

# NEWS NOTES

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P.O. BOX 174 ANAMOSA, IA 52205

Dear Members,

The weather did not turn against us in February. Our meeting was a success. However I have a lot to learn about meeting procedures and "Robert's Rules".

Many of you are probably wondering about the new president. My husband Darwin and I have lived in the Jones Co. area since our marriage in 1975, first in Martelle, then rural Anamosa. Both Darwin and Rebecca, our daughter, were born at the Anamosa hospital (1947/1978). He is the son of Lloyd and Cleta (Crandall) Coleman.

My current project scheduled to be completed 19 May 1990, is a history degree at hount Mercy College in Cedar Rapids. I inherited my interest in genealogy and history from my grandparents; Fayette and Ruth (Bethards) Dorsey and of course my parents; Herbert and T. Jane (Prosser) Dorsey of Cedar Rapids.

The subject of my senior paper will be on Soldier's Aid Societies (Sanitary Commission) in Jones County during the Civil War. It has been difficult to acquire information about specific members from diaries or meeting minutes. My best source so far has been the "Anamosa Eureka", the years 1859 - 1865 which are on microfilm at the public library in Anamosa.

The Anamosa Volunteer's Aid Society "was organized on Nov. 27th 1861, and Dec 24th sent out its first box to the "Army Sanitary Commission of Iowa". ("Anamosa Eureka", Jan. 3, 1862, p. 3) Members of the Volunteers' Aid Society were: "President, Mrs. 0.P. Isbell; Treasurer, Mrs. B.F. Shaw; Secretary, Miss Eliza Isbell. Committee on Supplies...Mrs. L. Eberhart, Mrs. Israel Fisher, Miss Mary Work. Committee on Forwarding...Mrs. L. Dietz, Mrs. E. Littlefield, Miss Eliza Isbell. "("Anamosa Eureka", Dec. 13, 1861, Vol. VI, No. 12, p. 3)

The Monticello Ladies Soldiers' Aid Society consisted of these members: "President, Mrs. E.P. Kimbell; Vice President, Mrs. C.E. Wales; Secretary, Mrs. J. Reiger; Treasurer, Mrs. N. Comstock; Depositary, Mrs. G.S. Eastman. Directors...Mrs. W.H. Merriman, Mrs. J.L. Davenport and Mrs. G.S. Eastman. Committee on Solicitations...Mrs. T.C. West, Mrs. H. Rosa, Mrs. J.P. Sleeper."("History of Jones Co. Iowa", 1879, p. 369)

"The ladies of Wyoming met November 20, 1861 for the purpose of organizing a society auxiliary to the "Army Sanitary Commission of the State of Iowa," having for its object the relief of the sick and wounded in hospitals. "Mrs. W.H. Holmes was called to the chair, after which the following officers were elected: Mrs. O.B. Lowell, President: Mrs. A.W. Pratt, Vice President; Mrs. J. R. Stillman, Secretary; Miss Martha White, Treasurer; Mrs. A.G. Brown, Depositary. Committee to Solicit Contributions...Mrs. J. McDonough, Mrs. J. DeWitt, Mrs. J. Richards, Mrs. R. Freeman. Mrs. D. Hedgeboom, Mrs. R. Huckle, Miss L. Gilbert and Miss R. Green."("History of Jones Co. Iowa", 1879, p. 369)

Anything to contribute to this would be appreciated! E. Coleman P.S. Marjorie; so Chas. Holmes died 1-28-1944 at Lake Andes. S.D. Thanks! What happened to Thos. J. Holmes & d-i-law Ella? Anyone?

ABSTRACTS FROM THE "REGISTER OF FUNERALS" FOR THE DUMONT, BEACH, YOCUM AND MURDOCK FUNERAL HOMES, MARION, LINN COUNTY, IOWA.

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John William Rollins, d 4-9-1930, age 4 yrs 9 mo 26 da. b Marion 6-13-1925. Father: C. W. Rollins, b Iowa, mother Byrdena Wanger, b \_\_\_. Rites with Rev. Fisher, 4-10-, bur. Monticello Cem.

Newton R. Kent, St. Luke's Hosp., C. R. d 4-30-1929, 77 yrs 2 mb 23 da. b III 2-7-1852, widowed; Father: James Kent, b VA., Mother: Mary Ferguson b Ohio. Rites 5-3, M. E. Church, Clarence, Iowa, bur. Clarence Cem.

Esther Marie Brady, Marion, d 5-8-1929, 19 yrs 4 mo 2 da b Jones Co, IA; Father: Wm. Brady, b Iowa, Mother: Nellie Emerson, b Iowa Rites 5-11, at chapel. Rev. Fisher, Bur. Olin Cem.

David L. Switzer, 263 14th St., Marion, d 1-5-1929, 81 yrs 8 mo 23 da. b Penn 4-12-1847, widowed; Father: Wm. Switzer. Rites 1-8 Antioch Church at Olin, IA buried Antioch cem. Info. George Switzer, Marion, C. A. Switzer, Des Moines, IA

Casper E. Garrettson, Martelle, Iowa res. 34 yrs, d 2-11-1929, 65 yrs 5 mo 23 da. b Viola, Iowa 8-18-1863, merchant, Wife: Cora Robins. Father: Richard Garrettson b Ohio. Mother: Sarah Penn, b Ohio. Rates 2-13, M. E. Church, Rev. Garrett. Bur. Norwich Cem.

John Edmond Seall, Linn Co. Home, d 12-11-1928, 61 yrs 7 mo 29da. b Iowa 5-2-1867, divorced; Father: Amos Seals, b Iowa, Mother: Ely Truax, b Iowa Rites 12-13, at chapel, Rev. Trimble, bur. Oak Shade Cem. (Marion, Iowa)

John Fritz, Marion, 475 5th Ave., d 7-19-1928, 77 yrs 2 mo 3 da b Bohemia 5-15-1851, married; Father: Martin Fritz, b Bohemia. Mother: Katie Blazek Rites Oxford Junction, Iowa 7-21.

Sarah M. Simpson, Shelby Co., Harlan, Iowa, d 9-27-1928, 83 yrs 9 mo 7 da. b Ohio 12-20-1844, Husband: John Simpson. Father: William Warrington, b Penn Mother: L. Mershon, b Penn Rites Yocum chapel. 9-30. Rev Trimble. Bur. Highland Grove Cem.

Mrs. Julia Lochner, St. Luke's Hosp., C. R. d 10-14-1928 58 yrs 6 mo 4 da. b Oxford Junction, Iowa 4-10-1870, widow; Father: Frank Powlister b Bohemia Mother: Rosy Wezerence, b Bohemia. Rites Baptist Ch. 10-18, Rev. Robinson Smith Cem 116 miles. Info. Mrs. Conn of Marion.

Ernest Raymond Golden, Monticello, Iowa d 10-4-1927 43 yrs b Stone City, Iowa 10-4-1884, married; conductor; Father: Charles Golden b Wisc. Mother: Lucinda Green b Iowa Rites at Christian Ch. Marion, 10-9, Rev. Trimble. Bur Oak Shade Cem. Info. Mrs. Bessie Golden.

Almeda Hay Webster, 1731 Bever Ave., C. R. d 7-14, age 49 yrs 10 mo 16 da b Jones Co., Iowa 8-28-1877, married; Father: Lucas O. Hay, b Iowa Mother: Lovie Merritt, b Iowa; rites at chapel 7-16, Rev. Ward of C. R. Bur. Wyoming, Iowa Cem. Info. Harry Webster, of C. R.

Charlie Lessie Tucker, 1027 13th St. d 3-9, age 65 yrs 3 mo 12 da b Vt. 11-27-1861, Father: C. D. Tucker, Rites at chapel 3-11, Rev. Fisher Oxford Junction

Mary Sacora, Marion d 1-18-1927, age 72 yrs 2 mo 3 da born on board ship enroute from Hamburg, Germany to U. S. 11-15-1854; Father: \_\_\_\_ Stephanek, rites at Oxford Junction 1-20-1927, Info. Joseph Sacora

Wm. E. Perryman, 11 yrs in Linn Co., 1545 D Ave, Cedar Rapids, d 2-13-1927 age 61 yr 2 mo 7 da, b Jones Co., Iowa 12-6-1865; Father: Luke Perryman, b Ireland, Mother: Elizabeth Dollar, b N. B. Rites at res. 2-17. Info Mrs. Perryman, of C. R.

Leo David McDonnell, Marion, d 10-13-1926, age 22 yrs 9 mo 2 da, b Martelle, Iowa 1-11-1904, time keeper CM&St.P RR. Father: John McDonnell, b Iowa Mother: Isadore Cech, b Iowa Rites St. Joseph Catholic Church 1-15, Father Long and Dunn. Member K of C. Bur. Anamosa, Iowa. Info. John Mcdonnell of Marion.

Benjamin D. Haenssler, Marion, d 10-27-1926, 80 yrs 1 mo 13 da b Germany 9-14-1846, married; Father: Louis Haenssler, b Germany, Mother: M. Neidenhoff, b Germany. Rites at res. 10-30, Rev. C. E. Krog. Bur. Monticello, Iowa, Member G.A.R.

Gilbert Gage, 1308 7th Ave, Marion, d 9-3-1926, 3yrs 3 da, b Marion, 8-30-1923 Father: Edgar L. Gage, b Iowa, Mother: Sarah M. Wallace, b Iowa rites at M.E. Church 9-5. Rev. E. A. Baker, bur. Anamosa, Jones Co., Iowa

LaDellar Christie, Iowa City, student, S U I hosp. d 7-10-1926, age 26 yr 2 mo 22 da. b Anamosa, Iowa, 4-22-1900, married; Father: P. L. Smith, b Montana. Mother: Mable Zimmer, b Iowa. Rites John Christie res. 7-12, Rev. Carlson. Info. Don Christie, Marion.

Infant son of Mr. & Mrs. Charles F. Eggert, 675 - Marion, stillborn, 12-20-1925 Rites Wyoming, Iowa.

Mertie Luella Rundall, Martell R F D, d 9-19-1925, age 55 yrs 20 da b Iowa 8-29-1870, widow; Father Richard Garretson, b Ohio, Mother: Sarah Penn, b Ohio Rev. Bert Bailey with rites at M.E. Church, Martell Iowa. Info. Jennie Garretson, Martelle.

Elsie Peterson, Olin, Iowa, rural, 3 miles NE, d 7-4-1925, 18 yrs 5 mo 9 da. b Iowa 1-25-1907, single; Father: J. A. Peterson, b Sweden, Mother: Hulda Gustafson. rites M.E. Church, Rev. Finney. Info. Hulda Peterson, Marion.

Dr. T. B. Kent, 1027 13th St., Marion. d 7-7-1925, age 76 yrs 1 mo 4 da. b Plano, Ill. 6-3-1849, widowed. Father: Hon. J. M. Kent, b Va. Mother: Mary Ferguson b Ohio. Rites Pingrey Chapel, 7-9, Rev. Finney. Bur Clarence, Iowa. Info. Mrs. W. Schneider, Marion.

Melvin Sherwood, Bertram, Iowa, d 5-31-1925 23 yrs 2 mos 15 das b Paralta, Iowa 3-16-1902, farmer, single, Father: Charles Sherwood Mother: Alice Grimm b Penn Rites Baptist Church 6-4, Rev. Bruner. Bur. Norwich cem. near Martelle, Iowa

David Robertson, Marion, d at Jesse Starry res. R F D, 3-21-1925 68 yrs 10 mo 17 b Ohio 5-14-1856, Father: James Robertson b Scotland. Rites Starry res. and Congregational Church at Anamosa, Iowa. Rev. Ernest Evans. Bur Riverside Cem. Anamosa. Info. Mrs. Jesse Starry.

Jackie Junior Decious, d 9-24-1924, at birth Father: Forest Decious, b Iowa Mother Ester Miller, b Iowa. Rites Pingrey Chapel. Rev. Noah Buried Forest Chapel Cem.

Mary McDonnell, Marion, d 7-10-1924 51 yrs 11 mo 28 da b Springville, Iowa 7-12-1872, single, Father: David McDonnell b Ireland. Mother: Alice Lynch b Ireland, Services Catholic Church, 7-12, Father O'Callaghan. Buried Holly Cross Cem., Anamosa. Info. James McDonnell, Marion.

Hattie Miller, Marion, d 1-2-1924, 62 yr 1 mo 15 da, b Iowa 11-17-1862, married. Father: J. Murfield, b Ohio, Mother: E. Bancroft, b Ohio. Rites Christian Church, Martelle, 1-5. Rev. Noah. Bur. Highland Grove Cem., Jones Co.

Mrs. Mary Nichols, Marion, d 2-6-1924, age 51 yr 4 mo 17 da. b Jones Co., Iowa 9-19-1872, caterer, widow. Father: Vincell Lacina, b Bohemia. Mother: A. Stoklass, b Bohemia. Rites Christian Church, Rev. Noah, Info: Joe Lacina

Infant Alfred Fay Decious, Marion, d 4-3-1923, age 1 mo a da b 3-2-1923. Father: Forest Decious, b Iowa. Mother: Ester Miller, b Iowa. Rites at residence, 4-4, Rev. Noah. Bur. Forest Chapel Cem., four miles north west of Morley, Iowa.

Benjamin Rundall, Jones Co., Martelle, Iowa, d 8-25-1921, age 55 yr 4 mo 25 da. b Iowa, farmer, b 3-30-1866, married. Father: J. W. Rundall, b Ohio. Mother: N. J. Foss, B Ind. Services M.E. Church, Martelle. Rev. Bert Bailey. Info. Martha Rundall, Martelle.

George Ledvina, Otter Creek Twp. near Alburnette, Iowa, d 3-27-1921, 70 yrs 11 mo 3 da b 4-24-1850, Bohemia, farmer, widowed, services 3-29 at home. Burial Oxford Junction, Jones Co., Iowa. Services in charge of John Ledvina, Alburnette.

Lucinda Golden, Marion, d 3-29-1921, age 71 yr 11 mo 10 da b 4-19-1849, Jackson Co., Iowa, widow, Father: E. Green, b Ohio. Services from home, April 1. Rev. Higby, (Christian). Bural Anamosa, Jones Co., Iowa. Informant Ernest Golden, Marion.

Robert V. Wood, Marion twp., Marion. Age 8 mo 26 da. b 1-10-1920, Iowa. Father: A. D. Wood, b Iowa. Mother: Elma Glick, b Iowa. Burial Olin, Iowa.

John A. Williams, Marion twp., Marion, d 8-25-1920, 57 yr 1 mo 24 da b 7-1-1863, Iowa, mail clerk, married. Father: \_\_\_\_ Williams b Ind. Mother: \_\_\_ Feusbarger b Ohio. Burial Forest Hill Cem., Jones Co., Iowa.

Clement Levasseur, Martelle, Iowa, d April 19, 1920 52 yr 1 mo 11 da 3-8-1868 Mass. Farmer, married. Father: A. Levasseur, b France. Mother: Marie Walcott, b France, Burial Marion.

Sarah Jane Stookey, d 1-28-1920 94 yr 22 da widow. b 1-6-1826 in Ohio. Father b Ohio. Mother: \_\_\_Blaine. Residence: Robbins, Iowa. Died: Olin, Iowa burial Oak Shade. Charges paid by C. J. Stookey of Olin and S. W. Stookey of Cedar Rapids. Rev. Finney

Mabel Lutz, b April 22, 1894, d Feb. 1, 1918, Mercy Hosp., Cedar Rapids. Resided Marion, married. 23 yr 9 mo 9 da, housewife, b Iowa. Father: Mundy b Ohio Mother: Sopher, b Iowa. Burial Anamosa, Iowa, Feb. 3.

William Brady, b Illinois, June 23, 1865, d Marion, Jan. 25, 1917, resided Stone City, Iowa, laborer, single, 51 yr 7 mo 2 da. Father: Andrew Brady, b Ireland. Mother McPartland, b Ireland, buried Anamosa, Iowa, Jan. 29. Services Anamosa Catholic Church.

C. A. Robison, b May 8, 1859, Ohio, d Oct. 31, 1916, Marion, married, 57 yr 5 mo 23 da, railroad clerk. Father Robinson b Va. Mother: Cave b Ohio. buried Oxford Junction, Iowa. Nov. 2. Services Oxford Junction M.E. Church.

Samuel Vorhies, b New York, July 29, 1830. Died Marion Nov. 29, 1916. Widower 86 yr 4 mo. Father: \_\_\_\_Vorhies, b Germany. Buried Olin, Iowa, Dec. 1.

D. W. Rathbun, b June 5, 1876, d March 22, 1916, Perry, Iowa. married 39 yr 9 mo 17 da, merchant. b Iowa, Father: S. W. Rathbun. buried Monticello, Iowa, services S. W. Rathbun residence, Marion.

Nicholas Miller Everhart, b July 25, 1831, d March 25, 1916, Marion, widowed, 84 yr 8 mo b Ohio, Father: Nicholas Miller Everhart b Ohio. Mother: \_\_Wheeler, b Ohio, buried Olin, Iowa, March 27.

Chas. W. Sherwood, b Sept. 3, 1911, d April 27,1916, Marion, 4 yr 7 mo 14 da b Iowa. Father: H. B. Sherwood, b Iowa, Mother: \_\_\_\_Mathewson, b Iowa. Buried Martelle, Iowa, April 30.

U. G. Byerly, b Sept. 22, 1866, d April 9, 1915, Marion, married, 48 yr 6 mo 17 da barber, b Iowa. Father: Wm Byerly, b Ohio, Mother: Mary Shew, b N. Car. Buried Morley, Iowa, April 12, services Center Chapel Church.

Baby Sherwood, infant, female. b Dec. 15, 1913, d Oct. 30, 1914 l yr 6 mo, Marion. Father: C. W. Sherwood. b Iowa. Mother: Alice Grimms, b Penn. Buried Martelle, Iowa Nov 2.

Aden B. Doan, b Dec. 7, 1849. d March 24, 1914, Linn Co. home, single. 64 yr insane. b Ohio. Father: Wiltey Doan. b Pa. Mother: b Pa. Buried Anamosa, March 25

Miss Irene E. Glick, b Sept. 18, 1872, d April 6, 1913, St. Luke's Hosp., Cedar Rapids, resided Olin, Iowa, single, age 41 yrs. b Iowa. Father: Samuel Glick b Ind. Mother: \_\_\_Steward, b Ohio. Buried Olin, Iowa April 9, 1913.

Mrs. Annie E. Hale, b March 12, 1849, d March 18, 1912, Marion. married 63 yr 6 da b Ohio. Father: Peter DeWit b Ohio. Mother: Payne, b Maine. Buried Wyoming, Iowa, March 19.

John Shinoe, Anamosa, Iowa d Oct. 11, 1919, 16 yr 8 da, student, b Iowa. Father: Theodore Shinoe. Mother: Sarah Sullivan. Killed by train, Marion. Buried Anamosa, Iowa.

Edward Osborne, Anamosa, Iowa, d Oct. 11, 1919, 61 yr 3 mo 25 da, married, retired merchant, and farmer, b Anamosa, Iowa. Father: Lenus Osborne, b NY. Mother: Mary Akers, b Ireland. Buried Anamosa, Iowa Oct 14. (Killed by train at Marion)

Mrs. Edward Osborne, Anamosa, Iowa, d Oct. 11, 1919, 55 yr 8 mo 30 da, housewife. b Iowa. Father: Milo Thompson, b NY. Mother: Ellen Gage b Mass. Buried Anamosa, Iowa. (killed by train at Marion)

Mrs. Clifford Paul, Anamosa, Iowa, d Oct. 11, 1919. 44 yr 1 mo 3 da, housewife, b Iowa. Father: Wm Johnson b Ohio. Mother: Harriett M. Peters, b Ohio. Buried Anamosa, Oct. 14, 1919. (killed by train at Marion).

James Farrell, Marion, Iowa. d March 6, 1919, 81 yr 2 mo 11 da b Canada, farmer. Father: Farrell, b Ireland Mother: Anlinown b Ireland. Buried Anamosa, Iowa March 7, 1919.

Anna M. Robertson, Marion, Iowa. d March 18, 1919 62 yr 1 mo 17 da married b Penn Father: Letze. Mother: Kimmel, b Germany. Buried Anamosa, Iowa 3/20

Chas E. Whitmore, Kenwood Park, d Dec. 7, 1918 37 yr 1 mo 12 da, married, clerk b Iowa. Father: J. W. Whitmore b Iowa, Mother: Elvin Merritt, b Iowa. Buried Olin, Iowa 12/15

Henry Zak, Iowa City, Iowa. d Nov. 26,1918. Buried Oxford Junction

Eveline Prosser, Marion, Iowa, d Nov. 29,1918, 80 yr 3 mo 13 da, widow, b Ohio Father: Cutter, b Ohio. Buried Oxford Junction, Iowa.

Cliff Murphy, Camp Dodge, Iowa d Oct. 17, 1918, age 27, pneumonia, National Army. Buried Anamosa, services at chapel.

Bertha Golden Price, Marion, Iowa, d Nov. 4 1911, 19 yr, married, b Iowa. T. B. Father: Charles Golden b Wis. Mother: Green, b Iowa Buried Anamosa, Nov. 8.

Julia Ann Dumont, d March 10, 1910, widow, res. Anamosa, Iowa. 86 yr 2 mo 10 da b Vermont. Father: J. Leffingwell, b Vt. Buried Marion, Iowa, March 12, M.E. Church services.

W. F. Templeman, d March 24, 1908, age 65, traveling man, b Ohio. Father: Feltaman Templeman, Mother: Elaine Travis, both b Ohio. Burial Anamosa, Iowa, the 26th. Service of George McCally.

Mrs. McFarland Yount, d Jan. 11, 1907, widow, 88 yr 21 da, Marion, Iowa. b Ohio Father: Ellis Yount, pneumonia. Buried Anamosa Cem., Jones County, Iowa. David W. Young Paid charges.

Chas Murphy, d Dec. 15, 1906 white, age 22 yr 7 mo 10 da, Marion, Iowa, 10th St. laborer, Jones Co., Iowa, Father: Robert Murphy b Pa. Mother: Miss McGowen, b Pa Pheumatic endocaridiac. Bur. Anamosa, Iowa. Roebert Murphy, paid charges. \*\*\*\*\*

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SIXTEENTH ANNUAL QUAD CITIES GENEALOGICAL CONFERENCE

Saturday, April 21, 1990 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Viking Club of Moline 1450 41st Street

Moline, IL

For Info: Christine Cox Lage - 309-755-2056

SPEAKER: Marlene Marino Coleman, co-author of LIBRARY, A GUIDE TO THE LDS FAMILY HISTORY LIBRARY

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#### URIAH BARR

Uriah Barr, son of Jacob and Sarah Spohn Barr, was born in Fairfield, Ohio, September 12, 1846. Their children were: Uriah, Lizzie, Jacob, David and George. At 26, in 1872, he came to Iowa. In 1893 he purchased the land known for many years as the Uriah Barr farm. The price was \$50.00 per acre.

In 1866, Mr. Barr married Mary E. Coplin. She died June 25, 1868, leaving a little daughter, Lizzie who later became the wife of Fred Peiper. They had a son, Uriah, born on April 17, 1891. Three days later, Mrs. Pieper passed away. The infant was taken by his grandparents, the Uriah Barr's, with whom he always made his home.

On October 11, 1870, Mr. Barr married Elizabeth A. Lamb. They had a daughter, Anna, born July 20, 1874. Anna married Ed Henderson on December 14, 1893. Their children were: Harry, Harlan, Vera and Verna.

Uriah Pieper, son of Fred and Lizzie Piper, married Odessa Tallman April 17, 1917. Mr. Pieper passed away September 2, 1949. Their family consists of: Clifford, who married Wilma Klinefelter, now deceased; Kenneth, who married Doris Siefken, and Florence, Mrs. Ivan Duncan.

Mrs. Pieper and her son, Kenneth and family operate and reside on the home place.

# IRA BATES, M. D.

One of the most beloved country doctors was Dr. Ira Bates. For many years he conducted his practice for several miles around the Morley (Viroqua) vicinity. He traveled by a one-horse-drawn sulky or rode horse back, carrying his medical supplies in saddle bags. In cold weather, he wore a heavy shawl.

Dr. Bates was born January 30, 1822 in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania. He took his medical study in the Department of Medicine of Pennsylvania College, Philadelphia in 1844.

In 1848, he came to Jones County and settled in the Highland vicinity near Morley (Viroqua). Along with his medical practice, he acquired 380 acres of land.

In 1850, he was married to Elizabeth Spear. She passed away in 1859, leaving a daughter, Adelia, who later became Mrs. Leander Shoop.

In 1861, he was married to Emily Spear. She passed away in 1865. Two daughters: Gertrude (Mrs. A. O. Sones), and Jane (Mrs. A. H. Newman), and one son, George who died in infancy, were born to this union.

His third marriage was to Mary Ganser in 1874. They were the parents of two children: Gyda, who became a trained nurse, and Edward who studied engineering at Cornell College and the University of Wisconsin.

Edward remained on the home place. He was married to Leda Miller. To this union, one daughter, Dorothea, was born.

Dorothea married Fred Joslin on September 15, 1935. Fred passed away on February 7, 1972. They were the parents of five children: Donald, now married to Bonnie Seaton (parents of three children), living in West Des Moines, Iowa; Vivian, Mrs. Dennis Siemer, Mankato, Minnesota; parents of two children; Allen, living in Marion, Iowa; Keith, who passed away January 30, 1952; and Jimmy, married Linda Couser and living in Rock Island, Illinois.

Mrs. Joslin is residing on the home place. For the past seventeen years she has been teaching school at Springville, Iowa.

#### NATHAN BICKERSTAFF

Nathan Bickerstaff was born in Franklin County, Virginia, October 25, 1843 and died December 23, 1914. When he was about eight years old, he came with his parents to Jones County, Iowa. On March 17, 1867 he married Aurelia A. Reed Shumaker.

Aurelia was born November 10, 1836 in Sandusky, Ohio. She married Moses Shumaker of Greenfield township September 2, 1857. Two children were born - Flournoy Everette and Celeste Imogene. Mr. Shumaker passed away on February 20, 1865.

Mr. and Mrs. Bickerstaff moved to their farm just North of Morley in 1869. In the fall of 1901, they moved to Morley. After the death of his wife, Nathan lived amongst his children until 1911. At that time he built his new home where he lived until, due to poor health, he made his home with his son and family, J. Robert Bickerstaff. Other children were: Ethold, Mrs. Estella Iras Fairchild and Mrs. Thayra L. Heath.

#### DANIEL BOOTS

Daniel Boots was born in Essex, England February 15, 1824. At the age of four years he came to Oswego County, New York with his parents.

May Ann Sly was born July 24, 1824 in St. Lawrence County, New York and moved with her parents to Oswego County, New York. On December 13, 1847, she married Daniel Boots. Their children were: James P., Elmer J., William A., Robert T., Sylvia A., Mrs. Julie M. Wurzbacher.

In 1869, the family came to Greenfield township near Morley, and moved to Morley in 1894. Mrs. Boots passed away January 8, 1908 and Mr. Boots, January 11, 1908.

## W. A. BOOTS

Daniel Boots was born February 18, 1824 and died January 11, 1908, and his wife, Mary A. Boots was born July 24, 1824 and died January 8, 1908. They acquired forty acres of land in Section 13, Greenfield township, Jones County in 1869. It is on this land that the buildings associated with the "Bill Boots Farm" are located.

Following his death in 1908, his son, William A., one of a family of several children became owner of this land.

Johann Heinrich (John Henry) Wurzbacher, who was born February 11, 1820 and who died November 7, 1902. emigrated from Germany to the United States in 1843. In 1855 he married Anna Margaret Bechstein-Meister from his native German village. She was born October 2, 1821 and died August 31, 1893. Their family consisted of nine living children: John, William, Anna, Elizabeth, Emma. Jennie, Matilda, Barbara and Christopher.

In 1861, Mr. and Mrs. Wurzbacher acquired title to eighty acres in the N.E. part of Section 24 – adjoining the forty acres soon owned by W. A. Boots as noted above.

In 1878 the Wurzbacher's eldest daughter, Annamarried William A. Boots, son of Daniel Boots mentioned in paragraph one. They established their nome on the aforementioned land. They lived in a log cabin located about one-fourth mile from the road, on the former Wurzbacher land. Later, the cabin was moved to the southeast corner of the Daniel Boots' forty acres which they owned. They lived here until and while the present W. A. Boots house was being built – in the very early 1900's.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boots were: Permilla, David, Bessa, Arthur, and twins Willis and Willard. All are deceased at this time (May, 1973) except Willard who lives in Mechanicsville.

William A. Boots was born April 30, 1852 and died September 14, 1937. His wife, Anna C. Boots, was born November 18, 1856 and died November 14, 1927.

Following the death of her parents, Bessa (Mrs. Allen B. Jackson, now deceased) was owner of the land. Her family consisted of two sons, Buell and Mearle.

Mearle married Margaret Mulherin. They moved to the Boots farm which they later acquired and still retain ownership of. They are the parents of four children: John, Larry, Janet (Mrs. Brad Petersen) and Donna.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boots added to their original land holdings which at the time of their death amounted to 160 acres. Their original 120 acres has been and still is in the family for more than 100 years.

#### ALBERT CLYMER

Albert Clymer was born in Fairfield County, Ohio, December 10, 1827. He came to Iowa in 1851 and settled on a farm his father had entered in Rome Township. His wife, Sarah Shoemaker, was born in Ohio, March 1, 1841, and came to Iowa when young. They were married in 1863 and had ten children.

In his mature years, Mr. Clymer began writing poetry. His favorite volume was "Echoes From the Woods".

About three years before his death, while sawing wood, he conceived the idea of making an improvement on the old style saw-buck and patented an improved one. He passed away November 28, 1896.

## AMOS C. DECIOUS

Amos C. Decious was born in Urbana, Ohio, November 11, 1836 and died on December 1, 1921. He came to Iowa in 1854. In 1858, he married Rosanna Gilkison. Their six children were: Julia and Oro who died in infancy; Cora Decious Mershon, Flora Decious Young, John B. and Dora Decious McConaughy.

#### **JAMES DUNCAN**

James Duncan was born August 10, 1810, in Perthshire, Scotland. In 1837, he married Agnes Marshall, whose birthplace was also Perthshire. Four children were born to this union, William F., Lawrence, James, and Peter.

In 1839 they came to Ohio, remaining there until they came to Jones County in 1854. He acquired 181 acres of land near Viroqua, now Morley.

He served as president of the School District No. 1, Greenfield Township.

In 1861 he enlisted in Co. H. 14th I.V.I. in the Civil War. He was taken prisoner at the Battle of Shiloh April 6, 1862, and spent two and one-half years in the Andersonville prison. He received his discharge in February, 1863. His sons, W. F. and Lawrence, also served in the Civil War.

Peter was born October, 1848, and came with his parents from Ohio in 1854. The log cabin home was completed the following year. Peter spent the remaining seventy-six years of his life on this farm, never spending a night away from home. He married Sarah McMurrin and their family consisted of Earl, Roy, Lillie, Orville, and Rolly.

Orville married Myra Cowan, a school teacher taught in Morley, and they made their home with a until his death in 1931. They remained on the family fauntil 1935.

They raised turkeys numbering in the thousands. To be near the turkey center of Wellman, Iowa, they purchased a farm near Williamsburg to continue their turkey farming on a larger scale.

Another son, Rolly, moved on the home place at this time. He was married to Bessie Hotz, and there were two children, Lawrence, who served in World War II, and Dorothy, now Mrs. Melvin J. Allan, Marion, Iowa.

Besides being a farmer, Rolly was interested in tree and plant grafting and produced some interesting results.

He passed away in December, 1954. After that, his son Lawrence purchased the farm. He and his family are living there at the present time.

Lawrence was married to Muriel Hunter on June 29, 1942. Four children were born to this union: Florence secretary for Conmey and Thomas, lawyers; Vandy, we died in infancy; Dennis, employed on road construction for Quad Cities; and Laurie, ninth grader in the Anamosa Community Schools.

Besides farming, Lawrence has been managerlineman for the Morley Telephone Co., Inc. for sixteen years. Lawrence's wife has been postmaster for the Morley Post Office for eleven years.

## H. P. FARNHAM

Almira Ames was born at Andover, Massachusetts, September 10, 1800. She passed away at the home of her daughter, Mary, Mrs. T. H. Dunn, near Anamosa, Iowa, June 8, 1896.

At the age of twenty-five she married John Farnham. In 1839 John Farnham died, leaving his widow with five young children. They were: William, Sarah, John Henry, Mary Almira and Hiram Putnam. In 1846 they moved from the farm to Lowell, Massachusetts.

The Stafford Western Land and Emigration Company, capitalized at \$30,000, had 150 members, many Lowell resident. Their objective was to plant a distinctive New England Colony in the West with 144 farmation acres each — an entire township. For various reached to go West on their own.

In the spring of 1855, they went to homestead in Minnesota. Among them was Will Farnham and his brother-in-law, Tom Hall. Hiram went with them, but being only seventeen years old could not claim a homestead. The entire Farnham family came West in September, traveling by rail to Dubuque, Iowa, then by river steamboat. They disembarked at Red Wing, Minnesota, then proceeded by ox team at the rate of twenty miles per day until they reached their chosen homestead. There they built a log cabin at a total cash outlay of \$1.25 - 75 cents for glass for a window and 50 cents for nails and hinges for the door.

Difficulties beginning on Wall Street, joined with the financial obligations of these pioneers, caused them to lose their farmland. They decided to go on to the Pike's Peak area. They left Minnesota in May, 1859 and traveled as far as Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Due to hazardous conditions along the Missouri river, the Farnham caravan postponed their trip to the peak until the next year.

They drove east of Cedar Rapids about thirty miles and found work plowing prairie sod for a farmer living a few miles from the present town of Morley.

ram P. Farnham, born December 2, 1838 at Ander, Massachusetts and Mary Catherine Richtstine, and Mary Catherine Richtstine, January 22, 1863. Their family consisted of: David Arthur, James Otis, Myrtle Elizabeth, Mamie Ellen, Barbara May, and Esther Almira.

For a short time their home was in the vicinity of Olin until they moved to their farm about two miles from Morley on the edge of the "Big Woods". Here they resided continuously until failing health forced their retirement to Morley in the fall of 1911. This was their home until they passed away. Hiram P. on December 25, 1915, and his wife, Mary C., on October 13, 1925.

Hiram's mother made her home with this family during the winter months and with the T. H. Dunn family north of Anamosa until her death on June 8, 1896.

#### **JACOB FOREMAN**

Jacob Foreman was born in Kentucky in 1814. When young he lived in Ohio, then Indiana and came to Iowa in 1844. His wife, Jane Rooney, was born in Virginia in 1817. They were married in 1836. They had seven children: Rhoda (Mrs. William Harrison), Margaret (Mrs. Gilmore), Mary J. (Mrs. Cook), Elenora M. (Mrs. B. H. Miller), Augusta (Mrs. Smith), Elizabeth (Mrs. Tyler Sunday), and Albert.

#### D. W. GRAFFT

D. W. Grafft was born in Butler County, Ohio, March 21, 1825. He died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Blayney, May 11, 1903. He was one of a family of nine children.

On March 30, 1848, he married Christina Byerly. She died in January 1899. They had nine children, namely, W. S., J. H., Francis M. of Anamosa, Mrs. Mary Blayney, James A., David, Mrs. Lewis Porter, Mrs. Robert Mc-Murrin and Mrs. William Lusk.

Mr. Grafft was a poor boy, starting out in life without help but at one time later he owned more real estate than any man in Jackson Township. He disposed of most of it, except the old farm, on which he died.

Following his death his son, Francis M. (Frank) came into possession of the home farm. He married Jennie Starry and they were the parents of two children, Frances (Mrs. Lee Voorhies of Marion), and a son, Marion, now deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Grafft retired from the farm to Anamosa.

Marion, the son, operated the farm for many years, and later gained ownership in 1947. His wife was the former Emma Hansen. Their family consisted of Chester, Richard and Garth. Due to the poor health of Mr. Grafft, they left the farm and moved to Anamosa, where they lived a number of years until he passed away.

Richard Grafft and family now reside there and operate the farm. His wife was Doris Babcook. They are the parents of Rosalie, Ross, Rhonda, Rochelle and Roger.

#### **ELIZABETH GRAFFT**

Elizabeth Grafft was born on May 22, 1823 and died October 17, 1902. On December 17, 1839, she married John Richtstine in Butler County, Ohio. They moved to Iowa in 1843. Their four children were: Jacob G., Mrs. Mary Farnham, Mrs. Margaret Byerly, and Mrs. Jane Tallman-Long. Mrs. Richtstine died on December 17, 1850.

In 1854 she was married to Adam Kramer of Jones County, Rome township, Iowa. Four children were born to this union: John W., David, Mrs. Etta Kramer Grauel-Escher. Alona died in infancy.

#### WILLIAM HARRISON

William Harrison was born in Fairfield Co., Ohio, November 18, 1834. He died January 1907, and came to Iowa in 1842. On February 7, 1858, he married Rhoda Foreman.

Rhoda Foreman was the eldest daughter of Jacob and Jane Foreman. She was born in Warren Co., Indiana on September 22, 1835, and died June 11, 1909. She came to Jones County, Iowa with her parents in 1844.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison were the parents of six children: one son and one daughter who died in infancy, Jacob C., Reeves W., Mrs. Angeline Anderson, and Mrs. Ada Jarrett.

## ALEXANDER E. HESTER

Mary Elizabeth Newman was born in Fairview township, Jones County, Iowa, September 16, 1856 and died August 24, 1926. She married Alexander E. Hester September 24, 1874. They were the parents of two sons, Willis Elston and Clement Ray, and one daughter, Mrs. Vella Algetha Freeman.

#### ROBERT JOHNSON

Robert Johnson was born in Delaware County, Ohio on August 2, 1837. In 1857 he came to Iowa and located on a farm at Walnut Grove. On July 7, 1861 he married Mary A. Saum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Saum.

In 1888 he bought a farm in Pioneer Grove, lived there four years then moved to a farm two miles east of Morley. The family moved to Anamosa in 1900.

Mr. Johnson was plaintiff in many lawsuits growing out of the historical Jones County Calf Case. These covered approximately twenty-three years. He, also, was in the real estate business with his son, Frank.

# JAMES JOSLIN

James Joslin was born October 28, 1844 and died on August 10, 1935. September 1, 1864 he married Emily Walton. She passed away June 20, 1922. Three children were born to this union: Hiram Scott, Maude Joslin Lamb, and Martha C. who passed away in 1901.

Mr. Joslin studied at Fairview Academy, then at Beloit College, Wisconsin. After leaving there he taught school and later became a farmer, farming the land near his father's homestead and adjacent to the Forest Chapel.

His grandfather, John G. Joslin, came to Iowa in 1837, before the state of Iowa was admitted to the union. He told how in the early years one could buy land for \$1.25 per acre. Some of his people were present at the first government sponsored sale of Iowa land at Dubuque in 1842.

## DANIEL KANE

Daniel Kane and Mary Miller, eldest daughter of Reverend and Mrs. Abram Miller, were married in Lancaster, Fairfield County, Ohio. They came to Greenfield township, Jones County, Iowa, in 1844, and settled six and one-half miles southeast of Anamosa.

In 1861, Mr. Kane enlisted in the 27th Iowa, and served until the close of the war.

Mrs. Kane passed away on February 13, 1904, and Mr. Kane in 1874.

## **GEORGE W. LAMB**

George W. Lamb, son of Mary McCray and Washington Lamb, was born in Fairfield, Ohio, March 31, 1837 and died August 27, 1926. In 1842 he came with his parents to Jones County, Iowa. The first school he attended was organized and financed by neighbors in 1846, and was held in his father's original log cabin.

He was married October 21, 1863 to Eliza Freeman. To this union were born four children: Edward, Mrs. Mary Belle Merritt, William L., and Mrs. Pearle Sherman.

Mr. Lamb was fondly called "Uncle George" by his many friends. He saw Iowa progress from an unimportant territory to that of a leading middle-western state and assisted in the transformation of virgin prairie into fertile tilled farmland.

After retiring from active life, he continued to be interested in the stride of mechanical progress. When he was more than eighty years of age, he homesteaded on a tract of land in Dakota.

#### THE MAIN FAMILY

William Day and Eleanor Farrell, we believe, established their home in Jackson township Section 31 which is approximately three miles north and slightly northeast of Viroqua in the heart of the "Big Woods", possibly a half mile almost south from Slide Rock. They were married March 7, 1837. Mr. Day died March 30, 1853. Their second child, a daughter named Electa Jane was born August 13, 1840. She was married to Thomas S: Main January 13, 1858. They were the parents of thirteen children consisting of the following: Frances E., Elsa J., Emaline A., Jessie David, Luella Olive, Samuel, William, Ettie, John Oliver, James Milo, Jacob, Steward, and Odessa Pearl.

Steward lived on the home farm as long as his health allowed. He moved to Morley and remained there until his death March 16, 1962.

Odessa, Mrs. C. B. Angus, also resided in Morley for a number of years. She passed away December 2, 1972.

The members of the Main family were early settlers and helped to develop the area in which they lived. They were energetic and self-reliant.

Odessa's youngest daughter, Mrs. Betty Huerter, and a granddaughter, Mrs. Tom (Barbara) Achenbach and family reside in Morley. Another granddaughter, Mrs. Jerry (Pamela) Koppenhaver and family live in Anamosa. A grandson, Owen is at home. The farm is presently owned by Donzel Ehresman.

# THOMAS AND ALICE H. MANLY

In the year 1861, Thomas Manly married Alice Hannum in Morgan County, Ohio. That same fall they moved to Fairview, Iowa, where Thomas worked in a blacksmith shop with his brother, Will.

In the spring of 1866, they bought and moved to the farm now owned by a grandson, Arthur Siver and wife, Mae Armstrong Siver. The Sivers are living in the same home that was built in 1879.

At the death of Mr. Manly in 1918, he had accumulated 675 acres of land, which was divided equally between the five daughters: Mrs. Jennie Manly Jones, a teacher for many years; Mrs. Emma Manly Bodenhofer, Mrs. Rachel Manly Vanderbilt; Mrs. Cora Manly Siver, and Miss Myrtle Manly who lived on the home place from 1921 until her death in 1952.

Thomas Siver, a great-grandson, and his famous on this farm for ten years. They then moved to the of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Siver. It was at time that Arthur and Mae moved to the Manly famous they are living at the present time.

The corporaton composed of Arthur, his wife Mae, Thomas and wife Nola, owns 450 acres of the original farm. A granddaughter, Hyla Bodenhofer Tonne, owns 130 acres.

#### THE JAMES McMURRIN FARM

William and Isabella McMurrin arrived in the United States in July 1856. They had brought their six children, ranging in age from two months to eight years, from Antrim County, Ireland.

Ten days after boarding a train in New York City, they arrived at Rock Island, Illinois, as far west as they could go by rail. A stage-coach brought them to Tipton, Iowa. Then they had to look for a farm and living quarters.

They lived in Cedar County until August 1, 1857. Then they moved on the present Charlie Davis farm, formerly the James McMurrin farm in Greenfield Township, Jones County, about two miles northwest of Morley.

Of the nine children they raised, four stayed in the area: John, Sarah (Mrs. Peter Duncan), Nathaniel, and James who remained on the home place.

Mary Johnson, a circuit rider's daughter, married James McMurrin in 1884. Their daughter, Bernice, married Reuel O. McColm in 1915 at which time they took over the farming.

Mr. and Mrs. McColm's daughter, Louise, married Charlie Davis and they have lived on the farm since 1942.

Orin Davis, their son, makes the fifth generation involved with this same farm.

## JOHN McMURRIN

John McMurrin was born in Ireland April 23, 1848, and died February 16, 1929. In March 1874 he married Margaret Johnson who passed away in March 1888. Four children were born to this union: Mrs. W. E. (Etta) May, V. W. McMurrin, Mrs. A. L. Wells, O. F. McMurrin.

On July 4, 1891, Mr. McMurrin married Lucy Peck. Their children were Eugene, Dale, Mrs. Bessie Sherman, and Chester. After teaching school and farming he conducted a general store in Morley until 1906. At this time the family moved to Anamosa. Mrs. Sherman, mentioned above, served as Jones County Recorder for 38 years until her retirement in 1970.

## JACOB AND MARY KELLER MILLER

Jacob Miller was born in Rockingham County, Virginia, in December, 1799. When he was four years old, his family moved to Ohio.

On April 6, 1823, he was united in marriage to Mary Keller. They lived near the town of Lancaster, Ohio.

In 1844 they moved with their large family to Jones County and settled near Anamosa.

Besides being a farmer, Jacob was an ordained United Brethren minister and spent many years as a Circuit Rider in eastern Iowa. He was absent from home several weeks at a time, leaving his wife and ten children: Elias, Joseph, Sarah, Levi, Rhoda, Elizabeth, David, Amos, Jacob and Benjamin to tend the farm.

After twenty-eight years of circuit riding, Jacob retired in 1872. He continued to preach whenever sent for, especially at the Center Church, commonly called "The Green".

He passed away on July 16, 1881.

After his death, Levi, the fourth son, was appointed Executor of the estate. He had acquired 200 acres of land adjoining his parents' home; therefore, both farms were under his supervision.

Levi was married to Mary Ann Green on September 6, 1852. They were parents of ten children: Milton, Jane. Allen, Alice, Stacy, Jacob, Frank, Howard, Delbert and Emmarella.

Stacy and Delbert ("Del") acquired ownership of both farms - "Del", the old homestead, and Stacy, Levi's

After the death of Stacy, his daughter, LaVerna Miller Kline, became the owner of her father's farm, and lived there until her death in 1971.

The farm is now owned and lived on by John and Harlene Husmann. They have a son, Johnny III, and a

After the death of H. D. "Del" Miller, the homestead remained in the family under the supervision of his wife and daughter, Florence G.

Russell Tenley purchased the homestead farm, where he and his wife, Joyce, live with their children, Billy, (now married to Sue Gleason), Patty and Clarence.

## C. W. MURFIELD

C. W. Murfield was born at Highland Grove January 1. 1851. He was the son of J. S. and Elizabeth A. Bancroft Murfield. He married Passay Newman, daughter of Emmanuel and Elizabeth Newman. Ten daughters were born to this union. Five died in early childhood, Grace living to be eighteen. The four who grew to womanhood were Mrs. Jay (Amy) Holcomb, Mrs. Clint (Cleo) Mc-Conaughy, Mrs. Howard (Bessie) Zimmerman, and Mrs. Clayton (Florence) Dumont.

## **GEORGE PFEIFER** (Sometimes spelled with three f's)

George Pfeifer was born May 31, 1814 in Hesse-Darmstadt, Germany. He came to America in 1838 and settled in Fairfield County, Ohio, in 1845. Later he came to Iowa where he entered land northeast of Morley in Rome Township. His wife, Nee Barbara Hofman, was born in the same place in Germany April 1, 1809. They were married in 1838.

Their six children were: Barbara, later Mrs. Roderick; John, Sarah, Mrs. George Smith, Lucinda, Mrs. Robert Stevens, Amanda, Mrs. Henry L. Smith, and Caroline, Mrs. Cyrus Lamb.

George Pfeifer died January 30, 1909. His wife, Barbara, passed away October 9, 1883. Both are interred in the Center Cemtery.

#### FREDERICK PIEPER

Frederick Pieper was born in Germany in 1822, came to America in 1838, migrated through Ohio and Indiana, and arrived in Jones County, Iowa on June 7, 1854. His wife, nee Catherine Ecker, was born in Pennsylvania in 1830. They were married in 1847. Each had land holdings about two and one-half miles south of the present town of Morley. Their children were: David, Susanna, killed by the tornado; Maggie, Cassie J., William, Freddy, Samuel, Sarah Ann, killed by the tornado.

Mr. Pieper was only sixteen when he came to America. Having no funds to pay his way across the ocean, his labor was sold to the highest bidder. The purchaser was a Pennsylvania legislator. The man was kindly and Frederick remained with him four years longer than was required. After arriving in Rome Township, he procured a homestead there.

D. H. (Dave Pieper) could well remember the Comanche Cyclone that wrecked his home. He came into possession of the land and added considerably to it.

On December 26, 1875, he wedded Miss Anna Hempy, born May 23, 1851, one of a family of nine children of George and Drusella (Miller) Hempy. The others were Lafayette, Mrs. Sophia Staab, Thomas, Marion, Jacob, Mrs. Callie Stearns, Benjamin, and George.

Mr. and Mrs. Pieper had two children, Chauncey D., and Haidee C., also, a foster son, Herman.

#### W. R. ROBINSON

William R. Robinson was born November 26, 1836, in Champaign County, Ohio. At the age of four years, he came with his parents to Fairview Township, Jones County, Iowa, He had two brothers and three sisters.

He enlisted August, 1862, in the Civil War, Co. H, 35th Iowa Volunteer Infantry, and was involved in eighteen engagements, including Vicksburg. He was never wounded or in the hospital.

After being honorably discharged about September 1, 1865, he settled in Greenfield Township.

In 1870, he married Miss Lizetta Piper, who was born near Fort Wayne, Indiana, September 28, 1850. Their family consisted of seven daughters and four sons.

One son, William, the subject of the sketch, married Miss Edith Illsley, and they continued to live on the Robinson parental farm. Their family consisted of seven children, as follows: Gorman, Corrine, now Mrs. Marvin Betcher of Davenport, Narvis, Quentin, Victor, and the twins Calvin and Casper. Casper and family reside on the home farm.

## WILLIAM M. RUGGLES

William M. Ruggles was born in Richland County, Ohio, in 1830. He came to Iowa in 1865 and became a farmer in the Walnut Grove neighborhood. He was a dealer and raiser of Shorthorn cattle and Cotswold sheep and held several important township offices.

His wife was Miss H. H. Hoke who was born in Virginia in 1839. They were married in 1856 and came to Iowa in 1865. There were seven children in the family four grew to maturity.

### THE RUSSELL FAMILY

Jacob H. and Sophia Werner Russell were born in Pennsylvania. In 1869 they brought their family to Iowa. first settling near Lisbon, then a mile northwest of White Oak Church, and finally in 1873 moved to the farm southwest of Morley. The five children who grew up there were Emma Kendall (of Mechanicsville), George W., Richard, Robert H., and Edward.

Richard S. married Dora Grimm, and they were the parents of four children: Vesta Fisher, Clella Barnhizer, Perry, and Verda Miller. Perry married Blanche Shoop, and their two daughters are Relda (Mrs. Lenard Streets) and Lurine (Mrs. Louis McGee). Relda and Lenard have a daughter Anita, who is married to August Paulsen, and has two children, Carissa and Brian. Lurine's children are Wayne, Russell, Colleen and Pamela.

Robert H. married Minnie Miller, and their two sons were Harlan and Willard. Harlan married Edith Grassfield, and their son H. Everett lives on the home farm with his wife Dorothy (Moellering) and their four children, Robert, Beverly, Lynn Everett, and Marilyn. Willard and Thelma (Leinbaugh) have a son, Keith, and daughter Miriam. Keith and Dorothy Horstmann have three children, Gwendy (Mrs. Tom Levson), Candice, and Larry. Miriam Sather also has three children, Marc, Allen and Britt.

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## **GEORGE SAUM**

George Saum was born in Highland County, Ohio April 22, 1814, son of Jacob Saum whose father held an official position in the commissary department of the continental army under George Washington. In June, 1839 he and his family moved to Walnut Grove in Rome Township, Jones County, Iowa. There were three children in the family: J. D., Nicholas, and Polly A., who became Mrs. Robert Johnson of Anamosa.

His first purchase of land was a hundred and sixty acres. The family camped under a burr oak tree in Walnut Grove. Mr. Saum began at once to build a one room log house. His possessions at that time were a yoke of oxen, an old wagon, and a pony.

The well known Tom Green, also located at Walnut Grove and the two men, Saum and Green, married sisters.

The above mentioned Mr. Green later came into ownership of considerable land a few miles north of Walnut Grove which later became known as "The

Mr. Saum prospered greatly in his time and was one of the early horticulturists of Jones County. In the spring of 1842 he bought about one hundred apple trees and a few cherry and pear trees from an old Quaker from Richmond, Indiana. He planted these on his farm in Rome Township. For years he exhibited his fruit at the county fairs – tangible evidence of fruit production on the Iowa prairies.

He also pioneered in raising Shorthorn cattle. In 1846 he brought to the county three cows and an imported bull, "Locomotive" which had been purchased in England by a Kentucky company. He paid a little over one hundred dollars each for these animals, a prohibitive price, but time proved the wisdom of his course.

In 1844 he purchased the first McCormick reaper brought into the county. He was among the first to replace the wooden mold boards on plows with steel plows made by John Deere Co. in Illinois. These he sold for six or seven years to farmers of the community.

He left the Walnut Grove area for California in 1879 where he continued in fruit culture for twenty years.

In 1899 he returned to Anamosa and spent his last years in the home of his daughter, Mrs. William Peet, with the exception of the last week of his life when he was at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Robert Johnson.

He was one of the most successful, best known, and most honored of Jones County pioneers. He passed away at the age of ninety-four years.

#### DANIEL SMITH

Daniel Smith was born in Union County, Pennsylvania on July 27, 1818. He came to Iowa in 1857. His wife was Mary Moore. She was born in Berks County, Pennsylvania February 22, 1824. They were married in Pennsylvania in 1840. Their five children were: George, Jacob, Elizabeth, later Mrs. Kohl; Henry L., and D. O.

Mrs. Smith passed away April 20, 1898. Mr. Smith died September 17, 1904 at the home of his son, Henry L. one mile north of Morley. As was the custom of that era, the family clock was stopped at the time of his death.

## **GEORGE SMITH**

George Smith was born December 25, 1840, in LaCumming County, Pennsylvania. He was the eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Smith. At the age of sixteen he came to Davenport by railroad, then to the White Oak community by covered wagon. After living there for two years he moved to a farm north of Morley.

In 1863 he married Sarah Pfeifer, and settled farm now owned and resided on by his nephew, D. Smith. In 1910 the farm was sold and they move Morley. Mrs. Smith died in 1912.

Sarah was born December 5, 1843, in Fairfield County, Ohio. In 1845, she, with her parents, came to Iowa and settled in Rome Township, Jones County.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith raised a foster son, Frank M. Shrope. They were lovingly known as "Uncle George" and "Aunt Sarah".

## HENRY L. SMITH

Henry L. Smith, son of Daniel and Mary Smith, was born in Pennsylvania, February 21, 1850. At the age of six, he came with his parents to Iowa in a covered wagon. They settled on a farm in the White Oak neighborhood southwest of Morley, known then as Viroqua.

In-1877, he was married to Amanda Pfeifer who was born, August 4, 1855, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Pfeifer who lived in the Green neighborhood. They settled on the farm, previously purchased by Mr. Smith one mile north of Morley and resided there until 1920 when they moved to Morley.

They were active in the United Brethren Church throughout their lives. Mrs. Smith was a dedicated worker in the Red Cross. Their children were: Mrs. J. R. (Jennie) Bickerstaff, deceased; Herbert P. Smith, deceased; H. Delbert, Morley; and Dr. Kenneth O., Upper Montclair, New Jersey.

Mr. Smith passed away July 28, 1948, and Mrs. Smith March 20, 1942.

#### **REV. ROBERT COLLINS STEPHENS**

Robert Collins Stephens was born in Carroll County Ohio, on August 11, 1829 and died June 2, 1903. He was the ninth child of a family of fourteen children. September 30, 1851 he married Rebecca Grave in Ohio. There were five children, but only one son survived – Frank.

June 8, 1870 he married Lucinda Pfeifer. Three children were born to them: one daughter who died in infancy, Clifford C. and Blanche Stephens Bixler.

In 1859 Mr. Stephens was licensed to become a minister by presiding elder Reverend Alexander Collins, and was admitted to the Iowa Conference of the United Brethren Church September 30, 1865. For twelve years he traveled as an itinerant minister, serving the "Big Woods" circuit for a total of six years.

Mrs. Stephens was born November 9, 1848 and died at the home of her son, Clifford C. Stephens around 1926.

# ANDREW SUNDAY

Andrew Sunday, an early settler near Viroqua - now Morley - was born August 20, 1815. He came to Iowa in 1846 from Ohio. He married Salome Runkel who was born in Fairfax County, Ohio July 15, 1818. They were married in 1839. In the fall of 1846 they came to live in Rome Township, Jones County, Iowa. They lived the first year in a log cabin one mile northeast of Viroqua and later moved for one year into the Peter Kramer cabin near the Green schoolhouse. From there they moved to the cabin on the farm later owned by David Grafft near Newport In the fall of 1848 they moved to the "Sunday Farm" northeast of Morley - now the home of Mrs. Earl (Myrtle) Duncan - where Mrs. Sunday died, September 11, 1899.

mey had five children. Two died in Ohio and two in wa. One son, John Tyler, was born in Fairfield Co. Ohio 1841 and died in 1917. He grew up and lived on the same farm, about three miles northeast of Morley.

Tyler Sunday's first wife was Elizabeth Foreman.

They were married in 1864. She died in 1866.

Tyler Sunday's second wife was Cecelia Myers, born April 20, 1845 near Shrewsbury, Pa. They were married in 1869 and made their home on the "Sunday Farm".

Their family consisted of four living children: Andrew, Mrs. A. B. (Odessa) Young, Katie Anabel, and H.

Olin. One daughter, Lily, died in 1877.

In 1906 they sold the farm and moved to southern Illinois where they lived for ten years returning to make their home in Morley where Mrs. Sunday died in January

Three generations of Sundays lived on the original farm. Four generations of Sundays are buried in Center Cemetery northeast of Morley.

## JOHN TALLMAN

John Tallman was born in Fairfield, now Franklin County, Ohio, April 1, 1821, and died at his home near Morley, July 30, 1893. He was the youngest son of eleven children.

On August 20, 1843, he married Lucinda Lowe. They came to Iowa in 1845, where Mr. Tallman entered 40 acres of land in Section 6, Rome Township, near Viroqua (Morley). In time he acquired 308 acres. Their home was the traditional log cabin, with these differences: the roof was made of clapboards, the flooring was of boards, and a door - considered a luxury - was added to shelter the family from inclement weather. This was their home for ten or twelve years.

Their ten children were: James H., Nathaniel C., Reuben S., Elizabeth, Winfield H., Mary J., Rose A., Samantha E., Angeline and W. E.

#### J. W. TAYLOR

J. W. Taylor was born in Marion Co., Indiana in 1829. He came to Iowa in 1844 and entered 160 acres, and in time owned 208 acres. His market was Muscatine. He sold wheat for 40 cents, dressed pork for \$3.00 and took pay in goods or bobtailed currency. He, also, held important township offices.

His first wife, Amanda Inghram, was born in Fleming County, Kentucky, in 1837 and came to Iowa in 1844. They were married November 18, 1852. She died in 1874. They had five children: Theodore J., Lemuel C., Frank L.,

Alma N., and Lydia E.

His second wife was Gussie Justice, born in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania in 1845, came to Iowa in 1855, married George Lee in 1866. He died March 12, 1871. They had one child - George.

Mrs. Lee married Mr. Taylor April 1, 1875. They had one child - Maggie May.

## W. W. THRAP

William Wilson Thrap was born in Licking County, Ohio, December 27, 1818, and died at his home near Morley April 26, 1902.

In 1844 he came to Iowa, took government land and settled on the farm on which he died. He married Joannah Sherman in 1847. Their children were: Helen M., Mary A., Emerson, Jeremiah and Emily J. Hughes.

# J. H. WURZBACHER

"Died at Morley, Jones County, Iowa, John Henry Wurzbacher, who was born at Rostes Greene, Bavarian-Kingdom, Germany, Feb. 11, 1820, and died Nov. 7, 1902, aged 82 years, 8 months, and 26 days.

"He came to the United States in the year 1848, landing at Baltimore, Maryland, on the 22'd of June. He next located in Webster County, Ohio, from which place he moved by over-land route to Lisbon, Iowa, reaching there the 4th day of July, 1854, making the trip in five weeks. Soon after this he came to the community where he spent the remainder of his days, now the village of Morley.

"On the 14th of February, 1855, he was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Bechstein by Father Newman. To this union were born ten children, one of whom died in infancy, while nine yet live and are all honorable and useful men and women. The names are as follows: Mrs. Anna C. Boots, Morley; Wm. H. Wurzbacher, Sabetha, Kan.; Mrs. M. E. Lichtenwalter, Tipton, Iowa; Miss Barbara M. Wurzbacher, John Wurzbacher, Morley; Mrs. Emma Cook, Collins, Iowa; Mrs. Jennie Sinclair, Houston, Texas; Mrs. Tillie Merritt, Olin, and Christopher Wurzbacher, Morley.

"There are eleven living grandchildren, and two

deceased, and one living great-grandchild.

"His companion died August 31, 1893, since which time he has been tenderly cared for by his children, Barbara being almost a constant attendant until the day of his death. One brother, Harry Wurzbacher, of Tilden, Neb., and one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Hecht, of Pawnee

City, Neb., are yet living.

"He was converted about the year 1860 and united with the U.B. Church under the preaching of Father Newman, and lived a most zealous Christian life. He professed what he believed and believed what he professed, and lived it until the day of his death. The Bible was his chief study during the last years of his life, and he could quote it with a surprising degree of accuracy so long as memory and speech remained.

"The funeral occurred on Sabbath, Nov. 9th, conducted by Rev. W. T. Richardson, of Morley, assisted by Revs. W. E. Wilcox and E. Harper, of Olin, Iowa. After a brief service at the house the remains were conveyed to Center U.B. Church, where Rev. Richardson preached

## DID YOU KNOW?

Illinois has Federal or State census records for 1810,1818,1820,1825,1830,1835,1840,1845, 1850,1855,1860,1865,1870,1880,1900,1910.

The 1810-1860 census records are in one alphabetical card index.

The archive staff will research one or two names for you. Paid researchers are available for more extensive searching.

> Illinois State Archives Springfield, IL 62756

# Grand Jurors for September, 1857 District Court session in Jones County, Iowa:

Thomas E. Belknap, Joseph Inghram, Samuel Easterly, Horace Gill, John Niles, E. S. Blodgett, Thomas Green, Robert Barnhill, Joseph H. Evans, W. C. Johnston, C. C. Himebaugh, Curtis Stone, Timothy Stivers, H. A. Fay, Patrick Donahoe

## Petit Jurors for September, 1857 - Jones Co., Iowa:

J. P. Newell, Thomas Bender, J. W. Jenkins, John E. Lovejoy, Charles Taylor, David Myers, A. G. Beardsly, A. Gee, C. P. Hutton, A. Gowing, Stephen Hamilton, L. C. Eaton.

# Witnesses for the Grand Jury:

Walter Wood, Clement H. Lane, Andrew Ballou, Asa Ballou, Touwthy (?) Soper, Mastin Brundigde, Emanuel Brown, Luke Totter, David Snodgrass, Thomas S. Taylor, Japhet Ingram, George Gilbank, Daniel Varvull, John Clark, A. W. Darling, William Rearick, C. Hicks, Nathan J. Waters, E. M. Franks, Peter J. Smith, John E. Ennis, Milton Stevenson, Hezikiah Dickson.

## January 23, 1858 - Legal Action - Wallace Backus et al vs Jones County. Witnesses:

Wallace Backes, Robert Rearick, Wm. Rearick, John Branthaven, F. C. West, L. C. Eaton, Samuel Aldrich, D. C. Quimby, Christopher Hartly, Mrs. Hartly, Dan Varball, John Stephenson, William Selders.

## Grand Jurors for April, 1858 District Court session in Jones County, Iowa:

Ebenezer Brown, Burton Peet, James Peet, Richard Vanvoltenburg, B. T. Gaut, G. N. Hay, Wm. C. Monroe, Samuel S. Lawrence, Frederic Grove, Samuel Aspach, Dow A. Carpenter, Joseph Tryon, James S. Brink, J. J. Welch, J. J. Dickinson, J. H. Fisher, Thomas McCeary, Thomas Grove, J. P. Williams.

#### April witnesses for Grand Jury:

W. T. Shaw, James Spencer, Oliver McLaughlin, Almira Wentworth, Martelia Kelly, R. J. Cleveland, Clement H. Laue, Andrew Rummel, A. J. Shaw, Hamilton Freeman, Geo. Saum, James Duncan, G. W. Fall, David Bumgarner, Wm. Harrison, Dow A. Carpenter, Jasper Dalby, Peter A. Green, Henry Dodsworth, Elmore Rigby, J. D. Herrick, Eli Walker, G. A. Gong, Robert Safely, Geo. Brown, Joseph McClure

#### Grand Jurors for September, 1858 District Court session in Jones County, Iowa:

E. B. Alderman, John Decious, Anthony Waggoner, Otis Whittemore, John Waite, Noah Bigley, C. H. Lull, G. N. Hay, Luke Potter, F. F. Beardsley, Joseph Miller, Thomas McNally, James A. Bronson, John Filson, John Fredenburg,

## Witnesses for Grand Jury Session in September, 1858:

William Clancey, Fonora Kerreily, John Connors, John Delay, E. H. Warren, S. T. Benedom, Timothy Stivers.

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TLGS TO HOST REGION 9 MEETING - Saturday, April 21 at the Masonic Temple,
103 E 4th, Spencer, Iowa
Speaker: Howard Sneddon on Civil War Military Records and Unusual Sources.
Call Carol Wede in the evenings at 712-834-2445 for more information.

# THIS IS A BARGAIN!

DURING THE PAST YEAR, JCGS CHARTER MEMBER, JOYCE WELLS, TACKLED ANOTHER BIG PROJECT.
JOYCE COPIED THE 1925 IOWA CENSUS FOR JONES COUNTY. WHEN SHE FINISHED THIS
TIME-CONSUMING JOB, JOYCE AND JO ANN WALTERS CROSS-REFERENCED EVERY NAME IN THE
CENSUS.

AS A RESULT OF THIS PROJECT, JCGS WILL PROVIDE ALL INFORMATION APPEARING IN THE 1925 CENSUS FOR JONES COUNTY FOR ONE SURNAME FOR \$5.00.

IF YOU ASKED FOR THE SURNAME "STARRY", YOU WOULD RECEIVE:

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THE STARRY FAMILY IS ONE OF THE ORIGINAL FAMILIES OF JONES COUNTY. THEY MIGRATED FROM BERKELEY COUNTY, W. VA. TO WARREN COUNTY, IND., IN THE EARLY 1830'S. THE STARRYS MOVED TO JONES COUNTY IN THE LATE 1840'S. SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

POLLY STARRY B JAN. 29, 1848 IN ROME TWP., MARRIED JOHN BLAYNEY ON OCT. 19,1865 IN OLIN, IOWA.

ALEXANDER STARRY B JUL. 30, 1802 IN VIRGINIA, MARRIED POLLY SAUM ON MAR. 24, 1831 IN WARREN COUNTY, IND.

DANIEL STARRY B JUN. 1, 1777 (D. NOV. 29, 1842, WARREN COUNTY, IND.) HARRIED HARRAE SHITH ON OCT. 25, 1798 IN BERKELEY COUNTY, W. VA.

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## CALENDAR

April 17 Meeting - Our speaker will be Mr. Ron Moore
May 15 Meeting - Our speaker will be Loren Horton who will speak on Ethnic Immigration to Iowa.

ALL MEETINGS ARE NOW AT THE RESOURCE CENTER. 7:30 p. m.

Birthdays: April 14 - Jo Ann Walters

May 4 - Laura Billy

April 18 - Jean Dawson Shea

May 10 - Renee Dooley

Happy Anniversary April 20th to Joyce and Garold Wells.

MORE GENEALOGY: June Morrow and family welcomed two new grandchildren!

Boorke Anne Young and Benjamin Joseph Morrow. Congratulations!

Introductory Genealogy Class - Taught by our own Jo Ann Walters

Mondays beginning April 2 in Room 135 at Monticello High School - 7 to 9 p.m. \$24.00

#### ANCESTORS

Sam and Lovina Wallick family resided in Greenfield Twp. in 1880. What country school did the Kumroys attend? What is the closest church in that area?

Valerie WALKER, 10955 Wurzbach Rd.-#606, San Antonio, TX 78230

Hugh McIntyre, b 15 Dec 1835 in Canada, d 5 Apr 1895, married 26 Apr 1862 to Harriette Amanda Millard, b 19 Dec 1845 in Canada, d 2 Mar 1888 in Mo. Children were Annie, Mary, Emma, William, Hugh, Josephine, Nettie, Eda, George, Frank. Hugh's parents: John McIntyre and Catherine Sutherland. Where did they live in Canada? Who were Harriette's parents? Ralph Hamilton, HQUSAREUR, PO Box 2214, APO, NY 09063

Byerly, Alspaugh, Conklin and others. I would be pleased to correspond with anyone interested in these surnames. I have info to give and I will be looking forward to hearing from you. Florence Waters Denbow, 120 La Vista, Los Alamos, NM 87544

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