



NEWS 'N' NOTES

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The Heyday, Decline & Fall of the Heyen General Store, Langworthy



Gracefully decrepit and wearing 135 years as well as can be expected, the Heyen General Store sits along the street that was old Hwy 151, silent witness change that have gradually brought about the demise of the small towns of the Midwest.

We've all seen it standing there along-side Hwy 151, at Langworthy, maintaining an air of difficult, diffident elegance, while falling to pieces. And wondered about it. Even for those who have not passed by it often on, all these years, the decrepit building, clearly once, a fine piece of Victorian architecture, has both an air of mystery and an admirable unwillingness to give up the ghost.

We caught up the with the daughter of the family which has owned the store throughout most of this century. Phyllis Husman, 63, of Langworthy, is the granddaughter of the man who owned and operated the store in its heyday, John Heyen. Heyen bought out his brother-in-law Henry Scheer. It is believed the store was built in 1858 sometime after the plating of the town of Langworthy. Javing been built by Peter G. Bonewitz, the old general store is now 135 years old.

The high-style Victorian porch has long-since fallen off, and the two buildings located to the east of it have been torn down. One of them, Phyllis Husman was the candling and egg sorting operations. Then, farmers brought them to the store in exchange for groceries.

Johann (known as John) and Matilda Heyen, Phyllis' grandparents immigrated from Germany and lived in quarters above and back of the store after they bought it. She remembers there were 13 rooms in all. 7 furnished bedrooms, a wonderful maze of a place for a kid to play. Heyen used to rent rooms to the boarders and Husman recalls that her grandfather was a great cook in addition to being a prosperous store owner.

Heyen was the typical turn-of-the century general store operator: he carried yard goods, thread, kerosene lamp oil, farm implements, seeds, and the raw materials for cooking to supply houses in which people baked their own bread, churned their own butter, grew and canned their own vegetables and fruit, jellies and jams.

Johann and Matilda had 4 children and by the time he was 12, the second, Clarence, was able to deliver merchandize by horse and buggy. The modern convenience of telephone was becoming more widespread, busy farmers could order needed supplies by phone. Families were large, shopping trips infrequent, and most commodities were bought in bulk (note the 100 lbs of flour stacked behind the

(unidentified) man at the right of the picture).

Like most store owners of his time, Heyen carried few perishables, (fruits, or vegetables) as most of his customers, town and country alike, grew those for themselves. When they came to town to shop farmers traded eggs, meat, and/or milk for the supplies they required. (Langworthy like most towns had a creamery in those days.) A trip to town always provided farm families a much-needed chance to socialize, see a movie, or get a "professional" shave and hair cut.

Though general rural mail delivery began in 1902, the Heyen General Store continued to serve as the U.S. post office until 1930. The mail boxes can still be seen in the hallway of the stairwell to the upstairs living quarters. The town also had a dance hall and an implement shop.

When Clarence Heyen, Phyllis' father took over the store in the early '30s there were many new products his father had not carried--more processed and canned foods, new implements, why, even electricity-driven wash machines. Phyllis recalls that one year, her father won an award from the 1-minute machine manufactures for the most sales in the state of Iowa.

By the 40's and early 50s Phyllis herself was old enough to work in the store, her parents, clerking, cleaning and stocking shelves but by then her parents had bought a new house to the west of the store. When her grandmother died in 1953, the old quarters above and back of the store were abandoned.

Nothing terribly exciting ever happened at the Heyen General Store, according to Phyllis. Though they were burglarized a couple times over the years, but they never found out who did it. She recalls, one election season regular store patrons had a mock election. "They got real carried away," she says, "even had fake ballots printed up (the town is not incorporated, even now), everybody voted--as often as they wanted to!" She was elected dog and cat catcher.

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Heyens store had 13 rooms and rented rooms to borders in the quarters up and behind the store, recalls Phyllis Husman, whose father and grandfather owned it. They purchased it from the original builder. The back 50 ft was removed from the building in 1980.



The old general store once had a post office as well. A rack of mailbox slots sits quietly prey to the termites and mice like the rest of the building.

It is hard to imagine so much business activity in a town of so few souls. "Some people, we saw them everyday, we'd worry about them if we didn't," says Phyllis. But until the 1950s small towns all over the Midwest were the centers of much of the business and social activity in their areas. With the drop-in traffic Hwy 151 provided,

the Store prospered well into the 1950s.

However, by the end of that decade, large department stores in Dubuque and Cedar Rapids, even thriving commercial districts like Main Street in Monticello began successfully drawing business away from small-town stores. A greater variety of stylish merchandise and faster cars to drive to it ran the death knell for stores like Clarence Heyen's.

Lois Heyen ran the store for 5 years after her husband, died in 1964, but closed it for good in 1969. By then plans for re-routing traffic around the periphery of Langworthy had been laid. Motorists would no longer have to slow down for it, lessening the likelihood that they would stop and buy even a bottle of pop and a bag of potato chips.

It is said that the store was a stopping point for run-away slaves from the South on the underground railway in the period before, during and after the Civil War. Phyllis says she's heard the stories, but since the railroad closed the depot in 1931,

she has no recollection of it. Given the proximity of the rail line--running a few hundred feet behind the store, and the quarters in the store in which to hide them, it is entirely possible. This, however, is lost history.

Given its decrepit state, the building itself will soon be lost as well. Husman says that some people from the Pioneer Village in Cedar Rapids wanted her to donate the building, but she felt she should have something for it, and so the sale was not accomplished. Over the years she has also received offers of help to renovate it.

In early 1980, the back 50 ft. living quarters were razed and the rear of the building now stands exposed to the elements. The old implements out front were acquisitions of her late husband, Don and are for sale. But like so much of Iowa's history, the intriguing, once elegant and prosperous Heyen General Store is, before our very eyes, slowly passing into oblivion.

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WILLIAM H. MCCLEARY

William H. McCleary, son of William J. and Mary Susan McCleary, was born May 14, 1870, in Jones county and passed away at his home in Springville Feb. 28, 1944, after a lingering illness, at the age of 73 years, nine months and 14 days. He spent most of his life in Jones and Linn counties. He was united in marriage to Mary Estella Moyer June 3, 1903, to whom five children were born, of which one son, William Emmett, preceded him in death, as well as three brothers and three sisters. Mr. McCleary was well thought of by all who knew him. He was energetic and industrious with the welfare of his family always at heart. Besides his wife he is survived by one son, Raymond, of Springville; three daughters, Gladys Blackford of Marlon, Mabel French of Coggon, Edith French of Stacyville; three brothers, Jess of Spencer, Fred of Denver, Colo., John of Pennock, Minn.; one sister, Irene McFate of Des Moines; eight grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and friends. Funeral services were held at the Forest Chapel church Thursday, March 2, at 2 p. m., with the Rev. J. K. Delahooke, pastor of the Methodist church of Anamosa, in charge. Interment was in the Forest Chapel cemetery. Pallbearers were Jess McCleary, Fred McCleary, John Moyer, Charles Moyer, James Moyer and Frank Moyer.

Card of Thanks

1944
We wish to express our appreciation for the many kind deeds and the beautiful floral offerings, the singers and minister's consoling words during the recent bereavement of our loved one, Mrs. Estella McCleary and children, Fred, Jess, and John McCleary and Mrs. Irene McFate.

Need information on Sophia West CARYL w/o Leonard H CARYL(CARROLL)

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Death of Miss Eliza Connors.

On Sunday noon our citizens were startled by the announcement of the death of Miss Eliza Connors at the residence of James Carroll in Washington township, Jones county.

On Saturday evening, Miss Connors was apparently in usual health when she retired. Early on Sunday morning it was discovered that she was in an unconscious state and from which she never rallied and at noon quietly passed away.

She was the daughter of the late John and Julia Connors, and was born in Baltimore, Md., and about ten years ago with her father came to Iowa.

She was the niece of James Carroll and had been a member of his household ever since she came to the state. She was a modest, amiable and highly intelligent young lady, who had won the respect of all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance and who deeply deplore her death. The funeral took place from St. Martin's on Tuesday morning, Rev. L. Roche officiating.

*Cascade Pioneer
16 Oct 1885*

—The sudden death of Mr. Gardner Chlsm—whose wife recently attended the golden wedding of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hitchcock—was briefly mentioned in these columns two weeks ago. The Reno (Nevada) Evening Gazette, of Nov. 21, gives the following concerning this sad event:

"Gardner Chlsm, an old and highly respected citizen of Reno, died at a late hour Saturday night of neuralgia of the heart. Mr. Chlsm was one of the best of men and leaves a wife and several children to mourn his death. He owned one of the neatest little ranches on the Meadows just west of town and was surrounded with every comfort for enjoying a ripe old age, but it was ordered otherwise and he has gone.

"Mr. Chlsm was born in Dresden, Maine, on August 20, 1824. He came west in 1840, settling in Oregon, from whence he moved in 1870 and has resided here since that time. He has laid away to rest his father, mother, four brothers, six sisters and three children and at last has gone to join them in the unseen beyond."

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MRS. ELEANOR ELLIS.

Mrs. Eleanor Ellis, wife of John Ellis, departed this life at her home in Farley on Friday March 25, after an extended illness from a nervous trouble complicated by an attack of the grip.

Her maiden name was Eleanor J. Reese and she was born in Buffalo Grove, Ill., December 2, 1844, and when two years old her parents removed to Chicago where they resided until 1854, in which year they came to Iowa and settled in Hazel Valley, near Cascade. There July 31, 1865, she was united in marriage to John M. Ellis, and lived in that settlement until 1896 when with her husband removed to Farley. Mrs. Ellis was held in high esteem by all her old neighbors.

She is survived by her husband and two sons, Edward J. Ellis of Farley, and Frank Ellis of Hazel Valley; also leaves her brothers: J. M. Reese of Ida Grove, Ia., S. O. Reese and William Reese of Randolph, Neb., and sisters Mrs. Thomas Rogers of Randolph, and Mrs. Geo. W. Ellis of Ida Grove.

The funeral was held at the M. E. church in Farley last Sunday and was very largely attended.

MRS. MARGARET DEWALD.

A granddaughter of John Hart, of New Jersey, a signer of the declaration of American Independence, passed away on the 20th, when Mrs. Margaret Hart Dewald died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. M. Adamson of the St. Elmo hotel in this city, at the advanced age of 80 years.

Margaret Hart was born July 29, 1824, in Lycoming county, Penn. She was married to Benjamin Dewald April 26, 1844, and at an early date removed to Iowa, residing for a number of years near Hillside, and later in Monticello where her husband passed away a few years ago. For some time past she made her home with her daughter in Cascade. She was the mother of twelve children, eight of whom survive her. They are Oliver Dewald, Newton, Kan.; Mrs. Mary Lang, Monticello; Frank Dewald of Hopkinton; George of Waterloo; John of Madison, Wis.; Jacob of Springville, Ia.; Charles of Marion; and Mrs. Nancy Adamson of Cascade.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to return our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends for the kindness bestowed upon us in our sad bereavement.

CHILDREN OF THE DEPARTED.

Matt. Williams Dead.

The venerable Matt. Williams died at the home of his son Edward Williams near Kingman, Kan., Tuesday. The remains will arrive here tomorrow (Friday) and will be taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Barrett of Cascade, and the funeral will probably be held on Saturday.

*Cascade Pioneer
31 March 1904*

For Sale—One 12-horse Star engine, with jacketed boiler; 1 J. I. Case 32x54 separator with feeder, weigher, swinging stacker, and steel tank. This outfit is almost new and will be sold at a bargain. Apply to Otting Bros., Route 29, Bernard, Iowa. 42-1f

Housecleaning time is about here. The following goods are now in order: Bedroom Suites, Parlor Furniture, Couches, Tables, etc. A visit to our furniture room will convince you we are here with the goods.

Koob & Devaney.

Ex-Mayor Robert Quirk, formerly of Cascade, is the democratic candidate for alderman in the 4th ward, Dubuque. Robert would stir up the drybones of the Dubuque municipal legislature should he succeed at the polls.

The water main burst in front of T. Barrett's residence last Saturday morning and a stream of water poured up through the ground. The main in that vicinity is so near the surface it freezes up nearly every winter. It was placed deep enough originally but later the grade was skimmed down so much that the main is scarcely more than three or four feet below the surface. Owing to this break the water supply east of the reservoir is shut off.

Dr. D. Barrett's third annual horse sale met with bad weather last Thursday, but 22 head were sold. He has a few good road horses, some drafters and heavy mares still in the ring for those who may desire any of them. Dr. Barrett desires to thank all those who took an interest in the sale, and trusts he will strike better weather the next time. Those who bought were as follows: C. C. Bort, 7; J. Heimer, 3; P. Linchan, 2; Ed. Connolly, 3; W. Martin, 3; Dan Duggan, 2; P. Connell, 1; D. Noonan, 1.

Annunciation day, March 25, was observed with special services in the chapel at St. Mary's church. The altar was beautifully decorated with flowers and plants. Special songs for the occasion were rendered by the children's choir and the event was one of memorable note. Every morning throughout the month of March devotions to St. Joseph and meditations of the sacred theme were observed and the result was very edifying to those who attended the devotions.

Last Friday evening the barn of Bartley Leonard, who lives south of town, was entered by some unknown person and the general supposition is that the person intended to make away with one of the best horses. It happened about 8 o'clock in the evening. The man had gained an entrance by a window which had been previously closed. He had proceeded so far as to have the animal untied and undoubtedly would have escaped with it but for timely interference of Mr. Leonard who happened to go to the barn at the time to attend to a team.

Cascade Pioneer
31 March 1904

DEATH OF YOUNG WIFE.

One of the saddest events that has occurred in the parish of Garry Owen in recent years was the death of Mrs. Joseph Meloy, who died at the family residence in Butler township Sunday at midnight after an illness of ten days from an affection of the throat primarily caused by an attack of tonsillitis.

Mrs. Meloy's maiden name was Anna Slattery and she was born at Otter Creek, Jackson county, Iowa, thirty-five years ago. She was married June 5, 1918, to Joseph Meloy of Garry Owen and besides her husband, she leaves to mourn her death two little daughters, Maxine and Kathleen; her father, Michael Slattery, two brothers, Dennis and Henry, and two sisters, Margaret and Irene.

The funeral took place from the home to St. Patrick's church at Garry Owen at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday and the services were conducted by Rev. Mulcahy, who also preached the sermon during which he paid a beautiful tribute to the life and memory of the young wife and mother.

The honorary pall bearers were Frank Pfab, M. Maloney, Charles O'Brien, Leo Donovan, L. Decker and Dan McDonnell. The active casket bearers were John Coakley, Michael Beck, John Mahoney, Will McCarthy, William Redmund and Neil McDonnell.

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4 Dec. 1924

Need information on Sarah Jane BROWN. Md Ross PORTER 20 Jan 1853. Donna Collins 507 Forest Dr Council Bluffs IA 51503 donna_col@email.msn.com

School at Spencerville Closes To End Rural Era

"Last roundup" at the Spencerville one-room school was held Sunday, May 29, with a picnic dinner and program. There were 140 former teachers, pupils and friends who registered for the observance.

After July 1, Spencerville's one room rural school will exist only in memory, with the former district's students becoming a part of the Midland community school, Wyoming.

Serving as a community center for many years, the old school has been the site of lyceums, debates, summer Sunday school, potluck suppers and school programs.

Last reunion was opened with a community picnic. After the dinner John C. Clark, Monmouth, a former student, opened the program and served as master of ceremonies.

Logs Used

First school in the district was a log school located between the John and Ed Bramer farms, now known as the Stickley and Nissen farms.

Second school was built at the end of the Stanisha lane on the Spencer farm, now known as the Delarm farm, and burned in 1874.

School Moved

Present school was built in 1875 on the A.S. Tomkins farm, and was moved later to a more central location on the Caraway farm.

Cost of the building at that time was \$102 for lumber and \$99 for labor. August Bramer, in his youth, hauled some of the rock for the foundation.

Records show that teacher salaries were as low as \$12 per month, and they were hired for three month terms. Men were hired for the winter terms, while women taught for spring and fall terms. Teachers were allowed only \$3 per year for

books. Records also show that the building was moved in 1898 for a fee of \$50.

History Read

Mrs. Hulda Warren Allen gave the history of Steam Mill Corners, which derived its name from a steam saw mill which stood near the four corners.

In addition to the saw mill, there was a store, wagon shop and blacksmith shop, but no post office. The home of Rodrick Spencer was the distributing center for mail, and when the town was plotted it was named Spencer after the early settler. It was from this name that the school district took the name "Spencerville."

J.J. Locher, a retired attorney from Monticello, and former teacher at the school in 1899-1900, was present for the picnic.

Students Attend

In 1901, while Maggie Lamey was the teacher, the school had 47 students. Eleven of those students were present at the reunion.

Oldest former student present was August Bramer, 84, of Monmouth. Others from the 1901 list were: Mrs. Mae Taylor Beringer, John C. Clark, Ralph Propst, all of Monmouth; Mrs. Hulda Warren Allen, Otto Allen and Dillon Propst, sr., Wyoming; George Snyder and Fred Bramer, Onslow; and Howard Clark and Floyd Propst, Maquoketa.

Teachers Named

Teachers present were J.J. Locher, Monticello; Mrs. Ava Bramer, Onslow; Mrs. Gladys Huffman Snyder, Wyoming; and Miss Hazel Beringer, Monmouth, who has been the teacher in the Spencerville school for the past 22 years.

Former pupils coming from the greatest distance were Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Allen, Lockwood, Mo., and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bramer, Madison, Wisc.

Last pupils to attend classes

at the school were: Cynthia Allen, Robie Miller, Gary and Dale Delarm, Diane and David Propst, Colleen, Cathy and David, Orris, Lynn Kinion, Kim Nowachek, Keith Douglas and Beth McCloy. Some of the children in the last class have parents, grandparents and great grandparents who attended the school.

Library book was given to each person attending as a memento of the occasion.

Mementos Noted

Of interest to many were the old registers, census book, clippings, and pictures displayed on the bulletin board. There was also one report card dated 1891 belonging to Otto Allen from the teacher, Jessie Green.

Children and adults participated in sack racing, tug-of-war, a scavenger hunt and shoe scramble during the afternoon.

Directors Named

Last directors of the school were Ted Miller, Mrs. Herb Kinion and Albert McCloy. Last secretary was Mrs. Harry Jensen.

Others present were from Cedar Rapids, California, Springville, Clinton, Walcott, Dayenport, Dixon, Dubuque, Monticello, Prairieburg, Sabula, Center Junction, Delmar, Maquoketa, Wyoming, Onslow, Monmouth and Baldwin.

7 July 1966
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Eureka

Frank Buxton's Sad Confession.

The Wheatland *Gazette* says that the time is swiftly approaching when 16 to 1 Democrats will be recognized as worthy of respect.

By whom?

Superintendent C. R. Scroggie, of Monticello, County Supt. T. J. Cowan and Miss Maude Humphrey, of Anamosa, Principal S. C. Dickinson and Misses June Renne, Mae Ireland and Laura Zink, of Olin, represented Jones county at the recent State Teachers' meeting at Waterloo.

BIG GAME This morning two boys by the name of Nathan Streeter and Harve Switzer shot and killed two pelicans, and wounded another one which they succeeded in capturing alive. One of them measured eight feet and nine inches from tip to tip of the wings. The boys justly feel proud of their capture, and enjoy exhibiting their birds to the people in town.—*Olin Recorder*.

Soothing, healing, cleansing. De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve is the implacable enemy of sores, burns and wounds. It never fails to cure Piles. You may rely upon it. F. E. Brown, Son & Co.

—Says a private note from Mr. R. M. Corblt: "Lenox is booming in good shape. Good work is being done by the instructors and students. The foot-ball team is also getting there. Out of three games played we have won three—Sept 24th—Lenox, 30; Upper Iowa University, 3; Oct. 5th—Lenox 12; Rush Medical, 0; Oct. 22d—Lenox, 12; Wisconsin State Normal, 0."

—The town council has ordered 800 feet of hose, together with a cart and everything complete. The material will arrive before many days, and the next thing in order is to organize a company to handle the hose and cart. Some of our young men can now show of what they are made. We will give a more lengthy description of this material next week, as by that time the material will no doubt be on hand. Although the water works system is not completed the work will be handled as fast as the weather permits, and without a doubt it will be in operation by the first of December or thereabouts. With everything in shape the way we intend to have the town, we will soon be "non-freeable." Using an expression we heard yesterday, "Did ye ever see de likes iv us?"—*Orford Junction Mirror*.

Overcome evil with good. Overcome your coughs and colds with One Minute Cough Cure. It is so good children cry for it. It cures croup, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and all throat and lung diseases. F. E. Brown, Son & Co.

BIG POTATOES. Mr. F. P. Ireland, of Jackson township, brought in four potatoes last Tuesday that weighed an even eight pounds. The variety is known as the Minnesota King. They are splendid keepers, of excellent flavor and fine shape. Mr. Ireland did not plant them until near the middle of June but his product is 60 bushels, big measure, from twenty-seven square rods of ground, a little over one-eighth of an acre. This would be equivalent to 855 bushels per acre, and the value at 25 cents per bushel, \$88.75.

In this connection the following item from Monday's Cedar Rapids *Evening Gazette*, a paper that is usually about two-thirds Democratic and the other third very doubtful, is an indication of the beginning of a future demand for this as well as other agricultural products in our newly acquired territory.

It is announced that there will be 85,000 bushels of potatoes sent from Iowa to Cuba. This is one of the benefits of expansion.

The Best Plaster.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the afflicted parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with a pain in the chest or side, or a lame back, give it a trial. You are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm is also a certain cure for rheumatism. For sale by D. B. Sigworth.

Obituary

MRS. ANNA M. BLAYNEY

Anna Mary Elliott was born Nov. 1st, 1862 at Mount Gilead, Ohio and died Feb. 10, 1938 at 5 p. m. at the home of her sister, Mrs. Frank Campbell in Mechanicsville, where she had made her home during the last three years. Death came as a blessed release from years of suffering.

She was united in marriage with Clem Blayney who preceded her in death ten years ago. A brother, Frank Elliott of Chillicothe, Missouri and a sister, Mrs. Campbell survive.

The body was taken to Ohio Friday where funeral services were held from the Presbyterian church in Mount Gilead, on Saturday afternoon and interment was in the family Mausoleum in the adjoining cemetery.

Oysters, all styles, at Layton's.

Notice Bormann Bros. ad on another page.

Dr. A. J. Faux, Dentist, Office in Seery block opposite Hotel Faber.

John McGrath, the auctioneer, is prepared to cry sales at reasonable prices. Phone him at Fillmore or leave orders at this office. 21

Remember the fair begins Jan. 25th, to last ten days.

Bulk oysters at Flanigan & Boyle's City Meat Market. 26 a

MONEY TO LOAN on farm mortgages Jas. A. Hayes, Security Building, 8th and Main Sts., Dubuque, Iowa. 45

FOR SALE—Two Hereford bulls, coming 3 and 4 years old. Pedigreed stock. Inquire of Peter Kramer, Route 26, Cascade, Iowa. 26tf

St. Mary's Fair will begin Monday, January 25th, and it will be one of the largest and best.

Lost—At St. Martin's church, a leather case containing spectacles and rosary beads. Finder leave at this office and oblige a subscriber. 29-tf

Dominy & Supple have the Jayne feed mills. Try them.

Flanigan & Boyle are paying the highest cash price for hides and tallow. Slaughtering done in the country at reasonable prices. Also a complete line of meats. 26

Now is the time to buy your clothing and footwear. A big saving for you at Bormann Bros. Discount Sale.

Sidney Craft, the 11-year-old son of W. F. Craft of Fillmore was stricken with paralysis very suddenly on Monday last while attending school.

For Sale—A Poland China stock hog bought of Loos Bros., and ten brood sows, already bred. Inquire of John F. Finn. 30-2

There are few men who can pour liquid into a glass and look out of the window at the same time. We saw a good man try it the other day and he failed.

Lost—A pocket book containing a sum of money, somewhere in Cascade or between the town and my residence. Liberal reward will be given for return of the same. J. L. FOBER.

Lost—Between Cascade and Worthington on Christmas eve, a pocketbook containing a sum of money and some valuable papers. Finder may leave the same at the Cascade bank and be rewarded.

Peter Younkens of Walker was here several days last week calling on old friends. Peter is the same whole-souled fellow that he was when he lived in Richland township.

THE GRIM HARVEST OF DEATH

Patrick Reddin and Sister, Mrs. James Ryan,
Pay the Debt of Nature.

OTHER DEATHS IN GARRYOWEN AND THIS VICINITY.

Patrick Reddin, one of the early settlers and wellknown citizens of Garryowen, died at the family residence last Friday morning. Mr. Reddin had been in illhealth for a number of years, more or less seriously for the past ten months. His death was not entirely unexpected yet was the occasion of much regret and sorrow when the final summons came that called him from his earthly home.

Mr. Reddin was the son of Michael and Mary Reddin, and was born in Somerset, Perry county, Ohio, May 30, 1835, and with his parents came to Butler township, Jackson county, in 1841, where he grew to manhood. When the civil war broke out he enlisted and was assigned to the commissary department and followed Sherman to the sea. At the close of the war he returned to the old home near Garryowen and resumed work upon the farm.

In 1873 he was married to Miss Hannah Roche, who with a family of four sons and two daughters survive him, namely: James, Michael, Mary (Mrs. John Deacon), Hannah, Daniel, and William. Of his father's family he is survived by his brother, Edward of Dubuque, Michael of Garryowen, William of Cascade, and sisters, Mrs. John Moore, Misses Rose and Lizzie Reddin of Cascade. The late John Reddin and William Reddin of Cascade were his brothers, and Mrs. Ryan of Ozark who survived him but three days, was his sister.

Mr. Reddin was a man much respected and honored in the community where he lived. As a neighbor and friend he was kind and considerate, and as a citizen a type to be admired and revered.

The funeral was held on Sunday last at St. Patrick's church, Garryowen, Rev. Kelly officiating, and notwithstanding the inclement weather was very largely attended, many relatives and friends from Cascade attending.

14 Jan 1904
Cascade Pioneer

MRS. MARY ELIZABETH SAUSER died at her home in Cascade about 6 o'clock Tuesday evening, January 10, 1911. She was suddenly stricken with a paralytic stroke Sunday afternoon and never regained consciousness. She had not complained of any serious illness prior to the fatal moment, except a headache which had bothered her more or less for a week or ten days.

Her illness and death was a great shock to her children, the relatives, and to the community, for she was numbered among the most respected and esteemed women of Cascade, and her death brings great sorrow which is not wholly confined to her immediate household.

Mrs. Sauser's maiden name was Mary Elizabeth Turnis, and was a daughter of Michael Turnis, deceased. She was born in Cascade township, April 16, 1860, and was therefore approaching the completion of her 51st year. On the 22d day of February, 1881, she was married to Peter Sauser, who died a year ago last October. She lived here, in town and country, all of the half century of her life, which she devoted unequivocally to the interests of her family. Her religious faith rested in the tenets of the Catholic church of whose communion she was a consistent participant—a member of St. Martin's parish.

She is survived by the following children: John M. and Paul Sauser, of Prairieburg; Mrs. Charles A. Reddin, of North McGregor; and Miss Carrie, at home, and one brother, John Turnis, of Hopkinton.

The funeral was held at St. Martin's church this (Thursday) morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. L. Roche, officiating.

The pall bearers were: H. L. Dehner, J. H. Weber, M. Biscuit, J. C. Devlin, John Dolan of Prairieburg, P. H. Roche.

OTIS BOWERS, the well known minstrel comedian, formerly of Beach & Bowers, died at Davenport a few days since. Bowers is reported to have been practically penniless and the Elks, to which lodge he belonged, will take charge of the funeral. He began his minstrel career out of Dubuque in the early 80s.

William Merritt, 78, Dies July 27

Funeral Service Held On Tuesday, July 29th

OLIN — William Delos Merritt 78, was born June 6, 1874, on farm northwest of Olin, and died July 27 at Mercy hospital, Anamosa, after lingering illness. He was the youngest of eight children born to John Jerome and Rebecca Merritt, who have preceded him in death.

Feb. 7, 1900, he was united in marriage to Maude McKean, who preceded him in death three years ago. They made their home on the Merritt farm northwest of Olin for 20 years, after which they moved to Olin.

3 Daughters Born

To this union were born three daughters, Mrs. O. H. Story, Anamosa; Mrs. W. E. Williams, Olin; and Mrs. H. B. Parke, Iowa City. These daughters, with six grandchildren and three great grandchildren survive him. One grandson, Lieut. Sydney Story preceded him in death.

Grandchildren are Mrs. Carl Gustafson, Los Angeles; Mrs. Richard Jack, Iowa City; Mrs. Robert Pruitt, Los Angeles; Bill and Jean Williams, Olin and Bill Merritt Parker, Iowa City. Great grandchildren are Gail, Eric and Reed Gustafson, Los Angeles.

Activities Told

He was a member of the local Methodist and a long as Mrs. Merritt was able, they worked together in church activities.

Until Oct. 9, 1951, Mr. Merritt drove daily to his farm supervising and taking a share in the lighter work. At that time he was stricken with an illness, which required hospitalization and to which he finally succumbed.

Funeral Held Tuesday

Services for Mr. Merritt were held at the Campbell funeral home Tuesday afternoon, July 29, at two o'clock, with Rev. George D. Gaide officiating.

Mrs. L. J. Rohwedder furnished the music.

Casket bearers were O. N. Hollingsworth, B. E. Switzer, Harry Girard, Orval Dahms, Pete Slevka and Floyd Guhl.

Casket Bearers Listed

Honorary casket bearers were C. W. Wurzbacher, M. E. Heaton, Delbert Stingley, Leure Guhl, W. H. Eyestone and A. R. Thumma.

Burial was in Merritt family cemetery.

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John S. Moreland Olin Mayor, Dies

OLIN -- John S. Moreland, 51, Olin, died Friday, Jan. 15, in an Iowa City hospital.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 18, at 1:30 p.m., at the Evangelical United Brethren church, Olin. Campbell Funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Life Outlined

He was serving his second term as mayor of Olin. He was in the trucking business. He was a veteran of World War II and a member of the American Legion.

Survivors Listed

Survivors include his mother, Mabel Glick, California; his wife, two sons, John and Sidney, both at home; a daughter, Gretta Gruenwald, Mechanicsville; and a brother and sister.

Lifelong Resident 1944

Of Martelle Dies

MARTELLE--Vertis L. Boxwell, 57, lifelong resident, died Saturday morning following an illness of several months. Services will be held Monday at 3 p.m. in the Methodist church and burial will be in the Martelle cemetery.

Surviving are his father, Frank; a twin brother, Virgil G. of Lisbon; two sisters, Mrs. E. L. Patton of Cedar Rapids and Miss Jessie L. Boxwell of Martelle, with whom Mr. Boxwell made his home.

Harvey Willison, 61, Dies at Home Tuesday

MORLEY--Funeral service will be held Thursday, Jan. 10, for Harvey Willison, 61, at 2 p.m. in the Green Center church. He died Tuesday, Jan. 8, at his home. Interment will be in the Wyoming cemetery.

Survivors are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Alvin Otte, Long Grove; a son, John L. Willison, Anamosa; a brother, C. D. Willison, Buffalo, Wyo., and two grandchildren.

DEATHS

Mrs. Payson W. Scott

Jessie Florence Scott, 87, widow of Payson W. Scott, a resident of Meth-Wick Manor and a Cedar Rapids resident 40 years, died in a Cedar Rapids hospital Tuesday following a brief illness.

Born Nov. 10, 1885, at Olin, Mrs. Scott was a member of St. Paul's United Methodist church.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Frank Lewis and Mrs. B. P. Mavis, both of Cedar Rapids; a brother, Edgar Blayney, Woods, Wis.; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services: Turner chapel east at 1:30 p.m. Friday by Dr. Arnold Herbst. Burial: Cedar Memorial cemetery. Friends may call at Turner east until 1 p.m. Friday. The casket will not be opened after the service.

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