

McPHERSON COUNTY
Historical Society
INC.
McPHERSON, KANSAS 67460

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

Volume 2, Part A

last names: A - L



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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.

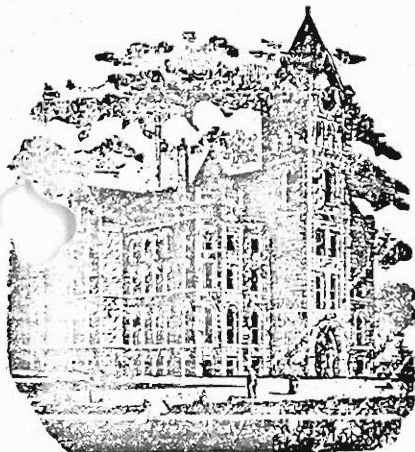
The date column indicates the year that the pioneer settled in McPherson County, and the township column indicates the township.

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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Achilles, Henry Frederick	1872	Little Valley
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Bartels, Herman	1873	Superior
Bengtson, Andrew	1873	McPherson
Bentson, Olof T	1875	Delmore
Bixby, Henry Harrison	1877	McPherson
Bjorn, John	1969	Union
Blackman, William Horatio	1875	Jackson
Bornholdt, Jochim	1873	Superior
Bunnell, James Monroe	1876	Empire
Henry Whiteside Burnett	1875	Battle Hill
Catlin, C H	1873	Delmore
Chinberg, Nils, Lorentz	1877	Delmore
Coats, Nathan	1869	Gypsum Creek
Colburn, Edward Alva	1879	McPherson
Coup, George Washington	1870	Hayes
Cramer, William Albert	1872	Empire
Dahlsten, Anna Maria		
Danielson, Daniel E	1873	Harper
Danielson, Fabian (see John Fabian Lundstrom)		
Decker, John	1875	Mound
Dole, B F	1873	Battle Hill
Dole, William	1874	Battle Hill
Ebaugh, Annanias & Sarah	1870	New Gottland
Ellwood, Ephraim	1874	Castle
Ellwood, James H	1874	Castle
Feldt, Gust & Christina	1876	Empire
Fisk, Chancey D	1872	Mound
Flickner, Andreas (Andrew)	1874	Turkey Creek
Frederickson, Hannah (see Hannah Nelson)		
Ganson, William Lawrence	1876	Delmore
Goering, Christian Daniel	1874	Mound
Gustafson, Carl John	1872	McPherson
Hall, William Alexander	1877	Groveland

Heckethorn, Oran W	1872	
Heidebrecht, Peter & Cornelia	1874	Turkey Creek
Hetzke, Herman	1875	Meridian
Hillgren, Olof William	1870	Smoky Hill
Hillgren, Margareta	1870	Smoky Hill
Hirschler, Christian	1874	Mound
Johnson, Anna (Nelson)	1874	Smoky Hill
Johnson, Daniel	1870	Smoky Hill
Johnson, George Elvis	1876	Canton
Johnson, Joseph Newbury	1871	Canton
Johnson, Lars Magnus (see Louis Norberg)		
Jonson, Nils Magnus	1872	Smoky Hill
Johnson, Otto	1882	Union
Johnson, Per August	1878	Smoky Hill
Johnson, Siver	1871	Battle Hill
Jones, Martin Mitchell	1873	Canton
Kaegi, David sr	1873	Meridian
Kindberg, Nils (see Nils Lorentz Chinberg)		
Klassen, Johann	1874	Meridian
Krebbs, John L	1876	Marquette
Krehbiel, Christian	1879	Mound
Krehbiel, Daniel	1877	Mound
Lamer, William	1875	Smoky Hill
Landis, Jacob	1880	Spring Valley
Larson, John Fredrick	1875	New Gottland
Larson, Nels Gustaf	1878	Harper
Lillian, John	1875	New Gottland
Lundquist, Carl Johan	1869	Smoky Hill
Lundstrom, Emma (Nelson)	1869	New Gottland
Lundstrom, John Fabian	1869	New Gottland
Luty, Charles Oscar	1870	Superior



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103rd Birthday of McPherson County.

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September 11, 1973
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather HENRY FREDERICK Achilles
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler He was my great grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring of 1872
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Little Valley, Sec. 12
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmed and Veterinarian
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born in GERMANY - Came to U.S. at age of 18 years to Iowa
Pioneer's age when he settled in County About 30 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: Yes - Mary! Mrs. Joe (Ruth Lufthorn) Straka, 115 E Loomis
Clarence Achilles, Edna Achilles, & Leona Achilles; Sumner, Mo. Mrs. Walter Postier, Conway, Mo.
Mrs. Elmer Knackstedt, Sumner, Mo. Mrs. Harold Knackstedt, Mrs. Dora E. Saw, Harlow, Briggs
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 in the Civil War.
Attached is some interesting information pertaining to his first years in McPherson County, as recorded in his diary. Myquist Book.

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) (Mrs. Harold E. Jones)

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Ida Jane Graves Jones

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: Box 64, McPherson, Mo. 67460

Your occupation: Housewife and Payroll Clerk for Central Food Products Corp.

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Several men, among them John Schlatter, Fred Hoefer, Jacob Locke, Charles Schwair, and Henry Achilles came from Iowa in 1872 to Little Valley Township in three covered wagons. Forging a creek just after they entered the township, they saw three wolves (prairie wolves or coyotes) jump out of the brush. They jokingly said, "We ought to call this Wolf Creek," so they did, and that's what it is today.

Henry Achilles took out his homestead papers on the southwest quarter of section twelve. He built a frame house and three months after he had arrived, his family came to live in it. Then he built a sod barn for his team of horses. One of his horses died soon after, so he traded the other for a yoke of oxen. These animals, with the typical wooden yoke to fit their necks and the bow below, were slower in movement than the horses and he couldn't break sod as rapidly as he wanted to. Then one of his oxen died. A neighbor had just one ox also, so they combined the two and had one yoke, each using it half the time, which was slower than ever.

Then he had some time to dig a well. They had hauled their water from neighbors before. He walled the well with stones hauled from the old Stone Corral, just across the line in Rice County. When he went to get the stone the corral was all standing. It was just walls of rock coming together to form a square with a small stone house in one corner. When soldiers were quartered there, the officers had lived in the little house.

Those soldiers had been quartered there years before to protect settlers from the Indians. When Mr. Achilles came, there were few Indians, only one to beg occasionally. They walked right into the house when they wanted something without stopping to knock. They usually brought the reins of their pony in with them if they were riding and shut the door on them to tie their pony.

The Indians left some of their troubles behind them, for the settlers, when they left permanently, though, such as rattle-snakes. In the fall of '73 Peter Fisher, a pioneer from Massachusetts, was ploughing bare-footed and stepped on a rattle-snake and it bit him. His partner, who was near, told him to stand still, and he'd go to the dugout to get some whiskey. But the man was al-

most senseless with pain, so he followed him to the dugout a half mile away. The poison worked up into his system, and in a short time he was dead.

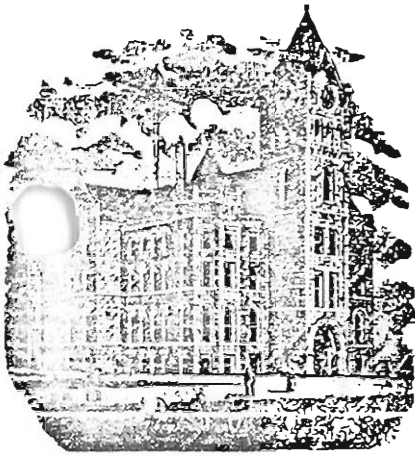
There were prairie fires to be reckoned with, too, for the settlers, although the Indians were not bothered with them so much, for they were careful to put out their fires. Riding to Hutchinson one afternoon on his pony, he heard a great roar ahead of him and saw coming toward him a great group of wild animals fleeing for their lives in front of a prairie fire. It was so near that he couldn't possibly outrun it, even though he did turn back. He just happened to have a match in his pocket. He started a fire with that and followed his own fire as it burned the grass. By the time the big fire came whizzing by him on his protected spot, he was almost smothered.

Another big problem for the settlers was protection from the winter storms, for the wind crept in between the cracks of their frame houses in spite of everything they could do. The Achilles burned buffalo chips, corn cobs and corn stalks. Those who lived in dugouts didn't need to worry so much about fuel for it took very little fire to make a dugout warm.

The dugouts in Little Valley township were often dug right out on the open prairie. Then the home-stead-er would take two forked poles, put them down into the sod at each end of the dugout with the forked ends up-right. After that they would put a pole across the forks. On that pole other poles would be laid to the sides of the dugout. On that they piled grass, brush, and sod.

Sometimes these dugouts were rather flat on the ground and grass would grow on the sod roof. A certain man galloping across the prairie at a rapid rate was surprised to hear a man's voice hail him from behind a short ways. He had seen nothing but vacant prairie a few minutes before and here was a man, now. The man explained that he had merely wondered what all the racket was when the horse had cantered over his dugout.

They had a good laugh out of that. They needed those laughs, sometimes, for their social outlets were few. Perhaps that is the reason that after building their strong frame school house in 1875 they had socials and literary societies often. They had church services there on Sunday, too.



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Sept 7 - 1973.
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather Samuel Altman
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County May 120 - 1862 1872
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Sec 24-21-2 Ward
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Finley Ohio, called Penn
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25 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: 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?

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Lizzie Dugard Sackett
If woman, Maiden Name: Lizzie Altman
Your address: 700 N Walnut
Your occupation: Home maker



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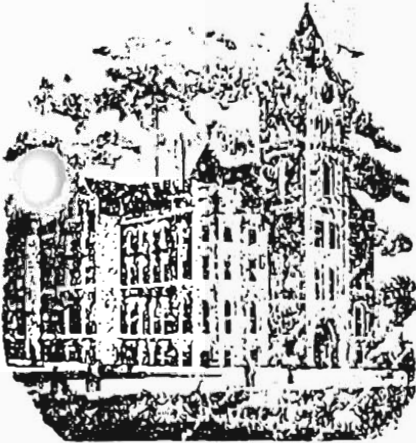
my Father was born Nov 16 - 1847. at Fort Finley Ohio
came to Kas in covered wagon with his
widowed mother & rest of family

It was indeed very interesting for us
children to listen to our father tell of his
6 years of batching experience after settling
on his homestead, 2 miles due east of
Moundridge, one incident, the strong wind
that would take the roof off ^{God House} when it was
from the north, and later a reverse take
it north with a south wind,

His first financial experience in Money
was by seining fish in Ark River at Wichita
where they pulled out enough fish that
when sold, brought \$18.00 He paid \$16.00
for his 160 acre claim.

Helton was the end of the railroad
and he helped build to Great Bend, also
pumped water by hand to fill tank for
Engines, as to Roads? a furrow was
plowed to the nearest town, Christian
he had walked to the city to buy some
beans, nighttime came before he got back
he lost track of the furrow, so he ^{thot} he
could set his paper bag of beans down as a
marker, & step it off to the furrow. Couldn't
find it. so next morning there there was a

Linn Peterson



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

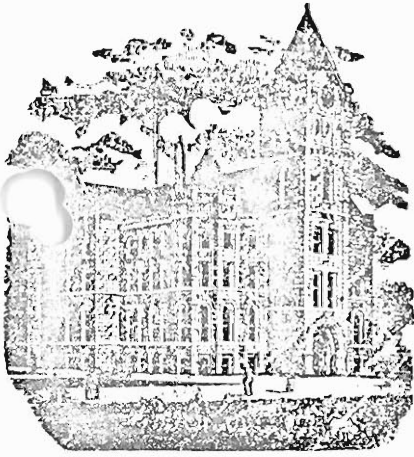
Please complete the Form and include such other pertinent and interesting information as you feel would be of general interest. The Form should then be forwarded to either the President of one of the Societies or to the Chairman of the Committee in charge.

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather WILBUR C. BALDWIN
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County August 1873
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 10, Hayes Twp.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born in Vermont.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County born June 9, 1850, Age 23
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: Allen V. Baldwin RFD. Conway, Ks
William C. Baldwin RFD. Conway, Ks
Robert W. Baldwin RFD. Conway, Ks
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? _____

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Leonard B. Baldwin
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 102 #1, Box #52 Conway, Ks 67434
Reference: P. 334 of Portrait Your occupation: Farming
and Biographical Record of Dickinson, Diamond B. Farms, Inc.
Saline, McPherson and Marion Counties-
Chapman Bros, Chicago 1893.
McPherson City Library.



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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.)

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October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

3/3/73
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather William Calvin Barnum Sr.
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873 Sept 14
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Center SE 1/4 T14S P19 Range 1W
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Morton, Tazewell Co. Illinois, American
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 27 years 1873
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes he homesteaded in McPherson Co. when he came to Kansas
Is homestead still in possession of family? No homestead was sold to Abraham Chapin
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Yes, A grandson James M. Barnum
Center Kansas Died in 1884

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 Barnum enlisted at 17 years of age, Records show he was 18 yrs at Pecos he enlisted for 100 days and was discharged at that time then. He served under Capt. Herman W. S. 139 Regiment 111 Command Ft. Pecos, Illinois
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) Volunteer

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Mrs. Ada M. Cox
If woman, Maiden Name: Ada L. Barnum
Your address: 827 Wheeler, McPherson
Your occupation: Housewife

William Calvin Barnum enlisted in the service on May 12, 1864 at the age of 17 years at Peoria Illinois, however records show he was 18 years old, however the law required he should be 18 years in order to enlist. He ran away from home to enlist in service on May 12, 1864 for 100 days as a private of Captain Herman W. Snows Company F, 139 Regiment of Infantry, Illinois Volunteers. He served 100 days in the infantry and was discharged from service of the United States on October 28, 1864 at Peoria Illinois by reason of Expiration of term of service. His father's name was William Barnum, his mother's name was Rachel Mahaley birthplace Framn, state unknown. Father's birth place is unknown.

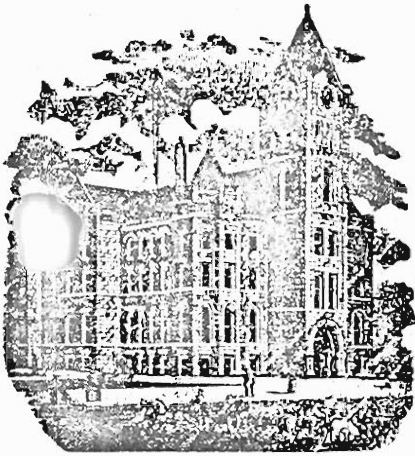
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He, wife and son 3 yrs. came to Kansas from Illinois in a covered wagon, his 3 year old son William C. Barnum Jr. He married Rachel Eggman Febr. 25, 1869, at Deer Creek, Tazewell County Illinois.

They went to Salina Homestead Office and signed up to get a Homestead, his homestead certificate number was 4079 application 15496. According to law to William C Barnum for S.E. quarter of Section 14 in Township 19, South of Range One West. Patent Record was signed by Rutherford B Hayes President of United States, May 15th 1880. Deed was recorded July 24 1884 when he sold it to Abraham D. Chapin. he was to plant a grove of trees, box elders 20 feet apart, which made a nice grove. He shot a buffalo one day which was the last one in Canton township at that time.

They went to Salina Land Office to get a homestead
and on September 18, 1878, They paid the sum of
four dollars being their payment on it required by
law for the entry

Barum



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September 7, 1973

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather Herman Bartels
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled & 12th Superior Sec 12
Occupation of Pioneer Settler ~~Farmer~~ Farmer-lumberman
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Germany
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 27
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? ~~No~~ Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? ~~No~~ No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Adolyn Bartels, grand-daughter, and
Mrs. Clara Bartels, daughter-in-law and Diane Bartels,
great grand-daughter. - other 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

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: [Signature]
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Inman, Kansas
Your occupation: Banker



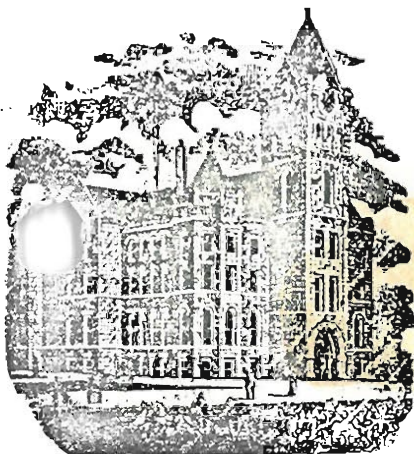
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other descendents: Clarence Achilles, Leona Achilles, and Elda Achilles, all grand-children; Wilbur and Norman Achilles, great grand-children; and several great, great grand-children.

1. Achilles #2



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Sept. 6, 1973
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather Andrew Bengtson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring 1873
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled WEL 13-19-37 McPherson
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Skara, Vastergotland, Sweden
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: Kenneth Swanson, Oscar Swanson, Carl W. Anderson, Theodore Anderson, Ruth Anderson, McPherson
Walter L. Anderson, Lindsborg (grandchildren) - Ruth Anderson 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? No

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

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Mrs. Julius Dorf
If woman, Maiden Name: Ingenborg Swanson
Your address: Lindsborg
Your occupation: Housewife

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Andrew Bengtson #2



I didn't know if Anna Fuchs should be included.
She was legally adopted by Aunt Jennie in later
years.
I'm enclosing this clipping about Grandfather
Bengtson. Anna has the original.

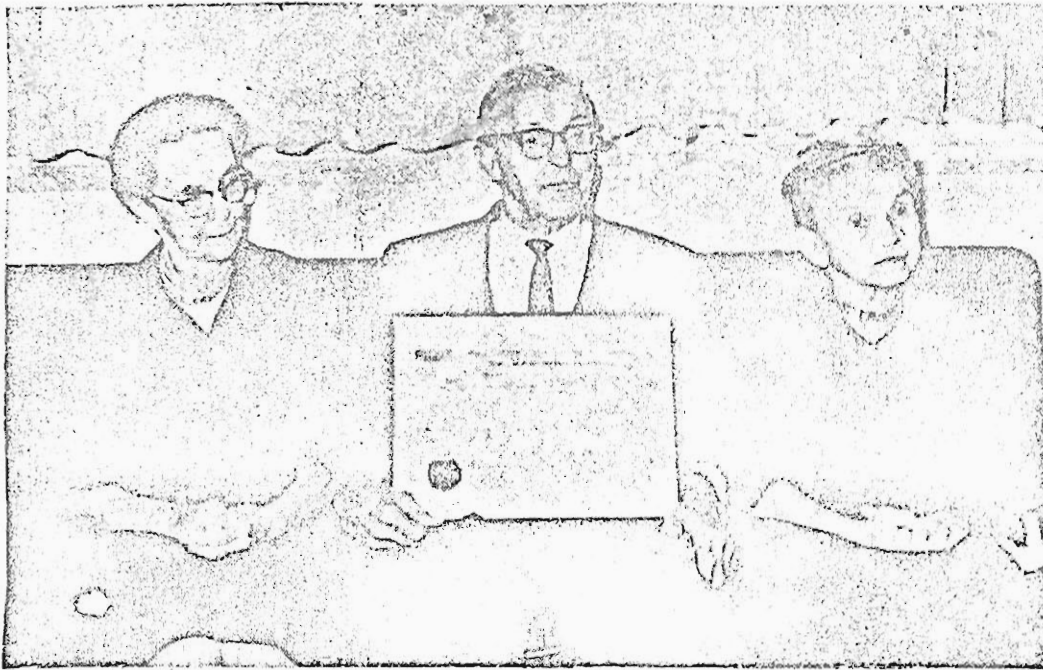
Sincerely,

Ingeborg Dorf

SVENSK-AMERIKA.

Svenska som postmästare. Mrs Margaret Andersons utnämning till postmästare i Stromsburg, Nebr., har i dagarna bekräftats af senaten, och hon öfverlägger nu denna sassa.

Med öfverste Nils Ericson, broder till konstruktören af krigsfartyget "Monitor", är det ej många svensk-amerikaner, som haft något att skaffa. Bland de få, som i unga år voro i den store kanal- och järnvägsbyggarens tjänst och sedermera reste till Amerika, är förhända mr Andrew Bengtson i McPherson, Kans., numera ensam kvar. Mr B. är född 1839 utanför Skara, Västergötland. Åren 1865-66 deltog han i arbetet på Dalslands kanals byggande vid Uppervads bruk. Under sistnämnda året var B. arbetsförmän. Ingenjör Verner Ericson, son till öfversten, hade arbetet på entreprenad, medan den förstnämnde stod i borgen för det hela och följaktligen var den, som hade mest att säga. Mr B. beskriver öfverste Ericson som en hederns och rättskaffenhetens man mot alla, hög såväl som låg. Sedan Bengtson slutat sin plats vid kanal-läggningen, arbetade han på byggnad af stambanan mellan Laxå och norska gränsen till år 1869, då B. reste till Amerika och Rockford, Ill. Därifrån flyttade den forne kanalbyggaren till Kansas 1878 och idkade jordbruk till 1903, då han drog sig tillbaka för att njuta välföränt ro och hvila.



HOMESTEAD PATENT — David Bengtson is holding the framed homestead patent his father was given 85 years ago by the government for 160 acres of land northeast of McPherson. Mr. Bengtson now owns 80 acres of this land and his

name is the only other name on the abstract of title. His two living sisters, who were born on the homestead, are shown here, Mrs. Ida Anderson on the right and Mrs. Joe Swanson on the left. (Sentinel Photo)

1965

Patent To Homestead Of 1873 Is Treasured By A Local Family

By L. E. Lindell

Hanging in a glassed frame on the dining room wall of the David Bengtson farm home northeast of McPherson is a family treasure—the original homestead patent signed by President Rutherford B. Hayes in 1880.

There may be several similar homestead patents in the county, but the Bengtson farm has remained in the same family and there is only one new name on the abstract of title and that is the name of the homesteader's son who has lived on the farm 85 years.

Andrew Bengtson, who was born in Sweden in 1839, came to the States in 1869 and in 1873 he staked his homestead on the 160 acres in the northeast quarter of section 13-19-3W. He lived on the farm, raised his family, then retired and moved into McPherson in 1903 and died in 1921.

Mr. Bengtson received his naturalization papers in the district court at Salina on May 7, 1878, and proved up on his homestead

claim and received the patent from the government on June 30, 1880. The patent was issued by the U. S. Land Office in Salina and has been in possession of the family since then.

David Bengtson, son of the homesteader, was born 85 years ago on the homestead. Other children in the family were born in the original sod house that Andrew Bengtson had built when he first moved to the claim. After Mr. Bengtson's death, Mrs. Joe E. Swanson, one of the daughters, inherited the south 80 acres of the original 160, and she now lives in McPherson.

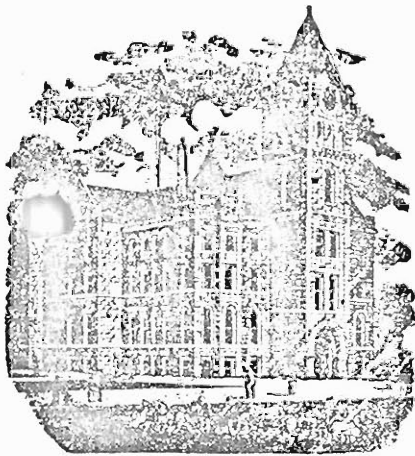
Another daughter, Mrs. Ida Anderson, who lives just west of the homestead, was the only survivor of triplets born in the

sod house 91 years ago on a bitter cold February day. Another son, Edward Bengtson, died in 1955, and another daughter, Miss Jennie Bengtson, died last December.

The Bengtsons gave credit for preserving the old government homestead patent to Miss Anna Fuchs, McPherson, the adopted daughter of Jennie Bengtson.

"Anna found the homestead patent in the estate papers of Jennie Bengtson and realized their historical value," explained Mrs. David Bengtson.

The paper on which the patent was printed has been well preserved and the document is one of the shortest records of land ownership in McPherson County.



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100th Birthday of McPherson County.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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

January 31, 1976.
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Olof T. Bentson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County , 1875.
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 33-18-2 (NW 1/4) Delmore
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Ysane Blekinge, Sweden - 6-14-1850.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25
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. 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? O. T. Bentson came to the New Gottland
Community from Colorado in the year 1875. He joined the New Gottland Church
February 7, 1886, and was married to Emilia Albertina Nilson March 25, 1886.
He had come to America in the year 1868.

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

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: O. M. Bentson
If woman, Maiden Name:
Your address: 106 W. Union, Lindsborg, Ks.
Your occupation: Retired.

Mrs. C. E.
Erickson

Carl J. Ericson
Mrs. Bruce Elbert

Leroy Erickson

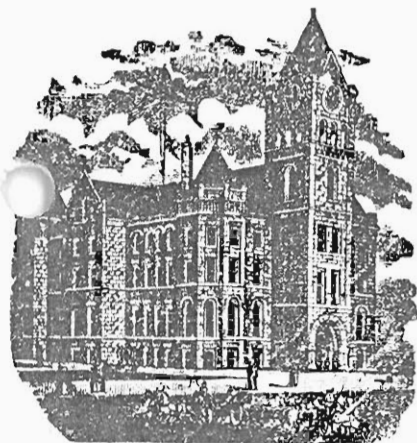
Richard Erickson

Sarah Erickson

Sandra Erickson

Mrs. Colleen Bruce
(Dan)
Mark Kennedy

Scott Kenne



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF
McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

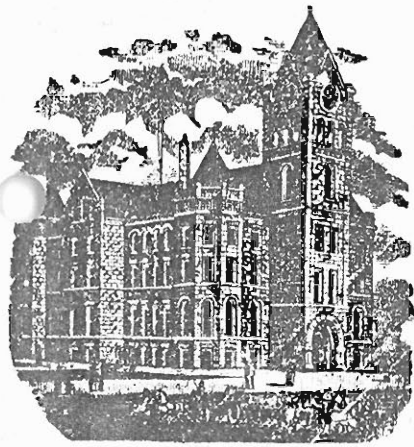
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Full name of your pioneer forefather Henry Harrison Bigby
Your relationship to pioneer settler _____
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1877
Township and section number or town in which forefather
settled McPherson City
Occupation of pioneer settler Reddler of Patent Medicines
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer in Central Kansas
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26
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

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? _____

Information provided by- - Your signature Abigail C. Bigby
If woman, maiden name _____
Your address _____
Your occupation _____

I have a clipping from the Pioneer Republican when
Big Stone opened the new building in 1883 which
states "our Bigby came to McPherson in 1877, selling
Patent Medicines through country"



John Bjorn

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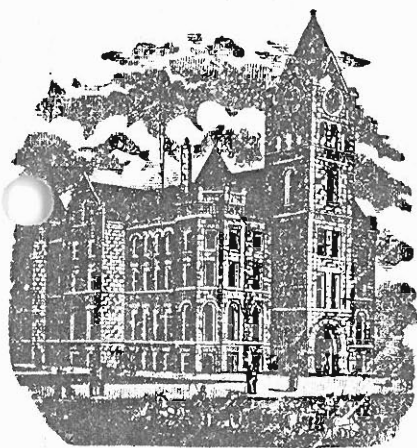
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Full name of your pioneer forefather John Bjorn
Your relationship to pioneer settler niece by marriage
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union
Smoky Hill settled 4 miles west of Lindsborg Sec. 11 Union
Occupation of pioneer settler farmer and cattle feeder
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Röda, Värmland Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
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: _____

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.

Information provided by- - Your signature Julia A. Thorewald
If woman, maiden name Ohlstedt
Your address Lindsborg 212 N. Washington St.
Your occupation Retired teacher

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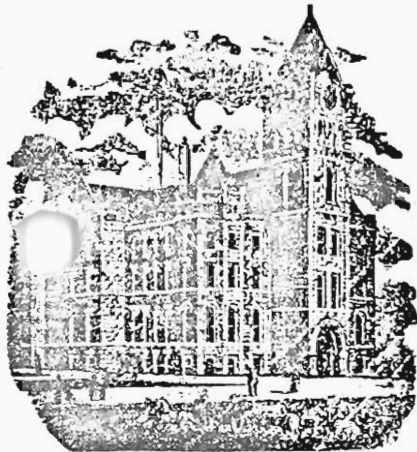
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Full name of your pioneer forefather William Horatio W. H. BLACKMAN
Your relationship to pioneer settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Jackson Twp. Sec. 14 S. 2 E. 4
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Illinois
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:
Orville Blackman, 714 W. Ave. A, 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? Ran away to Civil War at age 16.

Information provided by- - Your signature Elaine Sargent
If woman, maiden name Quatafson
Your address 600 W. Walnut
Your occupation Retired

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103rd Birthday of McPherson County.

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Valley Historical Association no later than
September 7th, prior to the Banquet.)

September 7, 1973

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather Jochim Bornholdt
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grand-son
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Superior Twp. 30
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Germany
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. Clara Bartels, grand-daughter; Adolyn
Bartels, great grand-daughter; Diane Bartels, great, great grand-daughter;
Harry & Opal Bornholdt, Eva Bleisch, Lida Borders, Wilma Smyres, grand-
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting childr
and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of en and ###
particular significance or interest? many great &
great, great grand-
children. OVER

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

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Robert A. Bartels

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: Inman

Your occupation: Banker

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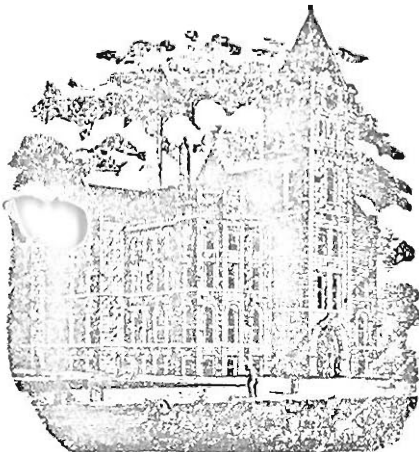
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Other descendents: Melvin Wittorff, Donna Mae Wittorff Lackey, Arnold Wittorff, and Erwin Wittorff, great grand-children of Jochim Bornholdt; Ella Wittorff Davisson, grand-daughter; twelve great-great-grand-children, and at least one great, great, great, grand-child.

Bornholdt #2



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Oct 15. 1976
Date

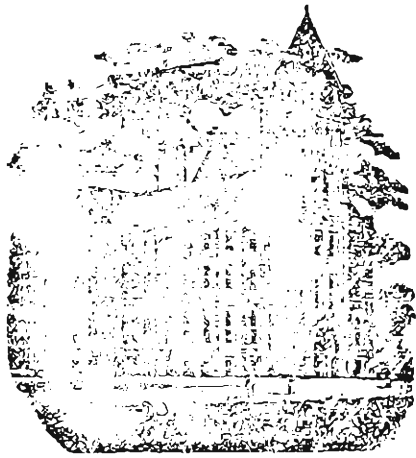
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather James Monroe Bunnell
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1876
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 36-19-2 Empire
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer -- Mailcarrier
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Walnut, Indiana - French
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Part of it.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: Mrs Allan Leaf, Mrs John Coat- great
grand daughters. Lindsborg, 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? _____

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Edna M. Yarn
If woman, Maiden Name: Edna Lewis
Your address: Galva, Kans
Your occupation: retired

Mrs Mable Johnson , formerly of Lindsborg and now of Cherokee Village Ark.
is a grand daughter of James Funnell and descends through his son Rexford.
While I descend through his daughter Nellie Funnell Lewis.



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Register of Pioneer Families of McPherson Co., Kansas

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October 8, 1975
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Henry W. Burnett
Your relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson Co. 1875
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Twp 11 N. R. 10 E. Secs 2, 3, 10 + (Battered Victor)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Cherokee
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 40
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: No

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

Sept. 1862 enrolled 26th Regiment, Missouri Vol. Inf.
Information provided by --- Your signature Carl Feltrow
Discharged 8-13-1865
If woman, Maiden Name
Died: Dec. 12, 1902
Your address Willow Springs, Mo
Attica, Harper Co., Ks. Your occupation Lumber yard 6558
add: Carr. from Sherwood, Mo 1/25/99
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Dear Jim

I was glad to hear from you. Wife and I have talked about how small the world seem when ~~two~~ strangers meet and find they have relations in common.

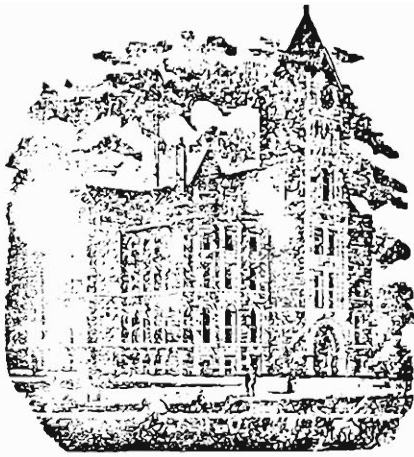
I don't know much about my great grandfather, all I know is what great grandmother told me when I was a small boy.

One story she told was to me most interesting one evening as they were having their supper someone came to the door and ask for great grandfather, when they faced each other the visitor said to great grandfather Mr. Burnett do you know me? Great grandfather said no I don't think so, then the man said I am the southern soldier you carried on your back a long way to get me to aid.

Great grandfather would never tell
if ^{he} was the one who shot this man
or not. I have one more person
I may be able to find out more.
if I do I will let you know.

Carl Letow
RT 2 box 420
Willow Springs Mo
65793

Letter of John
Mason to the
House of Commons



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September 3, 1973.

Date

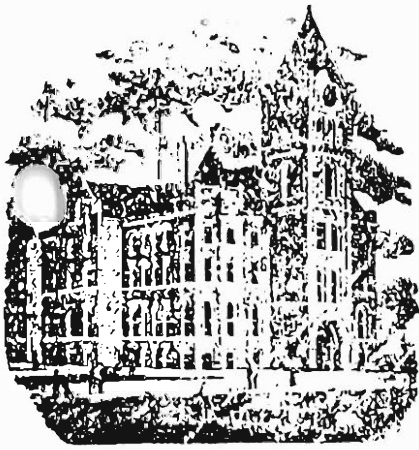
Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather J. N. Catlin (Colonel Hooker)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Sec. 4-18-2 (S5E1/4) (N1/2E1/4)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Blacksmith Sec. 9
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer New York State
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
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: Oscar Holmberg (Grandson); and other grandchildren Mrs. Harvey Elmore; Mrs. Arthur Lindberg; Mrs. Earl Holm; Mrs. L. I. Williams; Mrs. Carrie Beniston, Tonkawa, Okla.; Robert Holmberg, Sayre, Okla.; Ark.
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 in Civil War. Union Army
"Blue Belly Yankee from Eastern States" - referred to as this by Abner's Grandmother.
Came to Kansas from California Junction, Iowa in a covered wagon with family of two girls and two boys.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Abner D. Catland
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: R.R.#1, Galva, Kansas
Your occupation: Farmer and Stockman



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Nils Lorentz Kindberg (Changed to Chinberg)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Father
Month and year settled in McPherson County June or July 1877
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 32-18-2 *Delmore*
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Coal Miner and Farm Laborer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Doderhult, Kalmar lan Osterjutland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 27
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No, bought out a homestead
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Yes, Dean Chinberg and Family, Dennis Chinberg and family

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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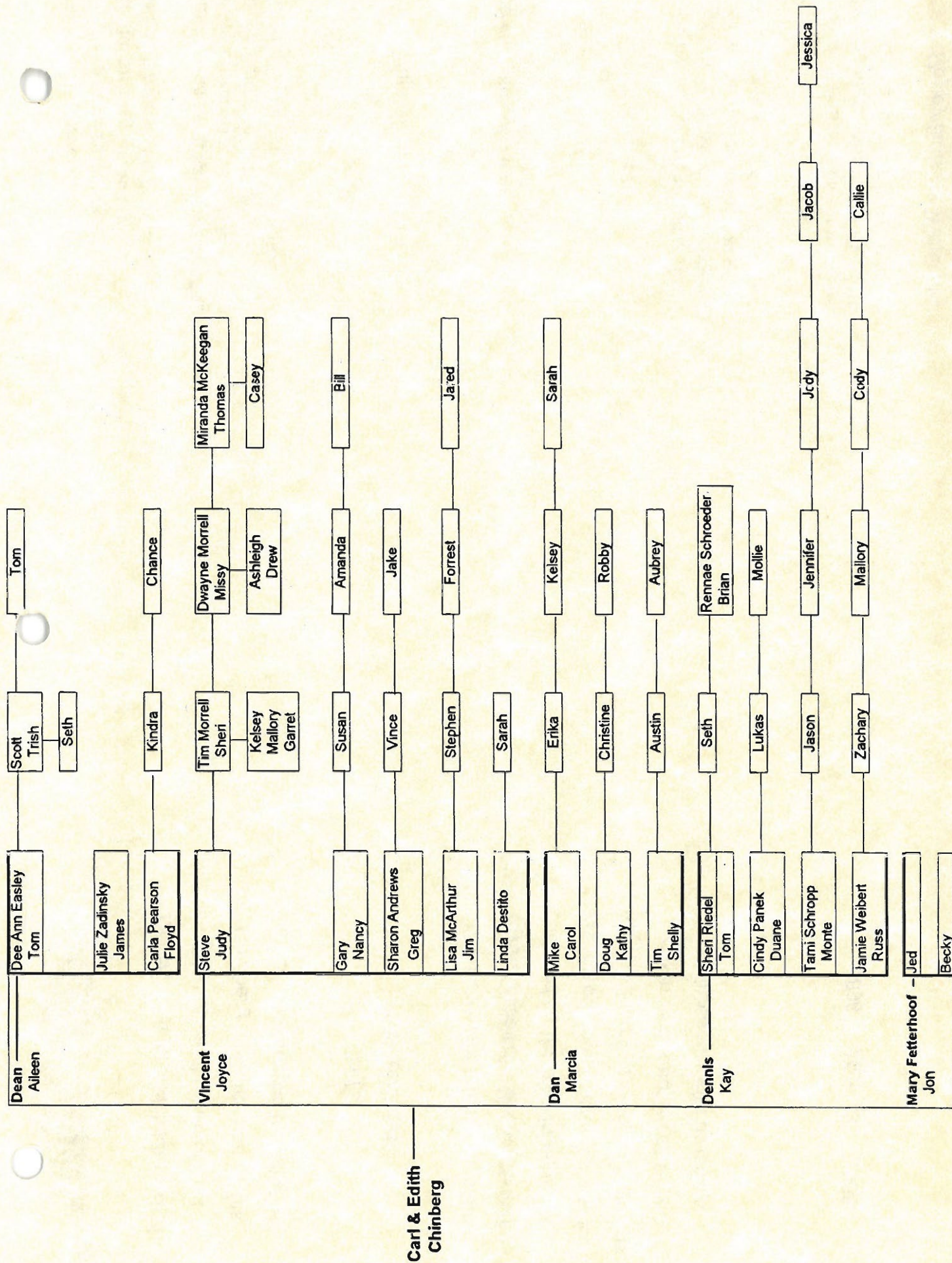
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Carl E. Chinberg
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Route #3 Box 119 McPherson
Your occupation: retired Farmer



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Was not in Civil War, came to America in 1869, lived in Illinois with his Uncle working as a coal miner and a farm laborer. He returned to Sweden in 5 years and-- came back to America with his brother Alfred. They worked together ~~X~~ to buy a team of horses and a wagon to travel to Kansas. In 1877 they moved to Kansas and bought out the homestead rights from a Mr. Roland for \$850.00. While living in a dugout on the homestead, some friends from Illinois came to live with them. This family had 3 children and during the first winter, one more child was born in the dugout in the winter of 1877.



*If life is like a harvest
then yours must surely be,
plentiful and bounteous
filled with memories sweet.*

*• Your life has been spent in growing
not just crops upon the ground
but growing strong relations
with family and friends around.*

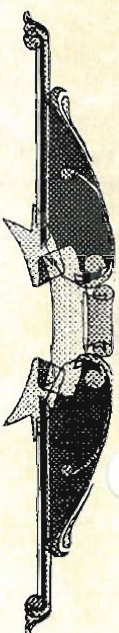
*Planting seeds of love,
teaching steadfast ways,
cultivating friendships,
living faithful Christian days.*

*You shared what you had
with those in need
and little did you know
you had planted a seed.
To teach us that living
is more than an art,
to live and to love,
comes from the heart.*

*Our wish for you this special day
is for God to bless you in every way.
To give you peace in all you do,
to know your family's love for you.*

*May this special birthday be
blessed with friends for you to see.
May the memories made this day,
be "planted" in your heart to stay.*

*Happy Birthday With Love,
Your Family*

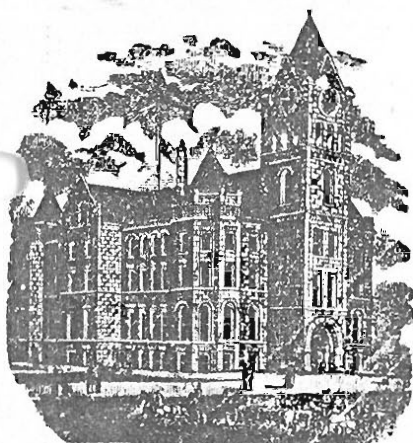


*The children, grandchildren, and
great grandchildren of Carl
Chinberg welcome you to this
special celebration in honor of*

*Carl's
100th birthday.*

*Thank you for joining us in this
joyous occasion. We are thankful
to God for the blessings He has
bestowed upon our family and for
the special gift of friendship He has
given us through each of you
celebrating with us today.*

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Full name of your pioneer forefather Nathan Coats
Your relationship to pioneer settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869 1869 1877?
Township and section number, or town in which forefather
settled Gypsum Creek Twp. Sec. 29-17-1
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer English & Irish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes - 1860
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 - Jeanette Blaylock - 1221 E. Kansas - McPherson, Kans 67460

Was the pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, ^{yes} 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? They dug a cave in the side of a small
hill where they lived until they could build a house.

Information provided by - Your signature Kathryn Lindgren
Catherine Coats - If woman, maiden name Kathryn Schultz
Your address Carlton, Kansas 67428
Your occupation Retired
(and Mrs. C. A. Lindgren)

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February 26, 1985

Linn:

Mrs. Clark Ingram of Canton gave me Nathan Coats Pioneer History. She says Nathan Coats Granddaughter, Mrs. Lindgren insists her grand father settle in Section 29 of Gypsum Creek Township in 1859.

I decided to go to the Register of Deeds and Check on it. It shows U. S. to Nathan H. Coats final receipt of the Homestead Act on Oct. 17, 1874. He owned the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ in Section 29. This would put him as settling in 1869; which would seem more possible.

Nathan H. Coats to Orrilla Coats (W.D.) on Dec. 8, 1879. Orrilla Coats and husband to The Travelers Co. (mtg.) on 12-11-80. Sheriff of McP. Co. to Travelers Ins. Co. on Sept. 28, 1883. Now I know why he is not listed on the 1884 County Atlas. *He had moved by then.*

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The 1880 Census shows:

Nathan H. Coats	age 45
Orrilla Coats	age 43
Thomas W. Coats	age 17
Armilla J. Coats	age 15
Nora M. Coats	age 13
Hannah M. Coats	age 9
Lewis M. Coats	age 5
Stella M. Coats	age 3

Gypsum Creek Township

*The wife of Nathan Coats
name seems to have several different
spellings.*

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather EDWARD ALVA COLBURN (B. MAR 4-1849)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler NEPHEW
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1879 (1878 per 1884 Atlas.)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled McPHERSON
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FLOUR MILLING
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer FREDONIA, N.Y. SCOTCH IRISH
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 30
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: ~~WIFE~~ Son- Robert Colburn, R.#2, Canton; Kimberly and Charles. Daughter- Ann Colburn - Swanson (Mrs. Marvin F. Swanson), Des Moines, Iowa - Julie and Bruce Swanson.
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

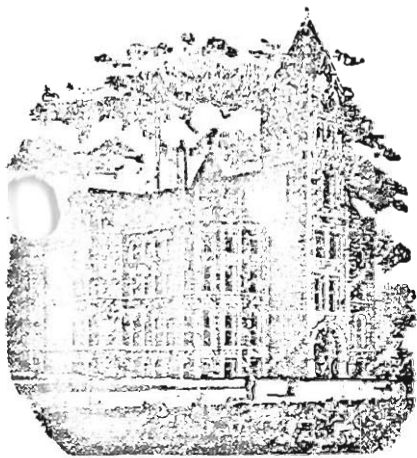
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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: x Albert McPherson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: RT Box 22 McPherson KS
Your occupation: FARMING



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Register of Pioneer Families of McPherson Co., Kansas

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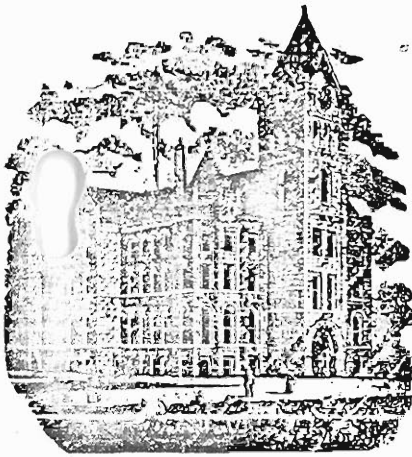
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Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather George Washington Couper
Your relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand Son
Month and year settled in McPherson Co. 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Hayes town 8-30 5
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Civil Eng. - 2nd
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Pittsburg P.A.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 32
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: Shallard H. Couper

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? Carried Dispatches through Enemy Lines

Information provided by----Your signature Shallard H. Couper
If woman, maiden Name _____
Your address Shindom Kansas
Your occupation Farmer

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Valley Historical Association no later than
September 7th, prior to the Banquet.)

Sept. 8, 1973
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather William Albert Cramer - Born Feb 18, 1861
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Empire near Salva
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Stockman and grain dealer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born in Wiley County, Ill. (Penn. Dutch)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 11 yrs old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No his father did, Jacob B. Cramer
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 Dickman, Grant, her children, daughter Son
John, children, Gordon, Amy and Lance Grant - her daughter
Gaylyn Sue Grant Peterson and children, Fredson, Ray Lee, Julie Ann, Ransom
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? His father Jacob B. Cramer was
in the 89th Vol Inf. in the Civil War. He was in the
Battle of Chickamauga, Oct. 1865

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Mrs. Linn Peterson
If woman, Maiden Name: Mrs. Jean Dickman
Your address: 408 N. Elm
Your occupation: McPherson, Kans.

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Descendants

+ Salva

also Lois' grandson Kent Lee Danyluk - My children & grandchildren, Fred Edward Peterson, his sons Jeffery Clifford and Daniel Leonard also Leonard Helen Peterson and son Lesley Troy Peterson. Frederick Charles (Ted) ^(grandson) ~~Shielman~~ Canton Kans and Bernet L. Barvelts of Canton, Kans. _{grandson}

I forgot the addresses on the other side for descendants Lois Grant ^{granddaughter} Shielman, Salva Kans, Jackie Amy and Lance Grant (^{great} - grandchildren) Salva Kans. Marilyn Sue Grant (Great-granddaughter and her children Great-Great grandchildren) Joe Dean, ~~Ray Lee~~ and Juli Gene' ^{Edward} Rierson of 922 South Maple, McPherson, Kans. Fred Peterson, (great-grandson). Jeffery Clifford and Daniel Leonard (great-grandsons) 221 South Elm, McPherson, Kans. Leonard Helen Peterson (great-grandson) and Lesley Troy (great-great grandson) 1200 South Ash, McPherson, Kans.

Daughter -
Ethel Cramer - ~~Oliver~~ - McPherson
(Mrs. Floyd Oliver)

Louis William Drant - granddaughter - Salva, Kans.

(Jack Drant - ^{great-grandson} deceased) his children

Jackie Drant - great-great-granddaughter, Salva, Kans.

Amy Drant - great-great-granddaughter, Salva, Kans.

Lance Drant, great-great-grandson Salva, Kans.

Kent Lee Danyluk - great-great-grandson, Salva, Kans.

Marilyn Sue Drant Rierson - great-granddaughter

Joe Wlean Rierson - great-great-grandson

Ray Lee Rierson - great-great-grandson

Juli Rene Rierson - great-great-granddaughter

all of 922 South Maple

McCherson, Kans.

Fred Edward Peterson - great-grandson

Jeffery Clifford Peterson - great-great-grandson

Wmuel Leonard Peterson - great-great-grandson

all of 221 South Elm

McCherson, Kans.

Leonard Helen Peterson - great-grandson

Lesley Inay Peterson - great-great-grandson

of 1200 South Oak

McCherson,

Kans.

Wm Danyluk #2

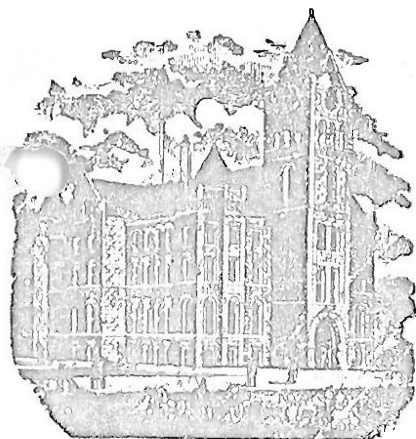
Frederick Charles (Ted) Helman - grandson

Canton, Kans.

Barnet L. Harrelts - grandson

Canton, Kans.

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*Better information
 could come from
 great grand children
 who settled in
 McPherson
 County*

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*Anna Maria
 Dahlsten - had
 Seven sons &
 one daughter -*

- 1 Johan Magnus,
- 2 Carl Peter,
- 3 Johan August,
- ① Anna Sophia,
- 4 Daniel Erland,
- 5 Algot.
- 6 Emanuel

Full name of your pioneer forefather Liusland - Anders Wilhelm
 Your relationship to pioneer settler Anna Maria Dahlsten
 Month and year settled in McPherson County great grand son
 Township and section number or town in which forefather around 1860
 settled she is buried

Occupation of pioneer settler in Fremont cemetery
 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:

many descendants in Fremont & Lindsborg
Area - my grandfather was Anders Wilhelm
who came to Saline County as pastor & Lindsborg
 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? _____

Information provided by- - Your signature Jankins Dahlsten
 If woman, maiden name _____
 Your address 326 N 3 - Lindsborg
 Your occupation Teacher

erdotter Lars Persson

Stina Mänsdotter (1727-) Börje Andersson (1721-1798)

Jonas Larsson (1768-1853)

Annika Samuelsondotter (1765-)

Jonas Börjesson b.1766 Ekelund, Ökna

m. July 9, 1826

otter

Peter Jonsson "DAHLSTEN"

a.NÄshult
nt,Kansas

b.Sept.15, 1797 Ekelund, Ökna
d.Oct.31, 1855 Rås, Virserum

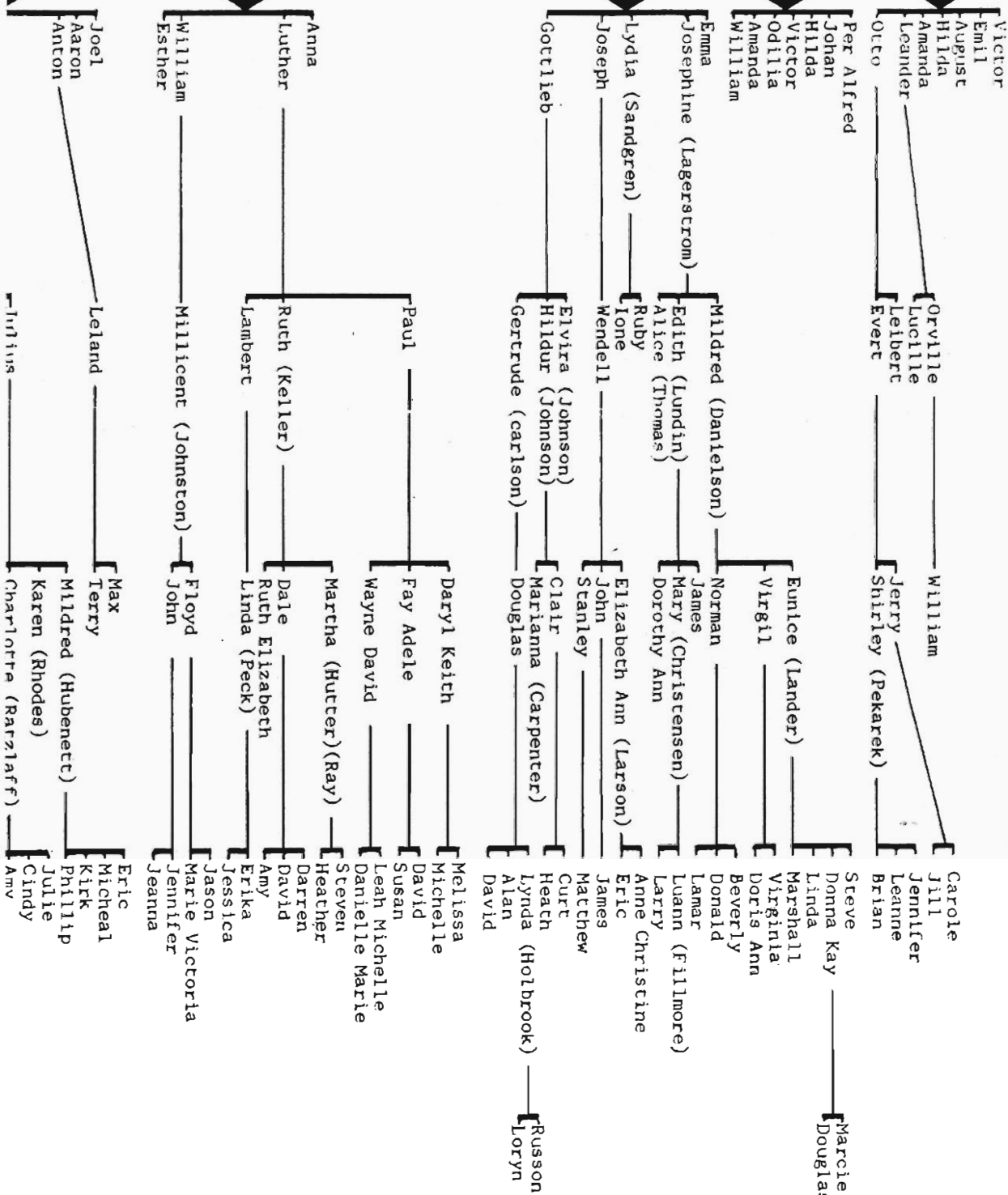
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1929)

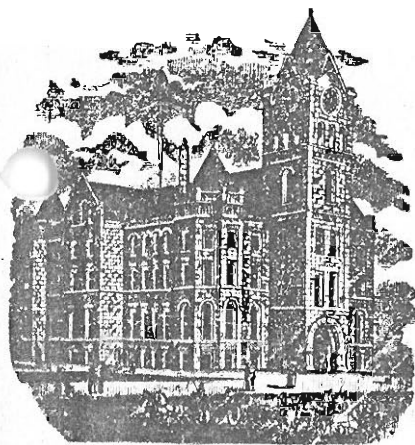
ANDERS WILHELM
(1836-1918)

JOHAN AUGUST
(1834-1915)

CARL PETER
(1829-1910)

JONAS MAGNUS
(1827-1903)





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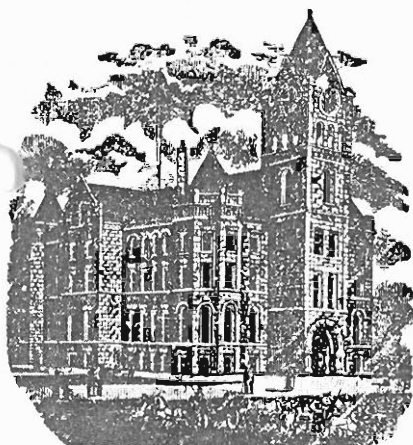
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Full name of your pioneer forefather Daniel E. Danielson
Your relationship to pioneer settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873
Township and section number or town in which forefather
settled America in 1853. NE 1/4 of Sec. 2, Harper Twp.
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer Mathilda
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer 1840 Ore., Sweden. Wife- Uddewalla (1844)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
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:
Merwin Haggood- Mother- Della Danielson, married to Frank R. Haggood.

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. Fought in Civil War. - Was at
Bishop Hill Colony before coming to Lindsborg. Members Swedish Methodist
Church.

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p. XXX - Pioneer Swedish American Culure- Billdt. 1884 Atlas.
p. 11, Also p. 37.-map.
Information provided by- - Your signature Merwin Haggood
If woman, maiden name _____
Your address 923 So Maple
Your occupation McPherson Kansas



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Full name of your pioneer forefather John Decker
Your relationship to pioneer settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1875
Township and section, number or town in which forefather
settled Mound Township Section 12 S 2 of SE 4-25-2
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Karols walde R. Poland Nationality
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 41 German
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No. Purchased land
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:
attached sheet

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.

Information provided by- - Your signature Dwight R. Decker
If woman, maiden name _____
Your address Route 2 Box 35 Newbridge
Your occupation Retired farmer

DESCENDENTS LIVING IN MCPHERSON COUNTY

Pauline Decker (Mrs. Harold) Coe
531 East Kansas, McPherson, Kansas 67460

Vernon (Red) Decker
Galva, Kansas 67443

Robert E. Decker
Canton, Kansas 67428

Otis M. Decker, Jr.
Route 1, McPherson, Kansas 67460

LeeRoy Decker
415 E. Woodside, McPherson, Kansas 67460

Elda Mae Decker (Mrs. Alvin) Unruh
510 W. Maple, Canton, Kansas 67428

Herman Ferd Decker
1221 N. Maple, McPherson, Kansas 67460

Edna Winifred Decker (Mrs. Pete) Weibert
Route 1, Gypsum, Kansas 67448

William J. Ratzlaff
1300 Oaklane No. 6, McPherson, Kansas 67460

Dwight R. Decker
Route 2, Box 38, Moundridge, Kansas 67107

Hilda Elvena Wedel (Mrs. Roy) Unruh
Memorial Home, Moundridge, Kansas 67107

Flossie M. Wedel (Mrs. Wilmont) Rishel
315 S. Fisher, McPherson, Kansas 67460

Violet Frances Wedel (Mrs. Floyd) Cutsinger
Route 2, McPherson, Kansas 67460

Verna Roma Wedel (Mrs. Lincoln) Unruh
507 Carrie, McPherson, Kansas 67460

~~Helen Decker and Stage Coach Co. moved~~
~~Back to Country (Mrs. Decker)~~
about 1991

Sadie Decker (Mrs. Melvin) Jantz
Moundridge, Kansas 67107

Selma Ruth Decker (Mrs. Will) Griffith
403 S. Kansas, Canton, Kansas 67428

Frieda Mae Decker (Mrs. Arthur) Reichert
Route 1, McPherson, Kansas 67460

Roma Helen Decker (Mrs. Carl) Young
606 N. Hartup, McPherson, Kansas 67460

Hazel Ozeta Decker (Mrs. Donald) Swick
1126 N. Myers, McPherson, Kansas 67460

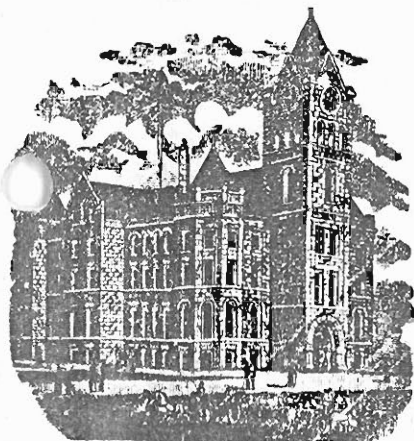
Bill: This is a little history about John Decker.
I am having trouble getting used to this
electric typewriter.

John Decker, son of Andreas Decker and Helena Schultz came to America with the great wave of Mennonites from Russia in 1874. He, with his first wife and seven children, landed at Newton, Kansas in December. The ship on which they crossed the ocean was the "City of London".

Instead of living in the Immigration House, a huge barracks-like building erected for the purpose of housing them temporarily, he, with John B. Unruh, rented a house in Newton where they spent the first winter. He purchased a farm in Mound Township and moved his family there in March.

The winter had been mild but after they moved a very severe cold spell set in and they thought they would freeze to death. Due to insufficient diet and lack of enough warm clothing and bedding, the death rate among the colonists was high that first winter. Among those who died was John's first wife Katharina after the birth of her 9th child Elizabeth. This was a hard blow to the family for the children ranged in age from the tiny baby to twelve years. Lena, being the oldest girl had to take over management of the household at the age of 10 years.

However, he was fortunate in finding another mate in Elizabeth Koehn who took over the task of rearing this large family and later had 10 children of her own.



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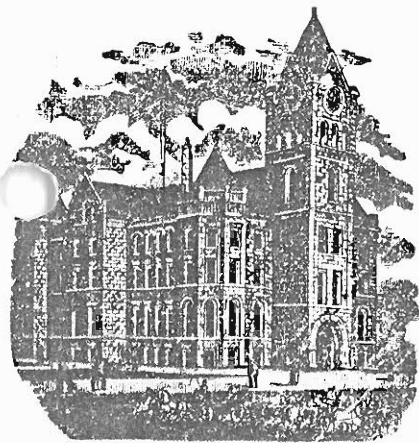
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Full name of your pioneer forefather B. F. Dole or
Your relationship to pioneer settler William Dole
Month and year settled in McPherson County B.F. 1873 Wm. - 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather
settled B.F. - Sec. 12-19-1 Wm. Sec. 25-18-1
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Illinois
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
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:

Myron Fisher Canton Kansas

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

Information provided by- - Your signature Mable Dole
If woman, maiden name _____
Your address Canton Kansas
Your occupation Retired



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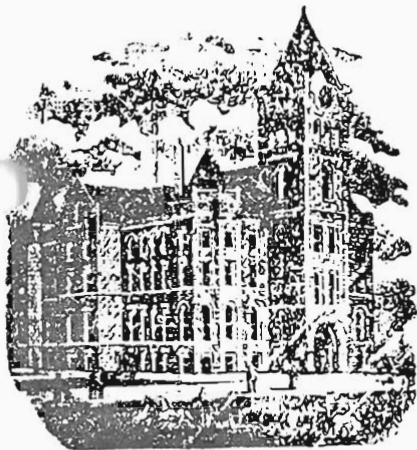
Full name of your pioneer forefather Annanias Ebaugh
Your relationship to pioneer settler great grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County Patent in 1875 - settled in 1870?
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gottland - 8N, 2 1/2 E McPherson NE 1/4, Sec. 14
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer - later cobbler in McPh.
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Swiss Insurance Agent. Born Maryland.
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:

Mrs. Anna Reed - 1129 N. Grimes
Mrs. Bill Shirk - R.R.#2

Victor Ebaugh - Clarence Ebaugh.

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 in Union Army in Ohio Cavalry

Information provided by - Your signature Max Ebaugh
If woman, maiden name 1410 North Walnut
Your address McPherson
Your occupation Merchant



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Ephraim Ellwood
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County April 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Castle SE 1/4 Sec. 10
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Keystone England English
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 34
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Homestead
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 (see Back 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? A soldier in the English army 10 years Body guard for Queen Victoria's Brother Alfred Grand father to maid for the Queen Victoria

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Olin W. Ellwood
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 730 B. Highland McPherson, Mo.
Your occupation: Retired teacher & Building contractor



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 { ~~Ronette~~ { ~~Christina~~ { ~~Randy~~ { ~~Randy~~ { ~~Duke~~
 { ~~Christina~~ { ~~Christine~~ { ~~Christine~~ { ~~Christine~~

L.H. Ellwood { Leola Ellwood. 701 N. 1st St. McPherson, Kas
 { Virgil Ellwood { Gertrude Ellwood ^{Calif.} { Bill Ellwood ^{Lincoln, Kas}
 { James Ellwood ^{103 East Moor. McPherson - 1996}

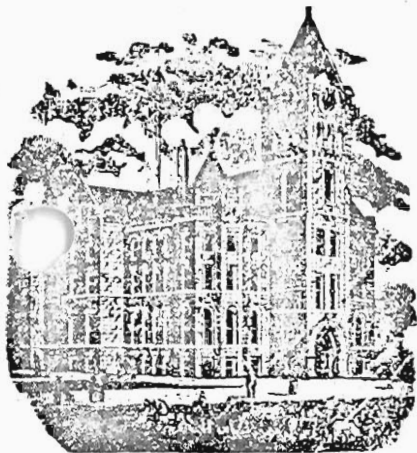
{ Douglas Ellwood { Windom { Lynn
 { Ceola Woolley { St. Louis Woolley Illinois
 { Oliver Ellwood { Donny
 { Winnifred Rush { Randy Rush Wisconsin
 { Martin " " "

Ephraim Ellwood { Leroy Ellwood Windom Kas {
 { Ephraim - 1st married to Anna Olson daughter of Gilbert Olson
 { of Sterling, Kas. The only son and daughter

{ Charles Ellwood { Orville Ellwood - no heirs
 { Addison " "
 { Myrtle Ellwood { Myrtle Rathbun

{ Albert Ellwood never married
 { Emma Ellwood Durland { Marie Durland Larson Marquette
 { { Blanche " " Wray McPherson
 { { Roselee " " Wray McPherson

{ Mary Ellwood Thurston { Everett Thurston Windom Kas
 { Addison Ellwood 804 Cottonwood - 1996
 { Thos McNally 1218 East Moor - 1996



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Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather James H. Ellwood - His father Ephraim Ellwood Sr.
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler my father my grand father
Month and year settled in McPherson County April 1974
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Castle 15-19-5
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Iowa & England English
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 6 months
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 Glenford L. Ellwood - his son Glenford L. Ellwood
His son Randall Ellwood

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 - my grand father Eph Ellwood was a
soldier in the English Army 10 yrs. Served some time in Canada - then
decided to come to America. Worked on R.R. in Iowa - So could buy
supplies to come to Kansas & stake a claim
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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Lester Ellwood
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 701 N. 4th
Your occupation: Retired Nurse



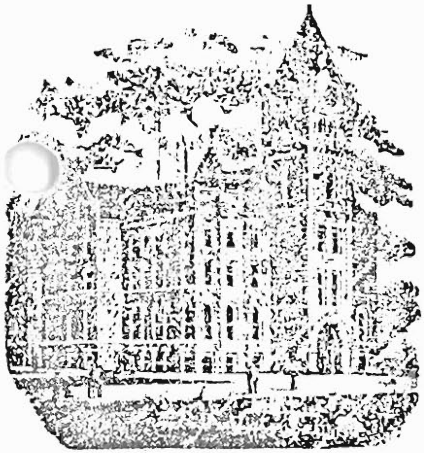
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather (Christina Louisa Larson-Feldt)
Gust Feldt (Faldt)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1876
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 6, Empire
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Hycklinge, Osterrotland, Sweden (Mrs.-Smolan)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Viola Feldt-Larson (Mrs Wm K. Larson)

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? Felt means field in Swedish

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X

If woman, Maiden Name: Bernice Feldt

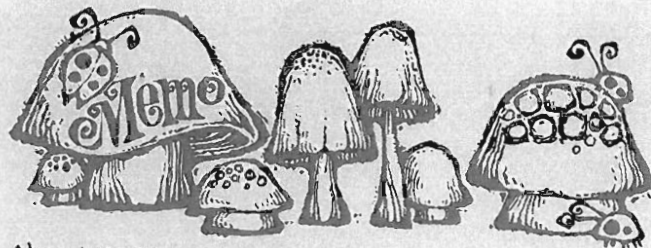
Your address: 431 S. Fisher, McPherson, Kansas.

Your occupation: Retired - Telephone Operator



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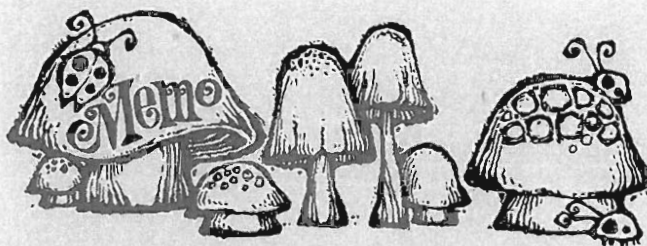
Just Feldt (Faldt)

Born - Hycklinge, the Province
of Ostergotland, Sweden

Feb. 27 - 1840

Came to America to Illinois (Wab. trip)
- 1867

Came to Kansas - 1876



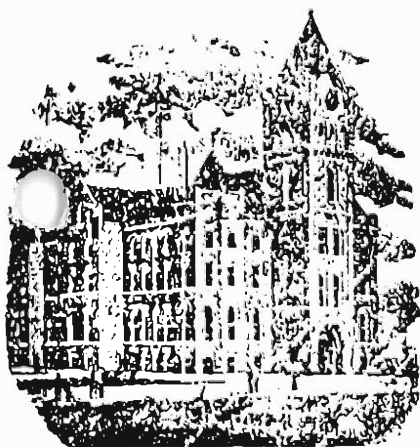
Christine Louisa Larson Feldt

Born - Smoland Sweden

Came to America 1869

Married Just Feldt in Illinois 1871

Came to Kansas 1876



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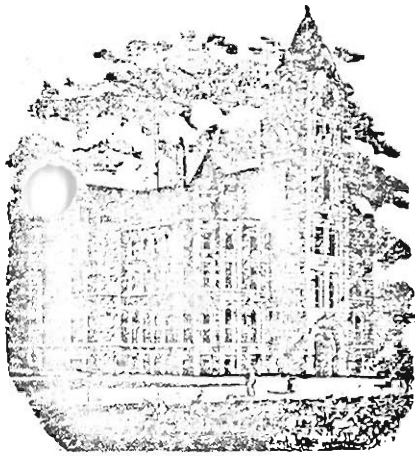
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Chancey D. Fisk
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Foster Grand Parent
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 10-21-2W
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer New York State
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 23
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: Gilbert Galle, Richard Galle, Dale Galle all
foster grandchildren; Nelson Galle foster Great Grand Child

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Came as pioneer to area nw of Moundridge and remained single. He adopted and raised two Toland sisters. One married David Galle and with her sister received and 80 acres with the influence of Dan Jones, a neighbor and pioneer in the community.

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

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Dale Galle
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Moundridge, Ks.
Your occupation: farmer





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Information to be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the Sixth Annual Banquet of the two County Historical Societies, October 16, 1975.

105th Birthday of McPherson County

Register of Pioneer Families of McPherson Co., Kansas

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October 14, 1975

Date

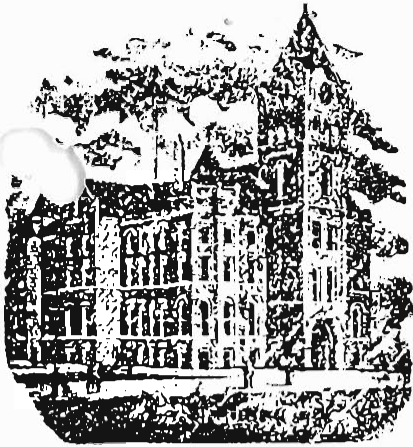
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather (Andrew) Andreas Flickner
Your relationship to Pioneer Settler _____
Month and year settled in McPherson Co. October, 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled
Mound, Sec. 28
Turkey Creek, Sec. 10
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Polhynia, Russia; Swiss-German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 50
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: Arlo Flickner, R. 1, McPherson; Galen Flickner, Eldon Flickner, Jonas Flickner, Moundridge. Elma Kaufman Goering 735 E. Elizabeth, McPherson (Mother a Flickner), Virgil & Howard Kaufman, Mdge.
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

Information provided by----Your signature Arlo Flickner

If woman, Maiden Name _____

Your address R1 McPhersonYour occupation farmer - Coop Employee

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather WILLIAM LAWRENCE GANSON
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughters
Month and year settled in McPherson County 2 Jan. 1880 or 1876 S²SW⁴ Sec 36-185-2W TWP 18N² R2E
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled N²SW⁴ Sec 36-185-2W
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer NIANTIC, ILLINOIS
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 34
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: _____

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

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Helen L. Finney
If woman, Maiden Name: Ganson
Your address: 1113 Lyndon Rd, McP, Ks.
Your occupation: Retired Barton Co. Registrar
of Deeds
Lue B. Wintersteen
Ganson
1439 North Maple St
McPherson, Ks.
Retired social worker
994 - Antenna Sister
Mrs. Betty Treman
McPherson

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(Ralph Ganson form - 10- - 1976.)

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W. L. GANSON

Born in Pickaway County Ohio August 13, 1842, his parents were Amos and Rebecca (Lauer) Ganson, the former born in Pennsylvania, the latter in Ohio. They moved from Ohio to Illinois in 1843 - locating in Mason County where they remained for 8 years. Then they went to Macon County where they lived for about a year. After which for sometime they made their home in Sangamon County where the father's death occurred in 1856. In early life the father followed the trade of a blacksmith, but later engaged in merchandising. He was a man of public spirit taking active interest in local affairs. His widow is still surviving and is now a resident of Macon County Illinois. For many years she has been a faithful member of the Christian Church. Of her family of 11 children, but 4 are now living. At the breaking out of the war her three sons enlisted for defense of the Union.

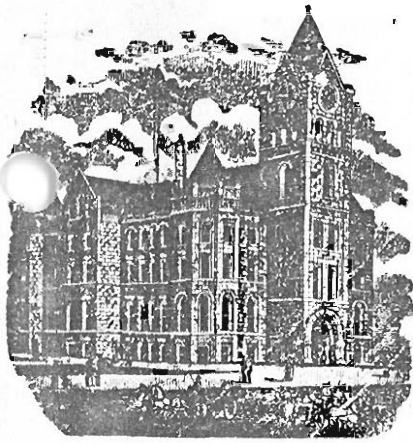
Our subject was reared on Marrs Estate in Illinois. Received his education in the common schools. He left home, embarked in the business of life at the age of 18. working first on a farm, later clerking in a railroad office.

On August 15, 1862, he enlisted in Company D, Tenth Illinois Cavalry having the rank of a non-commissioned officer. He joined his regiment at Old Town Landing Arkansas. He took part in many skirmishes and was in Battles of Millikens Bend, Vickburgs and Little Rock. He received his honorable discharge June 5, 1865 having seen 2 years, 9 months and 20 days of Active Service. He received a slight wound at one time which grazed his left forearm and right side. With that exception he was fortunate in escaping unharmed. On restoration of peace he returned to Macon County Illinois clerking in a store for about 2 years.

In 1865 Mr. Ganson married Miss Hattie McElroy, who was born in Ohio in 1845, April 12, and is the daughter of the Reverend John McElroy, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church and now residing in McDonough County Illinois. This couple was blessed with a family of 11 children of whom 2 are deceased. Those surviving are Charles H, Luella, Edna, Elinor, Garth, Louis, James, Dick, Ralph. In 1868 Mr. Ganson settled on a farm in McDonough County where he farmed until 1870 when they moved to Kansas, locating on a farm in Johnson County. In the Spring of 1876, he purchased a farm on the SW 1/4 of Delmore Township McPherson County which was wild land at that time. He brought under cultivation 120 acres, built a stone house, good buildings, fences, set of hedges and 2 acres of orchard. He lived on this farm until 1890 when he sold out and moved to his present home.

He has always been in favor of good schools and taken an active part in local affairs. He has been Treasurer of the School District, Treasurer of the Township, Clerk of District Court, Trustee of Township, Justice of Peace.

He is a member of GAR or Galva. In politics he was an old time Greenbacker after 1868, but lately has joined the People's Party. He taken a foremost part in Politics and has often been a delegate to different political conventions. This article was written in 1893.



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106th Birthday of McPherson County

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF
McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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W. L. Ganson

Full name of your pioneer forefather William Lawrence Ganson
Your relationship to pioneer settler Son
Do not know the month Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring of 1876
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 36, Delmore Two
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Niantic, Illinois, American
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 34
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:

(See separate sheet for this report)

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 - He was a member of the Cavalry from Illinois - I know of no other information regarding his service in the Civil War.

Information provided by - Your signature Ralph Ganson
If woman, maiden name P.O. Box 224-110 North 6th
Your address Canton, Kansas 67428
Your occupation Retired Carpenter

I don't know how far into generations you want to go. I just put down on separate sheet, all of them to the present time and thought you could use as far as you wished.

Mrs. Elmer (Hanson) Williams - Daughter - at present is in a care home (temporarily) in Hillsboro, Kansas, for medical care. However, the home fees for year and still is, 115 South Hartup, McPherson, Kansas. 67460

Robert Benjamin Williams - Grandson - 210 West Maple, Canton, Kansas. 67428.

Mrs. Duggetta (Williams) Hansen - Great Granddaughter - 403 North Kansas - Canton, Kansas. 67428

Kelli, Scott, and Kevin Otte - Great, Great ^{Grand} Children - 403 North Kansas - Canton, Kansas 67428

Mrs. Shirley (Williams) Vogts - Great Granddaughter - 411 North Main, Canton, Kansas. 67428.

Dora Y Tamara, Vogts - Great, Great, Grand Children - 411 North Main, Canton, Kansas. 67428.

Mrs. Tonya (Vogts) Mc Mannis - Great, Great Grand Child - Rt. 1, Canton, Kansas, 67428

Mrs. Beatrice (Williams) Kaisers - Granddaughter - 126 West McPherson, Canton, Kansas. 67428

John Kaiser - Great Grandson. Rt. 1 Canton, Kansas 67428.

Mrs. Wilma (Kaisers) Crowther - Great, Grand Daughter - Roxbury, Kansas. 67476.

Mrs. Karyl Lynn Crowther - Great, Great, Granddaughter - Roxbury, Kansas. 67476

Dennis Kristine Crowther - Great, Great, Grand Children - Roxbury, Kansas. 67476.

James Karl Crowther - Great, Great Grandson, - Roxbury, Kansas. 67476

Mrs. Madge (Williams) Jacobson - Grand daughter - 115 South Hartup, McPherson, Kansas. 67460

James Andrew Jacobson - Great Grandson. - 109 Central Marquette Kansas. 67464

Janelle Jacobson - Great Great Granddaughter - 107 Central Marquette Kansas. 67464.

Mrs. Irene (Williams) Nelson - Grand daughter - 1206 Lyndon Rd. McPherson, Kansas. 67460

Ira L. Williams - Grandson - 401 South Elm, McPherson, Kansas. 67460

Le Roy Williams - Great Grandson - 827 North Myers, McPherson, Kansas. 67460

Janet, Brad, Brian, and Julie Williams - Great Great Grandchildren - 827 North Myers, McPherson, Kansas. 67460

Lawrence Hill - Great Grandson - 704 East Seitz, McPherson, Kansas. 67460

Harry Hill - Grandson - Rt. 1 Galva, Kansas. 67443

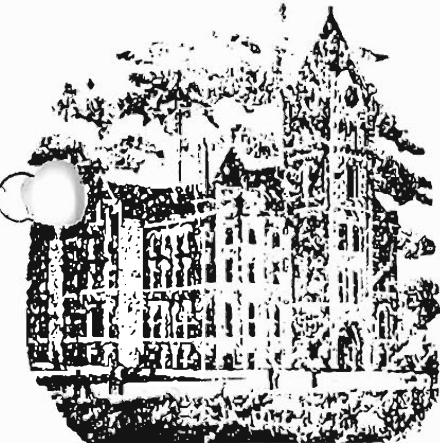
Clinton Hill - Great Grandson - Rt. 1 Galva, Kansas. 67443.

Brad Hill - Great, Great Grandson - Rt. 1 Galva, Kansas. 67443

Robert L. Hill - Great Grandson - 731 East Euclid, McPherson, Kansas. 67460

Craig, Debbie, David, Hill - Great Great Grandchildren - 731 East Euclid, McPherson, Kansas. 67460

Frank Hill - Grandson - P.O. Box 163, Galva, Kansas. 67443.



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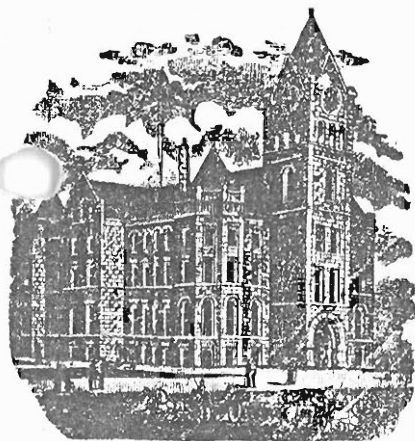
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Christian Daniel Goering
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler He is my Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County October, 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Mound, Sec. 31
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Russia, German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 35
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: Phil J. Goering, McPherson; Bertha Goering Kaufman, McPherson; Ben J. Goering, Moundridge; John W. Goering, McPherson; Martin H. Goering, Milton W. Goering, Joe D.C. Goering, Jr., McPherson; Paul Goering, Anna Waltner
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting (over and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? In 1884 the John P. Edwards Atlas showed him owning 640 acres. Rev. Jacob D. Goering, a leader in the emigration from Russia, was his brother and his brother-in-law as both married Strausz sisters. Both had large families. Both were charter members of the Eden Mennonite Church, Moundridge. (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X John W. Goering
If woman, Maiden Name: R. I. McPherson.
Your address: Retired School administrator
Your occupation: and farmer

(continuing names of descendants in county)

Moundridge,; Lester, Sophie, Urlo Goering, Olga Schrag, Elma Flickner, Homer and Nev Gehring....Moundridge.

A more than 200-page record of the descendants of the Christian D. Goering Family Record 1839-1976 was recently published and is available. It was compiled by Mr. & Mrs. Phil J. Goering and Mrs. Emma and the late Andrew B. Flickner. It has a 14-page alphabetical index of family names and individuals, some going into the 6th generation.

The Goering name is spelled Gering, Gehring, and Goering in various land transfers on file in the office of Register of Deeds in McPherson County. wj



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McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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Full name of your pioneer forefather Carl John GUSTAFSON
Your relationship to pioneer settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 28 & 31. of McPherson
Occupation of pioneer settler Custodian at Court House
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Sweden near Stockholm
Pioneer's age when he settled in County x
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? x
Is homestead still in possession of family?
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses:

Consent - Hanson, Gustafson, Carl Gustafson, 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? His wife (Christina)

Information provided by- - Your signature Edna Sargent
If woman, maiden name Gustafson
Your address 100 N. Main St
Your occupation Retired

John Gustaf Wiss (Gustafson) was the father of Carl John, Anders Johan Gustafson.
His wife was Helena Johannesdotter - Wiss was born 3-31-1805 and died 1-28-1859.
and he was born in Tringstad (Skona) Sweden.

Jan. 13, 1979

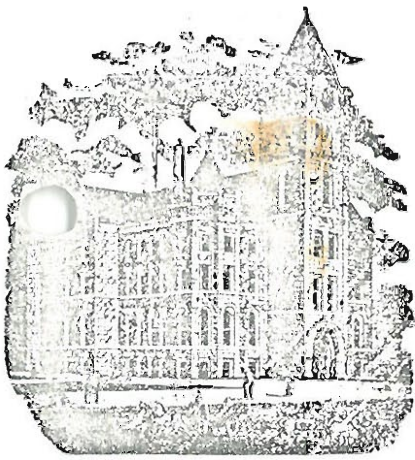
Gentlemen,

We are attempting to compile a family genealogy record. Our records indicate that Carl John Gustafson and wife emigrated to America and settled in McPherson county in ^{or 1872} 1871. C.J. was born in ⁹⁻²¹⁻ 1834 in Sweden. ^{Feb 3-6-1910} Mrs. C.J. ^{Christine} was born in 1836 in Tafteryd, Sweden. Their children were O.E., C. Ernest, John Albert (who was my father) and Augusta. C.J. Gustafson was McPherson Clerk in the early 1900's. Can you supply information on Mrs. C.J.'s maiden name and family; and also Carl John's parents.

Many thanks

WALTER R. GUSTAFSON
BOX 233 RT. #1
FURLONG, PA. 18925

Any names, dates, etc. would be appreciated



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~~Third~~ ^{Sixth} Annual Banquet of the two County Historical Societies, October ~~16~~, 1975.)

100th Birthday of McPherson County.

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~~Lina Peterson~~,
President of McPherson County Historical Society,
or to Howard Johnson, President of the Smoky
Valley Historical Association no later than
October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

1975
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather William Alexander Hall
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1877
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 21-20-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer Came to Homestead land
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Greenville, Tennessee
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
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: Miss Ruth Lingenfelter 1632 N. G. Jendale
Wichita, Kas. (Niece)
Fern Lingenfelter - Park - same Wichita, Ark.
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:

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address:

Your occupation:

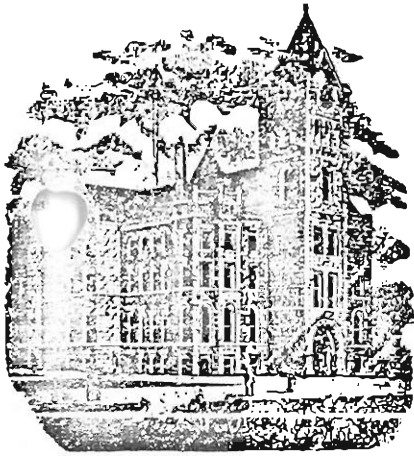
Diana Miranda Hall
6 Children
Jane 2 yrs old when
arrived in County

Mrs. Jane (Hall) Gregory (Mrs. Dr.)
The Cedars
Retired
age - 102 - 1982
lived to age 108

10/1/75
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JANE GREGORY CELEBRATES HER 100th

The first resident at The Cedars to reach the age of 100 was honored at a reception on Sunday, August 10, 1975. She is Mrs. Jane Gregory who has lived in The Cedars for almost five years. Her birthday was August 15th.

When Jane was two years old, she came from Tennessee with her family to Groveland where her father farmed for many years. Jane finished high school, attended college, and taught school four years. She married Ed Gregory in 1898. Later Ed became a dentist and practiced in Lyons and McPherson. Their daughter, Dorothy, died several years ago.



Harry Jr. Checked on this
Mon. 10-20-003
by way of Low High

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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.)

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SEPT. 11, 1973

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather ORAN W. HECKETHORN
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler FATHER SON
Month and year settled in McPherson County FAMILY IN 1872
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled LONETREE, SECT 22
Occupation of Pioneer Settler CARPENTER
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer OHIO & ENGLISH-DUTCH
Pioneer's age when he settled in County LATE 30'S
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? YES ?
Is homestead still in possession of family? NO
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: GRAND & GREAT GRANDCHILDREN
Harry Heckethorn Jr. - 1106 Glendale Road, McPherson. Grandson

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

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Harry A. Heckethorn Jr.
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: WARREN HOTEL
Your occupation: RETIRED



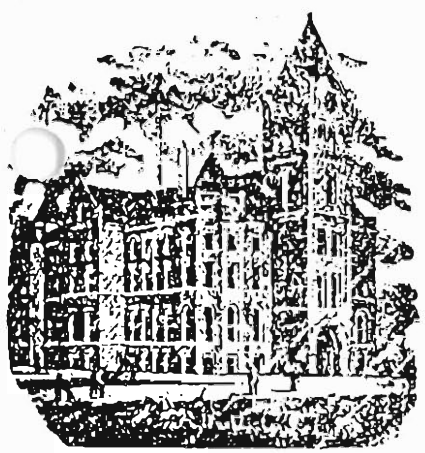
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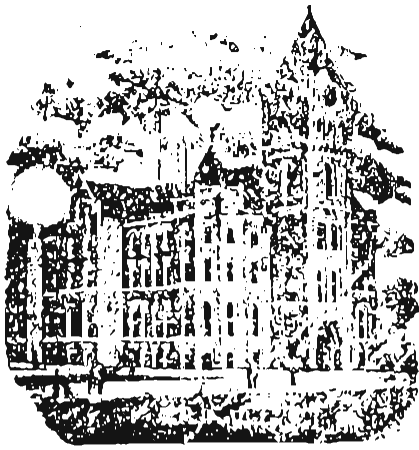
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter and Cornelia Suckau Heidebrecht
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great-great grandparents *5-11-31 & 11-4-32*
Month and year settled in McPherson County year 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Turkey Creek Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer [Huffnugsau Community-south & east of Inman]
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born March 15, 1813, Schoenwiesen, South Russia
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 61 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: All the Heidebrecht's in the McPherson, Inman and Hutchinson area are related.

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 knowledge of that era

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: x Ruby Becker
If woman, Maiden Name: Ruby Heidebrecht
Your address: Box 486, Inman, Kan.
Your occupation: Home maker



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Herman Hetzke
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875 (1874-1875)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Meridian, Sec. 29
Occupation of Pioneer Settler blacksmith and farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Gross Glogau, Germany
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 39
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes Ted Hetzke will be 4th generation
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses:
Carl Jones, Moundridge
Clifford Hetzke, Moundridge
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 original deed is in the hands of grandson Clifford Hetzke who lives on the farm. Herman Hetzke was a hardworking farmer and expected the same from those who worked for him. His wife is known to help him carve plowshares by holding chisels as they were pounded out in the shop. (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Clifford Hetzke
If woman, Maiden Name: present at recognition in Moundridge
Your address: on 11-4-78, Moundridge, Kansas
Your occupation: farmer

May 15, 1975

An article in the Moundridge Journal/entitled, "Meridian Township, The land and people in the SE corner of McPherson County", includes the Hetzke family among others who came into Meridian Township. On p. 8 Is a picture of Herman Hetzke and his second wife, Pauline Meuschke Hetzke taken in 1908. The picture and interview information was obtained from Clifford Hetzke, son of Frank A. Hetzke. Also interviewed was Carl Jones, Moundridge, ^{grand}son of Herman from his first spouse.

Both Clifford and Carl were present at Moundridge for the pioneer recognition on Nov. 4, 1978, at the West Zion Mennonite Church. wj

mdg Jnl. May 15, 1975
Meridian Township

The land and people in the SE corner of McPherson County

SECOND INSTALLMENT

By William Juhnke

Lutherans in NW

Another part of the Meridian mix is seen in the NW part of Meridian Twp. Typical settlers are Henry Wilkening and August Modellmog. I talked with August's grandson, Art, who lives at 203 Wollmann of Northridge. He said that his father, Henry, told how his elders left Hamburg, Germany, and came to Canada because in 1863 the Civil War was on in America. After a six-week voyage they landed in Ontario.

The map of '84 shows grandfather August Modellmog having a Spring Valley P.O. and residing on Meridian sec. 8. As a subscriber to the atlas it is reported elsewhere that he was a farmer and he arrived here from Germany via Canada in 1876.

A parsonage, a cemetery and post office is on farmer-thresher, postman George Schneider's land on Sec. 4. Obviously, the community extends into the township above it, a different aspect to the blend of SE McPherson County.

I asked Carl Fensky for information on the day before his recent sale. He was not too busy to talk. "Oh, yes, I was born on this place. Our land (on Sec. 22) was the Murray quarter as shown here," he said pointing to the map. Carl explained that his family joined the smaller Lutheran church in town "because the roads were better in that direction."

Today Boeskers, Hoyers, Wilkenings, Modellmogs and others contribute to the larger agricultural community. Like August Modellmog most of them came from Germany, were farmers, and belonged, as about 80 percent of German-Americans, to either the Evangelical Reformed or Catholic church. Most who came here were the former. Heinrich

Groneman on Sec. 36 had a Newton address, Germany, 1879. H. A. Wilkening, S.V. P.O., came from Indiana in 1878.

In the mix were others such as J.R. Murray, Spring Valley P.O. on Sec. 7, farmer and carpenter, coming from Pennsylvania in 1877. Fred Nichols, Christian P.O. on Sec. 30, came from Wisconsin in 1872 and had a feed mill. Heinrich Richert, Newton, Sec. 11, farmer and minister, Prussia, 1874; John P. Schneider, Spring Valley, Sec. 6, farmer, Germany, 1872; A. M. Blosser, Newton, Sec. 25, farmer and sorghum manuf., Ohio, 1882; and Pete Balzer, Newton, Sec. 13, farmer and German teacher, Russia, 1874.

Meridian School

Meridian School seemed to have started as a sort of combined township school constructed on a voluntary basis between residents with Section 4 of the township here as the center. It was ready in January, 1876.

A frame-built structure, 16x24 was clad with foot-boards and slats on the sides, and grooved foot-boards and slats on the roof.

The school later was organized and became Meridian School District No. 52. The first teacher, A. A. Whitter, got \$20 per month. The first pupils were Carrie Hetzke and Phil and George Schneider. In later years the number of pupils depended on the vigor of the Lutheran Parochial School. The record shows the public school operated until 1954.

The school stood on the corner of Vic Goerings land. The map of 1884 shows Wm. Rhein owning it then. Vic explained that his father, Jacob J. Goering, bought the land from the sheriff as it had been in guardianship. "J. N. Kaufman, your uncle," he said, "was the second-last bidder. That was in 1950. We have been here since '51."

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Meridian Township

The Roses Fall

5-16-75-Mdg Journal

In the McPherson Republican of Vol. XII, No. 6, April 24, 1884, an item appeared under the heading, "Meridian" as follows: "One by one the roses fall and one by one the American farmers are selling out to the Russians. This time it is Warren Parker, the south half of section twelve. Consideration, \$8,000."

Today Willard Dirksen and Daton Wedel live on that land.

Cliff Hetzke said the Herman Hetzke who is shown as owning several tracts of land including where Cliff now lives was his grandfather.

"How did he come to own these various tracts of land?"

"Well, he came over from Germany in 1875. He was a farmer and stockraiser. He bought this quarter (Sec. 29) which was former railroad land."

After 1862 the even numbered sections were available under the homestead law; the odd sections were given to the railroad for development purposes. Cliff went on to supplement Vic's story of getting property in a slightly different form.

"Bill Tatro worked for my grandfather. He told me that Herman sure was a hard worker. He was pretty hard if you did not follow his directions. Being frugal he was able to save money and buy land in the township which had been mortgaged." And so people sold at what, in a

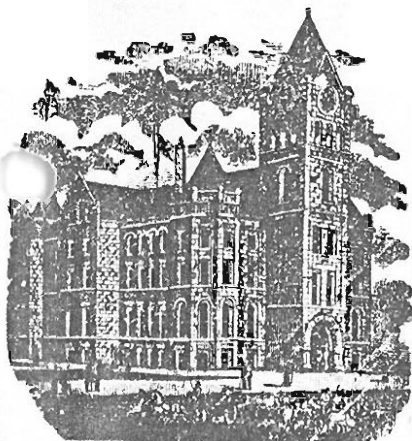
developing community, turned out to be a reasonable price.

Cliff has the original citizenship paper belonging to his grandfather. An early biographical sketch said: "Herman Hetzke, Meridian Twp. Mc. Co., has a large well-cultivated farm on Sec. 29, and here devotes himself after the methodical, prudent and economic German way, to the cultivation of their tract. Mr. Hetzke was born in Gross Glogau, Germany, March 8, 1836, and had learned the blacksmith trade in his early years. He served as school township treasurer."



ARBOR DAY 1940 MERIDIAN-SCHOOL left to right, Leonard Koehn, Warren Stucky, Gilbert Groneman, May Ann Goering, teacher, Leland Stucky, Leslie Decker, board director, Quentin Decker, Solomon Stucky, treas. of board and Willard Groneman.

HERMAN AND PAULINE MEUSCHKE HETZKE, his second wife, and their two children, Pauline Hetzke Kindblade and Frank A. taken in 1908. (Picture courtesy of Clifford Hetzke)



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Margreta 1870
Erik Hillgren came in 1870
(son) ↓

Full name of your pioneer forefather Olof Wm Hillgren
Your relationship to pioneer settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1878 (1870)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 22-17-3

Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Hillgren, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 11
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:

LeRoy Norberg, 412 So. Main
LeRoy Norberg, 67456

(owner) Escher Norberg, PO Box 388 111 N. First

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 -

Information provided by - - Your signature Escher Norberg
If woman, maiden name Same
Your address PO Box 388
Your occupation Retired

over

(49)

Margretas & born Nov 2 - 1821, ^{Feb 27 - 1905} died ~~Nov 27 - 19~~

Erik Hillgren (48)

born in Hille, Sweden

Came to America in 1870

@ age 48

settled in Sec 22 - 17 - 3 -

McPherson County

Ester Norberg

Leroy Norberg

} great
grand-
father &
great-
grandmother



THE UNITED STATES

To all to whom these presents shall come.

Homestead Certificate No. 6426-
APPLICATIONS 19470 and 20850-

Whereas There has

Register of the Land Office at Salina, Kansas-
approved, 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual
settlers of Margaret Hilgren
South-east quarter of section
of range three west of the sixth
ing one hundred and sixty ac.

according to the Official Plat of the survey of the said Land, returned

Now know ye, That there is, therefore, granted by the U.
the tract of Land abo
thereof, unto the said Margaret Hilgren
heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, J. Chester A. Nelson
Patent, and the Seal of the General

Given under my hand, at
year of our Lord one
United States the 9th

BY THE PRESIDENT

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

in these presents shall come, Greeting:

been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a Certificate of the _____, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress "An Act to regulate the settlement of Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim _____ has been established and duly consummated, in conformity to law, for the *twenty square township seventeen south, Principal Meridian, in Kansas, contains* _____

to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General:

United States unto the said *Margaret Hilgerson* _____
as described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances _____ and to *her* _____

her _____, President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made at Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

the City of Washington, the *twenty-ninth* day of *April* _____, in the
thousand eight hundred and *eighty-two* _____, and of the Independence of the
the hundred and *eighty* _____

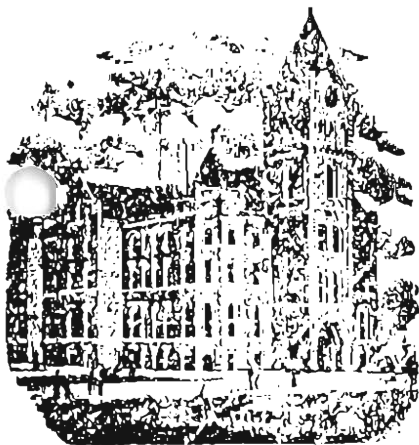
Attest _____

M. H. Book

Secretary.

J. H. Leonard

Recorder of the General Land Office



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

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

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer ^{great-grandmother} ~~forefather~~ Margreta Hillgren
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great-grandmother
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SE 4 22-17-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Hills Sweden - Swedish
Pioneer's age when she settled in County 49
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Leroy Norberg 412 S. Main Lindseby
X

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 -

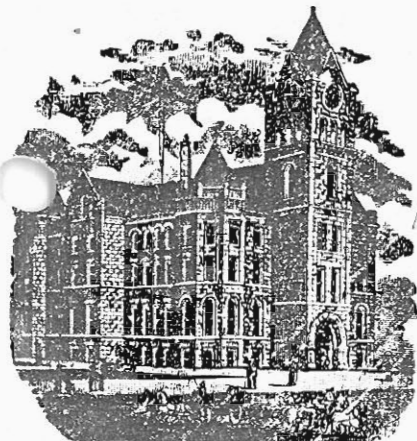
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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Esther Norberg
If woman, Maiden Name: Esther Norberg
Your address: P.O. Box 388 Lindseby
Your occupation: Retired



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One of founders of Pioneer village of Christian

Full name of your pioneer forefather Christian Hirschler
Your relationship to pioneer settler _____
Month and year settled in McPherson County Came to Kans, from Iowa
Township and section number or town in which forefather
settled Sec. 34, Mound twp.

Occupation of pioneer settler farmer - wife store clerk at Alta Mill

Birthplace and nationality of pioneer _____

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: _____

Interview with John Hirschler of 216 N. Christian in Moundridge, Oct 15, 1978

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? _____

Christian met wife Elizabeth at social meeting
in First Menn. Church at Christian, became second couple to be married there

Some of family moved to Beatrice, Nebr. which has record of dispersion, to Hodgeman Co
Information provided by - Your signature John Hirschler

In 1987. resident of Memorial Home in Moundridge, maiden name _____

Your address _____
Your occupation _____

U.S. to Christian Hirschler & wife, Pat. 8-24-'82
Christian Hirschler & wife to David R. Hirschler WD 8-24-82 \$5000.
David R. " single to Chas. H. WD 7-25-87 \$6000. for conveyed deed
Christian H & wife to Herman G. Hirschler QC 8-2-88 \$2500.
H. G. Hirschler married to Helen Eberle WD 5-17-90 \$4100.
THE MCPHERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
Jas. C. Eberle & wife to Benjamin C. Stanley SWD 6-16-13 \$5200.

is interested in a more complete record of the (not in 78 record)
register of pioneer families of McPherson County.

Full name of your pioneer forefather Christian Hirschler

Relationship to you _____

When settled in county _____

Township and section number marked sec 34 NE 1/4

Occupation _____

Birthplace and nationality _____

Age when came to county _____

Is homestead still in possession of family? _____

Descendants who still live in county _____

Information provided by Jalm Hirschler 216 N Chr. Midge

Your occupation _____

Send this information to:
S.M. Dell
McPherson County Historical Society
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Chronicles P. 2 "Christian Hirschler from Iowa... (to Hallett area)"
Galland Bernhard Winkert & 2 others - Date "early 1874".
P. 3.7

Hirschler St. - in ridge is (over)
between S. & Cole St.

Interview with John Hirschler - Oct. 25-78

5/19/87

T. M. & worked in store at Olathe, Mo.

8 m. south -

J. b. Perry, Okla

In 1915 to West Kansas (worked
in Harston, Kansas

In 1928 back to Dodge - lived with
son, ^{much} ~~My~~ ^{school t.} ~~name~~, 2nd wife Kate ~~Vergason~~

Bro. Ed - living in Harston - cony
& Conf. -

eldest Bro. Pete - Railroad - Santa Fe, emp.

John thinks his dad's cousin!

A Jake moved to Utica, Kans
He was John's Dad's cousin

John had a bro. Pete, also ^{3rd wife}
Sister - Kate (of sister m. H. R. Dole - lives in Utica)
Marie (Utica) (Jake) died on Aug 92
Sister Mrs. Jake Ewig - d. 56 car wreck
Clara, Mrs. A. J. Brubaker ^{near Newton}
2413 Edgemoor ^{Newton - E on 24th}
^{1st St turn South}
3rd house on east side -

Samuel D. Hirschler "Hirschler
Family History" Beatrice, Neb.
1936

Mr. H. R. Volk -
"My eldest sister" p. 59

Christian Hirschler

Oct 16, 1883

P. 8 Christian's sister Mrs. John
went to front (New - Business)
... soon released by a student
P. 9 - C. H. Hirschler (Beatrice, Neb.)

Oct 4, 1883, the ship Concord arrived,
in Phil. ... 13 men, families.

P. 10 Christian left Germany in the
summer of 1882. Came to Beatrice
in April of 1883. ... taught German
school during the summer. That fall
he began operating a grocery store
at the Alta Mills.

P. 12 Chris met Elizabeth for the
first time at a social gathering
of the first Mennonite Christian Church
at Moundridge - the second couple
to be m. in the church.

Invited by cousins John H. ...
day supper? Charavari -
new management.
Store at Alta changed hands - no longer
sold hardware, machinery -
lost job

150 west of M. H. - Hodgkinson Co.



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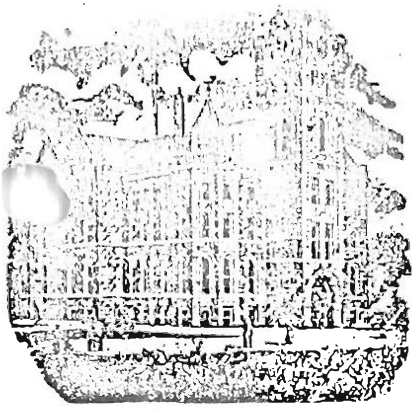
September 6, 1973
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather August Nelson - Johnson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grand-daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1874
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Lindsborg
Occupation of Pioneer Settler home maker
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Varmland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 22
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: J. D. Johnson - son
Norma J. Washburn (Mrs. J. D. R.) grand-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

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Norma J. Washburn
If woman, Maiden Name: Johnson
Your address: 205 N. Hartup (McPherson)
Your occupation: home maker



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September 6, 1973
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather Daniel Johnson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1870 Sec. 17 3 boys
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Smoky Hill Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Merchant
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smolan, Sweden - Kristinaholm
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 27
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: G.D. Johnson - son
Round J. Washburn (Mrs. J.R.) 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

Operated D. Johnson Store in Hindsburg in early days
John Brand - Mother was Hilley Johnson - Denver, CO

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Lorissa J. Washburn
If woman, Maiden Name: Johnson
Your address: 265 N. Hartup, McPherson
Your occupation: Home maker

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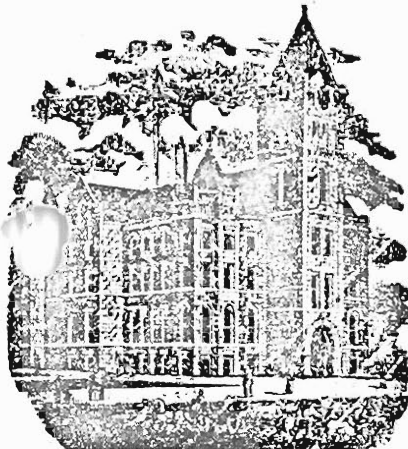
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Albert -

Daniel G. - Jr. - Donna & Dan.

Hilly -

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Nov. 2 - 1973

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather George Elvis Johnson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring 1876
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled 19 - Section 12 Canton
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Horse Del. English & French
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 23
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Alice Johnson - daughter and Lida Wittenberg, granddaughter
Canton, Mo. 67428
Owner - L. R. Johnson
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
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: _____
Your occupation: _____



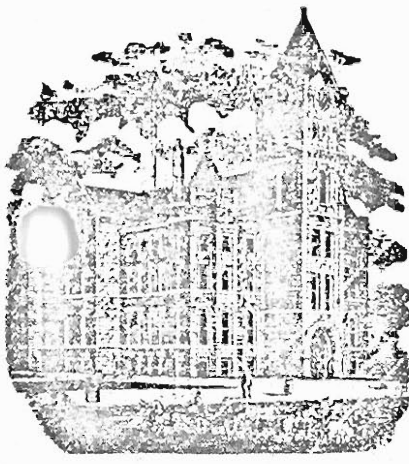
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Date

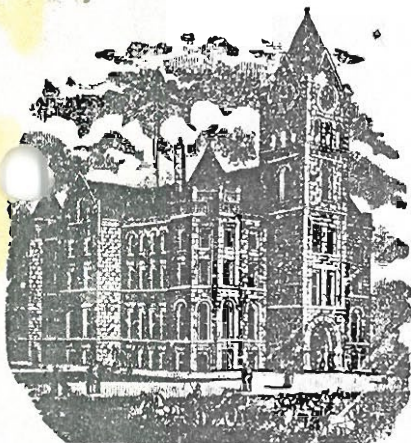
Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather Joseph H. Johnson (Newbury)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County July 1871
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Canton Township East line
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer (Blacksmith)
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Paris Illinois
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31 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: Mrs. Hena Reagle - Canton, Mo. Johnson McPherson
Wilbur Johnson McPherson - Mrs. Webb Clark 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? yes - Illinois Infantry - Member 1st GA 12 #84
He was stationed at Hays Kansas Fort as Indian fighter
stationed at Ft. Hays - Indian fighters.

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Wayne L Johnson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Canton Kansas
Your occupation: factory worker
Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson
3426 S. Walnut
Wichita - 67217

Joseph & Elizabeth John
12 Children Nate, Pearl, William, Charles,
Ralph and Jim - all but 1 are buried
in Easton Area - four in Jones family
Cemetery. Joseph's mother, Sylvia came
to area and died August, 1876 (born 1801)
and buried in Jones Cemetery.

Children, growing up, used to
watch cattle driving by the house
on Chinook Trail. They had a large
orchard and would give fruit to
the cowboys.



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Full name of your pioneer forefather Nels Magnus Jonson
Your relationship to pioneer settler (1872) My Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather
settled N.E. 4 Sec. Township 17 S Range 3 west of 6 Meridian
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Swedish - Figholm, Smolan Sw.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County About 34 yrs. 43 yrs.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Bought land - 160 acres
Is homestead still in possession of family? No 6-19-73
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still
reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: price \$1,240.25

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 came with the Chicago First Swedish Agriculture Co of which he was a member of the board

Information provided by - - Your signature Pauline D. Peters
If women, maiden name Pauline D. Johnson
Your address 2715 Leslie Lane.
Your occupation Manhattan, KS
House wife

2708 Lechi Road.
Manhattan, Kansas 66502
October 21, 1976

Linn Peterson
540 E. Hill,
McPherson, Kansas 67460

Dear Friend Linn:

It was real considerate of you and the McPherson County Historical Society to call Pauline's and my attention to the fact that Pauline's paternal grandfather was one of the earliest settlers in McPherson County.

I join with Pauline in saying "Thanks" for the favor of sharing in this significant event.

You will find enclosed check for \$6.00 to pay for the banquet tickets for the Banquet Tuesday evening.

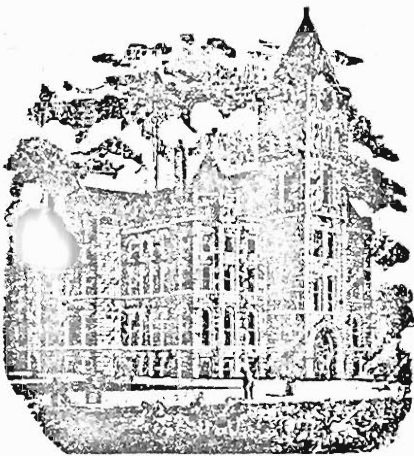
In Dr. Bergin's History of Lindsborg and the Swedish Immigrants we find that Pauline's grandfather, Nels Magnus Janson (Johnson) was one of the eleven directors of the First Swedish Land Company and was one of the eight who resided in Chicago at the time they signed as directors of the company.

We will have as complete an account of Nils Johnson and his wife as possible in the time we have to gather the facts by Tuesday evening.

Looking forward to seeing you and the friends and descendants of the Pioneers,

Cordially yours,

Elmer T. Peters
Elmer T. Peters



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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.

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
September 7th, prior to the Banquet.)

September 7, 1973
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather Otto Johnson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler He was my father
Month and year settled in McPherson County November 1882 (See reverse side)
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Union - Sec. 1
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smaland - Sweden - Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? It was up until October, 1969
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson
County? Names and addresses: No

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

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Edith E. Johnson
If woman, Maiden Name: The same
Your address: 110 North Cedar St. Lindbergh
Your occupation: I am retired (I was a teacher)

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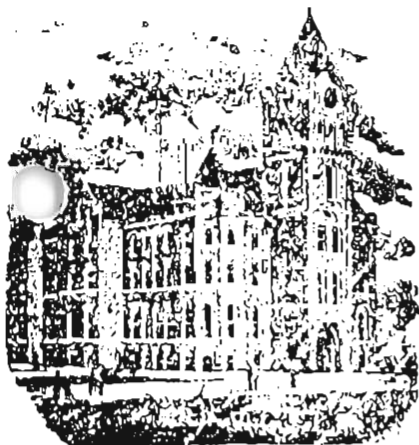
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Otto Johnson came from Sweden to America around 1870 or 1869. In 1871 he went to work at the Lindsborg Mill, which was owned and operated by his brother, Charles J. Johnson, usually referred to as Miller Johnson. (Kvarn Johnson).

In 1882 Otto Johnson bought the SW¹/₄ of Section 7 in Union Township where he resided until his death in October, 1914.



Aug 1973
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The following information will be placed in a Register of Pioneer Families who settled in McPherson County, Kansas. It is the intent of the Historical Societies of McPherson County to honor such families in an appropriate ceremony at the Annual Dinner of the Societies held each fall.

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

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather PER AUGUST JOHNSON
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRANDSON
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1878 WANE
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SMOKY HILL - 35-17-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER & CARPENTER
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer BINNE SWEDEN
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? FARM WAS PURCHASED - from Scottish Land Co
Is homestead still in possession of family? YES - WE ARE 3RD GENERATION OWNERS
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: MRS LEONARD SEITZ (Phoebe) 118 N PINE LINDSBORO, KS

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? He was born in Sweden in 1847, came to America in 1869. Spent several years in Chicago where he was married. Became an American citizen Nov. 1875. When they came to Kansas in 1878 they had two small boys. He died in 1918. His son JOHN owned and farmed the land. I am his son.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Raymond Johnson
Farm & family for 3 generations If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 527 S MAIN LINDSBORO, KS
Your occupation: FARMER



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My Grandparents were in Chicago at the time of the Chicago fire. They took what possessions they could down to the lake and buried them in the sand. While in Chicago he worked for Marshall-Fields Dept Store.

He was a carpenter so was able to help his fellow settlers get their building erected. He served as Lundy Hill township trustee.

When the original house was torn down in 1927 the grass sods were still there where he had cut it with the scythe.

John E. Johnson

LINDSBORG — John E. Johnson, 88, a lifetime resident of Lindsborg, died early this morning at the Lindsborg Community Hospital where he had been a patient for two weeks.

A retired farmer, Mr. Johnson was born March 19, 1882, at Lindsborg, son of P. A. and Nanna Johnson and was married to Johanna Lorenzen Feb. 17, 1909 at Garfield, Kan., and she died April 26, 1969. He was a member of the Bethany Lutheran Church.

Surviving are two sons, Leibert of St. Louis, Mo., and Raynard of Lindsborg; two daughters, Mrs. Florence Flanery, Red Wood City, Calif., and Mrs. Viola Haufmann, Minneapolis, Minn.; two sisters, Mrs. Hulda Lundquist, Quincy, Calif., and Mrs. Edna Swenson, Culver City, Calif., 11 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, May 13, at 2 p.m. at the Anderson Funeral Home with Rev. Roy F. Melander and Rev.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



State of Illinois, ss.

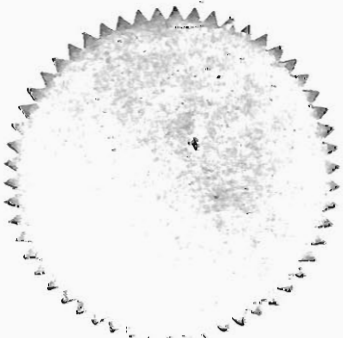
COUNTY OF COOK.

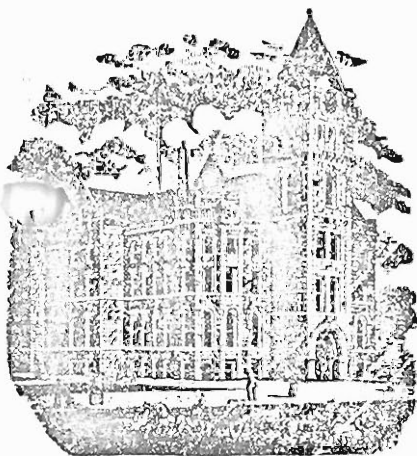
Be it Remembered, that on the First day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy Five in the Circuit Court of Cook County, in the State of Illinois (the same being a Court of Record, having a Clerk and Seal), and of the October term thereof, for the year aforesaid, P. August Johnson an Alien came into Court, and applied to be admitted as a Naturalized Citizen of the United States, and it having appeared to the satisfaction of the Court that the said applicant has resided within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States, for and during the full term of five years last past, and one year and upward immediately preceding the date hereof, in the State of Illinois, and that during said term of five years, he has sustained a good moral character, and appeared to be attached to the principles contained in the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order, well being, and happiness of the same; and two years and upward having elapsed since the said applicant filed the declaration of his intention to become a citizen of the United States, according to the provisions of the several Acts of Congress heretofore passed on that subject; and he having now here, in open Court, taken and subscribed the oath required by those laws to support the Constitution of the United States, and to renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State, or Sovereignty whatever, and more particularly all allegiance which he may in any wise owe to The King of Sweden Norway of whom he was heretofore a subject.

It was therefore Ordered and Adjudged, by the Court that the said P. August Johnson be, and he was thereby, admitted to all and singular the rights, privileges, and immunities of a Naturalized Citizen of the United States, and that it be certified to him accordingly, which is done by these presents.

Witness, JACOB GROSS, Clerk of our said Circuit Court of Cook County, and the Seal thereof, at Chicago, in said Cook County, this First day of Nov A.D. 1875

Jacob Gross
Clerk.





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4-20-73
Date

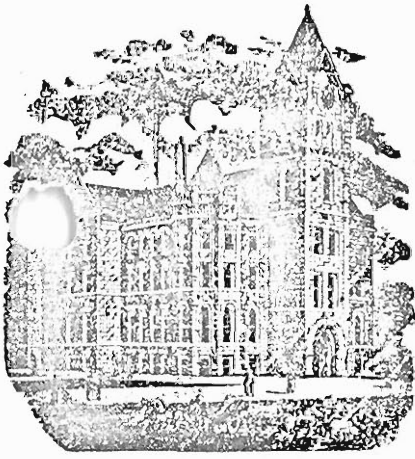
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather SIVER JOHNSON
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County May 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 5 Battle Hill
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Trondhjem, Norway (Norwegian)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25 years old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes - first homestead in Battle Hill Twp.
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: Grandson - Kermit Johnson - 430 S. Hartup
Granddaughter - Mrs Lowell Hawley - 616 E. Elizabeth

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? First homestead in Battle Hill Twp. First newspaper claim was first white child born in the township. See note up column in "Portrait and Biographical Record" published in 1893
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Myron E. Harriott
If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 416 Lakewood Dr

Your occupation: McPherson, Kansas 67460
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March 16 - 1973
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Martin Mitchell Jones
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County June 10th 1873
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW 1/4 Sec 24-19-1W
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer & Stockman (Irish)
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Fairfield Iowa
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: Phillip M. Brucher Canton Ks.
Box 25, Mrs. Jessie Wallace 108 East Allen Canton Ks.
Mrs. L. O. Walker 700 East 50th McPherson Ks.
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Yes in Iowa Infantry
Emory Jones, 117 1/2 1st Iowa Infantry
See other side

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Phillip M. Brucher
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Box 25 Canton Kans.
Your occupation: Retired

written - 16-17-13

Martin Mitchell Jones was born near Fairfield Iowa on August 27-1846 & Died Nov. 29-1929. He came to Kansas in 1873 & homesteaded the S.W. 1/4 of Sec. 24-19-1W.

As he was breaking sod he came upon a cross in the tall grass. As it was on the Santa Fe Trail he knew it was a grave so he laid off a plot of ground consisting of 2 1/2 acres, placed a hedge fence around it and it has ^{since} been known as the (Jones private cemetery). There are about 105 graves on it at present.

Since his death it has been taken care of by his decendents.

As I am the only male decendent around here interested I am taking care of it to the best of ability.

I am 83 years old but as long as I am able I'll do my best to keep it respectable.

The grave I mentioned earlier was the grave of a man 18 years old a volunteer mail carrier by the name of Edd Miller who was killed by the indians and was found five days later by some white men who wrapped him in blankets & buried him. He was killed in July 1864.

I have always felt this cemetery should be made a historical spot as it is just 1/2 mile off 56 Hiway & is on the Santa Fe Trail & in memory of the life & death of Edd Miller.

Signed

Philly Brucker
Box 25 Canton Ks

Brucker #2



Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Brucker

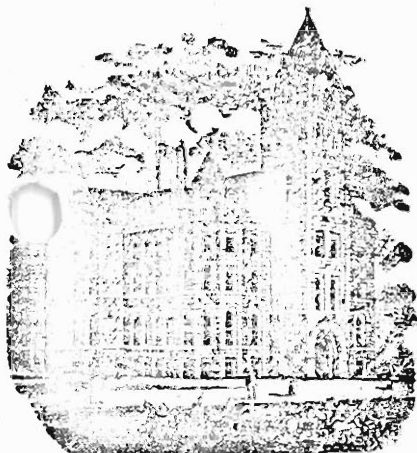
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**Phillip Bruckers to
observe anniversary**

CANTON — Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Brucker will be honored at an open house at the Christian Church in Canton on Sunday, Dec. 23, in observance of their 60th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to call from 2 to 4 p.m.

Hosting the event will be their children, Mrs. Marjorie Hull, Canton; Curtis L. Brucker, Natchez, Miss., and Mr. and Mrs. Jess D. Moon of Colorado City, Tex.

Mr. Brucker has farmed for many years and taught school in the Canton area for 13 years.

The honorees request no gifts.



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Information to be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the Sixth Annual Banquet of the two County Historical Societies, October 16, 1975.

105th Birthday of McPherson County

Register of Pioneer Families of McPherson Co., Kansas

(To be completed and returned to S. M. Dell, Pres. of McPherson County Historical Society, or to Homer Patrick, President of the Smoky Valley Historical Association no later than October 16th, prior to the Banquet.)

10-10-75
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather David Kaege Sr.
Your relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson Co. 1872
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled
address - Elwin Tl. Sec. 25 - Meridian Twp
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Ohio, Canton, Oryan, Switzerland
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 48 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No Purchase from Govt.
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 of Sheet

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?

Information provided by----Your signature [Signature]
If woman, Maiden Name [Signature]
Your address 2-3 [Address]
Your occupation She. Girl (Retired)

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Clayton, L. Rangi McPherson	Grand Father
Gial, F. Rangi McPherson	Great Grand Father
Beverly Gail Haywood (Rangi) McPherson	Grand Great Grand Father
Grant Wayne Rangi McPherson	- - - - -
Christy Diane Rangi McPherson	- - - - -
Mrs Cecile Dyck (Rangi) Mowbray	Grand Father
Mrs Blanche Virke (Rangi)	Grand Father

Born Bucks Co Pa
July 9-1828

My Grand Father

Samuel W. Ferguson Purchased
from Santa Fe R.R. Dec 22-1879
Meridian Township NE 1/4 Sec 25-21-1
for the sum of \$1,440.00

David Laage Sr.
Grand Father

Settled in McPherson Co. Nov 1872
Meridian Township Sec 25-21-1
Occupation (Farmer)
Age when Settled in Mac Co 48
Born Canton Argon Switzerland 1824
Purchased SE 1/4 Sec 25-21-1
from Santa Fe R.R. Jan 8-1874

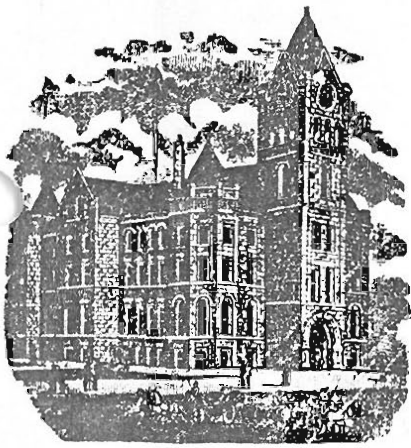
David Laage Jr (Uncle)

Settled in McPherson Co - Nov 1872
Meridian Township Sec 24-21-1
Age 18 yrs. Born Anstall Ohio
Purchased Homestead Right from U.S. Govt
August 20-1879 - SE 1/4 Sec 24-21-1

David Jr. learned in French Court,
Freedom Baptist Cemetery
David Jr. at one time owned
all of Dec. 2 except 40 acres.

Grandmother was French coming
from L'Assommoir - French born
French.

Katherine Merrilotte
David Jr. married Katherine
(French girl) Malineha Tree.



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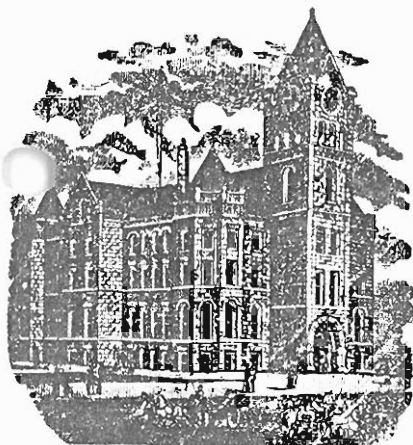
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Full name of your pioneer forefather Johann Klassen
 Your relationship to pioneer settler I am a grand daughter
 Month and year settled in McPherson County July 1874
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Meridian Twp. Sec no 14
 Occupation of pioneer settler family provider - farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Prussia - of German of Prussian descent
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County born 1822 settled in 1875 age 53
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? a started 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:
 Great-Grandchildren Geneva Nachtigal Wedel Box 18 Canton; Perry Klassen Rt. Moundridge
Alfred F. Schmidt Rt. 1 Canton; Mrs. Verda (Baton) Wedel Rt. 2 Newton
 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? Civil War was before 1874

I had all my education in Meck Co. I lived in Meck Co. my first 33 years.
 Information provided by - Your signature Edna Klassen-Nachtigal
 If woman, maiden name living in Buhler, Kan. Co.
 Your address make a living for
 Your occupation myself
take 543-2292



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Full name of your pioneer forefather John L. Krebs
Your relationship to pioneer settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1876
Township and section number or town in which forefather
settled N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 20- South Sharps Creek Township
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Pennsylvania
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 2
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:
Kenneth Krebs, 710 N. Oak Street, McPherson

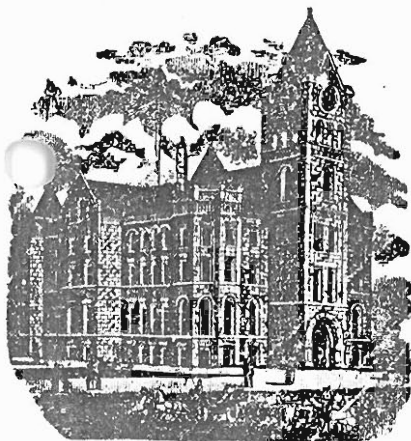
Was the pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do
you have any interesting and pertinent information regard-
ing the pioneer settler which you feel is of particular
significance or interest? John L. Krebs served in Civil War. Krebs
farm was located just North of W.W. Bassett farm, Mrs. Bassett being the lady
who with her baby was kidnapped by Indians in 1868.

Information provided by- - Your signature Howard Krebs

If woman, maiden name

Your address 1509 N. Walnut St.

Your occupation Independent Oil Producer



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Full name of your pioneer forefather Christian Krehbiel
Your relationship to pioneer settler He was great Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County _____
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Mound, Sec. 27

Occupation of pioneer settler Minister, Farmer, School for Indians in Halstead
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Germany. First settled in Iowa
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County from Donnelson, Iowa
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:

biel Ann Krehbiel Sauer, D. of Nelson Krehbiel, Kathryn Krehbiel, daughter of
Mrs. Floyd Krehbiel, Carl Krehbiel whose father J. W. bought first Moundridge Mill from P. J. Galle
P. J. land sold to Carl Juhnke on SW 1/4 of Turkey Creek, where Bill J. was born
as 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? Christian formed Pioneer village preceding Mdge.
on Set of his land on Mound grp. on Sec. 27. his son J. W. sw plots of land in sw Mdge to
early settlers and business places on west side of Christian St, Main St. He suggested
Information provided by - Your signature Ann Krehbiel Sauer
site of first Gen. Conf. Seminary to be if woman, maiden name
at Wadsworth, Ohio. and raised money to keep
it going. Your address _____
Your occupation _____

Some info - Back of D. Kriebel sheet

5/19/87

THE MCPHERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

is interested in a more complete record of the
register of pioneer families of McPherson County.

Full name of your pioneer forefather Christian Kriebel
J-24-29

Relationship to you grandfather

When settled in county 1879 (over)

Township and section number maund Sec 27-21-2

Occupation farmer, preacher, traveler

Birthplace and nationality Germany

Age when came to county Bavaria → Iowa → Kans. 1875?

Is homestead still in possession of family? _____

Descendants who still live in county N.W. Kriebel

Kathryn Kriebel (now Lloyd) Ann Kriebel Sauer

Information provided by Nelson Kriebel - Ann K Sauer

Your occupation Kathryn Kriebel - dyer & K.

Send this information to:

S.M. Dell

McPherson County Historical Society

McPherson, Kansas 67460

at SFRR to Christian Kuehl WD 12-5-79 \$4091.20
" " " 4-17-82 - \$3000.

Said some to P. Jones WD - 6-28-86 \$1.00

" " to Wm. Hall WD 1-28-88 \$150.00

" " to Maria Schwartz WD 5-10-88 \$147.75

Maria Sch. a widow to Hurye Dyck WD 1-23-89 \$150.00

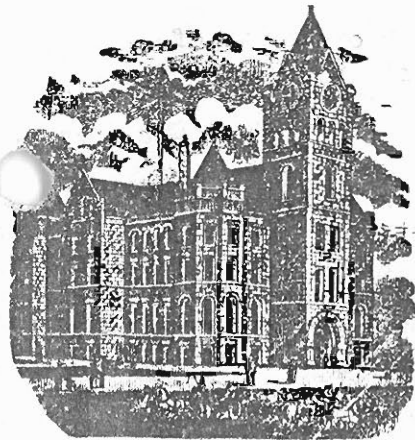
C.K. & wife to P. J. Hall WD 8-1-89 110.

Hurye Dyck, known as to Hurye Schwartz WD 2-21-90 \$75.-

C.K. to John P. Gruber WD 4-25-94 \$100.

" to C.K. only \$300.

C.K. to Christian E. Kuehl WD 8-24-96 \$1500.



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10-20-78

Full name of your pioneer forefather DANIEL KREHBIEL
Your relationship to pioneer settler grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1877
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 1/4 Sec 35-21-2W Mound
Occupation of pioneer settler FARMER-MERCHANT
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Germany Swiss
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 41
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Purchased 12-19-76
Is homestead still in possession of family? Let Q.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses:
Mary Billing Moundville?
Lissie Kaufman "
4th 5th and 6th generations - No Krehbiel Names
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?

Information provided by - Your signature Waldo J. KAUFMAN
If woman, maiden name _____
Your address Box 3 Moundville
Your occupation Farmer

(over)
I farm this ground.

the latter

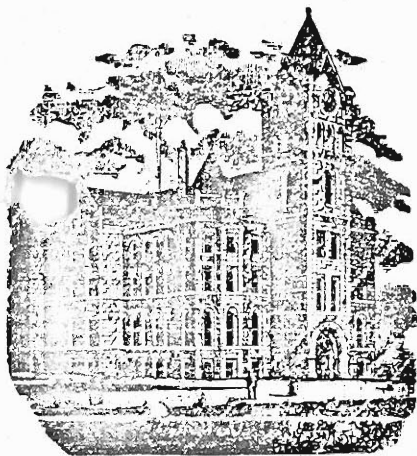
Daniel Krehbiel Was a brother to Christian Krehbiel/ who took ownership of Sec. 27. The map of 1884 shows Christian owning the entire section (27).

Daniel is shown by the J/p Edwards map of 1884 to own three-fourths of sec. 35 in Mound Twp and also the se $\frac{1}{4}$ of sec 26 in Mound twp. adjoining the land of Chr. Moran. So Daniel owned at Stal 640 acres

Daniel ran a store in which was located a post office. Mox Vogt, a grandson living in Hesston, has Daniel's certificate of appointment by ~~President~~ David M. Key, Postmaster General on April 3, 1877. This certificate was reprinted in an article by William Juhnke in the Moundridge Journal of Feb. 1, 1973. That story included pictures of Daniel's daughter, Lena and her husband Andrew Kaufman. Lena and Andrew are the parents of Waldo J. Kaufman who completed this form on the other side. A daughter Linda lives in Moundridge. (wj. 11-6-78)

Daniel Krehbiel married Ella Krehbiel and they had eight children, 4 boys and 4 girls. The third child Katherina remained single and gave her home and some land for the building of what became the Moundridge Memorial Home, which is now located at the site of what was Christian, Kansas. The sixth, Madalena, married Andrew Kaufman who is father of Waldo who signed the reverse side of this sheet. Waldo was present at the McPherson County Historical Banquet at the West Union Church in Moundridge on Nov. 4, 1978, and stood up when his grandfather, Daniel, was recognized as a pioneer in McPherson County.

10/18/94 Linda U. Kaufman, daughter of Andrew Kaufman
RR #1, Box #23, Moundridge City, Kansas



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28 Dec. '75
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather William LAMER
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875 lived with son Cyrus - died 24 Sept. 1981 Cy - '70
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled S. 4 E.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer.
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Cornwall County Pa. English-German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 67
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? no, but two sons did - John's lived in Argentina?
Is homestead still in possession of family? unknown
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Children are: Augustine Carroll (my grandfather),
Gertrude, John, Cynthia, Cyrus (see genealogical records)
Cyrus Lamer (settler in arrival record H.M.).
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? Blackhawk War. Would have been 53 yrs old in 1861 - perhaps too old for Civil War.

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

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

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 605 W. 2nd Street, Fort Scott, Mo 6701

Your occupation: Claims attorney

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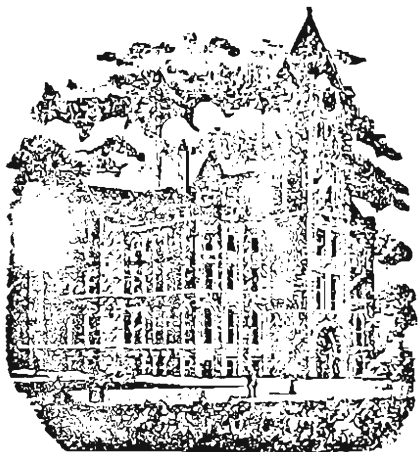
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Sept 4 1973
Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather John T. Swenson Landis
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler He was my Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1880
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Spring Valley Section 2
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer July 20, 1973
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born in Sweden Page 1 W.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Not known Probably 35 years old.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes He bought his farm from the government.
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes Antiques.
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? Yes

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Charles Peterson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: P.O. #1, Swanton Kansas
Your occupation: Petroleum Farmer

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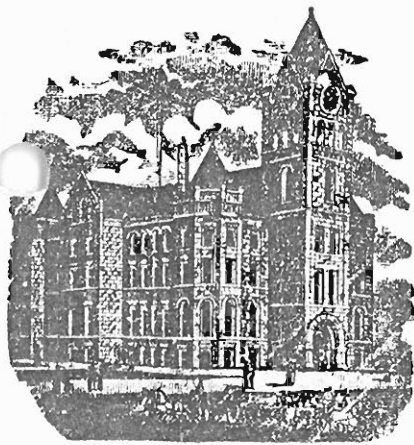
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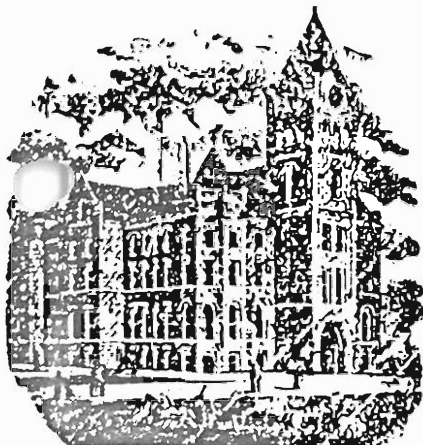
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Full name of your pioneer forefather John F. Larson
Your relationship to pioneer settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875.
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 18 - New Battland
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer and stockman
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Smoland - Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 43 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:
Carl B Larson Rt 3 McPherson Kansas
Mrs Algot Peterson 212 S Washington, Lindsborg 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.

Information provided by- - Your signature x S. M. Larson
If woman, maiden name _____
Your address 304 N. McKinley, Lindsborg.
Your occupation _____



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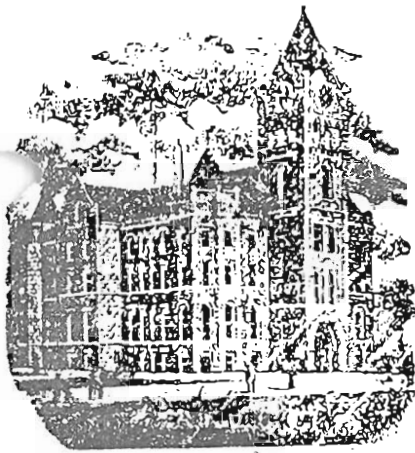
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Frederick Larson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand-daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 18 Twp. 18 range 13 S.E. 1/4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 43
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
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: Burdette Johnson McPherson Kansas
Edith Peterson Sidney Johnson, Leo Larson, Viola Johnson
all Lindalburg 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? _____

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Mrs. Ernest L. Peterson
If woman, Maiden Name: Eva Larson
Your address: 213 S. Main
Your occupation: retired



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Nels Gustaf Larson, my grandfather-mother's side
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler His granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County (See back side)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gottland, Sec. 31
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Kalmar län, Sweden Småland Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County (See back side)
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: Marvin Landgren Rt. 2, Box 92, Lindsborg, Kansas
Eunice L. Anderson (Mrs. Philip E. Anderson) 1451 Ranch Road, 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

other than he lived in a dugout in the south west corner of the quarter while fulfilling the homestead requirements. He married Clara Sofia Johnson January 6, 1883 in Lindsborg. She was working for Pastor & Mrs. Olaf Olsson.
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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Eunice L. Anderson

If woman, Maiden Name: Eunice Landgren

Your address: 1451 Ranch Road, McPherson, Ks.

Your occupation: Retired Educator

I, Eunice L. Anderson, have the original documents to verify the following information concerning Nels Gustaf Larson

1. His final Naturalization paper was issued April 16, 1878.
2. The Homestead Certificate No. 3712 for SW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 31, Twp. 18, south of range 2 west containing 160 acres was recorded May 24, 1879.

To fulfill the Homestead law requirements he would have had to be here at least 5 years previous.

He was born Sept. 28, 1845.

In 1874 he would have been 31 years old.



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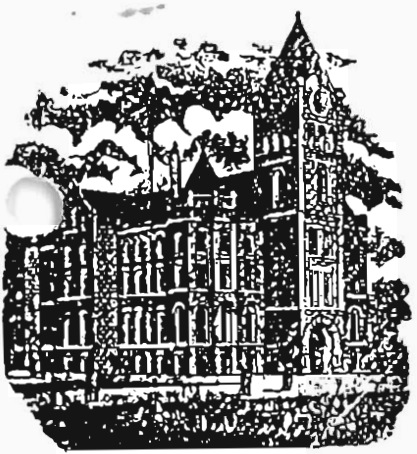
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Full name of your pioneer forefather John Lillian
Your relationship to pioneer settler granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873-1875
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 5-18-3 New Oxford
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer - Cattle feeder
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Smaland Sweden
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:
Richard Lillian - Marquette Kansas
Elaine Schmitt McPherson
MICHAEL HENRY BECKER - Livonia Mo
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

Information provided by- - Your signature Lillie Hall - (Mrs Wm Hall)
If woman, maiden name Lillie Lillian
Your address RR2-Box 40 - Lindsborg Kansas
Your occupation Housewife

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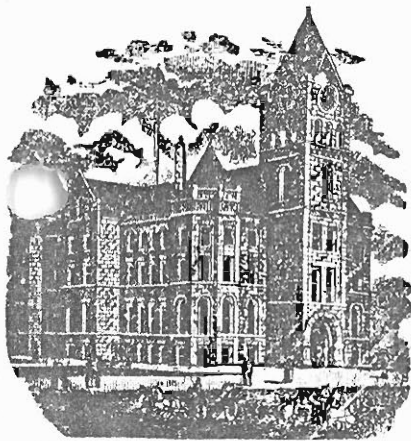
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Lillian
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandchild
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875 Nov Dec 5-18.3
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Holland Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer 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: Richard Lillian, Margaret, Elaine, Schmidt, M. Peterson, daughter, Kristin Schmidt, Van Peterson, Michael, Beck, Lindstrom
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? no

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Richard Lillian
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 1831, Box 58, Margaret, Ks 67464
Your occupation: Retired



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(Sharp)
Full name of your pioneer forefather Carl Johan Lundquist
Your relationship to pioneer settler _____
Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring, 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather
settled Windsborg, Kansas- Returned to Junction City, then back-1880.
Occupation of pioneer settler Taylor
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer 1839, Varnheim, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 30
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:

Mrs. Ada Weddle (Mrs. Charles)-

Linn Peterson-

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. Was brother-in-law of A. G. Linn.

Wife- Gustava born 1840, Bramhult. Deacon in church many years- Bethany

Treasurer- Foreign Mission Fund.

(Ada Weddle)

Information provided by- - Your signature x

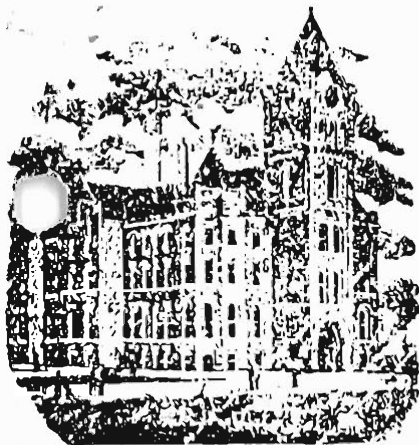
If woman, maiden name _____

Your address _____

Your occupation _____

Don Weddell

Children * Per Alfred (Amanda G. Berggren) - Ada, Amy, Edith
Carl J. (Alma Anderson)
Richard L.
Jennie A. (David Ohman) - Ruth,
Lillie M. (Charles Johnson)
Oscar F. (Agnes Stromberg)
Mattie M. (Martin Rosine) - Lorena (Robert Holmberg.)
Christina A.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Emma Nelson - John Lundstrom,
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand son
Month and year settled in McPherson County Fall of 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SE 4. 1-18-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer's - daughter of Aaron Nelson
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden -
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 12
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Aaron Nelson Around 1890
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? _____

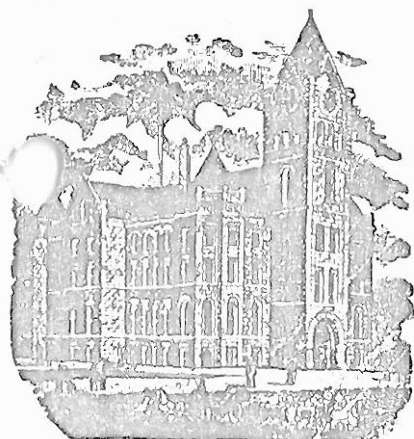
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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Harold C. Patrick
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Box 143 Lindborg
Your occupation: Farmer.



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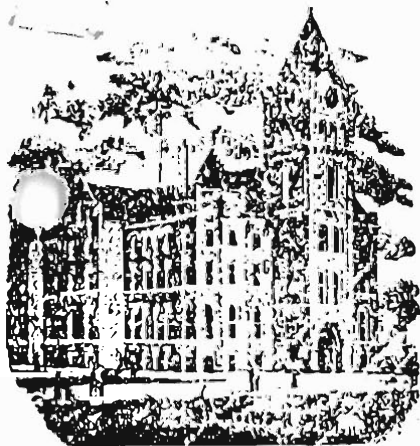
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Full name of your pioneer forefather John Fabian Lundstrom
Your relationship to pioneer settler Grand Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County September 1 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gottland (6-18-3)
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Smolan Kalmar-Lann Morlunda Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 22 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses:
Laurence E. Lundstrom 217 North Chestnut, Lindsborg, Kansas. 67456
Arlene E. Lundstrom " " " " " "
Mrs. Royer Barclay 344 North Second " " " " "
Was the pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the pioneer settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No
See other side of sheet for more information regarding descendants and present owner of farm.
Information provided by- - Your signature Laurence E. Lundstrom
If woman, maiden name _____
Your address 217 North Chestnut
Your occupation Lindsborg, Kansas
Farmer

Robert E. Lundstrom,
Harold Patrick
Howard Patrick

208 N. Chestnut, Lindborg
RFD, Lindborg
RFD, Lindborg, now Owner of farm, 1976.



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Sweden - changed name in Kansas
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Fabian Danielson - John Fabian Lundstrom
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County Sept. 1869 Homestead - 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 1/4 6-18-3
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smoland - Morlunda, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 22
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Howard Patrick, Mrs. Royce Barclay, Lawrence Lundstrom, Aslene Lundstrom, Robert Lundstrom. All of Lindsborg, 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? Not in Civil War.
See reverse side.

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

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Harold E. Patrick
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Box 143 Lindsborg, Kansas
Your occupation: Farmer.

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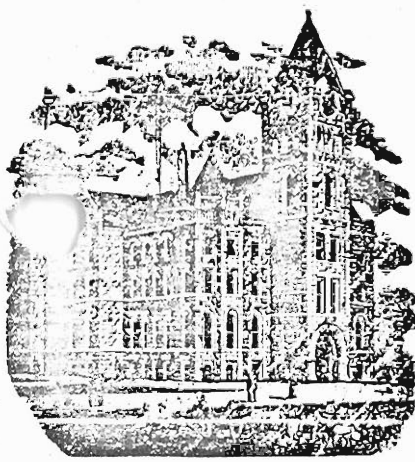
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John Lundstrom worked his way to Kansas on the Santa Fe railroad. He was foreman of a bridge-building crew. Cottonwood Falls + Strong City.

In May of 1872 John Lundstrom and a friend - Pete Fisher, surveyed the site for the City of McPherson. John drove the team of horses and plowed the first furrow for the main street of McPherson. He also helped lay the floor in the first Stone Church at Freemount, Kansas.

He was one of the organizers of the Swedish American Insurance Co. of Lindsborg 1883

Involved in building
McPherson Company house + office



Dear Bryce: If this is a Forefather of yours I would like to get the information and get it back as soon as possible. Linn Peterson

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Nov 4 11-21-4?

September 11, 1973.

Date

Full Name of your Pioneer Forefather C. O. Luty (Full name?) (Charles Oscar)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grand Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring of 1870. *Nov 4 11-21-4*
Township and section number or town in which Forefather settled Sec. 17 Superior *17*
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer

Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Penn. Dutch
Pioneer's age when he settled in County After Civil War (age approx 25?)

Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes

Is homestead still in possession of family? Part only -

Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Harlan Luty, Inman - Gerald Beang, Inman

Bob Luty, McPherson; all great grand sons -
Grand daughters, Mrs. Etta Beang, Mrs. Verna Beang both of Inman

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; C.O. Luty was a drummer

in the Union Army. He was mostly deaf from cannon
charges during one of the battles of the Civil War. Also he ran
away from his Penn. home at age 15 to join the Union Army.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Bryce Luty

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 611 Sonora Dr. - McPherson

Your occupation: Band Instructor McPherson H.S.

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Dear Linn,

My older brother, Harlan Luty at Inman, has a very complete history of my great & grand father, C.O. Luty. He has the family bible dating back to the mid 1800's, and has also done a considerable amount of research on C.O. Luty and the early history of Inman. As a point of interest to your group, he did quite an extensive paper ~~at~~ while attending McPherson College last year, on the history of Inman. I am certain he would be happy to share this paper with your organization.

See Civil War Times for copy of story published in Inman Times about C.O. Luty's experience in attending a Reunion of the Battle of Gettysburg at the site of the 1863 Battle 50 years later in 1913. July.

Cordially,

Bryce Luty

Luty #2