

McPHERSON COUNTY Historical Society

McPHERSON, KANSAS 67460

Register of Pioneer Families of McPherson County, Kansas

Volume 3, Part B

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Introduction

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

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

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

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

How to Use This Volume

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

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

Titles and nicknames are listed in parenthesis.

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

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

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

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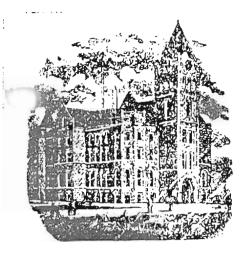
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Annual Dinner - April 2, 1981.

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Peterson by 3-25-1981

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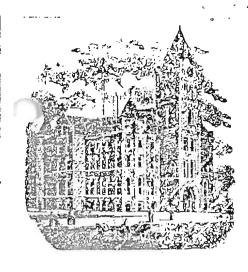
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|---|-------------------|----------------------------|---|
| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler | randdaughte | r | |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County | V | 1878 | |
| Township and section number or town in which | | tled McPherson | |
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| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Mielby | Blekige Swede | a Apr. 20, 1844 - Sweden | 1 |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County | 3445 | | |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? | 190 | · | |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? | No | | |
| Are there also other descendants of this set | | | |
| County? Names and addresses: Nos. Anna Marie | : (Mc Knight/D) | ehs-1463M. Walnut (Gran | d |
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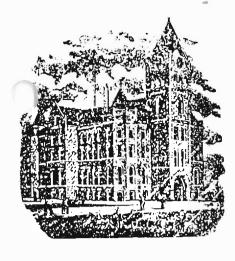
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler () Grandson |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1, 1879, nuls Sec 28-17-4 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Jackson Jaconship |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farming |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sorn March 28,1836 cm Chio |
| Pioneer's age when she settled in County 43 yrs of age |
| 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: Martin Moubray - 409 W. Felid McPherson Non. |
| Carl DeWitt Mowskay - 600 E Kansa Ave - M'Pherson Kans |
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| Information provided by Your Signature: |
| If woman, Maiden Name: |
| Your address: 100 E. Kansus Hue McPhersonia |
| Your occupation: Retired |
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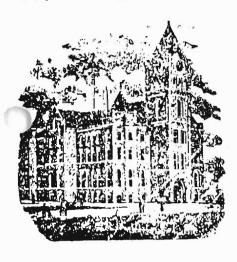
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| | Pioneer's age when he settled in County 43 |
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather George Wilson Nelson |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand-daughter |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County <u>Farly spring in 1879</u> Township and section number or town in which forefather settled <u>Canton</u> ; N= SW = 33-19-1 |
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| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer In Indiana, U.S.A. Irish |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 32 |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No. Homesteaded in Dickinson Co. Kans. about |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? Farm-N SW 33-19-1 Still owned by family 71 |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: (Grangson) Melvin O. Nelson & wife, Shirley |
| R.F.D. 2. Canton, Kansas, 67428, now resides on this farm |
| The farm now includes So NW 33-19-1 which Mrs. George Nelson inherited from her father. |
| Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting |
| and portinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of |
| particular significance or interest? George Wilson Nelson enlisted in Co.G. 18th |
| regiment of Illinois Infantry on March 13,1865 and was discharged as a corporal on |
| Dec .16,1865.Discharge lists him as 18 yaers old,5feet 51 inches tall; light complexion; |
| blue eyes; dark hair. Other information on reverse side. Discharged at Pine Bluffs, Ark |
| (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) |
| Information provided by Your Signature: x (the Parties |
| If woman, Maiden Name: Ethel Huldalia Meyer |
| Your address: p.O. Box 62, Canton, Kansas, 67428 |
| Your occupation: partially retired book-keeper & |
| legal agent for managing 6 farms in McPherson & |
| Marion counties owned by my Welson cousins and myself. |

George Wilson Nelson was the oldest son of William Ward Nelson and Margaret Browning Nelson and was born in Indiana on July " 26,1847. He died at his farm home 3 miles south of Canton, Kansas on Dec. 16,1909. He was buried in the pirexxxxxxxxxx Empire Cemetery, 1 mile east and 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of Galva, Kansas. As a boy he moved with his parents and brothers and sisters to Iowa from Indiana and later to Illinois.

> On Feb. 28,1869, George Wilson Nelson was united in marriage to Mary Cornelia Frances Griffith (oldest daughter of Jabez Brown Griffith and Electa Druzilla (Moore) Griffith) at Mason City, Illinois by the Rev. James M. Haughy.

Mary Cornelia Frances Griffith Nelson had been born on April 15, 1851 in Effingham County, Illinois and died Oct.26,1935 at the farm home southwest of Canton, Kansas and was buried in Empire cemetery.

George and Mary Nelson had seven children, namely :

- (1) Electa Ann Nelson born on June 20, 1876 in Dickinson County, Kansas. She married Wesley Albert Meyer on March 15,1908 on the farm home near Canton and died in Canton on Nov. 10, 1957 and was buried in Empire Cemetery. Wesley and Electasdaughter. Ethel Huldalia Meyer was born Feb. 16,1909 in Haskell County, Kansas. Wesley Meyer died Oct.15.1958 in McPherson Hospital. Buried in Empire Cemetery.
- (2) Susan Alice Nelson was born Frb. 19,1878 in Dickinson County, Kansas and died Sept. 18, 1887 near Canton, Kansas. Burial in Empire Cemetery.
- (3) George Owen Nelson was born April 3,1880 near Canton, Kansas and died April Jan. 27, 1950 in Garden City with burial in the Garden City cemetery. He married Viola May Meyer in Haskell County, Kansas on May 25,1909. Viola Nelson died April 25,1977 in Garden City, Kansas and was buried in the Garden City cemetery. George Owen and Viola Nelson Had 5 sons -- namely:
 - (1) Melvin Owen Nelson born June 19, 1913 at Hoisington, Ks. (2) Earnest Marvin Nelson born May 5, 1917 near Satanta, Ks.

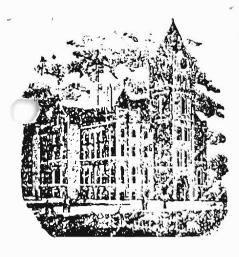
 - (3) Jarrell Jerome Nelson born Sept. 11,1919 near Satanta, Ks.
 - (4) Leland Delos Nelson born Nov. 28,1925 near Satanta, Kans.
 - (5) Meyer Evan Nelson born March 14,1930 near Satanta, Kans.
- (4)Ora Iona Nelson was born May 31, 1882 near Canton and died near Canton on Nov. 3.1887. Buried in Empire Cemetery.
- (5) Ray Arnold Nelson born Nov. 29, 1890 near Canton and died in McPherson Hospital June 16, 1956. Buried in Empire Cemetery.
- (6) Huldalia Cornelia Nelson born May 1, 1893 near Canton and died near Canton on July 23, 1955. Buried in Empire Cemetery
- (7)Dessa Druzilla Welson was born Apr. 3,1900 near Canton and died near Canton on Aug. 15, 1902. Buried in Empire Cemetery.

My great grandparents, Jabez Brown and Electa Druzilla Griffith also came to Canton, Kans in the fall of 1979 and bought the north half of section 33-19-1. This farm is still owned by the Griffith family and a grand-daughter, Miss Winifred S. Griffith still lives on the east half of that farm.

Junn Peterson To City Hall. M. Pherson, Hans. 67460 Dear Dis: I read in a recent Mc Pherson Sentinel that forms would be secured from you for registering proneer M. Blierson County families. Please send one a form in the enclosed stamped envelope. My grandparents, Deorge Dr. Melson (a Civil war noteraw) and Mary C. I Melson bought a farm southwest of Canton (3 miles) and moved here in 1879. The farm is still owned by our favority and one of my cousins, Mesnin O. Melson now lives on it so I believe we would qualify. Very truly yours. Ether A. Meyer Po. Roy 62, Canten , As.

Canton, Lans.

Dept 22, 1979



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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1859 Camela County |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Smoke Hill 18-17-3 b |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Gumlas, Sweden Swedish |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26 |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? yes |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: Marquerite Mowary, 228 So. Grand, McPherson |
| Norman L. Nelson, RTI, Marquette, James youngquist 121 Nicedor Lindsburg |
| Hezel Sundauist 425 S. 3rd Lindshore |
| 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 one of the promeers with |
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| Information provided by Your Signature: Xhanno O fleshor |
| If woman, Maiden Name: |
| Your address: Route 2, Box 6, Linds berg, Ko |
| Your occupation: farmer + Truck Driver |
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Oloj Nelson married Johanna Finney may 26, 1871.

Eight Children were born. 2 dyingin infancy

1. Kristina - 1872 - 1872

2. Kristina Williamena - 1873 - 1967 (named for first body)

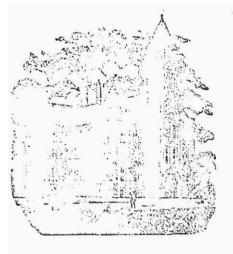
3. Helma - 1875 - 1956

4. Hulde 1876 - 1940

5, Oscar - 1878- 1952

6. John 1881 - 1882

7. Hanna 1882 - 1916 3 yohn E 1885 - 1920 (namedafter) 706.



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(Descendents of Pioneers who settled in County between 1859 and 1870, will be recognized at Sanquet at Selber on College

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

101st Birthday of McPherson County.

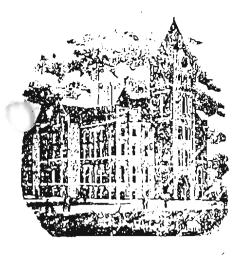
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(To be completed and returned to Linn Peterson, President of McPherson County Historical Society, prior to Banquet)

| August 15, 1971 |
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| Date |
| Name of your Pioneer forefather Olof Nelson (Nilson) |
| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW4 section 8,TI7S,R3W |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Gurnlosa Socken, Kristinstads Lan Sweden |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26 |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes I believe so, Edward O. Nelson Iwes the |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: Edward O. Nelson, RI, Lindsborg, his sister - Mrs. |
| Margarete Mowbray, 605 N. Walnut, Mrs. Ivan Westblade, 210 N. Chestnut, Lindsborg, |
| Norman L. Nelson, R.I Marquette. |
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| Do you have any information regarding the Pioneer Settler which is of particular |
| significance or interest? |
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| your Signature: James C. youngquist |
| II woman, Malden Name: |
| Your address: I2I N. Cedar, Lindsborg |

Your occupation: Retired

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Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Franklaughter

Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873

Township and section number or town in which forefather settled fining Valley Sec. 20

Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer & Competer

Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Office Tofffff 36 - Herman Swiss

Pioneer's age when he settled in County 37

Did settler homestead in McPherson County? 188

Is homestead still in possession of family? 188

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

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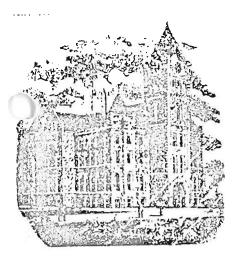
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Was the Pioneer's soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? 189

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

Information provided by ---- Your Signature: 133 M. Mayors, McPherson Kr. Your address: 133 M. Mayors, McPherson Kr. Your occupation: Household Market Mayors (Retreet)

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| | Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Thomas Alexander Osborne |
|--------|--|
| | Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand Son |
|). | Month and year settled in McPherson County April, 1878, |
| | Township and section number or town in which forefather settled N = 34-19-3 |
| | Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer - Stockman |
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| | Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24 years |
| | Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Ves |
| | Is homestead still in possession of family? One-half of it 15. |
| | Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| | County? Names and addresses: George S. Osberne 173 S. Walnut; |
| | Geo. Osborne dr. Rt. L. Box 187, Inman; Mrs. Joyce (Foma) |
| | Herrold, Rt. / McPherson: Ralph Herrold, Hessten. |
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| | Information provided by Your Signature: X Marion B Control |
| | If woman, Maiden Name: |
| ٠ | Your address: Route 1, Box 24 |
| | Your occupation: Farmer-Stackman. |
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original Thomas is an English professor of at Kansas University, Lawrence. In Melvin Laird, Sv., was a grandson of Samuel O'sborne, and a first cousin of George Osborne, Sr. Mrs. Wilson Haw (Evelyn Faye Wallace) of 430 W. Commercial, Lyons, is a granddaughter of Thomas a. Osborne. Mrs. Julia Osborne) noggle was step-

grandmother of Lu Wall.

THOMAS ALEXANDER OSBORNE

Thomas Alexander Osborne was born in Pike County, Illinois, Nov. 22, 1854. Died at McPherson, Kansas, November 8, 1935, lacking but a few days of reaching his eightytirst birthday. Mr. Osborne first came to Kansas in 1878, returning to Illinois the following year for his, bride. Mary Seaborn, to whom he was married in 1879. This union was blessed with four children, whose names follow: Mrs, Margaret S. Wallace, Chase, Kansas; George Osborne, McPherson, Kansas, and Mrs. Julia Noggle and Miss Gladous Osborne of the home, in McPherson. After coming to Kansas in 1879, Mr. and Mrs. Osborne resided on a farm southeast of McPherson until 1889 when they moved to the present home in McPherson. Mrs. Osborne preceded him in death in August of 1906. He has always lived a clean, wholesome life and stood for what was high and just. He was a conscientions, peace-loving man, highly respected by his neighbors and friends, and by his untiring efforts had prospered sufficiently to provide for his family and educate his children: His sunset years have been years of peace and quiet in his Mc-Pherson home, until his last illness which covered a period of some ten weeks during which time he was cared for by his two devoted daughters, Mrs. Noggle and Miss Gladous who watched over him with tenderest affection. He leaves to mourn his going, beside the four children afore mentioned, three sisters and one brother, all of whom were present at the funeral, Mrs. Eliza Keys, Miss Jennie Osborne, and Miss Hettie Osborne all of Lincoln, Illinois, and Robert Osborne of Pittsfield. Illinois, also eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

George Osborne Sr.

George W. Osborne Sr., 712 S. Walnut, died Monday in McPherson Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness. He was 97.

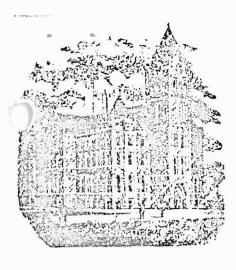
Born August 23, 1885, in McPherson County, he was the son of Thomas A. and Mary Seaborn Osborne. He married Ethel M. Bridgens September 7, 1910, in McPherson. She died April

24, 1968. A retired farmer and stockman, Osborne was a lifetime resident of McPherson County, moving from the farm to the city of McPherson in 1951. He attended the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include three sons, Marion, McPherson; George S. Jr., Inman; Dwight E, Mt. Vernon, Wash.; two daughters, Mrs. Erma Herrold, McPherson; Mrs. Mary Fitzhugh, Santa Anna, Calif.; 17 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be conducted 11 a.m. Friday by the Rev. Harold E. Nelson in Glidden Chapel. Burial will be in McPherson Cemetery. Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Glidden Funeral Home.

Memorials are suggested to Shiloh Manor, Canton.



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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather //en Cook Pancost |
| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler He was my Grandfather |
| Month and year settled in McPnerson County |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec35- Kinglity |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Teacher & farmer |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born in OHio 1853 - M22 |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 27 years Old |
| 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: Clinton W. Mowbray 425 E. Sutherland |
| Helen L. Unruh Galva Kans. |
| Mariala T Blain 110 W 5th M& Phenson 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 Dune Moutray |
| If woman, Naiden Name: |
| Your address: R. R. = 1 Box 108 Melherson |
| Your occupation: Power Plant Maintenance Man |
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Obituary reads

He was born Dec. 9, 1853 in the state of Ottio. While he was yet a small lad the family moved to Ashtibula Ohio. Here he grew to manhood & was educated for the teaching profession After teaching in his native state for three years, he went West to Nebraska + tought for 3 years. He came to MEPherson County in 1880 to continue teaching for more than 10 years. He secured a farm in King City Township, but after a time he disposed of it to by another 5 miles East of MsPherson, where he lived & worked. In 1920 he moved to McPherson due to failing health & passed away Sept. 6, 1922. (Tarects. Wm. L. Fulton - My.



In the settlement of Kansas, many from the older states of the East saw the possibilities of the undeveloped prairies, and wended their way to the land of opportunity. Among these was the subject of this sketch.

Allen C. Pancost was one of eleven children of Henry and Esther Pancost. He was born December 9th, 1853 in the state of Ohio; and was therefore 68 years, 8 months and 25 days old when he died at his home in this city, September 6th, 1922.

While he was yet a small lad the hamily changed locations, moving to Ashtibula, O. Here he grew to manhood and was educated for the teaching profession. After teaching in his native state for three years, he answered to the call of the West and resumed teaching for three years in Nebruska. He then came in 1880 to McPherson County, Kansas, to continue the same work for more than iten years.

While yet following his chosen profession, he secured a farm in King (City township), but after a time he is disposed of this to buy another, five a miles east of McPherson, where he lived and isbored until 2 years ago, when on account of failing health he is surrendered his duties to another and moved to McPherson.

On February 8d, 1867, he was united in marriage to Miss Gertrude M. Fulton, Of this union three children were born, Gladys, now Mrs. Walter Mowbray, Esther Agnes, who died in infancy, and Walter. Besides the wife, daughter and son he is survived by one grandchild. Ava May Mowbray.

His sister, Airs. George Shelley died just two months and two days before he passed away. Of the large family only three remain, A. L. Pancost of Jewell, Kan., and Mrs. Eva P. Harley and Walter F. Pancost both of Ashtibula. Ohio.

Twenty-six years ago Rev. Mr. Dunaway and Dr. Folion held revival meetings at Galva. One of the results was the conversion of our Broth er Pancost, and later his baptism by Dr. Fuiton into the fellowship of the McPherson Baptist Church of which he has ever since been a faithful and consistent member.

Our friend was naturally a student. He loved to read and study. He was always most thorough in his investigations. Books were his companions but most of all he was familiar with the Bible. One might differ with him in opinion but could never question his intellectual integrity.

He will be remembered by many who were his pupils for his painstaking efforts to prepare them for the better performing of life's tasks. He never ceased to be a student, keeping himself well informed on the problems of the heur and continuing his interest in Bible study. His last visit to the sanctuary will be remembered by his effort to teach the class of which he was a member.

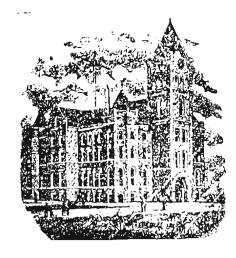
He was a Christian in the truest sense of the word, honest, industrious and faithful. He was alike interested in the prosperity of the local church and the wider work of the missionary enterprise.

A good man has gone from the circle of home and church and friends; but a life so largely given to help prepare others for life's duties must live on in an ever widening circle of beneficial influence in the world.

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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Production |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler I find which washing |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County of the Ser 1869 Come to his Piano |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled to which of which which which of which |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler / home born in Take 2 25 100 19 18 |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer 1 rede Tradinge landing |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 374 400 75 |
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| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
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| If woman, Maiden Name: Extres Peterson |
| Your address: 300 & Harring m. Pherson |
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Christopher Columbus Platner |
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| Your Relationship to Picneer Settler Grandson |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875 (1929 Atlas - 1878.) |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 15- Castle |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Came from Iowa to Kansas (Dutch on Luman) |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 47 (Son - Samuel A 5) |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? es |
| 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: Glenn Platner, 520 S. Ash St-; his son - Marvin |
| G. Platner, 7th E. Simpson, a Great Grandson; Martha Platner-Lokay, Mc herson. |
| Glenn's sister - Mrs. Jessie Byers, K.#, Little River, 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? C. C. Platner was a Civil War Veteran, having |
| volunteered under age. Served in Union Army |
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| (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) |
| Information provided by Your Signature: X |
| II woman, Maiden Name: |
| Your address: 520 South Ath Ptret, NoPherson |
| Your occupation: |

Glenn's Grandmother's ather - Lee also homesteaded in the next section. He died in 1877. The Platners and Lee's are buried in the Windom Cemetery Eastof Windom. When Glenn's Grandmother died, the Samuel Platners returned to the Windom area from the area near Duncan, Oklahoma where they had been living, and where Glenn was born. C. C. Platner's name is listed on the Civil War Plaque in Memorial Park along with other Civil War Veterans.



OBITUARY 3.29

Christopher Columbus Platner was born in Mercer County, Illinois, April 20, 1845, and departed this life November 29, 1929, at the age of 84 years, 7 months and 9 days.

When a small boy, he moved to Iowa with his parents.

He answered Lincoln's last call for volunteers and served till the end of the war.

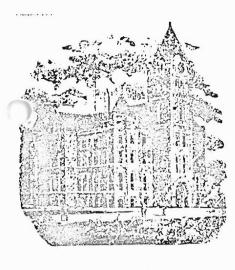
In 1870, he was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth E. Lee; to this union was born three sons, Clyde of Globe, Arizona; Samuel of Windom, Kansas, and Albert of Frederick, Oklahoma. He came to Kansas in May, 1878, and settled on a homestead near Windom, where he lived the rest of his life, except four years he lived in Windom.

His wife preceded him in death in 1919 and he has since then made his home with his son, S. A. on the farm.

He leaves to mourn his loss, three sons, eleven grandchildren and three great grandchildren, besides other relatives and a host of friends. He had been in poor health for the last year, but had never been bedfast. The end came very suddenly Friday, the 29th at 9:30 p. m.

He united with the Methodist Episcopal church of Windom in 1914, and has always been a faithful worker. He was a kind and loving husband, father and grandfather, and of a very cheerful disposition never complaining, and always patient. Funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church, Windom, by Rev. J. H. Christian, a former pastor, assisted by Rev. W. T. Danner.

There were many beautiful floral designs. Interment was made in the Windom cemetery.



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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Mary and Toure |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Shadd daughtos |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County July 11879 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Approximation of |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Homemaker |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Tenn Scotch Fish |
| Pioneer's age when the settled in County 50 yrs |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? no Bught farm 1892 |
| 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: Clayer Burch 42/17 Mulberry, M. Therson |
| Kendall Thiel 1325 Mouthglen, Mc Pherson |
| Elva anderson Syprem Kla. R.J. Box 27-67448 - Sie Cocke y page |
| Was the Pioneer a soldier An 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 was a widow ther oldert som |
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| (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) |
| Information provided by Your Signature: & Mildred Thiel |
| If woman, Maiden Name: Mildred Elizabeth Jower |
| Your address: 112 n. Lakered Dr. Mc Pherson |
| Your occupation: Retired |
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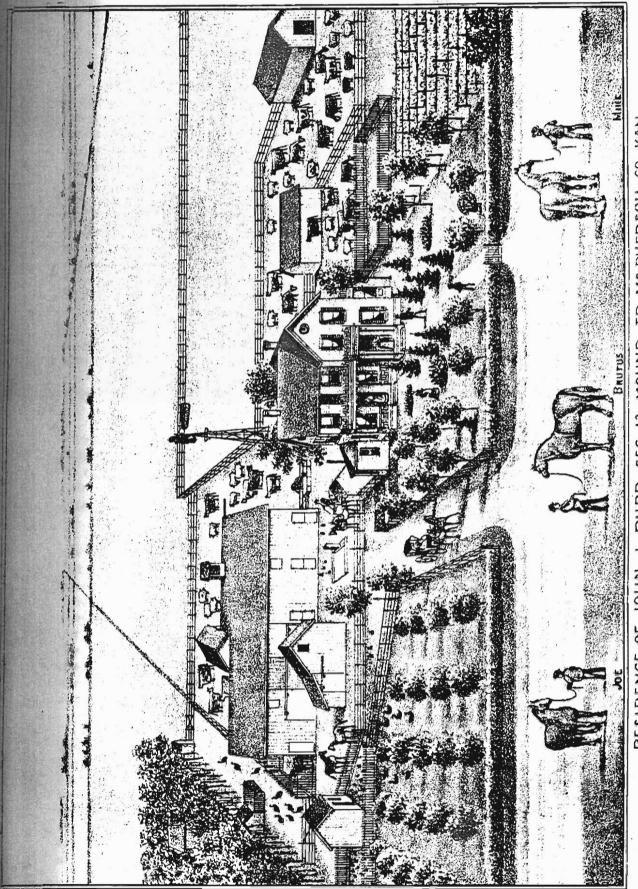
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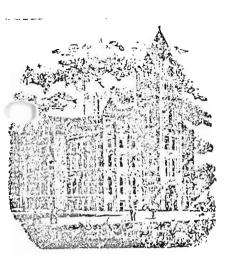
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandfather Month and year settled in McPherson County September 1878 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 13-218-2W MOUNT Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer Maxweiler - Germany Pioneer's age when he settled in County 37 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes |
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| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 13-215-2W MOUN Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer Two Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Maxweller - Germany Pioneer's age when he settled in County 37 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes |
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| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still resude in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: Mark Rupp, 2311 Cheyenne Rd. Moundridge |
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| Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you mave any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? NO John J. Rupp was known for raising Morna horses which they i ported. |
| (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) Information provided by Your Signature: X Duri De Royal If woman, Maiden Name: Your address: |



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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Clarence & Russell |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler granddaughter |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County letter less 1879 = Remaine Soundly |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NF grade - nection 10 |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Shelly Co. Kentucky Scotch - Drish |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 320 |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? bought land for 1000 |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? Mo |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: 6 grandehildren (names on backpide) |
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| Information provided by Your Signature: & Arlene Pussell |
| If woman, Maiden Name: |
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Clarence and his brothers william, James and also Jacob myers came in Sept 1879 and bought land located NE quarter, section 10, Empire township for \$1,000 for their father Joseph Waksfield Russell It is listed in the Court house Sept 1879.

He came later with the 2 youngest children to be with rest of the family in 1884. Also purchase more land

Clarence married had 2 sons, the passed away at 33 years when the boys were small.

Ben, my father, was nine when this land NE'4-5-23-19-2 was put in his name Owned it every since.

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Orlene Russell.— Ma Pherson, Kansas

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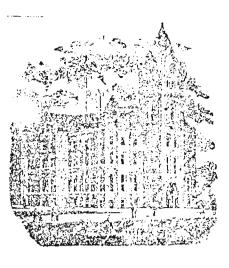
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| Full Name of your Ploneer forefather Rev. P. M. Sannuist |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandson |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County October 1878, and |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled MU PHER SON - NOW Seed H |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Lutheran Pastor |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer DODERHALT SMALAND SWEEDEN - 6/8/35 183 |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 43 |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? BULT A HOME AT SITE, KANSIN ST -MC PHERSON |
| 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: µo |
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| Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting |
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Charles Joseph Sheffer |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1879 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled BaSE Sec. 17 Gypsum Cr. |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 27 |
| 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. |
| Mr. Minton Sheffer, 621 M. Malnut St., Stockton, Kansas 67669 |
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| 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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| (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) |
| Information provided by Your Signature: _x |
| If woman, Maiden Name: Gwendolyn Sheffer - Koulle |
| Your address: 300 East Loomis, EcPherson, Kans |
| Your occupation: Retired Teacher. |
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Dear Linn,

I do not knwo very much about the Tolle family. Grandfather Sheffer (Charles Joseph Sheffer 1852-1934) who came to Kansas when he was twenty years old, married Amanda E. Tolle in 1876. He homesteaded the E2 SE4 of 33-17-1 in 1879 and filed a timber claim on the W2 NW4 of 3-18-1 in 1887.

My Uncle Edgar (E. E. Tolle) was the some of J. A. Tolle (Roxbury) who may be the one commonly called Jap. I do not know his relationship to W. A. or S. F. Tolle.

Grandfather Lott first came to Bennington, Kansas, in 1880 and to a pastorate in Roxbury (the first time in McPherson County) in 1905. Since he was the last surviving Civil War veteran in the county (and one of few in the United States), many articles appeared in county newspapers prior to and after his death in 1946. I am sure they contain all significant and obtainable biographical information.

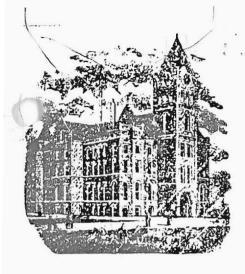
It is my hope that some of this information may be helpful to you. I am sorry not to be able to answer all of your questions.

Sincerely,

Winton L. Sheffer 621 North Walnut

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Stockton, Kansas 67669



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| JESSE IV. SHELTON |
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather |
| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GREAT GRAND SON |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County A LITTLE BEFOR 1880 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled section number of town in which forefather settled |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER 17-2 |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer PIKE Co. /LL |
| 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? |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: Mrs Jola Oberg & Jamely in Marquette |
| Mrs Edith Shelton + Jamely in Lebidsburg. |
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| 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 |
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| If woman, Maiden Name: |
| Your address: 1303 E 79 Kansas Celly M |
| Your occupation: Mechanic (Post office) [64] |
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Stone reads ("Jesse Shetton")

no Record

april 5, 1981

Dear Mrs. Peterson, I would very much like to join your Restorical Society, since our Jamely started from there. In doing our Shelton family history and there is so much I need to know about are ancestors in MOkerson and Saline Co. Our Jesse V Shelton 904. I have never been able to find out any thing about gesse, V. Shellow parents or some of his brothers & sisters, It seems like all thes information was in a United Brethren Church records, which Jesse Vand his wife and 4 other Jamely's organist around 1890 the Church was built in 1910 in Lypsum, but it dis-

banded in the late 1940's. no one knows what happen to these Church records. It was told that some of the Old members join the Methodis Church in Gepsum, I wrote to the minister of the Church but doesn't know where the records where sent to, it wasn't his Church. all our family that is alwe today Rave no idea whe) it could of gone, Ine wrote to the United Brethren main Church in Morth Carolina, but they have no record of this Church in Gypsum. Can you tell me something about what the society does Enclosed you well find a In Loping that sometime

this summer to visit some of our relatives so would like to stop by and visit with you. Sincerely

Mr. E Shelton 1303 & 79 Hansas City Mo. 64131

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Roller, Clapp, Roper, Hall families
that could be related to the
Shelton's in the area. Also I
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a Lewis Shelton + family living
in Markerson at the same
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Mar 27,1981 The Lindshorg I received newspaper and saw your artical about County Proneer Family Register I would like to register my husbands ancestors who Settle in Mc Oherson Co in live there for 1880, and guite awhele till they moved to Sypsum, in 1900. Please sent me one of your Proneer Family information Jorns, I know In to late to have it in the register and would like there Names placed in the pregisters I ded not know there was a Vistorical organization there, can you till me

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Juffy 10/31/85

Dear Mr. Linn, - Received your answer to my letter about the George Register on Our Jesse_ V. Shelton I want to thank you for the information on the lady that wrates the book the family of ada Rose Corners. My Kushanda - Great auxt is related to that famely, about the grave stone thato in the neteran's area, we have no idea how that came about Que talk to family members and none was able to explain Low that came about But Jesse. U. Shelton is beered in the Gypsum Cemetery in Gypsum Hansas along side his mife Emeline Culp and her youngest Rox & his wife. We ded find out that there

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October 31, 1985

Mrs. S. Shelton 1303 East 79th, Kansas Cit., Missouri 64131-1954

Dear Mrs. Shelton:

Our Pioneer Register contains a record subjitted on 4-9-1981 by Mr. E. Shelton on Pioneer Jesse V. Shelton. E. Shelton indicated he is a Great Grandson of Jesse. Jesse came a little before 1880, and he settled in SE1 of Sec. 16-17-2, or Bonaville, Twp.. He was a farmer and was born in Pike Gounty, Illinois. He was in his late 130s when he dame to our area. He did homestead, but it not now in the possession of a family member. Descendants included - Mrs. Lola Oberg & Family, Marquette and Mrs. Edith Shelton and family, Lindsborg. Jesse was a Civil War Veteran, and he served under General Sherman in the Civil War. This is the way your husband completed the Form.

There are no Shelton in the McPherson phone book now. Victor Oberg lives at 403 N. Washington, Marquette, also B. I., Leslie, Lloyd, and Wintford Roller live in or near Marcutte (Wintford - R.R.#1.). Halls in McPherson now include Raymond H., Richard A, Harold H. (20 Halls in all.) The McPhersonCounty Historical Society recently received a 187 page book titled The Family of Ada Rose Comer, by Ida DeMay Wilson, 26 San Lucas Court, St. Helend, California 94574. Some of the Comers lived in McPherson County in Bonaville Two. at one time. Also covered are the Culp and Kimes families. Ida did research on her husband's mother, Ada Hose Comer, and we gave her some assistance.

I understand that the gravestone in the McPherson says Jesse Shelton, and is located in the veteran's area. It was probably moved from the old Cemetery about 1880. It was located in the 700 Block of North Chestnut Street - South of First Street (between Walnut and Chestnut).

The McPherson County Historical Society has members from all over the County, and some non-residents also. Membership dues are \$1.00 per year, with the year running March 1 through February 28th each year. You May send a check to me if you choose, made out to the Society. The group meets the first Saturday of each month except June, July and August. We always have a Banquet in October or November, jointly with the other two Historical Associations - the Smoky Valley Historical Assoc. and the Swill-Mennonite Cuntural and Historical Association, botating between, McPherson, Idndsborg and Moundridge. Mr. S. M. Dell, 1123 E. Euclid St., McPherson, Ms. 67460 is our President, and I am 1st Vice President.

I trust that my comments may have helped you. Sincerely,

Mr. Linn Peterson 540 E. Hill St., McPherson, Ks. 67460



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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Rynls M. Sumpson |
| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Dranddaughter |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869 or 1870 (1876) |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled James Valley 2633(52) |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Jarmer-Vost Master Il S. Agreeter Jarkens + Okla. Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Mohank Valley Ohis |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 24 yrs (?) |
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| Is homestead still in possession of family? Wo |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Anders Singren |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great grandfather |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled paguatte NE 3-12 |
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| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Envikan, Dalarna, Sweden |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County |
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| County? Names and addresses: Llean Swisher Lindsberg, Dicksie Burnison |
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Sjogren family has reunion

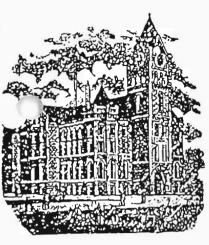
The descendants of Anders and Elizabeth Sjogren recently met for their annual reunion at the Elim Lutheran Parish Hall, Marquette. There were 120 members and guests present for a covered dish dinner.

Anders Sjogren and his wife, Elizabeth, came to Marquette from Sweden in 1869 with their children, Eric, Anna and Andrew. They all were charter members of Elim Lutheran Church.

Three family members, Ken Sjogren and Jeanette Flohr, Lindsborg, and Mary Ann Penon, La Canada, Calif., told about their recent trip to Sweden. While there they visited with relatives and learned more about the Sjogren

family history.

Lois and Bill Garrelts, Wichita, made arrangments for the reunion and conducted the business meeting. Lori Bergen of Salina will be in charge of the 1983 reunion.



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| (also known as Andrew) |
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Anders Ersson Sjogren + Elizabeth (Erickson) |
| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great great grand daughter 30 gren |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County O-City 1869 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Marquette Township . SE4- |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer (also miner in Sweden) |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vintiann Dalarna Sweden |
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather R. (Anders)G. USET Southerg | |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great grand daughter | |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County (probably not winter, 1880. | |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled McPherson city | |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer and businessman, merchant while in KS. | , |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Cshult, Pjeteryd on Kronoberg Lan, | |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 50 years Sweden | |
| 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: Trs. Robert Sohlberg, Jr. | |
| 604 So. Walnut, Trenerson, Ks. | |
| (grand daughter in law) | |
| Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting | |
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| reneral store and was postmaster. | |
| (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) | |
| Information provided by Your Signature: x Low Fry Cochran | |
| If woman, Maiden Name: Fry | |
| Your address: 344 N First, Lindsborg, KS. | |
| Your occupation: homemaker | |
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I home detailed account of A. G. Sohlberg's life may be Round in "The Story of the Old Spoon" by his youngest child, Mrs. Lydi: Sohlborg Deore, brinted February, 1987.

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| | Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand Company and Settler |
| | Month and year settled in McPherson County Replaced April 1871 |
| | Township and section number or town in which forefather settled happened Carlo |
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| | Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Later Misseland |
| | Pioneer's age when he settled in County 34 42500 and |
| | Did settler homestead in McPherson County? 108 |
| | is homestead still in possession of family? |
| | Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| | County? Names and addresses: Les. Fred Jacobson, 115 So Hartup, McPherson |
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| | Information provided by Your Signature: x Mrs texis ash |
| | If woman, Maiden Name: Carrie Jacobson |
| • | Your address: 422 E. Seetherland McPherson |
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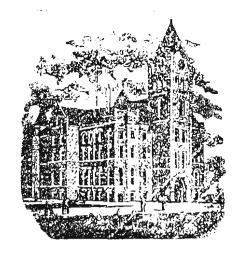
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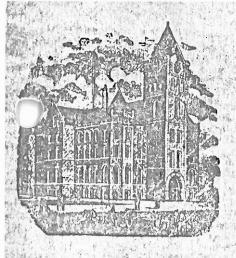
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler | - | | | |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County | · | • | ACCOUNT 1880 | |
| Township and section number or town in which | forefather | settled Sec. | 33-18-2 (Delmo | re) |
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- 1100 Quena St. San angels, Texas 76903 March 31, 1981 Mr. Linn Peterson 540 East Hill Mc Pherson, Kanses 67460 Dear Sir; I am returning the form you sent us. We do not have the family Bible and can not answer the questions correctly and evith Correct dates. Correct dates. This B. Starks is a relative, possibly a Great Uncle. I suggest you contact Mrs. Josie Carlson, K.2 Box 6 of Galva, Kansas 67443. Phone 654-3462. The is a cousin and 86 years old. She has lived mest of her life on farms east of Salva but now lives in town. Her mather melisa and my husbandi father william E. Starke are brother and sister and came to Mc Pherson County somewhere around november 1877 with their parents and several mere brothers and sisters. My husbands grand Jarente, William Starke and wife came by rowned reagon from around Terre plante, Indiana. They wer of drotch Irish descent, My husband has 3 brothers living in and Paid He Bherson. Wirgel E. Starks and Donald Prickett in McCherson and Elzie V. Stanker on a form near me Phinan. I thank you your streng Mrs. Leeter E. Starks



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

100th Birthday of McPherson County

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHEES N. COUNTY, KANEAS

(To be completed and returned to S. M. Dell, President of McPherson County Historical Society, or to Howard Patrick, President of the Emoky Valley Historical Association no later than October 20, prior to the Panquet.)

| Full name of your pioneer lorefather J.O. Sundstrop |
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| Your relationship to pioneer settler |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather |
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| Pioneer's age when he settled in County |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? www |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still |
| reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: 200 |
| Bob Johnson |
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Was the pioneer a soldier in the Civil Jar, 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 Quilumpy or If woman, maiden name Your address Your address

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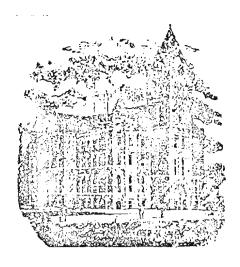
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather J. A. Swanson |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1879 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Matherson |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler (Maan Maker) Shoceryman |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smoken Sweden |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 53075, |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No. 1 |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: |
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather | John Alfred S | wanson | |
| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler | Great Grandson | | |
| Month and year settled in McPherson Cou | nty | 1881 | |
| Township and section number or town in | which forefather | setiled Waroue | tte - later |
| | armer | <u>Sec. 18 of K</u> | |
| Birthplace and nationality of Figneer | Smolan | d, Sweden | |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County | | | |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson Coun | ty? Nol | | |
| Is homestead still in possession of fam | ily? No. | | |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPhe | | | |
| County? Names and addresses: Carl Ma | Swanson, J. Rodn | ey Swanson and t | heir |
| families. | | | |
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| Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil | | - | _ |
| and pertinent information regarding the | Pioneer Settler | which you feel | is of |
| particular significance or interest? | | | |
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John A. Swanson @ Born 5-27-1851; and died 18-23-1936 in McCherson.

Married 3-38-1882 to Matilda Rehnberg. - Breemount Church,

Matilda born 2-7-1857. and Gied 10-23-1936. born Soderholm, Jonkopping

To McPherson community in 1896, joined Transity 5-12-1887

Section 18- King City Twp.

Children: Jeter J. Swanson, Contact T. Swanson; Godtfred D. Gwanson; Alfred M.

Roy F. and da J. Swanson, Contact T. Swanson; Godtfred D. Gwanson; Alfred M.



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(Information to be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the Seventh Annual Banquet of the two County Historical Societies, October 20, 1976.)

106th Birthday of McPherson County

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Your relationship to pioneer settler frankfather

Month and year settled in McPherson County / 1868

Township and section number or town in which forefather

settled (5 / NF /) of section 30 Lunckip 17 S, Range 3 W of 6 Prin Meridian

Occupation of pioneer settler farmer

Birthplace and nationality of pioneer farmer Notes Contended

Pioneer's age when he settled in County 32 years

Did settler homestead in McPherson County? The

Is homestead still in possession of family? Year

Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses:

David Swenson family Rt 2 Box 37 Lindsbory, Kansan

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, (See neverse)

Information provided by - Your signature Gold Swenson

If woman, maiden name Lold Swenson

Your address Rt | Bot 18

Your occupation Jahrn, Kanson

Civil War Experience:

"Swenson left the boat when it docked at Quebec and went on to Chicago. He pawned his trunk for five dollars. Later he went to Missouri to work on the railroad which was being laid between St. Louis and Kansas City. General Hancock forced him and sixty others to join the army. Swenson had been offered \$2,000 when he was in Chicago if he would enlist, but he had refused. Now he was forced to enlist, received no pay, and had to throw away his own clothes because he could not take them with him.

The railroad contractor, an Irishman, refused to pay them their wages. However, an offficer who met him in Bridgeport, Missouri, forced him to do so.

The first battle in which Swenson took part was in Bridgeport, Missouri; the second battle near Independence; the last one between Indpendence and Kansas City. This last bettle continued from four of clock to eleven o'clock Sunday morning. Three thousand lay dead on the battle field. They were constantly troubled by bushwackers.

They marched to Platte City, Missouri, after the battle near Independence and were ordered from there to Lawrence, Kansas. Swenson was given his citizenship papers free of charge, November 7, 1864. Some days later, advised by friends, he voted for Abraham Lincoln as president. Swenson was the first Swede to become an American citizen in this Valley.

Pioneer Swedish-American Culture In Central Kansas. Trans. Ruth Billdt (First published in Swedish 1909 by Bethany Lutheran Church) Pastor Alfred Bergin, Lindsborg News-Record, Printers, 1965. (Page 17)



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196th Birthday of McPherson County

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| Full name of your pioneer forefather Garl Aaron Swenson |
|---|
| Your relationship to pioneer settler no no no |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1879 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather |
| settled City |
| Occupation of pioneer settler Pastor Bethany Lutheran Church |
| Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Sugar Grove, Penn. 1857 |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 22 years |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? no |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still |
| reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Paul Swenson RR Lindsborg, Kansas nephew |
| Dr. Carl A. Swenson came to Lindsborg from |
| |

Rock Island, III., 1879 as pastor of the Bethany Lutheran Church. Dr. Swenson later founded Bethany College, was president of the college intil his death. 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? Dr. Swenson died in 1904at the age of 47.

This information obtained from records in the Bethany Lutheran Church.
Information provided by - - Your signature lacture of the words, residen name of Your address for Vour occupation

Memo from

ERLAND R. CARLSSON, M.D.

Dan Jim

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included him on on application? Thouh you for your consideration and interest your Sol Carlson Shet



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| Full Name of your Picneer forefather) P. Talbot |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler no living descendents |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1839 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Just East of Linkship City. |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sten brobuit, Sweden |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 32 |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: none |
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| 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 later around and lived at Swealth. Which had a part in early Lindshap history |
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| Your occupation: |

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| Month and year settled in McPherson County | _873 |
| Township and section number or town in which fo | refather settled SE Sec. 21 - Empire |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Far | mer |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer | from Sandusky, Ohio |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31 | |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes | |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? No | . West Halfof Galva on Land. |
| Are there also other descendants of this settle | r who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: Florence Russell | -Rabcock; Lola Belle Missell-Neizen; |
| Arlene Russell and Edna Wae Russell-Peterson, Mc | herson; Clarence H. Russell and |
| Chester W. Russell of Galva; Ray Embers and Wrs. | Edna (Mrs. Marion) Bruce, 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 feet is of |
| particular significance or interest? Served in U | nion army for a months difficult discharge |
| Company B, Whith Indiana Volumteer Infantry. Disa | bility Discharge Married Litte |
| Dunlap at Warsaw, Indiana on July 4, 1864. Had | two daughters, the oldest, Martha |
| Belle, being my Grandmother on my father's side. | She married Clarence Missell and Laver |
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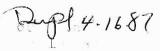
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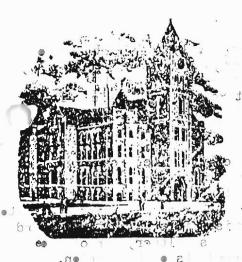
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Wosley VosHELL |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRANDSCA |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County JUNE 1878 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled TORKEN CREEK-(2) SECT |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer KENT COUNTY DELAWARE - FRENCH Pioneer's age when he settled in County 40 |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? NO - HONESTEADED BY LAVICA MERRIS IN 1880 |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? Purchasep by Volley 1884-5010 IN 1972 |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: VES - VIRGINIA MORRIS (MRS FORREST MORRIS - DISEASE |
| THE CEDARS |
| MCPHERSON, KS |
| Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting |
| and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of |
| particular significance or interest? NO |
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| Information provided by Your Signature: X Jone Coshell |
| If woman, Maiden Name: |
| Your address: Doy 110. R. R. Malhuson KS. |
| Your occupation: Retired. |
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Andreas Waltner evel Your Relationship to Proneer Settler Grand Son T Month and year settled in McPherson County October, 1874 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 13, Turkey Creek Two Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Polish Russia; nationality, Swiss-German Pioneer's age when he settled in County 32 according to age given on Shiplist Did settler homestead in McPherson County? bought what had been RR land Is homestead still in possession of family? <u>yes by the undersigned</u>

Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Wayne Waltner R. 2, Moundridge: Mrs. Don Knoll, R. 2, Moundridge; Clifford Waltner, Moundridge; Carl Waltner Memorial Home, Moundridge; Galen Waltner, Moundridge; Mrs. Peter Waltner, Memorial Home, Moundridge. (over) Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Your address:

If woman, Maiden Name: The Menderalge, Ks.

information provided by - - - - Your Signature:

Your occupation: owner many of Central Kars Hoteling

Mrs. Marlo P. Goering, 417 Park Lane, Moundridge; Dan W. Goering, R. 1, McPherson; Menno and Clara Goering, Moundridge; Frieda, Alice, and Paul J. Schrag, Moundridge; Rex Schrag Moundridge; Walter Schrag, Galva R. 2; Elmer Schrag, R. 3, McPherson, Mrs. Martin Stucky McPherson R. 1. Mrs. Victor D. Stucky, R. 2 Galva; Delbert Goering, Elda Mae Waltner, Matilda (Goering) Krehbiel, Paul F. Goering, Martha Schrag all with Moundridge addresses.

The Waltner family are Swiss Mennonite Descendents with some Hutterite background originally spelled "Waldner". In 1796 several families from Lemberg, Austria, came to the Hutterite colony with the intention of joining them. This was at a colony at Wischink on the Desna River in former Polish territory in Russia. The the merger of the Swiss Mennonites and Hutterites did not succeed, it lasted long enough for two Swiss girls Liesel Miller and Katherine Schrag to marry Hutterite boys. Katherine married Andreas Waltner, son of the leader of the Hutterite Colony. All the Swiss Waltners are descendents of this union. (See p. 131, Banished for Faith by Emil J. Waltner, Pieneer Bine Hill Press, Freeman, S. Dako).

The Andreas Waltner of sec. Turkey Creek Twp. of McPherson County was a brother-in-law of Elder Jacob Stucky, leader of the Kotosufka colony of Swiss Mennonites who settled here in 1874. Andreas was a deacon in the pioneer church at Hopefield and was a charter member of the Eden Mennonite Church when it separated from the original church in 1895. The shiplist spelling of his name shows him as no. 41 "Andreas Waldner".

Mail was delivered to the Lake View P. O. in the middle of Sec. 13 of Turkey Creek, Twp. where there were several residences in close proximity. It came by postal buggy from King City, and went on to the post office at Christian which was located one mile south and four miles east of Lake View.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Waltner, owners of the Central Kansas Hatchery in Moundridge, liver on land owned by the said Andrew Waltner.

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To Honor Andreas Waltner

at Annual Historical Society Meeting

By William Juhnke

The Andreas Waltner family which settled on section 13 of Turkey Creek Township will be placed in a register of Pioneer families of McPherson County in a ceremony at the annual McPherson County Historical Society meeting this Friday evening at Lindsborg, 6:30 p.m. at the Bethany Lutheran Church.

Descendants of this family with Moundridge addresses in the county include Carl Waltner and Mrs. Marlo P. Goering, Waldo Waltner, Wayne Waltner, Mrs. Don Knoll, Clifford Waltner, Galen Waltner, Dan W. Goering, Menno Goering, Clara Goering, Rex Schrag, Alice Schrag, Frieda Schrag, Paul J. Schrag, Martin C. Schrag, Walter Schrag, Mrs. Ernest Krehbiel, Paul P. Goering, Martha Scharg, Mrs. Ben B. J. Goering, Elda Mae Waltner, Delbert Goering, Mrs. Richard Schrag, Mrs. Marvin Zerger, Mrs. Lloyd Goering. James Preheim, Peabody teacher, is a descendant. There are many others with McPherson, Galva and Inman addresses.

The Waltner family are Swiss Mennonite descendants. The family name is of partial Hutterite background and originally was spelled "Waldner." In 1976 several families from Lemberg, Austria came to the Hutterite colony with the intention of joining them. This was at a colony at Wischink on the Desna River in former Polish territory of Russia. The merger of the Swiss Mennonites and the Hutterites did not succeed but lasted long enough for two Swiss girls Liesel Miller and Katherine Schrage to marry Hutterite boys. Katherine married Andreas Waltner, son of the leader of the Hutterite Colony.

All the Swiss Waltners in McPherson County are descendants of this union. (p. 131, Banished for Faith by Emil J. Walther, Pine Hill Press, Freeman, South Dakota)

Turkey Creek, Twp., was a brother-in- Waltner family as shown on the J. P. law of Elder Jacob Stucky, leader of the Edwards atlas of 1884.

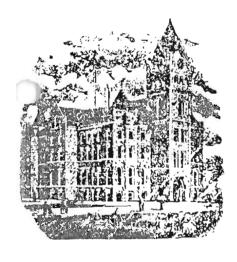


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The shiplist of the City of Richmond shows his list number as "41. Andreas Waldner."

As late as the middle 1880's mail was delivered to the Lake View Post Office in the middle of section 13 of Turkey Creek, Twp., where several residences were originally in close proximity. The mail came by postal buggy from King City and went on to the post offices at Christian, Kansas located one mile south and four east of Lake View.

The Waldo Waltner family, owners, of the Central Kansas Hatchry in Mound-The Andreas Waltner of sec. 13, ridge, live on land owned by the Andrew



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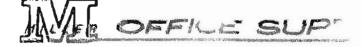
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REUNION

Wedel family gathers

The Peter H. and Katharina Schrag Wedel reunion was held Dec. 26, 2003, at the Wellness Center, Pine Village, Moundridge. All nine of the original children were represented among the nearly 100 attendees. They enjoyed a catered German buffet.

Mistress of ceremonies was Janine R. Wedel, Washington, D.C. Music was provided by Michelle Roth Pankratz, Wichita, and Connie Wedel Esau, Hesston. A program featured four third generation ministers, Gary Schrag, Overland Park; Robert Kaufman, Kansas City; Barbara Krehbiel Gehring, Manhattan; and Val Kre-Their hbiel, Salina. remarks indicated the influence of Wedel grandparents on the lives of the next generations. The grandparents' spiritual leadership and strong anabaptist beliefs continue to thrive in their descendants.

There are 76) members of the family. A brief memorial service was held for those 10 who died since the last reunion. Also noted were 19 marriages and 37 births.

Ruth Wedel Schrag had a display featuring the John P. Wedel family, one of the families in the 1874 migration from Russia, and father of Peter H. Wedel.

The reunion committee included: Diane and Dennis Flickner, Newton; Twila and Arlyn Wedel, McPherson; and Dolores and Arnold M. Wedel, North Newton.

The next reunion is scheduled for 2006. Chairman is Keith Goering, Moundridge. Other members of the committee are, Jocelyn Graber Kasitz, Newton; Winston Goering, Nampa, Idaho; Tony Wedel, McPherson; and Peggy Stucky Stein, Ashland.



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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather ELBRIDGE E WHITE |
| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County APRIL 1874 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NE35-19-14 |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER BATTLE Hill |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer HENRY CO. TLL. ENGLISH 12-7-1848 |
| 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: SEE REVERSE |
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| Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting |
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KNOWN DESCENDENTS OF JONATHAN WARE, SAMUEL WHITE, ELBRIDGE E. WHITE, JESSIE FREEMONT NELLIS AND DAVID CARPENDER WYMAN STILL LIVING IN MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS (There are probably some children of cousins I do not know about.)

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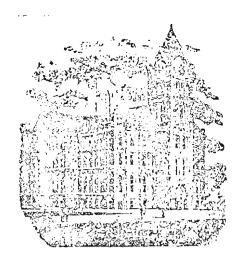
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| Full Name of your Pioncer forefather ELBRIDEE ELCANTER WNITE |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GREATGRAUDFATHER |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County 1874 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NENA 35-18-1 BATTLE HILL |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER-CARPENTER TUP |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer NENEY COUNTY JULINGIS |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 35 |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? YES |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: SEC ATTRCHED LIST |
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| 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 . OW VET |
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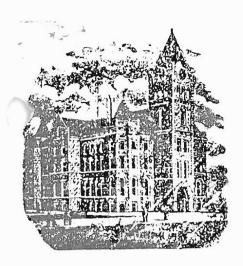
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Francisch Williams |
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| If woman, Maiden Name: Ysernice Ckerl Eps |
| Your address: 1338 wheeler mc Thursen |
| Your occupation: Hame maker |



Annual Dinner - 4-2-1981.

Return Form to Linn Peterson by 3-25-1981.

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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather C.harles J.oseph Wilhelm |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County February 25. 1880. |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 33 S. Sharps Cr. |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer (SE 4-Twp. 18 |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Mecklenburg, Germany |
| Pioneer's age when he settled in County 35 |
| Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes |
| Is homestead still in possession of family? No |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Lila Kling-1368 N. Maple (Granddaughter) |
| Mrs. Sandra Schrag-Route 2-Box 187 (Great Granddaughter) |
| Jeff Schrag-Route 2-Box 187 (Great-Great Grandson) *(over) |
| Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting |
| and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of |
| particular significance or interest? Served with Company A. Indiana Infantry |
| from Sept. 22, 1864 to July 23, 1865. Was a substitute for another man. |
| Arrived in Atlanta, Georgia on Nov. 13, 1864. Atlanta was burned 2 days |
| later & General Sherman started his march to the sea. |
| (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) |
| Information provided by Your Signature: x Claude forigh Wilhilm |
| Your address: RI Box 635 Xalena Kannes |
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| Your occupation: James & Laborer |
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Other descendants of C.J. Wilhelm living in McPherson County:

Mrs. Genevieve Strouse-Rt. 2-Box 153, Inman, Ks.-Granddaughter

Mrs. Lola Harder-McPherson, Ks.-Great Granddaughter

Mrs. Froida Stauffer-Rt. 2, Inman, Ks.-Great Granddaughter

Mrs. Sharon Lafferty-Rt. 0; Inman, Ks.-Great Granddaughter

Ginger Lafferty-Creat-Great Grandchildren-All live at Rt. 2, Inman, Ks. Todd Lafferty Chad Lafferty

Dear Mr. Peterson,

When you knocked on our door I'm sure you were unaware of the large well known can of worms you were opening. I believe our family must be responsible for populating a large share of McPherson County. This will give you a little more of that history.

My wife and I have only begun to research my mother's side of the family, so a lot of our information is sketchy at this time, but we will include it anyway.

My mother, Clara Florence Ensminger, was born July 26, 1891 at Conway. Her parents were Christian Ensminger and Addie Maggie Eaton. Christian Ensminger settled in McPherson County in 1886. They were married in McPherson on September 13, 1890. There are 2 living children of Chris and Addie still living in McPherson County. Clarence Ensminger, Conway and his sister, Mrs. Mabel (Floyd) Hulse, Marquette. I'm sure Clarence could give you a great deal of information on his parents and grandparents.

Addie's parents were Hosmer Eaton and Emma F. Wells. Addie was born on March 1, 1873 at Chanute, Kansas while her parents were on their way from Illinois to Kansas. They arrived in McPherson County, Jackson Township, about the 1st of April, 1873. Emma Wells Eaton died in 1876 and is buried at the McPherson cemetery. Hosmer Eaton remarried and he and his second wife, Mary, had 6 more children. Many of their descendants are still living in McPherson County. As I have stated, we have not researched this dide of the family far enough to provide you with too much of this information.

Hosmer Eaton was born in Illinois in 1848. Emma Wells was born in 1851 also in Illinois. It is our belief that Alvin C. Eaton and wife, Elizabeth, were the parents of Hosmer Eaton and settled in the county at the same time in Jackson Township in 1873. We don't have enough information at this time to state this as fact, however. We hope within the next few months to follow up with more information on them and several other sons who may have come with them from Illinois.

Clara F. Ensminger married Lewis H. Wilhelm at McPherson on September 14, 1910. They had a family of 12 children, 10 of whom are still living. One daughter, Mrs. Lila Kling lives at 1368 N. Maple in McPherson. She in turn has a daughter and grandson who also live in McPherson County. Clara Wilhelm died February 6, 1973 and she and Lewis are both buried at the McPherson cemetery.

When you are into genealogy you know every family has it's own unique history and can bore people for hours with their stories, such as I have been doing here! If we can be of any further assistance don't hesitate to call on us and we will be glad to share whatever material we have available.

Sincerely,

G. J. Wilhelm
Route 1-Box 635

Salina, Kansas 67401

He arrived in Salina sometime shortly after being discharged from the Army in Louisville, Kentucky, July 23, 1865. He was working as a teamster in 1868 and later worked at the Radcliff Bros. Hardware store as a clerk. He was married on April 30, 1877 to Elizabeth J. Arn in Salina. Their 1st child was born in Salina in July of 1878. They filed for a Homestead on January 28, 1880 at the Salina Land Office and moved to McPherson County on February 25, 1880. All of their remaining 7 children were born in Mc-Pherson County. C. J., or perhaps as he was more commonly known, "Jake" Wilhelm died on January 27, 1897 and is buried at Excelsior Cemetery Northwest of McPherson, as is his wife Elizabeth.

My great grandfather, John (Johann) Arn, father of Elizabeth J. Arn, who married C.J. Wilhelm, homesteaded in McPherson County on May 1, 1874 after applying for his homestead at the Salina Land Office on November 3, 1873. He settled on the SW ½ of Sec. 33, Twp. 18, Range 5. He and his wife and 7 children lived in a covered wagon on the land until they had built their house about the middle of July, 1874. He was a native of Switzerland, coming to this country in 1853. He married Catherine Klingensmith in Hillsdale County, Michigan in January of 1856. After having 5 children they moved to the state of Iowa, where they had 3 more children. In 1873 they left Iowa and moved to Marion County, Kansas, staying there for less than a year. They then moved on to McPherson County and homesteaded in May of 1874. Their last child was born here in 1874, he died in infancy but the other children all grew up in McPherson County. One daughter, Julia C. Arn, married Val Cox, who with his Mother, Mary Cox, homesteaded the NW½ of Sec. 33, Twp. 18. There are a number of their descendants still living in McPherson County. Most of them were farmers. John Arn died March 7, 1907 and is buried at Welch, Oklahoma. Catherine Arn is buried at Excelsior Cemetery along with 4 of their children.

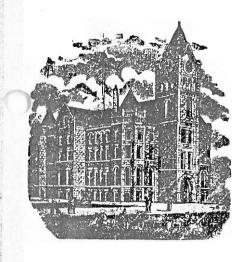
Some of the descendants of John Arn still living in McPherson County:

*Great GrandchildrenLila Kling-McPherson
Genevieve Strouse-Inman
Harold Likins-601 N. 5th, Canton, Ks.
Glenn Likins-100 S. 1st, Canton, Ks.
Mrs. Jessie (Harry) Baldridge-509 N. 5th, Canton, Ks.
Mrs.xkwlaxMarder*McRherson
*Great-Great GrandchildrenMrs. Sandra (Harry) Schrag-McPherson
Mrs. Lola Harder-McPherson
Mrs. Freida (Charles) Stauffer-Inman
Mrs. Sharon (Wayne) Lafferty-Inman
Harold Likins, Jr.-300 W. Northmanor Ave., McPherson
Bob Likins-Canton
Thomas Likins-Canton

*Great-Great-Great Grandchildren-Jeffrey Schrag-McPherson 2 children of Harold Likins, Jr.-McPherson

*Note:

There are many more descendants of the Arn's from the line of Julia Arn Cox still living in McPherson County. Some of these would include the Alger families and the family of Mrs. Don Brown. I'm sorry we do not have all of this line researched as yet.



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

106th Birthday of McPherson County

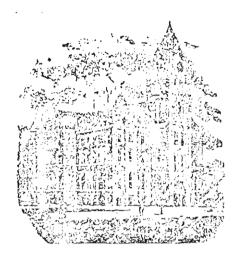
REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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

Full name of your pioneer forefather David Month and year settled in McPherson County Township and section number or town in which fore settled Hayes Jours his Occupation of pioneer settler Birthplace and nationality of pioneer formedset Pioneer's age when he settled in County 33 year Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Two Is homestead still in possession of family? ho Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: loder Conva

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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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County |
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| Is homestead still in possession of family? |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
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David D. Yoder, an excellent and progressive citizen and prosperous farmer, has been a resident of Hayes Township, McPherson County, for the past twelve years, and by a strict course of honest industry, energy and wise management has made by his own efforts a comfortable home for his family, provided for their future, and advanced himself in the esteem and confidence of his friends and neighbors and the community at large. Born March 24, 1846, he was one of a large family, and soon learned the lessons of self-reliance, which have so materially aided him in his upward progress in life.

The parents were David C. and Susan (Miller) Yoder, natives of Pennsylvania, and in that good old Quaker State, in Somerset County, our subject claims a birthplace. From early youth he was trained to work, and his opportunities for education were extremely limited, but he well improved every moment he could give to study and soon gained a primary course in both German and English. Until twenty-one years of age, he aided his father, and then set out to make his way in the world. His mother died when he was thirteen years old.

Indiana was then a state in which Mr. Yoder first found employment, and he continued on the same farm until his marriage. In 1869, when he returned to Pennsylvania, he was married to Miss Pannie N. Miller, daughter of Abraham Miller, of Somerset County. Mrs. Yoder was born in 1853, and married in her birthplace, the early home of her parents. After taking to himself a wife, our subject worked out by the day one year in Indiana and then four years in Pennsylvania; He went back to Indiana and worked four more years for others, and then he came to Kansas.

In the year 1879, Mr. Yoder bought eighty acres of railroad land on Section 27, Hayes Township. The unbroken prairie soon yielded to the patient labor which day after day was steadily given to it, and ere long a goodly store of grain and other crops repaid the care and anxious toil bestowed upon it. Within a very small frame house, 16x24 feet, the family lived three years, and then once more our subject, his wife and children moved again. This time they had not far to go, and they were soon located upon their present home, on Section 28. Mr. Yoder now owns two hundred and forty acres of land, about two hundred of which are under excellent cultivation. Next year he intends to erect a handsome house and otherwise improve the place where he is so successfully persuing general agriculture and stock-raising. Our subject handles the best grade of Short-horns, and has a fine herd of cattle. He also gives his

David D. Yoder, part II

attention to raising Poland-China hogs and has done well with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Yoder have been the parents of thirteen children. of whom four sons and five daughters survive. The children in the order of their birth are Charles D., Abraham D., Annie D., Frank D., Susan F., Samuel D., Ora D., Sadie F., and Salome F. The eldest of these children have well profited by the opportunities they have enjoyed for an excellent education, and the youngest are now going to the district schools and are among the bright pupils of their class. The family are members of the Mennonite Church, and are attendants and workers in the Sunday School of that religious organization. Mr. Yoder is no politician and never seeks office. but he has served as Road Overseer and given great satisfaction by his prompt discharge of his public duty. He votes the Republican ticket, and is a firm supporter of that party. Our subject and his family are held in high esteem by all who konw them, and in all religious or social work are ever ready to lend a helping hand. Useful and upright, they are among the true citizens of to-day who are aiding our great "epublic in its upward progress.

(Taken from "Portrait and Biographical Record" Chapman Bros., Chicago, 1893)

1. Mathias Hutwohl born in Germany in 1711

He came to America, arriving in Philadelphia, Pa. September, 1748 on the ship "Two Brothers." His wife and two small daughters died enroute. Later he married Mies Hass.

They had six children;

David Jacob John Christian Mary Anna

Mathias died early in life and left six children fatherless when very young.

2. David Hutwohl born in Lancaster Co., Pa. in 1787

died in Rockinghem Co., Virginia April 28, 1842 - age 75 merried Megdalene Weland

They moved to the Shenendoah Valley in Va. the spring of 1796. Here he bought land. He was a farmer and also continued the shoemaker trade that he had learned early in life. He was an elder in the church of his choice, Mennonite.

They had eleven children:

born Oct. 26, 1789 Gabriel born Dec. 19, 1790 Frances Elizabeth born Sept. 7, 1792 Christian born June 7, 1795 David born Sept. 15, 1797 born Sept 23, 1799 Abraham Magdalene born March 15, 1802 born March 3, 1804 Semue 1 John born April 6, 1806 born June 4, 1808 Anna born March 9, 1813 Henry

John Hestwole born April 6, 1806 - Rockinghem Co., Va.
died Oct. 30, 1857 - Rockinghem Co., Va. - Age 51
It is unknown when or why the name Hutwohl was changed to Meatwole.
John Hestwole married Nancy Swank. They had ten 10 children:

died Jan. 19, 1830 born Jan. 22, 1828 Mary Noah born April 23, 1830 died Nov. 28, 1852 Frances born Mar: 14, 1832 died Jan. 12, 1878 died Feb. 11, 1898 Sarah born June 14, 1835 born Dec. 3, 1837 died March 22, 1904 Magdelene Susan born Dec 31, 1839 died March 21, 1909 born Feb. 9, 1842 died Feb. 27, 1842 Nancy born Oct. 1, 1843 John Perry died July 11, 1844 George Micheel born Mar. 7, 1845 died March 7, 1845 Reuben Joseph born Feb. 27, 1847 died June 7. 1921

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4. Rouben Joseph Heatwole (R.J.) born Feb. 27, 1847 - Rockingham Co., Va.
                                                         near Harrisonburg, Va.
                                   died June 7, 1921 - McPherson Co., Ks.age 74
   When a young man he moved to Hagerstown, Md. In 1866 he moved to Henry Co..
   Ill. and eight years later to Marion Co., Ke.
   He married Margaret Kilmer in Feb. 27, 1873. Margaret Kilmer had come to
   Kansas several years before as a pioneer. R.J. Heatwols marriage to
   Margaret Kilmer was the first wedding in Kansss among the Old Mennonites.
                             Margaret Kilmer born March 27, 1847 - Crawford Co.,
                                              died Oct. 1919- McPherson Co.Ks. Ohio
   He was a Pioneer Homesteader in Kansas and helped organize the first
   Menn. Sunday School in the West. He was an outstanding Christian Layman.
   He spent much time and Willingly made sacrifices in assisting evangelistic
   work of the church. R.J. loved music and was called Singer-School Teacher.
   They had seven children:
     1. Henry A. Heatwole born Nov. 28, 1873 - Canton, Ks.
                            died Feb. 18, 1950 - Newton
        Henry married Amelia Byler Dec. 24, 1900
                      Amelia born Dec. 26, 1879 - West Liberty, Ohio died Jan. 28, 1964 - Haviland, Kansas
        Their childrens
                        Marl
                                                        Ethel
                                       Mary
                       John
                                       Chester
                                                        Ross
                       Reuben
                                       Delbert
                                                        Ralph
     2. Anna F. Heatwole born Oct. 14, 1875 - died Oct. 27, 1877
    3. Sareh Heatwole born Aug. 17, 1878 - Marion Co., Kens. died June 28, 1954 - El Dorado Springe, Mo.
        Sarah married Charles Arthur Holderman June 9, 1902
                      Charles Arthur born Dec. 2, 1875 - Napinee, Ind.
                                      died Mar. 19, 1965 - Peekekill, N.Y.
          Their children:
                         Margaret
                                         Calvin
                                                          Ralph
                         George
                                         Darrell
                                                          Kenne th
                                         Charles
                         Henry
                                                          Betty
    4. Susanna Catherine Heatwole born Aug. 27, 1880 - Harvey Co., Kans.
                                    died Nov. 7, 1959 - Moundridge, Kans.
       Susanna married Charles D. Yoder Aug. 27, 1899
                        Charles D. born May 9, 1872 - Somerset Co., Pa.
                                    died Sept 26, 1923 - McPherson Co., Kans.
           Their children:
                                        Tillman
                                                      Emerson
                          Lawernce
                                                                    Ruth
                          Phe be
                                        Willia
                                                      Vora
                          Ade
                                        Leah
                                                      Rollin
    5. Mary Eva Heatwole born Aug. 16, 1882 * died April 18, 1883
    6. Mertha Solome Heatwole born March 24, 1884 - Hervey Co., Kans.
                                 died Nov. 25, 1951 - Hydro, Okla.
       Martha Solome married Joseph G. Hartzler Feb. 27, 1906
                              Joseph G. born Sept. 18, 1880 -
                                                                      Mo.
                                          died
          Their children:
                           Mildred
                                         Ide
                                                       Olifford
                           Willard
                                         Ethel
                                                       Leona
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died Apr. 21, 1932 - LaJunta, Colo.

7. Lydia Magdalene Heatwole born Mar. 2, 1887 - Rockingham Co., Va.

Written by Mrs. Billie Miller (Ade, daughter of Susanna Heatwole Yoder)

An account written by Reuben Joseph Heatwole in the year 1919 two years before his death in McPherson County, Kansas.

In 1861 the Civil War began.

In 1863 the slaves were set free.

Henry G. Brunk was wanted then in Rockingham County Virginia to fight the armies in the North Counties called Yankees. Brunk's faith made him one of the seventy brethern who escaped on horseback thru the mountains of Yankeedom. (To neutral territory).

They were captured by two soldiers who took their horses, saddles, and bridles to the cavalry in the Rebel Army, and the seventy brethern to the Richmond Va. jail. They were not required to put on any uniforms, but because they would not be drilled as warriors, they had to care for the sick of the army, and haul hay from large bank barns, using four horse teams taken from farmers by the soldiers.

While Brunk was waiting his turn to load near a barn, he slipped away to his home, thru orchards and timber. There he hid from the soldiers two and one-half years in the neighbors dwellings in the garrets and wove willow-whip baskets. His daughter, Henrietta Cooprider, has one of them at this writing, July 1919.

Neighbors children would quietly tell if they saw a soldier coming. John Albert Ayray was sent by the Colonel to find Brunk and return him to the army. He knew him well, and yet when he met him on the road he took him to be a stranger (Luke 24:16) and asked him who of his neighbors could tell him of the where abouts of Henry G. Brunk. He answered that a party one half mile west could tell as much as anyone of them he tought, knowing full well none of them knew where he was. While Ayray galloped away, Brunk hastened to his hiding place. How a kind providence can over-rule for those who are making sacrifices in God's loving service.

Brunks two and one-half year old son died while he was in hiding and he could not accompany the mourners to the graveyard for burial. He was looking over the shoulders of others at a distance. Then he hastened away out of sight while the hymn was being sung and the grave filled. There were men there to get

him from among the mourners they thought, as they themselves could not recognize him, not knowing him.

Later on Brunk was one of seventeen instead of seventy to meet at the Weaver Church near Harrisonburg, Va., at the hour of midnight; and on foot make their way to the mountain at Dawley Springs till sunrise. There they hid in the brush and shrubs traveling only by night for twenty-four hours. They hired two men as pilots to take them thru the territory safely by day.

Fifteen of us were only seventeen year old boys. Brunk and Dave Frank were married men and deserters from the army. We all were refugees fleeing for safety to the North, believing firmly it was wrong to kill men. Had Brunk and Frank been overtaken, they would have been killed as deserters. If we could get safely to the north, we could have good wages as farm hands and need not be soldiers for either Yankees or Rebels.

Before the pilots left us we walked by two's far behind them so not to arrouse suspicion if nearby dogs barked. As this would arouse the citizens there; thinking the men were pilots for us. Approaching a stream we had to crawl on hands and knees on slabs in the water as so many benches to cross. The pilots now turned back assuring us safety.

We were soon ascending the mountains eventho soldiers campfires were seen in the valley. Behold in a short distance we saw a soldier and a pickett guarding the camp with gun and sword. When we saw their fire to warm by or for some other purpose, we turned to the mountains in haste. Brunk and I were behind so he could stand on tip too, look over the tops of the brush and see soldiers who were peeping at us from behind trees.

At the foot of the mountain we lay down quietly. These men we thought to be peeping at us proved to be tree stumps the size of a man with bark as a hat. I brought a whip and a broad brim bark hat to prove these were only stumps and bark we had seen and thought were men. Our next task was to climb another mountain and cross a valley on the other side at night, where 8runk had once plastered a house for a rich widow. Unlooked for we came down to a little log cabin, and two women seeing us were afraid and ran away toward

Halfway up we hid letters, we were carrying to friends in the north, under rocks, then hid to rest. Soon rocks were heard flying down the mountain from the soldiers searching for us. When the noise died down we recovered the letters from the rocks. At the dark hours of the night our food was gone except a piece of cheese for each one. I used to say it wasn't fit to eat, but here it was most excellent. Brunk had some No. 6 medicine, we all took a few drops as we had been without water all day. We then nestled down into a large sink hole half full of leaves and slept well in spite of snakes and lizards that might have been in the leaves.

Choosing Brunk as our leader we moved ahead slowly; following at a distance and not going ahead as the day before. Looking at his openfaced watch and the sun he could find our way more direct and soon we were at the widows house. She gave us loaves of bread. Then in the mountain bush we quietly ate a fine breakfast and dinner consisting only of dry bread.

The negroes did'nt find out we were there as the widow told us she didn't want the "niggers" to find out or they would all leave with us, then no longer be slaves. Going on we were soon near the soldiers tents we had seen the day before. There were peach trees in full blossom. The soldiers were the farmers pruning the trees and their horses eating orchard grass. The rocks rolling from the mountain when the soldiers rode so fast to get us the day before was all our imagination.

We met two of them with guns and swords demanding our firearms all we showed them were our testaments and pocket knife. They were called swamp dragons, watchers against all soldiers, Rebels or Yankees. In this area, West Va. having never succeeded, neither army had any right to bother us. They directed us on a nice pathway to a camp of soldiers to pass unmolested. Being tired we rested in the shade by the road side. Suddenly a man came with pistol in hand. We were now in sight of a railroad station, and he said had not three negroes with us been seen first we would have been shot.

From New Creek Station we went to Clarksburg to take the oath of allegiance as it was called. There they advised us not to come back that way thru New Creek but go on north to the counties we were wanting to go to. They feared some of us were traitors for the rebels and therefore anxious to have us away from the Mason Dixon line as soon as possible. This line seemed to be the area that divided the north and south warrior territories. But we came right back thru New Creek, went on to Williamsport, walked on to Hagerstown and two and one-half miles to Bishop Michael Horst where Uncle Charles Rodgers was working by the year on a farm.

Brunk went to mending shoes and harness. The Rebels had come to Hagerstown three times, so at the request of the farmers we worked for, we took their horses and wagons into Pennsylvania in sight of Carlisle and Lancaster cities. I was two and one-half miles from Chambersburg when Rebel soldiers burned the city. We were fearful they might get us at Aunt Maggie Rodgers or Aunt Susan Brunk who had come down the Valley in the little one horse wagons.

The Brunk and Rodgers families and myself boarded the train for Atkinson, III. Near brother Abe, Brunk had plastering to do for \$3.00 per day. After eight years Brunk and family came to Marion County, Kansas. I had moved here. We planned happy days with him but in eight days he lay a corpse. He was buried two and one-half miles west of Canada, Kans. Age 37 yrs. 8 mos., 20 days. Died October 21, 1873.

One hundred years ago, Christian, Joseph, and George Brunk came to Virginia from Maryland as natives of Pennsylvania. Henry G.s father was George - Christian, Joseph & George Brunks name in Germany was Jacob.

1. Christian Yoder born in Switzerland in 1726, came to America in 1744. died Nov. 20, 1846 aged 90 yrs. Settled in Berks Co., Pa., where he lived until 1776 when he moved to Somerset Co., Pa. His first wife is unknown but by her he had four children;

Fenny born 1753

Berbere born 1756

Ohristien born 1758

Jacob born 1760

Theb his wife died. He married Barbera Hooly and they had 11 children:

Devid born 1763 born 1765 Yost

Solomen born 1776 Gerty born 1778 Jephta

Jonethan born 1766 Madelena born 1769

& twins born1780

John born 1772

Ester

Henry born 1782

Elizabeth born 1774

He was a preacher.

Christian Yoder, the oldest of the above sons. born in Berks Co., Pa. in 1758

died in Somerset Co., Pa in 1838 aged 80 years.

He was a fermer and become a minister and later Bishop of the Amish-Mennonite church. He married Madlena Troyer in 1779.

They had 14 Ohildren:

Madlens Maria Abreham Joseph

John Ohristian Soloman Jacob

David Berbera Jonathan Anna

Yost Sarah

Born Dec. 13, 1790 in Somerset Co., Pa. 3. Christian Yoder died Nov. 1, 1846 in Somerset Co., Pa.

His occupation was farming, he was ordained minister and later Bishop of Amish-Mennonite Church. In 1810 he married Elizabeth Miller. They had 3 children: Berbara, Benjaman and Lydia. His wife \$\ \text{limbeth died} Jen 16, 1816. He then merried Catherine and they had 9 children:

Devid C. Christian Madalene

Oatharien

Reuben

Elizabeth Sarah

Rebecca Delila

His wife Ostherine died April 30, 1849.

born August 31, 1817 in Somerset Co., Pa. David C. Yoder died November 24, 1887 in Elkhert Do., Ind. age 70 In 1878 he married Susy Miller. She died July 29, 1859.

They had 16 children: Polly

Rachel

Ephrin

Valentine

A son died, no name

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Catharien He was re-married to Sally Yoder. In 1869 he moved to Elkhart Co., Ind. 5. David D. Yoder born March 24,1846 - Somerset Co., Pa.

died March 23, 1921 - McPherson Co., Kansas

He had limited education, but gained a primary course in German & English.

David D. Yoder married Fannie Miller Feb. 21, 1869 in Somerset Co., Pa.

Fannie Miller born Feb 11, 1852 in Somerset Co. Pa.

Fannie (Miller) Yoder died Jan. 30, 1923 - McPherson Co., Ks.

They moved to Lagrange Co., Ind. in 1875 and then moved to McPherson Co.,

Kansas in 1879. In Kenses they lived, the first three years, in a small

frame house 16x24 ft. They then moved about 7 miles south and east of

Windom, Kansas. Here he later built a nice home. They were hard working

couple with good management, and were active members of the Mennonite Church.

Their children: Four died young - Nancy, Phebe, Daniel and Joseph.

Ten lived to maturity:

1. Charles D. Yoder born May 9, 1872 - Somerset Co., Pa.
merried Susanna Catherine Meatwole of Hervey Co.,
Ks.

Lawrence Ada Willis Emerson Rollin Phebe Tillman Leah Vera Ruth

2. Abraham D. Yoder born Feb. 12, 1875 - Elkhart Co., Ind.
Married Minnie Sue Herbold of Missouri
Glen Howard Dayton Evelyn

3. Anna Elizabeth Yoder born Oct. 5, 1876 - Indiana married Jess Parsons of Kansas
Ida May Nora Ellen Cora Helen
Onie R Frances Jane Goldie

4. Franklin D. Yoder born Dec. 15, 1879 - McPherson Co., Kansas married Cors Miller of Indiana
Lester Truman Loretta Stanley

5. Susie Yoder born Feb. 8. 1882 - McPherson Co., Kansas married Jess Brunk of Kansas Willard Freds Velms Ivan

born March 22, 1884 - McPherson Co., Kanses 6. Samuel D. Yoder merried Anna Bertha Dowalter of Holmes Co., Ohio Irene Marvin Esther David Wallace Ralph Minnie Inez Earl Archie Florence Viola John

7. Ora D. Yoder born Feb. 1, 1887 - McPherson Co., Kenses married Grace Yoder of Oregon

Aven Helen Vivian Veds ---twins Winona Helen's twin died Violet Velma

8. Sedie Yoder born Nov. 13, 1888 - McPherson Co., Kansas married Aeron Zook of Missouri
Eldon Ruby Peul
Elsie Idabelle Leland

9. Soloma Yoder born Oct. 29, 1890 - McPherson Co., Kansas married Oliver B. Showalter of Virginia
Robert Richard Russel Roberts Ray

10. Edward D. Yoder born May 19; 181893 - McPherson Co., Kenses married Mamie Schrock of Missouri Willadene Dewsyne Miriam

Written by Mrs. Billie Miller (Ada, daughter of Charles Yoder)

My great great great great grand father was "Daniellie" (Daniel) Miller who crossed The Atlantic Ocean on the good ship "Patience". Oapt. Hugh Steel, from Rotterdem, via Cowes, and landed at Philadelphia, Pa., August 11th, 1750. His first wife, Miss Henegy (Kenagy), died leaving no children. He returned to Europe and married about 1758 to Veronica Mishler, who was born about 1736. He died near Shillington, Berks County, Pa. ______ My great great great grand father was Abraham Miller. He was born May 15, 1766 in Berks County, Pa. He died about 1821. He was a minister in the Amish church and was blind during the letter part of his life. My great great grand father was <u>Deniel Miller</u>. He was born April 10, 1794, near Berlin, Pa. He died in April of 1835 at Berlin, Pa. My great grand father was Abraham D. Miller. He was born July 11, 1823, near Berlin, Pa. . He had three wives. He died December 4, 1905. at Johnstown, Pa. His wife Leah Kanagy was my great grand mother. My grand mother was Fannie A. Miller. She was born February 11, 1852 near Shanksville, Pa. in Somerset Co. She was married February 21, 1869, to Bavid D. Yoder. She died January 30, 1923, in McPherson County, Kensas. My father was Cherles D. Yoder. He was born May 9, 1872 in Somerset County, Pa. On August 27, 1899 he married Susanna (Susie) Catherine Heatwole -McPherson Co., Kansas ______

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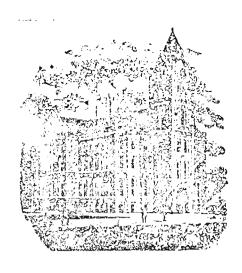
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| Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jacob D. Toder |
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| Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler I am grand son |
| Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1879 |
| Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 27, Hayes Trp. |
| Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farming |
| Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Somerset County, PA. |
| Picneer's age when he settled in County 32 |
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| Is homestead still in possession of family? |
| Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson |
| County? Names and addresses: yes (over) |
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| Information provided by Your Signature: x) (Color to Wilbur Yode) |
| If woman, Maiden Name: |
| Your address: 835 N. High Drive, McPherson, Ks. |
| Your occupation Finance Commissioner City of MCPnerson |

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JACOB D. YODER

children: Joseph J.

Yoder MaryAMishler

Elmer I. Ira D.

Yoder Laura A Murrey

William H.

Grand children residing in McPherson County

> Royal F. Russell L.

Chester Murrey

Wilbur

Great Grand Children Residing in McPherson

County

Mary Elle. Yoder Howell Phyllis Mishler Swanson

Delma Cline Miller

Lowell K.

Dong Gayer

Ellis

Great Great Grand childen residing in McPherson

County Mark Howell

Rodger A. Swanson Cheri Miller Kevin Miller

Phillip R. Swanson Scott J. Swanson

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June 20, 1985

Mr. Linn Peterson 540 East Hill McPherson, Kansas 67640

Dear Mr. Peterson:

I was extremely pleased to receive your letter. It sounds as if you are an historian of some note for central Kansas. If you don't have firsthand knowledge, you will probably know where to look for the needed information.

My schedule calls for me to be in the McPherson County area on Tuesday, July 23. I will arrive the evening of July 22 and will be returning to Denver, Colorado July 26, to assimilate the materials and information. I plan to visit the Cherokee Strip Museum in Arkansas City on the 24th. Perhaps you will have some other places that should be checked. I am primarily concerned with my grandfather's activities between 1878 and his death in 1911.

The information I have about my grandfather I learned from my father who is no longer living. I believe it is fairly accurate. Here is a listing of my grandfather and his children.

Moses H. Yoder (born 1833 in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania) Moved to Western Pennsylvania, then to Cass County, Michigan, then to Lagrange, Indiana and then to McPherson County, Kansas about 1878 or 1879. He lived on the two middle 80's on the east side of the section located east across the road from where the West Liberty, Mennonite Church stood. Another time he described the farm as being 1 mile east and ½ mile north of the West Liberty Church. I assume he owned this land. Most likely he sold the farm in the spring of 1890 and moved to West Plains, Missouri. He returned to McPherson County in the spring of 1893 and lived in a stone house about five miles south of Windom. In September of 1893, he made the Cherokee Run and homesteaded on a quarter section nine miles southeast of Manchester, Oklahoma.

His children from his first wife, who died before his move to Kansas, were:

Sarah Malinda (1855-1916) Married to Valentine A. Marhofer in 1877. They lived around Fredonia, Kansas.

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Reuben C. (1858-1917) He lived most if not all of his mature life in McPherson County. He was an auctioneer and well-known horse trader. His farm, as I recall, was a mile west and a mile or two south of the West Liberty Mennonite Church.

<u>Levi Ulysses</u> (1867-1928) I believe he moved from McPherson County to Thurman, Colorado. His descendants live in Michigan for the most part.

Ezra Mahlon (1871-1944) Moved to Michigan before 1920. Two sons and a daughter still live near Midland, Michigan.

Mose married a second wife, Elizabeth Slabaugh, in Indiana.

Their children are: <u>Hiram Jacob</u> (1875-1951, adopted) Lived in Texas and Oregon after leaving Kansas. Several of his descendants live around Sheridan, Oregon.

Amanda Matilda (1878-1924) Married to Henry Schmidt in 1898. They lived about 10 miles southwest of Manchester, Oklahoma for many years.

Emma Hester (1880-1927) Married to Herman Butz in 1900.

Moses H. Jr. (1882-1882) Died in infancy - buried in the West Liberty Cemetery.

Martin Mathias (1888-1974), my father. Moved with his parents to the homestead near Manchester in February of 1894. Lived there until 1920 - moved to Michigan for two years, then returned to the homestead. Moved to Harper, Kansas in 1930. Sold the homestead in the mid 30's.

Ida May (1898-) Adopted. Married to Fred Butz, 1919. Lived near Manchester, Versailles, Missouri and Harper and Arzonia, Kansas. Now living with a daughter near Manchester, Oklahoma.

I am most gratified that you know the site of the town of Monitor. My grandfather, Mose, hauled supplies from Hutchinson to Monitor. This would have been before 1890. Now that you mention the name of "Grove" as being the closest school to my grandfather's farm, the name rings a bell. I am sure this is the school his sisters attended.

Those who made the "run" into the Cherokee Strip with my grand-father included: Noah Bontrager, Sam Kuhns, George Kuhns, Eli Yoder (no relationship) and sons Ezra and Hiram. I am assuming that the other sons, Reuben and Levi, were probably established in business or farming by 1893. My father, Martin, was, of course, too young to go along.

I shall look forward to seeing you around July 23 if you are in town. Mrs. Yoder and I will be staying with my sister

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Mr. Linn Peterson

and her husband (N. A. Schmidt) in Inman. He teaches school in Inman.

Thank you for all of your help.

Sincerely yours,

Paul M. Yoder

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P.S. Hiram J. Yoder was a student at McPherson College during the 1890's.

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Dear Mr. Yoder:

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Today is a common name in McTherson County. A number of them were involved in our Acharton Julic e which was organized in 1887 and 1888 by the Church of the Prothern. The 1884 Atlas of McPh reon County shows the following land coners in Payer Pays Pays 1 to a 1901; J. D. Joder Shi Sec. 27, who also exact it is 1901; J. D. Joder Shi Sec. 27, who also exact it is 1904. T. D. Toder owned the land you ment need, according to the stillar. This land was 1 mile East of the Meskillberty Commonite Council (Ring of Sec. 26. The 1904 Map shows the Meniter Post Office and Store as located in the very ME camer of the MET of Sec. 28. on land of D. D. Inder. The rest Illerty Church is dissolved and has been denchance. In All it located in the area and the school house was in the very MEcommer of the SET of Sec. 28 - Grove School. There are other schools in the area and the school house was in the very MEcommer of the SET of Sec. 28 - Grove School. There are other schools in the area also. If you give no the man of your fundfather, and the names of his children - your father, lose, as well as other sisters and brothers, I can find out which school they attended.

Norice of J. D. and D. D. Voder are pricted in a book published back about 1893, with ruch detail on names, etc., and I have also gotten records from nameurs of these two families which you could refer to in any research. The stories I refer are biographical shock has printed in a book which families furnished, and then bought the books. These are very valuable. I am also sure that there is other information you might be able to see in our tempty Court House. I was County Clerk for 9 years book in the 1940's and 1950's, and then was City Clerk of Melherson for 27 years, until returning some 3 years ago in 1962. I know people in the various localities who may also be able to help you seems information. One of our City Commissioners, under whom I have worked, Wilbur Moder relates to one of the families I mentioned, and his father was a Pastor, connected with McPherson College. Let me know when you arrive in McPherson, and I will be alcased to help in any way I can.

Yours very truly,

Mr. Linn Feterson Phone (316) 241- 2699.