

McPHERSON COUNTY
Historical Society
INC.
McPHERSON, KANSAS 67460

Register of Pioneer Families of McPherson County, Kansas

Volume 5, Part B

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Introduction

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

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

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

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

How to Use This Volume

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

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

Titles and nicknames are listed in parenthesis.

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

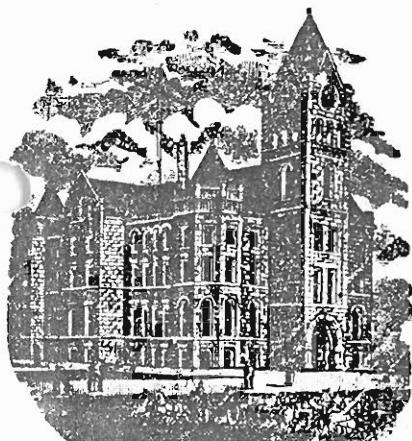
The date column indicates the year that the pioneer settled in McPherson County, and the township column indicates the township.

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

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(Information to be used in connection with Pioneer Recognition Ceremony at the 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 Daniel D. Kaufman
Your relationship to pioneer settler My Juhnke Grandmother's Brother
Month and year settled in McPherson County came to co. in 1874.
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled He settled in Marion co., 5 miles west and 1 1/2 south of Mdge.
Occupation of pioneer settler farmer & business interests
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Volhynia, Russia
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Young, (Parents died in Russia)
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:

Tony
Great grandson, Tony Kaufman owns and operates Mdge Lumber Co.

No!
Was the pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the pioneer settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Andrew, his brother, watched him break prairie sw of Moundridge this kind of hard work is too much for me. I'll leave and make my million elsewhere and return when I'm rich.. He never saw him again. The children remembered being sent to the mailbox "to get my inheritance."
Information provided by - Your signature William Juhnke

(over) If woman, maiden name

Your address

Your occupation

Box #1, McPherson 67460
Editor

Daniel Kaufman, a brother of My Grandmother Mrs. Carl Juhnke, helped the Juhnkes come to the area SW of Moundridge in 1883 by informing of land available on section 36 of Turkey Creek Township and also to buy land on Section 32 of the township when the operators of the first Moundridge Mill and Elevator went broke and lost their farm land. I reported about this to the county historical society in 1983.

WJ/

He was my father's favorite uncle for this and other reasons, one being that he took my father with him to get fruit trees which he sold to Mennonites in the early days.

Dan P. Kaufman

McPHERSON - Dan P. Kaufman, 87, died Feb. 28, 2003, at Mercy Hospital, Moundridge.

He was born Jan. 18, 1916, at rural Moundridge, the son of Jacob S. and Mary Goering Kaufman. He graduated from Moundridge High School in 1935. He was a lifetime area resident, a farmer and a former employee of Central Kansas Hatchery.

He belonged to Eden Mennonite Church, rural Moundridge.

On Nov. 23, 1943, he married Viola Goering at Moundridge. She died July 4, 1996. On Oct. 4, 1997, he married Helen Goering Krehbiel at McPherson. She survives.

Other survivors include: two sons, Jay S., McPherson, and Douglas P., Hutchinson; two daughters, Rozetta Wedel and Denise Stucky, both of Moundridge; a stepson, Gene Krehbiel, McPherson; and a stepdaughter, Vickie Williams, McPherson; three brothers, Pete R., North Newton, Alvin K., McPherson, and Kenneth D., Moundridge; four sisters, Marilyn Kaufman, North Newton, Carol Slemens, Newton, Arlene Ediger, Henderson, Neb., and Lucille Henry, Hutchinson; nine grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and seven step-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Emil; and three sisters, Olga Waltner, Helen Kaufman and Gladys Kaufman.

Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Eden Mennonite Church Cemetery, rural Moundridge. Memorial service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Eden Mennonite Church, with Pastors Lee Lever and Jim Ostlund presiding. Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Monday, with the family present from 6 to 8 p.m., at Moundridge Funeral Home, Moundridge.

Memorials may be sent to the church's choral society, in care of the funeral home.

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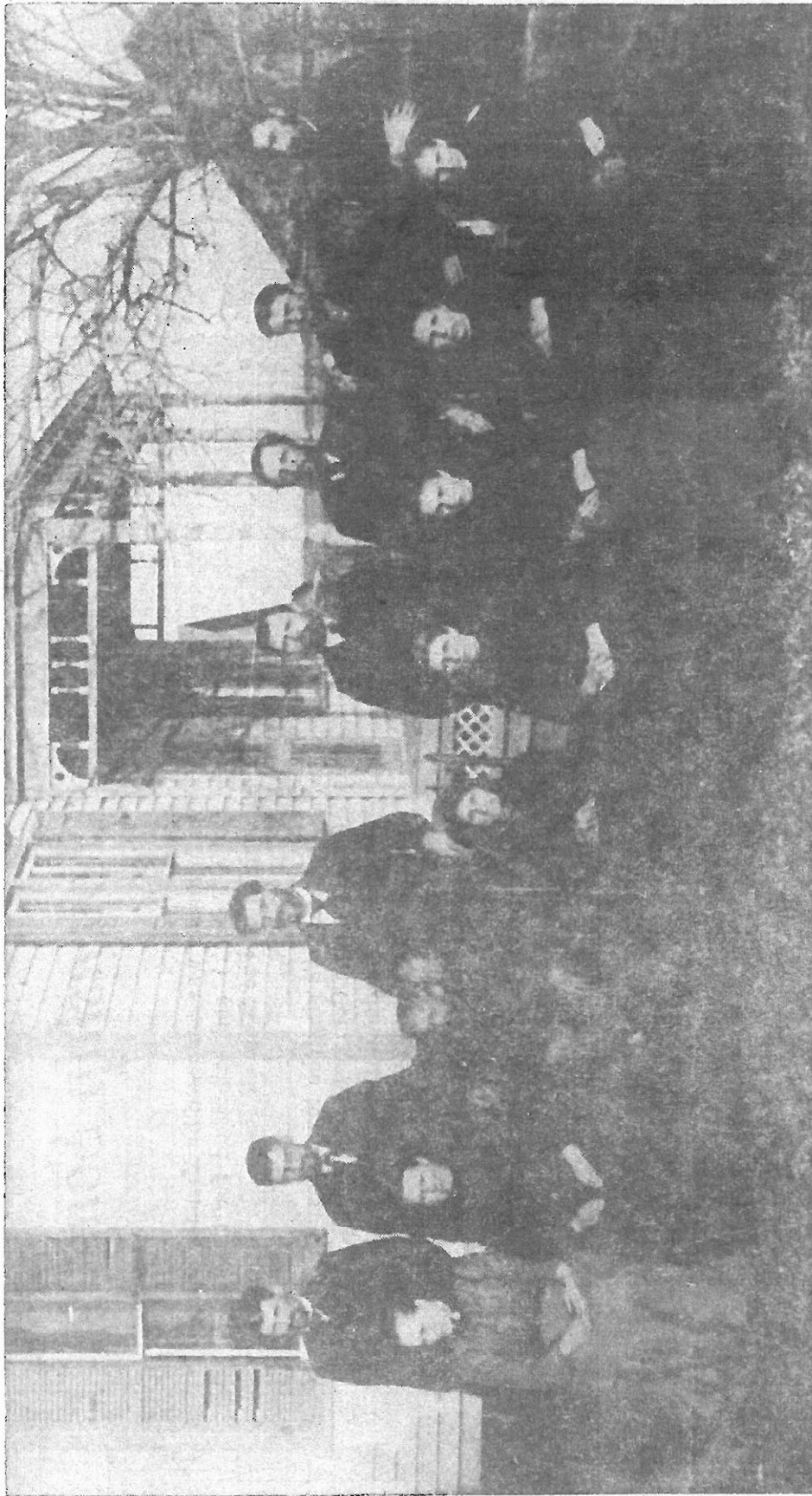
CLEARING TRACKS NEAR MOUNDRIDGE — Following a severe snowstorm in March of 1912.

A snow plow is shown clearing the Missouri Pacific railroad tracks northwest of Moundridge fol-

Picture furnished by Bob Gray of McPherson.

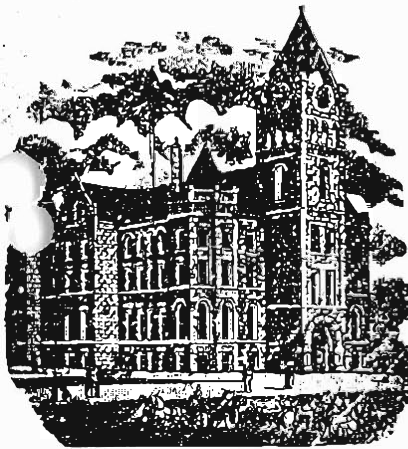
after Kaufman, Dan & family

was just a trail, but they gave way to the road grader pulled by eight horses between 1904 until 1918. The first tractors ap-



CAME IN 1874 — This is one of the early pioneer families, the Rev. Jacob D. Goering family, which emigrated to McPherson County from South Russia. This photo, loaned to the Sentinel by William Juhnke, R.R. 1, was taken on Christmas Day, 1900. They are from left to right, seated: Mrs. John J.

Goering, Mrs. Jacob J. Goering, the Rev. Jacob D. Goering, Mrs. Jacob D. Goering, Mrs. Peter A. Flickner, Mrs. Ben R. Stucky, Mrs. Daniel Kaufman and Mrs. Peter J. Kaufman. Standing, left to right: John J. Goering, Christian J. Goering, Peter A. Flickner, Ben R. Stucky, Daniel Kaufman and Peter J. Kaufman.



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather William S. Koehn
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1 1877
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled S. 40 Acres of SE 1/4 Section 29
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Construction, Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Antonoffka, Russia Dutch German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 25
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: too many to name by me
no

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? William walked 20 miles to Lindsay, KS to work helping with building of a flour mill. He stayed all week then walked home with a few ears of corn.

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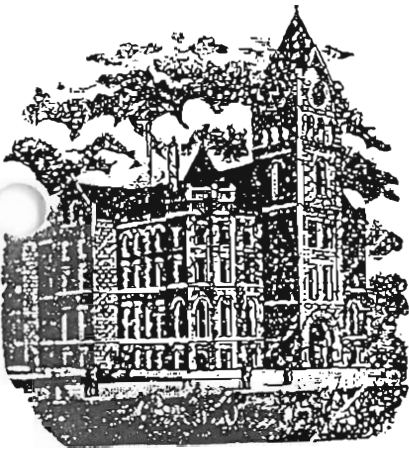
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Lincoln T. Becker

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: 219 S. Hickory, McPherson Kansas

Your occupation: Retired





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(Called August)
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Henry August Kaenemann
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1881 July Sec. 2
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Township 21 S W. 21
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Lavello, Hanover Germany - German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 36
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Floyd Vogt - Canton Kansas
Frances Baxter 1613 Ranch Road McPherson
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

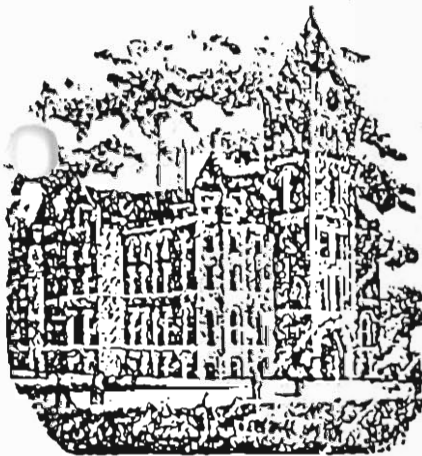
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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Adeline Otte
If woman, Maiden Name: Adeline Vogt
Your address: Canton Kansas P.O. Box 102
Your occupation: Retired

Minnie Kaenemann-Vogt daughter of
August Kaenemann was born Sept 17, 1888
in Meriday Township, has been a McPherson
County ^{resident} all her life, celebrated her 101st
birthday in September, and is a resident of
Shiloh Manor in Canton Kansas, she is the
mother of six living children, 17 grandchildren
19 great grandchildren.

Minnie Kaenemann and Fred Vogt were
married April 15, 1914, and celebrated their
65th Anniversary in 1979, Fred passed away in
May 1979.

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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jacob A. Krehbiel
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler father born
Month and year settled in McPherson County September 3, 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW quarter 19-21-2W
Occupation of Pioneer Settler laborer and farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Russia
Pioneer's age when he settled in County five years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes, Sec. 14 of Turkey Creek Township
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: None of the first generation

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? Jacob A. Krehbiel pioneer in 1874 and Anna Stucky Krehbiel (his wife) pioneer in 1884

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Memo M. Krehbiel
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 1529 North Main, McPherson
Your occupation: Retired

(over)

The childhood days of Jacob A. Krehbiel, son of Johnn (1829-1889) and Katharina Stucky Krehbiel. Born in Russia on the 10th of March, 1869. At the age of five he came to America with his father, brother and sisters, he being the youngest. His mother departing while still in Russia. Their liberty being threatened, they resolved to leave Russia and in August, 1874 they came to America. They landed in New York in September. They remained a couple days at Castle Garden, then took the train for the far West. They settled in McPherson County, Kansas in an immigrant house on September 3, 1874 and lived there a number of years. The immigrant house was located in SW quarter section of 19-21-2W. The immigrant house was the living quarters for different families. It housed 15 to 35 families in a space of 20' X 120' for a number of years. Jacob A. called the immigrant house his home until his marriage in 1888.

The childhood days of Anna Stucky, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth Reese Stucky. Born in Horadisk, Russia on the 2nd of August, 1871. She came to America with her parents in 1873 where they settled briefly in South Dakota. In May 1874 she lost her father, which brought many hardships, at times not enough to eat. Due to hardships she left at the age of 10, and came to McPherson County, Kansas to live with her oldest sister. At the age sixteen, mother was baptized on confession of her faith. On February 14, 1888 she was united in marriage to Jacob A. Krehbiel where they established their home in McPherson County.

Jacob A. and Anna Stucky Krehbiel started their life together February 14, 1888 in section 14 of Turkey Creek Township farming on 50 acres with 2 horses, one burrow and one walking plow. To get supplies they needed they traveled to Halstead by burrow or wagon.

Their living demanded hardwork and long hours. They used cow chips for heating and cooking. Prices they received for farm produce was eggs were 5¢ a dozen, hogs were 1½¢ a pound and cattle 1¢ a pound. But they worked hard and accumulated a good living. The home was blessed with seven children at this location.

In 1902, they moved to the Turkey Creek area SE¼ of Section 4-21-3. Here they built a new house and two more children were born to the family. In 1922 they built their second new home and lived there for 28 years. They moved to Elyria in 1930 to spend their time in retirement taking care of a milk cow, a flock of chickens and a garden.

Dad, Jacob A. Krehbiel died on April 18, 1940 at the age of 71 and mother, Anna, lived to be 89 years of age and died on August, 26, 1960.

6/18/00 McPherson Krehbiel - McPherson X.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John J. Krehbiel
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler my Grandfather (mother's father)
Month and year settled in McPherson County October in 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Turkey Creek Township, NE 1/4-321
Occupation of Pioneer Settler first postmaster of Lake View Post Office in Turkey Creek Township
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Edwardsdorf in province of Volhynia in Russia
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 16 years old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No, land purchased from railroad
Is homestead still in possession of family?
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Lorraine Castetter, McPherson; Evelyn Vagts, Melvin Voth, Gene Medel, all Moundridge - these are all grand children -
A daughter, Ruth Krehbiel, resides in Memorial Homes, Moundridge
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? no

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Marjorie (Mrs Richard) Graber
If woman, Maiden Name: Marjorie Medel
Your address: R 2 B84 Moundridge
Your occupation: homemaker



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Grandfather Krehbiel served as postmaster for 8 years.
In 1887 the family moved to the newly founded town
of Moundridge.

For 40 years he served in various business capacities,
first adventure under the name of Krehbiel & Swanson.
Later he was connected with the Gaering Brothers
and the Gaering Krehbiel Mercantile Co.

For many years he was a member of Board of
Education, held township offices and in 1914
was elected Commissioner of McPherson Co, in which
Capacity he served until 1924.

He also compiled a number of family trees.

Great grandchildren in McPherson Co. are
Honna Zerger, R.R. McPherson; Tim Graher, Tom
Graher, Jonah Medel - Moundridge; Sue Rome, McPherson.

Great-great grandchildren - David & Elizabeth
Zerger, Philip and John Graher, Fatimah Abiuk, Nuri.

~~Also Jerry Voth - great grandchild, Megan Voth, a
great-great grandchild of Moundridge.~~

Daughter of Lorraine Krehbiel Casteller - Fern Casteller Peterson
519 N. Oak McPherson Co.

1-24-89

Mr Peterson;

do not know

I am sure J J Medel is my Grandfather
the J J stands for Jacob J.

My grandfather, J J Krebbel was
the one I was asking you about.

I don't know that his name is
listed in the register of pioneer
families. So I am sending the
information - just in case it isn't.

My Husband's family, the Grabers,
also came in 1874 but settled in
South Dakota, later moved to
Prairie Prairie.

After his parents were married in
January, 1902 they settled on a farm
east of Moundridge. Our son, Jimmy
his family live there - $\frac{1}{4}$ mile west
of our place. My husband lived on
that farm all his life - until 10 years
ago when he moved into our present
home. I didn't know whether he would
be classified as a pioneer or not.

Marjorie (Mrs. Peckard) Drake



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Johann J. Krehbiel
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County August, 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled several days in NY then
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Postmaster and Merchant
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Russia-Swiss German Nationality
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 17 yrs. old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: see back

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

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Lorraine F. Krehbiel
If woman, Maiden Name: Lorraine F. Krehbiel
Your address: 1317 Northglen, McPherson, Ks.
Your occupation: Retired

88?
took train to Far West, settling down in McPherson County, Ks.



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DAUGHTER

Ruth Krebbiel-Memorial Home, Moundridge, Ks.

GRANDSONS

Melvin Voth-507 S. Christian, Moundridge, KS.

Gene Vedel-418W. Christian, Moundridge, Ks.

GREAT GRANDSON

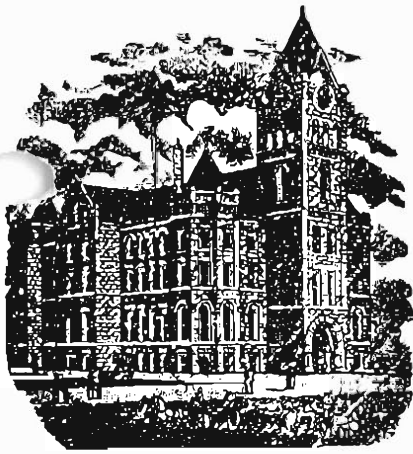
Jerry Voth-500 S. Christian, Moundridge

GRANDDAUGHTERS

Marjorie Graber, Rt. 2, Moundridge, Ks.

Evelyn Vogts-518 N. Christian, Moundridge

Lorraine Castetter-1317 Northglen, McPherson, Ks.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John W. Krehbiel
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County Prior to 1884 Sec. 27- Mound
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Miller, Banker, Church & Civic Leader.
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Iowa.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? _____
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: Ann Krehbiel-Sauer, Kathryn (Mrs. Floyd) Krehbiel.
Nelson W. Krehbiel.

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 Nelson Krehbiel
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Memorial Home, Mound.
Your occupation: Retired.

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THE MCPHERSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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

Full name of your pioneer forefather John W. Kriebel
h. 1860
d. 1938?

Relationship to you _____

When settled in county from 1884

Township and section number 27

Occupation Pioneer, Miller, Banker, Churchman & Civic
Leader

Birthplace and nationality Iowa

Age when came to county _____

Is homestead still in possession of family? 27-40'

Descendants who still live in county Wm. Kriebel
Ann Kriebel Sawyer Kellgren (must have) Kriebel

(F. Nelson Kriebel, now in Memorial Home of Judge)
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Information provided by _____

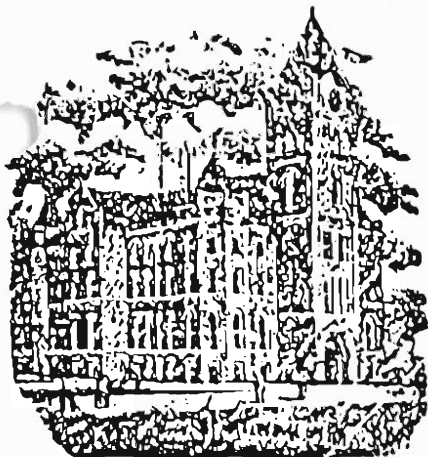
Your occupation _____

Send this information to:

S.M. Dell

McPherson County Historical Society

McPherson, Kansas 67460



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather * Claus OLAV + CAROLINE LARSON
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRANDSON
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1876
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Empire Twp. Sec. 4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER - HOMEMAKER
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Oslo, NORWAY (both)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26 Olav + 24 Caroline
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: Philip O. LARSON - (GREAT GRANDSON) + Joseph K. LARSON AND John P. LARSON - (great-great GRANDSONS) who live on homestead in Empire Twp. (Rt 2 Galva, Kan)
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 Oscar Larson

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

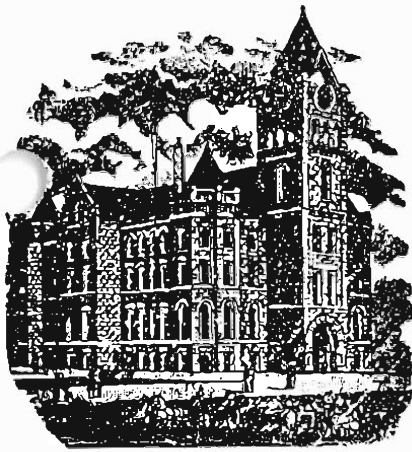
Your address: Rt 3 Box 130 McPherson, Kan

Your occupation: Farmer

Ref. 1995. Philip O. Larson

* This is on my father's side. On my mother's side, my great grandparents also homesteaded in McPherson County (in Belmore Twp.)

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Bengt Alfred Ledell
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
 Month and year settled in McPherson County May, 1888
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Gottland 32
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer 524 - Later 29/18/3
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Träslöberg, Sweden - Swedish
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 23
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? NO
 Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: yes (Reverse side)

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

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

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: Burdett A. Ledell
 If woman, Maiden Name: _____
 Your address: FARMER - R.R. 3 McPherson, Mo
 Your occupation: FARMER 67460



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Son - Harry Ledell - RR #3 McPherson, Ks 67460

Daughter - Mabelle (Ledell) Larson 1415 Briar Wood, McPherson, Ks 67460

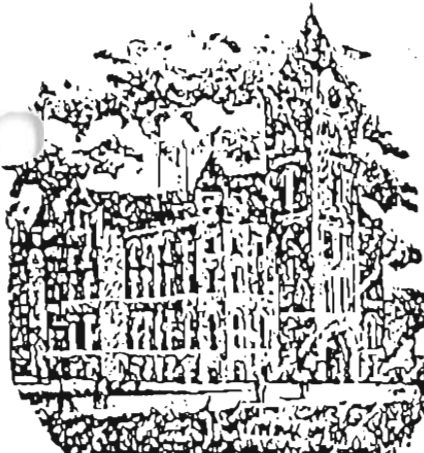
" Esther (Ledell) Hjerpe 1459 N Maple, " " "

" Elva (Ledell) Paulsen 2100 Seitz " " "

" Evelina (Ledell) Johnson Rt 1 Conway, Ks 67434

There are grandchildren and great-grandchildren
too numerous to list living in the County.

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Elias & Mary (Schrock) Lehman
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great granddaughter
 Month and year settled in McPherson County Oct 1854
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Gypsum Creek 17-19-1
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born near Berlin, Pa. (German)
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County About 46
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? I don't think he did
 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: Earl Lehman Rt. 1 Gypsum, Ks.; Fern Eagles, Rt. 1 Gypsum, Ks. (Grandchildren) David Eagles, Rt. 1 Gypsum, Ks.; Kathryn Gent, Rt. 1 Gypsum, Ks. Harvey Lehman, 112 N. Lakeside Dr., McPherson - his father was Henry.
 Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No
He was father of Earlene. She had 6 boys & 6 girls. Her Harvey.
She came to McPherson County first.

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Earlene Marston
 If woman, Maiden Name: Earlene Lehman
 Your address: Rt. #1 Gypsum, Ks. 67448
 Your occupation: Homemaker

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ELIAS LEHMAN FAMILY

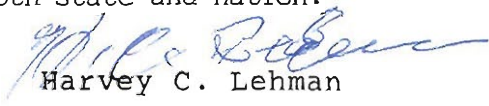
Elias and Mary Lehman and 9 of their children moved to Kansas from their home near Berlin PA in the Spring of 1875..to a farm 4 miles east of Salina. Shortly thereafter they purchased another farm approximately 3 miles west of Gypsum and moved on it. One of their children, Tobias, the older son, had died while in Pennsylvania and was buried in the cemetery on the Lehman farm there. Their two younger children were born in Kansas.

In the Spring of 1892 they sold their Gypsum farm, purchased a farm west of Roxbury about 4 miles and moved there. The parents resided on this farm until their death. Both and 5 of their ^{children} are buried in the cemetery on the hill east of Roxbury. One daughter was buried in the Eureka cemetery, also in McPherson County. These children and their spouses farmed in the Roxbury vicinity all of their lives.

One grandson, Ralph Lehman, was a principal and teacher in the Roxbury schools in the late 1920's and early 1930's. Another grandson is still living in McPherson. He has been a highschool teacher, a Pastor, and a member of the faculty of McPherson college.

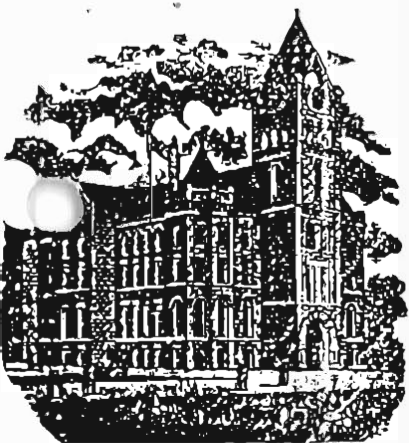
Family members have been quite outstanding. Among them are a number of teachers, both grade and highschool, at least 4 ministers, 3 physicians, 4 attorneys, and many community leaders. One family member, John W. Lehman, a professor in one of our leading universities, has authored 2 college chemistry text books which are being used in many colleges and universities in the U.S.

This family, along with many other farm families in McPherson County ^{have} contributed greatly to both state and nation.


Harvey C. Lehman

Linn, I didn't know just what you wanted. You may use this if you wish but don't feel you need to use it.





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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Anna (Nelson) Lillian
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandchild
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled New Gettland Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer's wife
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer B. Ekong, Sweden - Swede
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Richard Lillian, Margaret, Elaine Schmidt
McPherson, his daughter Kristin Schmidt, McPherson and Michael Henry
Baker, Lindstrom
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? no

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

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Richard Lillian
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 2014 Beech Margaret, McPherson
Your occupation: Retired

Oct 24, 1970

John Lillian

John Lillian was born in 1837, in Smiland, Sweden, came to America in the sixties, stopping first in Pennsylvania, going to Illinois from there and coming to Salina, Kansas in 1871

For two years, Mr. Lillian owned and operated a six-mile stage and mail coach between Salina and Newton and at the latter place met Anna Nelson, a native of Blekinge, Sweden. She was employed at the place where he made his headquarters at Newton on his regular trips. They became good friends and married two years later and established their home on the land they acquired south of Lindsborg. He passed away April 9th, 1915.

Mr. & Mrs. Lillian raised a large family of boys and girls, among them E. V. Lillian who married Anna Nordberg, the only daughter of Louis Nordberg; they had 5 children, 2 girls and 3 boys.

Lillie Lillian has deceased

Rudy (Peter) Lillian St. John Kansas

Richard Lillian, Marquette, Kansas

Ervin Lillian, deceased

Marion Lillian, deceased

Lilja

The name of "Lilja" was bestowed upon John Lillian and his six brothers by the King of Sweden in recognition of service which their father had rendered to the country when he and his brother, son, came to the country. They found Sweden couldn't pronounce that name, so they changed it to Lillian.

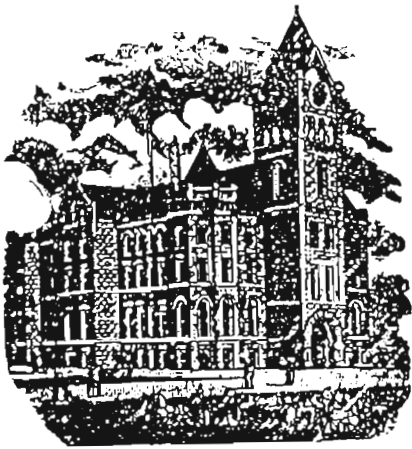
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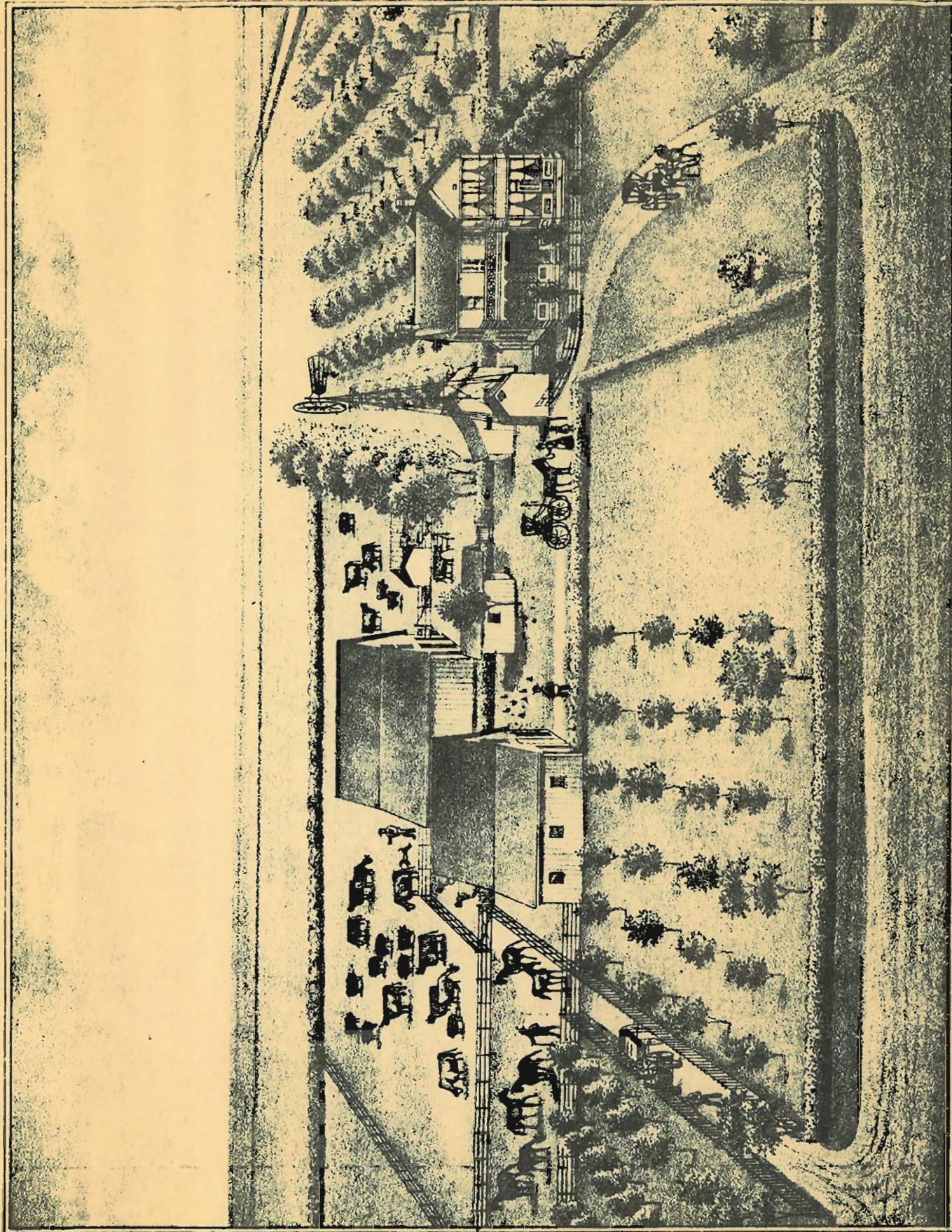
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather FRANK LINDBERG
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand son
Month and year settled in McPherson County Nov 1884
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Exp 41-19-2
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden - Mjeddlinge
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 27
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: Marie Mueller Lindsborg, Ks
Frances Mueller " "
Phyllis Bruce Galesburg, Ia
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

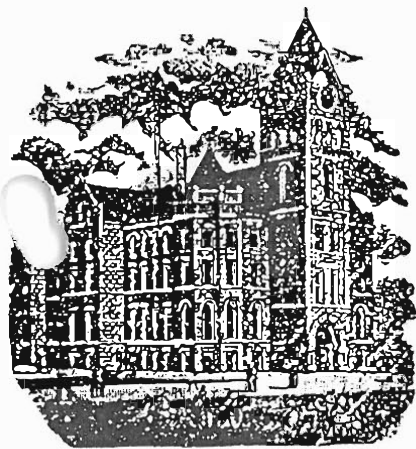
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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Wallace R Lindberg
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Rt 2, Box 65, Galesburg
Your occupation: Farmer - Retired

Grand-mother's name was Christina Andersson which she changed to Nelson when they arrived in U.S. She was from Karlsborg.
Grandfather's name was Lindborg which was changed to Lindberg.



THE LINDBERG RANCH IN THE EARLY 90'S, SEC. 33, DELMORE TOWNSHIP, McPHERSON, KAN.
5 miles North of John



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Nils Gustaf (Danielson) Lindblade
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler My Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1886 2nd Dec 7th
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled see reverse side
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Alseda, Småland, Sweden, Jonköping
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 34 yrs (Province
Did settler homestead in McPherson County?
Is homestead still in possession of family?
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Ivar Lindblade, Riverview Estates,
Marquette, Kansas

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

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: x Rosalie Hieshey

If woman, Maiden Name: Johnson

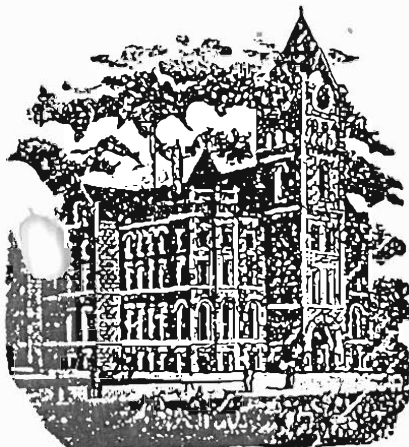
Your address: 1410 E. Lincoln, Lindblade, Ks. 67456

Your occupation: Retired



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter Fredrik Lindh
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County October 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Marquette 4-17-5
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer, blacksmith
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer 8-2-1840, Kalmar, Sweden, Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 29 yrs.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Glorio Buffington, Wm L. Hughes, Charlotte Kuehn
& families all of Marquette, Ks.

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

Township Justice of Peace, helped organize & president of Marquette State Bank until his death.

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: x John L. Hughes

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: Box 306, Marquette, Ks 67464

Your occupation: Retired Farmer



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter Fredrick Lindh
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County October of year 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SE 1/4 Sec. 4, NW 1/4 Sec. 5
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer, Businessman and J.P. Marquette Twp.
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 29
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: William Robert and Wayne F. Lindh Families
Gloria Lindh - Sister of William Robert + Wayne F. Lindh.
WM Robert Lindh + Wayne F. Lindh are Deceased
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No.

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Gloria Lindh (Buffington)

If woman, Maiden Name: Gloria Lindh

Your address: 1111 Marquette St. R.R. Box 22

Your occupation: Wife, Director - Marquette Senior Center



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Wayne P. Lindh - Father + Grandson of P. Lindh.

Wayne's wife - Lucille Gustafson - Lindh

Wayne had 3 children - Jody Wayne Lindh - Dallas Texas

Lana Laria Lindh - Rock - Marquette, KS.

Kerry Royce Lindh - Marquette, KS.

Jody has wife + 2 children - 1 boy - 1 girl - Eric Lindh - son +

Katrina - Girl

Lana had ~~2 children~~ ^{2 boys} - Jeff Rock - Wichita + Justin Rock

Kerry had 2 boys - Adam Linda + Aaron Lindh

Robert Lindh - has 1 Daughter - Cheryl Lindh Anderson
~~LaRuth - Sengren - Lindh - wife of Robert~~ Marquette, KS.

Gloria Lindh married Verle Buffington
2 children Deceased

2 children - Tom Buffington - Marquette 310 E. 2nd St
Living

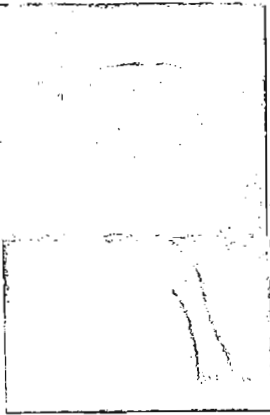
Jeri Lou Buffington - Dawson

They have 2 children Jessica + Matthew

Their Address is 313 East 24th St. Hays, KS.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

The Tribune undertakes to print one brief Pioneer Biography each issue this year. Both living persons and dead will be given space. No settler of the 20's and 70's is excluded. All the Editor asks is a good photograph and facts for an article.



P. F. Lindh

From a group photo taken about 1887.

P. F. Lindh was born in Sweden in 1840 and died at Marquette 1904.

He was raised on the farm, at eighteen attended agriculture college and at twenty-two he graduated from a commercial college at Stockholm.

In August 1864 the young man came to this country. He worked in the Lake Superior region for a year at lumbering, then he went to Chicago and worked on the railroad. He was in Kansas as early as 1865. He worked at the carpenter's trade in Omaha for a time.

He settled on his homestead here in October 1869. In 1870 he married Miss Clara Gustafson who still lives on the old homestead. They have four daughters and one son. One daughter is married, Mrs. Walter Hughes. The other children are helping the mother manage the large estate at Riverside.

Mr. Lindh was a man of a positive nature. He was one who did things and his handiwork is yet in evidence on all sides in this vicinity. He secured a post office at Calmar in 1872. He was a prime mover for a Swedish Lutheran Church at Marquette. He helped to build the first building. He succeeded S. Norris as Justice of the Peace in 1871 and held the office almost continuously for many years. Everybody called him "Squire." He was one of the promoters of the Marquette Town Company, the elevator company, the horse company, and was president of the Marquette State Bank from its organization until his death. As a Notary Public he became administrator for numerous estates. His name is permanently stamped on the official and property life of the community. He came within a very few votes of defeating J. B. Darrah for Register of Deeds in the early 80's, running on the Greenback ticket, although he usually voted the republican ticket.

On the old docket we note numerous cases where Squire Lindh fined people for assault. On April 10, 1873 V. A. Anderson had A. Swanson

arrested and fined five dollars and costs for assault. On November 5, 1873 Swan Hart had Ruben Underwood arrested and fined for assault. On June 10, 1874 Henry Waber had Amos Kindt fined for assault. J. Y. Parker and W. A. Hoffhines appear as constables in these cases. Those days were strenuous one about Marquette.

Squire Lindh's first jury case occurred June 5, 1872. It was Jeane son vs Wilson & Simpson for \$100, "being the value of four horses." S. Norris, R. Underwood, John Underwood, Joseph Lloyd and D. N. Myers were on the jury. The jury ordered the property returned or a payment of \$100. made. In June 1873 S. Hart sued P. M. Anderson for \$2.60. Anderson's horse got into Hart's corn field. Mr. Hoffhines, as constable, made \$2.60 out of the case.

Mr. Lindh was one of the most careful and painstaking business farmers in this valley. His own vast estates, the various treasuryships he held, the administratorships he managed, and the numerous interests in which he was interested were all kept strictly separate and distinct. Everything had to be accounted for. That's why people trusted him with their affairs.

In Nebraska all saloons must close at 8 p. m. and remain closed until 7 a. m. People who have money invested in the liquor business had better begin to sell out before the the people force all such business to the wall without compensation or damages.

Edna Carolyn Lindh-Irwin was born at her home near Marquette, Kansas, on the twenty-seventh day of September, 1883. She finished the common school course at Riverside in 1900; was confirmed and became a member of the Elim Lutheran Church April 8, 1901. She continued her school work by spending three years at Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas, and completed her education at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Ind. where she attended during the years of 1907-1908.

It was while she was a student at this institution that she met Mr. F. H. Irwin of Columbia City, Ind. Their acquaintance rapidly ripened into a betrothal and terminated in their marriage a year later at the Elim Lutheran Church, Marquette, on the 22nd day of September, 1909. Life's ambition, its realization and attainment, was never brighter for this young couple, who were speeded on their way by relatives and friends to their distant home in North Manchester, Ind. where they resided a year and later moved to Indianapolis, Ind.

Edna's loving disposition and charming manners rapidly drew to their hospitable home a large circle of acquaintances whose friendship compensated in a measure for the sacrifice of her home associations. It seemed that the pinnacle of happiness had been reached when there came to this home, a blue eyed, rosy cheeked, baby girl, Virginia Lee, who was born on September 4, 1913.

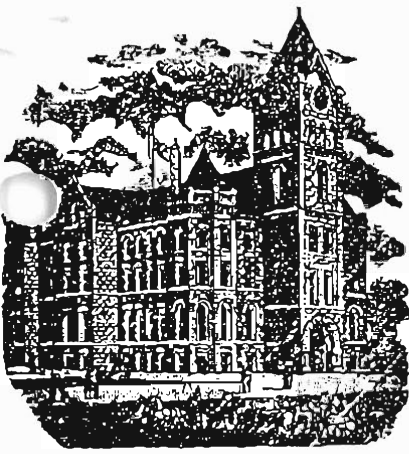
Sometime later, however, Edna's health became impaired. Gradually her condition became worse until finally on Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock, March 10, 1918, she passed on to that realm from "whence none returneth."

Edna's life was an inspiration to those who knew her intimately. Her loving disposition, unswerving devotion and supreme confidence in the Almighty God, her Creator, were traits of character that will remain long in the minds of those who learned to love her.

She leaves to mourn her departure, a husband, F. H. Irwin and daughter, Virginia Lee, her mother, Mrs. P. F. Lindh, a brother, William, and three sisters, Selma, Aurora and Hulda, (now Mrs. Walter Hughes.)

Funeral services were held at the home of Mrs. Lindh at 2:00 p.

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather William H. Lovett
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great grand-daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Month unknown - year, 1882
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Empire ^{Yuk} (13-19-2)
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Glowersville, Fulton County, N. Y.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 53
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? no
Is homestead still in possession of family? land still in possession of family
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: James Lovett, Route 3, McPherson

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

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Eunice L. Kelley
If woman, Maiden Name: Eunice Dee Lovett Box #48
Your address: 1928 Sunflower, Junction City,
Your occupation: Retired retailer / Kansas 66441

*Related to Norwegian Settlement
in Edward Douglass
Superior
Heferson*

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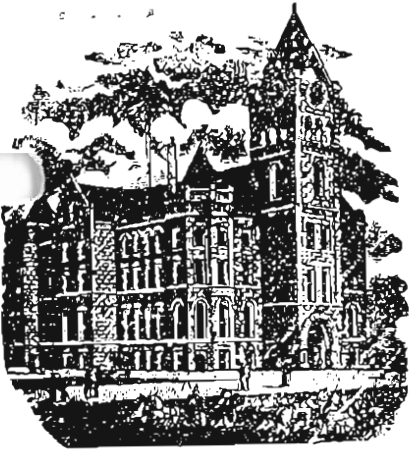
Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl Olof Lundquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County Born Sept 12, 1884 E 22 E 4 Sec 22
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled Sec. 28 Union
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Fremont, KS Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County at birth
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
Is homestead still in possession of family? No. The place where he was born is still in the family
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Armin Lundquist, Lindberg KS

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

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Christen E. Lundquist
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Rt 2 Box 65 Lindberg KS
Your occupation: Farmer

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Karl Johan (Charles) Lundquist
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
 Month and year settled in McPherson County Fall of 1869
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 22-17-4 Union Town
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and worked on Railroad
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smolund Sweden
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 30 yrs. old
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
 Is homestead still in possession of family? no
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Verner L, Donald L, La Van L, Clinton Lundquist, all Grandsons of Karl Lundquist all living in Lindsborg area and have many other relatives
 Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? no

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

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

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 514 W. Saliney Lindsborg KS 67456

Your occupation: Farmer



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Olga Anderson - granddaughter
321 N. Chestnut, Bethany Home
Lindsborg, Ks, 67456

Verner Lundquist - grandson
Route 2
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

Clinton Lundquist - grandson
Route 2, Box 65
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

Orvin Lundquist - grandson \leftrightarrow his daughter Wanda Esping \leftrightarrow great-granddaughter & her children
516 West Galina 109 N. Cherry
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456 Lindsborg, Ks 67456
great-grandchildren
aaron, Erick & Emily

LaBerna Lundquist - grandson
Route 2, Box 50
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

Donald Lundquist - grandson
Route 2, Box 47
Lindsborg, Kansas, 67456

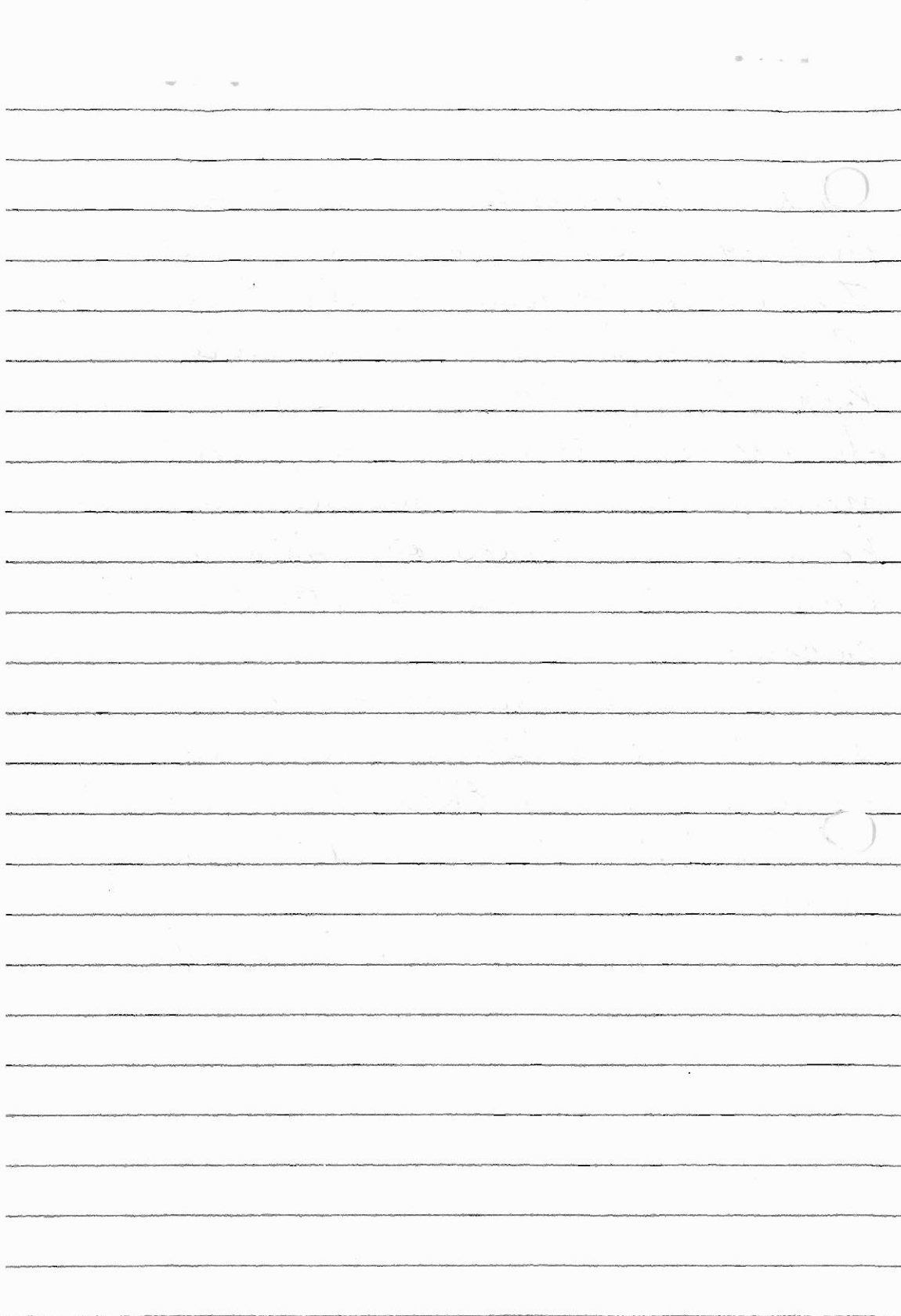
Laura Lee Norland - great granddaughter \leftrightarrow her son Randy Norland - his daughter
Route 2, Box 38 Route 2, Box 38
Galva, Kansas 67443 Galva, Kansas 67443
great-great-grandson
great great granddaughter
Claire

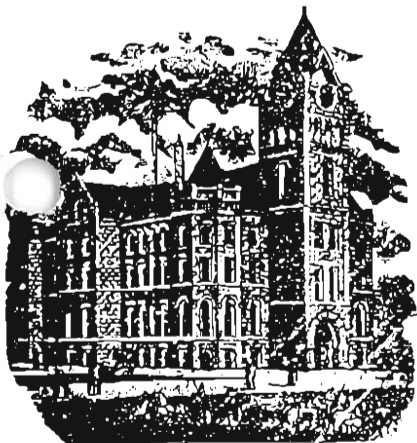
Rozann Cedarholm - great granddaughter
309 Normal Dr.
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

When Grandfather came to Fremont
in 1869 they lived in a dugout on the
farm that Dennis Shields lives on now.
Many times his wife and children were
left alone while her husband worked
on railroad to earn money for the
necessaries of life. Indians raided her
home several times at which time her
little children were threatened with
capture.

They later bought the farm in
sec. 28-17-4 which is my home place
where my father Eben Lundquist lived
all his life - I am still farming this
place.

Olvin Lundquist





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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jon Alfred N. Lundquist
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandson
 Month and year settled in McPherson County early June 1871
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union 22-17-4
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Djursbo, Småland, Sweden Swedish
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 28
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
 Is homestead still in possession of family? No
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: yes. Names & addresses on back.

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

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

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X John Armand Nelson
 If woman, Maiden Name: _____
 Your address: 5815 W 87 Ave Overland Park, KS
 Your occupation: Retired



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Laurine Anderson - granddaughter
112 N. Pine
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

Lloyd Nelson - grandson
321 N. 1st
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

Dorothy Ziegler - great granddaughter
128 So Washington
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

Glenn Lundquist great grandson → his son Patrick great-great grandson
Route 2
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

Laurel Sundgren - great grandson
131 1st
McPherson, Kansas, 67456

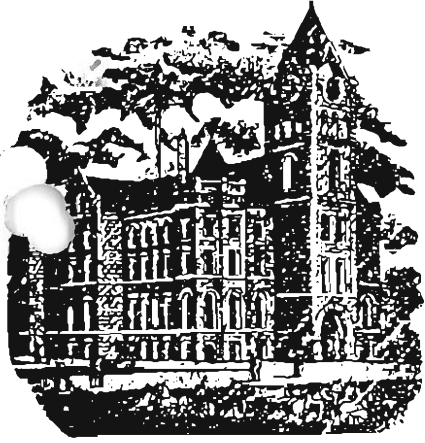
Ruth Lindh - great granddaughter — her daughter, Cheryl Anderson → Sharon Anderson
Route 1, Box 13
Marquette, Kansas 67464
great, great granddaughter
Route 1, Box 14
Marquette, Ke
great great -
great grand
daughter

Edmund Sundgren - great grandson
1/6 Laurel Sundgren

Paul Train - great grandson
Route 2, Box 145
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

Sammy Train - great grandson — his children Michelle, Joseph, Cheryl, Shannon
Route 2, Box 162 A
Lindsborg, Kansas 67456
great, great grandchildren

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Samuel OTTO N. Lundquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County early June, 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union NW 23-17-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Lönneberg Parish, Djursbo Småland Sweden Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 18
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes OTTO was too young to own property so it
Is homestead still in possession of family? yes was in brother Alfred's name
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson at first
County? Names and addresses: yes on back

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

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Ruby Nelson
If woman, Maiden Name: Ruby Stromberg
Your address: Route 2 Box 6 Lindsborg KS
Your occupation: Home maker

Ruby Nelson - granddaughter

Route 2, Box 6

Lindsborg, Kansas 67456

My son: Glenn Nelson - great grandson - His children
407 N. Roosevelt
Lindsborg, Ka
Dodie
Susan
Lyndee
Dale.

My son: Wayne Nelson - great grandson
324 So Main
Lindsborg, Ka

My son: Warren Nelson - great grandson - His son Aaron
212 Normal Drive
Lindsborg, Ka

My son: Leland A Nelson - great grandson - owns homestead
500 So Cedar
Lindsborg, Ka

Mildred Nelson - granddaughter

P.O. Box 342

Marquette, Ka 67464

Henson: Carl U. Nelson - great grandson - His daughter Nicole
P.O. Box 182
Marquette, Ka

Her daughter: Ruby Le Gron - great granddaughter - her children
P.O. Box 211
Marquette, Ka
Dean Le Gron - Brendon Austin
Keith Myers.

Her granddaughter: Roberta Blank - her son Chad Loder
1000 So Ash
McPherson, Ka

Her grandson: Richard Henson
P.O. Box 211
Marquette, Ka

Samuel Otto's

Great granddaughter: Cheryl (Stromberg) Barrow - Billy & Kristina
1463 Dover Road
McPherson, Ka

Karl Johan (Charles) N. Lundquist,
Jon Alfred N. Lundquist.

Emma Charlotte Lundquist and
Samuel Otto N. Lundquist were born
in Småland, Sweden, their last name
being Nilson. When they came to America,
they changed their name to Lundquist.
They put the initials N for Nilson in their
names. They all homesteaded in Union
Township with their homes adjoining
each other. Their mother Helena Lundquist
came to Fremont in 1883. One brother and
one sister stayed in Sweden.

Karl Johan (Charles) married Anna Rodell
They had 11 children 3 died in infancy.

Jon Alfred - 1st marriage - Wendla Lindgren

They had 1 child

2nd marriage - Wilhelmina Carlson

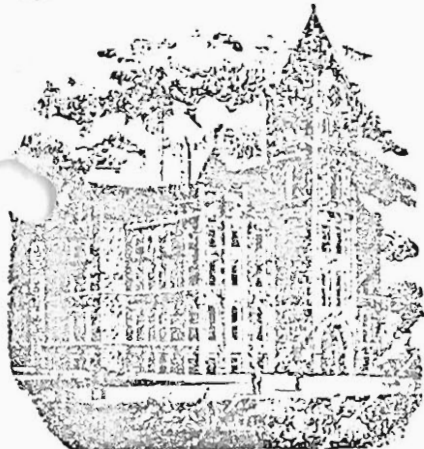
They had 8 children - 3 died in infancy

Emma Charlotte married Emmanuel Melcher
Dahlsten

They had 8 children

Samuel Otto married Maria Juliana Lemuelson

They had 5 children - 3 died in infancy
1 died at age 9.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Samuel OTTO N. Lundquist
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County June 1871
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Union ~~23-17-4~~ 23-17-4
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Lönneberga Parish, Kalmar län, Småland, Sweden ^{Swedish}
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 18 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes with brother Alfred as OTTO was too young.
Is homestead still in possession of family? was until 1979
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mildred Nelson P.O. Box Marquette, KS - granddaughter (Strimberg)
her children: Carl Vernon Nelson, Ruby LeGion of Marquette. My brother's daughter Cheryl Barrow
McPherson, Kansas. My children Glenn Wayne, Lillian, Leland A. Nelson, Lindsburg
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 Ruby Nelson

If woman, Maiden Name: Ruby Strimberg

Your address: Route 2, Box 6, Lindsburg, KS 67456

Your occupation: Housewife



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(Aug 11, 1839 - Dec 28, 1913) (Apr 18, 1843 - May 26, 1935)
 Karl Johan (Charles) N. Lundquist, Jon Alfred N. Lundquist,
 (Dec 30, 1853 - May 13, 1934) (Oct 19, 1849 - Feb 14, 1918)
 Samuel Otto N. Lundquist and Emma Charlotta Lundquist Dahlsten
 brothers and sister. The brothers used the initial N in
 their names for Nilson which was their names in
 Sweden. They had 1 brother & 1 sister who stayed in Sweden.

Karl Johan came to America 1865, age 26, to Ophiem, Henry Co, Ill.
 Came to Fremont fall of 1869. He married Anna Rodell Feb 12, 1868
 at Berlin, Ill. She was born Sept 1, 1845, Eskeryd, Sweden. Came to
 America 1850, 5 yrs old. They had 11 children. 3 died in infancy
Jon Alfred N. Lundquist came to America early June, 1871. Brother Otto & Sister
 Emma came with him directly to Fremont. He was 28. He married Wendy Lindgren
 in 1871. She died Oct 18, 1878. They had a daughter, Bertha, Alfred married
 Wilhelmina Carlson Mar 22, 1879. They had 8 children, 3 dying in infancy.
 Fremont, Fremont, Mo.

Emma Charlotta Lundquist came to America early June 1871 with brothers
 Alfred & Otto. She was 22 years. She married Emmanuel Melcher Dahlsten
 Feb 27, 1874. They had 8 children. (Dahlsten (Mar 26, 1850 - Dec 17, 1927) born Rps
 Salernsberg Came to Fremont 1870, age 20. Sweden)

Samuel Otto N. Lundquist came to America early June with brother Alfred and
 sister Emma. He was 18 yrs old. He married Maria Juliana Samuelson
 Dec 11, 1880 in Salina. Maria Juliana came to Jamestown, New York May 9, 1880.
 Later in 1880 came to Fremont. She was 20 yrs old. They had 5 children,
 4 dying in infancy.

The Lundquists Mother Helena came to America Sept 7, 1883 with Charley Stromquist
 She was a widow and made her home with the children. She died Jan 23, 1892.
 She also took the name Lundquist. She was married to Nicholas Jonsson Nilas
 a daughter Kristina (her people settled in Iowa) & son Frans Emmanuel stayed
 in Sweden. Mrs Abel Carlson of Lindsborg is a daughter of Frans Nilson.

They all homesteaded in Union Township in the same areas.

Alto was only 18 yrs old so his land was in Alfred's name until
 he became legal age.

Karl Johan's Children

1. Franks Emanuel 1871-1938
2. Nannie 1873-1939
3. Aurora 1877-1942
4. Lavia 1880-1950
5. Albin 1881-1952
6. Carl Eben 1884-1962
7. Phoebe 1887-1953
8. Abner 1889-1973

Alfred's Children

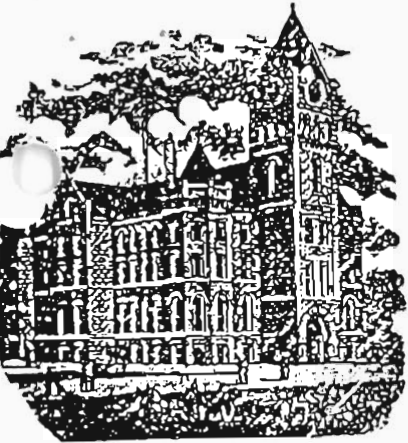
1. Bertha 1878-1939
2. Ellen 1880-1967
3. Emma 1884-1938
4. Agnes 1887
5. Ruben 1889-1896
6. Albert 1893-1968
7. Luther 1894-1895
8. Infant - unknown date

Emma & Dahlsten

1. Freda 1875-1951
2. Judith 1876-1899
3. Emelia 1878-1958
4. Alex 1880-1960
5. Sigurd 1882-1961
6. Arvid 1885-1960
7. Constance 1887-1963
8. Paulina 1889-1971

Otto's

1. Letyl-1885
2. Son - 1883-1883
3. Ida 1885-1894
4. Malet 1887-1887
5. Alma 1888-1888



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter Marx
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County Fall 1884?
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Delmore - 713 East
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Stone Mason - Shoe Cabbler
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Chur Switzerland Oct 2 - 1842
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 43 years Old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Graville Schrott 216 S Empire Salina Mo
Vernard McCalline 719 W Second Salina Mo
Bob 563 2nd Salina Mo
Rachel Walker 601 N Cherry McPherson Mo
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? no
Vern Walker says he worked on Court House - Stone Mason

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Vernard McCalline
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 719 W Second Salina Mo 67443
Your occupation: Barber

Peter Marx

Born in Chur Switzerland Oct 2 - 1842

married Ursula Palmer in 1866

Father of 8 Children 2 died in Infancy

Died Jan - 4th 1937 } Buried Empire Cemetery
Wife Ursula Died ^{Dec} 16 1919 } Salva 7/11

OBITUARY

Peter Marx was born in Chur, Switzerland, October 2, 1842, where he grew to manhood. He was baptized in infancy and was confirmed at the age of fifteen in the Lutheran faith. He was united in marriage in 1866 to Ursulena Folmer, to this union eight children were born, two having passed away in infancy.

In the spring of 1881 he immigrated with his wife and four children, to the United States, coming to Newton Kansas where he resided on a farm, until the fall of 1884 when he moved with his family to Delmore township, where he homesteaded a claim residing there until 1900 when he moved to Galva, Kansas where he has since resided.

He departed this life on January 4, 1937 at the age of 94 years, three months and two days, leaving his six children; Mr. Peter Marx, Jr., and John Marx of Knowles, Oklahoma, Mrs. Reka Hall, Dexter, New Mexico, Mrs. J. S. Robinson, Worland, Wyo., and Mrs. J. M. Stanley and Mrs. Anna Walline of Galva, Kansas. Thirty-seven grandchildren and forty-one great grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at the Galva Methodist church, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. Interment was in Empire cemetery.

94- YEAR OLD MAN DIES FROM BURNS AND SHOCK

Peter Marx, Galva, Died at Noon Today at McPherson Hospital—Stood Too Close to Open Fire at Galva Home.

Peter Marx, 94 year old pioneer of the Galva community, died at noon today at the McPherson county hospital from burns suffered yesterday when his clothing caught fire while standing too close to an open fire.

Marx was brought to the McPherson hospital yesterday suffering severe burns on one side of his right leg and because of his old age he was suffering a great deal from shock.

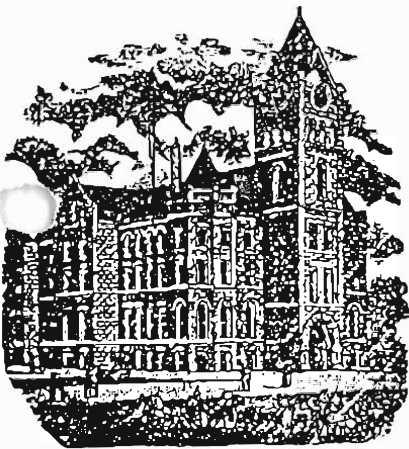
Relatives of Mr. Marx said the aged man was standing too near an open blaze gas fire in his home at Galva, and his clothing ignited. Part of his trousers was burned off and the flesh from his knee to his hip on one side of his leg was badly burned.

When the fire was discovered on Mr. Marx's clothing, relatives quickly extinguished the blaze. At the time it was not believed the burns were of a serious nature but a more thorough examination revealed that his leg had been burned deeply and that the shock was too great for such an aged man.

Mr. Marx is survived by three daughters. Mrs. Egbert Carlsson, 405 East Kansas Ave., of this city, is a granddaughter. As yet no funeral arrangements have been announced.

*Purchased Home of 5-11-1900 - lots 2, 4 & 6 Main St.
from Anna Walline
Peter Marx Jr + Enboth Dec. 1895.*

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Abraham Mc Nett
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great grandson Born in 1819
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1879
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Holland
Occupation of Pioneer Settler cooper
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Virginia French/German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 60 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: No

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Left Virginia because of the war - sided with the north - He went to Ohio - sent for family in 1863 - Cousins let mother & family thru back lines

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Max C. Ebaugh
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 1410 N. Walnut McPherson
Your occupation: Retired

They settled on homestead near rest stop on I-135 near Ananias Ebaugh homestead. My grandmother, Anna Eliza Mc Nett, went to West Kentucky school where Morgan A. Ebaugh was teaching, later married him. Daughters of Abraham Mc Nett married names Fremont McCowen.

Other McPerson names relating into McNetts

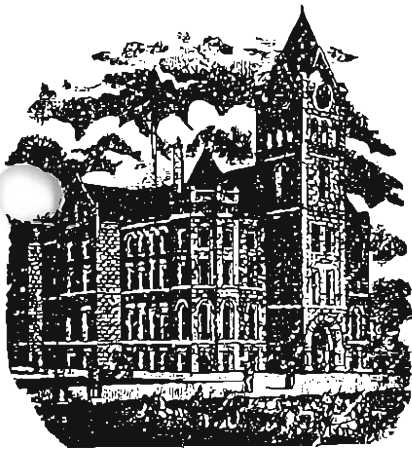
Levi Fellers

Peter Brewer

John Jacobs (blacksmith on W. Euclid) married a Brewer

John Brewer - lived in Danden

Frank McNett lives 6 mi. N. on Norwattle Road, 2 mi. W., $\frac{3}{4}$ mi. S.
on west side of road



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather August Modellmeyer
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 12/30/1884
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Meridian, 7 & 8
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Schoenaebe, Germany
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 41
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? NO
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: yes, Edna Beum, Center, Co. Walk Modellmeyer, Salina, Co. Elise Beum, 817 N. Maple, McPherson

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

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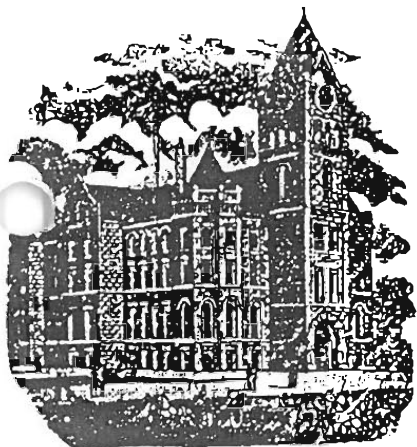
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Bernice Ewert
If woman, Maiden Name: Modellmeyer
Your address: P.O. Center, Co.
Your occupation: house wife



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather JAMES ^{Madison} MODDRELL
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
 Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 14 - Canton
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer - Stockman
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Near Richmond, Ray County, Mo. French-Irish
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 18 - He came with parents Andrew & Martha -
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? I don't know 3 brothers and 4 sisters
 Is homestead still in possession of family? No
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: None Merlin D. Drescher - Michael J. and Bradley Dean Drescher RI Box 40 A Canton KS 67428

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 Marcella Drescher
 If woman, Maiden Name: Marcella Stansell
 Your address: RI Box 40 Canton KS 67428
 Your occupation: retired teacher - housewife



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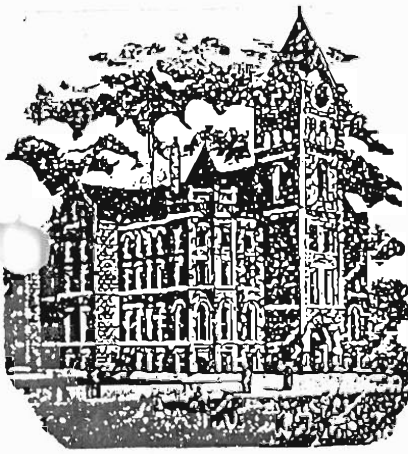
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Jones Cemetery -

Stone - George S. Moddrell - died 5-23-1876
age 28

George D. Moddrell - died 6-3-1874
Son of age 3

Moddrell relatives of Mrs. Joan Hill
Mr. Brinker took care of Cemetery
for many years



+ Youngest descendant
(over)

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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather James Carter Moon ^{class - Hattie Elvira}
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great grandparents - grand mother Hattie ^{wife}
Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1873 Nov Dec 20-20-1
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Line Tree Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer - marble business ¹⁸⁹⁰
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer English-Scotch-Irish, Clinton County Ohio ^{Sept 6, 1850}
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 33 yrs Dec 5, 1944
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. Some live in Kansas counties

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No. He went to town to enlist the news - Lee had surrendered to Grant (same that day) at the Port Office.

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

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Rosie Lee Greene
If woman, Maiden Name: Westford
Your address: 750 Kingstons Dr
Your occupation: Satellite Sales, Fla.

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The March 1990 issue of
San histique has my story
of J.C. Moon

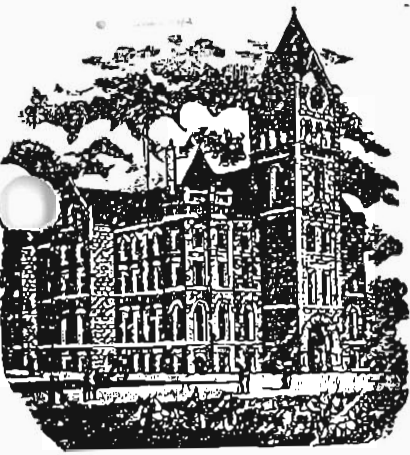
J. C. Moore's daughter Martha Elmore
Moore-Peterson is listed in
the book "Pioneer Home" by
Juanna Stanton. Martha when 6 months
old was brought to Kansas by
her parents. Her first born child,
Chester R. Peterson was. A child in the
McPherson ^{County} Historical Society. His
home was Maquetta.

Martha Clayton, Kansas (deceased)
was my mother (Married to Sam S. Ford)

I grew up in Martha Moore
Peterson's home. Her father James Carter
lived with us part of the time, therefore
I heard many of his pioneer stories.

James Carter Moore buried in the
McPherson Cemetery.

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather: Johas John Nachtigal
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler: Granddaughter
 Month and year settled in McPherson County: 1875 MAY 1875
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled: SEC # 25 Lone Tree Township
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler: FARMER
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer: OSTROG PROVINCE, WOOLYLYNA, POLAND RUSSIA
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County: 42 yrs.
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
 Is homestead still in possession of family? NO
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: MRS VELMA BOEHS Box 669 MOUNDRIE KS.
MRS DON RATZLAFF CANTON, 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 Mrs. Eva Smith
 If woman, Maiden Name: Eva (Nachtigal) Nightingale
 Your address: Moundridge, KS. 67107
 Your occupation: Assistant of Moundridge Manor 800
Ks.



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36th NIGHTENGAL REUNION

MAY 29, 1988

Hosted by the Susie Johnson Family

PROGRAM — 10:00 A.M.

Welcome Remarks and Prayer Roy Shetler

Song - "Amazing Grace" Denver Klassen

Sermonette Leonard Johnson

Pause, Remembering Those Who Have Gone Before

Frank Nightengale

Page Chatman

Deedra Shetler

Tobe Boehs

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Family Representation Chairman

Volunteers and Special Numbers

BUSINESS SESSION

Song - "How Great Thou Art" Ellis Reimer

Closing Prayer Gary Eicher

COMMITTEE

Chairman Lynn Johnson

Secretary Carolyn Eicher

Treasurer Ervin Nichols

USHERS

Gareth Eicher

Gregg Eicher

Lance Johnson

Nolen Johnson

Amazing Grace

That ... He might shew the exceeding riches of His grace.—Eph. 2:7
John Newton, 1725-1807
Early American Melody

1. A - maz - ing grace! how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me!
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears re-lieved;
3. Thro' man - y dan-gers, toils and snares, I have al - read - y come;
4. The Lord has prom-ised good to me, His word my hope se-cures;
5. When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun,
6. I once was lost, but now I'm found, Was blind, but now I see.
How pre-cious did that grace ap-pear The hour I first be-lieved.
'Twas grace that bro't me safe thus far And grace will lead me home.
He will my shield and por-tion be As long as life en-dures.
We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first be-gun.

DESCENDANTS of JOHN T. NIGHTENGAL

NETTIE SCHMIDT (1880-1973) FRANK NIGHTENGAL (1889-1987)

LENA KAHN (1881-1954) JOHN NIGHTENGAL (1891-1984)

ABF NIGHTENGAL (1883-1910) KATIE SMITH (1893-1982)

SUSIE JOHNSON (1885-1970) HENRY NIGHTENGAL (1895-1953)

TOBE NIGHTENGAL (1887-1975) EVA SMITH (1898-)

ANNIE JOHNSON (1900-1979)

How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God! When I in awe some wondrous song
2. When through the woods and far - est glades I wander And hear the
3. And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent him to
4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion And take me

all the worlds thy hands have made,
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees;
die, I scarce can take it in;
home, what joy shall fill my heart!

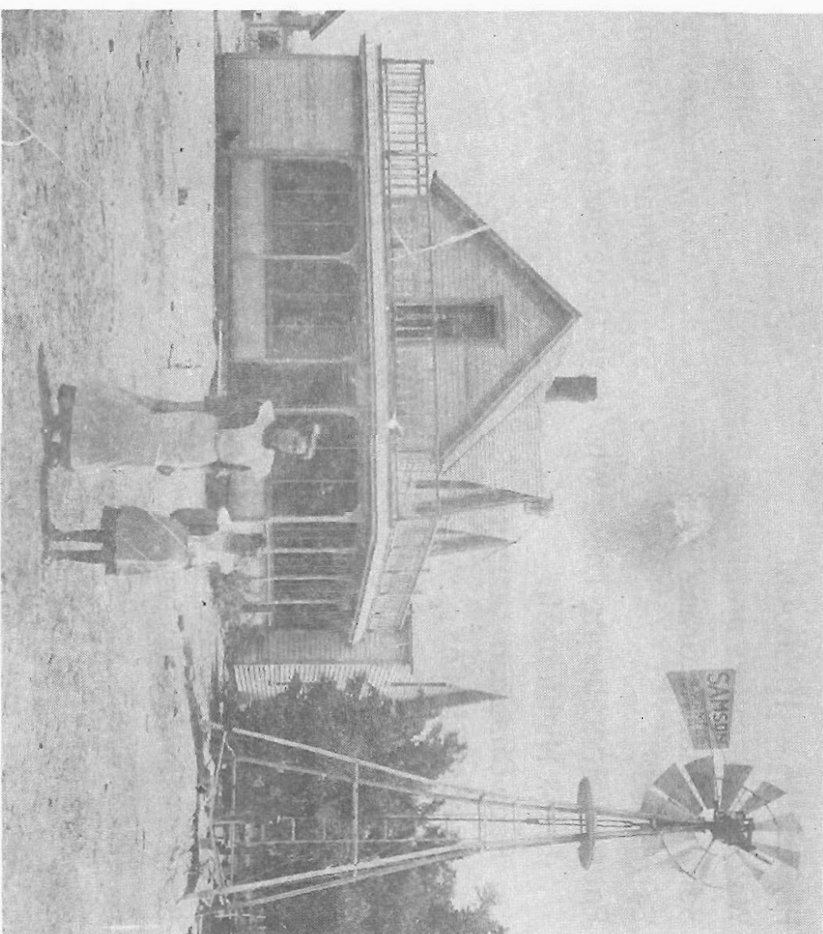
I see the stars, I hear the
When I look down from loft -
That on the cross, my bur - den
Then I shall bow in hum - ble

'roll - ing thun - der, thy pow'r through - out the un - i - verse dis - played,
moun - tain gran - deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
glad - ly bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin;
ad - o - ra - tion And there pro - claim, my God, how great thou art!

Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God to thee: How great thou

art, how great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior

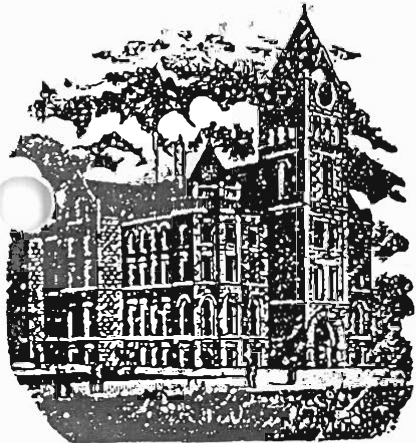
God to thee: How great thou art, How great thou art!



JOHN T. NIGHTENGALE 36th REUNION

THE OLD HOME PLACE

OLD HOME PLACE, I REMEMBER YOU
WE'VE BEEN THROUGH A LOT, ME AND YOU
I RELIVED A THOUSAND MEMORIES
IN JUST A MOMENT'S TIME
I'LL LOVE YOU MORE THAN EVER
OLD HOME PLACE, I'LL REMEMBER YOU



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather James Nelson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County Prior to 1884 - 1873
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 1/4 Sec. 33 New Cottland
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Tofta, Gudmontorp, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 37 Years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? ~~27 Years~~ 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. Elsie Nelson-Caywood, McPherson; Lois Caywood, McPherson; Mrs. Edna Nelson-Johnson, McPherson; Mr. Dean Johnson, McPherson; Mrs. Diane Orr-Cummings, R.R.#3, McPherson and Charles Orr, R.R.#3, McPherson.
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Not in Civil War

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: x Amanda V. Frank
If woman, Maiden Name: Amanda Nelson
Your address: 614 North Ash - McPherson
Your occupation: Referee



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Mrs. Mary (Parson) Nelson was born in Gudmundorp, Sweden, on September 24, 1834. Here she spent her childhood and youth in a true Christian home, her parents being anxious that their children should be brought up and trained in the true Christian way. Thus she was brought to the Lord in Holy Baptism as an infant and confirmed in the Lutheran faith in her youth. That she has remained true to her Lord, all who know her can testify. On November 15, 1867, she was united in marriage to Mr. James Nelson, who passed away on February 22, 1929. To this union was born four children, one son died in infancy. They came to America in June, 1873, coming then directly to McPherson, county to the New Gottland community. They at once became members of the New Gottland Lutheran church where they were very active members, and devoted to the church. In this community they had their home until in 1903 when they moved into the city of McPherson, where the home has been ever since. On coming to McPherson they transferred their membership to the Lutheran church here where they have been faithful and active members until death called them. Their own home was kept up and maintained as long as they were able, but because of their age they must break up the home, and for the last few years they have been tenderly cared for by their two daughters, Mrs. Alf. Nelson and Mrs. Pete Sallman, having made their home with the latter at the time of death. Mrs. Nelson has been unusually spry for her extreme age and retained her faculties well. Her great comfort was in her Lord and Saviour and the happiest moments of the day were when the word of God was read to her, which service was gladly given by her own. Since Mr. Nelson's death she has been patiently waiting the summons from the Lord to bring her home to His Father's home above. On Saturday, March 6, she had the misfortune to fall, injuring herself to the extent that she was removed to the McPherson hospital where she was given the best of care that understanding and facilities could give, yet because of the feebleness of age, strength was not great enough to survive and she passed away on Thursday evening, March 24, 1932, at the age of 97 years and 6 months. She is survived by two daughters and one son, Mrs. Johanna Nelson and Mrs. Christine Sallman, both of McPherson, and Mr. John Nelson of Minneapolis, Minn., eighteen grandchildren, twenty-six great-grandchildren, other relatives and many friends. The old pioneers and homesteaders of our community are soon all gone to their reward. Only a very few now remain. We remember their great work in building up this community in the material sense, converting the lonely prairie into the established communities we have today, yet the greatest heritage they leave to us, and the lasting memory which will ever remain in their faith in the Lord and Saviour, and the devotion to his church. Mrs. Nelson belonged to this group and was a constant witness of the grace and love of her Saviour, whose she trusted with a childlike faith that nothing could shake. She is now with her Lord, but the influence of her life and faith will ever remain. Peace to her memory. Funeral services were held on Monday, March 28 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, with the pastor, Rev. E. J. Ahlert in charge and preaching the service. Music at the service was rendered by mixed quartette. Interment was made in the McPherson cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and sympathy extended us during the illness and death of our beloved

community, and here he became a member of the New Gottland Lutheran Church at once. On Sept. 18, 1888, he was united in marriage to Johanna Nelson. This union was blessed with nine children of which four have preceded the father in death. In the home community of New Gottland Mr. Nelson and his family were always active in church and community, and especially so in the church. He served the church there as a member of its Boards for many years, and was always ready to sacrifice both means and time for the church. Yet that which is most outstanding is not to be counted in those outward manifestations. He and his family were regular in the church in the attendance of the divine worship, and in his life he revealed that in the power of God's word he lived day by day. No one who knew him would question his faith in his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. He confessed Him, not so much in a boastful and public way, but in the quiet and private. In the fall of 1926 he retired from the farm and moved into the city of McPherson, establishing the family home at 817 N. Main street where they have since lived. In the fall of 1927 they transferred their membership to the Trinity Lutheran Church of McPherson, and here with us he and his family have continued the same faithfulness in the church that had so marked them at New Gottland. For the past year or so Mr. Nelson has not been feeling well, yet neither he himself nor his family felt any alarm concerning his condition until about the last month. For the last three weeks he has been confined to the bed most of the time, and it was very evident that recovery was very doubtful. He was so very patient during his illness and did not reveal any worry at any time and was always happy to have the word of God read to him, and in the promise of this Word by faith in Christ he peacefully abided. Last Sunday he showed to be growing weaker and it was soon both to him and the family that the end was near. After the noon hour he expressed the wish to partake of the Holy Communion and the pastor was called. But because of certain conditions at just that time the pastor was not privileged to go, but Rev. Nyquist of New Gottland his former pastor came and administered the Sacrament to him. We certainly are grateful to Pastor Nyquist for this service and rejoice in that we can cooperate in the kingdom of God. At 6:30 Monday morning, Sept. 25, 1932, the Lord took him from this world of tribulation into Himself in Heaven. He had reached the age of 70 years, 4 months and 6 days. He leaves to mourn his devoted wife, Mrs. Johanna Nelson, five children, Martin Nelson, Mrs. Amanda Funk, Mrs. Illma Form and Mrs. Edna Johnson, all in and near McPherson and Mrs. Elsie Caywood of Wichita, thirteen grandchildren, other relatives and a large host of friends. The funeral service was held at the Trinity Lutheran church at McPherson on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 27, with the pastor, Rev. E. J. Ahlert and Rev. Gustaf Nyquist, pastor of the New Gottland Lutheran Church officiating. Reminiscence songs numbers were rendered by a mixed quartette consisting of Mrs. Misses Mazzella and Margretta Osterlund, Kenneth Swanson and Arthur Wilberg. The church was filled with relatives and friends who had assembled to pay their respect to this pioneer of this community.

CARD OF THANKS

We want to thank our many friends and neighbors who with such kindness, sympathy and help have met us during the sickness and burial of our dear husband and father. Especially do we remember those who have visited him to speak the word of life and to pray for him. Also for the many floral expressions

sent to their children. He was confirmed in the Lutheran faith when a young man, to which faith he adhered throughout life. He was united in marriage to Mary Peterson, his now bereaved widow, on Nov. 15, 1867. This union has been blessed by four children, one of which died in infancy. Mr. Nelson came to America in 1871, and his family followed, one year later. They settled at New Gottland in 1872, taking there a homestead on which they remained until 1903 when they retired and moved into the city of McPherson where they have since resided. On coming to New Gottland they at once became members of the Lutheran church there and when moving to McPherson transferred their membership to the Lutheran church here. Mr. Nelson was a very active member in both these congregations, and bore faithfully the positions of responsibility on various boards and in other positions. He was an earnest worker for the upbuilding of God's kingdom. Mr. Nelson and his faithful wife attained to the high age of over 90 years, and because of this age they must abandon their home, and for the last two years have lived with their daughters here in the city, with Mrs. Alf. Nelson for 18 months and with Mrs. Pete Sallman about five months. The last 15 months he has been confined to his bed, not from sickness or disease but from feebleness of age. The aged couple have received the tenderest care from their children, and all that human care could do for them has always been cheerfully given. Mr. Nelson was well founded in the word of God, which he diligently used as long as his sight would permit and later

his inability was when it was read to him, which was daily. Only a short time ago it was noticeable that he was failing, not racked with pain, only a gradual decline in strength. Only two days before the final summons came to him, he together with his wife received the Holy Communion. Even at that time one could not realize that the finish was so near, yet we understood it would not be long until the summons would come. There was never a sign of severe pain, only a gradual weakening. On Friday forenoon there were indications that the time was near, only in that exhaustion was visible. He naturally and peacefully went to sleep at about 10 or so before the end, from which sleep he did not awaken in this world, breathing his last at 12:45 p. m., Friday, Feb. 22 at the age of 92 years, 6 months and 12 days. He is survived by his aged widow, Mrs. Nelson, two daughters and one son, Mrs. Johanna Nelson and Mrs. Christine Sallman, both of McPherson, Mr. John Nelson of Minneapolis, Minn., 18 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren, other relatives and a great host of friends. This aged couple had the privilege to celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary, Nov. 16, 1927, a grace which comes to very few. For this it was more than an anniversary, it was a day of praise to the Lord for His goodness and tender mercies.

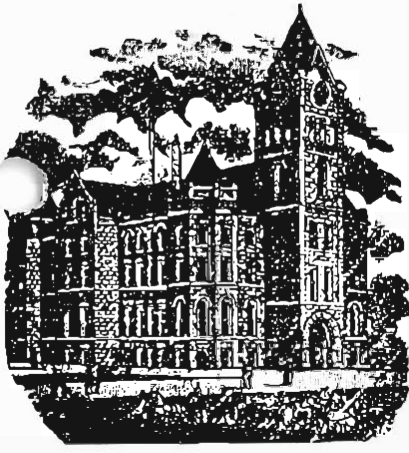
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WORD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends and neighbors for their help and sympathy after the death and burial of our beloved husband and father. Also for the many beautiful flowers and funeral services.

MRS. JAMES NELSON
MR. AND MRS. ALF. NELSON
AND FAMILY
MR. AND MRS. PETE SALLMAN
AND FAMILY
MR. AND MRS. JOHN NELSON
AND FAMILY

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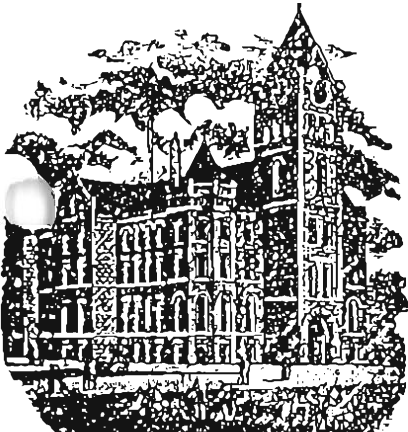
John's
Daughter
(Elna)
"Ella"
mother of Carl
Windom Castle
Twp

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John B. Nelson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1886
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Windom Castle
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Carpenter and Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Nyssa, Skona, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 41 - Born December 10, 1845
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: No. - when his wife died in 1901 at Windom, he took his family and moved to Idaho. He died in 1909 and is buried in Boise, Idaho.
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No.

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: [Signature]
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 506 E. 1st - McPherson, KS
Your occupation: RETIRED

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter Nelson & wife Anna Maja Nelson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County February, 1870
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 1/4, Sec. 15, Twp 17,
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer and railroad worker
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer born in Stockaryd, Småland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 49 and 47
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? twelve acres of homestead, yes.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs. Richard (Geneva) Peterson, Marquette,
Mrs. Otis (Alice) Shumard, Mc Pherson

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? Peter Nelson left his family in the dugout 1/4 miles northwest of Marquette on Dec. 8, 1870 to walk to the nearest grocery store--at Brookville. A blizzard came up, he never got back. His body was found in a haystack 1 1/2 miles from the dugout two weeks later. Buried in Freemount.
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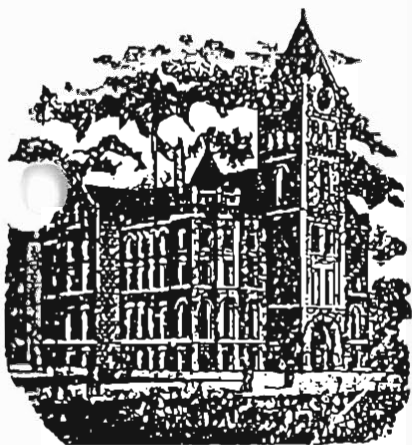
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Rev. Eugene K. Nelson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 211 S. Cherry, Lindsborg
Your occupation: retired Lutheran Pastor



My paternal grandparents, Peter and Anna Maja Nilson, had three children who grew to maturity. The eldest was John August, who followed the Swedish tradition and took his father's first name and added "Son" to it. John was 18 when he came to America. The next was my aunt Mary who married a man by the name of Paterson, and the youngest was my father Carl John, who followed the American custom and simply took the last name of Nelson.

The family came from Sweden in 1868, and spent two years near Berlin (now Sweden) Illinois. In February, 1870, they came out to Kansas and settled on a farm northwest of Marquette.

Carl John Nelson, son of Peter Nelson, was the father of Eugene K. Nelson now living in Lindsborg.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Kristina Lillian Nordberg
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandchild
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Holland Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer's wife
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Versland, Sweden - Sweden
Pioneer's age when she settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Richard Lillian, Margarette, Paine Schmidt
The Pharoas her daughter Kristin Schmidt, McPherson and Michael Henry
Baker, Lindstrom
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? no

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: x Richard Lillian

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

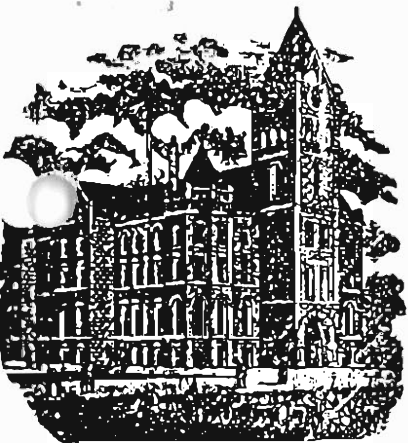
Your address: R.R. 1, Box 58, Wamego, KS 67464

Your occupation: Retired



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Louis Magnus Nordberg
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grandchild
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869 W2: NW 1/4 Sec 28
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sonaky Hill Township
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Vernum Park, Vermont, Sweden - Swede
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 23
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Richard Lillian Marguette, Elaine Schmidt, McPherson and Mike Becker, Lindsborg, Kristin Schmidt, daughter of Elaine, McPherson
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? no

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

Oct 24, 1930

Louis Magnus Nordberg

Born in Varnum Parish, Varmland Sweden, April 17, 1846, one of a family of ten children. At an early age he was thrown on his own resources, compelled to earn his living.

As a youth he was employed as a coachman to one of the great manor houses in his native district.

The sixties and seventies of the last century were hard years in Sweden. In company with his brother, Peter, Louis Nordberg joined the great migration to America. They arrived among the first newcomers to the Lindborg Community in 1869.

The brothers homesteaded each an eighty acre tract of land a mile south of what was to become the town site. Later Louis acquired another eighty from the Union Pacific Railway Company for \$800. At the time his neighbors considered the price exorbitant.

He found employment with construction gangs at the time of building the Santa Fe Railroad through Kansas. The coal mines of Asage City offered opportunity for work. After a season in the mines he bought his first horse and a cart and returned to his farm.

In 1871 he married Kristina Louise Johanson, also a newcomer from Varmland Sweden. Three children, two sons, August and Charles, one daughter Anna, were born to this union. The two sons passed away in early manhood and the daughter married Emil, the son of John Hillman, a Lindborg Pioneer and an intimate friend and business associate of Nordberg.

The family continued to live on the farm until 1919 when they moved to Lindborg. Louis Nordberg passed away Sept 1, 1931. Two days later, the day

of his burial, he was followed in death by
his wife.

Mr. & Mrs. Norsherg had four grandchildren:

Lillian (Lillian) Hall - deceased

Ruby (Lillian) Peterson St. John, Kansas

Richard Lillian Marquette, Kansas

Ervin Lillian deceased

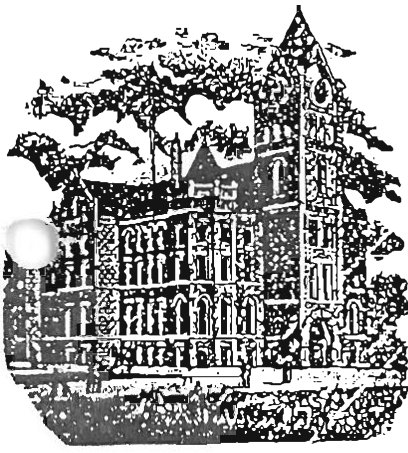
Marion Lillian deceased

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Bengt Anders Nordstedt
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County June, 1886
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Marquette - first Sec. 28
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer - then Sec. 4
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Hjalmersyd, Smaland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 37
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? no
Is homestead still in possession of family? no
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Allan & Laurie Lindfors, Eva & Noah - Marquette, Ks.
Danny & Pam (Lindfors) Morel, Nic & Neal - Marquette; Emmet Lindfors - Marquette

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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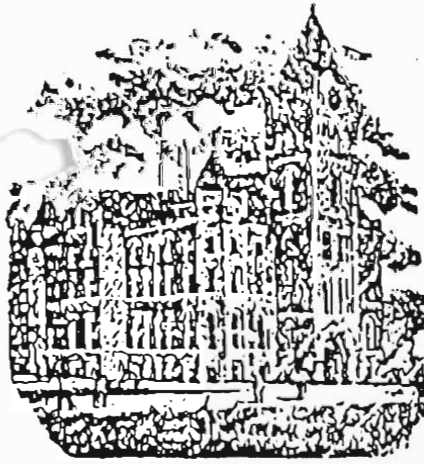
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Alan R. Lindfors

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 211 E. 5th, Marquette, Kansas

Your occupation: banker

*One point of interest - he was custodian and organ pumper at Elim Lutheran Church for many years



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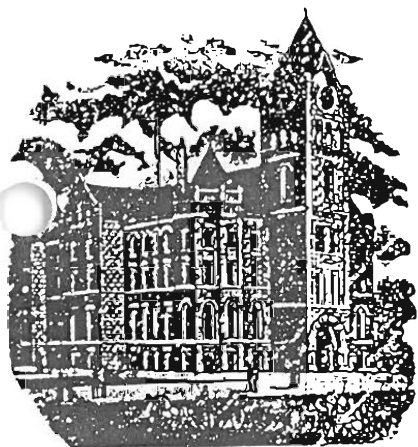
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter NOLLAND
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
 Month and year settled in McPherson County 11-28-1883
 Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled NW 4-30-19-5 Castle
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Carpenter - Farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden Sweden
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 37
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
 Is homestead still in possession of family? No
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: ABNER and Emory Nolland Halva Kansas
Helma Wallin McPherson Ks Violet Poehner McPherson Ks
Also: Grand Children, Great Grand Children + many, West Grand
 Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Abner Nolland
 If woman, Maiden Name: Emory Nolland
 Your address: Rt Box 38 Halva Kans
 Your occupation: Farmer - Stockman



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Albert Ogden
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great granddaughter Sub NE 4
 Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873 - Feb 11 Sec 3 (Canton)
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW 1/4 NE 4
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Near Bloomington - Davis Co, Iowa
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 29
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
 Is homestead still in possession of family? No
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Merlin, Mike + Brad Drescher R1 Box 40 A Canton
(over)

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

A son, John Ogden, was a photographer in Canton - later in Marion. I have found the Ogden name on many early photographs from this area.

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

If woman, Maiden Name: Marcella Stansell

Your address: R1 Box 40

Your occupation: Canton K.S. 67428

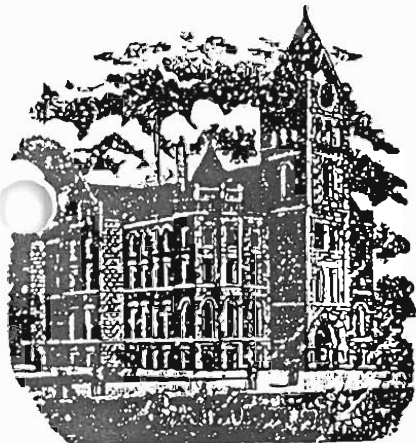


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My grandmother, Adeline Ogden-Moddrell used to tell of the
cattle drives that went near their home enroute to Chilene. One
time their family milk cow got loose and joined the herd going south
so their home must have been a little east of Canton^{+ north}.

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather ERICK Olson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1879 March 1879 NW 1/4 Sec. 1
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled New Gotland
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Stone Mason
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Lungsund, Sweden 1846 Swedish (Varmland)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 33 born 1846 Died 11-6-1924
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: Rosley Lamascus, Lindsborg; Bernice Olson Lindsborg; Margaret Hofermehl, Lindsborg; Lillian Gass, McPherson; Dorothy Smith McPherson - (Carol Olson, Cal.)
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 Leland G. Olson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 202 S. Cherry, Lindsborg, KS
Your occupation: Retired

Oscar E. Olson, 68, Fire

Chief Of Lindsborg, Dies

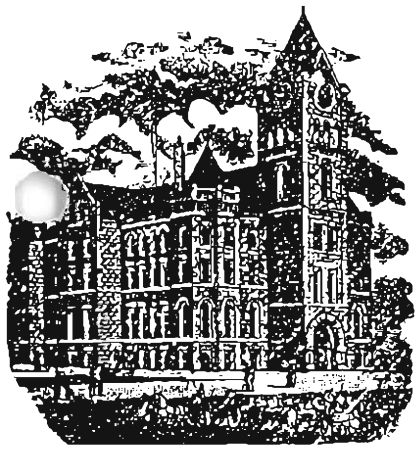
Lindsborg, Dec. 2 -- Oscar E. Olson, 68, Lindsborg fire chief since 1928 and a member of the city fire department since 1917, died this morning.

Mr. Olson was born on a farm east of Lindsborg Dec. 20, 1882, the son of Eric and Anna Olson. He was married to Anna V. Larson on Dec. 24, 1907. Mrs. Olson died on August 9, 1951. He had been in failing health for the last four months.

Mr. Olson was superintendent of the Lindsborg water and light department from 1925 to 1941, and from 1941 to 1945 was superintendent of the disposal plant at the Smoky Hill Air Base at Salina. Since then he has been the local manager of the REA. Mr. Olson was a member of the Messiah Lutheran Church.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Mildred Kraus, Hays; Mrs. Rosalie Lamascus, Marquette, and Mrs. Berniece Olson, Lindsborg; three sons, Roland, Olson, Hillsboro; Leland Olson, Long Beach, Calif.; and Virgil Olson, Spokane, Wash.; eight grandchildren; two brothers, Willie Olson, Lindsborg, and Arthur Olson, Placerville, Calif.; four sisters, Mrs. Johanna Burris, Placerville, Calif.; Mrs. Verna Hullman, Moline, Ill.; Mrs. Cecelia Wallsten, Hutchinson, and Mrs. John Anderson, Lindsborg.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Messiah Lutheran Church with Rev. Robert Hurty officiating. The body will lie in state at the Danielson-Johnson Funeral Home Tuesday night from 7 to 9 o'clock and Wednesday afternoon one hour prior to the funeral service. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery.



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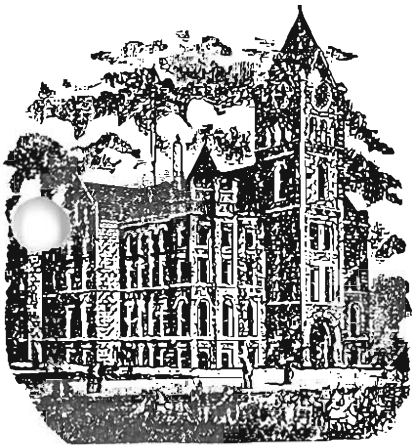
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John W Olson
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler granddaughter
 Month and year settled in McPherson County 12-10-1893
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled New Mattlock
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born 4-19-1853 - Malmo Skaneateles
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes New Mattlock Township
 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: Ernest Olson Cedar, Isabelle Ostlund R.R. 3
Redney J. Swanson R.R. 1 Carl Swanson R.R. 1 Original Pioneer 1373 Main
Mike Olson R.R. 3 Roger Swanson R.R. 1 Dale L. Swanson R.R. 3
 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 Isabelle Ostlund
 If woman, Maiden Name: _____
 Your address: 1272 McPherson, Ks
 Your occupation: Retired nurse



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Fredrick Ortman
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
 Month and year settled in McPherson County 1877
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 12-22a-2 S
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer (owned $N\frac{1}{2}SE\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 36 Alta Township)
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Russia (in Turkey Creek Twp. 1884.)
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 44
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Not to my knowledge
 Is homestead still in possession of family? No
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mrs E. M. Kaufman - McPherson
Mrs P. S. Wedel - Moundridge (Sisters of Albert Ortman.)

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? I never knew my grandfather as he & his wife both died in 1910. Albert remembers hearing stories which came from his grandfather about the terrible blizzard of 1886. Storm lasted for 3 days and 3 nights.

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Albert K. Ortman

If woman, Maiden Name:

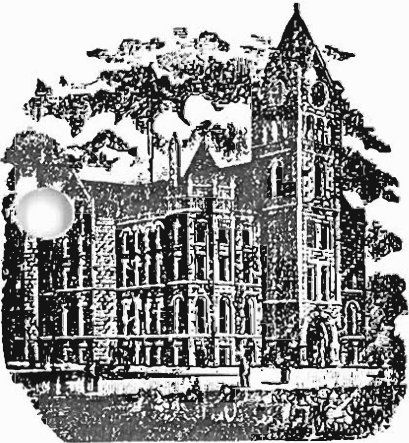
Your address: Moundridge KS RT1

Your occupation: Farmer



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather CHRISTIAN M. PEEL
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler grand daughter
 Month and year settled in McPherson County 1880 or 1881
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW 1/4 Sec. 13 T. 2 N. 2 E.
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farming in New Zealand (Carpenter)
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Bailein Holme, Denmark
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 29 or 30 yrs.
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? no.
 Is homestead still in possession of family? no homestead in the county
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Bernice E. Peel, granddaughter, McPherson Co., sister to Madeline C. Keenan

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 a soldier in the Civil War. Chris worked one or two winters in the Blacksmith Shop in Lindsborg on north main Street before farming in New Zealand.

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Madeline C. Keenan
 If woman, Maiden Name: Madeline Clara Peel
 Your address: 500 N. Ash McPherson
 Your occupation: Clem. Tesching



Christian M. Peel and Bartel Gibson, both Danes, married sisters - Lena and Mary Peterson.

Children of Christian M. Peel and Lena Peterson Bartel Gibson and Mary Peterson

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| 1. Carrie Peel who married Charles Yngstrom | 1. Julius Gibson |
| 2. Albert Peel | 2. Martin Gibson |
| | 3. Barton Gibson |

Christian M. Peel also had a brother-,

. He was the father of Henry Peel

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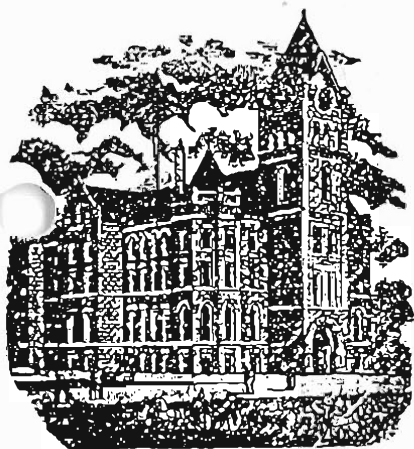
Abalina Christena Peel, daughter of Thomas and Abbalone Peterson, was born in Flensburg, Denmark, September 9, 1858, and passed away at her home in McPherson April 24, 1930, at the age of 71 years, 7 months and 15 days. At the age of 15 years she was confirmed in the Lutheran faith but in February 1904 she joined the Brethren Church of McPherson and has been a devoted christian all her life, and her one ambition was to serve her Master. She came to America in 1882 and has made McPherson County her home ever since. She was married to Christian M. Peel, the 21st day of November, 1883. Two children were born to this union, Mrs. Carrie Engstrom of McPherson, Kansas, and Albert Peel of Lindsborg, Kans. Her husband preceded her in death three years ago last September. Two sisters and four brothers have also passed on before her. She was always a faithful wife and mother and was loved by everyone that knew her and will be sadly missed by all. She leaves to mourn her departure, her two children, one brother, J. C. Peterson of Alamo, Texas, and two grandchildren, also several nieces and nephews and a host of friends. Blessed be her memory.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the kindness and sympathy of our friends, expressed in deeds, words and flowers, during the illness and death of our mother and sister.

MR. AND MRS. C. O. ENGSTROM
MR. AND MRS. ALBERT PEEL
AND FAMILY
J. C. PETERSON.

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Anna Danielson-Peterson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grand Daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1875- Deed on Homestead 1880
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled N $\frac{1}{2}$ of Sec. 26-18-4 Harper
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Homemaker, Mother and Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Alfta, Soken, Helsingland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Born 1834 - 47
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Yes.

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: Doris A. Schaff
If woman, Maiden Name: Doris A. Petersen
Your address: 215 W. 4th McPherson, Ks.
Your occupation: Retired B.H.

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Anna Danielson-Peterson and ~~Peterson~~ (He died in Sweden.)

(son) Betsy ~~Nelson~~ wife of (O)son ~~did age 94~~
~~Anna Danielson-Peterson and Peter E. Peterson (died in Sweden.)~~
(son) Children: ~~Joe Peterson - of Iowa~~
(son) of Peter E. Peterson

1. Olof O. Peterson and Alice Nelson None in County

2. Frank
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Peterson
Elmer?

Bill Peterson
Gary Peterson - Gala Madden and Tanner
Mary Ann Peterson-Walters
Doris Peterson-Schaff

3. Jonas Peterson -

Mable Never married
Arthur No. Children
Melvin
Alice Peterson Krhnm - No children
Eben - Janell Nelson - Sons, Kevin + Danny
Kathryn Cooper - Sonja, Sheila, Grady
Murtle Strouse

4. Eric - Peterson

Clara Peterson - Carhart
? Vera Peterson-Jensen
Affin Peterson Solme Co.

5. Adel Peterson - Charles - Rex

Betty Peterson-Houghton - Dennis, Mark and Kent
Bonnie Peterson-Henry - Donna Swenson -
Evin Aron and Ryan
Judy Peterson

6. Elvera Peterson-Hedges. - Alice Hedges - Lloyd.

7. A. Vivian Mrs. Bertil Swensson.

No children

8. Earl B. Peterson

Enma Anderson-Peterson
(Bruce - Tapaha)

9. Arvid Peterson

Betty

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl Peterson (wife - Catherine Ecker)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Direct grand parents
Month and year settled in McPherson County April 10, 1836 6 - May 8 - 1834 - May 8 - 1917
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 1875 - to 21st. in 1888
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer - NW of Marquette, Mo. - 1892
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Smolan, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 39 - died Oct. 24, 1908
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Not our immediate family
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Yes. (over)

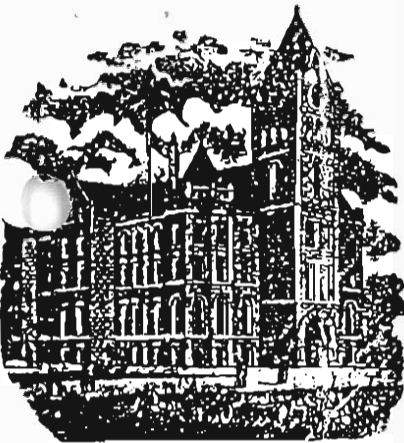
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No. - I did not know him. I did live on land that was part of the homestead - the home of my grandparents - Frank Peterson (wife) Kathie Peterson.
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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Rose Lee Greene
If woman, Maiden Name: McFord
Your address: 750 Pensator Dr
Your occupation: Waterloo Beach, Fla

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all contents of (Est. & Charles Peterson & family) in
1990 Peterson family - 1990
Philip Peterson, Marguerite Hansen
Robert McConnel McConnel - Single boy, K.
Francis Euclid Peterson (Mrs. G. L.) McPherson
Single Lee Nelson (boy) - Marguerite Hansen
Marilee Peterson - Marguerite Hansen.



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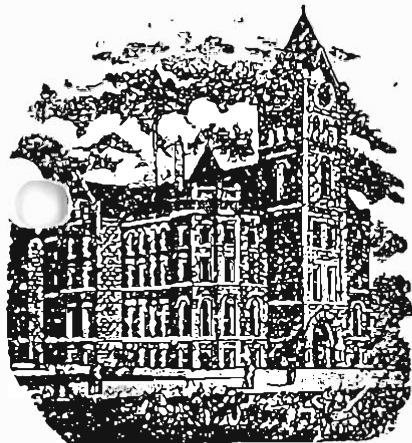
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Carolina Karnstrom (Charnstrom) Peterson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great-grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County Prior to 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Range 1 & Range 2 Sec. 7
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Housewife Delmore Twp
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Lungsunds socken (parish) Varmland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County Late twenty's or early thirties
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Married homesteader Per Johan Peterson
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. Richard (Mildred) Lillian, R. 1, Marquette, Ks.
and Mrs. Ruth Underwood, R. 2, Box 93, Lindsborg, Ks., both grand-daughters
and Gary Underwood, R.R.#2, Lindsborg, Ks.
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

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Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X *Ruth Underwood*
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: R. 2, Box 93, Lindsborg, Ks.
Your occupation: Supper Club Operator-Cheer



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Peter Peterson (father of John A Peterson)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 18 - DePue
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer B. Sweden N. Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: See attached

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
(will be sent later)

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Emily Rulquist

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: 3901 Pine Knot Court,

Your occupation: Wichita KS 67208 - Retired
College President and Professor



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PIONEER FAMILY DESCENDANT FORM -

1:45
10-21-87

Per 1884 Atlas John Peterson (John A. Peterson) owned
the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 18 of Delmore Township. This would indi-
cate that the family settled in McPherson County prior
to 1884.

A number of families residing in McPherson County would
be classified as descendants of John A. Peterson -
as well as Dr. Emory Lindquist and his brother living in
Wichita.

Descendants would include the following:

Nellie's

Ed Anderson's

Dennis Anderson & family

Royce Anderson and Family

Irene King

Dean King's family

Gladys Yingling's family

Sharon Ledell & Family

Christy Winsecker & Family

Enferd's Family -

Elaine Peterson-Lundstrom

Rex Peterson

Pay Hulsey

Sheryl Messinger & Family.

etal

Used the form by October 30th

Rec 11/2/89

3901 Pine Knot Court
Wichita, KS 67208

November 1, 1989

Dear Mary and Linn,

Your inquiry about my family and the relationship of the family to McPherson County came while we were in the midst of reading the page proofs on the G. N. Malvavolume . This accounts for our delay in writing to you.

The attached form provides the basic information. John Peter Peterson, father of John A. Peterson, my ^{5th} ~~maternal~~ grandfather, was the one who took a homestead in Section 18. I have asked the wife of my cousin, Gene Peterson, Los Cruces, NM, namely, Jan Peterson, to write to you with information that she is assembling about our family. She is doing a superb job in the context of her expert knowledge about effective genealogical research. She will recount the experience of the great grandfather in living in a dugout, his filing of papers on the land, the buildings that were constructed, land tilled, fruit trees planted, land hedged etc to present adequate evidence as to title. I have learned far more about that phase of our family than I ever thought would be possible. I am sure that you will hear from Jan Peterson in the reasonably near future. I regret my inexcusable delay in responding to previous inquiries about the family.

Indepret

I that circumstances make it impossible for me to be of any help.

Please drop in to see us whenever you are in Wichita. I am sorry that we were not at home when you called on us recently.

Irma joins me in sending cordial greetings and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Emory

Emory Lindquist

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CITY: Cattle 200; Hogs

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LINDSBORG PIONEER DIES

John A. Peterson, believed to have lived in McPherson county longer than any other Scandinavian-born pioneer, passed away at his home in Lindsborg yesterday morning at the age of 89 years and five months. He had been in failing health several months, but was seriously ill only two weeks.

Coming to Kansas from Sweden with his parents when only two and a half years old he was almost a Kansas product. He was one of the first constables in Lindsborg and held various offices of trust in the farming communities where he lived. He farmed in the New Gottland neighborhood and used to tell of the time when Delmore township boasted a rural post office, one of the vanished landmarks of McPherson county.

Later he farmed the place on the Smoky now known as the Axel Peterson farm, and twenty-four years ago moved to town, where for some years he was active as an auctioneer.

For the past few years he has been retired, but as late as when he was 85 he took his stand with the men in the harvest fields and did his work as well as the younger workers.

Mr. Peterson was married twice. Two children were born to the first marriage and seven to the second, all of whom together with the wife survive him. They are Mrs. Ed Tibbets and Mrs. Emil Johnson of Kansas City; Mrs. Carl Anderson, New Gottland; Enfred Peterson, Delmore; Mrs. Ned Acord, and Myrtle Peterson, Topeka; Mrs. Harry Lindquist, Everet Peterson and Algot Peterson, Lindsborg. There are 16 grand children and 7 great grandchildren. Harry Lindquist, postmaster in Lindsborg, is a son-in-law.

The funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock from the Train Brothers Funeral Home in Lindsborg. Dr. Alfred Bergin, pastor of Bethany church of which Mr. Peterson was a member in charge.

MILLINERY OPENS TOMORROW

Mrs. Charles Heinz announced today that she will open a millinery store, to be known as the Em Heinz Millinery, in the Sterling Shoe Store at 120 North Main tomorrow. Free souvenirs will be given to all ladies visiting the store during the day, she

said.

The store will carry the latest fashions in milady's millinery. It was promised. Mrs. Heinz is well known in this community as a dressmaker.

PULLETS TURN BUGS INTO MONEY MAKERS

(By the Associated Press)

Amity, Mo.—Bugs, normally a source of crop loss, made money this year for Gordon Thompson, farmer near here.

Thompson, who raises poultry and clover, protected his clover by turning loose his 2,200 white leghorn pullets in the field.

At intervals he placed shelter houses about 12 to 14 inches high. The pullets lived up to the breed's reputation for industry. Resting under the little shelter huts when tired or hot, they quickly cleared the field of bugs.

Thompson not only saved his clover crop, but found his bill for chicken feed had been cut in half.

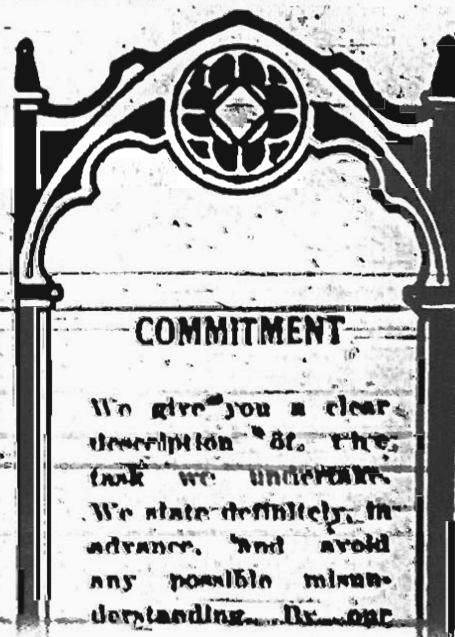
SIX CHILDREN TOO MUCH

(By the Associated Press)

Pittsfield, Mass., Aug. 14—Louis D'Allesandro won a divorce yesterday after he related that soon after his marriage in 1934, he arrived home for dinner one night and found six children, ranging in age from three to 17 years sitting at the table.

His wife's progeny by a previous marriage was news to him, he said, and when he protested, his wife "pushed him around."

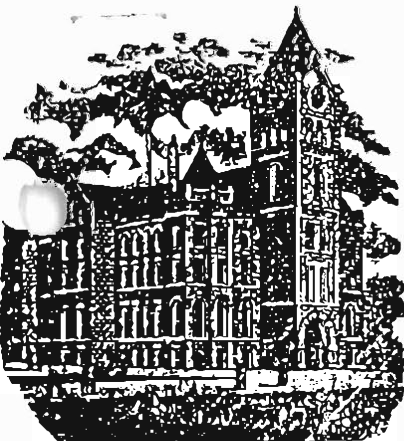
His divorce was awarded on grounds of cruel and abusive treatment.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Peter (Per) Johan Peterson
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great-grandson
 Month and year settled in McPherson County Prior to 1874
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Delmore & Wanda Sec. 7 in
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Carpenter, Railroad, and Farmer Delmore Twp.
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born 4/18/1842 in Asa socken (Parish) Smolan, Sweden
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County In his twenties or early thirties.
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes, he homesteaded in Delmore Township
 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. Richard Lillian, R. 1, Marquette, Ks., and
Mrs. Ruth Underwood, R. 2, Box 93, Lindsborg, Ks., both grand-daughters
and Cary Underwood, R.R.#2, Lindsborg, KS.
 Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

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

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Gary Underwood
 If woman, Maiden Name: _____
 Your address: R. 2, Box 93, Lindsborg, Ks.
 Your occupation: Supper Club Operator-Owner



Peter (Per) Johan Peterson was born April 18, 1842, in Asa socken (parish), Smolan, Sweden. He came to America and homesteaded in Delmore Township of McPherson County. He had worked in construction in Kansas City, and at the time he homesteaded, also worked on the railroad. Life was hard and at times lonely, so he and a friend, Mr. Hagstrand, went to Salina for the specific purpose of finding and meeting some girls. This eventually led to the marriage of Peter Johan and Carolina Karnstrom (Charnstrom) in Salina by a Pastor H. Blom on November 14, 1874.

Carolina came to America from Lungsunds socken (parish), Varmland, Sweden. She had worked for a family in Chicago, and was there during the big fire of 1871. After the fire, they had little with which to pay her, so they gave her a chest of drawers which is still in the family. From Chicago, she went to Hannibal, Missouri, and then on to Salina, since a brother Johan Charnstrom was already here in Kansas.

Peter Johan and Carolina were charter members of the New Gottland Covenant Church. They had four sons: Carl Johan, Peter Efraim, Gustaf Edvard, and Fredrick Wilhelm. A daughter died in infancy. Efraim and Fredrick were quite musical, and picked up and played almost any instrument by ear. Fredrick was also blessed with a beautiful tenor voice, and sang with the choir at the Covenant Church through the years. The family lived in a house with a thatched roof until one wintry day when sparks from their stove set the roof on fire, and the house burned to the ground. Father was not at home at the time, and Mother was out milking the cows, so the boys were in the house alone. Efraim was playing around with a gun. Just as Fredrick stepped up from his chair, the gun went off, blasting the seat of the chair. Fearful of letting the parents know just what had happened, Efraim broke up the chair, throwing the pieces into the stove. The resulting flare-up sent sparks up the chimney that set the roof on fire. Also, somehow in the excitement of the fire, someone set Gustaf down in his mother's bread dough.

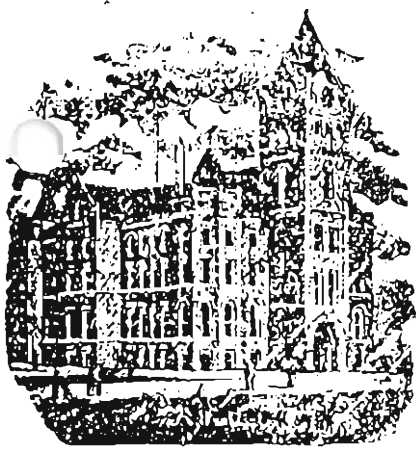
After the fire, they moved to a house along a draw near Lindsborg until a new house could be built. Gust also was once almost abducted by an Indian who had come by asking for food. Gust was playing in the yard, the Indian liked him and picked him up. He wanted to take Gust with him, but Carolina somehow convinced him to put the boy down. She was a true pioneer woman, ready to handle whatever came her way, a part of which, apparently, was milking cows. Since Peter Johan was, among other things, a tailor, he sewed the suits for the four boys, so Carolina did her part by milking the cows while he sewed.

Peter Johan was not a big man, but he was strong and determined, and he protected what was his. Big cattle herds from Texas--some of them Texas Longhorns--used to cut through the area on their way to Abilene. Some of them considered anything in their path along the way as fair game. One such group passing through decided to add his favorite cow to their own herd. Peter Johan saw them, grabbed his musket-loader and demanded they leave his cow where she was. The trail herd proceeded on to Abilene without Peter Johan's cow.

There are descendants from only two of the four boys. The ones living in McPherson County are the daughters of Fredrick Wilhelm, Mrs. Richard (Mildred) Lillian of Marquette, and Mrs. Dale (Ruth) Underwood of Lindsborg, and his grandson Gary Underwood, also of Lindsborg. A granddaughter,

Carole (Underwood) Gilmore lives in San Diego, California, as well as her daughter, Melanie. Gary was in radio broadcasting at KNEX, McPherson, for approximately three years. Ruth was the first woman pilot in this area when she soloed in 1939. Her daughter, Carole, followed in her footsteps, and soloed at the McPherson Airport at the age of sixteen.

The family of Peter Efraim consisted of two daughters and five sons. Rudolph, the oldest, is a retired mortician living in Mount Vernon, Washington. Three of the brothers, Robert, Wilbert, and Kenneth played and sang over Radio Station KFBI, Salina and Abilene, and were known as the Norse Gospel Trio. Their announcer-spokesman was Paul (Aurandt) Harvey, well-known news commentator. The three brothers of the Trio all became ministers. Kenneth lives in Wichita, and two have passed away, Robert, who lived in Hoisington, and Wilbert, who lived in Brazil. The youngest son, John W., is a nationally recognized composer of religious music who lives in or near Phoenix, Arizona. John on occasion played and sang with the Norse Gospel Trio, and was also known as "The Boy Soprano" on another show at KFBI. One daughter, Mable, passed away; the other, Marie, lives in Wichita. There are also several grandchildren.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather William C.F. Postier
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand Son
Month and year settled in McPherson County August 1874 Days
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 208 - Sec 34 - R5W - T2S
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Mecklenburg Stralitz, Germany German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 14 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? His father did
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: ALVA H. Postier - Rt 1 - Box 231 C - Inman KS 67546
LeSette M. Dicus - 108 N. Walnut - Inman KS 67546
A.P.T. 6

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

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Edna S. Helgenfeld
If woman, Maiden Name:
Your address: 611 McGee Dr Norman, OK 73069
Your occupation: Retired

(over)

3 Grandchildren are:

Keith Porter - 232 S. Grand - McPherson

Winifred Stout - 416 W. Euclid - McPherson

Lynell V. Porter - 1450 Tomba Ct - McPherson

50th Anniversary 1937

Of interest to people of McPherson county is the following story printed in the Inman Review, of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Postler of Inman:

"Mr. and Mrs. W. C. F. Postler celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, August 27. Relatives and friends, numbering one hundred and thirty-five, honored with a basket dinner at their country home now occupied by their son, Alva and family.

"The house was beautifully decorated with golden colored flowers, gifts from relatives and friends. The honored guests' table was centered with a three tiered wedding cake decorated in white and gold, and the golden colored candles in white holders placed at each end of the table.

"In the afternoon, from 3:00 to 6:00, Mr. and Mrs. Postler held open house at their home in Inman. Light refreshments were served from the table in the dining room presided over by Mrs. Marvin Postler and Miss Frances Hilgenfeld. The center piece of the table was a crystal bowl of golden colored gladiolas, with the double candlesticks of crystal and golden candles at each end of table. At this time the Women's Union of the St. Peter's Evangelical Church, to which Mrs. Postler is a member, presented a framed commemorative plaque with a gold wreath.

"Mrs. Postler was born in Hanover, Germany. She came to U. S. A. with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rump, in June, 1880, at the age of ten, coming to Inman, making their home with her mother's uncle, Christian Wendt for four weeks. During this time her father purchased a farm near Groveland where Mrs. Postler resided until her marriage to Mr. Postler.

"Mr. Postler's great-great-grandparents left France in 1670 at the time the Turks invaded France. Here is one of the experiences of the great-great-grandmother told by Mrs. Postler's father the late John Postler. A Turk soldier entered their home and demanded to be served soup that was cooking on the stove and she told him that it wasn't quite ready. He drew his sword and cut off her right arm. Another woman of the household stepped up without a word and served the soup as demanded.

"Mr. Postler was born in Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Germany. He came to U. S. A. in 1867 with his parents at the age of six and made their home on a farm near Franklin, Iowa, moving to Plymouth, Iowa, in 1871 and in Aug., 1874, he and his father came to Kansas, where his father homesteaded northwest of Inman.



After wheat sowing they returned to Iowa, as the grasshoppers had eaten all the feed and in the following spring they returned bringing the family. It took them four weeks to make this trip in covered wagons.

"Mr. and Mrs. Postler were married in the Evangelical Lutheran church and the reception was held at the home of her parents. The guests were entertained with an old fashioned dance. Mr. Henry Helm of Inman was one of the musicians,

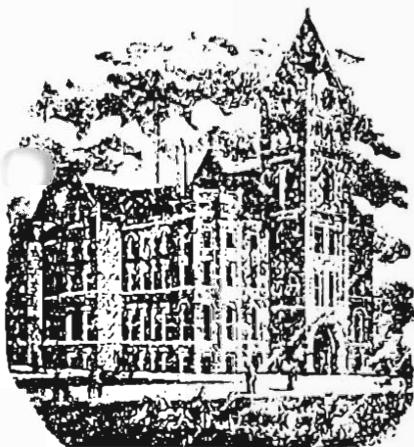
playing the accordian. They made their home on the farm northwest of Inman. In 1937 they retired and moved to their home in Inman.

"Their daughters and sons: Mr. E. W. J. Postler and Mrs. Postler, Mrs. Reuben (Mayme) Hilgenfeld and Mr. Hilgenfeld of McPherson; Mr. Walter K. Postler and Mrs. Postler; Mrs. Gordon (Hermine) Hill and Mr. Hill, Hutchinson; Mrs. O. W. (Martha) Lennen; Miss LeSette Postler, Bakersfield, Calif.; Mrs. Gerold (Hilda)

Molzen and Mr. Molzen, Newton; Mr. Alva H. Postler and Mrs. Postler; Mr. Marvin W. Postler and Mrs. Postler, Wichita; their grandchildren: Misses Frances Hilgenfeld, McPherson, Winifred Postler; Maxine Hilgenfeld, McPherson; Vernalee Postler; Elouise Postler; Messrs. Vern Hilgenfeld and Gene Hilgenfeld, McPherson; Floyd Postler; Norman Postler, Lynell Postler; Keith Postler; Kermit Postler; Calvin Molzen, Newton; Robert Molzen, Newton; Galen Postler; Jerry Molzen, Newton, were here to attend the occasion.

"Mrs. Postler's mother, Carolina Rump, who is past 94 years old, also helped to celebrate with Mr. and Mrs. Postler.

"McPherson guests were Mr. and Mrs. E. Post, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Post, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Post, Miss Viola Post, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gustafson, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ingman, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. Burton, Miss Betty Hartman, Warren Post, Cordeil Ingman."



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather RUFUS L. POWERS
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRANDDAUGHTERS
 Month and year settled in McPherson County 1 SEPT. 1880
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SW 1/4 Sec. 8 Twp. 19 S RANGE 1 W.
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER, & OWNER & OPERATOR of a SORGHUM MILL
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer NEAR AKRON, OHIO 3 APRIL 1851
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County APPROX. 29 YEARS
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? YES
 Is homestead still in possession of family? NO
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: NO

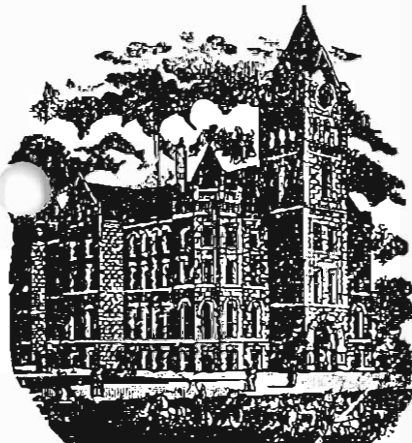
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest?

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Helen L. Finney
 If woman, Maiden Name: Hanson
 Your address: 1113 Lyndon Rd., McPherson
 Your occupation: Retired Barton Co. Register of Deeds

Sue H. Wintersteen
Hanson
1439 No. Maple St.
McPherson, KS

Retired Social Worker
(Child Welfare)



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather RUFUS LAYTON POWERS (*)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRANDSON
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1874 (possibly '73)
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled _____
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER (EX. SCHOOLTEACHER)
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer AKRON, OHIO (best info I have)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 23 b. 03 APR 1851
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? YES - 1873 or 1874
Is homestead still in possession of family? NO. SOLD YEARS AGO TO →
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: ELTON GANSON (may still be there)
Elton son of Louis (Lewis?) Ganson - Big family!
lived on Maple St. - Elton's mother was Eliza Mondie Powers
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? _____

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

If woman, Maiden Name: _____

Your address: _____

Your occupation: _____

* Married Addie Leona Dillehay (Delahay?)
b. IOWA 1850
d. CANTON, KS

(Both grandparents (above) are buried at Canton, KS)

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Grange
Odd Fellows
etc

AARON KOEHN

My aunt

COVER

I HAVE MANY PHOTOS OF THESE FOLKS!

My grandfather & grandmother came in a wagon to McPherson County (1873 or 1874), Homesteaded 160 A. two miles west & one mile north of where Canton is now. Property now belongs to Aaron Koehn.

My mother was born 'in the chicken house' in May, 1875 (only building they had then).

My grandparents lived on the farm until the early 1900's -- then moved to Edna, Texas. Don't have an exact year.

My father & Mother were married in the 'old' M.E. church in Canton, -- license in McPherson (I have a copy). My brother (John Bennett) was born at Canton 1899. My parents moved to Edna, TX about 1912 or so. I was born there in 1915.

My parents & I moved back to Canton in 1919. I went through high school there.

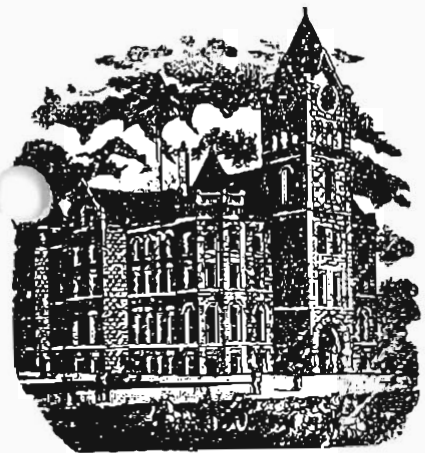
O.R. Powers - longtime station agent at Canton for the Rock Island - was my ~~mother's~~ double cousin, but I don't know just how that came about.

I remember 'uncles' on the Powers side, who lived within a radius of Canton. 'Will', 'Ed', etc. Don't know if they were real uncles, but surely related.

Dr. John Powers - Little River Hospital - was a relative.

PPK
8/24/87

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather James B Robertson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County Homestead 5-26-1879
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Empire SE 1/4 - 20-19-2 W
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer NW 1/4 - 21-19-2 W
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Dalkeith Scotland 1842 (timber claim)
Pioneer's age when he settled in County approx 37
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No. part of timber claim is
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: James B. Robertson (wife Aileen) Son - Jay - McPherson
Daughter - Carol Jackson - McPherson - Grandson - Jerry R. Galva
Jeffery R. McPherson - Son R. - Galva - Allen Jackson - Galva
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? In Scotch Army (over)

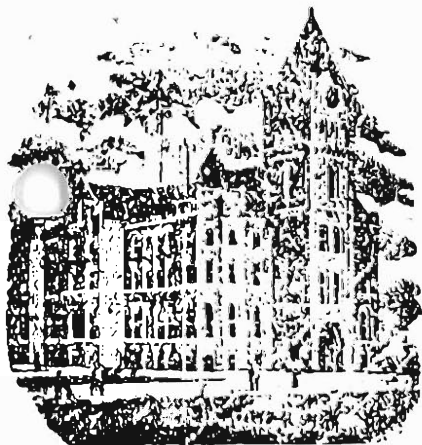
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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: x James B. Robertson
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: RR 4 Galva, Kan. 67443
Your occupation: Retired, farmer, teacher
- weight officer

Granddaughters - Annette Jackson - Galva, Amy Jackson - McPherson
Greatgrand daughters - Mileisa Robertson - McPherson, Jennifer and
Jordan Robertson - Galva.

The present James B. Robertson lives on the NW 20 acres
of the original Timber claim. The Timber claim was
signed by President Arthur in 1884.

Eli Shaw - my great grandfather, the ^{homesteaded}
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 32-19-1N in 3-25-79 for the sum of \$4.00

He was in the 14th Regiment of the Illinois
Infantry, in the Civil War. Grandma said he
took part in Sherman's march to the sea.



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jacob Rupp
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandfather
 Month and year settled in McPherson County 1874
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Mound SW 13-21-2W
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Jan 22, 1840 Maxweiler, Germany
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 34
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes, just on w. side of Mound-Meredian line
 Is homestead still in possession of family? yes, 160 acres
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: 3 descendants of C.W. Rupp; 5 of Hulda Rupp-Meyer among whom are Bertha Meyer Galle (Mrs. Dale Galle), Moundridge and Marie Meyer Wedel both of whom were present at Pioneer recognition at West Zion, Nov. 4, 1978.
 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? Jacob came to McPherson County from Iowa with his father and three brothers. They had come from the Palatinate of Germany.

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

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Bertha Meyer Galle
 If woman, Maiden Name: (now Mrs. Dale Galle)
 Your address: R. 2, Moundridge, Kansas 67107
 Your occupation: housewife

(over)

In an article written for the Moundridge Journal of May 22, 1975, Wm. Juhnke used a picture of Jacob Rupp on p. 1. Jacob is shown standing with his grandson Omer Rupp who is custodian in Moundridge High School. Omer's father was C. W. Rupp.

Jacob Rupp's father was Johann Rupp who served the First Mennonite Church of Christian as one of the pastors from 1880 to 1884. The Rupp family helped in the founding of the West Zion Mennonite Church.

Clarence Rupp, son of John J. Rupp and brother to the above Jacob, prepared a useful biography of the Johann Rupp and Marie Hirschler family. He reports that the family came to Iowa in 1855 from Maxweiler, near Munich, Germany. Members of this family arrived in what was to become the Moundridge community about six months earlier than those Swiss Mennonites who came in 1874. The Rups came direct from Germany and did not come via Russia to America.

Carl Rupp
Omer Rupp

wj 11-11-1978

Meridian Township

The land and people in the SE corner of McPherson County

By William E. Juhnke
(Continued from last week)

Happy Hollow

John and Elma Krehbiel Huxman live on the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 29, just a stone's throw from the Hetzkes.

"Jacob Diebert (as shown on the map) was my mother's grandfather. She inherited the land," said John. Together John and Elma manage a modern farmstead. They live in the former Happy Hollow school district.

One evening I called on Alfred and Josephine Stucky Meyer. Alfred's mother was Hulda Rupp. His father Friedrich, a Lutheran, came from Germany as a youth living and working for a friendly family. The Rupp-Meyer land started as the Dennis 80 as shown on Sec. 19. West Zion Mennonite was and is their church home.

A Rupp Benefactor

Clarence Rupp in a useful biography of Johann Rupp and Marie Hirschler says the family came to Iowa in 1855 from Maxweiler near Munich, Germany. Johann and a third son, Christian, who was single when they came to the area, had a farm on the border of Mound and Meridian Twps. Apparently it was this Christian Rupp who was of special remembered help to the Volhynia Swiss who came to the community, mostly to the west of Meridian.

Esther Lattschar Rupp, wife of Christie Rupp, Sr., and daughter-in-law Christian Rupp, helped to confirm that the latter had been here on the border for about six months and directed groups of Swiss to broken ground in October, 1874, on a Nichols farm. The north half of this Nichols farm is now owned and farmed by the Herb. J. Krehbiels. The Nichols farm was just across the border in Meridian Twp.

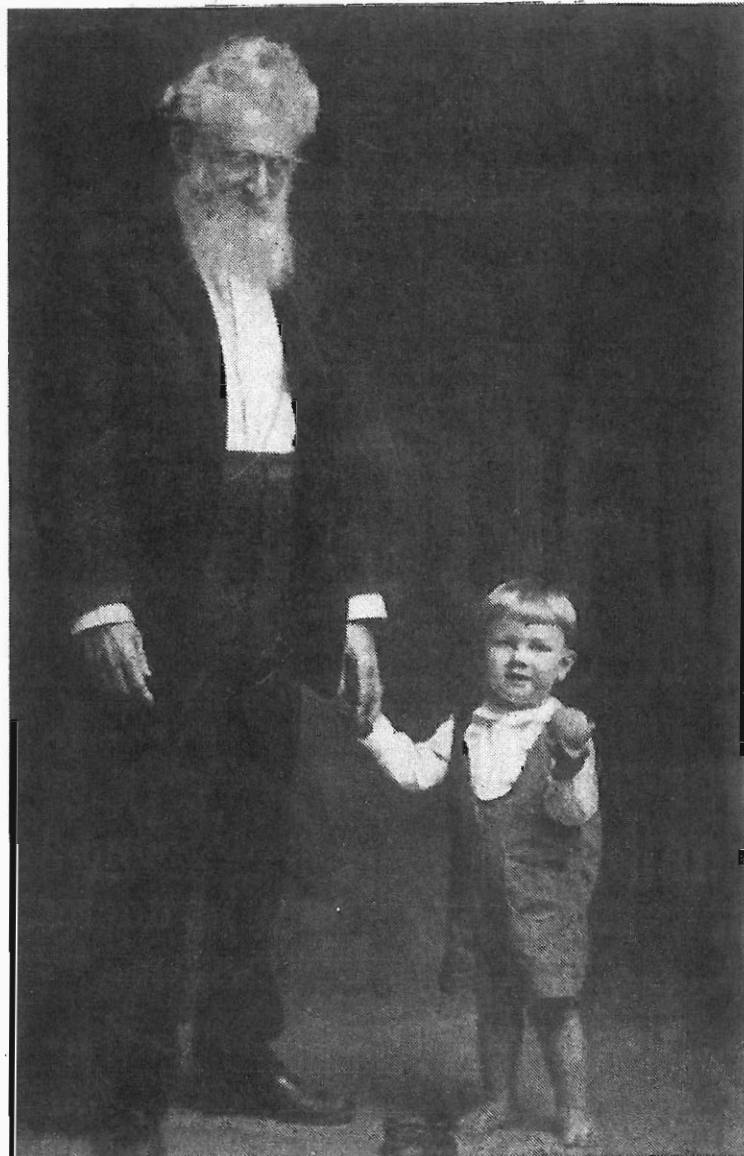
P. R. Kaufman in his "Unser Volk" refers to Chris Rupp and the Nichols farm about where I-35 crosses the SW tip of Meridian Twp. This is a free translation of what P. R. wrote on page 53: "On good advice we rented two farms already broken....one of them one mile south and two or three east of Moundridge. Here each family head put out 10 acres of wheat using seed mostly from the Warkentin mill at Halstead." And on page 146 he again writes, "Harvest came. The wheat had to be cut. My uncle and one of the kind Rupp boys (I think it was Chris), and he attached the self-rake to the mower...."

We learn similarly from P. P. Wedel's "Short History" as translated by Mr. and Mrs. Ben B. J. Goering p. 67: "About four or five families rented the Nichol farm.....Seed was bought for \$1.50 a bushel, sowed by hand, harvested.....They had bread and seed for the next year and extra money.....One day Father Rupp (who came from Iowa) came to my father and said, 'Brother, don't you want to buy a homestead for \$50?' Father said, 'Yes, but where can I get the money?' Father Rupp said he knew someone who would loan the money. So it happened."

There were other stories of Christian Rupp's generosity. Little girls walking by with the mail from the country P.O. would bring his also. The Rups would reward with a thick slice of bread smeared with applebutter.



PICTURE OF HAPPY HOLLOW STUDENTS in 1899. Front row, Della Dennis, Martha Huxman, Carl Jones, Alta Heintzleman (Mrs. Ed Mulvaney), second row, Dan Heintzleman, Ione Heintzleman, Emma Buehler (Mrs. Zene Huffman), Mary Jones Weaver, back row, Albert Heintzleman, M Mulligan teacher, Myrtle Jones (Mrs. Even Decker) and Maggie Heintzleman (Mrs. Monroe Schowalter). The picture is the courtesy of Carl and Libby Jones. He remembered that Pauline and Frank Hetzke (Cliff's father) are not on the picture because Herman refused to bring them to the Moundridge Studio, G. G. Isaac, proprietor.



JACOB RUPP AND GRANDSON OMER, present school custodian at Moundridge. A daughter, Hulda, married Friedrich Meyer. Her son Alfred lives on Dennis land in Meridian twp., bought by the Rupps.

Meridian Township

Jessie James Shot

5-22-76

Mary Ann Horchheimer, Esther's mother, had passed the Rupp residence and at the post office was shocked to learn people talking about Jessie James being shot. Frightened, she brought news along that was not believed. But it was so. Mary Ann was about twelve years of age. In later years pointing to the east she would say, "See that hedge! My sister and I put in the seedlings after my brother had drawn the furrow." She lived with the Rupps the last nine years.

Others Go East

Joe A. Goerings, Joe C. Goerings and John C. Goerings were Swiss families to move eastward into Meridian. Carl Jones credits county commissioner John C. Goering (known as "Schwartzkopf" for a dark head of hair) for helping to preserve the French cemetery located on the half section which Goering acquired.

Joe and John had married daughters of John J. Wedel. Their children are shown attending school in the township in some of the pictures in the Journal. The Goering Feedlot operation east of Moundridge run by Marvin, Gordon and Elmer H. Goering are descendants of the Joe C. Goering who was an organizer of a bank and hardware, and mercantile business. Of their grandfather and great-grandfather the McPherson Republican, Vol. X, No. 16, July 6, 1882, reported: "Mr. Joseph Goering and Miss Anna Wedel were married last Sunday, in the church at Christian, by the Rev. Mr. Galle. Jo is a jovial, good fellow and we wish him and his new wife much joy and happiness. Joe has already put up the cigars."

J. M. Goering bought land on Section 14 in 1939 where Waldo and Florence Goering Preheim now reside. Waldo served on the township board for 26 years. He, like John C. Goering, is serving as county commissioner.

Jacob C. Stucky bought land on Sec. 32 in 1900 where daughter, Maria and her husband, C. C. Graber moved a year later. The first Graber oil pool developed here. A son, Richard, is on the land. Across the road from C. C., the Joe C. Goerings left land to their children. On one of the farms was the John P. Graber family. It was in the Happy Hollow school district.

Each A Minority

To some extent we had in Meridian a miniature of society as a whole. The English, French, German, Pennsylvania Dutch and others came. Some were rugged individuals. By itself each group was in a minority.

They rubbed shoulders; they held together in their own ways. Familial patterns loosened, tightened, and occasionally broke.

I found in my interviews that there had been good, bad, even rough times. But in general the people of Meridian have moved with others toward more openness and toward a present valuing of their identity. They wished there were more records and were willing to share what they did have.

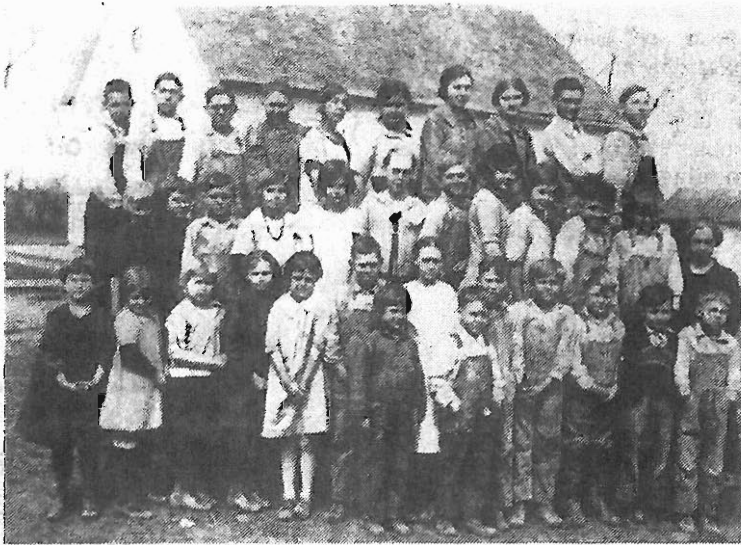
Frederick C. Lubke of the University of Nebraska wrote last year in the preface of "Bonds of Loyalty," "Minority history, once (an) unpleasant reality, has come in our time to be viewed as

a source of American vitality and self-illumination."

I have tried to personalize the story of Meridian and put the spotlight here and there. Each section, quarter, and family could provide many more details. Some would vary, others would be similar in many respects.



HENRY A. DESTER, HIS WIFE Katharine Rupp and her brother Jacob Rupp. Dester, son-in-law of Johann Rupp, helped lay out the border to Rupp purchased land on the border between Mound and Meridian Townships. Mrs. Christie Edgar Rupp, Sr., (Esther Lattschar) says her mother told about planting hedge shoots on border lines in clear view to the SE of their farm. (Picture courtesy Alfred Meyer)



HAPPY HOLLOW-DATE UNKNOWN, back row, Tony Graber, Daniel Huxman, Bill Graber, LaVerne Decker, Louise Huxman, Myrtle Hetzke, Selma Koehn, Amanda Koehn, C.J. Graber, Alfred Meyer, middle, Ruth Hetzke Dunlap, Edna Graber, Verne Graber, Marie Meyer Wedel, Verna Stucky Curtis, Mildred Vogts, Herman Koehn, Mildred Stucky Goodson, Velda Stucky Warren, Glenn Decker, Donald Stucky, Addie Hackenberg teacher, front, Mildred Graber Bartrug, Melva Stucky, Nita Duby, Elsie Schmidt, Ruth Graber Reimer, Richard Graber, Esther Schmidt, James Jones, Chester Koehn, Willie Stucky, Dwight Decker, John L. Huxman, Frank Hetzke and Ervin Schmidt.

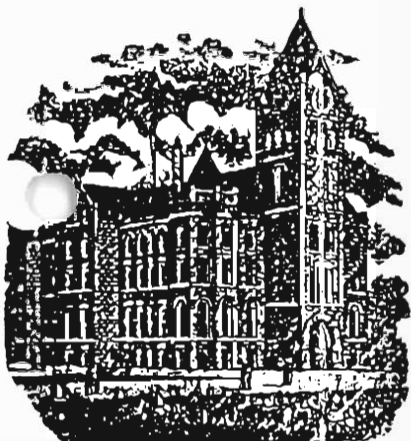
(Picture courtesy Agnes
and Edna Graber)



REV. JOHN C. GOERING was a preacher and county commissioner. They bought the Fabian LaGree land on Sec. 28. Pictured are Rev. John C. and Mary (Wedel) Goering and son Gerhard who married Ella Unruh, and daughter Elizabeth who married Earl Westerman. Mrs. Ray Schowalter of Northridge is a daughter. Attorney Elmer Goering of Hutchinson is a younger son. He sold the Herb J.R. place to his brother Joe. Joe's first residence was the John and Ed Zerger place SW of Moundridge. (Picture courtesy Paul & Selma Goering)



HAPPY HOLLOW 1913, front row, Pearl (Holdeman), Sylvester (Holdeman), Marvin Blair, Mary (Holdeman), Ellen Koehn, Clarence Goering, Bertha Meyer Galle, 2nd row, Peter Koehn, Elizabeth Meyer Loganbill, Edna Goering Hoffman, Linda Graber Voth, Olga Stucky, Lizzie Koehn, 3rd row, Clarence Gravel, Eddie Koehn, Merle Gravel, Nellie Horchheimer, Edna Graber, Elma Meyer Huxman, Esther Goering Krehbiel, back row, Albert Goering, Leslie (Holdeman), Henry Koehn, Walter Bahre, Emma Gravel, Bertha Murray, Elma Stucky Schroeder, Luella Krehbiel, teacher. (Picture courtesy of Agnes and Edna Graber)



10-29-90

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Amariah C. Russ *NEp Dec. 6. 185*
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Uncle (SEE NOTE AT BOTTOM OF PAGE)
Month and year settled in McPherson County unknown, name in census book of 1880
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled South Sharps creek
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer TOWNSHIP 39
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Gouverneur, St. Lawrence Co., New York ENGLISH
Pioneer's age when he settled in County in census book of 1880 it says he was 37
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes filed Jan 24, 1884
Is homestead still in possession of family? don't know
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Laura Moore, 901 N. Ash, McPherson, Kansas
Jack Mathes, 1330 N. Maple, McPherson, Kansas

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

YES HE WAS IN THE civil War.

He was a member of Co. I 112 N.Y. Inf.

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Lorraine M. Donal

If woman, Maiden Name: Lorraine Maxine Donal

Your address: 736 E. Mentor Rd. Salina, Kans.

Your occupation: housewife 67401

NOTE: my grandfather Thomas J. Donal was married to Adelia V. Russ.
Amariah C. Russ was a brother of Adelia V. Russ.
My father Herbert Lawrence Donal, was a son of Thomas & Adelia Donal. Therefore Amariah is my Great Uncle.

Please return completed forms to : Mr. Linn Peterson

540 E. Hill, McPherson, Ks. 67460



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Christian Schlatter
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great great grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County July, 1873 (Homestead Application) On land 3/1874
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled Township No 20, Section 26
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Germany, German Hays
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 35
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? Do not know.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Maryann Webb (McPherson City); Velma Lee Buchler (McPherson City); + other do not know their names. Some of the sons of Christian Schlatter also settled in McPherson County.
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 Clarence McDowell
If woman, Maiden Name: Clarence McDowell
Your address: 81 29th Ave North, Fargo, ND 58102
Your occupation: Fargo, North Dakota 58102
Chemist - Professor

Christian died 4/8/1884

According to information from my father, Christian's wife died in Iowa while he was building the homestead in McPherson County. His 2 youngest children Moses Schlatter and Sarah Schlatter Rummelried (my great grandmother) moved to Kansas and lived on the homestead. More information on separate sheets.

Joseph Schlatter born
Butler Co. Ohio June 18 46
the T. Journal the Sytup
see 6. June 17-1876 p. 445

Joseph K. Schlatter, Sec 9. Nat up
1884 lived by. - father born
+ mother Elizabeth born (Germ)
5 children - p. 513, 17 + 5

Bray Patent & Co. 614 p
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Ancestor Chart

Name of Compiler Clorence McDonald
 Address 81 29th Ave. North
 City, State Fargo, North Dakota 58102
 Date 8/1/89

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. _____ on chart No. _____.

Chart No. 1

b. Date of Birth
 p.b. Place of Birth
 m. Date of Marriage
 d. Date of Death
 p.d. Place of Death

4 Joseph McDonald

(Father of No. 2)
 b. 10/14/1830
 p.b. Blue Rock, Ohio
 m. 2/2/1877 (Mansfield, Ohio)
 d. 5/15/1916
 p.d. Meade Co, KS (Buried Inman, KS)

2 Edward Henry McDonald

(Father of No. 1)
 b. 2/6/1879
 p.b. Mansfield, Ohio
 m.
 d. 11/8/1956
 p.d. McPherson, KS

5 Minnie Daum

(Mother of No. 2)
 b. 2/12/1854
 p.b. Mansfield, Ohio
 d. 2/20/1930
 p.d. Mansfield, Ohio

Linell Webster McDonald

b. 8/24/1901
 p.b. Inman, KS (My Father)
 m. 12/29/1921
 d. 12/19/1978
 p.d. Wichita, KS

8 Ichabod Rummerfield

(Father of No. 3)
 b. 11/29/1862
 p.b. , Iowa
 m. ~ 1881
 d. 3/2/1937
 p.d. Pleasant Hill, MO

3 Mary Rummerfield

(Mother of No. 1)
 b. 11/21/1881
 p.b. Inman, KS (or Missouri)
 d. 10/12/1947
 p.d. Hutchinson, KS

7 Sarah Schlatter

(Mother of No. 3)
 b. 12/1/1865
 p.b. Traer, Iowa
 d. 2/22/1938
 p.d. Oklahoma City, OK

Ina Josy Slabach

(Spouse of No. 1)
 b. 8/29/1903
 p.b. Inman, KS
 d. Living
 p.d. (My Mother)

8 James McDonald

(Father of No. 4)
 b. 6/21/1823
 p.b. Washington Co, Penn.
 m. 10/17/1848 (Muskingum Co, Ohio)
 d. 7/16/1891
 p.d. Conway, KS
 (Buried McPherson, KS)
 Mary Mitchell
 (Mother of No. 4)

b.
 d. 3/2/1865
 p.d. Muskingum Co, Ohio

10 George J. Daum

(Father of No. 5)
 b. 10/19/1817
 p.b. Germany
 m.
 d. 11/7/1900
 p.d. Mansfield, Ohio
 Margaret
 (Mother of No. 5)

b. 1/10/1819
 p.b. Germany
 d. 2/4/1901
 p.d. Mansfield, Ohio

12 Benjamin Franklin Rummerfield

(Father of No. 6)
 b. 1/1/1832
 p.b. , Ohio
 m.
 d.
 p.d.

13 Sarah Jane King

(Mother of No. 6)
 b. 12/25/1837
 p.b. Illinois or Iowa Ohio
 d. 10/30/1931
 p.d. Clay Township, Adair, MO

14 Christian Schlatter

(Father of No. 7)
 b. 1817 or 1814
 p.b. Switzerland Germany
 m.
 d. 4/8/1884
 p.d. McPherson Co, KS

15 (Mother of No. 7)

b.
 p.b.
 d.
 p.d. , Iowa

16 Joseph McDonald

(Father of No. 8, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 1771, Co Down
 m. 1812 Ireland
 d. 10/25/1868 (Blue Rock, Ohio)
 Margaret Forsythe
 (Mother of No. 8, Cont. on chart No. _____)
 b. 12/1/1785
 d. 12/18/1866 (Blue Rock, Ohio)

18 (Father of No. 9, Cont. on chart No. _____)

19 (Mother of No. 9, Cont. on chart No. _____)

20 (Father of No. 10, Cont. on chart No. _____)

21 (Mother of No. 10, Cont. on chart No. _____)

22 (Father of No. 11, Cont. on chart No. _____)

23 (Mother of No. 11, Cont. on chart No. _____)

24 (Father of No. 12, Cont. on chart No. _____)

25 (Mother of No. 12, Cont. on chart No. _____)

26 Peter King

(Father of No. 13, Cont. on chart No. _____)

27 Elizabeth Carpenter

(Mother of No. 13, Cont. on chart No. _____)

28 (Father of No. 14, Cont. on chart No. _____)

29 (Mother of No. 14, Cont. on chart No. _____)

30 (Father of No. 15, Cont. on chart No. _____)

31 (Mother of No. 15, Cont. on chart No. _____)

The State of Ohio. Butler County ss:

To all whom these Presents Shall Come. Greeting.

Be it known, that on the Twenty first day of September in the term of September one thousand eight hundred and forty. before the Honorable Benjamin Hinkson, Esquire, President, and Dannel Walcken, Vincent D. Enyant and John McCloskey, Esquire, Associate Judges, of our Court of Common Pleas of the County of Butler in the State of Ohio here at Hamilton, comes Christian Schlatter an alien, a native of Germany who being duly affirmed in open court, deposit and saith that he was of the age of twenty one years in the month of December last past, that in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty two he emigrated from Germany and came to the United States of America being then a miner: that he has resided within the limits and under the Jurisdiction of the United States for more than three years next preceding his arriving at the age of twenty one, and continued to reside therein to the time of making this application, being more than five years last past: and that for three years preceding this application, it hath been bonafide his intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly to the Emperor of Germany when of he is now a subject, and praying to be admitted to become a citizen of the United States, and it approve to the satisfaction of the court by the oath of said Christian Schlatter, Gijnch and peter Shirty, citizens of the United States, that the said Christian Schlatter has resided within the limits and under the Jurisdiction of the United States for more than five years last past. and of more than one year in the state of Ohio and that during that period he has behaved as a man of good moral character, attached to the principles of the constitution of the United States and will dispose to the good order and happiness of same: and that for more than three years last past it has been the bonafide intention of said applicant to become a citizen of the United States: and the said Christian Schlatter having on his solemn affirmation in open court declares that he will support the constitution of the United States - and that he doth absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty, whatever, and particularly to the Empire of Germany, whereof he hath hence before been a subject, the said Christian Schlatter is therefore to become a citizen of the United States.

Seal

Witness Tayler Webster, Clerk of
our said Court of Common Pleas
at Hamilton the twenty sixth day of
September one thousand eight hundred
and forty

Tayler Webster, Clk

State of Kansas
McPherson County

Christian Schlatter of lawful age being first duly sworn according laid on oath says that he is the same person who on the 11 th day of July, 1873 made Entry Hd No. 14904 for the N. E. 1/4 of Sec. 26 Twp 20 R-5 West District of lands subject to entry at Salina, Kans: that during the Summer of 1873 he broke and the hedge rows around the land and commenced to build a house thereon about the 1st of January, 1874: that on account of the stormy severe cold weather he had to suspend work on his house; and that being quite an old man and having a sore limb at the time, and not being able to stand exposure he was unable to commence a residence upon the land before the expiration of 6 months from the date of the Homestead Entry: that he completed his house about the latter part of February, 1874 and moved into it about the first of March, 1874, and has continued to reside upon and cultivate the land ever since that to the present time. That he has valuable improvements thereon and therefore asking that a Patent may be issue to him for the said land.

Christian Schlatter
(his signature)

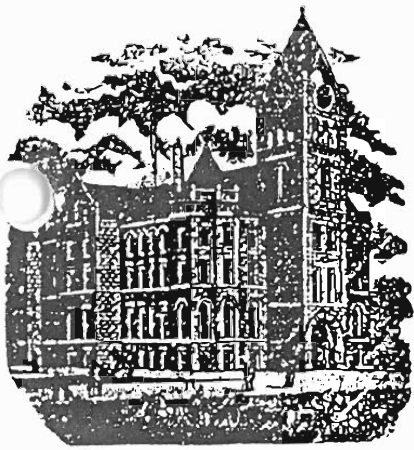
Subscribed and sworn before me this 29th day of Dec. A D 1879
Chas H. Knapp
Clerk Dist Court
McPherson Co, Kans.

Also personally James Vaneyoe and John Brememann Residents of the county of McPherson & State of Kansas, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit who being duly sworn say that they have heard the foregoing affidavit of Christian Schlatter read and that the statement therein contained is true.

James Vaneyoe
John Brememann

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of December, 1879
Chas. H. Knapp
Clerk Dist. Court
McPherson Co Kansas

9-28-89



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather AUGUST SCHLICHT
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County month 5 1886
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled SE $\frac{1}{4}$ & NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 14.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Blacksmith Spring Valley Twp.
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer SLAESWIG Holstein Germany - German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
Is homestead still in possession of family? _____
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Maxine Vogts - Canton Kans
Harold's sister
more information on back of sheet
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: x Harold Schlicht
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Rt #1 Box 169 Canton Kans
Your occupation: Retired



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hadonna Westbrook - Harold's daughter
Heather " " } Harold's grandchildren
Johanna " " }
Dale " " }

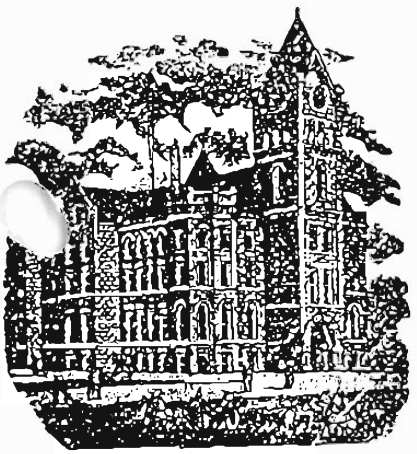
STUART Vogts } Maxine's children
Steven Vogts }
Stacey Vogts }
Sandra Schmidt }

SCOTT Vogts - Stuarts children
Sarah Vogts - Maxine's Grandchildren
Todd Vogts - Stevens children
Troy Vogts

Above names are all from Canton
Hans.
Mary Ann Friend: 321 North Oak McPherson Kans.

Emil Schlicht

2-6-90



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Heinrich P. Schmidt
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler He was my grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County September, 1874
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sparta School District
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Carpenter
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Waldheim in the Ukraine in Russia
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 36 years old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Hilda Steink (Schmidt)
1379 N. Main, McPherson, KS 67460

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? None children were born in Waldheim. My father, John J. Schmidt was the first child born in the U.S. on Feb. 27, 1872. My grandfather built the home where father was born and lived with all his 10 children.
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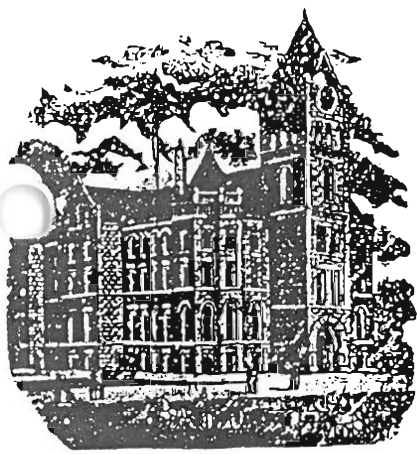
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Emma Ella Hofer (over)
If woman, Maiden Name: Schmidt
Your address: 1112 Eastman St., McPherson
Your occupation: Retired College Professor

This house is in very good condition and is occupied. The house and farm is 13-13 miles directly south of McPherson from Main Street.

Grandpa Schmidt was a big, heavy-set man, 5 ft, 8 inches tall with a reddish beard and full round face.

Grandpa did beautiful cabinet work with tools he brought from Russia. He used all wooden tools, except for metal blades and a metal knife. He had a 2-foot long, 4" by 4" wooden smoothing plane, a "forty-five" plane with a curved blade to make moulding, and a short jack plane. He kept all his tools in a wooden trunk.

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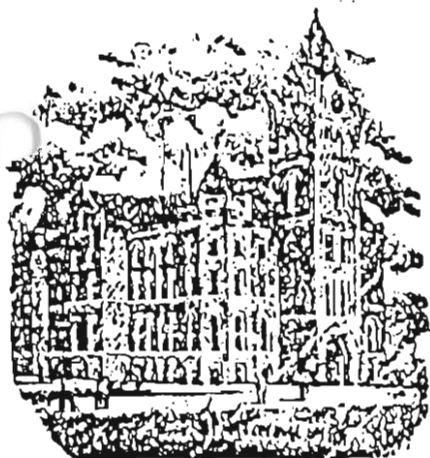
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Job W. Scott
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler great-granddaughter *+ 5th & 5th Sec 11*
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1876 *July Sec. 14, 5th Sec. 11*
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled Superior
Occupation of Pioneer Settler farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer St Thomas, Middlesex Co, Ontario, Canada - Scotch
Pioneer's age when he settled in County fifties - came with wife and 10 children
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? I don't know
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Merlin Mike + Brad Drescher Rt Box 40 Canton KS 67428

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 Maxella Drescher
If woman, Maiden Name: Maxella Stansel
Your address: Rt Box 40 Canton KS 67428
Your occupation: housewife - retired teacher



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather John Peter Sellberg
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson Harper, N.E. - 35-18-4
Month and year settled in McPherson County Jan. 1891 Me. P. SW 5-19-3
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Harper 18 South Bangell
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Barkarva, Sweden Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 23
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes. Homestead Certificate 9111 - March 6, 1898
Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Yes
Names and addresses: LeRoy and Robert Sellberg, Marie Larson, Adeline Schafer, Elmer Cooper all of McPherson, Rosalie Borg, Mildred Fields of Lindsborg. All are grandchildren. There are a number of great grandchildren
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: M. Sellberg

If woman, Maiden Name:

Your address: P.O. Box 46 McPherson

Your occupation: Teacher - farmer

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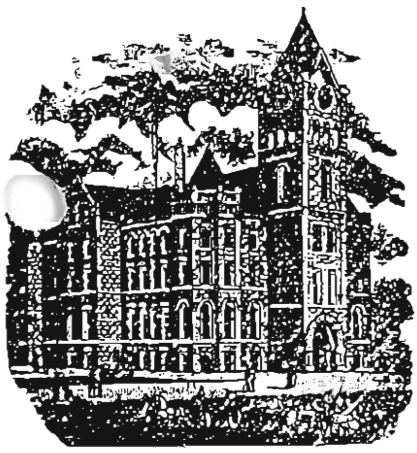
Jonas Peter and Betsy (also a pioneer) Sellberg celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 6, 1932 at the homestead farm in McPherson County. For the one hundred friends and relatives attending, a program was given by the children and grandchildren of the honored couple.

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In the home of Marvin (grandson of Jonas Peter Sellberg) and Marie Sellberg is the framed Homestead Certificate No. 9111 signed by President Grover Cleveland on March 6, 1888. This certificate was given by the pioneer, Jonas Peter Sellberg to his son, Edwin J. Sellberg, and then on to Edwin's son, Marvin Edwin Sellberg.

Father - John Peter Sellberg born 1828
Family - 1. C. August Sellberg - Born 1857
2. Ida (Mrs Oscar Treuberg) born 1855
3. Jonas Peter Sellberg born 1858 - Son's Edwin Arthur
4. John Walfred Sellberg born 1862
5. Nels Oscar Sellberg born 1864 - his father's father
6. Otto Alfred Sellberg born 1867 (achelon)

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Nels Oscar Sellberg
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler My father
Month and year settled in McPherson County March 23rd 1893
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec 5-19-3 Mt Hope
Occupation of Pioneer Settler _____
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Menlunda Parish, Smoland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County My father was 9 years old - I when he came from Sweden to Saline Co.
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? My Grandfather J. P. Sellberg
Is homestead still in possession of family? _____
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Several distant relatives

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? Father was Professor of Higher Mathematics at Bethany College, McPherson County, Treasurer, Cashier of Farmers State Bank at Salina, Kas., Trustee of the McPherson Co. Gas Royalty Company, many other ways helped progress of the community.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Gila A. Tector
If woman, Maiden Name: Gila Alfrida Sellberg
Your address: The Cedars
Your occupation: _____

Nils Oscar Sillberg's father was among those who in 1873 voted to decide where the County seat should be. He went to New Scotland although, in a way, he preferred McPherson as he said "The roads especially in winter are best North and South".

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Mr. Sellberg says he came to this County in a snow storm. It was on March 23rd, 1873 that his parents moved from Salemsborg in Saline County to the northern edge of McPherson Township, four miles north of McPherson, and when they came within sight of their homestead it began to snow and turned real cold, and the next day there was a regular blizzard so a person could hardly see ten yards away; and it proved rather trying for horses and cattle not being very well prepared for such weather.

John P. Sellberg, father of N. O. Sellberg, had settled in Saline County in 1870, but as only 80 acres was available for homestead, he together with his son C. A. Sellberg decided in 1872 to go up on the "Prairie" as it was called and look around for a 160 acre homestead, and they selected the South half of Section five in McPherson Township taking one quarter each. The Southeast quarter which C. A. Sellberg selected was later "jumped" by Olof Chilstrom.

At this time there was hardly a house to be seen from the Smokey River up to Within a short distance of McPherson, but from this time on there was gradually being erected dug-outs, sodhouses, and small frame houses. Mr. C. E. Hedlund had a small frame house 8 by 10 feet on the quarter which N. O. Sellberg now owns near the Hilton Station. A. W. Olson, James Nelson, C. J. Blomberg, and Pergetroms came in close succession; also a little further south were, Fred Jackson, Dan Schmalzried, Oliver Mathes, Peter Hill and others.

In the fall of 1874 the grasshoppers came and took all the corn and everything green. They even peeled the bark from the hedge and small trees, but the hedge was hardy and grew anyway the next spring. There was sent out from the east all kinds of seeds and clothing, but none of the Sellbergs asked for any of this.

The trouble in this neighborhood was to get water. John P. Grant pre-empted a quarter near what is now Hilton and dug a well 80 ft. deep, but found no water, and so he moved his house and everything four miles east and homesteaded there; but John P. Sellberg had used his homestead right where he located and could not move. It was mentioned to him a little later that he should take a timber claim or buy some land, but he said "What shall I do with more land?, I may have to leave what I have."

However, a little later in the year 1877 he bought the quarter adjoining his on the West for \$300 for C. A. Sellberg and somewhere about the year 1881 he bought two quarters for \$1,200 each. This is mentioned to show how slowly, but gradually the land priced advanced. One of these last quarters was settled by J. Peter Sellberg who is probably one among the few who have remained on the farm and is still living on this farm after over fifty years.

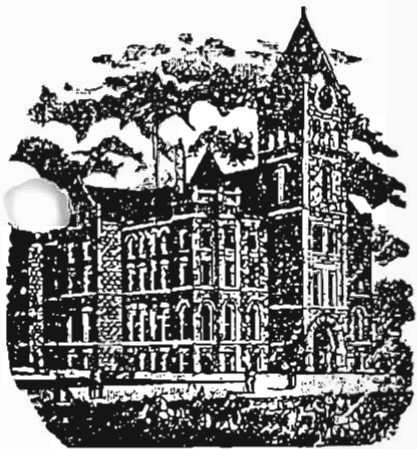
As was stated above it was hard to get water, and for several years water had to be hauled for cattle and horses. Some 5 or 6 wells were dug on the SW 1/4 5-19-3, and later a well driller by the name of Raak drilled a well, which I think was about 150 ft. deep, but it gave plenty water.

Prairie fire was a dangerous enemy in those days. Mr. Sellberg says he remembers one Sunday afternoon they saw at a distance such a fire sending up its dense smoke and even the flames could be seen leaping skyward, and of course everyone got busy with water and gunney sacks and started backfire and thus did everything to save property, both houses, stacks of grain and hay, as well as cattle were in danger, because the fire would spare nothing found in its path where there was the tall bluestem grass that was found on the prairie in those early days.

Mr. Sellberg's father was one among those who in 1873 voted to decide where the County seat should be. He went to New Gottland although, in a way, he preferred McPherson as he said, "The roads especially in winter are best North and South."

N. O. Sellberg did not see any Indians in this County, but big herds of antelope. In Saline County he remembers a band of Indians came over the hill from the west. There were some 5 or 6 in the party. Mother was alone with us three smallest boys. They were friendly Indians, however, and only begged meat and flour. They did not want bread. They wanted to do the baking themselves. They also asked for clothing, and we gave them what we could spare for fear if for no other reason.

Mr. Sellberg, like most of the early settlers, has grown up with the country and has noted and experienced the vast changes from a vast prairie to what is now a prosperous and productive country; from dugouts, and oxtteams and lumber wagons, to fine dwelling houses, fine horse teams and carriages, automobiles and flying machines, and is wondering what will come next.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather SOLOMON AND DAVID STEPHENS
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GREAT GRANDFATHER
Month and year settled in McPherson County April of 1866. 584
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Sec. 32, Union Twp.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmers - Elevator Operator
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer FORT CAMPBELL TENN.
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? 1866 Union Co. near Fairmount Lutheran
Is homestead still in possession of family? No.
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: ?

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Solomon - Member McPherson Town Company, First Country Treasurer - 1870-3; and State Representative 1874. David - 1874-5 Second County Treasurer. Solomon moved to Western Colorado and died there.

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Hubert L. Stephens
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: SE 3330 Lynch Rd. Shiloh Mo
Your occupation: retired 74554



David's Apple (Acorn)

B 1808, GRAYSON VIR.
M 1837-31, 302Y 1878
D 34Y H. M. Sharp
Elyabeth M. Sharp
B 1807

Stephen D. Grayson
B 1830
M 1853
D 1894
Elyabeth Grayson

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B 1839
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Lucetta Grayson
B 1834
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Henry Grace
B 1776
M 1844
D 1863
Grayson Grace

Johnston Stephens

B 6 MAR. 1840
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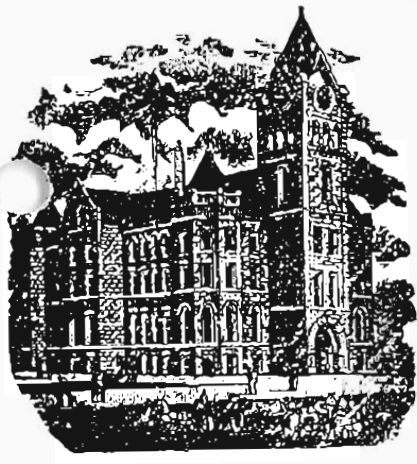
George J. Reynolds
Francis M. Hendie

B 1 SEP 1931
OLYMPIA WASH

Francis J. Wade

B 10 OCT 1915
OLYMPIA W.N.

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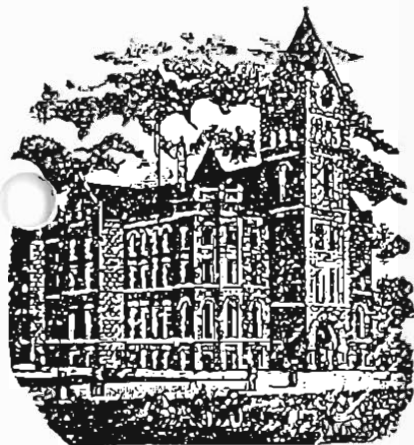
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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Benjamin R. Stucky
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Granddaughter
 Month and year settled in McPherson County Deed Recorded Oct 6, 1886
 Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled NE 29-21-2 Mound
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Russia
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 18
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? no 3 M. West $\frac{1}{2}$ S. of Mdge.
 Is homestead still in possession of family? yes
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: yes many. John R. Stucky son of Eli Stucky. His son Ken Stucky took over Clarence Graber Insurance Agency in Mdel. Ken's wife, Pat, is member of Mdge. Centennial Committee.
 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 Betty and her husband live 2m. west and south of Moundridge, on land where her mother grew up Ray. Licht. Her father was co. commissioner. Mrs. Ben R. Stucky, Jr. lives in Moundridge. Dan Stucky, a retired farmer and carpenter 535 Park Place lived in Moundridge.
 (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
 Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Betty Licht (Licht)
 If woman, Maiden Name: Betty Zenger daughter of Anna Stucky Zenger
 Your address: RR2 Box 167A Moundridge, KS
 Your occupation: Teacher
 Her father was former co. commissioner from 3rd district, Gerhard Zenger.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jacob L. Stucky
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County Fall of 1881/874
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled Turkey Creek T.S. Section 13
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Russia
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 21
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Yes (included on separate sheet)

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

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Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Albert Stucky
If woman, Maiden Name: RR #1, Box #81
Your address: McPherson
Your occupation: Retired



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3rd generation Names & addresses of descendants of Jacob J. Stucky living in McPherson County

Herb C Stucky - Pine Village, Moundridge KS.

Carl J. Stucky R.R. 1 McPherson KS.

Agnes E Stucky 7, Memorial Home, Moundridge

Oliver Stucky - R.R. 2 Moundridge

Albert Stucky R.R. 1 - McPherson KS.

Irene Kaufman 805 S. Main McPherson KS

Edna Stucky. Pine Village, Moundridge

Mae Schrag (Mrs. Paul G.) 707 Spruce Moundridge

Luella Schrag (Mrs. Orlin) 210 Elm Moundridge

Geneva Kaufman (Mrs. Olin). 822 S. Main McPherson

4th generation

Jim Stucky - R.R. 1 McPherson, KS.

Ben Stucky - R.R. 1 McPherson KS.

minorson (Daniel)

Joby Stucky - R 2 - McPherson KS.

(minor daughters Sarah and Erica)

Kent Stucky - R 1 - McPherson, KS.

Kathy Ensz - 107 Arcadia Court, McPherson KS.

minor daughter - Jori

Daniel Schrag - R R 1 - McPherson

minor daughter - Megan

(over)

Bruce Stucky - R R 2 - Moundridge KS.
minor sons Brian and David -

Clair Stucky - 407 W. Cole Moundridge
Randy Kaufman - R R 1 Windom
minor daughter Christina minor son David

5th generation

gms
daughters { Sheryl Dick - R 1 - McPherson,
minor daughters Elizabeth, Katharine and Rebecca
Donna Sanborn - 510 S. main -
minor daughters - Lauren and Kaylen

Ben's
son - Mark Stucky - R 1 - McPherson

This list provided by Geneva Kaufman and Gene Kaufman

Val Stucky, Son of Jacob W Stucky
and father of Albert Stucky.

Daeⁿ Stucky, Gt. - Wichita



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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

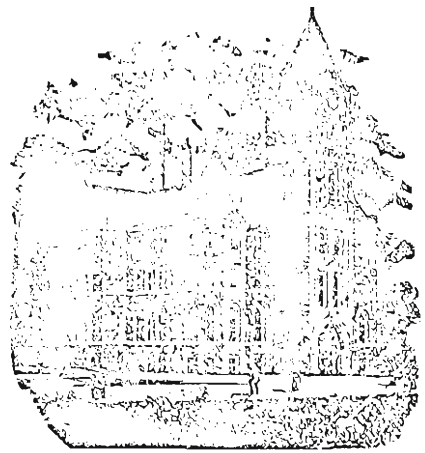
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(To be completed and returned to S. M. Dell, President of McPherson County Historical Society, or to Howard Patrick, President of the Smoky Valley Historical Association no later than ~~November~~ October 26, prior to the Banquet.)

Full name of your pioneer forefather Carl Suenram
Your relationship to pioneer settler Grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County _____
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Turkey Creek NW 1/4 Sec 27-21-3
Occupation of pioneer settler Farmer 184-1903?
Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Germany- German
Pioneer's age when he settled in County _____
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No in Cedar Co, Nebraska
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:
Farm now owned by Marlin Vogt 6 1/4 West of Moundridge
Branch of Dry Turkey Creek draining McPherson runs thru farm
Was the pioneer a soldier in the Civil War? No and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the pioneer settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Moved to Harvey Co. Dutch avenue, 4 S and 1/2 West of Moundridge where won Paul lived before moving to Moundridge
children attended in Dist. 64 North Garden. descendants on school board until school consolidation with Moundridge
Information provided by- Your signature
(over) If woman, maiden name _____
Your address _____
Your occupation _____

Grandson Bob Suenram lives in McPherson. Bob's wife works in McPherson Sentinel office
is my key contact at Sentinel. WJ. Bob Was my student in Moundridge High School.

Bob's grandmother, Fredericka Juhnke was sister of My Juhnke Grandfather. wj. Bob's
sister Ada's husband, Vernard Vogt was owner of the Joundridge Journal and signed by
contract when I was teacher in Moundridge High School. Ada's daughter and husband Gordon Herr
present owners and managers of the Moundridge Journal.



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(1870 + Prior)

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

101st Birthday of McPherson County.

REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

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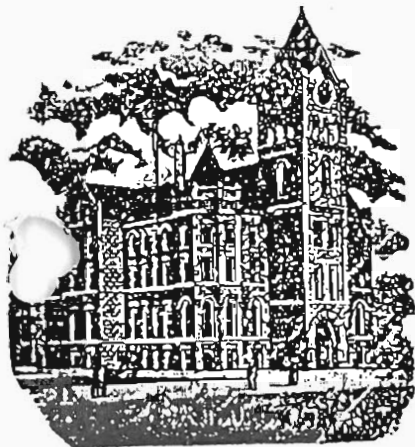
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Name of your Pioneer forefather Carl Johan Sundgren (Aug. 8, 1838-Jan. 29, 1929)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great grand father
Month and year settled in McPherson County August 1869 W. W. Sec 28-57-4
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled 1 mi. N & 1/2 mi. E W. Sec 15
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer of Freemount church
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Ostergottland, Sweden
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31 yr.
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 Vade Meyers, Mrs. Vincent Cedarholm,
Marquette. Mr. Archer W. Sundgren Jr., Mr. Laurel Sundgren, Mr. Edmond Sundgren,
Lindsborg. Mrs Robert Lindh, Miss Cheryl Lindh, Marquette.

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

Great grand father his wife and five children arrived in Salina from the
east coast by train. They walked from Salina to the settlement where he
homesteaded. Three more children were born in this family.

Your Signature: Laurel Sundgren
~~Let someone else sign for you~~ Laurel Sundgren
Your address: Lindsborg, Kans.
Your occupation: Farmer



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather C. J. Sundgren (Carl Johan)
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1869
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Three Tr. Sec 5
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Sweden - Swedish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31 yrs
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Louise Sundgren - Edmond Sundgren
Laruth (Sundgren) Birch

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

Aug 8, 1838, died Jan 29, 1929 - (90 yrs old. 62 married)
Buried in Fremont Cemetery

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

Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Louise Sundgren

If woman, Maiden Name: Sundgren

Your address: P.O. Box 13 Depueville

Your occupation: Housewife - Farmer

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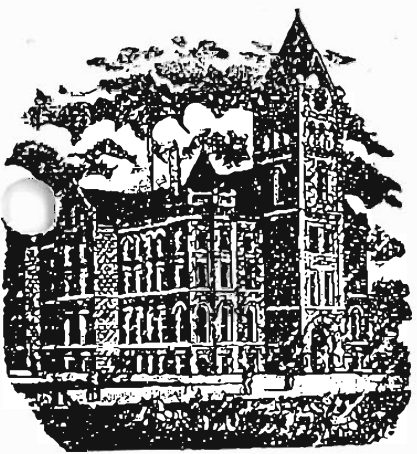
person is
The oldest, buried in the Fremont
Cemetery is buried in the Jundgren
Plot

name — Anna M. (Anderson)
Born: March 1, 1796
Died: Sept. 22, 1878

I am'trying to find out what relation she was
to C. J. Jundgren, sister? — mother-in-law?

She must have come over here from
Sweden with C. J. Jundgren!

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Clark Toland
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grand daughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1882 Feb
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Lone Tree, Section 10 -> 20-2.
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer, Auctioneer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Born Aug. 19, 1847, Delaware County, Ohio
Pioneer's age when he settled in County About 35 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: My brother - Clark Ingram, Canton, Ky. his son, Vaughn Ingram, McPherson, Mo. 3 of my children: Lovetta, Lindborg, Beah + Karla RRL Shyrum, Ky sister, Emma Schomig and 2 of her children, Warren + Sheri all of McPherson.
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? According to the records of the War Dept. in Washington, on Sept. 20, 1864, Clark enlisted as a private in the Union Army in Company I, 12th Regiment of Michigan Volunteer Infantry for military service in the Civil War. He has honorable discharge from military service at Little Rock, Ark. on Sept. 13, 1865, he is described (over)
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Toline Hesse
If woman, Maiden Name: Toline Ingram
Your address: RRI Shyrum (Rofburg area)
Your occupation: Homemaker

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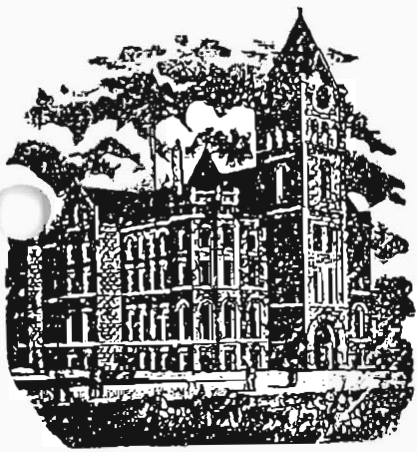
as "seventeen^{*} years of age, five feet five inches tall, dark complexion, hazel eyes, dark hair, and on enrollment by occupation a farmer." * (On Sept. 13, 1865, Clark was 18 instead of 17 years old as stated in the discharge record.)"

→ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sect. 10, Twp. 20, Rge. 2 West of the 6th Principal Meridian which they (Clark & Eliza Toland) bought for \$2600. (Book 26 of Deeds, p. 117).

Above information from: Clark and Eliza (Wright) Toland
Their Ancestors and Descendants

Compiled by
Dorothy Mae (Toland) Busser
Glydie W. Toland
Stanley E. Toland
1984

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather James William Walker
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1884
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled McPherson
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Politician, Probate Judge, Justice of the Peace, etc.
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer 19 Jan. 1858, Troy, Doniphan Cty, KS, English,
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26 Scotch and Irish
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: Margaret E. Essex, 321 N. Chestnut, Lindsborg, Daughter.
Edna May Youngquist, 121 N. Cedar, Lindsborg, Granddaughter. (daughter of Esther Brunzell
Jane R. Brunzell, 223 S. 2nd, Lindsborg, Great Granddaughter. (daughter of James W Brunzell
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, not in the Civil War.
He did serve McPherson in many political fields as a Democrat. He was first elected constable in 1885, and served eight years. In 1892, elected probate judge and re-elected several times after that. He served as justice of the peace, city clerk, city attorney (Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.) (-Over)
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: Jane R. Brunzell
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 223 S. Second, Lindsborg, 67456
Your occupation: _____

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and police judge. He engaged in ^{the} real estate business. Was vice-president of the Farmers' Alliance Insurance Company for ten years.

He received his early education in the public schools of Buchanan county, MO, and at the normal school at Fort Scott, KS, graduating in 1878. In 1879, began the manufacture of patent medicines. He became a traveling salesman and came to McPherson county, where he located in 1884.

James W. Walker was married 27 Oct. 1884, to Christine, daughter of Andrew Sandstrom, a settler and farmer of Smoky View township, Saline county, and emigrant from Sweden.

Children: Esther May: m. August O. Brunsell, Saline county farmer

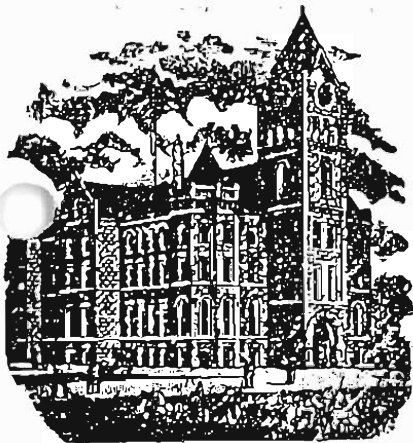
Hannah:

Margaret E.: still living and resides at Bethany Home, Lindsborg.
(Essex)



J. W. WALKER
Probate Judge and Democratic candi- 1
date for re-election.

Picture taken from The McPherson Republican,
August 21, 1914. The Acquaintance Edition,
Section 2.



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Nathaniel Walker
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great, great granddaughter
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1879
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Farm near Roxbury
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Carpenter
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer 2 June 1829, Nelson Cty., KY; English & Scotch
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 50
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
Is homestead still in possession of family? _____
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Margaret E. Essex, 321 N. Chestnut, Lindsborg, Granddaughter. Edna May Youngquist, 121 N. Cedar, Lindsborg, Great Granddaughter.
Jane R. Brunsell, 223 S. 2nd, Lindsborg, Great, Great Granddaughter.
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? On 5 Aug. 1862, he enlisted as a private in Company B, One Hundred and Twenty-second Illinois infantry. Served until mustered out of service at Mobile, Ala., 15 July 1865. Last three years of enlistment were served as regimental butcher. (-Over)
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: Jane R. Brunsell
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: 223 S. Second, Lindsborg, 67456
Your occupation: _____

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FUNERAL NOTICE

*Died, at his home 409 North Maple Street.
McPherson, Kansas, Friday morning Decem-
ber 11, 1914, at 10 o'clock.*

NATHANIEL WALKER,

aged 85 years, 6 months and 9 days,

*Funeral services will be held at the home
Saturday afternoon, December 12, 1914, at
2:30 o'clock.*

Friends invited.

*According to Edna Y.
she remembered him being dressed
in his civil war uniform for burial.*

Nathaniel Walker had, also, enlisted in the Mexican War. He enlisted 7 May 1847, and was mustered into the army 21 June 1847, at Alton, Ill. He served in Company D, Sixth Illinois foot soldiers. He was promoted to corporal for his ability as a marksman and was appointed regimental gunner.

On 25 July 1855, he married Margaret, daughter of Benjamin Cornelius, ^{Benjamin was} a native of Tennessee, whose grandfather was born in Ireland. Margaret was born near Liberty, Clay county Missouri, 8 March 1832.

Children: Sarah: m. Arthur McMahon of McPherson
James W.: m. Christine Sandstrom ^{near} Lindsborg, Smoky View township of
Mary F.: m. Ezra Burt of Ingalls, KS Saline County,
Charles Lee: a resident of Anna, Ill.
Samuel Lynam: resided in Burnal, KS
Hattie: m. Warren Williams

Mr. Peterson,

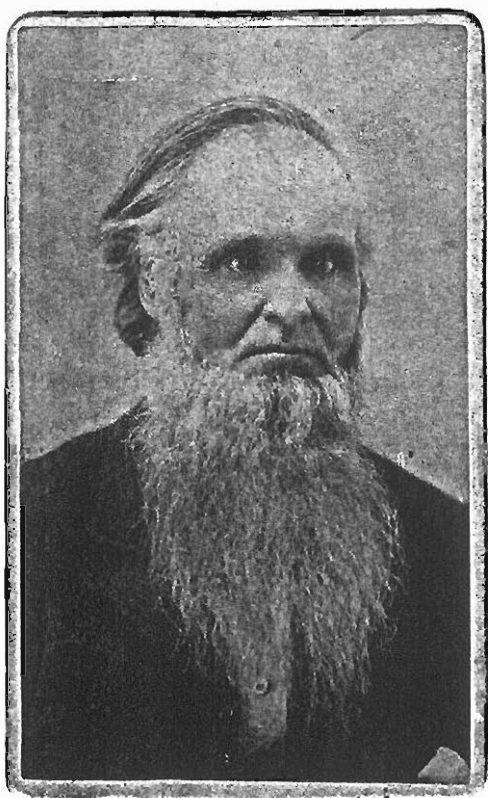
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Enclosed ~~is~~ information on
Nathaniel Walker and James W.
Walker.

If you read these at the
meeting, all the information I
have typed up does not need to
be read. ~~Thank you.~~

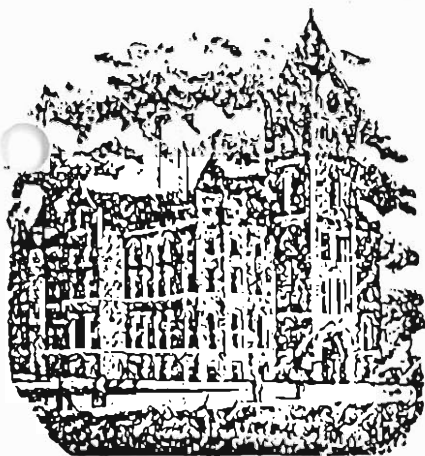
Thank you.

Jane Brunzell



S. 22. 1864
J. W.
Moffatt
Allen & Co
R. Walker
Bank Light -
Moffatt
J. W. Moffatt
original
10 x 4-0 in

Picture of Nathaniel Walker: (2 June 1829 = 11 December 1914.)



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Benjamin Wedel
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great Grandfather
 Month and year settled in McPherson County Spring of 1875
 Township and section number or town in which forefather settled Stone Town - Sec. # 25
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer & Minister
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Grienthal, Poland-Russia
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County May 13, 1830 - now 25 years
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes
 Is homestead still in possession of family? NO
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Mary - My Mother Frieda Wedel Becker is a granddaughter. She lives at Roxbury, 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? _____

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

Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Shirley Becker Adair
 If woman, Maiden Name: _____
 Your address: 613 Spruce St. McPherson
 Your occupation: Bank Teller

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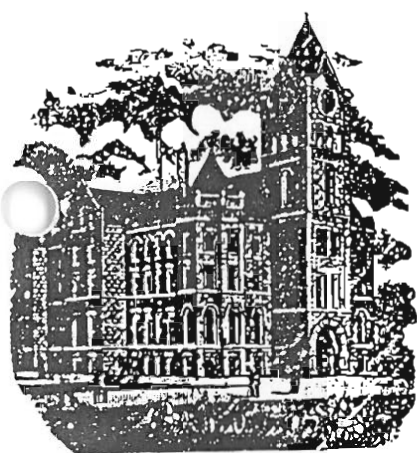


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Wife was Susanna Jantz Medel born Sept. 30, 1846
at Panswalde, Poland-Russia. They were married
December 12, 1865 - Came to America Nov. 10, 1874.
Lived at Lumber Rock the first winter. They settled
in McPherson County in the Spring of 1875.
They were parents of ten children - seven reaching
adulthood.

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather ABRAHAM WENGER
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Great grand-son
Month and year settled in McPherson County in 1872 (don't know month)
Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled SE 1/4 of Sec. 14 Spring Valley
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Kitchener, Ontario - Canadian
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 26 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? yes- the deed and land cost was \$14.00
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: Clayton Wenger, Rt. 2, Moundridge, Ks.
Norman Wenger, Rt. 4, Galva, Ks. - Mrs. Howard Miller, Mrs. Orval Johnson,
Mrs. Sam Jantz, all of Moundridge, Ks. - Mrs. Howard Jantz, Mrs. Weldon Boeckner
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting (Rt. 2, and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of (Moundridge particular significance or interest? No, they lived in Canada during the Civil war, if I'm not mistaken. When his ^{grand} parents moved from Switzerland it was during the Revolutionary war and they felt the colonies shouldn't rebel against the King of England, so they moved to Canada.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - Your Signature: X Franklin J. Wenger
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: Rt. 1 Box 165, Moundridge, Ks 67107
Your occupation: Farmer - Minister

Note: We don't understand that the record shows that G. Grandpa settled in Spring Valley township. The 160 acres were in section 14 of Meridian Township. F.W. Corrected

12/1/2003 **Milferd Wenger**
MOUNDRIDGE -- Mil-
Sentinel

ferd Wenger, 87, of Moundridge, died Nov. 29, 2003.

He was a minister and farmer.

Survivors include: son, Eldon Wenger, Moundridge; daughters, Gloria Dyck, Atwater, Calif., and Ladeen Unruh, Goodwell, Okla.; brothers, Herby Wenger and Bill Wenger, both of Newton, and Clayton and Norman Wenger, both of Moundridge; sisters, Mae Wiggers, Newton, Ruby Smith, Fairview, Okla., Clara Holdeman, Moundridge, and Della Schmidt, Montezuma; 17 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren.

Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Garden View Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, rural Halstead. Burial will be in the Meridian Church Cemetery, rural Hesston. Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m., with family present from 6:30 to 8 p.m., today at Moundridge Funeral Home.

Memorials are suggested to Moundridge Manor or Memorial Home in care of the funeral home.

Moundridge 11-30-2002
Eagle

Wenger, Minister Harry D., 91, minister and farmer, died Friday, Nov. 29, 2002. Visitation with family 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday; service 10 a.m. Monday, both at Meridian Church of God in

Christ, Mennonite, rural Hesston.

Survivors: wife, Gladys; sons, Franklin of Moundridge, Carl of Hesston, Waldon of Wichita, Lee of Sylvia; daughter, Grace Wenger of Texhoma, Okla.; brothers, Paul of Louisville, Ga., Ervy of Walnut Hill, Fla.; sisters, Elda Koehn, Grace Diller both of Montezuma, Ruth Johnson, Josephine Jantz both of Moundridge, Edith Ensz of Center, Colo.; half-brothers, John of Walnut Hill, Fla., Glen of Faunsdale, Ala.; half-sisters, Verna Schmidt of Macon, Miss., Vesta Peters of Walnut Hill, Fla., Mary Ann Nikkel of Louisville, Ga., Martha Koehn of Bowersville, Ga.; stepbrother, Maynard Peters of Louisville, Ga.; stepsister, Alice Dyck of Hesston; 17 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren. Memorials established with General Mission Board of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite and Moundridge Manor.

Moundridge, Carl Wenger, Hesston, Waldon Wenger, Wichita, and Lee Wenger, Sylvia; daughter, Grace Wenger, Texhoma, Okla.; brothers, Paul Wenger, Louisville, Ga., and Ervy Wenger, Walnut Hill, Fla.; sisters, Elda Koehn, Montezuma, Ruth Johnson, Moundridge, Josephine Jantz, Moundridge, Grace Diller, Montezuma, and Edith Ensz, Center, Colo.; half-brothers, John Wenger, Walnut Hill, Fla., and Glen Wenger, Faunsdale, Ala.; half-sisters, Verna Schmidt, Macon, Miss., Vesta Peters, Walnut Hill, Fla., Mary Ann Nikkel, Louisville, Ga., and Martha Koehn, Bowersville, Ga.; step-brother, Maynard Peters, Louisville, Ga.; step-sister, Alice Dyck, Hesston; 17 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren.

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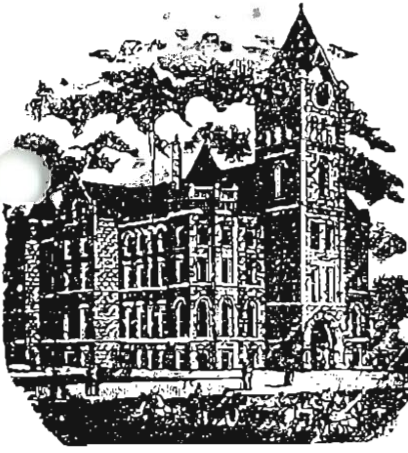
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Harry D. Wenger

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Survivors include: wife, Gladys Wenger; sons, Franklin Wenger,



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather LEMAN WIARD
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler GRANDFATHER OF FRANKLIN E. WIARD (DECEASED) MY HUSBAND
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1876 W 27 W, Sec 5 - C 4
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NW 4 32-18-5 SS Creek
Occupation of Pioneer Settler FARMER - CARPENTER - MASON
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer SPRING TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD Co. PENN ENGLISH BORN
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 37 12-6-1837
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: ME (WIARD) ANDERSON - WILSON, KS - R.R. #1
LEAMAN MILLER CONWAY, KS R.R. - MARIE SCHMIDT 1431 DOVER RD McPHERSON
RHODA (MILLER) AHLSTEDT 1406 GARDEN AVE - McPHERSON (ALL GRANDCHILDREN) 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? YES PVT B COMPANY 131
REGIMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA INFANTRY VOLUNTEERS

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Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: X Lillian E. Wiard
If woman, Maiden Name: Borg
Your address: 1116 Edgemoore Dr. McPherson, KS
Your occupation: Retired Widows Pensions & Wiard

KARLA (WIARD) ESAN 1107 LYNDON RD MOPHERSON, KS (GREAT GRANDCHILD)
CAROLYN ESAN } 1107 LYNDON RD MOPHERSON, KS (GREAT GREAT GRANDCHILDREN)
JEROME ESAN }

BERNICE (DANIELSON) HUDI. 1111 N. ELM - MOPHERSON, KS (GREAT GRANDCHILD)
ARLENE (DANIELSON) PITTMAN - MARQUETTA, KS (GREAT GRANDCHILD)

VEDA AHLSTEDT 1354 S. WALNUT - MOPHERSON, KS (GREAT GRANDCHILD)

MICHAEL ANDERSON - P.O. WINDOM, KS (GREAT GRANDCHILD)

1895 - Sam, O.F., Leoman

Other Wives: 1902 - Sam, Frank, Leoman

1915 - Frank, O.F., Leoman



Homestead Certificate No. 8715
APPLICATION 2167

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

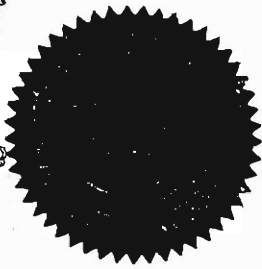
To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas There has been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a Certificate of the Registrar of the Land Office at Salina, Kansas, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of Leman Ward has been established and duly consummated, in conformity to law, for the north west quarter of Section thirty two in Township eighteen north of Range five west of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Kansas containing one hundred and sixty acres

according to the Official Plat of the survey of the said Land, returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General:

Now know ye, That there is, therefore, granted by the United States unto the said Leman Ward the tract of Land above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said Leman Ward and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I, Garner Cleveland President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.



Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the 11th day of February, in the year of our said one thousand eight hundred and seventy-eight, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twelfth.

BY THE PRESIDENT: Garner Cleveland By Ma. M. Hooper, Secretary.
R. B. W. Ross, Recorder of the General Land Office.

W. H. Nelson - Marshall
Wife - Lizzie B. Ward -
Marshall

Marshall Nelson
Oct 25, 1865 Edinboro
Erie Co Penn; Pa

Children: Archie B. Nelson

1. 8-19-66
T. Fitzgerald, Dora H.
11-15-98 2. 3-5-68

Father Robert 3. Eph. K.
10-22-71

Nelson Edwin
W. H. Cayman City Conn 4. Edwin W. Nelson
3-22-74

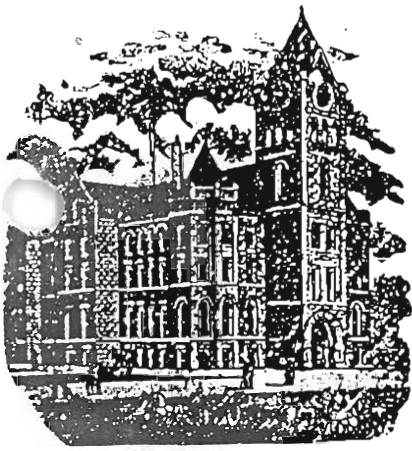
25-1902
College Ave. 5. Clyde
12-31-76

Lizzie Widow 6. Rose
12-23-78

Daughter - died 8-3-1920 7. Edna
5-12-81

Lucinda Waldo 8. Nina
5-14-02 3-12-84

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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather William Henry WIDIGER
 Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Son
 Month and year settled in McPherson County Sept. 15, 1886?
 Township and section number, or town in which forefather settled City of McPherson
 Occupation of Pioneer Settler Watchmaker Started at age 14
 Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Ukraine ~~Russia~~ German Citizen
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 11 years old
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No.
 Is homestead still in possession of family? No
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: _____

Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? No He wasn't Alive In Civil War Time.

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

Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: X Morton S. Widiger (Morton S. Widiger)
 If woman, Maiden Name: _____
 Your address: 435 S. Tulip St., McPherson
 Your occupation: Retired

My Dad was Born in 1871 & he came to this Country when he was 11 years old & that would be around 1882 & he started watchmaking when he was 14 years old under Richard Miller & I figured it was around 1885



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Don - Dumont
Morton - died 6-1-1999

During the 1930's the watchmakers of Kansas tried to get a licence law passed and my Dad was elected the Technical Advisor for the State of Kansas. He traveled around the state giving talks and demonstrations on technical data about watches. During this time he built a weight clock and he also made the tools to cut the teeth in the wheels. The law for licensing didn't pass.

During World War 2 supplies were hard to obtain, so if he didn't have a balance staff, he would take the hair spring off & the roller table off the balance wheel draw the temper & drill a hole in the balance staff where the broken pivot was and drive a small piece of spring steel wire into the hole and then turn it down into a pivot. (Pivots were measured in one hundredth of a mm (millimeter) or around the size of a human hair) I watch him do it and I tried but I would break the drills.

Dad was quite a musician too. He said that he was the first around here to play a slide trombone. His voice was a Baritone. He played in the George Hapgood Band & later in the Hutchinson Band. He sang in quite a few Operas in the McPherson Opera House. It was a small boy and he sang in ~~Balshazor~~ ^{Balshazor} He was ~~Balshazor~~ ^{Balshazor} McPherson's ^{College} put it on under Prof. Roland. In a revival meeting my Dad & Darrah said she turned around to see ~~where~~ ^{all that} ~~was coming from~~ ^{was coming from} such a little man. Dad taught ~~Stewart Willie~~ ^{Stewart Willie} German prior to him going across to study piano. Dad ~~lead~~ ^{led} church singing and also lead orchestras in different churches. I was lucky to have him for my Dad and I feel the same way about my mother, she was a good mother and good musician too. P.D. Dad was 92 lacking a few months of being 93 when he died. The most outstanding Orchestra that he lead was the 1st Baptist Church Orchestra from about 1920 to 1927. Dad was an artist in engraving.

When 11 years old he hauled wheat to McPherson for Mennonite farmer South of McPherson. At age 15 he began working for Richard Miller, Jeweler who had his store in the 200 block on North Main at that time, near a Drug Store. Roomed upstairs. Colburns got bicycles, had tandem. Would ride as far as to Marquette, Hillsboro, or Lindsborg. Sometimes broke and had to be pulled back to town. Half Dollar - Nail down. On Halloween they would flip the old board walks for mischief.

Later the Miller store moved to the 2nd door on the West side of Main, Henry was also a musician and sang in the Opera House. Played Judah in an Operetta or Opera "Faust". Had lead part in "Belchassar, and had a spear run through his body.

McPherson College put it on with Professor in charge. Henry made the crown for the king, and engraved it. He also did engraving on watches, etc.. Grandfather was Mr. — Spencer, since his mother was a Spencer. Came in a covered wagon from Rush County, and settled near Roxbury. He was converted and became a Minister, circuit rider and evangelist. Rev. Joseph Addison Hutchinson - Methodist Church on West 10th Street - - and Hesston. also Abilene. Industry - Lucas/. He married Henry and Morton's mother. Country Church near Concordia. - - Hoercher, now retired.

The grandmother was sickly and died in McPherson in the home of Henry in 1928 at age of 82.

Morton taught woodwind instruments at both McPherson and Bethany College. Played oboe and English Horn. Those to go to New York and played in a Dance Orchestra. His father's real mother died in Europe. His grandfather then married a widow and they lived near Moundridge and had children of their own.

G.P. - - W. H. Widiger - teacher - Lutheran - New Pastor asked about the uncle in the German Army - - no need to go into the army, but your sons will have to go to the army (promise young men not have to serve in army for 100 years.) The time of exemption was almost up. Held meeting and decided when to leave the country. thought of going to Africa, but thought going to the U.S. would be better - religion in the U.S. Saw Pres. U. S. Grant. Need for the draft. Came in on the Santa Fe Railroad - - long line of horses, stop and go. - like area north of Halstead, Kansas Congregation picked up first family. - sold out - The congregation helped raise money for others to come. plan to teach school in U.S. - came over on a Dutch ship. Settled near the Woffield Church, 1 mile east of the Mennonite Church. Taught for 15 years, and then to Moundridge.

Pioneer Tells of Voyage to U. S. Land of Milk and Honey

McPherson - Historic Celebrations
W. H. Widiger

The writer of this was born in dark Russia, we were German citizens, our passport had to be renewed every year, and we had to have one from the German and one from the Russian governments.

It was in 1881 that we came to America. We left Russia in the latter part of March and arrived in Halstead in about the first or second week in May. You may think that trip took a long time, which was not the case in those days. Russia at that time was going by the Julian calendar, the other nations were going by the Gregorian calendar. Russia was 13 days behind our calendar. We journeyed thru Poland, Germany and Belgium. At Antwerp we took the boat. Next day we saw the shores of England, then for 15 days, sea and sky. The 14th day we had dense fog. The morning of the 15th day the fog began to lift. All at once someone shouted "Land" — you ought to have seen the scramble for the deck.

Well, it was only a few hours until we were permitted to set foot on this sacred soil, we landed in Brooklyn, the customs official inspected our baggage. There was more formality than all inspections. Then we were ferried across the river to New York, what was known then as Castle Garden.

Next day we boarded the train that brought us west, we changed in Kansas City to the Santa Fe, we got to Emporia, and the train stayed there for the night.

Next morning the train started and in a short time they came to a stop and the passengers were ordered out. When we got out we were right up to a freight train wreck. Another train was on the other side of the wreck, we took this train and the passengers from that train took the train that we had left and we were again on our way.

I can not adequately describe our feeling when we left the ship — this was the land we had longed for, it was Capaan, it was the land of freedom, the land of opportunity, the promised land — the land of plenty.

My father took his little flock over to one side, there, fervently thanked God that he had brought us to this land. I sometimes fear the American born does not realize what he has.

We will skip the next few years. On September 15th, 1886, I came to McPherson and entered apprenticeship of 3 years with Richard Miller to learn the watchmaking business. At that time Mr. Miller and a Mr. O. Hamburg were in the jewelry business. A year later Mr. Ed Teape opened up, then sometime later a Mr. Rowley opened in the place

where the McCourt Coffee shop is now. Just north was the Beehive owned by the Bowkers. Scofield drugs was next, Whitzel Bros. Grocery, the Miller Jewelry, A. G. Sohlberg Merchandise was next.

This whole western county was in the midst of a great boom. Then someone concocted the idea to move the state capital to McPherson. The whole county almost was laid in town lots, so much so that one individual said the real estate agent took him out north to show him some lots, the next day he went to Lindsborg, the real estate agent there took him south and showed him the same lots. Returning to moving the state capital to McPherson, our representatives from McPherson County, Mr. H. B. Kelly, did some lobbying when the vote was taken in the legislature to submit the question to the voters of the state, of moving the capital to McPherson, we were short two votes, a booster train was started here on the Union Pacific with about 6 coaches with banners galore and before it reached Topeka, it comprised about 20 coaches.

We had some bad fires at times. On the corner where the Woolworth Store now is, there was a wooden structure known as the McPherson House which passed as a hotel. This was moved out and placed on what is now the Buick parking lot. On this Main street corner was erected a beautiful three story Bank building, with a number of offices up and down stairs but one night it burned. At another time the Eagle Mill burned, at still another time the Pearl Mill burned then followed the Colburn Bros. Mill which was rebuilt and is now the Rodney Mill. Numerous fires on Main Street occurred and buildings were replaced with better buildings.

Then we had a smallpox epidemic. A pest house was erected on the poor farm and one doctor in charge.

I remember an old Negro, a freed slave, old Uncle Peter. He had stood up under the lash of the slave driver, but he did succumb to this dread disease. I remember other interesting individuals, one was Lum Eaton, he claimed to be the tallest man in McPherson County and I guess he was. To me he looked to be about 5 foot and 24 inches or over. Another outstanding man was Fred Jackson, I believe he was the man that started the Great Farmers Alliance Insurance Company.

Churches: The Methodist church was on the site where the Warren Hotel now is. The Baptist church at that time was a small wooden building on the

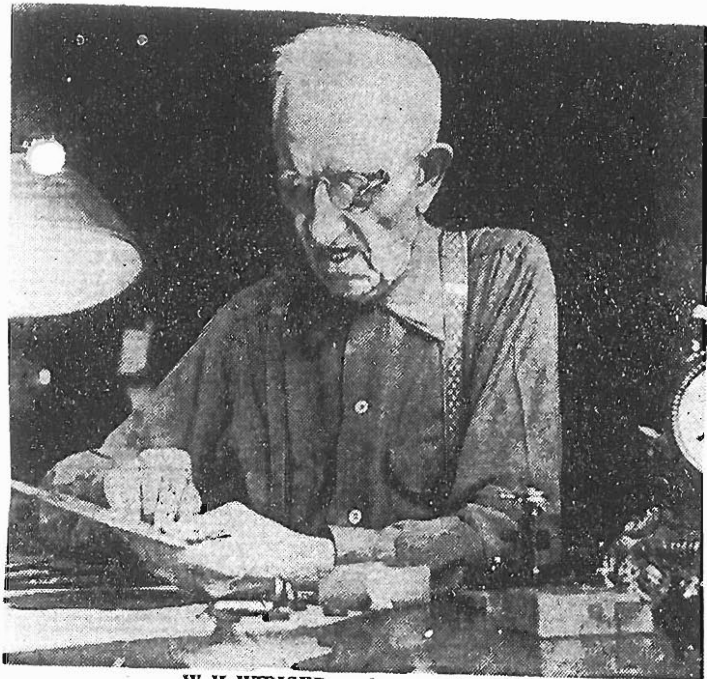
present site it was moved to Johnstown and is still there. At that time Elder Shields was the pastor. Under the leadership of Dr. Fulton, the present building was erected. The Lutheran church on the corner east of the Rock Island Depot. The Congregational church was a small wooden structure on the present site.

We had one school building, it was a cross shaped with 4 rooms down, or ground floor and 4 rooms upstairs. It was my duty to go over every Monday morning and wind the clocks and set them (8 of them). I saw all the present school building erected. I saw the Rock Island come in. It was quite an event when they went to cross the Santa Fe. We could not all go out, so a number of us got up on top of the stores and watched the process with field glasses.

McPherson College was another institution that I saw grow. These are all developments any community could be proud of. We also had other notions, a company was formed to prospect for salt so the place for trial was located one mile west and just north of the Santa Fe track on the west side of the section line. After having drilled down a ways, and the finance of the company was all exhausted, salt was struck. Folks got excited, people went out by the droves to taste the saltwater which afterward proved to be planted. A few barrels of salt brine was poured into the hole for this purpose.

Pardon me if I speak of some anecdotes in my own life when I first came to town. I could speak and was master of only two words in the English language, these words were yes and no. It so happened that the south half of the store was occupied by Mr. Miller, the north half was occupied by a Mr. Hawkins and was a book store and news stand. So these loafers who came in would buy their paper and on the side have a little fun with me, and leave until the next day when they would repeat. One man, by the name of Jim Golden, was about the worst. He invariably succeeded in getting me mad, so one day I made up my mind to completely ignore him, so he also was persistent. Finally he got two other of his colleagues into the fray, until I had reached the boiling point.

I rose up to my full height and with all the dignity that I could muster up, I pointed my finger at him and emphasized every syllable, I said, "Mr. Golden you just come right straight to hell!" It is needless to say that those fellows could not keep their feet on the floor.



W. H. WIDIGER ... keeps clocks ticking.

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He'll Make Clocks Tick If Others Can't

By PAUL STANFIELD 6/19/60

McPHERSON — If grandfather's clock fails to tick off its "90 years without slumbering" a McPherson grandfather who will be 89 next week can fix it.

He may be the only one within several hundred miles who can.

Even though he is 89 years have so dimmed his sight that he must hold tools to within an inch of his eye to identify them, those years haven't dimmed W. H. Widiger's skill as a watchmaker.

Failing eyesight—he'll be 89 next Saturday—now limits his work to clocks and large pocket watches, but these come to him from hundreds of miles away.

Keeps Them Ticking

Many an heirloom clock—whether cherished by collector or simply for sentimental reasons—wouldn't be ticking away today had not Widiger been available to supply a damaged or missing part.

He can do it with a piece of equipment of his own making—he will not only fashion the missing wheel but make his own pattern and cutting wheel for it if necessary.

"Actually making the wheel is the easiest part of the job," he explained with a grin.

His ability to supply these parts for clocks for which parts have long since disappeared is the reason jewelers in other cities, including Wichita, forward clocks to him.

But he's a bit mystified at how people so far distant from McPherson learn of his work.

From Nebraska

got one clock from a Hastings, Neb., man. I made the part it needed and shipped it to him," he explained. "It was the first and last time I ever heard of him. I guess he was satisfied."

Widiger's father was a schoolteacher in a Mennonite community in the Ukraine. When the community emigrated from Russia to Kansas—one of the early groups to do so—the elder Widiger followed and continued to teach school near Moundridge.

Young Widiger himself started learning watchmaking from Richard Miller in McPherson at 18—which means he has spent almost three quarters of a century at his craft.

His eyes were adequate to the strenuous demands of his work until only a few years ago. Until that time, his work ranged from the tiniest watches to the largest clocks.

Helps Others

In that time, he has helped train many

other young watchmakers—including his own son. His son, Morton, also attended Watchmaker's school, but later left the field, his father says, "because his eyes couldn't take it."

Widiger himself has worked in Hutchinson, Coffeyville, and Garber, Okla., but returned to McPherson. Mrs. Widiger has been equally active as a milliner for 43 years, and her shop adjoins his.

Supplying the missing or broken cog or wheel is the vital step in repairing many clocks turned out before World War I, and to do that Widiger has over the years devised his own miniature parts factory.

The implement he uses is his own modification of a jeweler's slide he purchased at the 1893 Chicago World's Fair.

"You know what it cost? \$19. It costs \$125 now," he said.

For cutting the wheel from a sheet of brass, Widiger must make (1) a six-inch "wheel" of tin notched according to the number of cogs the wheel requires and (2) a cutting wheel, which he shapes himself from an ordinary file.

Parts to Fit

Now, this collection of patterns and cutting wheels is large enough that the tools for making any particular wheel may already be on hand. If it isn't, Widiger is prepared to make a new pattern and wheel.

"Making these takes longer than making the wheel itself. That's the easiest part," he explained as he fingered the sharp-toothed wheels. The cutting wheel is driven by electricity.

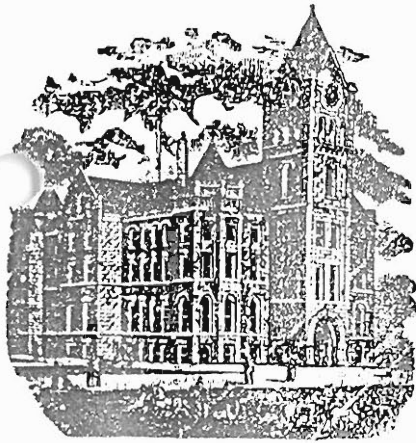
Widiger's biggest "parts" job is one of which he's the proudest. The clock sticking steadily on the wall of his South Main shop doesn't have a single part he didn't make himself.

Even the chain holding the weights was made link-by-link by Widiger.

"I didn't make the face, though," he said, pointing to the clock with pride. But everything behind that printed sheet of paper he shaped with his own hands.

Widiger has no intention of ceasing to make clocks run in the near future.

For collectors of old clocks—he has worked on an outstanding McPherson collection—and people who would rather have an antique in running order than gathering attic dust, it's good news.



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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

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McPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

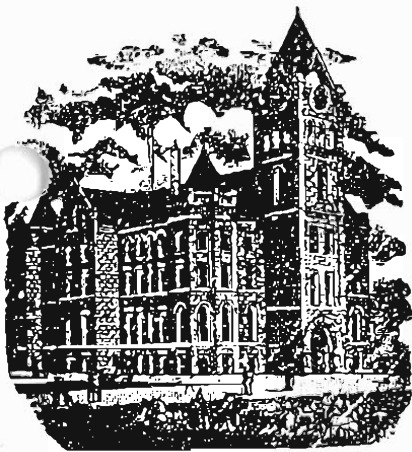
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 Dell, President of McPherson County
 Historical Society, or to Howard Pat-
 rick, President of the Smoky Valley
 Historical Association no later than
~~October 26~~, prior to the Banquet.)

Full name of your pioneer forefather Henry Wilkening
 Your relationship to pioneer settler Great Granfather
 Month and year settled in McPherson County March 1878
 Township and section number or town in which forefather
 settled Springvalley Township 32-20-1 S.W. Quarter
 Occupation of pioneer settler F Farming
 Birthplace and nationality of pioneer Hanover Germany
 Pioneer's age when he settled in County 40 Year's
 Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
 Is homestead still in possession of family? Yes Great Daughter
 Are there also other descendants of this settler who still
 reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses:

Mrs. Bertha Helt, Mrs. Hilda and Boesker, Mrs. Mathilda Otto
Mrs. Leona Voets, Walter Wilkening, all of Canton (S. West-Grand-
a children,

Was the pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do
 you have any interesting and pertinent information regard-
 ing the pioneer settler which you feel is of particular
 significance or interest?

Information provided by - Your signature [Signature]
 If woman, maiden name
 Your address Canton, Ks.
 Your occupation retired



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REGISTER OF PIONEER FAMILIES OF MCPHERSON COUNTY, KANSAS

Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Jonathan K. Wilson
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler my grandfather
Month and year settled in McPherson County 1873
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled T-19 & Empire
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer [R-2, W. 2 & 3, Sec. 23]
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Berlin Center, Ohio - Scotch Irish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 31 yrs old
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? Yes
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: Lester F. Phillis, Rt. Box 32-A, Canton, KS.
Edna Perkins, Canton, KS. 67428 67428
Luetta Hewford 1336 Highland Drive, McPherson, KS. 67460
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. When Santa Fe Railroad was being built between Canton and Topeka, my grandparents homestead land a contractor Mr. Cooper and many of his men boarded at J. K. Wilson place for 20¢ a meal. Lester F. Phillis has the record book of 1879 and 1880.
(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - Your Signature: x Lester F. Phillis
If woman, Maiden Name: _____
Your address: RR1 Box 32A Canton, KS
Your occupation: Retired

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Names and address of descendants of Jonathan K. Wilson

Roger Alvin Schulz Canton, Kansas. 67428

Richard K. Rishel 1416 Tombo Court McPherson, KS,
67460

Mary Wilson

Information from Ilene/Baldwin (Mrs. Wayne - McPherson. (Flora Phyllis is her Aunt.)

Mary Ellen Wilson-Rishel

Betty Isabelle Rishel-Jantz

Wilmot Martin Rishel, Jr.

son- Richard.

Irene Mary Lishel Baldwin

Robert Wayne Nancy Louise Lynn Wade

Carla June
Lina Marie

Monja Sue

↓ Stacey Leigh

Heather Lyn

Richard Wayne

Carla June

Kaycie Lyn

John Robert

Lina Marie

Katelyn Marie

Richard Wayne

Bryant Scott



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Full Name of your Pioneer forefather Joseph WILLIAM J. YOUNG
Your Relationship to Pioneer Settler Grandson
Month and year settled in McPherson County Sept. 4 1882
Township and section number or town in which forefather settled NB 1/4 Sec. 1- Grovesland
Occupation of Pioneer Settler Farmer and Stock Raiser
Birthplace and nationality of Pioneer Newark Ohio Scotch-Irish
Pioneer's age when he settled in County 22 years
Did settler homestead in McPherson County? No
Is homestead still in possession of family? No
Are there also other descendants of this settler who still reside in McPherson County? Names and addresses: No.

No
Was the Pioneer a soldier in the Civil War, and if so, do you have any interesting and pertinent information regarding the Pioneer Settler which you feel is of particular significance or interest? Served on Kansas State Board of Agriculture for 17 years. One of the early organizers of Farm Bureau.

(Please use reverse side of sheet if there is insufficient space above.)
Information provided by - - - - - Your Signature: x Galen W. Fields, M.D.
If woman, Maiden Name: Dr. Galen Fields
Your address: 333-C South Lakeside Drive
Your occupation: Physician

THE MCPHERSON DAILY REPUBLICAN

Obituary

WILLIAM JOSEPH YOUNG

One of the few remaining pioneers who settled in McPherson county in the early eighties, completed a full and useful life when William Joseph Young was called to his eternal home on the morning of March 14th, 1938, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. B. Way in Wichita, Kansas, after an illness of nine weeks.

Mr. Young was born near Newark, Ohio, March 20, 1860, and at the time of his passing had reached the age of 77 years, 11 months, and 24 days, only six days less than 78 years.

His parents David Boll and Angeline Coffman Young, and an only sister were victims of a fever epidemic which left him an orphan at the tender age of 10 years. He and his older brother, O. B. Young, who died in recent years, were cared for during their childhood in the homes of relatives.

On April 1, 1882, he was married to Anna Irene Bowby, also of Newark, Ohio. To this young couple the call of the West was insistent and soon after their marriage they came to McPherson where they established their home on a farm southwest of the city.

Six children were given to this home: Mrs. Fannie Fields of McPherson; Glenn B. Young, of White Deer, Texas; Mrs. Lillian Way of Wichita, Kansas; W. Clay Young of Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. Mildred Power of Kalamazoo, Mich.; and the youngest, Lynn Curtis, who died in infancy, the other five children still living. All were present at the time of death and are here for the funeral except Mildred, who had been with her father during his illness, but thinking him much improved had returned to her home. There are also fourteen grandchildren who will treasure and greatly cherish the memory of their grandfather.

After 19 years of happy married life, the companion of his youth was suddenly taken by death, leaving a vacancy which he courageously filled, becoming mother and constant advisor, as well as a tender father until all were grown and had homes of their own.

On April 25th, 1923 Mr. Young was married to Mrs. Cora Wilson who passed away on Aug. 7, 1937, thus leaving five step-children, who

also honor his life, and revere his memory, since their own father passed away in their early lives, and Mr. Young became a real father to them. They are Lee Wilson of McPherson; Mrs. Edith Hopkins of Hutchinson, Kan.; Mrs. Helen Layton of Nardin, Oklahoma; Carl Wilson of McPherson and Harold Wilson of Braman, Oklahoma, and 11 step-children. Besides all these relatives the hosts of friends present at the funeral, and many others united in expressing sincere esteem for a truly noble man.

Mr. Young was interested in community and civic affairs. He was one of the early organizers of the Farm Bureau of the county and for many years active in it. For 17 years he served as a member of the state Board of Agriculture rendering a fine and needed service to agricultural interests of the county and state. In 1917 he retired from the farm and moved into McPherson where he still kept an active interest in everything of value and true worth.

He was converted at an early age to the Christian life, and throughout his life he has been a faithful member of the Baptist church. In his early and middle life when health permitted he was very active in Church and Sunday school work, organizing many schools and conducting them in such a way as to reach many people with the message of Eternal Life.

Spiritual things were of primary importance, truly his works do follow him.

I cannot say, and will not say That he is dead. He is just away.

With a cheery smile, and a wave of the hand, He wandered into an unknown land. And left us dreaming how very fair. It needs must be since he lingers there.

And you—O you who were the wildest In heart and mind, for the old time step and the glad return— I think of him faring on, as dear In the love of there as the love of here.

Think of him still as the same, I say, He is not dead—he is just away.

Licking Co Ohio

1st marriage

NE Sec 1. Grove Lake

14 Grand children

M. 2nd wife

Farm Bureau
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Board of Agr.