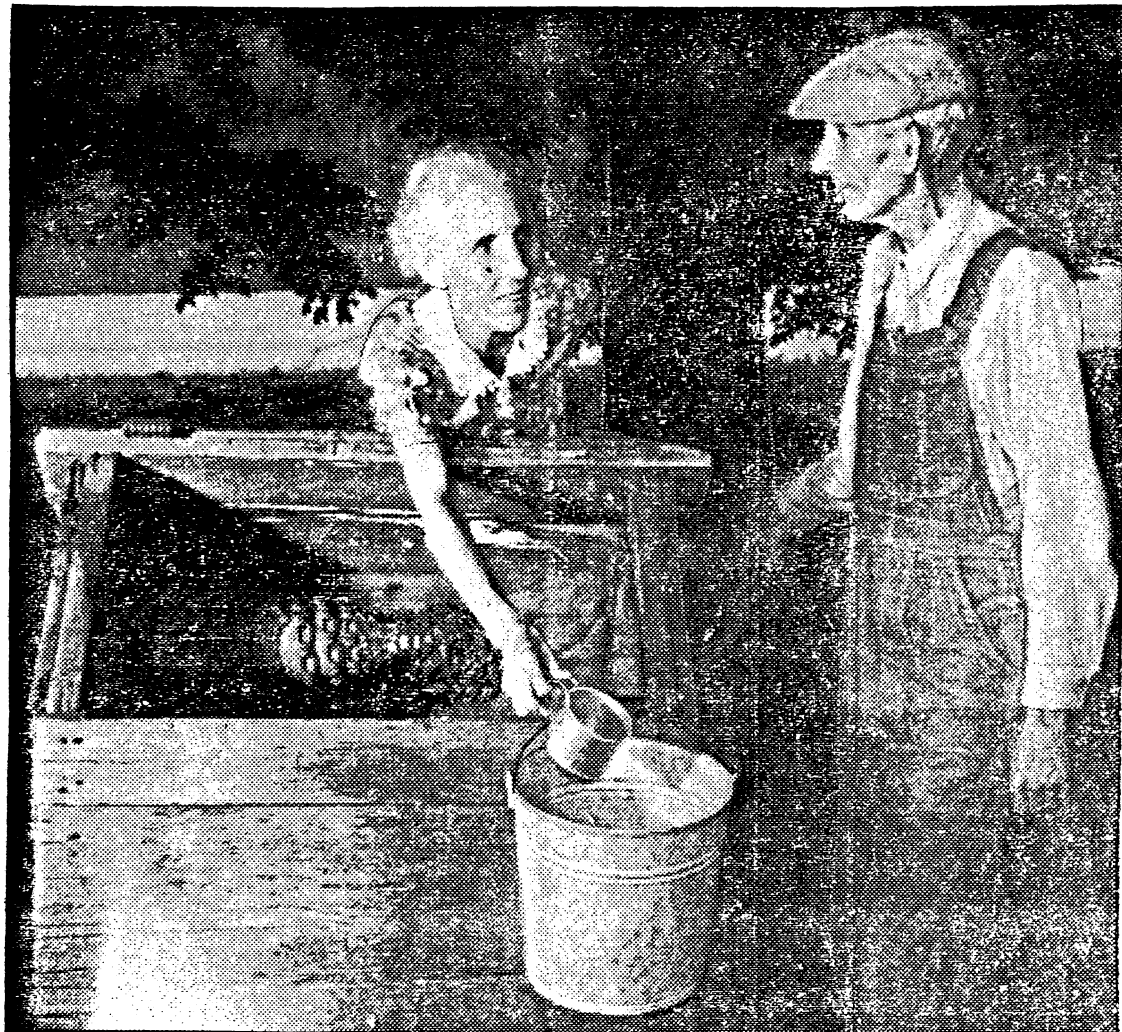




Old Oaken Bucket Well Near Anamosa Still Furnishes Water



Sunday Aug 11, 1940 MR. AND MRS. FRED RAYMOND AT THE WELL.

Gazette photo.

ANAMOSA—One hundred and twenty-three years have passed since Samuel Woodworth wrote the poem by which the world remembers him and in which he described "the old oaken bucket, the iron-bound bucket, the moss-covered bucket, which hung in the well."

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Raymond of Fairview, four miles south of Anamosa, still use water from their roof-covered well, believed

to have nearly reached the century mark.

It is a dug well, 25 feet deep, the walls made by placing rock upon rock without mortar, early-day fashion. Water is drawn with a crank windlass, the bucket fastened on the end of an iron chain. The wooden bucket has been replaced by a galvanized pail and the roller is worn, but the well has been dry but once in the more than 60 years that Mr. Raymond has lived there.

He points with pride, too, to the row of six hard maple trees that give shade to the well and house—trees that he, as a boy, helped his father set out. The tiny saplings are now grown to wide-shade and beautiful proportions.

Jones county folk feel a just pride in a relic of the first days in Iowa—the old oaken bucket well at Fairview, the one source of water supply for the Raymond family and the only well of its kind in this community.

Sand Springs hangs on to heritage

SAND SPRINGS — It seems a rather strange landmark when you first run across it, this old-fashioned metal hayloader propped up on a wooden pedestal along Highway 38.

But, then, when you realize why it's here, everything makes sense. At one time this was a place where making hay became a refined art.

You can just imagine farmers sweating like oxen as they labor in the hot sun, using pitchforks to toss hay onto their horse-drawn wagons, when one of them wipes his brow and exclaims: "By George, there's just got to be a better way!"

A guy named Jewett thought so in 1879. He invented his first hayloader that year.

Another guy by the name of Victor thought he could do better. In 1886 he invented his own version.

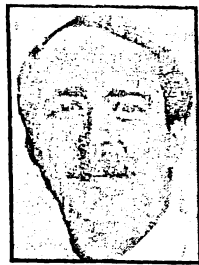
Both types were manufactured here until 1890, when John Deere acquired the Jewett patent and Rock Island Plow Co. got the Victor one.

WHO KNOWS? If those guys would have hung on, Sand Springs might have become the Monticello ("Little Mountain") of the plains.

Alas, it wasn't to be. So, five miles south, Monticello boasts the industrial and business districts of the area while Sand Springs is home to a highway bar at one end, the Immaculate Conception Church at the other, and a dozen or so houses clustered between. Off the highway to the east is Chapman Logging Co. Inc., the town's industry since 1969.

YOU'LL FIND that 42 people, more or less, live here.

RAMBLIN'



Dave Rasdal
Gazette staff writer

The logging company employs 31, obviously a lot of them from out of town. And the tourist attraction is the hayloader.

"I have a lot of people stop in the summer time to take pictures of it," says Denny Culbertson, owner of Denny's Corral adjacent to the hayloader. "A lot of 'em pull up, take the picture, and leave."

Fortunately for Denny, when farmers these days make hay and wipe their brows, they're not too likely to invent a new machine. They're more likely to head to his tavern, where on warm summer nights (Wednesdays and Sundays) euchre players from all over shuffle in like ants to a picnic.

TWENTY YEARS ago, Sand Springs nearly lost its identity. Reconstruction of Highway 38 took out a tavern and service station west of the highway. It also took road signs.

But, a few years later, two brothers opened the present tavern on the east side. And in 1985 someone painted "Sand Springs, next 3 exits" on a large discarded wooden spool.

To go one better, people made green and white "Sand Springs" signs, says Judy Chapman, a principal of the lumber company. The official-

looking signs were proudly erected to help guide visitors to the church for a wedding.

The Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) didn't like that. The signs were not authorized. So, one day an IDOT truck pulled up and workers removed the signs, posts and all, and put them in Judy's driveway.

Incensed by this rejection, Judy and some others petitioned the IDOT, claiming that a park, a nearby cemetery, and inclusion of the town in a world atlas should qualify the town for signs. More than 600 signatures were sent and the IDOT relented. The next summer Sand Springs received official signs.

In the meantime, Dale Chapman, Judy's husband, helped Jones County historian Bill Corbin of Monticello put up the hayloader on a cold December day in 1985. At the time, Bill acknowledged that this hayloader was not a Jewett or Victor model. They'd be too hard to find. But he said the McCormick-Deering loader was a good representation.

Bob Lang, 59, who visits Denny's Corral virtually every day, agrees. He was born and raised here and remembers when he used to walk down to pick up the mail at the post office inside the general store.

BUT, TODAY, there's no general store, no post office, no ZIP code. There isn't a listing in the phone book, either, because some homes have Monticello numbers while others have Hopkinton phones.

In other words, this is a town that could have an identity crisis. But, with the signs and Denny's Corral where a stranger feels welcome and the



Gazette photo by Dave Rasdal
 This hayloader on display along Highway 38 in Sand Springs is a reminder of the town's farming heritage.

hayloader up along the highway, Sand Springs has carved its own unique wide spot in the road. And that ain't hay.

Dave Rasdal's column appears Sundays and Tuesdays in *The Gazette*.

Mrs. W. J. Bailey Of Anamosa Dies

Funeral Services Set
 On Tuesday, Jan. 26th

Mrs. William J. Bailey, 75, Anamosa, died Saturday, Jan. 23, at Mercy hospital, Anamosa, following a lingering illness.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, Jan. 26, at 1:30 p.m., at the Goettsch Funeral home, Anamosa. Rev. Lloyd Dutro, of the E.U.B. church, Olin, will conduct the service. Burial will be in Cedar Memorial Park cemetery, Cedar Rapids.

Pallbearers Named

Pallbearers include Robert Bainbridge, Charles Davis, Donzel Ehresman, R. M. Porter, Lewis Dreibelbis and Lawrence LaBarge.

Life Outlined

She was born Ethel Kohl, Aug. 4, 1889, daughter of Louis Kohl and Addie Miller Kohl, Greenfield township, Jones county. She was married April 5, 1906, to William J. Bailey, Anamosa.

Couple made their home on farms in Jackson and Greenfield townships before moving to Anamosa in 1959. She was a member of the Forest E.U.B. church, and before her health failed she was a member of Pythian Sisters, Martelle.

Survivors Told

Survivors include her husband, William J.; one daughter, Kathryn, Mrs. Richard Bennett, Harbor City, Calif.; two sons, Alvin Bailey, Phoenix, Ariz., and Dr. John Bailey, Anamosa; one brother, Amos Kohl, Marion; six grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Thelma, in 1917; her parents and one brother.

ARMSTRONG-SIVER

The commodious dwelling of Mr. and Mrs. Herbin . McConaughy was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Thursday evening, January 29, 1931, when their foster daughter, Miss Mae Eliza Armstrong, was united in holy matrimony to Arthur Thomas Manly Siver.

Thirty-six immediate relatives of the contracting parties witnessed the ceremony. When all were assembled in the large living room, Mae's sister, Mrs. Guy Martin, went to the piano and played Mendelssohn's wedding march. The beautiful bride and handsome groom descended the wide stairs of the hall unattended and composedly took their places in front of the fireplace which had been decorated on either side with ferns.

Rev. Isenberg, pastor of the Martelle Christian Church, read the marriage ritual which was beautiful and impressive. The single ring service was used. At this time Mae handed her bouquet of Joanna roses to Mrs. McConaughy. Mr. McConaughy gave the bride away. After Arthur and Mae had been pronounced husband and wife, Rev. Isenberg offered prayer and all joined with him in repeating the Lord's prayer.

Following congratulations a delicious two course supper was served in which the color scheme was yellow and white.

The happy couple and the parents, Mr. and Mrs. H.S. McConaughy , Mr. and Mrs. John Armstrong and Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Siver, Grandma Armstrong and Rev. and Mrs. Isenberg were seated at the dining table. Grandpa Siver's chair was vacant as he could not be present. The other guests were served at six small tables. Mrs. Evelyn Brown and Mrs. Claire Armstrong presided in the kitchen and Mae's three sisters, Mrs. Guy Martin, Mrs. Lawrence Davis and Mrs. Glenn Strother were waitresses.

About 11 P.M. a company of young people, ladies and gentleman, twenty in number perhaps, appeared and began a serenade with pop guns and voices. When admitted they offered congratulations to Arthur and Mae and received a treat of candy and cigars.

For the occasion Mae had borrowed her Aunt Evelyn's wedding dress, a cream colored silk, made after the mode of twenty-two years ago, with a lace yoke, a wide skirt ankle length, trimmed with cream satin folds. A new yellow velvet bolero was worn over the dress. The groom's suit was dark blue with a narrow gray stripe.

Both of these young people were brought up in the vicinity of Martelle and are well and favorably known, Since Mae was a tiny babe she has been cared for by her aunt Jennie and uncle Bud McConaughy who have given here every advantage in their power. Piano music is one of her accomplishments. Mae graduated from the Martelle high school with the class of 1927. The past three years she has been a clerk in the Anamosa National Bank, relinquishing that position at the beginning of this year.

Arthur completed the eight and ninth grades of the Mount Vernon public school course, and continued his studies a year and a half more in the Morley high school. Since then he has assisted his father with farming. Three years ago A.J. Siver rented Mrs. Rachel Vanderbilt's 120 acres for five years, which he and Arthur are operating together. After early in March the Vanderbilt cottage will be Arthur and Mae's home.

Their friends, which seem to be legion, have showered them with gifts and wedding presents, useful, beautiful and of a great variety. These with the bride's store of furniture, dishes and household goods insure a well-equipped home.

Both relatives and neighbors are glad that the new home is to be established in their midst.

1931

In honor of their son, Arthur and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Siver gave a reception in their home on Saturday evening, January 31, to relatives, friends and neighbors. Eighty-five persons had been invited and a company of sixty-five was present.

Arthur, attired in his wedding suit and his wife wearing a pretty and becoming green silk crepe dress ornamented with rose colored smocking, received the guests in the parlor.

Mrs. Siver had arranged a program which A.J. preface by introducing to the company four generations of Siver's, namely his father, James E. Siver, who boasts ninety years, A.J. himself, who is this side of sixty-five, his son, Otis not quite two score years, and last but not least, Otis son, Glenn in his fifteenth year. A thrill of admiration swept over the audience when Glenn, five feet ten inches tall, erect and well portioned, took his place in the line. He bids fair to rival his Uncle Arthur's six feet in stature.

It was a disappointment that four generations of the Armstrong family were not all present. Mrs. Eliza Armstrong, eighty-three years old, was there, but not her son John of Springville. John's two sons and four daughters were all present but not any of his six grandchildren.

Mrs. Otis Siver then announced the following numbers on the program, every one called responding:

A Welcome of Mae into the Siver family, by Otis Siver; another Welcome, Arthur is Welcomed into the Armstrong Family, by Mrs. Lawrence Davis; reminiscences by Clell Vanderbilt; a thrilling story of his boyhood days, by Otho Brokaw; a son by Uncle Henry Siver and his brother Al with Mrs. Siver at the organ; advice in rhyme to the bride and groom by Charlie Miller; remarks by a friend of both families, Cliff Miller; a reading by Jennie Jones; song, a parody on America, composed by A.J. Siver in honor of Arthur and Mae, and sung by A.J. and John Siver and wife and their daughter Velma.

Mae and Arthur then unwrapped and admired eighteen or more presents brought to them that evening and thanked those who gave them.

The two course luncheon served on trays was an ambrosial feast. The angel food cakes and ice cream were pink and white which were the colors of the decorations. Five young ladies, Margaret Houseworth, Leola Miller, Kathryn Peet, Elaine Vanderbilt, and Velma Siver were waitresses.

The guests present from a distance were Henry Siver, Lorenzo Siver and wife of Cedar Rapids; Mr. and Mrs. George Lake and son of Bertram; Mr. and Mrs. Rob Siver and James E. Siver of Lisbon; and Mrs. Rachel Vanderbilt and Mr. and Mrs. Clell Vanderbilt and daughter of South Bend, Indiana.

Such a happy social time followed that the guests tarried till the midnight hour.

Thursday, February 26, was the fortieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Siver. By way of celebration their sons Otis and John and families each prepared ice cream and cake and they and Jennie Jones and Myrtle Manly with two cakes went to the A.J. Siver home about seven o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Siver were already there. Soon Mr. and Mrs. John Boedenhofer arrived and the Ernest Tonne family. A little later Ray Simpson and wife and their daughter Louise appeared, also Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hammon. After all had relished ice cream and cake, about 8:30 eight automobiles entered the yard. The passengers surrounded the house and cowbells and shot guns. When admitted into the house their request to greet two brides and grooms was granted. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Siver had a treat of candy and cigars for the ladies and gentlemen and Mrs. A.J. Siver brought from the pantry a large white and pink cake which was shared by all present. The charivari for Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Siver was postponed for awhile by muddy roads. Uriah Pieper, on learning of the fortieth anniversary chose that evening as the date for a joint charvivari.

PASSING OF JAMES H. ARMSTRONG.

James H. Armstrong was born April 13, 1841, near Marathon, Cortland Co., New York, coming to Iowa with his parents in 1852.

He was married to Ann Eliza Brady February 19, 1868. He leaves besides his wife, six children, one daughter, Cora, having preceded him to the better world. The children are Mrs. Jennie McConaughy, John, Eugene, Mrs. Mary Peet, Evelyn and Carl.

James Armstrong has lived in the immediate neighborhood of Martelle for 54 years. The first year after coming to Iowa his parents lived on the Dr. Matson farm, one half mile south of Fairview on the military road; but the greater part of his life was spent on his own home farm one mile east of Martelle. Because of failing health



he left the farm, moving to Martelle about two years ago, where he has since resided, until Friday August 24, 1906, when he summoned was to his eternal home.

In all the years of continuous acquaintance he was never known to do a dishonorable or unmanly act. He had well established principles, practical common sense constituting the strong and enduring foundation upon which to build a clean, upright, christian life. His memory commends the sincerest affection of loving wife, children and other kindred, and the most profound respect of all who knew him. He was a faithful member of the White Rose lodge, Knights of Pythias, being one of the charter members.

He was a man of the strictest integrity and the community loses one of its best citizens. * * *

Card of Thanks.

We wish to extend our sincerest thanks to the friends who so kindly assisted us in our bereavement.

Mrs. J. H. Armstrong and Children.

James Armstrong, a long time resident of this township, died at his home in Martelle Friday afternoon. He had been in poor health for some time and last Wednesday the heat was too much for him; he suffered a relapse, from which he never recovered. Funeral services were held Sunday in the M. E. church, conducted by Rev. Kieffer. The sympathy of the community is extended to the members of the family in their time of affliction.

Whereas, the Supreme Ruler of the Universe has removed from our midst our Brother, James H. Armstrong, and Whereas, our departed brother has ever been a faithful and efficient member of our lodge since the organization thereof, therefore

Be it resolved: That the members of White Rose Lodge K. of P. deeply mourn the loss of their departed brother and extend their heartfelt sympathy to the family in their time of affliction; and be it further

Resolved: That these resolutions be placed on record and a copy be sent to the family.

A. B. Caffee }
W. G. Brock } Com.
C. H. Brown }

Sackrider—Armstrong.

At high noon Wednesday occurred the marriage of Miss Addie F. Sackrider of Maquoketa and John S. Armstrong at the home of Mrs. Daniel Sackrider's niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Williams, 1075 Twelfth street, Marion. L. M. Starr, minister of the Christian church, spoke the words that united them as husband and wife.

After the marriage vows had been

spoken and congratulations extended, the company was invited to the dining room where an elegant three-course dinner was served by the bride's cousins, Miss Cecil Williams and Mrs. Clyde Williams. The dining room and tables were beautifully decorated with pink roses and smilax. Large bouquets of pink and white carnations also added beauty to the other rooms.

Only the mother of the bride and the immediate members of the Williams family were present, with the exception of one personal friend of the family, Warren Franks of Cedar Rapids.

The bride was attired in a brown silk gown.

Mr. Armstrong is one of Jones county's successful farmers and stockmen. He is a member and faithful worker in the Christian church at Martelle where his family belongs and is a highly respected member of the K. P. lodge and has a host of friends. He owns a large farm one and one-half miles east of Martelle. Miss Sackrider is the only child of the late Daniel Sackrider of Maquoketa and is well and favorably known. She and her mother own a fine farm in Clinton county near Delmar Junction.

Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong left on the afternoon train for Martelle, the groom's home.

MRS. ANN ELIZA ARMSTRONG

Ann Eliza Brady, daughter of Durastus and Philena Brown Brady, was born in Pitcher Springs, Champaign county, New York, March 6, 1847. She was the youngest and last to go of the eleven children. She departed this life at her home in Martelle, Iowa, February 12, 1936 at the age of 88 years, 11 months and six days.

She came to Fairview, Iowa, with her family from New York in 1856 at the age of nine years.

She was united in marriage to James H. Armstrong, February 19, 1868 at her home. To this union were born seven children, Mrs. Jennie McConaughy of Martelle, John of Springville, Eugene of Marion, Mary Peet and Evelyn Brown of Martelle, Carl of Geraldine, Mont. and Cora Armstrong having preceded her in death in 1905 at the age of 16 years.

Mrs. Armstrong was converted and joined the Baptist church in Fairview in early life and continued in it as long as that local congregation was active. Later she transferred her church membership by statement to the Church of Christ in Martelle in 1916 and has been one that loved to be in her church at all services.

A friend of the family said that Mrs. Armstrong was a wonderful

mother. And such she was, as she had the full use of her mind, and kept up with the times, being interested in people and things to her last.

We think today of the awakening of one well prepared to live, one whom God has received into the Heavenly home, where one day we hope to go. We shall miss her earthly associations, but we who think wisely shall think of her as now really living. This is not the real life, it is only the appearance of life. Life is yonder, this is but the foreshadowing of the day to come.

The funeral services were held in the Church of Christ, in Martelle, February 15, 1936 at 1:30 conducted by W. W. Coverdale, pastor, assisted by Cecil Miller, local M. E. minister and Lamont Smith of Springville.

Interment was made in the Norwich cemetery north of Martelle.

Pallbearers were Harry Peet, Glenn Peet, Clint McConaughy, Merritt Kyle and Guy Martin.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many friends and relatives for their kindness and sympathy extended us during the recent bereavement in the loss of our mother. Also for the beautiful floral offering.

Jennie McConaughy
John Armstrong
Gene Armstrong
Mary Peet
Evelyn A. Brown
Carl Armstrong

Mr. and Mrs. George Melton Observe Anniversary 1940

Mr. and Mrs. George Melton of Mechanicsville observed their fiftieth anniversary on Sunday, April 28 by entertaining at the Fleming Tea House at 12:30 o'clock.

A bowl of yellow Tea Roses, presented them by their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Nightingale, graced the table. A Golden Angel Food cake with 50 candles, made by Mrs. Nelson Fink, was held by a cake stand 12 inches high which was formerly owned by Mrs. Melton's mother and which was 75 years old.

Mr. Melton was born in Jones county on April 12, 1867, and was married to Tena Elizabeth Kohl, on April 27, 1890 by the Rev. R. C. Stephen of Anamosa.

Mrs. Melton was born on July 21 1871 in Jones county near Mechanicsville.

C. W. Stearns and Emma Kohl, sister of the bride, were the witnesses. After the ceremony they returned to the bride's home, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Kohl, where a wedding dinner was served to the immediate family. Two daughters blessed this union: Alma, Mrs. Simpson, who died in 1924 and Mildred Nightingale.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton lived in the vicinity of White Oak for a number of years. On March 8, 1893 they bought a farm three miles east of Mechanicsville, consisting of 200 acres, which is occupied now by their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Nightingale. Mr. and Mrs. Melton retired from their farm in 1914 and moved to Mechanicsville.

Sunday afternoon the wedding guests were entertained at the home of Mrs. Emma Stearns, 534 Forest Dr. S.E., Cedar Rapids, who is a sister of Mrs. Melton, where Kodak pictures and photos of 50 years ago were viewed.

A dainty luncheon was served on china and silverware 50 years old, after which Mrs. Emma Stearns had the pleasure of presenting Mr. and Mrs. Melton with a beautiful Seth Thomas Ship of Hoy, electric clock, which was given by the guests.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Melton, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Nightingale of Mechanicsville; Mr. and Mrs. Arl McNeal, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Fink, Mrs. Ida Andre and Mrs. Emma Stearns of Cedar Rapids; Mr. and Mrs. Ora Melton of Lisbon.

In the afternoon Mrs. Nightingale's photograph was taken in the wedding gown of 50 years ago.

Observe Golden Anniversary



—MONTIEUR PHOTO

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE J. MELTON.

MECHANICSVILLE — Mr. and Mrs. George J. Melton of Mechanicsville are celebrating their golden wedding anniversary today. They will spend the day with Mrs. Arl McNeal and Mrs. Emma Stearns, Mrs. Melton's sisters, in Cedar Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton were mar-

ried in Jones county and have always resided in this vicinity. They lived on a farm near Cedar, then bought a place near Mechanicsville, where they lived until 1914. Now their daughter, Mrs. Lynn Nightingale, and Mr. Nightingale are living on the farm and Mr. and Mrs. Melton have retired to town.

Myrtle Cosmos dies Nov. 21 1974 after illness

Myrtle Mae Cosmos, 94, widow of Peter Cosmos, died Thursday, Nov. 21 in an Anamosa nursing home after a long illness.

She was born on April 18, 1880, in Fairview township. She had lived in Cedar Rapids most of her life. She was a member of the First Baptist church in Anamosa.

She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Guy McLaughlin, Spickard, Mo.; Lulu Robertson, Cedar Rapids; Ruby Lumsden, Margate, Fla., and Mrs. Charles Roedenizer, Colo and several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Services were held at the Teahen funeral home in Cedar Rapids on Saturday, Nov. 23 at 1 p.m., officiated by the Rev. Donald Wells of First Baptist church of Anamosa. Burial was in Linwood cemetery.

Ida M. Andre 1986 Rites Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. Ida Mae Andre, 89, were held Monday afternoon at the W. G. Carson and Son funeral home in Maquoketa. Burial was in the Massillon, Ia., cemetery. The Rev. Arthur Holtry, pastor of the First Methodist church officiated. Mrs. Andre, a resident of a local nursing home in Maquoketa, died Friday at Jackson County Public Hospital.

Ida Mae Kline was born Aug. 6, 1876, in Jones county to William and Mary (Kohl) Kline. She was married to Elmer Andre, who preceded her in death in 1955.

Surviving are one son, Jack Andre of Toronto; four brothers, Chancy and Elmer Kline, both of Anamosa, and Charles and Clayton Kline, both of Olin; five grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

Her parents, her husband, one daughter, two brothers and one sister preceded her in death.

OLDEST CITIZEN IS LAID TO REST

— 1918

Duane Zimmerman Was In 99th Year.
Lived Here For Over Sixty
Years.

Duane Zimmerman was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, March 24, 1819, and died at his late home in Mechanicsville, Iowa, Wednesday evening, February 13, 1918. Therefore, at the time of his passing, he was within a few days of being 99 years old—a most unusual record.

Mr. Zimmerman and Miss Susanna Kohl were married back in their native state of Pennsylvania in 1839. Nine children were born to them, seven of whom grew to manhood and womanhood; six of them survive their father, namely: John Zimmerman, who is making his home at the soldiers' home, Marshalltown, Iowa; Henry Zimmerman, of Cedar Rapids; Mrs. Elizabeth Blessing, Mechanicsville; Mrs. Susan Bradshaw, Mechanicsville; Mrs. H. R. Saum, Muskogee, Oklahoma; Mrs. A. L. Peet, Mechanicsville. There are thirty-two grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman were spared to each other for 68 years, the wife and mother passing in 1907. They came to Iowa in 1855, locating on a farm northwest of Mechanicsville, where they lived until about 25 years ago, when they retired from active farm life and came to Mechanicsville to spend the evening of their lives. The subject of this sketch was surrounded by devoted members of his family at all times who ministered to him with great consideration. His declining years were spent in comfort and his passing brings no pang of regret because of any failure on the part of those who cared for him having failed to perform their full duty lovingly and devotedly. This man's life is an open book to the people of this community. It is one which needs no fulsome praise. His name always commanded respect among his neighbors and filial devotion from his children.

The funeral was held at the Zimmerman home Saturday afternoon, and was in accordance with the ritual of the Christian Science belief. The

deceased was a life-long member of the United Brethren church, but for twenty years or more he subscribed to the teachings of the Christian Science and practised those teachings faithfully. Reader Taylor Smith of Cedar Rapids was in charge of the service. Two songs were contributed by a quartet composed of Mesdames Dickey and Sperry and Messrs. Wilson and Purcell.

Those from out of town to attend the funeral were: Harlan Zimmerman and wife of Marlon; Roy Melton, of Lisbon; E. M. Peet of Council Bluffs; Julius Peet and wife of Anamosa; Howard Zimmerman, wife and daughter of Lisbon; Misses Jessie L. and Edna M. Bradshaw, Des Moines; Fred and Daniel Kohl, Lisbon; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Burroughs, Lisbon; Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Kohl, Lisbon; Mrs. Adna Andre and daughter, Lisbon; Roy Pitcher, Kenwood Park; John Zimmerman, Soldiers' Home, Marshalltown.

We wish to express our deep appreciation of all that was done for us by friends and neighbors incident to the passing of our father. We especially recognize the service of the singers and the good will and respect expressed by those who sent flowers.

THE FAMILY.

14 March, 1972

Rites Held For Frona Kline, 86

MECHANICSVILLE - Funeral services for Mrs. Frona M. Kline, who died March 14, were held Friday, March 17 in St. Mary's Catholic church with the Rev. P. J. Casey officiating.

Mrs. Kline was born near Stanwood April 9, 1885, the daughter of Francis and Louisa Kern Cruse. She was a resident of this area all her life. She was a member of St. Mary's Guild and the American Legion Auxiliary.

Harold Streets, Louis Gamble, William Koch, John Mullan, James Cruse and John Sauer were pallbearers. Burial was in Rose Hill cemetery. The Morgan Funeral service was in charge.

Survivors include a brother, Elmer Cruse, Tipton and 3 sisters, Luzetta Larsen, Omaha, Nebr., Mrs. Barbara Grell, Tipton and Mrs. Phil (Martha) Ward, Mechanicsville; 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Kline was preceded in death by her husband, William and 4 sons, Leonard, Lee, Everett and an infant.

17, 1931

Dec 1931

LeROY MELTON DIES AT SHARON SPRINGS

Remains Shipped To Mechanicsville
And Funeral Services Held From
Presbyterian Church Monday

Funeral services for LeRoy Melton, a former Mechanicsville resident, were held from the Presbyterian church on Monday, December 14, with Rev. I. R. Prugh, pastor of the church, in charge.

A male quartette composed of Dr. C. G. Stookey, Frank Wilson, Rev. I. R. Prugh, and Mrs. Duane Rigby, sang, "The Lord is My Shepard" and "Come Ye Disconsolate."

The pallbearers were former friends and neighbors: Walter Zerbie, Frank G. Johnson, Harry E. Gibeaut, Forrest Shrope, Clarence Andre and Eugene Rhoads.

Obituary.

Mr. LeRoy D. Melton, son of Robert and Nancy Melton, was born January 25, 1871 in Jones county, Iowa and passed away at his home near Sharon Springs, Kansas, December 10, 1931. He leaves to mourn his passing, a wife, Anna Hutchins Melton; five children by a former marriage, Homer Melton of San Antonio, Texas, Ruth Melton Lerch, John Melton, Nellie Melton Landis and Vera Melton; one grandson, Charles Lerch, all of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; also two brothers, George and Ora Melton and a sister, Mrs. Vesta Hines of Mechanicsville.

The youth and early manhood of the deceased were spent in this community where he was a prosperous and respected farmer. For the past fourteen years he has been in the West, the last ten years being spent in Sharon Springs, where he had many friends and neighbors.

Erma M. Chapman 1982

Erma M. Chapman, 64, widow of Joseph Chapman, died early Tuesday morning, May 26, at St. Luke's Hospital in Cedar Rapids following an extended illness.

Services were Friday, May 28, at 10:30 a.m. at St. Patrick's Catholic Church with the Rev. Joseph O'Brien and the Rev. John Peters officiating. Burial was in the Oakwood Cemetery, Monticello. A Rosary was recited Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Goettlach Funeral Home.

She was born at Oxford Junction Oct. 2, 1917, the daughter of Ernest and Alice Fisher Cooper. She received her education in the Monticello schools.

She married Joseph Chapman Nov. 23, 1936, at Rock Island, Ill. The couple made their home in Hopkinton. Mr. Chapman preceded her in death in 1962. Mrs. Chapman made her home in Hopkinton until moving to Anamosa in 1975.

She is survived by two sons, Larry of Iowa City and Richard of Marion; five sisters, Mrs. Marguerite Appleby of Monticello, Mrs. Elizabeth Otten of Monticello, Mrs. Genevieve Hartford of Maquoketa, Mrs. Edith Lambert of Monticello and Mrs. Pauline Reczik of San Mateo, Calif.; and nine grandchildren.

In addition to her husband she was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers.

ROBERT MELTON

SUCCOMBS EARLY

HOUR YESTERDAY

July 3, 1928

Funeral Was Held This Afternoon From Home of Mrs. L. Hines

Robert Wesley Melton, old resident of Mechanicsville, passed away at an early hour yesterday morning. Death was due to the infirmities of old age. Mr. Melton was aged 65 years, eleven months and twenty days. The body was taken to the Under funeral parlors after which it was removed to the home of his daughter here, Mrs. Leonard Hines, and the funeral was held from her home at 3 o'clock this afternoon with burial in Rose Hill cemetery. The Rev. E. W. Brown, former pastor of the presbyterian church here, officiated at the home and at the grave.

Robert Wesley Melton was born July 14th, 1842 in Vermillion County, Ill. He came to Mechanicsville a number of years ago and lived here with his family. He is served by his daughter, Mrs. Hines, from whose home the funeral was held and two sons, George Melton and Orey Melton, all of Mechanicsville.

29-Aug-1969
Ruth Melton And
R. S. Tapper Wed



MRS. RAYMOND S. TAPPER.

Mrs. E. J. Van Hart of Cedar Rapids announces the marriage of her daughter, Ruth E. Melton, to Raymond S. Tapper, son of Mrs. B. O. Tapper of Cedar Rapids. The wedding was performed Saturday at the Little Brown church in Nashua. The couple was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Homer D. Melton of Waterloo.

The bride's gown was of soldier blue crepe and she wore an antique necklace belonging to her mother. Her corsage was of sweet-hydrangea roses. Mrs. Tapper was formerly employed by the Dyrud Laboratories and Mr. Tapper is connected with the Cedar Rapids Construction company. They will make their home at 1625 Grande avenue SE.

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Services for
Claire Chapin

Date of Birth
March 11, 1852

Date of Death
December 2, 1943

Services held at
Methodist Church
December 2, 1943

Officiated by
Rev. Glenn Rowley

Interment
Norwich Cemetery

*How sweet to Sleep
where all is peace,
Where Sorrows cannot
reach the breast,
Where all Life's idle
throbbings cease,
And pain is lulled
to rest!*

CASKET BEARERS

Clair Armstrong
Gerald Armstrong
Kenneth Gordon
Clancy Newman
Clayton Newman
Hubert Newman

CROSSING THE BAR

*Sunset and evening star
And one clear call for me,
And may there be no moaning of the bar
When I set out to sea.
But such a tide as moving, seems asleep
Too full for sound and foam,
When that which drew from out the
boundless deep,
Turns again home.
Twilight and evening bell
And after that the dark,
And may there be no sadness of farewell
When I embark.
For though from out the bourne of time
and place
The flood may bear me far,
I hope to see my Pilot face to face,
When I have crossed the bar.
—Tennyson.*

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