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JONES COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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### PREZ SEZ:

Another year has passed and we have made some progress on our projects for the year. A few more cemeteries have been copied but there is still a long way to go to have the project completed. Due to the weather this year not as much as I had hoped was accomplished. The third marriage book is ready to be proof read and final format to be decided. It will soon be ready for the printing.

I want to thank all the members for a good year as president. Our elections were held at the November meeting. These members were elected for 1988. Renee Dooley, President; Joanne Wilkins, Vice president; Jan Wenndt, Treasurer; Betty Stover, Secretary; and board members are- Joyce Wells, Harold Wells, JoAnn Walters Virginia Sibert, Onalee Arnold, and June Morrow. Congratulations to all.

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We are starting two new features in the newsletter. The first is obituaries of the early residents of Jones Co. If you have an obit of someone who was born before 1900 and died anytime and lived in Jones Co. sometime during their life we would like to have a copy.

The second feature is short biographies of our members. This will enable us to know each other a little better. Send in the following. Name, address birth date(month & day, year if you want) birth place, Marriage date and place, occupation of both you and your spouse, parents names and birthplaces. Where you have lived during your life, clubs, societies, hobbies, and any special accomplishments. Add anything else you want. If the biography is typed please limit it to a half page.

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1988 membership dues are payable from Dec 1, 1987 to Jan. 30 1988. After the 1st of Feb. you will be dropped from the mailing list.

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The Express, Monticello, 15 March 1860

Died. at Monticello Iowa, Mar 8, at the residence of her father, Levi Kimball, Mrs Antoinette Jarrett.

## MINI "ANCESTORS

\* Seeking information on my CURTTRIGHT family. They lived near Fairview from approximately 1855-1868. John C. Curttright died 22 June 1868, buried in Jones County. His wife was Margaret SMITH. Their children were: Elias, Mary Jane (Taylor), Thomas Sidney, Emily (Bernard), Martha M., Rachel A. (Hester) John Elson, Margaret Calista (Williams), David John, and Jerome Lafayette. Peggy Harding, 4131 S. Queen Palm Dr., Tucson, AZ 85730.

\*Seek data on ancestors and descendants of Ithiel Hart, Ithiel Devotion Hart, and Lewis Hart for inclusion in Hart genealogy in preparation. Can anyone prove connection between Seth Hart line and Ithiel Hart? Contact Anthony A. Miller, 4370 Park Alisal, Calacasas Park, CA 91302.

\*Tracing ancestors of Robert WILKINSON and his wife Nancy B. Wilkinson, early pioneers of Jones County and their descendants. I will exchange information. Beth S. Skarsnaug, 1052 Fleetwood Drive, San Jose, CA 95120.

\*Want information about George Peter WOODWARD, born about 1860 to 1870 possibly Center Junction area, father was Methodist minister. George married Margaret Frances Heleman, had 2 children, Onmer and Flossie. He was a telegraph operator for railroad. Would like to correspond with descendants. G. L. Jonson, 201 N. Mission Rd., Minneapolis MN 55420

\*Am preparing a book on the George Adam KRAMER family and would like to contact descendants. Also descendants of Francis BYERLY who married Catherine Kramer in Fairfield Co. Ohio in 1817. Mrs Larita M. Neeley, 9922 NW 46th St. Silver Lake KS 66539

\*Would like to contact descendants of Joshua and Eliza A. WIMPLE GRINDAD, married 19 Feb 1864 in Jones Co. Joshua had blacksmith shop in Wyoming. They had a son Walter James GRINDAD. Also want to contact descendants of Jacob Francis and Jerusha ALEBAR PARKS. Barbara Parks married Walter Grindad 22 Feb 1886. Jacob Parks was a farmer in Madison Twp. Carol A. Lewis, Rt. 2 Box 2341, Orland Ca 95963.

\*Wish to contact descendants of Robert and Demaris Rivers Lyon. Want copies of Obituaries or short histories of each person. Related families are; Ireland, Jurtright, Switzer, Rotz, Fall, Blood, DeMoss, Wolfe, Ray, Luedemann, Luckstead, Nyquist, Odeen, Porter, Redmond, Schweitzer, Thomsen and Young. This is a partial list of names. June Morrow, 4986 Wagner Road, Central City, IA 52214.

15 March 1858; Anamosa Eureka Editorial

Adams wedding: We like short courtships and in this Adam acted like a sensible man. He fell asleep a bachelor and awoke to find himself a married man. He appears to have "popped the question" immediately after meeting Mabelle Eve, and she, without flirtation or shyness, gave him a kiss and herself. Of that first kiss in this world we have had, however our own thoughts, and sometimes in poetical mood we have wished we were the man that did it. But the deed is or was done, the chance was Adam's and he improved it. We like the notion of getting married in a garden, it is good taste. We like a private wedding, and Adam's was strictly private. No envious beaux were there, no envious old maids, no chattering aunts and grumbling grandmothers. The birds of heaven were the minstrels and the glad sky shed its light upon the scene.

Jones County Births, Book 1. The information is in the following order, Childs birth date, name or sex, birthplace, fathers name, birthplace and occupation, number of child born to mother, mothers name and birthplace. I have placed ??? where information is missing in the book.

131. Reported 14 June 1881, Twins, Male and female, ??????, Alexander Jenkins, Scotland, Farmer, 4th and 5th, Mary Mooney, Mass.
132. 20 June 1881, Bertha Jane Pangborn, Madison Twp., Gor. Gable Pangborn, N.Y. City, Farmer, 3rd, Esther Ann Krause, Ill.
133. 8 July 1881, Anna Roberts, Anamosa, Peter Roberts, Canada, Laborer, 9th, ????? ?????, Canada.
134. 9 July 1881, Female Kratzer, Anamosa, Adam Kratzer, Ohio, Laborer, 3rd, Amelia Leist, Ky.
135. 6 July 1881, Female Moore, Faiview, Lin Moore, U.S., Laborer, 2nd, Emma Kidwell, ????????
136. 11 July 1881, Female Maus, Anamosa, W. Maus, U.S., Cabinet Maker, ????? ?????, ????????
137. 24 June 1881, Joseph Sampica, Stone City, Joseph Sampica, New York, Quarryman, 4th Julia Denial, N.Y. (Parents French)
138. 15 July 1881, Male Denial, Stone City, Peter Denial, N.Y., Quarryman, 4th, Mary LeBarre, N.Y., (Parents French)
139. 23 July 1881, Boy Garvey, Oxford Junction, Lyman Garvey, ?????, Blacksmith, ???, ????? ?????, ????????
140. 5 July 1881, Male Jugnensen, Oxford Twp., J.F. Jugnensen, ??????, Farmer, 2nd, ????? ?????, ??????. (Parents German)
141. 8 July 1881, Female Gallagher, Oxford Junction, O. W. Gallagher, ??????, R.R. Laborer, 2nd, ????? ?????, ??????
142. 27 May 1881, Margaret Ford, Anamosa, Thomas Ford, Kildar Co. Ireland, Black-Smith, 3rd, Maggie M. Foley, Ohio.
143. 11 May 1881, Female Templeman, Anamosa, Ulyses F. Templeman, Ohio, Farmer, 2nd, Celia A. Postlewaite, California.
144. 31 July 1881, Female Beardsley, Anamosa, Orange Beardsley, N.Y., Laborer, 3rd, Effie Grassfield, Iowa.
145. Reported 2 Aug 1881, Male Denis, ??????, Edward Denis, N.Y. State, Quarryman, 5th, Mary E. Rebue?, N.Y. state.
146. 30 July 1881, Male Smith, Anamosa, Geo. C. Smith, N.Y., Laborer, 2nd, Mary Isenhover, Indiana.
147. 20 July, 1881, Female Mason, Anamosa, Al Mason, U.S., Guard, ?????, ????? Walker, U.S.
148. 29 July, 1881, Milo James Kilmer, Oxford Junction, W.M. Kilmer, ??????, Lawyer, 3rd, ????? ?????, ?????.
149. 30 July 1881, Female Bowman, Oxford Junction, J. A. Bowman, ??????, Builder, 1st, ????? ?????, ??????
150. 15 July 1881, Wm. Henry White, Center Junction, William White, Rhode Island, Laborer, 3rd, Jennie Finley Smith, Scotland.
151. 13 July 1881, Thos. Lowrie Lyons Jr., Madison Twp., Thos. Lowrie Lyons, Jones Co., Farmer, ??, Elizabeth Sinclair, Jones Co.
152. 2 Aug 1881, John Dawson, Center Junction, Thomas Dawson, England, Wagon Maker, 3rd, Ardela Cobert, PA.
153. 4 Aug 1881, John Wm. Brown, Madison Twp., George F. Brown, Jones Co., Farmer, 3rd, Cora Hamelton, Huron, Ohio.
154. 19 July, 1881, Merna Wood, Monticello, W.W. Wood, N.Y., Farmer, 2nd, Clara A. Anderson, Sweden.
155. 22 Aug 1881, Ellie Boyle, Stone City, Richard Boyle, N.Y., Quarryman, 5th, Jennie Edwards, Iowa. (Parents Irish).

Jones County Births, Book 1; The information is in the following order; Childs birthdate, name or sex, birthplace, Fathers name birthplace and occupation, number of child born to mother, Mothers name and birthplace. I have placed ??? where information is missing.

156. 5 Aug 1881, Agnes Leffingwell, Oxford Twp., Chas. A. Leffingwell, Ohio, ?????  
2nd, Mary I. Rathbone, Hale Twp. Jones Co. Iowa.
157. 29 July 1881, Female Dubois, Oxford , Wm. Dubois, N.Y., Farmer 3rd, Mary  
Morrow, Lisbon, Iowa.
158. 14 July 1881, Thomas William Covick, Oxford Mills, John McCovick, Ireland,  
Mechanic, 5th, Bridget Haley, Pa.
159. 21 Aug 1881, Nina F. Cole, Hale Twp., Geo. Andrew Cole, Mt Carroll, Ill,  
???????, 3rd, Ruth Edith May Smith, ?????
160. 23 Aug 1881, Male McDaniels, Anamosa, Augustus McDaniels, Iowa, Laborer,  
3rd, ?????Kane, Iowa.
161. 12 Aug 1881, Female Weatherson, Fairview, Isaac Weatherson, U.S., Farmer,  
3rd, Ida Richmond, U.S.
162. Blanked out.
163. 1 Aug 1881, Geo L. Walston, Oxford Twp., Geo. W. Walston, Oxford Twp. Farmer,  
1st, Annie E. Wicks, Oxford Twp.
164. 22 Aug 1881, Mary Mistle Dreibelbis, Scotch Grove, Duncan Dreibelbis, Jones  
Co., ??????, 1st, Louisa J. Clark, PA.
165. 1 Aug 1881, Twin Boys McKean, Scotch Grove, Chas. Beatty McKean, Ohio, Farmer,  
4th, Henrietta Bell Clark, Pa.
166. 11 Aug 1881, Jesse Lyndon Holden (male), Fairview Twp., Benjamin P. Holden,  
Iowa, Farmer, 1st, Mary Lib. Murfield, Iowa.
167. 1 Sept 1881, Male Ristine, Fairview, Jacob T. Ristine, Iowa, Farmer, 7th,  
Frances Grey, Ind.
168. 4 Aug 1881, William Burtin Meeks, Greenfield Twp., Goe. W. Meeks, Ohio, Farmer, ( )  
4th, Martha Ferguson, Canada.
169. Reported 1 Sept 1881, Male Young, Highland Grove, Fairview fwp., John Young,  
Iowa, Farmer, 1st, Flora Delius?, Iowa.
170. 2 Aug 1881, Edward Ernest Seeger, Viroqua, Jones Co., William Seeger, Prussia,  
Blacksmith, 6th, Milka Small (Swoll) Atlantic Ocean, German.
171. 17 Sept 1881, Female White, Anamosa, W.F. White, Alamakee Co. Iowa, Printer,  
2nd, Mary E. Sones, Jones Co.
172. 27 Aug 1881, Margaret Ann Smith, Scotch Grove, David Simpson Smith, Kieth, ( )  
Scotland, Laborer, 1st, Lucy Krouse, Jones Co.
173. 5 Sept 1881, David Asher Sutherland, Scotch Grove, Adam Sutherland, Manitoba,  
Canada, Farmer, 3rd, Catherine Isbell Driebelbis, Dubuque.
174. 19 Sept 1881, Male Johnson, Martelle, Jones Co., Jacob Johnson, Iowa, Black-  
smith, 3rd, Lydia Dickey, Pa.
175. 4 Sept 1881, Female Pakieak, Oxford Junction, John Pakieak, Bohemia, Farmer,  
1st, ????? ?????, ????????
176. 5 Sept 1881, Female Quirk, Oxford Junction, John Quirk, ?????, Farmer, 2nd,  
????? ?????, ??????
177. 14 Sept 1881, Female Henry, ??????, John R. Henry, Ohio, Farmer, 1st, Alma  
Robertson, Iowa.
178. 2 Oct 1881, Female Lesley, Oxford Twp., John Lesley, Indiana, ??????, ??  
Sarah J. ??????. Mich.
179. 2 Oct 1881, Henry Ellis, Anamosa, Hiram Ellis, N.Y. State, Laborer, 2nd,  
Eliza Merch Shields, Jones Co.
180. 18 Sept. 1881, Female Reynard, Anamosa, Jake Reynard, U.S., Railroader,  
???, Vena? Baker, ??????.

## BOWENS PRAIRIE CEMETERY

The following is from the original records of Bowens Prairie Burying Ground. On Mar 3, 1851 a meeting of the citizens of Bowens Prairie was held at the school house in District 2, Richland township, to elect officers for the cemetery association. Elected were; E.S. Blodgett, President, O. Whittemore, Treasurer; and R.A. Ryneron, Secretary.

Hugh Bowen was the first name on the list of purchasers of burial lots. Edmund Blodgett was the second purchaser. The 1st 3 burials were; a child of James McVay in Nov 1849, Lyman F. Turner, 11 Dec. 1849 and Louisa Hayden, 10 Aug. 1850.

The 1st burial after the organization of the cemetery board was Joseph T. Blodgett, 13 year old son of Edmund S. Blodgett.

Oct 4, 1851, Robert L. Selder, a native of Wensmoreland County, Pa.

Jan 10, 1852, Alexander D. Laughlin, a native of the state of Tennessee.

May 4, 1852, Mrs. Susan Bell, wife of Thompson Bell, age 55, Native of New Jersey.

Aug 25, 1852, James Higgins was killed by falling from a load of hay, was a native of Ireland.

Jan 11, 1853, Mrs. Frances Graham, wife of David Graham was a native of Ohio

Jan 30, 1853, Mr. Exekiel Flint was a native of Winchester, New Hampshire.

March 24, 1853, Mrs. Matilda C. Selders, wife of Doct, Selders, was a native of the state of Kentucky.

Feb 7, 1861, Wm. Whiter was a native of New Jersey

Apr 20, 1861, W.B. Blodgett fell dead upon the pavement at Cascade, Iowa of heart disease, age 25 years.

Jan 26, 1862, Thomas A. Lawton buried on Phillip Sherman's lot, shot himself with his own gun.

May 27, 1862, Henry Skelly died of consumption and was a native of Indiana.

Dec 14, 1862, Frances Cline, daughter of Abijah White.

Feb 13, 1864, Mrs McFadden buried on the north side of her sister Mrs. Boyer.

May 5, 1864, George McVay, son of James McVay died at Des Moines on his way to Idaho.

May 1866, George Smith died of smallpox.

Sept 1, 1866, Mrs Rice, wife of Lucien Rice, buried south of Mr. Hamlin's grave, a son-in-law of Deen. L. Rice.

Jan 10, 1867. Wm. C. Johnston was a native of the state of Maryland and one of the pioneers of Bowens Prairie, age 87 years.

Feb 9, 1867, Capt. Abijah White, age 37, an officer of the 31st Iowa regiment of volunteers.

Mar 17, 1867, Simmen Hopkins, age 67, and native of Groton, Mass.

Aug 24, 1867, S.C. Hopkins, age 38 years, native of Shirley, Massachusetts.

Oct 27, 1867, Charles Hicks, son of F.A. Hicks, age 14 years, was killed by falling from a colt, his foot caught in the stirrup and he lived only some 2 hours after being insensible from the first.

Jan 20, 1868, Mrs Amanda Harford, daughter of Peter Hines (Hiner)

July 12, 1868, John Balsiger, A German nephew of John Schweitzer, was a native of Switzerland.

Sept 1, 1868, Sumner Failing died from a discharge of his own gun and lived three days after the fatal accident.

March 14, 1869, George Smith, son of Capt. Geo R. Smith, was killed by the explosion of an engine on the Union Pacific R.R. 800 miles west of Omana, age 32 years.

March 8, 1871, Sadie Elizabeth, daughter of Walter and Abbie Whittemore, killed by lightning.

Feb 11, 1872, Joseph A. Penniman, age 63, native of New Hampshire.

May 9, 1872. Harriet Whittemore, daughter of William S. Whittemore, age 69, native of New Hampshire,

Dec 22, 1872, Jerusha, daughter of Andrew Ambuhl, aged 19 years, Typhus fever.  
 Aug 29, Mr. Herbert Hill, age 55 years, Typhus fever.  
 June 29, 1878, James Miller, would have been 80 years old had he lived till  
 September, 33 years on the Prairie.  
 Feb 9, 1879, Miss Marian Sutterfield, sister of Mrs Wm. Whittemore, age 75.  
 Mar 19, William, son of Thomas Moore, in his 24th year, killed by his horse  
 falling over a bluff 25 feet high, killing them both.  
 July 21, 1880, Willie South, son of Benj and Jennie South, scarlet fever  
 Sept 21, 1880, Mrs O. Bragg, aged 80, Mrs F.W. Little's mother.  
 June 20, 1881, Mrs. Melinda Norcott, aged 81 years, Mrs Barton's mother  
 Dec 19, 1889, Infant of Lemuel Aldrich Jr., grandchild of Robert Lopping.  
 Sept 22, 1891, Son of Thomas Dunn, age 2 years, from Nebraska.  
 October 1900, Mrs. Catherine Johnson, wife of H. Johnson, died of pneumonia,  
 July 17, 1935 the body of Mrs Johnson was removed and reinterred in Wayne  
 Twp. cemetery and buried beside her husband, by request of children of the  
 Johnson family. Darwin Beck, mortician of Springville, Iowa, had charge of  
 removal.  
 1917, Mrs. Adam Hein, mother of George Hein, was buried and later removed to  
 Monticello.  
 1930, George M. Hein was interred and later removed to Monticello.  
 Dec 1932, Elizabeth Amuhl Schweitzer, wife of Fred Schweitzer.  
 Feb 1933, Susie Flint Rafferty Holmes. aged 84 years.

#### FARAGHER FAMILY CEMETERY.

Richland Township, Section 19, on Faragher farm, a small plot with an iron  
 fence around it. On top of a hill in a grove of trees and evergreens.

Faragher, 1854 - 1941

Wm. Faragher, age 84, (courthouse says died Jan 3, 1903, age 83.)

Mack Faragher

Bob Faragher

Billy Faragher

Dinan Faragher

Margaret Faragher Munding.

In the W.P. A. listing; Faragher, William, b. March 17, 1845, d. Apr 30, 1917  
 born, East Fork County, Ill, Parents William and Mary Faragher.

Munding, b. June 8, 1856, d. March 30, 1921, buried Oakwood Cemetery in Monticello.

(Editor note: The first part of this item was sent in by Loretta Nixon, Mapleton,  
 Utah.)

If any one has any further information about the Faragher family, please send it  
 to the Society address.

The Express, Monticello, 5 Apr 1866

Died at Bowens Prairie, Apr 3rd, George Hamlin, son-in-law of Dea L. Rice,  
 age 23 years.

The Express, Monticello, 12 Apr 1866

Married at Anamosa, Apr. 5, 1866, by Rev. O.M. Merritt, Mr. Hudson B. Acker  
 to Miss Lydia M. Ogden, both of Monticello.

PEDIGREE CHART

Number 1 on the chart is the subject of the pedigree. Number 2 is the subjects father, number 3 the subjects mother. Number 4 is the subjects paternal grand-father Number 5 the paternal grandmother. Numbers 6 & 7 would be the subjects maternal grandmother. to find the father and mother of any one person on the chart, double that persons number for the father and add one for the mother.

1. Marjorie Peet, m. 7 Dec 1952, Willard B. Lacock
2. Vestus James Peet, 6 July 1880 - 27 Mar 1970
3. Emma Lovell, 6 Sept 1883 - 1986
4. Ezer Gideon Peet, 13 Oct 1845 - 7 Nov 1916
5. Oriana Chapin, 26 May 1844 - 28 Feb 1922
6. Randolph Burdell Lovell, b. ca 1856, d. 11 May 1907
7. Sarah Louise Brown, 15 June 1855 - 18 May 1945
8. Gideon Nelson Peet, 2 Sept 1814 - 25 Oct 1861
9. Cordelia Olivia Wilcox, 28 Nov 1816 - 15 Apr 1896
10. George Chapin, 1 Mar 1814 - 23 Nov 1854
11. Creana Lounsbury, 18 Nov 1815 - 24 July 1901
12. Randolph Streater Lovell, 30 Apr 1829 - 16 Dec 1857
13. Ellen Maria McDowell, 27 June 1833 - 19 Jan 1898
14. Thomas Brown, 22 Apr 1808 - 15 Dec 1883
15. Charlotte Haight, 21 May 1817 - 19 Feb 1880
16. Gideon Peet
17. Abigail Weldman
18. Ezer Wilcox
19. Rachel Merrill
20. "Deacon" James Chapin
22. Stephen B. Lounsbury
23. Harriet Post
24. Joseph Allen Lovell, 1782, Vermont
25. Lucy Carpenter, 1787, Vermont- 1843, New York
26. Henry McDowell
27. Eleanor 1791, New York - 31 Oct 1873
30. Joel Haight
31. Hannan Benson, 2 July 1801 - 29 Apr 1856

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1. Dorothy Arabell Bebee, m Roland Richard Smith
2. Cyrus Claude Bebee, 25 Oct 1888 - 18 Dec 1978
3. Naomi Gretchen McCarty, 23 Sept 1899 - \_\_\_\_\_
4. Cyrus Henry Bebee, 30 June 1857 - 14 Feb 1934
5. Adelia Arabell Mechley, 21 July 1861 - 6 Mar 1896
6. William Sherman McCarty, 31 July 1805 - 12 May 1945
7. Ikey Dora Stewart, 21 Dec 1879 - 11 Feb 1863
8. Henry Bebee, 21 Oct 1829 - 20 Sept 1906
9. Sarah Poots, 23 Mar 1835 - 26 Dec 1907
10. John Mechley, 1833 - 27 May 1864
11. Elizabeth Simon, 11 Feb 1837 - 23 Feb 1928
12. Georgea McCarty, 27 Apr 1821 - Jan 1870
13. Nancy Jan Brandon, 7 Aug 1831 - 28 Sept 1913
14. James Samuel Stewart, 12 Feb 1832 - 28 Nov 1911
15. Quincy Francia Castel, 3 June 1861 - Feb 1928

Due to technical difficulties ( Joann didn't send over the copy) the Civil War roster of Jones Co. men will not be in this issue but will continue in the next.

Iowa in the Spanish-American war.

Iowa took considerable part in the Spanish-American war. It furnished four regiments of infantry and two batteries of artillery. The war with Spain was declared in April, 1898 and the president called for 150,000 volunteers. Iowa's portion was four regiments of infantry and two batteries of artillery. The regular army was also increased to 61,000 men. Iowa at the time had four regiments of national guards and these regiments were called to Des Moines and the regiments were recruited up to full war strength. They went into camp at Des Moines.

General J.R. Lincoln was put in command of the camp. The regiments were the Forty-ninth, which was sent to Havana, Cuba and lost 54 men as a result of disease.

The Fiftieth was sent to camp at Jacksonville, Florida, where the men went into training. This regiment lost 32 men, all deaths resulting from disease.

The Fifty-first regiment was sent to the Philippine Islands and took part in several battles. It lost 41 men as a result of battle and disease.

The Fifty-second regiment went into the training camp at Chickamauga Park, Georgia, and while in camp lost 31 men. The war terminated December 15, 1898.

Jones county had no national guard company at the beginning of the war, and those who went to the war had to enlist in the U.S. regular army or enlist in the national guard regiments which were mustered into the military service of the United States. No draft was made during that war.

The writer has no correct list of the Jones county men who volunteered for military service in the Spanish-American war. The following list contains out part of the names of the Jones county veterans; Lieutenant E.E. Read, John Sejasca, George Hogan, Henry Semering, Theodore Rohn, Charles Hughs, Harry Voorhees, Chas Webber, Fay Seeber, Charles Seeber, G.W. Mosier, all of Monticello, and Messers Sigworth and Phiean of Anamosa. Walter Noyse of Onslow, a soldier in the regular army, died at Montauk Pt. Long Island. Other Jones county boys were John White, Orla Wherry, Edward Parks, Newell Berger, Will Campbell, George Harmon and Chas Rohr.

(Condensed from an article in the 1938 Centennial Edition of the Eureka)  
From the Eureka 30 July 1908

Mr George Saum made his first trip to Iowa in 1839 stopping in Lee County. In June 1840 he came to Walnut Grove, Rome Twp with his wife and three children, J.D. of Olin, Nicholas of Mechanicsville, who died Feb 1, 1908, and Polly A., now Mrs Robert Johnson.

Mr. Saum resided at Walnut Grove untill 1878 owning about 1600 acres in Jones Co, and 400 acres in Cedar Co. In 1874 he divided 1600 acres between his 8 children, at the same time he closed out all his interests and resided in Anamosa and Davenport for three or four years then moved to California where he carried on fruit farming for some 20 years.

In 1842 he brought 100 apple trees, some pear and cherry trees to the county. He also brought the 1st thorough-bred Shorthorn cattle to Jones Co. in 1845. In 1844 he purchased the 1st McCormick reaper in the county, hauling it by wagon from Chicago. Mr. Saum also sold plows for Deere for 6 or 7 years.

The Express, Monticello, 1 Mar 1866

Died on Feb 17, Sylvester, infant son of A.J. & C.E. Kucker, age 8 months 7 days.



Excerpts from the Centennial Edition of the Eureka, printed 1938

\* \* \* \* \*  
Mr. and Mrs Gus McDaniels were settlers in Fairview Township in the sixties and his father John McDaniels in the forties. Mrs McDaniels was born in a log house at Bunker Hill in Cass township 86 years ago.

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Edward C. Holt was born in Ireland in 1832 and came to New Brunswick when he was three years old. He learned the trade of a stone mason and came to Anamosa in 1857. He became a contractor and was instrumental in building a great many of the brick buildings here during the next fifty years. He built and owned the Holt Block on the southeast corner of Jarnavillo and Main Streets. He was Postmaster under Cleveland and was active in affairs of the Democratic Party.

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Did you know that a hundred years ago Iowa was inhabited by more than 22,000 outlaws? The Indian name for the Buffalo River was Pau Cau Quickee, Meaning Black Walnut river.

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CASTLE GROVE TOWNSHIP was organized January 1, 1855. The larger portion of the township is high rolling prairie, interspersed with ravines and wooded glades leading in fancied resemblance to its name. There are several creeks running through that section. Many of the farm owners are descendants from Irish stock.

The Castle Grove mill in the northeast part of the township, built in 1872 at a cost of \$10,000 by Berlin and Stambaugh, had a capacity of 100 bushels of wheat a day.

The Church of the Immaculate Conception was erected by the Roman Catholics in 1877 at a cost of \$20,000. In 1879, it was considered the finest rural church ediface in the state.

Among the early settlers of the township were Simon Foreman, Thomas Galligan, the McLaughlins, Kehoes, Hogans, Rearricks, Starrs, Deiscners, Heiseys and the Donners.

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Lawrence Schoonover was born in Bradford County Pennsylvania, Dec 12, 1828, and was the eldest son of Thomas and Sarah Schoonover. At the age of 13 he and his parents moved to Franklin Co. Ind. In 1848 the family moved on to Fort Wayne in Allen Co. Ind. In the fall of 1849 Mr. Schoonover went on foot to the home of an uncle in Naperville, Ill where he was employed as a farm laborer. In 1853 he and his widowed aunt drove a one-horse open buggy to Scoton Grove where he purchased 320 acres. He then returned to Illinois and remained there until 1856. In that year he came back to Jones county to make his home. In the summers of 1858 and 1859 he attended school in Bloomington Ill, teaching in the winter time at Langworthy.

In 1860 he was elected a county supervisor from Wayne twp. On June 13 1861, he enlisted in Company G. First Iowa Cavalry with which he served until Sept 9 1864. In 1865 he was elected county treasurer and carried the duties of his position and was elected for four terms. He was married Nov 5 1867 to Miss Amelia Fanner. He was active in the banking business and was in partnership with Col. W.F. Snaw, E. M. Condit and J. A. Bell.

Because of failing health he went to California with his wife and daughter. He lived in Los Angeles until his death Feb 2, 1907. He is interred in Anamosa cemetery.

The Express, Monticello, 10 Aug 1865

Thomas Cubit lately a soldier in Co. G, 39th Ia Inf. drowned in a slough near Riggs Grove, Jones Co. Born in Ireland he was 30 years old, 5 ft 7, fair complexion, blue eyes and auburn hair. His occupation was as a carpenter. He was discharged July 5th 1865.

CALENDAR

Dec. 15, Regular Meeting. 7:30 in the community room at the courthouse  
Jan. 19, Regular meeting, 7:30 in the community room at the courthouse

BIRTHDAYS:

Dec 5; Marjorie Lacock  
Dec 5; W. Gary Morgan  
Dec 5; Betty Stover  
Dec 11; Betty Allen  
Dec 22; Dorothy Moyer

Jan 5; Florence Michels  
Jan 23 Joan Norrdin

ANIVERSARY

Jan 16; Laura and Joseph Billy

DON'T FORGET YOUR DUES. Still at \$10.00

The Express, Monticello, 14 Dec 1865,

Died, Samuel Wales Jr. at Monticello

Married, at Monticello on the 6th inst. by B.C. Hopkins, Esq. Mr. Squire S. Lammon of California to Miss Louisa Lerch of Monticello.

Married on the 7th inst, by Rev. O.E. Aldrich at his residence, L. J. Nanagon and Mary Williamson.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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