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St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Formed in 1923

By the Rev. A. Matthias After a brief period of preaching services conducted by neighboring pastors, chiefly by Rev. A. H. Diers, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Anamosa, Iowa, was organized at a meeting conducted by the latter, then pastor of St. John's congregation at Olin, on August 27, 1923. Early in the year 1924, the little flock with the aid of the District Mission Board of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of lows and other states succeeded in getting their first resident pastor in the person of Rev. W. Fritschel. In the spring of the same year a house (the present parsonage) and lots on corner N. Ford and E. Cedar St., were bought and, aided by the generous support of the Anamosa merchants, a chapel was built.

Rev. W. Fritschel resigned at the beginning of 1927. The vacancy temporarily supplied by students and pastors until a successor was found in the present pastor, A. Mattias, who took charge August 21, 1927. The congregation used the chapel for four more years for its services and as a gathering place for Sunday school, confirmstion class, and Luther league. In 1931, upon the advice of the Iowa District Mission Board,, the congregation purchased the Powers' Court for \$4,000, remodeled and furnished it at an additional expense of about \$1200. Dedication services took place December 6, 1931.

The membership has been changing rapidly from year to year but is becoming more fixed of late. Of the charter members only five are left. The gains, however, have always more than offset the losses. At this time the congregation numbers 340 baptized members of whom 202 are confirmed and entitled to commune. During the 15 years of its existence this church's records show 135 haptisms of children and 144 confirmations including adult baptisms. Burials were comparatively few-30 in 15 years.

These years of humble beginnings required not a little patience and courage, and this is worth remembering even at the present stage of the congregation's development, for in God's kingdom it

is never time to quit until the Lord bids us to rest from our labors. This field is still young but many a seed has already been sown; may some of it have found or yet find a fertile soil and bear fruit unto life eternal.

May those whom St. Paul's Lathernn church serves in things spiritual make faithful use of its ministrations and increasingly appreciate and support its work, knowing that their work is not in vain in the Lord. Thus it shall grow and prosper and ever more adequately fill its place in this community and the church at large.

Dexter Cunningham Performed Wedding For Runaway Pair

The only marriage that Dexter Cunningham ever performed while acting as Justice of the Peace, was that of a runaway match in 1858.

The prospective bride and groom, Meldary Redman and Elijah Hubbard, had arranged to meet with Mr. Cunningham at the home of Elisha Dodge. The justice lived a mile and a half from the place and because of the deep snow which made travel afoot or on horseback almost a physical impossibility, he refused to take his wife with him. (It was suspected that he was afraid she would make fun of his first attempt at marrying a couple.)

When the anxious groom arrived at the Dodge residence, he holted through the first door at hand and shouted, "Is she here?"

When informed that she was not, he was visibly agitated, but soon another door flew open and the bride stumbled in, panting from her exercise in the snow. She held a bundle of feminine toggery under one arm. Neither the bride nor the groom-to-be required more than several seconds to prepare themselves for the ceremony.

With no introductory music, no wedding march, the ritual was commenced. Mr. Cunningham officiated with the dignity and impressiveness of a Justice of the Supreme Court and is reported to have led off in the congratulations by kissing the beaming bride. The wedding fee was \$1.75, a goodly sum for services in those times.

Though many runaway matches turn out unsatisfactorily, this couple lived happily together. Mr. Dodge went to the Cunningham home soon after and when asked by Mrs. Cunningham whether he had tied the knot properly, Mr.

Dodge tersely replied: "Yes, he tied it so tight you couldn't undo it with your teeth!"

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The Manlys of Greenfield Township

Courtship and adventure for young pioneer

Great- grandparents of La Verta Liver Langenberg

The story you are about to read is the cradle to grave life-adventure of Thomas Manly, a true pioneer as they were known in this area of early Iowa.)

Thomas Manly was born in Belmont



THOMAS MANLY is shown at the age of 21 in 1867 at the fair in McConnels-ville, Ohio.

County, Ohio, May 17, 1836, the fifth child of his parents, William and Sarah D. Walter-Manly. His maternal grandparents and their sons and daughters all moved to Morgan County, Ohio, when Thomas was but 3-years-old. Three years later his mother died, leaving four sons and three daughters to the father's care. The son next older than Thomas had died when he was 3-years-old.

The baby sister, 6-months-old, and Thomas were given into the care of the mother's parents and from his grand-mother he received careful training, by precept and example, in industry, economy, uprightness and regard for the sabbath day.

At the age of 16 Thomas went back home to live with his father who had married again. Two more sisters had also been added to the family. Thomas had a high respect for his step-mother, often referring to those years spent in his father's home as the happiest time of his life. (Editor's note: We can well imagine

they were, for from this age caward Thomas Manly became a full-blown man, knowing all the hardships and occasional joys as befell any pioneer of that time.)

From an account of the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Thomas and Mrs. Manly, which occasion came on Aug. 24, 1911, we learn the following, by going back 60 years prior, to Morgan County, Ohio:

Thomas Manly, then a youth of 15 years, had lived in the home of his maternal grandparents, William Walter and wife, since the death of his mother 10 years before. He made an occasional visit to his father's home six or seven miles away. While making one of these visits, he went to spend a Sunday afternoon with the Hannum brothers on a farm adjoining that of his father's. Perhaps a dozen young people had assembled there that particular afternoon. Five or six girls were calling on Miss Alice Hannum, a winsome lass just entering her teens. Her rosy complexion, blue eyes and dark brown hair, with a few ringlets around her brow, and her plump girlish figure appealed to Tom's idea of beauty and he thought Alice the prettiest girl he had ever met.

A year or so later Tom came home to his father's house to live and remained for more than a year. He met Alice frequently at neighborhood gatherings and at every meeting he found his admiration increasing. It is only fair to say that Alice was not oblivious to the charms of a fine form, a fair flourid complexion, blue eyes and black curly hair and thought Tom a handsome young man. He never told anyone of her charms for him and how everyone knew the secret which he himself hardly dared believe or hope was a mystery. Tom had his rivals.

At an apple cutting, on an ever-to-beremembered evening, the most formidable of the rivals stood by indifferently and saw Miss Alice set out for home alone. Tom's gallantry, it is to be supposed prompted him to offer his company for the walk to her home. As much to his surprise, perhaps, as to that of the young man who was waiting to see Tom "get the mitten," his offer was accepted.

When Tom was 17-years-old his father said to him one day, "Thomas, wouldn't thee like to go west with thy brother William? He will be lonely away out there in Iowa without any of his brothers or sisters." Thomas gladly seized upon the opportunity and still blesses the day when his father suggested that he go to Iowa.

In the autumn of 1853, in company with his brother William, his brother's bride and others from Pennsville, Morgan County, Ohio, Tom set out on a voyage down the beautiful blue Muskingum, thence down the Ohio river past Cincinnati, Louisville, to Cairo, thence up the Mississippi to Muscatine, Iowa. The journey occupied two weeks time and gave Tom his first broad view of the big world.

The following winter, Tom had his home with his brother in a little town in the south part of Cedar county and there attended school. Their uncle, Daniel Walter, and family resided on a farm not far distant. In the spring William located in Fairview, Jones County, and opened a blacksmithing shop, taking his brother in as an apprentice at \$3 per month and his board.

Also Tom had a two week's vacation in



ALICE HANNUM, later Mrs. Thomas Manly, is shown at the age of 19 in 1857 at the fair in McConnelsville,

harvest which he spent binding wheat on the neighboring farms to earn spending money. The second year his pay was increased to \$4 per month and the third year to \$5 per month. Tom had saved money and had made himself so useful that when he became of age his brother paid him \$100 extra as a share of the proceeds of their prosperous business. Then Tom did what he believes every young man should do at the age of twenty-one, he went on a journey.

Proceeding by stage to Dubuque he there beheld a railroad, locomotive engine and train of cars for the first time. His journey took him back to Ohio to see his father and other relatives and Alice, with whom he had corresponded regularly, writing six letters a year and receiving as many in return. Imagine a young man of this day of post cards and telephones hearing from his sweetheart half a dozen times a year. He found that her girlish graces had developed into still more



THIS GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY photograph of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Manly was taken Aug. 24, 1911. Sitting in the front row are Thomas Manly and his wife Alice Hannum Manly. The young boy standing is Arthur Thomas Manly Siver. Standing in the back, left to right, are Allen James Siver, John Allen Siver, Cora Etta Manly Siver, James Otis Siver, Myrtle Edith Manly, Jennie May Manly Jones, Helen Edith Bodenhofer Simpson, Hazel May Bodenhofer Hammon, Hylah Belle Bodenhofer Tonne (small girl), John Thomas Bodenhofer and Emma Luelia Manly Bodenhofer.

Thomas Manly—

(cont. from page 3) charming young womanhood.

That summer he worked for his father on the farm and often refers to that time as the happiest, most carefree period of his life. He still thought Alice the most beautiful woman of his acquaintance, Iowa belles not excepted.

His father, brothers, sisters, and friends generally, encourged him by informing him that Alice was a good housekeeper, a subject which he thought of little importance at that time. But he has been thankful every day for half a century that they knew whereof they spoke. The courtship reached an engagement, but Alice was not ready to leave her parents, brothers, and sisters and the palatial new residence her father had just erected. So she promised to come to Iowa with Tom three years later.

Tom returned to Iowa and entered into a partnership with his brother, with whom he "learned his trade." The two brothers worked so agreeably together and Tom's home with his brother and his most estimable wife was so pleasant (and meanwhile two of his sisters had come to Fairview) that the years of waiting were not tedious and Tom never knew anything about homesickness.

In the summer of 1861, Tom returned to Ohio and claimed his bride who had been true to her promise. On Saturday afternoon, Aug. 24, 1861, Mr. Thomas Manly procured a horse and buggy and, in company with Miss Alice Hannum, drove to the residence of Esquire Coulson near Pennsville, Penn Township, Morgan County, Ohio. As was the custom in those days, they informed no one except their folks at home of their going, nor did they suppose anyone knew what their errand was. James Hannum, the bride's youngest brother, was interested in seeing the ceremony and, proceeding on horseback by a detour, circumvented the happy couple. The bride gladly welcomed him as a witness.

After plighting their troth, Mr. Manly and his bride were overnight Sunday guests at the home of his grandparents. Before the honeymoon had waned Thomas Manly and wife had come to Iowa and in October located in Fairview and began housekeeping.

Mr. Manly continued to work in the shop with his brother until the spring of 1866, when he removed to Greenfield Township and settled on 240 acres of land which has since been their home, and to which he has added from time to time until his estate now numbers about 600 acres.

Here they have lived and enjoyed life and their family of daughters, their neighbors and, in the last decades, their grandchildren as much as lack of leisure and strenuous farm life would permit.

Two blessings they are especially than ful for, a permanent home in Iowa, the beautiful land, and a degree of health which has enabled them both to attend to their duties without cessation for even a single day in half a century.

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Funeral Service for
BERTHA SHOOP KOHL
January 7 February 6
1892 1974

et the
United Methodist Church
Martelle, Iowa
Saturday afternoon, February 9
one-thirty o'clock

Clergyman Rev. Dale Batcheler

Casket Bearers

G. J. Armstrong Lenard Streets C. K. Gordon

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Interment
Cedar Memorial Cemetery
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

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Rites Held For John Siver 74,969 ANAMUSA - Funeral services

ANAMOSA - Funeral services were held Tuesday for John A. Siver, 73, in the Goettsch Funeral home. Rev. Charles Yoak conducted the service with burial in the Cedar Memorial cemetery, Cedar Rapids.

Mr. Siver died Saturday in Cedar Rapids following a lingering illness. Leonard Streets, Narvis Robinson, Harold Martensen, Thomas McAleer, Robert Beckmann and Dale Fisher were pallbeafers.

John Allen Siver was born Aug. 31, 1895 the son of Allen J. and Cora E. Manley Siver, in Greenfield township, Jones county. He was married to Grace Kohl on April 12, 1916. They farmed until retiring and moving to Anamosa in 1964. He was a member of the Morley E.U.B. church and the Knights of Pythias lodge.

Mr. Siver is survived by his wife, Grace, daughters, Mrs. Kenneth (Velma) Magnuson, Marion, and Mrs. Magnus (Janette) Jefferson; brothers, Otis and Arthur Siver, Mechanicsville, and 5 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

His parents preceded him in death.

Rites Saturday for 1969
Darrell A. Kohl, 63

CENTRAL CITY — Darrell A. Kohl, 63, well-known Poland China breeder, died Wednesday at a Cedar Rapids hospital. He entered the hospital Wednesday for the second time in recent

He was born Sept. 8, 1905, in White Oak in Linn county. He was married to Esther Miller Dec. 13, 1934. They farmed in the Lisbon and Mt. Vernon vicinities until 13 years ago when they moved to a farm south of Central City.

Mr. Kohl is survived by his wife; a son, Darwin of route 3, Marion; two daughters, Mrs. Richard Schuliste, Central City, and Mrs. Gary Andreesen, Cedar Rapids; eight grandchildren; five sisters, Gladys Rubineck, Maquoketa; Lulu Peiper, Ventura, Calif.; Grace Sievers and Mrs. Don Sigmund, both of Anamosa, and Vera Von Sprecken, Martelle, and one brother, Earl of Marion.

Services: Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at Baxter's in Marion with burial in Cedar Memorial. Friends may call at Baxter's after 3 p.m. Friday.

MEETINGS WILL BE THE 3rd. TUESDAY of the MONTH 15 JUNE 1993 7:00 pm 7:00 pm

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Mrs. Charles Kohl Passed Away Monday
Mrs. Fanny Andle Kohl passed

away on Monday, July 27 at Oakdale, Iowa, where she had been confined in the sanitarium for sometime

She was born near Mechanicsvill on August 9, 1875 to Reuben and Mary Jane Kelsey Andre. She was married to Charles E. Kohl on April 2, 1896, they lived in the White Oak neighborhood later, moving to near Mt. Vernon where she lived until she entered the sanitarium Mr. Kohl preceded her in death in November of 1941. She is survived by five daughters and two sons. Mrs. Lula Pieper of Mechanicsville; Mrs. Grace Siver, Mechanicsville: Earl Kohl and Darrell Kohl, Mt. Vernon; Mrs. Gladys Rubinek of Maquoketa; Mrs. Vera Von Sprecken of Martelle; Mrs. Laura Belle Sigmund of Mt. Vernon, also two sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Laura Ankle of Oceola, Iowa: Mrs. Sadie Kennedy of Linden, Iowa; Elmer Andre of Oxford Junction: Clarence Andre, and Delbert Andre of Mechanicsville, several grandchildren, nieces' and nephews and a host of distant relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Claude Runner of Martelle at the White Oak Evanglical church on Thursday at 2 p.m. Mr. Delbert Richardson of Linn Grove was the soloist. Burial was in the adjoining cemetery beside her husband.

Pallbearers were Ira Hempy, Otis Siver. Verlon Baker, Ernest Tonne, Perry Russell and Harlan Russell.

Memorial Service for

WILLIAM J. BAILEY

November 12 May 19 1885

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Goettsch Funeral Home Saturday afternoon, May 22 at two-thirty o'clock

> Clergy man Rev. Lloyd Dutro

Cosket Bearers

R. M. Porter Freeman Shankland Charlie Davis Robert Bainbridge Mervin Switzer Denzel Ehresman

> Interment Cedar Memorial Park Cedar Rapids, Iowa

JONES COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY P.O. BOX 174 ANAMOSA, IA 52205

Mt. Vernon-Charles E. Kohl, age 65, youngest son of Amos and Alta Maria Grimm Kohl, was born June 9, 1876, in the White Oak community northwest of Mechanicsville, and died at his home near here November, 3, 1941. In 1896 he was married to Fannie Andre, they establishing their home with his father on the family homestead, where he farmed until the death of his father. He then purchased the farm, continuing to live there, until they moved to a farm near here. Surviving is his widow, now a patient at Oakdale; seven children, Mrs. Chauncey Pieper, Mrs. John Siver, Mechanicsville; Mrs. Claude Von Sprecken. Martelle; Godfrey Roubinek, Maquoketa; Earl, Darrel and Mrs. Don Sigmund of here. Two brothers. Lewis. Mechanicsville, and Henry of Marion. Three sisters: Mrs. George Melton, Mechanicsville; Mrs. Charlie Stearns and Mrs. Arl McNeal of Cedar Rapids. 16 grandchidren and great-grandchildren. Services were held Thursday at 2 p. m. in the Neff funeral home, Mt. Vernon, conducted by the Rev. Joseph W. Gray. Casket bearers were his nephews: Dewitt Eldon and Amos Kohl, Ira Hempy, Raymon Stearns and Clarence Kline. Burial was in White Oak cemetery.

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