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obituaries

Mary E. Stadtmueller

Services for Mary E. Stadtmueller, 77, were April 6 at Christ Lutheran Church, Washington, D.C. The Rev. Norman Theiss conducted the services. Mrs. Stadtmueller died after a brief illness in the Washington Adventist Hospital, Takoma Park, Maryland on April 3.

Mary Elizabeth Stadtmueller was born Sept. 14, 1904 at Langworthy, the daughter of Ferdinand (Fred) and Margaret Oltmanns Stadtmueller. She graduated from Monticello High School and Coe College, Cedar Rapids. She taught school in various locations. Her last teaching position was in Spirit Lake.

In 1940 she moved to Washington, D.C., for employment in the federal government where she was first employed by the Census Department. Before retiring in 1973 she was employed by the departments of the Army and Navy.

She is survived by a sister, Emma Stadtmueller, two nephews, James Mann of Edgewater, Maryland, Merlin Boll of Princeton and a niece, Leone Boll Kozmon of Ottumwa. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Ada Stadtmueller Mann and Selma Stadtmueller Boll.

At Wyoming, Oct. 5th, of Typhoid Fever, SARAH TOURTELLOT, aged 18 years. Also, Oct. 14th, of the same disease, MARY F. TOURTELLOT, aged 26, both daughters of STEPHEN and ELLEN TOURTELLOT.

It is seldom that record is made of such an affliction dispensation. Within the short space of two months three, in the prime of life who were giving promise of great usefulness, have been taken from these stricken parents, and a community where they had become endeared to all who knew them. But this consolation is left: that they are united in a brighter world. Each one chose the Savior as a guide in early life, and during severe sufferings and the pangs of death that Savior was their principal theme.

They were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in death were not long divided.

Anamosa Church
19 Oct. 1860

OBITUARY.

John Edwin Sutherland was born in Scotch Grove, July 5, 1861, and entered into rest Oct. 12, 1900, after a lingering illness of five months. He was patient in suffering, always kind and thoughtful to the dear ones who stood by and administered to his wants, and to the brother and dear sister he loved so well. Truthful, dutiful, conscientious, he was a great comfort to his parents. At the age of 17 he united with the Scotch Grove Presbyterian church, was a true Christian and one that was exemplary. Our brother was prepared for his departure from this life. He was ready and willing to go if it was God's time to call him home. He is at rest from his labors, from care and sorrow free, and forever with his God, happy in heaven. Faith in an eternal heaven bore him on through life's tempestuous sea and landed him safely where there are no more storms or tempests, but all is calm, serene, peace, eternal rest.

The funeral service was held in the Scotch Grove Presbyterian church Sabbath morning at the hour of regular service, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Thos. W. Hine; assisted by Rev. John Rice, a former pastor. The attendance was large, including relatives from some distance and neighbors and friends from the entire community. His friends were all who knew him, and it was evident that they felt a loss in his departure. Numerous floral gifts bore evidence of the kind sympathy of friends bringing their cheer in sorrow's hour.

Anamosa Church
Thurs. Oct 12, 1900

PEDIGREE CHART

10 Feb 1996

Chart no. 1

- 2 Leo Francis SMITH-277-----
 BORN: 10 Apr 1917
 PLACE: Home, Byers, AC, Colorado
 MARR: 13 Jun 1937 --74
 PLACE: Golden, Jefferson Co., Colorado
 DIED:
 PLACE:
- 4 Michael Francis SMITH-358-----
 BORN: 6 Oct 1879
 PLACE: Otter Creek, Jackson Co., Iowa
 MARR: --116
 PLACE:
 DIED: 12 Feb 1977
 PLACE: Mullen Home, Denver, D, Colorado
- 8 Francis SMITH-214-----
 BORN: 26 Feb 1851
 PLACE: Clay Township, Jones Co., Iowa
 MARR: 3 Apr 1877 --120
 PLACE: Otter Creek, Jackson Co., Iowa
 DIED: 7 Jan 1914
 PLACE: St. Joseph's Hos, D, D, Colorado
- 9 Mary Ellen RYAN-364-----
 BORN: 1856
 PLACE: Otter Creek, Jackson Co., Iowa
 DIED: 2 Aug 1893
 PLACE: Providence, BVC, Iowa
- 10 William Marion HAYS-361-----
 BORN: 8 Jun 1848
 PLACE: ,, Indiana
 MARR: 25 May 1879 --122
 PLACE:
 DIED: 4 Oct 1926
 PLACE: Neosho Falls, WC, Kansas
- 5 Mabel HAYS-348-----
 BORN: 9 Sep 1893
 PLACE: Burlington, Coffey Co., Kansas
 DIED: 22 Jul 1973
 PLACE: ST. Anthony Hos., D, D, Colorado
- 11 Laura Ann BEVER-360-----
 BORN: 5 Jul 1859
 PLACE: Washington, HC, Indiana
 DIED: 7 Jun 1943
 PLACE: Univ. Kansas Hos, KC, W, Kansas
- 12 Cornelius John MULCAHY-351-----
 BORN: 1839
 PLACE: ,, Tourafula, Ireland
 MARR: --118
 PLACE:
 DIED: 1 Feb 1924
 PLACE: ,, Ireland
- 13 Mary LANE-352-----
 BORN:
 PLACE: Knockulare, MC, , Ireland
 DIED:
 PLACE:
- 14 Martin RYAN-353-----
 BORN:
 PLACE:
 MARR: --119
 PLACE:
 DIED:
 PLACE:
- 15 Margaret Peggy KENNEDY-354-----
 BORN:
 PLACE:
 DIED:
 PLACE:
- 1 Diana Mary Lee SMITH-167-----
 BORN: 23 Oct 1944
 PLACE: Ing. Woman's Hos, I, LA, CA
 MARR: 18 Jul 1963 --46
 PLACE: , Los Angeles, Calif.
 DIED:
 PLACE:
 Paul John BLAINE Jack-81-----
 Spouse
- 3 Margaret Mary MULCAHY-276-----
 BORN: 13 Feb 1920
 PLACE: Denver, Denver, Colorado
 DIED:
 PLACE:
- 6 John Joseph MULCAHY-349-----
 BORN: 21 Jan 1880
 PLACE: Tourafula, LC, Ireland
 MARR: 8 Jan 1917 --117
 PLACE: Denver, Denver Co., Colorado
 DIED: 20 Aug 1938
 PLACE: Berthand Pass, CCC, Colorado
- 7 Bridget Teresa RYAN-350-----
 BORN: 10 Aug 1882
 PLACE: Cappamore, LC, Ireland
 DIED: 26 Feb 1972
 PLACE: ST. Anthony's H., D, D, Colorado

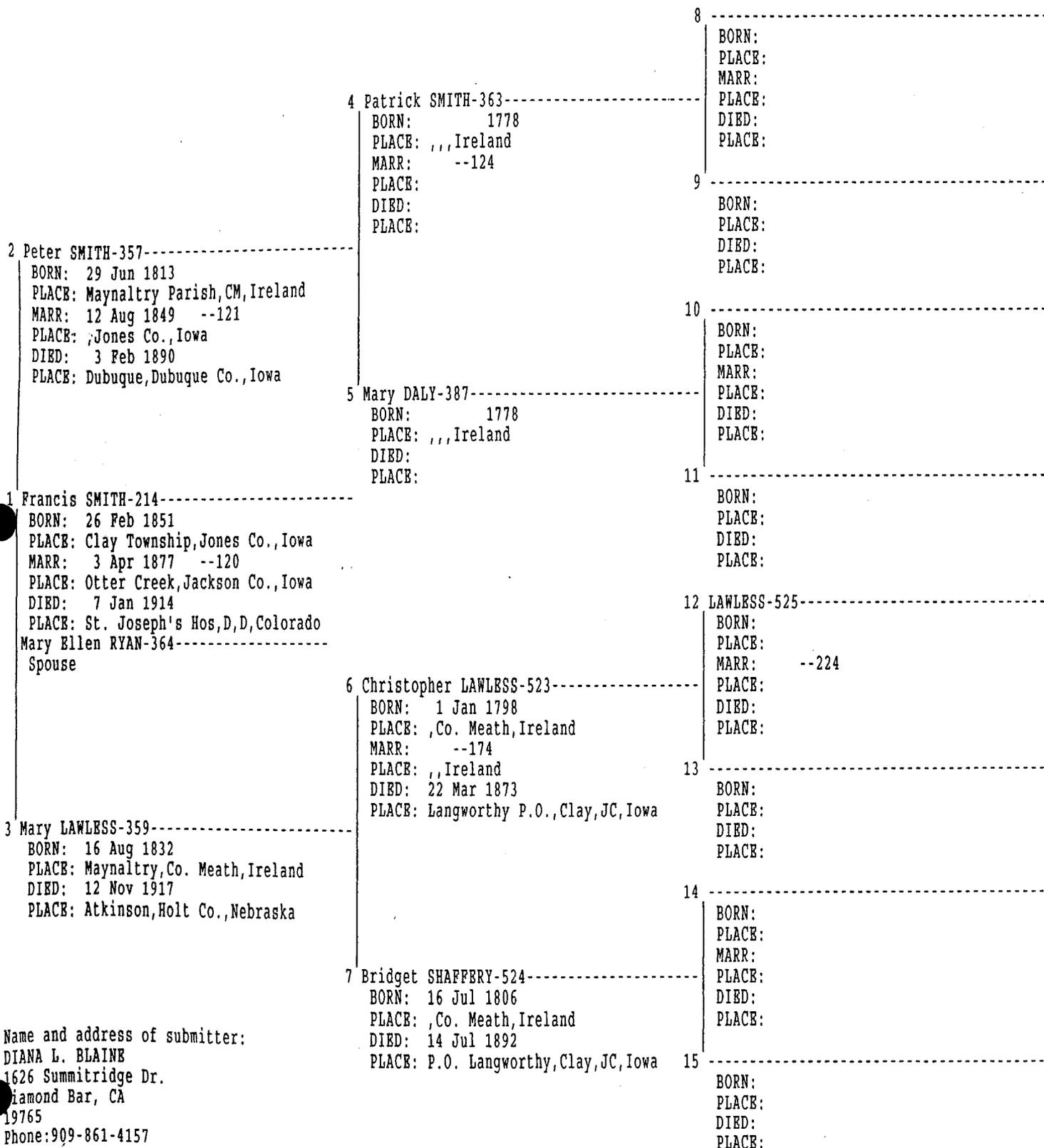
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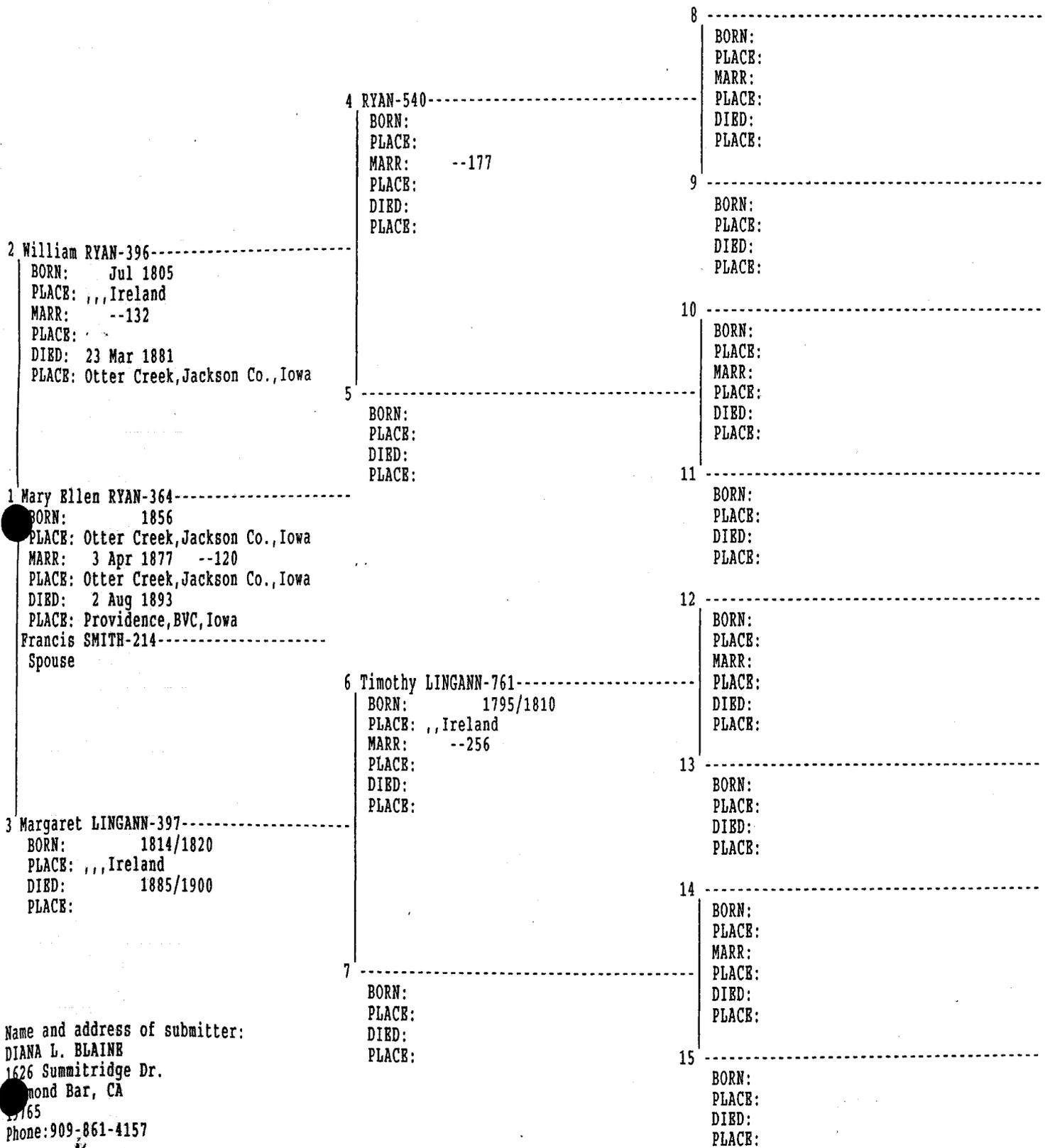
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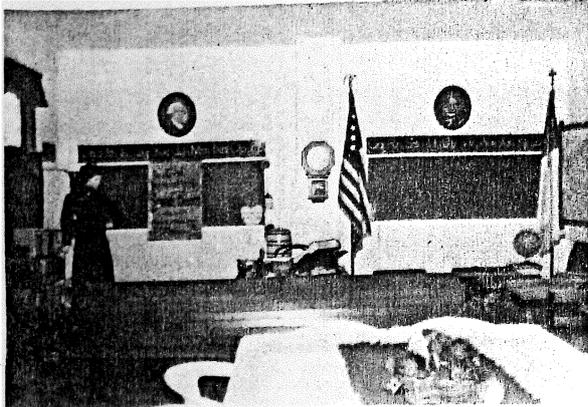
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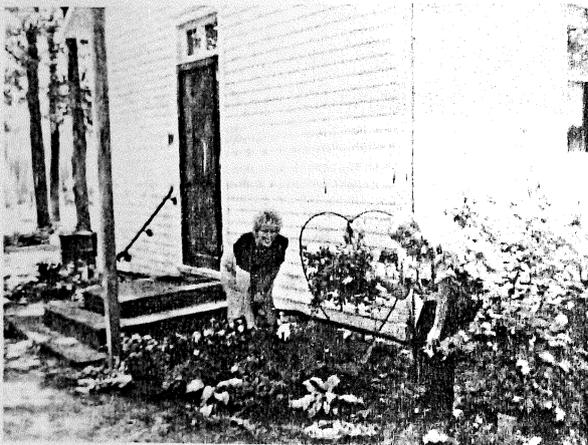
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HARDSCRABBLE SCHOOL

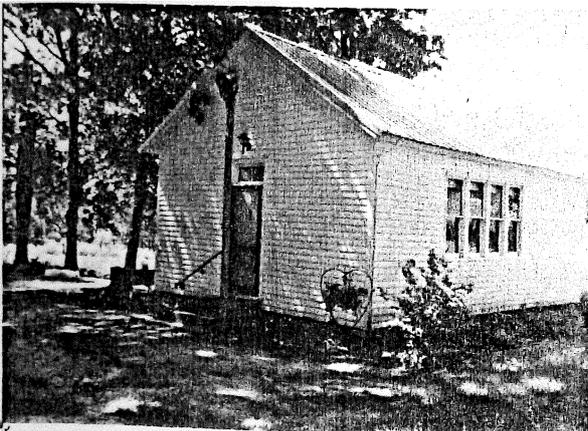
Nestled in the picturesque wooded area of northwestern Jones County in section 12 of Castle Grove Township is Hardscrabble School or Castle Grove #9 as it was officially known. As with other country schools, land was set aside by the Northwest Ordinance. The school was built in the 1970's. Many remember the stories of "Grandma Tschantz", born in



Inside Hardscrabble School



Sharon Roller and Elizabeth Roller, Maquoketa Valley Electric Cooperative members, work in flower bed.



Outside view of Hardscrabble School

1865, recalling that there were more Indian kids than white children when she attended Hardscrabble School. The school was originally situated on the Tschantz farm, but around the turn of the century was moved to its present site on the Roller farm. Many students rode to school on horseback. When the children entered the primary grade, now called kindergarten, it was not unusual that they could not speak English because Swiss or German was the language which was spoken at home.

Records have been obtained of the 25 teachers employed during the 1900's at the Hardscrabble School. The majority took "normal training" at Monticello High School which were pre-teaching courses and began their teaching career at Hardscrabble School. Attending the previous reunions held in 1992, 1994, or the 125th reunion in 1995, were former teachers: Gladys Koranda Rickels, Delores Harms Kramer, Marion Stoll Rickels, Edna Steuri Gadiant, Ruth Decker, Lucille Tschantz Balsiger, Olga Meier Hoffman, and Bernice Schneider Meier.

Three seems to be a significant number for Castle Grove #9. Three directors served the school: William Roller, John Tschantz and Colin Tschantz. Three country superintendents supervised the school; Kate Maurice, Nellie V. Morey and Joseph Beavo. Three generations of the Zumbunnen family attended.

The school was in session for 89 years, closing in 1959. A teacher placed too much fuel in the ancient pot belly stove in 1949, causing only minor fire damage so it's still the original building.

The usual games were enjoyed with sledding, snowballing and fox and geese in the winter while Red Rover, Drop the Handkerchief, softball, antie-over, and hide an seek, enhanced by the fact that originally 69 trees were on the school grounds, were played in the summer. Many have now been destroyed because of the winds and a tornado.

At the present time, when a visitor drops by Hardscrabble School, a riot of color and a well planned array of plants greets the guests. Peonies of all colors, a carpet of red dianthus, miniature roses of all hues, even rhubarb and strawberries line both sides of the east fence. Birds chirping in the old stately maple and oak trees offer a sense of soothing peace as one sits back on one of the three old "recitation benches" placed appropriately to facilitate seating for visitors to enjoy the solitude and peacefulness



of this rustic setting in this timbered area. Small maple trees are planted throughout the grounds, surrounded by small beds of petunias and marigolds, adding another touch of color. Old wagon wheels add a touch of simplicity, as does the old school bell and "old glory" flying the breeze. Wild grapevines still cover the fence facing the road.

Two original outhouses, one for the boys and one for girls, add a touch of authenticity on the sloping north side, in much better condition than when school was in session.

Upon entering the interior of Hardscrabble School, many memorabilia come into view: teacher's desk with hand bell, recitation desk, flag, children's desks, chalkboard, the original water cooler and pictures of Washington and Lincoln. To add to the scene, a mannikin dressed in old time school mar'm garb, Hattie Hardscrabble, looks over it all.

The restoration began for the 1992 reunion. The Roller family started out simply, mowing the yard,

reroofing, etc. but it soon snowballed into a large family undertaking led by Elizabeth Roller and Sharon Roller, "with lots of help", as Sharon is quick to point out.

Various clubs schedule meetings at Hardscrabble School to enjoy the beauty of the surroundings, go back in time, and even enjoy nature presentations which prove entertaining and informative. In fact, the Fort Dodge Federated Garden Club enjoyed an outing there on July 8.

School classes visit to see an actual country school and as an extra bonus, former teacher, Lucille Tschantz Balsiger, helps today's students relive the "good old country school days". The school house is open to groups of visitors by pre-arrangement.

This article was written by Grace Zimmerman, Anamosa, a freelance writer and member of Maquoketa Valley Electric Cooperative.

OBITUARY.

Elizabeth Devoe was born in Milo, Yates county, N. Y., December 3, 1820. On August 15, 1837, at Southport, Pa., she was united in marriage to John M. Streeter, now deceased. In 1841 she joined the Baptist church at Caton Center, N. Y., and remained a member of that church the rest of her life. In 1860 she moved to Iowa and settled in Jones county on a farm in Pleasant Valley, Jackson township. In 1887 she came to Anamosa. After the death of her husband ten years ago she made her home with Mrs. Slife, her daughter, of Dedham, and Mrs. Miller, of Anamosa, dying at the home of the latter May 6, 1901. Eleven children were born to her, of whom seven survive, four sons and three daughters—Dewitt and Augustus living in Nebraska, Emory in Illinois and Elemual in Jones county. Of the daughters, Harriet Scroggs resides at Kirkman, Sarah Miller, in Anamosa, and Capitola Slife in Dedham, who with her husband attended the funeral. Funeral services were held at the residence of Mrs. Miller at 9 o'clock yesterday, Wednesday morning. "The Holy City" was sung by Miss Lena Hubbell and the services were conducted by Rev. W. E. Glanville, who spoke from Acts 3:6. The burial was near Olin, Elder Potter officiating at the grave. The pall-bearers were L. Schoonover, D. McCarn, A. Heitchen, E. J. Wood, E. M. Harvey, T. W. Shapley.

Anamosa Eureka
9 May 1901

FOUR GENERATION ANCESTOR CHART

Name of Compiler Dorothy Arabell (Bebée) (Arndt) Smith

Address 110 N. Water, Box 347

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

Chart No. _____

City, State New Hampton, Iowa 50659

Date Feb. 17, 1986

8 Henry Bebee
b. Oct. 21, 1829 (Father of No. 4.
Cont. on chart No. _____)

p.b. Jefferson Co. N.Y.
m. Sept. 16, 1856
p.m. DeKalb Co. Ill
d. Sept. 20, 1906
p.d. Anamosa, Iowa

9 Sarah Boots
b. March 23, 1838 (Mother of No. 4.
Cont. on chart No. _____)

p.b. New Berlin, N.Y.
d. Dec. 26, 1907
p.d. Springville, Iowa

4 Cyrus Henry Bebee (Father of No. 2)

b. June 30, 1857
p.b. Sycamore, Ill
m. Feb. 9, 1880 2nd Oct. 27, 1906
p.m. Anamosa, Iowa
d. Feb. 14, 1934
p.d. Home, Lake Charles, La.

2 Cyrus Claude Bebee (Father of No. 1)

b. Oct. 25, 1886
p.b. Delaware Co, Ia.
m. April 3, 1918
p.m. Home of bride, North of Iowa, La.
d. Dec. 18, 1978
p.d. Home in Iowa, Louisiana

5 Adelia Arabell Mithel (Mecthel) (Mother of No. 2)

b. July 21, 1861
p.b. Wood Co., Ohio
d. March 6, 1896
p.d. home Union #2
Buckcreed, Iowa

10 John Mechley
b. 1833 (Father of No. 5.
Cont. on chart No. _____)

p.b. Bedford Co. Penn.
m. June 15, 1861
p.m. Wood Co. Ohio.
d. May 27, 1864 Civil War
p.d. Pickels Mills, Ga.

11 Elizabeth Simon
b. Feb. 11, 1837 (Mother of No. 5.
Cont. on chart No. _____)

p.b. Mohoning Co. Ohio
d. Feb. 23, 1928
p.d. Home Baltimore, Ohio

1 Dorothy Arabell Bebee

b. Sept. 9, 1923
p.b. Home, south of Iowa, Louisiana
m. Aug. 11, 1946 2nd. Nov. 6, 1982, Meth. Chruch, New Hampton
p.m. Luth Chruch, Mason City, Ia
d.
p.d.

12 Georgia Mc Carty
b. April 27, 1821 (Father of No. 6.
Cont. on chart No. _____)

p.b. Irland
m. Dec. 25, 1849
p.m.
d. Jan. 1870
p.d. Washbash Co. Ill

2nd Husband of #1
Roland Richard Smith
B. Feb. 5, 1915
Dunkerton, Iowa

6 Willian Shermon Mc Carty (Father of No. 3)

b. July 31, 1865
p.b. Ill.
m. Feb. 8, 1895
p.m.
d. May 12, 1945
p.d. Home, Lake Charles, La

13 Nancy Jane Brandon
b. Aug. 7, 1831 (Mother of No. 6.
Cont. on chart No. _____)

p.b. Ky.
d. Sept. 28, 1913
p.d. Ky.

3 Neomi Gretchen Mc Carty (Mother of No. 1)

b. Sept. 23, 1899
p.b. Tampa, Fla.
d.
p.d.

14 James Samerl Stewart
b. Feb. 12, 1832 (Father of No. 7.
Cont. on chart No. _____)

p.b. Nova Scotta
m. Nov. 16, 1878
p.m.
d. Nov. 28, 1911
p.d. Tampa, Fla

7 Icey Dora Stewart (Mother of No. 3)

b. Dec. 21, 1879
p.b. Cabin Creek, Ky.
d. Feb. 11, 1963
p.d. Jacksonville, Fla.

Lloyd John Arndt Sr.
b. Sept. 13, 1922 Spouse of No. 1.
p.b. Home Rockwell, Iowa
d. Feb. 5, 1977
p.d. Unintery Hosptbal, Iowa City, Ia.

15 Luicy Franicia Castel
b. June 3, 1861 (Mother of No. 7.
Cont. on chart No. _____)

p.b. cover wagon from Va. W. Va.
d. Feb. 1928
p.d.

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

J. M. STREETER.

Mr. J. M. Streeter was suddenly struck with paralysis on Thursday morning, Feb. 19, and died Friday following. He was born in Bradford county, Penn., Sept. 22, 1812, and was at the time of his death 79 years, 4 months and 29 days old. He spent his youth at the place of his birth. In 1837 he was married to Elizabeth Devoe, and to them were born eleven children, ten of whom grew to years of maturity, and two of the latter number preceded their father to the grave. Of the children now living two sons, viz., DeWitt C. and Augustus L., live at Clark, Neb., where also resides a daughter, Mrs. Victoria Colby; another son, Martin E., lives at Moneuce, Ill., near Chicago, Lemuel J. lives near Olin, Mrs. Harriet Scroggs at Kirkman, Iowa, Mrs. Sarah E. Miller, recently bereft of her husband, and Mrs. Capitolia Silfe live in Anamosa, the latter residing with her parents. In 1862 Mr. and Mrs. Streeter, who also survives her husband, left their eastern home and determined to try their fortunes in the far west. They settled near Olin in Jones county. The county was then new. Railroads had not then penetrated this part of the state. There were but few settlers. With the spirit and courage of the true pioneer, Mr. Streeter set about making a home in the wilderness for himself and family. Prosperity attended his efforts and he was permitted for many years to enjoy the rewards of persevering industry. The family moved to Anamosa in 1868. Throughout his long life Mr. Streeter has been accounted a man of integrity and a good citizen. While he did not seek the applause of men yet he sought their esteem, and sought also to make himself worthy of it. Being genial and affable he was true to the higher instincts of men and was always a gentleman. These qualities made his home-life pleasant and secured for him a host of friends. Mr. Streeter was converted at the age of 22. He was a Bible reader and always a religious man, though he did not unite with any church. It was his purpose to have united with the Baptist church of Anamosa and he had conversation with his wife about it only a week before his death.

The following is an extract of remarks made at the funeral by Rev. A. H. Ballard, pastor of the Baptist church.

Mr. Streeter selected the words: "So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom," (Ps. 90:12), as a text from which his funeral should be preached. This text therefore comes as his last words to friends and relatives. He evidently had in mind this text as a lesson and word of warning to you, and could his cold lips speak at this hour it would be to impress upon you the lesson of these words.

When I first came to Anamosa I was struck with the relatively large number of aged men I met. I had lived in a city of recent growth, where the men were younger, and where there were few aged persons, where it was exceptional to meet an aged man. But when I came here I could not but notice the large percentage of grayheaded ones. The evening of life has drawn nigh for many an one in Anamosa. Their heads are frosted over. While many have made preparation for the latter end, so rapidly approaching, many are unprepared to die. Mr. Streeter desired you who to-day assemble to pay last respects to his remains, to solemnly consider these words, "So teach us to number our days that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom." He desired you to consider the shortness and frailty of life; the certainty of a speedy termination of the life that now is; for what prospect for this world can be cherished by one that is already old? Therefore he would have you, who are so soon to die, to make preparations to meet God. He would have you consider the certainty of death; and that the span of life is granted you to make preparation for the life beyond. There are so many who are just going to do. Resolutions are formed, but nothing is done. Probably a majority of those aged ones propose yet to make preparation for death. They are just going to do. To such this text cannot fail to be a timely admonition.

And we are to apply our hearts unto wisdom. What does this expression mean? To gain a heart of wisdom. The highest wisdom is to be reconciled to God. The chief purpose of this life is to prepare for the life to come. That life is long in which preparation is made, it matters not how few the years may be. That life is all too short, no matter though the person dies in a good old age, in which preparation is not made. To apply our hearts unto wisdom, to prepare to meet God, this is the language of common sense, as it is the language of Scripture.

And in making our preparation for death we are to let God teach us. He who does not let God teach him of the future will never know the future. The attitude of every heart should be, "Teach us to number our days." To listen to a voice out of the eternities, and that the voice of God calling to repentance.

When the two disciples were going to Emmaus conversing with the unknown Lord, the wish of their hearts was expressed in the words, "Abide with us, for it is toward evening." May your attitude to-day, when the evening of life is come, be expressed in the language of the two disciples; "Abide with me, for it is toward evening." And you who mourn to-day will find your chief consolation,

not in reflecting upon the noble character and integrity of your husband and father, however honorable he may have been; not in remembering his presence and kindness in your home, however much he may have loved you; but you will find it, I believe, and I believe it with all my heart, in the hope of your father's faith that was fixed in the Rock of Ages, and bid you to cherish a hope of meeting in the better world.

CARD OF THANKS.

To the friends who so kindly assisted us at the time of the death of our beloved husband and father we return to you all our sincere thanks for your kind words and assistance.

MRS. J. M. STREETER AND FAMILY.

Feb. 26, 1891

Anamosa Eureka

I am researching the Calvin Hazlett family. He is the son of Samuel & Mary Wilson Hazlett who moved from Westmoreland Co PA to Richland Co OH shortly after their 1823/34 marriage. Calvin was born 16 May 1831 in Richland Co OH, married Catherine McConkie 24 May 1858 in Richland Co OH, he was a Sgt in Co B 120th OH Vol Inf during the Civil War. children: Walter? d 1861 Richland Co OH, Lillie Ada 1859 OH, U.S. Grant 1866 IA, I.O. Lu 1868 IA; Catherine died 30 Jan 1871 in Olin, Calvin moved to Grayson Co TX & remarried & had a child Lena V 1880.

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Does anyone know the burial place of Elizabeth STREETER w/o John M STREETER. Elizabeth d May 6 1901. John is bur. Pleasant Valley Cemetery Jackson Twp., Jones Co IA. Where is Finton STREETER b Jan 28 1870 - d July 1 1870, only s/o DeWitt C STREETER and Sarah buried? Robert E Benton 1204 Desert Hills Dr. Sun City, FL 33573

Want to correspond with anyone who has information on Robert SHANE b abt. 1820 in Ire., Robert Nolan SHANE, b 1863 IA, Susan(SAMELS)SHANE b abt. 1868 in Aurora, ILL. Susan Edminister 13829 Jordan Rd Arlington WA 98223-6403

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