THE KAW INDIANS CAME IN SMALL BANDS TO BEGIN
STEAL

AGRICULTURAL REPORT FOR YEAR 1877 WAS THE FIRST REPORT. THAT YEAR
PRODUCED 1,220,262 BUSHELS OF WHEAT, AND 6,000,000 LBS OF BROOD
CORN, AND HAD 52 SCHOOLS AND NO SALOON. RAIL ROAD WAS COMPLETE
BETWEEN LINDSBORG & SALINA. IN 1879, A MOST WELCOME RELIEF FROM
HAULING THE FARM PRODUCTS TO SALINA. GRANDPA & GRAMMA REARED

FAMILY OF NINE CHILDREN. MY MOTHER NANCY, AND OSCAR
STROMQUIST WHO SPENT HIS LIFE IN LINDSBORG. EDNA KITTALL WIFE
OF HENRY KITTALL McPHERSON, WHO SERVED AS POST MASTER & MAIL
CARRIER THERE.

THESE ARE A FEW WRITINGS TAKEN FROM A HISTORY
MY MOTHER WROTE IN 1909. James A. Best



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3-18-71

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather John Peter Stromquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County December, 1868
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled S1SW1 Sec. 28-17-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Stock Raiser
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer (8-31-46) Smoland Sweden
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: A. Vivian Stromquist, Lindsborg - brother. (Oscar Father)
Verner Berg- Lindsborg - son of Hannie Stromquist-Berg. Ellen Berg-Hopp, (Mrs. Arthur) L
Carl Berg- Marquette - " Laura Berg - Marquette
Gulda Berg-Peterson (Mrs. Clifford) Marq. Mildred Berg-Hopp (Mrs. Oscar), Lindsborg
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Booklet "Mother and Dad" - by John Oscar Stromquist
12-15-40

Your Signature: Lise Stromquist
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 527 East Kansas Ave., McPherson
Your occupation: Nurse.

Verner Berg

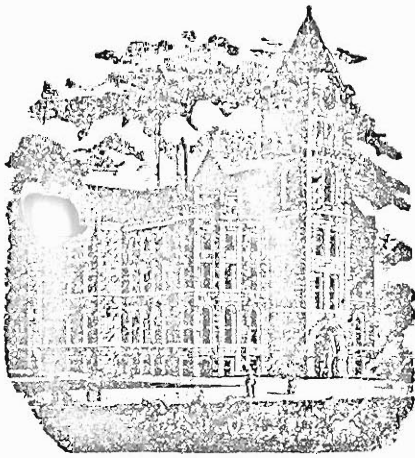
LINDBORG — Verner A. Berg, 81, died Nov. 16, 1989, in Lindsborg Community Hospital.

Born at Fremont Nov. 11, 1908, to Gustaf A. and Nannie (Stromquist) Berg, he married Margaret Swenson Aug. 17, 1935, at Fremont. A lifetime resident of the Lindsborg-Marquette area, Berg was a retired farmer, welder and employee of Green Thumb at the Old Mill Park and Museum. He was a member of Bethany Lutheran Church, Lindsborg, and was a former council member of the church. He was a former leader of the Friendly Fremont 4-H Club and a past member of the Messiah Chorus, Lindsborg.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret, of the home; a son, Jim, Asaria; a daughter, Joan Leighty, Kansas City, Mo.; two sisters, Alma Nelson and Laura Berg, Lindsborg; three grandchildren and three step-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted 3 p.m. Saturday by the Rev. Herbert N. Johnson Jr. in Bethany Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Freemount Lutheran Cemetery, rural Lindsborg. Friends may call from 2 to 9 p.m. today at Anderson-Hays Funeral Home, Lindsborg. The family will receive friends from 7 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Memorials are suggested to the church or the Bethany Home, Lindsborg.



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Letter received
4.21.2003
Philip A. Jaggini
2516 Regent St.
Hamilton, Ohio
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History Story

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November 24, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Edward Swander
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Nephew (ok)
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873 Nov. Dec. 1
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Lonetree Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Shelby County, Ohio Swiss
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: No (Fred Peterson, McPherson, 6/15/2000)
on the Diehlman side (his mother's side) is a relative Ed Swander is his Great Great Grandfather (746 E. Euclid St. 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 Served as County Commissioner - 3rd District - 1881-4

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Ira A. Swander

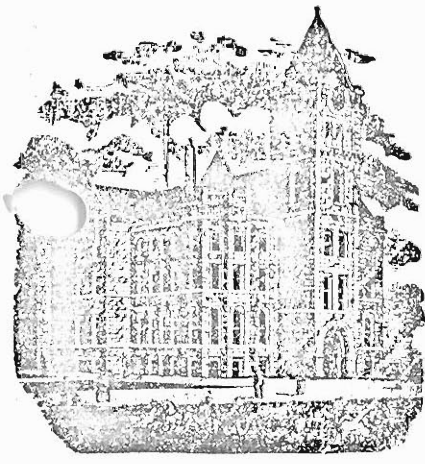
If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 715 S. Chestnut, McPherson, Kan

Your occupation: Retired

Mr. Swander: If you are a descendant of this pioneer, I am very interested in getting this form filled out by you, and returned to me by Thursday, Oct. 19th. Tickets for the banquet are \$2.50 each, and it is a Smorgasbord. Sincerely,

Linn Peterson



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November 24, 1972
Date

(Jefferson)

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather William J. Swander
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County September 1883 Sw. Sec. 6-20-3
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled McPherson, Kan Kan tree
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Shelby County, Ohio Swiss
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 39
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: Sadie Hiebert 715 S. Chestnut, McPherson, Kan
Daughter of Ira A. Swander

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 Was a member of Twentieth
Ohio Volunteer Infantry during Civil War. He returned from the War
a moving skeleton, yet with good care he recovered his health in full,
went to Illinois, married Belle Wilt, with whom he moved to McPherson, Kan

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Ira A. Swander

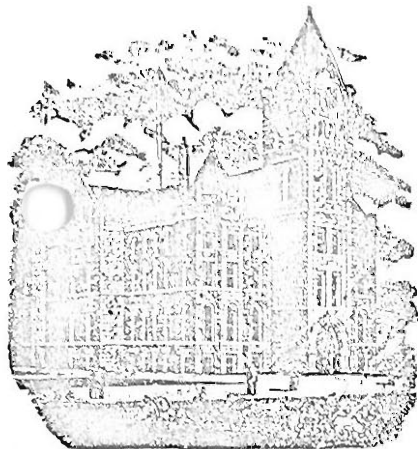
If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 715 S. Chestnut, McPherson, Kan

Your occupation:

He raised a family in McPherson, and on the twelfth day of September, 1887, was kicked in the stomach by a vicious horse, resulting in his death on the next day. Unto William J. and Belle Swander were born Alice Swander, John Swander, Abbey Swander, Wilbur Swander and Ira Anderson Swander. Ira Anderson Swander, now 90 years of age, is the only surviving child.

Swander #2



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(1870 and prior)

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101st Birthday of McPherson County.

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Mar 26-71

Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter Swanson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County Mar 9-1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled ✓
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Nalmar Sweden - Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 59
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Saline
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: This only a few: Roy Nelson, Lindsborg -

Harold Nelson, Lindsborg - Mrs. Mike Walline, Lindsborg -
Mrs. Walbert Hall, McPherson - Mrs. Lydia Peterson, Sumner, Wash.
Frank Johnson, Galun - Earl Nelson, Paradise, Calif.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Peter Swanson, married Christina

Maria Johnson in Sweden Dec 25-1839. All six
children were born at the same place Nalmar
Jan 12, 1869. This family left their homeland
They boarded a ship bound for Gravesend, Germany
and arrived in New York on June 30 and came to
Salesburg, Ill July 7. After a year they moved to
Henderson Grove. The journey to Kan began Mar 4, 1870 and
came to this area. A detailed history of this family is
on file at the Kansas State Historical Society.

Your Signature: Roy Nelson

If woman, Maiden Name: 204 So Washington

Your address: Lindsborg

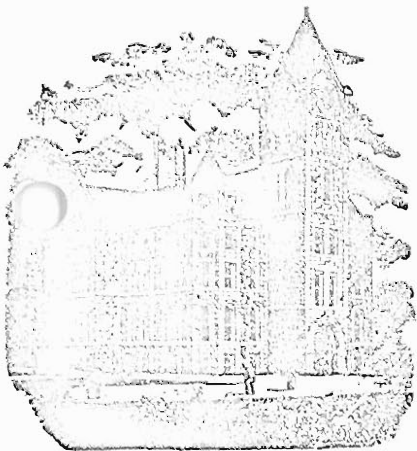
Your occupation: Retired

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McPHERSON, KANSAS 67460

(Descendents of Pioneers who settled in County between 1859 and 1870, will be recognized at Banquet at McPherson College April 3rd)

(To be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the 2nd Annual Banquet of two County Historical Societies, April 3, 1971)

101st Birthday of McPherson County.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

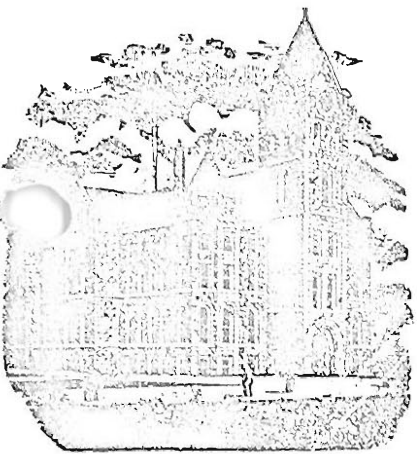
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3-26-71
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Anders Swanstrom
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County left Sweden March 1869 - arr. 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union - Sec. 1-17-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Elisbacka 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: Lawrence Billing Box 116 Marquette;
Don Peterson - South Main Hindsborg Ks

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular significance or interest? Came to McPherson County with Dr. Olof Olsson

Your Signature: Mar Lee S Johnson
If woman, Maiden Name: Mildred Billing
Your address: Rt 2 Lindsborg - 17th, Box #74
Your occupation: housewife
674606



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*Note: The year of
arrival is listed
as 1880
JMS*

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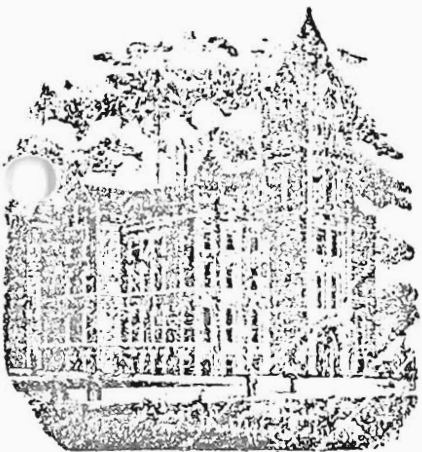
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Mar. 23-1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl Victor Svenson apr 25-1857
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler my grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1880 July Dec 15
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Hager Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farming
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Kalmar, Tan Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 29 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? no
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 Svenson, Ed Svenson, Mrs Dell
Nelson, Mrs Edla Lundquist off of Lindsborg, Kans
They are sons & daughter of Carl Svenson.

Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? My grandfather had a fine team
of horses and spring buggy, when someone
died in the community he was nearly always
called on to haul the coffin from the home to
the church and then to cemetery.

Your Signature: Orvin Lundquist
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 516 W Saline Lindsborg, Kans
Your occupation: Framer



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Caryl Victor Svenson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County - 1879
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Harpers #16-18-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smolund, Sweden (1851)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 28 yrs.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
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: Edda Lundquist and John Svenson
Daughter and Son - Bethany Jensen, Lindsburg, Kan. 67456

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 Mrs. Hiram (Wilma Nelson)
Nelson, P.O. Mrs. Maynard (Violet Nelson) 4111 E.C.
Lindsberg, Kan. Granddaughters

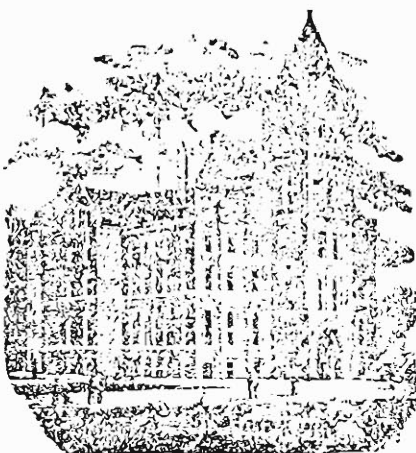
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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Doris Nelson
If woman, Maiden Name: Doris Nelson
Your address: 301 South Third Lindsburg, Kan.
Your occupation: Housewife 67456



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl Victor Swenson
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
 Month and year settled in McPherson County May 1982
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 15
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer, Stockman and Carpenter
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden - Smolan, Varmland
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County About 30
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No. Purchased from another.
 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. Orville Swenson, McPherson; Clinton and Carol Lundquist; Mrs. Clifford Dahlsten; David Dahlsten, McPherson; Esther Lindsborg, Lindsborg; and Greg Berg, 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? Carl Victor Swenson served as a Councilman at Lindsborg for a term after moving to town.

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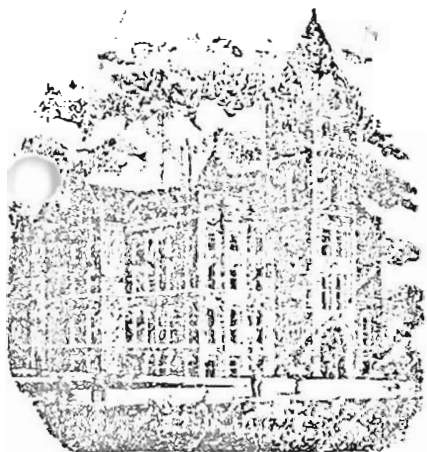
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X
 If woman, Maiden Name: Swenson
 Your address: 701 North Cherry St., McPherson
 Your occupation: Retired Carpenter

Rt 2 Box 65 Clinton
Kan



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather SWEN J SWENSON (MATERNAL GRANDFATHER)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRANDSON
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1868 W2
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled UNION TOWNSHIP SEC 27
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER SW4-27-17-4
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer SKANE, SWEDEN (VINSIDE)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 30
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. MYRTLE HAWKINSON CARLSON
711 NORTH MAIN ST.
LINDS BORG
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? Unknown

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Paul L. Hawkinson

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 417 No. Lincoln, P.O. Box 236 - Marquette

Your occupation: Clergyman Ks 67464

Swen Swenson was Clerk of the Court
McPherson County, 1870-1871.



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To Whom It May Concern:

The information on both sides of this sheet comes from a family tree that has been handed down to me. I have not had opportunity to verify any of the information on any other official records, but have no reason to question the correctness of it.

My father was Sven Johan Emil Hokanson, born at Brington, Småland, Sweden, January 1957. From my memory I understand he came to this country (America) at the age of 19 which would be 1876. Knowledge for the next 15 years is scant, but as I understand it he spent some of that time with an uncle and aunt and their family in Wisconsin. This would have been on his mother's side. Some of the rest of the time he spent in McPherson County with cousins on his father's side. In the early 1890's he returned to Sweden for a visit and brought his younger brother with him who later went to the Pacific Northwest where contact was lost.

My mother was Mary Lydia Swenson, the eldest daughter of Swen Johan Swenson and Carolina Dorf Swenson, and it is here where the records are more complete.

Swen Johan Swenson (Swenson) born in Vinslöf, Skåne, Sweden, Sept. 28, 1838. He was the youngest son of Jons Swenson and Ingrid Thorsdotter both of whom were born in 1802. That family emigrated from Skåne, Sweden in the year of 1852 and came directly to Knoxville, Illinois. In 1868, Swen J. Swenson left Illinois and came, a pioneer, to Fremont, McPherson, County, Kansas where he homesteaded and lived the remainder of his life. He passed away March 23, 1907.

Carolina (Carrie) Dorf was the eldest child of Johan Gustaf Dorf, and his wife Christina Samulsdotter. Johan Gustaf Dorf was born at Södra Ve, Pelarne Parish, Småland, Sweden, on July 17, 1825. Christina Samulsdotter was born in Rumsålla, Kalmar, Småland, Sweden, November 9, 1855. This Dorf family emigrated from Småland, Sweden in 1868 and came to Berlin (later Swedona) Illinois. The following year, 1869, the parents and two sons came to Kansas and settled in the Fremont community. My record does not show if he homesteaded or purchased the farm, but according to knowledge I have obtained it was a farm in Union Township, section 22. Their daughter Carolina remained in Illinois for one more year, joining the family in Fremont in 1870. SHE PASSED AWAY JULY 31, 1940.

Swen Johan Swenson and Carolina Dorf were married on November 15, 1874, and lived on the farm he had homesteaded. Mary Lydia Swenson, my mother, was the first child born to that union on August 22, 1875.

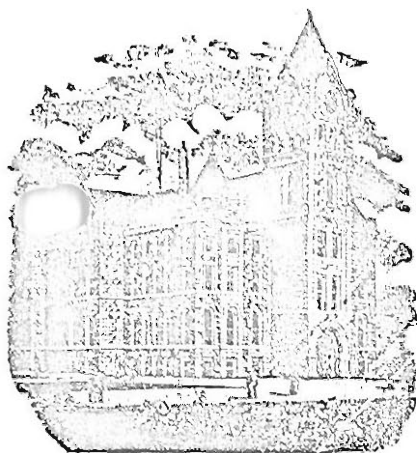
Sven Johan Emil Hokanson and Mary Lydia Swenson were married on February 17, 1901. They lived on a farm west of Marquette from 1901 until 1911 when they moved to a farm in Empire Township in the New Gottland Community where the family lived until both had passed away. EMIL PASSED AWAY 4-29-32 AND MARY ON 9-14-27

I am the youngest of the children born to Emil and Mary Hokanson (Hawkinson). We would have been eight had all lived. One son died at birth, and a daughter at the age of 9. Four are still living, but only one besides myself in McPherson, County. I married Linnea Carolyn Benson on June 6, 1946. She passed away on Dec. 30, 1979. We have one daughter, Naomi Ruth who resides in Minnesota. On October 4, 1980, I married Phyllis Virginia Fernberg Sjolander. She is also of pioneer stock of McPherson County and is completing a similar form. Her husband Al Sjolander passed away in California. That union was blessed with a son and a daughter both of whom still reside in California.

Respectfully,

Paul L. Hawkinson

Paul Leonard Hawkinson, pastor
Elim Lutheran Church
Marquette, Kansas



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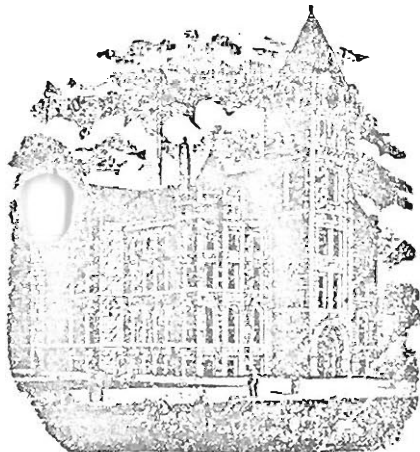
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March 23 1971
(Lohan) Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Swen J. Swenson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1 1868 W2
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union Twp Sec 27
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Skane, Sweden Born Sept 25, 1838
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 30 yrs.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Purchased land from National Land Co.
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? Served as Clerk of District Court
1870-1871

Your Signature: Mrs Clarence F. Carlson
If woman, Maiden Name: Miss Myrtle Hall
Your address: Rt 1 McPherson, Kansas
Your occupation: Housewife & Nurse Aide



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October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

October 13, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John P. Swick William Peter Swick.
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Great Grandson Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1874 1875 from Ill.
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW 1/4 Sec. 15, N.G.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer - Veterinarian Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Delaware Co. Ohio
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Born 4-14-29. Died 13-11-1912 Age 81-51
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No. 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: Charles still living age 89 large family. Sons of William P. Swick. Son of John P. Swick who married Margaret St. Wm. P. married Martha. Fred (Alfred Jason-) father of Roy, Myrl, etc.
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. William P. came to area first followed by father - John P. (1845) Washington present site of McPherson where they settled. Went to Salina and Newton for their settlement. Wm. P. moved to farm S.E. of City in 1891, sold 1925.
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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Margaret Swick - Swick
If woman, Maiden Name: Mrs. Fred Swick
Your address: 216 1/2 E. Elm Street McPherson
Your occupation: housewife
Wm. P. borrowed \$500. from Tom Tipton, and paid back \$50. per year until all paid. Had broken ankle at age 2, and after paying off debt, came home, jumped from wagon. hobbled to house and told wife, "Hurray, it's all ours".

1/5/1997

WILLIAM PETER SWICK
AND
MARTHA ANN TALBOT

William Peter, born in Delaware County, Ohio, August 1, 1851, Died April 10, 1934. Buried in McPherson Cemetary, Block 30, McPherson, KS.

Married:

Married Martha Ann Talbot, December 29, 1874 in Steward Station, Illinois. b. : Died Nov. 5, 1933. McPherson, KS
Buried in McPherson Cemetery, Bk. 30.

Parents of William Peter Swick:

John P. Swick, Born April 14, 1829, Died March 11, 1912. Buried in McPherson cemetary, block 30, McPherson, KS.

Diania Secriest, Born July 26, 1828, Died September 22, 1890. Buried in McPherson cemetary, block 30, McPherson, KS.

Parents of Martha Ann Talbot:

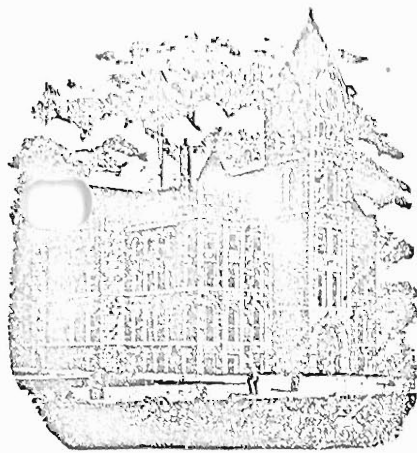
George Talbot, born July 15, 1828, Died May 15, 1888. Buried in McPherson Cemetary, Block 15, McPherson, KS.

Susan Starkweather, born November 18, 1829, Died October 9, 1898. buried in McPherson Cemetary, Block 15, McPherson, KS.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND MARTHA

1. George Willoughby - Born October 17, 1875, in Lee County, Illinois
Died March 5, 1968. Buried in McPherson Cemetary, Block 15, McPherson, Kansas
2. John Wesley - Born February 4, 1877, McPherson, KS
Died December 26, 1948. Buried in McPherson Cemetary, Block 40, McPherson, KS.
3. Samuel Ernest - Born May 28, 1878, McPherson, KS
Died July 9, 1965. Buried in McPherson Cemetary, Block 13, McPherson, KS
4. Alford Jansen - Born December 18, 1880, McPherson, KS
"Fred" Died November 21, 1968. Buried in McPherson Cemetary, Block 35, McPherson, KS
5. Charles Loren - Born July 26, 1883, McPherson, KS
Died January 13, 1978. Buried in Crestwood Memorial Park, McPherson, KS
6. Clyde Eugene - Born May 24, 1885, McPherson, KS
Died June 22, 1970. Buried in McPherson Cemetary Block 29, McPherson, KS
7. Herbert Talbot - Born July 4, 1895, McPherson, KS
Died September 25, 1965, McPherson, KS. Buried in Geneseo, KS

Lorne Lunt.



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Mar 20, 1971.
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Gustaf Tarnstrom
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1889
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Bonaville Sec. 36
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born 1842 in Vissefjarde, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 27 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: Wm. F. Tarnstrom (son) Bethany Home, Lindsborg.
Grandchildren: Earl Johnson, Colva, Ks. Milo Johnson, Rt. 2 Lindsborg.
Arthur Johnson, 1438 Ranch Rd. McPherson. Mrs. Milton Christian, 515
N. Pine, Lindsborg. Mrs. Carl Lundquist 441 N. Charles, McPherson.
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? Friendly Indians often camped in a grove of trees
on Grandfather's land. They would sometimes ask for food, and would be
given food. One time my Grandmother and a daughter became sick, while
Grandfather was away working, and some of the Indian women came to the
home and gave some help and care to Grandmother and daughter.

Descendants include
Dwight Hill McPherson
Willie Johnson
Elmer Johnson
Delbert Johnson
Glenn Johnson

Your Signature: Kenneth Tarnstrom
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 821 Lindsborg, Ks
Your occupation: Farmer

HISTORY OF GUSTAF AND ANNA MARIA TARNSTROM

By Fritz H. Tarnstrom

Gustaf Peterson (Tarnstrom) was born April 21, 1842 in Ellingsmola, Wissifjerda Smolan, Sweden. He was confirmed at the age of 14 years. His father died in 1864 and his mother eight years later. Gustaf worked as a carpenter and farm hand for some years.

Gustaf was married to Anna Maria Peters dotter in Wissifjerda in 1866. To this union were born seven children:

Maria Helena, February 11, 1867 in Sweden

Amanda Elisa, January 3, 1873, Gypsum Creek west of Roxbury, Kansas

Per Oscar, October 6, 1874, Gypsum Creek west of Roxbury

Sven Johan, November 4, 1876, Gypsum Creek west of Roxbury

Carl August, October 20, 1878, Gypsum Creek west of Roxbury

Frans ~~France~~ Wilhelm, December 7, 1880, Gypsum Creek west of Roxbury

Fritz ~~Hjalmar~~ Hjalmar, August 2, 1883, Gypsum Creek west of Roxbury

In the year 1868 together with Nels and John Gustafson, Gustaf sailed to America. He first came to Rockford, Illinois and then to Rock Island. In the spring of 1869 he came to Kansas. In the fall of that year he Homesteaded his first claim in Sec. 35, Bonnaville Township, McPherson County, Kansas. Gustaf had his name changed to Tarnstrom after coming to Kansas due to the number of Petersons living here.

In the year 1870 together with C. F. Nelson and other friends from Sweden came his wife Anna Maria and daughter Maria Helena (or Helena Maria) to Kansas where they lived for some time in a dugout which he had built west of the Twin Mounds, with the Indians as nearest neighbors. Gustaf worked at Junction City for the Union Pacific Railroad and came home during week ends. Anna Maria and Helen lived alone during the week in the dugout. They were looked after by the friendly Indians who had their camp across the creek at the foot of the Twin Mounds. They took good care of them and furnished them with food and clothing when needed.

In 1874 he bought 160 acres of school land in sec. 36 adjoining his Homestead and built their first log house. In this home the remainder of the children were born. This land was purchased for \$585.00.

In 1898 he bought the Lars Oline farm north of Lindsborg for the price of \$4000.00, where they moved in 1899.

Gustaf and Anna Maria joined the New Gottland Church and later the Ellingsborg Church when it was organized at Kentucky Creek. After it was destroyed by fire they joined the Kristvala Church which was organized by Rev. Wallen of New Gottland, at North Diamond. After moving to Lindsborg they joined the Bethany Lutheran Church.

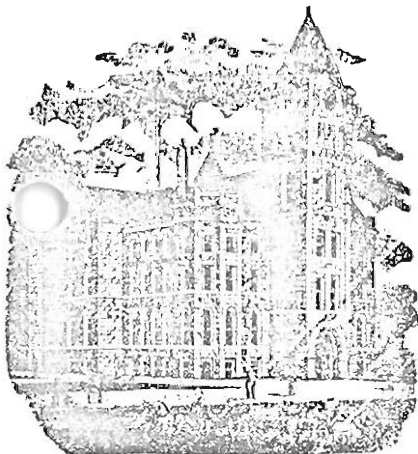
Gustaf had one brother and two sisters. Brother Sven and sister Johanna came to America in 1878 and sister Hilda in year 1880.

Anna Maria had two sisters and two brothers. Sisters Helen and Christene lived in Kalmar, Sweden, and brother Sven a merchant in Wexo, Sweden. August came to America for a number of years, later returned to Sweden and married his old Sweetheart and stayed in Sweden.

Gustaf died at the age of 63 years on September 3, 1905, ~~1906~~.

Anna Maria lived at the Bethany Home for 12 years and died at the age of 90 years on January 14, 1933.

Received from Charlott Tarnstrom - 10 - 76



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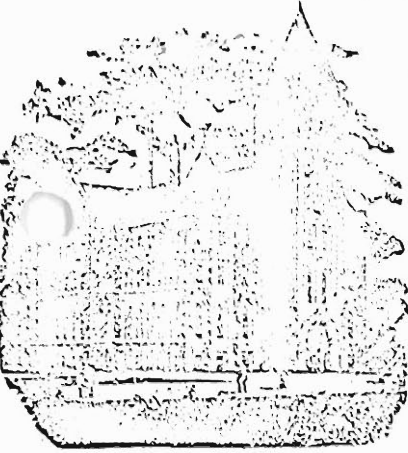
Oct 15 - 1972
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John, & David Tector. (Täcktor)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County May 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Empire - 5-19-2-NE 1/4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Motala, Sweden. - Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 43
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes - 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: Floyd Tector. - 310 Gildersleeve, (Grandson) 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? No

Served as a soldier in the Swedish Army. - Sweden.
Came to America in 1968 - He helped to build the
Santa Fe railroad tracks out of Newton, Kansas and McPherson, Kansas.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Mrs Joe Burk
If woman, Maiden Name: Irene, Christine Tector.
Your address: Box 502 - 207 E. Kansas
Your occupation: Home maker



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March 27, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather Joseph J. Tolle
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great-granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County May, 1866
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 4-17-1W
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer, local preacher, postmaster
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Barren County, Kentucky
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 32
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: Carol + Kathy Houghton, Gypsum, Kansas - R.R. 1;
Milton Burch, 2107 Oak, McPherson, Ks.; Leon Burch, 343 N. Kansas, Lindbergh, Kansas;
Mrs. Rudy Weckert children, 510 N. 5th Canton, Ks.; Harold Salas + son, 30 W. Elm St, McPherson, Ks.
Harold Messenger, Gypsum, Kansas - R.R. 1.

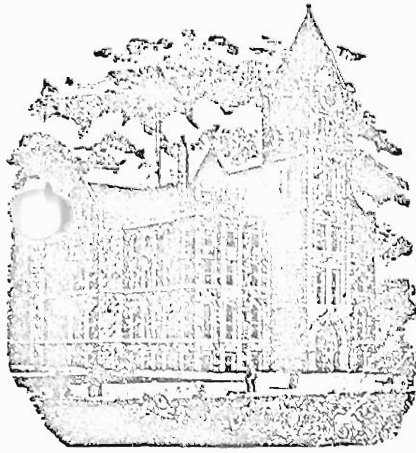
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? See attached sheet

Your Signature: Mrs. Leonard Houghton
If woman, Maiden Name: Edith Lucile Messenger
Your address: Gypsum Kansas - R.R. 1-67448
Your occupation: Housewife

*This information was taken from the early
printed History book.*

JOSEPH T. TOLLE

JOSEPH T. TOLLE, farmer and stock-raiser, P. O. Gypsum Creek. He has 520 acres of land in one body, partly lying in McPherson and partly in Saline counties, 273 of which are cultivated. In 1882, he raised 3,400 bushels of wheat, an average of thirty-two bushels per acre. He made the entry on his land May 4, 1866; moved his family March 20, 1867. His nearest post office was twenty-four miles away. He erected a dwelling in February, 1867; nearest neighbor lived four miles away. There were Indian troubles in the fall of 1867, one man being killed, a Mr. Temple. Neighbors had their horses stolen by the Indians; the pioneers all took their families to Salina that fall, where they remained some time. He was born in Barron County, Ky., February 5, 1834 and lived there until 1862, thence to Bartholomew, Ind., and farmed until he came to Kansas. He was married in 1858, to Miss Martha J. Ward of his native state. They have seven children--Mary E., Robert S., Lovie J., Hattie G., Harry F., Walter T., and Christie C. His wife died February 12, 1878; he was again married February 26, 1879, to Phebe Hodges of Richland County, Ohio; they have three children--Loie A., Wilbur W., and Charlie J. He and his family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was the first postmaster of McPherson County. The first sermon was preached in his house by the Rev. Mr. Morrison, a Presbyterian minister, in 1867. There was a Methodist Episcopal Society formed about that time, of which Mr. Tolle was leader until 1877. He began preaching in 1877, as a local preacher of the Methodist Episcopal Church.



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(1870 and prior)

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

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March 27, 1971

Date

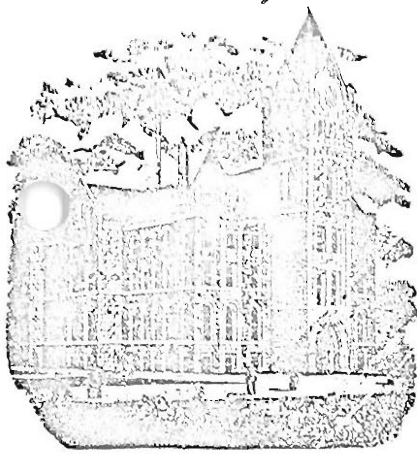
Name of your Pioneer forefather Samuel Fisk Tolle
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson 8?
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1866
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Gypsum Creek, Sec. 29
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer, carpenter, postmaster
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Glasgow, Kentucky English
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Seventeen
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. Mildred Clark, 423 S. Fisher, McPherson.
Mrs. Dorothy Jacobson, Derek and Melanie, Rt. #1 Gypsum. Mrs. Sheryl Messenger
and Mark, 929 Sycamore, McPherson. Galen Tolle Rt. #1, Gypsum. LaVerne Tolle,
Sharla, Kayla and LeAnna, Rt. #1 Gypsum. Mrs. Marilyn Sales and Kevin, 309 Elm Ct. McPherson
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular (Cont.)
significance or interest? S. F. Tolle was Sheriff of McPherson County from
1884 to 1888. He served in the Kentucky Home Guard during the Civil War.
For many years he was postmaster in Roxbury, probably until his death in 1926.

Your Signature: Edward R. Tolle

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: Gypsum Plains R.R. 1

Your occupation: part owner of Livestock Auction & Cattle Buyer



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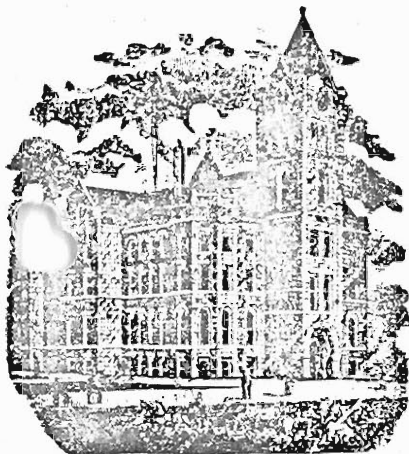
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March 26, 1971
Date

Name of your Pioneer forefather John Train (and wife Kristina Magnusdotter Train)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Feb. 1869 (Saline County, 7 p 16 Sec 32 - Feb. 1869)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled _____
Occupation of Pioneer Settler _____
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vastergotland, Sweden (wife, Varmland, Sweden)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 30 years (wife, 24 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: Ferney Train, Frans Train, Emory Train, Paul Train,
George Train, Mrs. Hugo Shogren, Norman Shogren, Harlan Shogren, Mrs. George Keding,
Willard Keding, Mrs. Warren Johnson, Mrs. Russell Richardson, all of Lindsborg
Mrs. Carl Frantz and Mrs. Galen Rump, McPherson. and Charlotte Ternstrom, Lindsborg
Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular
significance or interest? He lived at first in the Company House (Bolschmest)
One of founders of Bethany Church (Dr. Bergin)

Your Signature: Mrs. Verner Ternstrom
If woman, Maiden Name: Lillian Linderholm
Your address: 133 S. Washington, Lindsborg
Your occupation: housewife



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(Information to be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the Fourth Annual County Birthday Banquet of the two County Historical Societies, September 15, 1973, at the Eden Mennonite Church.)

103rd Birthday of McPherson County.

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President of McPherson County Historical Society,
or to Christian Swenson, President of the Smoky
Valley Historical Association no later than
September 7th, prior to the Banquet.)

September 6, 1973
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather John Train
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County February - 1869
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Smoky View 32-16-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer Salvage
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Assarp, Vester, Gotland Sweden - Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31
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 (Reverse side)

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: Linn Peterson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Lincoln, Neb.
Your occupation: retired



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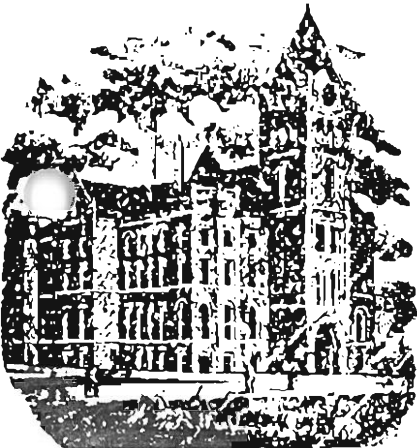
Kimberly Rump

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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 John Train
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875 (Sec 32 16-3-3-3-13)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Smoky Hill
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Asar, Westergötland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 37
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: Mrs. Geo. Hedberg, Lindborg, Emory Train Lindborg, Mrs. Rusty Richardson, Lindborg, Herlow Shogren Lindborg, Mrs. Edg. Shogren, Lindborg, & Norman Shogren, Lindborg
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 George Train
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: _____
Your occupation: _____

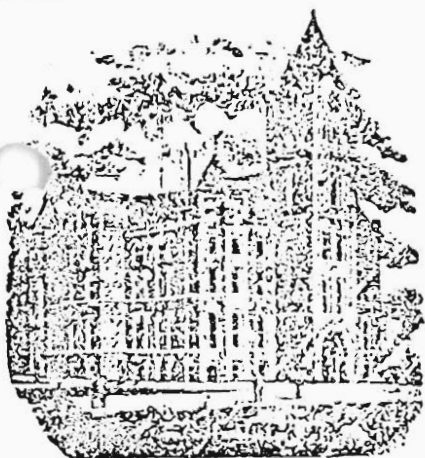
John Train was present at the first Church service of the Bethany Lutheran Church.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Train
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County April 6, 1877
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Smoky Hill Sec. 13
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Asarp, Västergötland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 39
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? He has bought from Swedish Agricultural Co.
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. Hugo Shogren, 110 South Third Street Lindsborg
Harlan Shogren, 429 North Third Street, Lindsborg
Mrs. Russel Richardson, 109 South Washington Street, Lindsborg
Emory Train, 124 West Grant Street, 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? He was not a soldier in the Civil War.
John Train first homesteaded in Saline County directly north and east of Coronado Heights, Homesteaded tract was completed March 1, 1876.

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Mrs. Verlie E. Keding
If woman, Maiden Name: Verlie Emeline Linderholm
Your address: 330 South Main Street, Lindsborg
Your occupation: Housewife.



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Descendants of John Train living in McPherson County in 1982

- Norman Shogren RFD 2 Lindsborg
- Miss Connie Shogren ~~RFD 2~~ Lindsborg, 134 South Third Street
- George Train 408 West Madison Street, Lindsborg
- Jay Alan Richardson 109 South Washington Street, Lindsborg
- Brad Shogren RFD 2, Lindsborg
- Ron Shogren RFD 2, Lindsborg
- ✓ Mrs. Verlie E. Keding, 330 South Main Street, Lindsborg (listed on other side)
- Mrs. Warren L. Johnson Johnson Hardware, Box 310, Lindsborg
- Mrs. Michael Lloyd, 105 West Union Street, Lindsborg
- Miss Angie Lloyd 105 West Union Street, Lindsborg
- Matthew Lloyd 105 West Union Street, Lindsborg
- Mrs. Carl J. Frantz 1309 Lyndon Road, McPherson
- Miss Kimberly Rump 222 North Main Street, Lindsborg
- Miss Kathi Rump 222 North Main Street, Lindsborg
- Miss Kari Rump 222 North Main Street, Lindsborg
- Willard Keding 208 South First Street, Lindsborg
- Randy Keding 208 South First Street, Lindsborg
- Miss Darla Keding 208 South First Street, Lindsborg
- Miss Debbie Keding 208 South First Street, Lindsborg
- Miss Charlotte Ternstrom 133 South Washington Street, Lindsborg
- ✓ Emory Train 124 West Grant Street, Lindsborg (listed on other side)
- Paul K. Train RFD 2, Lindsborg
- Miss Vicki Train RFD 2, Lindsborg
- Kevin Train RFD 2, Lindsborg
- Miss Diane Train RFD 2, Lindsborg
- Sam Train RFD 2, Lindsborg
- Miss Michele Train RFD 2, Lindsborg
- Joseph Train RFD 2, Lindsborg
- James Train 312 North Third Second Street, Lindsborg
- Miss Katy Shogren RFD 2, Lindsborg
- Miss Katie (Shogren) (Her name should be listed under Brad Shogren's name)
- # Daryl Johnson RFD 3 McPherson (His name should be next under Matthew Lloyd.)
- Bruce Shogren (Home address) 409 North Third St. (A student at Manhattan) K. J. Lindsborg
- Brent Shogren (Home address) 409 North Third Street (A student at Manhattan) K. J. Lindsborg
- Richard Frantz (Home address) 1309 Lyndon Road McPherson Student at a University in Washington D.C. (His name should be listed under Mrs. Carl J. Frantz's name.)

W. H. H. S.V.H.A. 9/14/63

The first of the fall series of Smoky Valley Historical Association programs was presented to a full house of members and guests on Tuesday, September 9.

The program, organized by Kathryn Frantz, outlined the life of John and Christina Train and their eight children. Presenting the program were Margaret Nelson, Charlotte Ternstrom and Harlan Shogren, all descendants of Mary Train, and Jordy Train, a descendant of Knute Train.

The family's original name in

Sweden, Jansson, was changed to Trann while in Sweden and later to Train after immigration. John Train located in Moline, Illinois, in 1864 and he and Christina moved to Lindsborg soon after their marriage in 1869.

They first lived in a dugout -- then a log cabin northeast of Coronado Heights and in 1870 moved to a farm east of Lindsborg that was to be the family home for over 120 years.

Following John's death, Christina moved into town to a home that became known as the "Train Depot," because the "Trains" were al-

ways coming and going.

Ellen, the eldest child, became well known as a family seamstress.

Carl (Charlie) ran the home farm and provided assistance to other Swedish immigrants.

Tabitha (Mary), with a minimum of schooling, became a businesswoman, selling and delivering spices throughout the area and later owning the Teacup Inn and making and selling cakes and salad dressing.

Albert (A.B.) graduated from Bethany College, established Train Hardware and Implement Company

and later added furniture and motorcycles, and more.

Knute was the first Train child born in McPherson County. He also attended Bethany College and worked on the family farm. He, together with his brother Albert, owned and operated the hardware stores and funeral home.

Jacob entered the poultry business and had an ice plant and a cold storage facility. He later developed a method of vacuum packaging.

Titus (August) attended Bethany College and Augustana Seminary, was ordained and was later connected with the Mariadahl Children's Home.

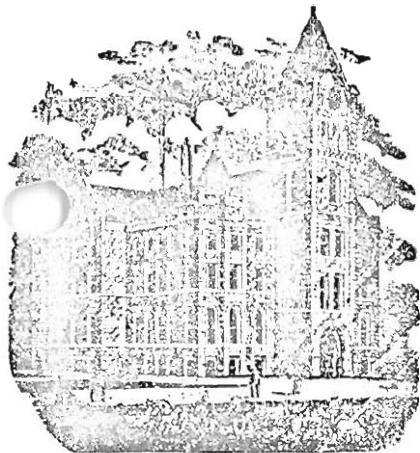
David attended Bethany College and was the manager of the Farmers Union Elevator for 30 years. Upon retirement he was given a new automobile.

A large amount of family information and photos were displayed and the audience contributed additional stories about members of this well-respected family that were, in one way or another, involved in some two dozen Lindsborg activities.

In the business portion of the meeting, reports were presented and approved and Midsummer's Day and Hyllningsfest were discussed. Lee Larson presented an assessment of needed repairs to the Swedish Pavilion and the Board approved the expenditure of up to \$15,000 for front and side porch restorations.

The Smoky Valley Historical Association meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Bank of America community room. The business meeting is at 6:30 p.m. and the programs are at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments follow. Current and new members, guests and the public are always most welcome.

*John Train located in
Saline County before
claiming property in
McPherson County. Date of
arrival in McPherson
County is not known
JTH*



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Lindsborg, Kans
Oct 15, 1972
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Kennedy White
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler my grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1886 Windsor
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled City
Occupation of Pioneer Settler sheep raiser in Iowa
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Manchester, N.Y. English-Irish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
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: no - deceased - Buried in McPherson
Barton D. White (Bart White) his son now deceased.
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: Luelle A. Bennek
If woman, Maiden Name: Almgren
Your address: 601 S. Main Lindsborg
Your occupation: retired Teacher

March 20, 1971

Mr. Lynn Peterson
Pres. of McPherson Co. His. Society
540 E Hill
McPherson, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Peterson;

I noticed with interest the new project of the McPherson County Historical Society. I am a descendent of a pioneer immigrant to McPherson County in the New Gotland area. They came from New Sweden, Iowa in 1870.

Will you please send me the special questionnaires to fill out. Our family was intermarried with the Swan Burk family and I am not certain if they all immigrated to New Gotland at the same time. I plan to study this point for my own satisfaction.

Mr. Swan Burk had three wives, the first two being sisters of my father Jonas Almgren. The Third wife was a sister of Dad's oldest brother Ed Almgren.

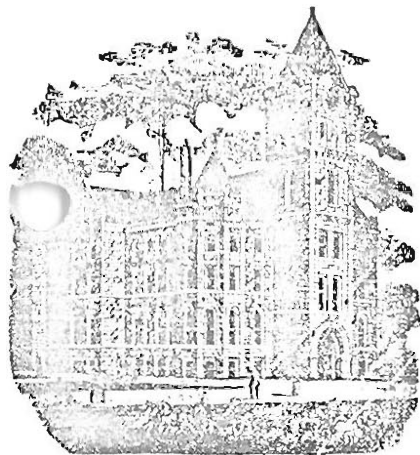
I have not organized the Almgren information I have and this gives me the incentive to do so. So I decided to request the forms to fill out and to attend the banquet as well.

Kindly mail the forms when it is convenient. Hoping to hear from you soon, I am

Sincerely,

Lucille A. Runbeck

Lucille A. Runbeck,
Box 168
Lindsborg, Kansas.



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Oct. 14, 1972

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather BAYARD WICKERSHAM
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GREAT GRAND DAUGHTER
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872 (Spring) *Getup*
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Township 17, R. 1, Sec. 33
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer & Carpenter
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Columbiana County, Ohio (English)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 33
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: George A. Robinson, Jr. ("Jack") 1112 Fairview, McPherson - Great Grandson and Kyle Robinson, Wendy Robinson, Rebecca Robinson, Matthew Robinson - 1112 Fairview Great Great Grand
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting children and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Private - Company I, 178th Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry Sept. 1864 to July 1865
There is a Wickersham Creek in Pa. - Dr. W. W. Wickersham, father of lumber - early County Superintendent and first Postmaster
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Mary Ann Robinson
If woman, Maiden Name:
Your address: 601 S. Walnut, McPherson
Your occupation: College professor

Phillip Wickersham came first. Came on Union Pacific RR to Salina. Had only 15¢ left to take care of a family of 5. Also Eli W. Wickersham.

Baynard Wickersham came next, coming from Pennsylvania to Ohio and then to Kansas. The family came to Pennsylvania with William Penn, having had a grant of land hatched out by Wm Penn. Baynard homesteaded but did not prove out the claim. Moved on because of grasshoppers and other hardships.

Ross - brother of Phillip.

Lewis Wickersham - brother of Philip W.
Sons of Bayard.
Buried in Rosbury Cemetery.
Raymond? also Son?

From Marilyn Johnson
Rec. 5-7-96
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Descendants of Philip Wickersham

Philip Wickersham
born Feb. 14, 1837
Died 1927
Civil War 115th Ohio
Infantry

married Salina,
Kansas

Homestead, McPherson, Kansas
2 children

Lucy
Frances (Frankie) Wight
born 1849
died 1934

1. Lulu E. Wickersham
born March 18, 1874
McPherson County, Ks.
died April, 1980 *buried McPherson*
Hammond, Indiana

2. Ross Irvin Wickersham married Olive Myrtle Clement
born March, 13, 1877 born Feb. 7, 1883
died October 1951 died June 1959
buried McPherson 2 children

1. Marcella Frances Wickersham William
born April 1911 born Feb. 22, 1911
Pittsburgh, Penna.
died Nov. 1959
West Chester, Penna.

*Nagaren
Minister*

2. Gordon Clement Wickersham Marva L.
born May 23, 1925 married born June 19, 1936
Binghamton, N.Y. Bartlesville, Ok.

3 children

1. John Ross Wickersham Esther
born Sept. 11, 1951 born Nov. 1951
married Kansas City, Mo.
2. Judy Ruth Wickersham
born March 31, 1954
Marlington, Texas
3. Carol Ann Wickersham
born March, 12, 1957

*Linn — 5-6-96
It takes several
pages to do all of
Bayard's 6 children
so I just
included those
in McPherson area.*

Lulu Wickersham was known as McPherson 43 yrs
Entered school system in 1893. Taught 34 years. A school in McPherson
known as the Wickersham School. 60 years (now 2 McPherson, Mo.)
after school, family moved

Philip Wickersham was the first Superintendent of the McPherson Schools
Philip, Frances, Ross, Olive and Lulu are buried in the cemetery in
McPherson, Kansas also Marcella & husband Wm. Allhouse

Philip

Decendants of

Bayard Conner Wickersham and Elizabeth Jane Orr

(The decendants of Bayard are not in chronological order)

June 16, 1841

Bayard Conner Wickersham
Born Sept 21, 1839
Chester County, Penn
Died Sept 3, 1928
Seward, Neb
Civil War 1864-1865
Co. I 178th Ohio Infantry

married
6 children

Elizabeth Jane Orr
Born Aug 3, 1844
Westchester, Penn
Died Mar 26, 1922
Seward, Neb

① Amelia Hannah Wickersham
Born June 28, 1867
Columbiana Co., Ohio
Died June 17, 1940
McPherson, Kansas

married
Mar 19, 1891
2 children

Addison Newton Robinson
Born Feb 14, 1869
Corydon, Wayne County
Iowa

Died April 10, 1960
McPherson, Kansas

1 George Abbot Robinson
Born May 7, 1892
Roxbury Kansas
Died July 28, 1962
McPherson, Kan

married
May 24, 1919
2 children

Mary Marjorie Barber
Born April 8, 1898
McPherson, Kan
Died Aug 9, 1983
McPherson, Kan

1 Mary Ann Robinson
Born Sept 24, 1923
McPherson, Kan

2 George Abbott Robinson III (Jack)
Born Jan 19, 1931
McPherson, Kan

married Sus Shreve
4 children
divorced

1 Kyle McKinley Robinson
Born Aug 13, 1954

2 Wendy Rochelle Robinson
Born Nov 28, 1956

3 Rebecca Ruth Robinson Married Ed Luttrell 11-93
Born July 5, 1957

Presbyterian Minister 4 Matthew Todd Robinson Married
Born Feb 17, 1961

Peggy Chas Peters 12-86

Married
June 29, 1973

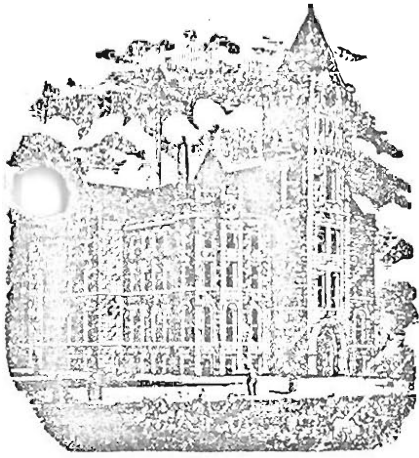
Fatti Ann Christensen
Born Feb 1, 1935
McPherson, Kan

2 William McKinley Robinson married
Born Mar 4, 1896
Roxbury, Kan
Died Nov 23, 1932
McPherson, Kan

Battie Garrison
Born 1893
Died 1955
McPherson, Kan

E. R. Adair Cobb lived as their son
Never legally adopted

Bayard



Mrs. E. Wolf.
714 E. Kansas

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(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.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

(To be completed and returned to Linn Peterson,
President of McPherson County Historical Society,
or to Christian Swenson, President of the Smoky
Valley Historical Association no later than
October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

10- -72
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John R. Wright
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRAND DAUGHTER
Month and year settled in McPherson County February - 1871?
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Buttontown, McP.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer - Raising Poultry, etc.
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer England -
Pioneer's age when he settled in County about 25 (30)
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: _____

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? The Civil War - He lost his left arm in - Served as County Clerk, Postmaster

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Florence M. Wolf
If woman, Maiden Name: Florence Wright
Your address: 740 E. Kansas
Your occupation: Apr. 74

Mrs. Wolf: I believe that Mr. Wright came in 1871 or 1872, and would very much appreciate having information on him, by Thursday Oct. 19th. If you are interested in the banquet at Lindsborg, Sat. Oct. 21 at 6:30 p.m., I have them for \$2.50 each.
Linn Peterson

Don't worry I can't give more on better information. If necessary I can write to others of family to see if they know more. I will.