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(Dates for these will be announced or call the library.)

Classes:

Family Tree Maker I and II workshops
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The library will be closed

Thanksgiving, Nov 27
 Christmas, Dec 25, 26
 New Years Day 2009

From the Desk of President Jim

Happy New Year to you and yours. May 2008 bring you new gleanings from your research and your brick walls be surmounted.

Each year the RCGS Board of Directors prepares a budget for the coming year. The Board is in that process now. You might be surprised to know that our 2007 budget was \$11,350. Our 2008 budget is likely to be more, just to keep up with the increase in the cost of doing business and to keep the doors open.

At the Annual Membership Meeting, held in November, the membership present voted to increase dues by ten dollars per year to \$30 for an Individual membership. International membership will increase by five dollars to \$35 per year to offset the higher cost of postage. Your Board of Directors works hard to keep costs down. However, that has no affect on postage, insurance, and utilities.

Maintaining contact through the *FYI* and *Kansas Kin* have a cost increase due to postage. Our extensive inventory of reference books must be kept at a safe temperature and humidity environment. And these holdings and equipment must be insured; although holdings replacement, if lost, may be hard to accomplish.

So, you see, our January Board of Directors will devote a large portion of our two-hour meeting to establishing the 2008 budget.

In addition, official appointment of non-elected volunteer committee heads will be done then. If you would like to serve on one of these committees just let us know; we are always looking for volunteers. And if there is time left we will take care of other business.

New Members

Marynella Kinnard, Pensacola, FL.

Wish List

(While you are shopping for your own supplies, why not pick up another for the library?)

Copier Paper 20 # White (ream or case)
Cleaning Supplies and Paper Products

Tour RCGS Library

***Bring a Group of 10 or fewer for a tour of your library.**

***Best times are Monday, Friday, or Wednesday and Saturday mornings.**

***After the group tour of about 30 minutes, they could stay and look at our resources for another 30 minutes.**

***Call Wann Towers for an appointment.
776-3128**

Save Those Best Choice Bar Codes

They are worth money to our society. Just remember to include the whole thing, especially the numbers below the lines. Bring or mail them to the library. Pauline will take it from there.



An Early Kansas Town

From the *Manhattan Republic*, 14 October 1898

by Sylvester C. Ekart

The Old Settlement of Ashland, Riley County

A trio of Kansans, whose names have long been identified with the state's early history, is composed of D. E. Wilder of Hiawatha, Judge F. G. Adams of the State Historical Society and the late Matthew Weightman of Topeka. These three men were fast friends then as in later days. One of the most interesting experiences in which these three men figured was the formation of the settlement at Ashland, in Riley County, near Manhattan in the spring of 1855.

The colony which formed that settlement was organized at Newport, Kentucky. Later meetings were held at Cincinnati. Judge Adams joined at one of these meetings. Early in March he and three others were dispatched as forerunners to occupy and hold the colony site. This had been selected on the south side of the Kansas River, across from where the town of Ogden on the Union Pacific Railroad, now is.

The advance party, by the most expeditious route, reached the colony site and went into camp by the 20th of March; traveled by railroad via Indianapolis and Chicago to Alton, then via St. Louis to Kansas City by steamboat, then by mule team by way of Lawrence and Topeka to the place of destination. At Cincinnati a steamboat was chartered for the main party and the settlers were expected to be landed at the colony site, for the information had been that the Kaw River was a good navigable stream. The boat reached Kansas City about the 20th or 25th of March and could get no further.

Teams were procured and the tedious haul of 125 miles overland was made. But Matthew Weightman, who had become a member of the colony at Cincinnati, with two or three others struck out on foot and reached the pioneer camp several days in advance of the main party.

"I well remember," said Judge Adams, "the rugged, energetic, earnest young Englishman that Kansas Kin

Weightman then was. He had been brought up in the north of England and his dialect was broad and peculiar. He was ready to take hold of anything towards planting our colony. Everything was yet to be done. There was no mark of settlement within all the bounds of that valley, except the walls of a log cabin in which Tom Reynolds, a Missourian, had put up down on the creek.

"When Mr. Weightman came we, the pioneers, were engaged with inadequate implements, in digging out a canoe, having felled a cottonwood tree for the object. We had to cross the river to go to Fort Riley for temporary supplies. "Our craft was not yet ready when the 30th of March election came on. However, Weightman and I determined to attend the election at all hazards. We improvised a raft, but there had been a seven months drought in Kansas, and sandbars in the river were more in evidence than water. Our raft went to pieces, and the intending voters, wet and bedraggled, returned to camp, and thus ignominiously failed to participate in the most memorable of all Kansas elections."

"In July following, my brother, Henry J. Adams, also a member of the colony, procured a surveying contract from Surveyor General Calhoun, who had his office at Kansas City. The readers of the Lincoln serial in McClure's magazine will remember the account given of John Calhoun as land surveyor in Illinois and Abraham Lincoln's connection with him as a deputy. Calhoun had become county surveyor of Sangamon County in 1833 and Lincoln was made his deputy. Calhoun became prominent in Illinois as a Douglas Democrat, and in 1854 was made the first surveyor general of Kansas and Nebraska. He became conspicuous in Kansas politics during the territorial period. He died in 1859. McClure's magazine contains an excellent portrait of him and our state historical society also has a portrait which was contributed by his daughters, who are at this time residents of Leavenworth." D. W. Wilder in 1863 was appointed successor to General Calhoun as surveyor general of Kansas.

Topeka Capital

Historically Interesting Story of Manhattan and General Nelson A. Miles

from the *Manhattan Republic*, 29 July 1898

Copied by Sylvester C. Ekart.

On page 108 of Book II of Deeds, Riley County is recorded a deed by Nelson A. Miles and wife, Mary H. Miles, to Thomas A. Osborne of one-third interest in Lot 121, Ward one, Manhattan City, consideration \$6,600. "This deed bears date January 29, 1872, and was acknowledged in Ohio by Mrs. Miles and at Leavenworth by Nelson A. Miles." The property conveyed was the Old Adams House corner, of which the stately three-story stone hotel building had just been erected. Major Adams sold a one-third interest in the property to Governor Osborne and a like interest to General Miles and the three held the title to together for some time, Miles disposing of his interest to Osborne as stated above. In view of the prominence of General Miles in the nation, the fact of ownership is the more interesting. Osborne and Adams have passed on to the great majority and Miles lives to lead the U. S. Army in Porto Rico.

The Adams house has been a ruin since the 22nd day of March 1884, in the evening of which day it was destroyed by fire, but for 14 years preceding that date it had stood as a prominent land mark to all who visited Manhattan – a comely and inviting structure quite in contrast with the weighty ruin that has been left for another fourteen years to disfigure the prominent appearance of our otherwise handsome street.

Honor a Friend or a Loved One

Recognize the work of a special person.

Make a Memorial gift
to the life of a deceased person

through Manhattan Community Foundation
or Riley County Genealogical Society.

A gift to RCGS is a lasting tribute!

Items in the *Junction City (KS) Tribune*

February 18, 1897

copied by Sherry Butler

Edw. Durbon's two children Nellie & Elmer succeeded in selling forty eight pounds of baking powder for a Chicago firm and received a bicycle.

Richard C. Meade, the Atchison man who swindled widows and orphans and eloped to England with his typewriter girl, wants to be pardoned from the penitentiary on the ground that his health is bad.

One of the coldest days Kansas has ever known was 13 March 1860. Cattle and men were frozen to death all over the state.

An Eldorado woman publishes a card of thanks to her neighbors for their "aid and co-operation in the death of my late husband".

Manhattan Guard Meeting

from the *Manhattan Enterprise*, 6/19/1878,

copied by Sylvester Ekart

The Manhattan Guards met in the County Hall June 17, 1878. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A quorum being present the company proceeded to the election of officers. The following members receiving the highest number of votes were declared the officers for the ensuing year, respectively Captain M. B. Ward, First Lieutenant W. D. Hilton, 2nd Lieutenant O. C. Barner, First Sergeant J. R. Young, 2nd Sergeant James King, 3rd Sergeant A. H. Johnson, 4th Sergeant C. S. McConnell, 1st Corporal, W. H. Stingley, 2nd Corporal F. Earle, 3rd Corporal H. Buel, 4th Sergeant William Fields, Surgeon L. J. Lyman and Color Sergeant Sam Kimble, Junior. On motion article V sec 1 of by-laws was amended so as to read, "Regular meetings of this body shall be held on Wednesdays of each week instead of Monday." No further business appearing on motion the company adjourned. H. D. Crump, Secretary.

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A History of Riley County

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Riley County was organized in 1855, and took its name from the military post of Fort Riley. By act of the territorial Legislature of 1855 its boundaries were fixed so as to include all the territory directly south of what is now, and was then, Marshall County, extending to the Kansas River and including a large portion of what is now Pottawatomie County. By various changes, made by the Legislature at different times, its boundaries have been changed until it has arrived at its present proportions. By the same act of 1855 the county seat of the county was established at Pawnee. This was a town laid out by the United States Army officers stationed at Fort Riley, Colonel Montgomery, Captain Nathaniel Lyon, Dr. Hammond, Dr. Simmons, Lieutenant Long, Robert Wilson and others, most of them Free State men. By order of Jefferson Davis, Secretary of War, the boundaries of Fort Riley were extended so as to include the town site, when the settlers were driven away and the town was destroyed. The board of County Commissioners held their meetings in the town of Ogden until the year 1858, when the county seat was finally established at Manhattan. Clay Thompson, Thomas Reynolds and C. R. Mobley appear to have been the first commissioners. The first permanent settlement in the county was made in the year 1854.

Ogden Township and City, the first house erected within the present limits of Riley County was built by Thomas Reynolds, in Ogden Township in June 1854. The first election in the county was held in this house, November 29, 1854, when forty votes were polled for delegate to Congress, a large majority being for the Free State candidate. Among the first settlers were the Dixon brothers, John, James Patrick and Thomas, of whom John was the first white person who died in the township, his death occurring in August 1856. Among the settlers coming in 1855 and 1856 were C. Kansas Kin

M. Dyche, S. B. White, Jacob Thierer, John M. Morris, Daniel Mitchell and D. L. Chandler. The Ogden Township Company was chartered by act of the Legislature in 1857 and the town was at once surveyed and platted. In 1857 a mill was put in operation by J. U. Parson and D. L. Chandler. The first store in the township was kept by Robert Wilson at Pawnee, the first in the city was kept by a Mr. Johnson; religious services were held as early as 1857. A Congregationalist Church was organized in 1859, and a stone church edifice built. A Roman Catholic chapel was built in 1866. The first school was taught in 1859, by Mrs. E. Myers; the second a few months later by James Haston. A large and commodious schoolhouse, two stories high, was erected in 1867, since which time a graded school has been maintained. There are several other good schoolhouses in the township. A government land office was established in Ogden in 1857. The first marriage was that of Thomas Dixon to Mary Hoffman, May 1, 1856. The first child born was Alla Mobley, daughter of C. R. Mobley, in 1856.

Ashland Township, this township was originally part of Davis County, was transferred to Riley County in 1873 by an act of the Legislature. The first settlement was made April 12, 1855, by the Ashland Town Company, who proceeded to lay out a town; this company was formed in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Covington, Kentucky. The town of Ashland, liked many other early Kansas towns, for a while promised to become a place of some importance; it was made the county seat of Davis County in March 1857, and continued the county seat until November 1860, when Junction City succeeded to that honor. A post office was established in 1858, M. D. Fisher first postmaster, since discontinued. After the removal of the county seat the town gradually fell into decay, the houses were removed, the town site was vacated and the land is now occupied by fields of grain. Among the earliest settlers were N. B. White, Dr. E. L. Patee, William Stone and E. L. Foster. The first marriage was that of William Stone to Matilda Williams, December 13, 1857. The first child born was Clarence Patee to Dr. E. L. Patee

March 6, 1857. The first schoolhouse erected was in 1865.

Zeandale Township was originally part of Wabaunsee County, but was transferred to Riley County in 1874 by an act of the Legislature. The first settlement in the township was made by John M. McCormick, C. P and John McDonald and William Wiley in the fall of 1854. In January 1855, Daniel S. Bates and Mr. Morse settled on Deep Creek, in section 6 of township 11 and range 9 and gave the name to the settlement which is still borne by the township. On the 15th day of March 1855, John C. Mossman, J. M. Burleigh and J. H. Pillsbury settled in the southern part of the township and were soon joined by several of their friends and families. In June 1855, there was an incursion of grasshoppers which ate off the young corn, but did not tarry long. The winter of 1855-6 was remarkable for the severity and long continuance of the cold weather, from December 25, 1855 to February 11, 1856, the average was 8 degrees below zero; the coldest was 31 below zero and on the 1st day of February the snow was three feet deep. In the spring of 1857 a considerable addition was made to the settlement by a colony from New Hampshire, among whom were Harvey Marshall and D. M. Adams. A town site was laid out, but never bloomed into a town, D. M. Adams was appointed postmaster and kept the office at the house of J. H. Pillsbury. This office was long since discontinued. A Congregational Church was organized in 1857, and a church building commenced, but never completed. Rev. Harvey Jones, of Wabaunsee, preached alternate Sabbaths during the year 1856. In 1858 the first school was taught in the settlement by Mrs. Norah Pillsbury at her own house, this was a private school. The first school house was built in 1862, of hewn logs, hexagonal in shape and called the "Conic Section." In it was taught the first public school 1862, by Mrs. E. Van Antwerp. Among the settlers arriving in the township in 1857 there were 17 who had been school teachers. The first marriage was that of C. P. McDonald and Mary E. McCurdy on the 11th of December 1856; the first child born was E. McCurdy on June 1, 1855.

Bala Township was set off and organized by the Kansas Kin

Board of Commissioners in 1872. The first settlement within the present limits of the township was probably made by Edward Earle in the year 1865. In the year 1870 there was organized in New York a Welsh colony under the name of "The Welsh Land and Emigration Society of America," and under the auspices of this company, a large number of Welsh families settled in this part of the county and gave to the township its name." Prominent among those who first came were J. H. Jenkins, Rowland Davies, Hugh Jones and many others, bearing good old Welsh names. The town of Bala was laid out and speedily developed into a thriving village. A general store was established by Rowland Davies in 1870 and is still maintained. The post office of Bala was established in 1871, taking the place of the old Timber Creek post office and Rowland Davies was appointed postmaster, a position which he still holds. The township has steadily increased in population, the land has been put under cultivation, and the town has grown in proportion. The first church was built in 1872 by the Welsh Calvinistic Methodists, since which time two others have been erected, one Congregational and one Methodist Episcopal. A good schoolhouse has been built in which school is maintained nine months in the year. A large school is carried on successfully. The first marriage was that of Christopher Young and Mary Lock in 1866. The first born was George Carri-gan, date of birth unknown.

Mayday Township was set off and organized by the board of county commissioners in the year 1870. The first settlements within the present limits of the township were made principally by Germans, in the year 1856, who located on Fancy Creek. Among the early settlers were August and Fred Winkler, now proprietor of Winklers' Mills on Fancy Creek, Rudolph Niehenke, George Pickett, Fred Schwartz, O. E. Osborn and others. In 1870 a post office was established at Mayday, with S. Weichselbaum as postmaster. Several years previous to this, however, a post office had been established at Parallel, near the north line of the county. In the year 1870 S. Weichselbaum started a general store at Mayday. The first schoolhouse was built in 1867 by District No. 28. There are
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now in the township twelve school districts, each of which have good schoolhouses. Four post offices, four stores and one flouring mill are now in operation in the township. The first marriage was that of A. Brockhart and Sarah Morris in 1862. The first child born was John H. Schwartz, August 1, 1859.

Grant Township was set off and organized by the board of county commissioners in the year 1870. It embraces Mill Creek Valley and part of Wildcat Creek Valley. Henry Condray and family were the first settlers on Mill Creek; they came in 1855, took claims, built houses and started a mill and blacksmith shop. Jonas Kress was the next settler, coming in 1856 and was followed in 1857 by Jesse and M. White and Josh Williams, and soon after came John Warner, D. R. White and others. The first schoolhouse was built in 1859 and V. Ruddick was the first teacher. The first preaching was by Newell Trafton, and the first church organization was of the Methodist denomination. The first marriage was that of William Fraker to Catharine Condray in 1856 and the first birth was Newton Fraker.

The first settlement on Wildcat Creek was made by John P. Jonas and T. R. Hair with some others, near the head and by S. D. Houston and Eubanks lower down the creek. Settlers came in rapidly in 1855, 1856 and 1857 until the creek valley was threaded with opening farms. The first marriage was that of H. W. Martin to May Merris in the spring of 1857. The first child born was George Eubanks. The first school taught was by Lorenzo Westover in 1861, in a stable. There are now in the township two post offices, Stockdale at the mouth of Mill Creek and Wildcat on the creek of that name. A store is kept at each place and at Wildcat a cheese factory is in successful operation.

Jackson Township embraces the lower part of fancy Creek Valley and the territory north and south of it. The first settlements were made in the early part of 1855 by Gardiner Randolph and sons, near the mouth of Fancy Creek who took a large scope of land; they were followed in 1856 by Solomon and Ed Secrest and Henry Shellenbaum, coming in 1857, where they still reside. The beauty and Kansas Kin

richness of Fancy Creek caused it to fill up rapidly after the settlement was made and it is filled with the best farmers in the county, being largely Germans and Swedes. The first regular religious meeting was held at the house of Gardiner Randolph in 1857, as appears by the minutes of the Methodist Episcopal Church South. The first school was taught in 1863 at the house of J. M. Byarly. Jackson Township was first organized in 1859, and embraced all of the territory now included in Jackson, Mayday, Madison, Bala and part of Grant Townships. The town of Randolph then called Waterville, was laid out in 1856 by J. K. Whitson, who was the first inhabitant. The first school house was built in 1868 by District No. 10. The first church was built in 1876 by the German Evangelical Association; three other churches have since been erected. The first marriage was that of Lewis Baldwin and Matilda Randolph. The first child was born in 1857, but its name is lost to history. The first business established was a store at Randolph by G. L. Ruthstren. The first post office was established in 1857, called Randolph; Gardiner Randolph was postmaster and kept the office at his own house.

Madison Township in the month of May 1855, J. P. Hoar located on the NW 1/4 of section 18-9-6, T. R. hair on the SE 1/4 of section 7-9-5. These were the first settlers on the territory now included in Madison Township and their claims were situated near the head of Wildcat Creek. In the month of June 1855, Major Abram Barry, Marshall Barry, his nephew and George Taylor settled near the mouth of Madison Creek on land now in Davis County, but which was however, a part of Riley County and included in what was known as Milford Township until the year 1873. In 1856 George Lyall settled on the NW 1/2 of section 12-9-5, on the upper Wildcat Creek; and in the same year Lorenzo Gates, John Foreman, B. E. Fullington and A. B. Whiting located on Madison Creek and A. D. Reed took a claim on Timber Creek. In 1857 James Kester settle don the NW 1/4 of section 11-9-4 on Timber Creek. A. H. Bartell who had the previous year located a claim on Madison Creek and returned east, came back bringing with him his family and brother, W. C.

Bartell who bought out Lorenzo Gates, who went into and settled in Clay County; the latter is still a citizen of Madison Township. Lewis Parish came in June and settled on the claim adjoining A. H. Bartell.

The settlers in this neighborhood were all busy cultivating corn, when, on about the first of July, Captain William Gordon rode in, informing the settlers that the Indians had stolen and run off most of the loose horses in the settlement. Captain Gordon had met an Indian on his way in with some horses, which he knew belonged with the settlement, but only succeeded in getting way with the Indian's gun, while the Indian got away with the horses. The next morning Captain Gordon with six or seven men, owners of the horses missing, started in pursuit and following the trail; they found the horses at Pawnee Village on Loup Fork, Nebraska. They hunted up the chief who after some parley consented to let the horses go and Captain Gordon and company returned with eleven horses, two more than were known to have been stolen. A fine crop of corn was raised that year, the season being very favorable.

D. C. Walbridge came in the fall and settled on the upper portion of Madison Creek. During the summer a saw mill was started at the mouth of Madison Creek, under the auspices of the Batchelor Town Company, who had laid out a town there. Early in 1859 this mill was sold to Clark and Pierce, who ran it two or three years, selling it to A. B. Whiting, who added a flour mill and has run it ever since. In 1858 Gilbert Steel settled on the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 11-9-4. During the next few years settlers came in very slowly. In 1862 came S. A. Sargent and S. C. Baker locating on Madison Creek and A. D. Phelps on Timber Creek on the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 2-9-4. During the drought of 1860 very little aid was asked or received by any of the permanent settlers; the aid granted was mostly to transient settlers who soon moved away. In 1860, there being no local market for grain, George Avery and H. H. Whiting, in company with two or three teams from Manhattan started for Denver with corn, which was the first attempt to find a western market. The trip was successful and for several years afterwards

considerable produce was taken to the mountains. In 1861 George Avery brought into the neighborhood a threshing machine, the first owned west of Manhattan. In 1862 a post office was established at Batchelor with Abram Barry as postmaster; previous to this the nearest post office was at Fort Riley. In the same year a school district was organized at Batchelor and a school taught by John J. Bartell. March 30, 1856, James Johnson was married to Mary A. Hair, being the first marriage in the township. The first births were in 1857, a son, Thomas to E. C. Bartell and wife and a daughter Alice to A. A. Bartell and wife. Madison Township was established by the Board of County Commissioners in July 1871.

Manhattan Township and City in May 1855, the steamer *Hartford* arrived from Cincinnati with members of the Cincinnati and Kansas Land Company on board, who, finding the Manhattan Town Association a company from Boston, already here, joined with them and together laid out a town site on two Indian floats of 640 acres each. Prominent among the Cincinnati Company were Judge John Pipher and A. J. Mead, while I. T. Goodnow, J. Denison and C. E. Blood were leaders in the Boston Company. The city was incorporated in 1857, and A. J. Mead was elected the first major. A Methodist Church was organized on the *Hartford* on the way out and in 1857 a church building was erected, the first in the county. In January 1858, the Congregational Church was organized by Rev. C. E. Blood which built a house of worship in 1859. The first school house was built in 1857 of stone, two stories high. In 1859 the Blue-mont College was organized and the corner stone of the building laid. This institution of learning was built up mostly through the efforts of Rev. Joseph Denison and I. T. Goodnow and under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal Church, until in 1863 it was turned over to the state and formed the nucleus of the State Agricultural College.

The first store kept in Manhattan was by George Miller and John Pipher. Post office first established at Manhattan in 1856, with George Miller a postmaster. The first marriage was that of Thomas Platt and Sally E. Pipher in January 1856. The first birth was that of Irvine Lovejoy, son of Rev.

D. V. Lovejoy in the year 1855. The first school taught was by the wife of Rev. C. E. Blood in 1855.

Manhattan City was organized by the Legislature in February 1857. The first election was held on May 30, 1857, when A. J. Mead was elected mayor and S. O. Hoyt, A. Scammon, Ira Taylor, Fred Marvin, John Hoar, George Miller, Ed Hunting, John Pipher and C. w. Beebe, councilmen. In May 1859, Snow, Sarber and Hoyt were appointed a committee to receive and tender the hospitalities of the city to Horace Greeley on his route to the Rocky Mountains. The city of Manhattan, while it has not increased in population as rapidly as some other towns, had had from its first settlement a steady, permanent growth and is now noted for the substantial character of its business men and the excellence of its public buildings, business houses and many of its private residences. It has seven church edifices, all but two of which are of stone. It has just completed one of the most commodious and best arranged public school buildings in the State. This house is built of the fine limestone that abounds in the hills which environ the town, and is furnished with a tower clock with fine-toned bell; and occupied throughout with new school furniture and appliances of the latest and most improved style.

The farm of the State Agricultural College adjoins the town site on the west and with its highly improved fields, its shady walks and elegant and substantial stone building, adds greatly to the attractiveness of the town as well as to its general prosperity.

The town is situated at the confluence of the Blue and Kansas Rivers, each of which rivers is spanned by a fine iron bridge. These bridges were erected by Manhattan at a cost of more than \$60,000. In its steady growth; in the permanent character of its public and private improvements; in the enterprise and public spirit of its citizens, in its unexcelled facilities for acquiring an education; and in the wealth and fertility of the country surrounding, there is sure promise to Manhattan of a happy and prosperous future, in which will be realized the sanguine anticipations of its founders.

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Population in 1860, 1,224; in 1870, 5,105; increase in ten years, 3,881; population in 1875, 6065; increase in five years, 1,960; population in 1878, 7,419, increase in eighteen years, 6,196. Rural population, 5,067; city or town population, 2,352 per cent of rural to city or town population, 68,30.

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**Mrs. J.O. Beebe Butchered,
An Old Resident of Riley County and Three Children Murdered by Indians**

Manhattan Enterprise, 6 February 1878,

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Probably no woman in the United States has endured more hardships and experienced more torture of mind and body than Mrs. J. O. Beebe who with the remnant of her once happy family passed through this place last week, on her way to friends in Ohio. Her story is substantially as follows and well illustrates the imprudence of journeying without sufficient protection in the wilds of the Northwest, and the barbarity of the Indians towards those whose defenseless condition throws them into their hands. Last spring her husband, J. O. Beebe, a carpenter of Manhattan and for some years a resident of Riley County moved from this place to Abilene. Not meeting with the success he anticipated, he soon after started in company with others for Oregon, taking the overland route with teams.

Everything went smoothly until they got to Salt Lake City. Here Beebe and his family left the main party and started on alone. When about 150 miles northwest of Salt Lake City the little party was suddenly attacked by Indians, and Mrs. B. witnessed her husband and three children murdered before her eyes without power to prevent it. She was severely wounded and horribly mutilated by the red fiends, and with the other two children carried into captivity. This occurred about tree months ago. A short time ago Mrs. Beebe and children were rescued by U. S. soldiers and sent to her friends back east. The family was well known in this community and the sudden and unexpected obliteration of almost the entire family at one fell blow will create a profound impression and prove a great drawback to many who have been contemplating that same journey in the spring.

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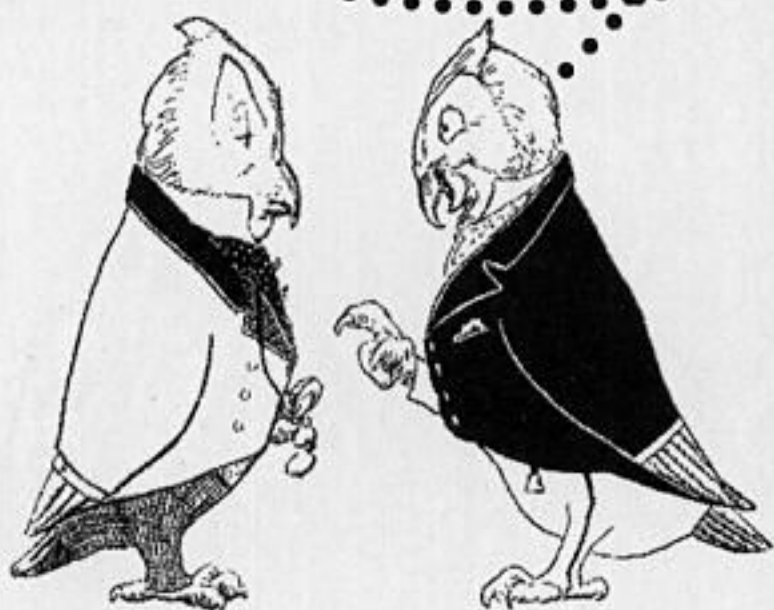
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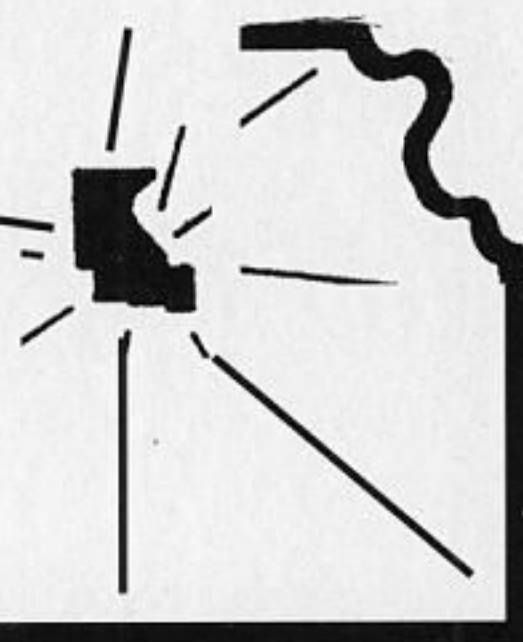


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Nov 10- Annual Meeting Zeandale Community Church

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 Thanksgiving, Nov
 Christmas, Dec 25, 26
 New Years Day 2009

From the President:

Howdy,

As I write this, the weather is "acting up" again. The temperature is in the mid-40s and there has been talk of snow. Now that is a terrible degree for mid-April. So, any time one might expect to see Bald Eagles back in the area.

I am continually amazed by the work of the RCGS' Volunteers. If you want to know what keeps this place viable, you don't need to look further. In fact, as a starting point, this volume is prepared by a Volunteer using input from Volunteers. The finances of the organization are overseen by Volunteers. The Librarians and Computer Assistants are Volunteers. The Publicity, Membership, Building & Grounds, Publications, Library Coordinator (Scheduling of Librarians, etc.), Kansas Council & FGS Representatives, Historian, and many other behind the scenes "aces" are ALL Volunteers! Lest I leave one or more out, I shall just say this: If it weren't for Volunteers the RCGS could not provide the level of service we are able to do. I do not know how they all get their work done and do this also. Maybe it is the literal "if you want something done, give it to a busy person."

I must relate a story of helping out of state researchers find out about their roots. A call came from Lindsborg informing that an out of state family was on their way to gather information about their ancestors, whom they did not know. Inquiry provided information that helped them find much about their relatives. A trip to the Register of Deeds found the land holdings and a trip to the Clerk of the District Court's records found several Marriage Licenses. Then a look in two different cemeteries found some graves. All this was a fun ending to a day that started out with nothing on the schedule. The researchers offered to compensate which was declined. They offered to reimburse for gasoline which was also declined. They offered to purchase dinner. That was accepted. A good time was had by all and something more was added to our local history. They provided a rare circa 1915 photo of a rural Pottawatomie County school's class. All this is to say that volunteers are

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everywhere. You might be standing near one and don't even recognize them.

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Jim Bradley, President

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Rebecca Rose, Chair - Acquisitions Committee
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Old Settlers Day 1910

From the *Manhattan Republic*, March 17, 1910

Copied by Sylvester Ekart

Yesterday was Old Settlers day at the Grange and it was remarkable in that there were fifty people present sitting in a group by themselves, who came in to Kansas in 1860 or previous, that is, during the days when Kansas was a territory.

In 1854, Emma Bisbey Smith came to Wabaunsee. In 1855 J. L. Soupene, Pollard Carnahan and A. U. Mussey came to Pottawatomie County; Stephen Barnes came to Eureka Valley, John W. Pipher came to New Boston (Manhattan), Amanda Arnold, Mrs. Mary McCurdy McDonald, Mrs. Helen McCurdy Akin, A. Browning, Mrs. A. Browning, Mrs. Jennie Mails Orr and Harriet

Parkerson came to Manhattan.

In 1856, J. M. Kimball, R. H. Kimball, James Allingham, Mrs. Margaret Allingham Tennant, Mrs. Helen Beebee Barnes came to Manhattan. Emma Haines Bowen of Zeandale, Ida O'Rourke Dye born in Kansas, Solomon Secrest of Randolph, Mrs. Mary Red Sargent of Riley; A. J. Whitford of Topeka and Mrs. Anna Warner Fay of Eureka Valley. In 1857, John Tennant, Charles Waring, Mrs. P. Inghram and Mrs. Mary Hardy Rehfeld came to Manhattan; John Warner of Stockdale, William Knipe of Holton, George W. Martin of Douglas County, W. W. Emmons of St. George and Chas S. Powers born in Kansas.

In 1858, Mrs. E. H. Strong came to Manhattan, Mrs. C. A. Pound of Brown County, William Stewart of Zeandale and Mrs. Flora Ingraham Allen born in Kansas. In 1859, Charles Rehfeld and Mrs. Anna Himes Nider came to Manhattan and O. T. Dix of Ashland. In 1860, Mrs. Jane G. Foster and Mrs. Mary Foster Greeley of Ashland, William Griffing, Mrs. Annie Barnes Inskeep and Mrs. Abbie Browning Whitney born in Kansas; Mrs. R. B. Sarber and Mrs. Mary Carlton Allingham came to Manhattan.

Report of the Riley Centre School for March 1908

From the *Manhattan Republic*, March 13, 1908

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Adams, Charles 96	Craig, Anna 95
Craig, Looker 90	Craig, Sherman 89
Haddon, Johnny 94	Haddon, Lydia 98
Hair, Absolom 96	Hassebroek, Henry 86
Hassebroek, Minnie 94	
Hassebroek, Willie 9	Heiner, John 95
Knapp, Cyrus 99	Knapp, Howard 96
Knapp, Nellie 100	Knapp, Laura 95
Knapp, Sidney 99	Nixon, James 100
Popejoy, Ernest 94	Popejoy, Henry 94
Rentz, John 95	Soar, John 92
Soar, Marion 88	Southwick, James 100
Weible, Adam 98	

School closes March 1st and will commence March 18th, I. E. Parish, Teacher.

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Report of May Day School Fall Term

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Auckland, Katie 97
Auckland, Millie 93
Davidson, Amanda 93
Davidson, Martha 93
Davidson, Mary 93
Dicks, Annie 92
Dicks, Cora 93
Droll, Albert 95
Droll, Emma 94
Droll, George 95
Droll, Louie 93
Edgerton, Nellie 95
Edgerton, Will 94
Frankenfield, Della 84
Gridley, Effie 99
Noble, Bettie 93
Noble, Eliza 89
Pickett, Albert 95
Powell, Rena 95
Smullen, Martha 92
Stephens, John 88
Swartz, Albert 92
Swartz, Fred 94
Swartz, Louiza 93
Swartz, Minnie 94
Willie, L. 80
Humphrey, L. E., Teacher.

Burials in Sunset Hill Cemetery, 1910

From the *Manhattan Republic*, Jan 5, 1911

Copied by Sylvester C. Ekart

Clyde Nelson Pitman, age 24, pneumonia, Jan 10.
Mrs. Anna Elizabeth Towers, age 66, ulceration of bowels, Jan 10.
P. W. Zeigler, age 81, pneumonia, Jan 10.
Mary E. Morris, age 42, cancer of stomach, Jan 11.
Wylie Keele, age 77, dropsy, Jan 12.
C. E. Steward infant, weakness, Jan 25.
Wm. F. Epling infant, premature, weakness, Jan 31.
Wm. Stewart infant, age 7 weeks, brain fever, Feb 14.
H. C. Jenkins infant weakness, Feb 22.
Roxy Elgina Chamberlain, weakness, Feb 28.
Caroline Parkerson, age 87, heart failure, Mar. 3.
Mary Ellen Bayles, age 55, pneumonia, Mar. 4.
John Elliot, age 77, heart disease, March 7.
Joseph Stewart infant, age 4 days, Mar. 10.
John N. Limbocker, age 79, heart failure, Mar. 15.
Grover Keefer, age 22, dropsy, March 17.
George W. Harrop, age 61, neuralgia of heart, March 20.
Nathan Davis infant, age 5 days, weakness, March 21.
Mrs. C. F. Briggs, March 21.
Elizabeth Ann Smith, age 70, cancer, March 27.
Ruth Conley Swanson, age 6 mo, pneumonia, April 9.
Della F. Patterson, age 75, heart failure, April 18.
H. E. Best infant, April 17.
Silas Cooper infant, age 30 hours, premature birth, April 24.
Mrs. Sarah Heck, age 80, bowel trouble, April 24.
R. C. Walter, April 25.
Frances June Canary, age 12 yrs & 10 mo, bowel trouble, April 28.
Thomas McCammon, age 59, paralysis, May 2.
Robert Emmett Williams, age 40, accidental injury, May 12.
W. J. Griffing, age 49, pneumonia, May 20.
James Ellery Morris, age 53, apoplexy May 22.
Mary Ann Hood, age 73, paralysis, May 27.
Rachel Coffman, age 47, cancer, May 31.
Anna Peterson, age 64, cancer, June 17.

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F.C. Nicholson, age 32, congest. of lungs, June 2
 M. V. Dunn, age 3, paralysis, July 27.
 George O. Parker, age 39, apoplexy, July 30.
 Charles Rehfeld, age 66, gunshot suicide, Aug 6.
 Mrs. John E. Hessin, age more than 40, heart failure, Aug 8.
 Charles Peak, age 29, accident. explosion, Aug 18.
 T. D. Oberlin, age 50, Aug 18.
 Inez A. Lewis, age 22, bowel and liver complaint, Aug 21.
 Benjamin Campbell, age 14, heart disease, Aug 23.
 M. L. Hull, age 77, heart disease, Aug 15.
 Lucy Knight, age 44, diabetes, Sept 2.
 Elmer M. Woodruff, age 5, nervousness, Sept 2.
 Carl Ewing age 4 yrs & 4 mo, scarlet fever, Sept 14.
 Jefferson D. Brown, age 68, heart trouble, Sept 17.
 James Stagg, age 69, bowel trouble, Oct 10.
 Irene Conkwright, age 4 and 10 mo, membranous croup, Oct 17.
 C. V. Holsinger infant, age 12 days, hemorrhage, Oct 24.
 Minnie A. Spohr, age 37, consumption, Nov 5.
 John Foreman, age 80, old age, Nov 5.
 Henrietta Whitmer, age 3 yrs & 9 mo, blood poison, Nov 12.
 R. Loren, age 55, cancer, Nov 14.
 Frank L. Grimm, age 29, laudanum poisoning, Nov 15.
 Clara M. Westgate, age 58, heart disease, Nov 25.
 Scott Long infant, weakness, Dec 8.
 Calvin Orris, age 68, cancer, Dec 20.
 Mrs. Vilander Matson, age 52, stomach trouble, Dec 24.

Burials in the Manhattan Cemetery, 1909

From the Manhattan Republic January 13, 1910

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Victor Carlton, rheumatism, age 8.
 Eli Ewing, uremic poisoning, age 47.
 John Burtis, Bright's disease.
 Juno Collins, colored, kidney disease, age 73.
 Forrest Platt, railroad accident, age 17.
 Thad White, apoplexy, age 46.
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Wade R. Utterbach, lung trouble, age 3 mo.
 Harvey Marshall, la grippe, age 73.
 Florence Kellogg, chronic spinal trouble, age 58.
 Mary Rader, paralysis, age 88.
 Mrs. Harvey Marshall, old age, age 78.
 George R. White, apoplexy, age 59.
 Leonard L. Johnson, spinal meningitis, age 7.
 Charles Deiber, pneumonia, age 8 mo.
 Abbie J. Billings, paralysis, age 86.
 Margaretta Dion, measles, age 15.
 Sally Wesley, colored, rheumatism, age 40.
 Mary Ann Sharp, paralysis, age 80.
 Achsa Gillett, apoplexy, age 80.
 Seymour D. Moses, heart disease, age 81.
 Anna Horsford, burned, Kansas City, age 38.
 Harrison H. Salvage, la grippe, age 95.
 Wm. Prestwood, pneumonia, age 6 mo.
 Marcilla Johnston, paralysis, age 49.
 Elijah Green, heart failure, age 70.
 Hiram Campbell, heart disease, age 62.
 Mrs. Margaret Campbell, heart disease, age 61.
 Albert L. Stoddard, heart trouble, age 48.
 Otto Koeberle, suicide, age 38.
 Presley Evan, consumption, age 26.
 Gladys Irish, drowned accidentally, age 19.
 Walter Gibbs, caved-in-ditch, age 31.
 William Gist, stomach trouble, age 55.
 Charles Evans, stomach trouble, age 77.
 James Butler, whooping cough, age 2 1/2.
 Zana A. Jenkins, rheumatism, age 55.
 James McMillan, heart disease, age 62.
 Mrs. Luretta Evans, cancer, age 50.
 Cyrus Foltz, heart failure, age 76.
 David Evans, heart disease, age 53.

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Clarence Tudor, cholera infantum, age 4 .
 Pinckney Hines, weakness, age 3 mo.
 Frank Mitchell, colored, blood poison, age 24 .
 Henrietta Stauffer, heart disease, age 22 .
 Heinrich Steg, old age, age 72 .
 Martha Rose, old age, age 82 .
 Charlotte Little, pleurisy, age 66 .
 Harry Mays, colored, railroad accident, age 15 .
 Howard Cleveland, colored, railrd. accident, age 15
 Armenia Johnson, heart disease, age 64 .
 Walter Coffman, inflamm. of bowels, age 11 mo.
 Bertha C. Matherly, tuberculosis, age 28 .
 Dorcas Hammond, diphtheria, age 13 .
 Washington Marlatt, general debility, age 80 .
 Mrs. Clara Knostman, heart disease, age 69 .
 Lucile Hamond, diphtheria, age 4 1/2 .
 James Churchill, spinal disease, age 8 mo.
 Dorothy Stewart, cholera infantum, age 14 mo.
 Lillie May Lane, diphtheria, age 19 .
 Walter G. Armstrong, fall in a building, age 45 .
 Emmett Dawson, colored, diphtheria, age 10 .
 Bessie Cole, heart disease, age 20 .
 Walter Plummer, consumption, age 21 .
 Thomas Patterson, stoppage of the bowels and
 heart trouble, age 68 .
 George Briddick, kidney trouble, age 65 .
 John Bowles, colored, heart disease and paralysis,
 age 52 .
 Joseph Mitchell, colored, dropsy, age 75 .
 Ruth E. McKeen, apoplexy, age 61 .
 J. B. Zarger, kidney and heart trouble, age 76 .
 Victor Lewis, kidney disease, age 38 .
 Peter Cool, heart disease, age 75 .
 Laura E. Wonsetler, general debility, age 62 .
 Catherine Jane Fulton, heart failure and pneumo-
 nia, age 57 .
 Mrs. NFN Nygren, paralysis, no age given.

Burials in the Manhattan Cemetery, 1905

From the *Manhattan Republic* January 4, 1906

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Mary Johnson, Jan 5, age 44, heart disease.
 Martin Arnold, Jan 8, age 78, heart disease.
 Anna Nelson, Jan 14, age 41, consumption.

Evalyn Alexander, Jan 19, age 7, colored, con-
 sumption.
 Ella M. McCutchen, Jan 31, age 42, typhoid fever.
 Frank Dent, Feb 13, stillborn child.
 E. St. John, Feb 15, age 67, apoplexy.
 Edward Gill, Feb 17, age 67, diabetes.
 Joseph T. Smith, Feb 24, age 68, grip.
 Henry Stenvers, March 9, stillborn child
 Franklin Brizendine, March 12, age 3 mo, men-
 ingitis.
 Ada How, March 13, age 25, Bright's disease.
 George K. Thompson, March 15, age 33, pneu-
 monia.
 Mattie M. Stenvers, March 16, age 24, tubercu-
 losis.
 Jane Collins, April 5, age 57, colored, heart dis-
 ease.
 Sarah M. Allen, April 19, age 61, paralysis.
 Gertrude Norton, April 24, age 38, consumption.
 John A. Allen, April 24, age 62, inflammation of
 stomach.
 William Norton, April 30, age 15 days, heart fail-
 ure.
 Prior Inman, May 4, still born child, colored.
 Delphin Ross, May 14, age 66, acute peritonitis.
 George S. Green, May 19, age 59, cancer stom-
 ach.
 Helen M. Brink, May 27, age 4 mo, congestion
 of brain.
 Dennis Foreman, May 31, colored, age 34, con-
 sumption.
 Rachel E. McCord, June 20, age 54, heart disease
 George Williams, June 24, age 25, railrd. accident.
 Harry Wilson, July 7, inf. son, 9 days, colored, stom-
 ach trouble.
 Sarah Bush, July 14, inflammation of bowels.
 Hannah Boer, July 23, age 73, bladder trouble.
 Edgar R. Joyner, July 24, age 22, Typhoid fever.
 Edna Remmele, Aug 5, age 54, dropsy.
 Antone Steck, Aug 13, age 58, tuberculosis of
 bowels.
 Clarence E. Duckwall, Aug 19, age 15, rupture
 of lung.
 Eva A. Shull, Aug 26, age 45, heart failure.
 Emma Knight, Aug 29, age 20, cancer.
 Spencer Schultz, infant, age 18 mo, Bright's dis-

ease.

Anna E. Stagg, Sept 7, age 62, heart disease.

Herman Stagg, Sept 22, age 26, appendicitis.

Charley Godwin, Sept 24, age 17, typhoid fever.

Margarette W. Purcell, Oct 11, age 3 mo, indigestion.

Oma Hughes, Oct 11, age 42, operation.

Elizabeth Rhodes, Oct 15, age 88, old age.

Lettie Abell, Oct 17, age 62, dropsy.

George F. Brown, Oct 18, age 76, dropsy.

Jacob E. Failyer, Oct 22, age 84, old age.

Lorenzo Missina, Oct 23, age 22, gunshot.

Georgia Gosby, Oct 31, age 29, colored, abscess of throat.

Mollie Matter, Nov 7, age 59, blood poison.

Gust Panagopulous, Nov 8, age 19, acute congestion of kidneys.

Perley Kimball, infant, age 1 week.

Enoch C. Persons, Nov 21, age 84, dropsy of heart.

Robert Woods, Nov 22, age 2 days, colored.

Walter Gish, Nov 27, age 30, typhoid fever.

Charles W. Kimball, Nov 30, age 62, paralysis.

Percy Voiles, Dec 1, age 4 mo, acute indigestion.

Etta Woods, Dec 5, age 25, colored, peritonitis.

Mary R. Warling, Dec 23, age 78, nervous prostration.

Margaret Girard, Dec 24, age 5, diphtheria.

Burials in the Manhattan Cemetery, 1907

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N. L. D. Cary, age 46, uremic poison, Jan 5.

Marie Carter, colored, age 87, old age, Jan 7.

James M. Hulse, age 73, old age, Jan 7.

Thomas C. Wells, age 75, cancer, Jan 9.

Stephen Martin, age 73, peritonitis, Jan 18.

Wm. Cravens, colored, infant, age 2 days, hemorrhage, Jan 24.

Frances Emeline Yeakle, age 49, tumor, Feb 5.

Pryor Inman, colored, age 1 day, cause unknown, Feb 1.

Stella Swingle, age 38, heart failure, Feb 12.

Harold Westgate, infant, age 1 week, weakness, Feb 16.

Albert H. Reid, age 52, killed by electric car near Los Angeles, California, Feb 21.

Charles J. Hjelm, age 61, heart failure, Feb 25.

Pearl M. Evans and infant, 26, dropsy, March 8.

Gertrude Tull, age 19, pneumonia, March 3.

Rosa Lewis, colored, age 33, inflammation of the stomach, March 18.

Ollia A. Dodge, age 60, operation for cancer, Mar 20.

Levi Whitmer, age 75, suicide, March 21.

Mary White, age 73, heart disease, April 1.

Sophia T. Tunnell, age 76, senile dementia, April 3.

Permelia S. White, age 80, chronic par. nephritis, March 27.

Hattie Millard, age 11 mo, pneumonia, April 15.

Melissa M. Howell, age 56, heart disease, April 29.

Lucinda M. Callahan, age 57, cancer and dropsy, May 6.

Peter G. Keele, colored, age 38, tuberculosis, May 6.

Mrs. Calia Holbert, age 23, suicide, May 16.

Lemule Pitts, colored, age 11 mo, consumption, May 24.

Levi Pitts, colored, age 1 year and 11 mo, consumption.

Ida Christine Hower, age 3, pneumonia, June 11.

Dorcas E. Zeigler, neuralgia, June 17.

A. L. Houghton, age 67, paralysis, June 28.

Henry Ewalt, age 75, paralysis, June 28.

Wm. Plummer, age 2, dysentery, July 5.

Elizabeth W. McKee, age 43, heart disease, July 9.

Mrs. Elrica G. Walquist, age 76, heart disease, July 15.

Mrs. NFN Hays, July 9.

Mrs. NFN Keele, July 15.

Mrs. Lucy Knipe, age 77, heart disease, May 25.

Mrs. Mary Brunt, 69, paralysis, June 23.

J. R. Jennings, age 6, heart disease, July 6.

Mrs. L. A. Doane, 25, consumption, July 18.

John H. Winne, age 46, insanity, July 22.

Margaret Carnahan, age 3, kidney disease, July 23.

Amanda Jane Greeley, age 32, heart failure, July 26.

Florence Scott, colored, age 62, dropsy, July 26.

Helen M. Snow, age 76, old age, July 29.

George W. Keefer, age 50, bowel trouble, July 30.
 Gladys R. Hall, age 9 mo, cholera infantum, Aug 1
 Mrs. Anne Pechner, age 79, old age, Aug 2.
 Bessie Walters, age 11 mo, summer complaint, Aug 15.
 Thomas Ware, age 70, paralysis, Aug 23.
 Ren Welton, age 51, tuberculosis, Aug 24.
 Mrs. Eleanor S. Wells, age 74, old age, Aug 24.
 Charles A. Davis, age 17 mo, cholera infantum, Aug 12.
 George W. How, age 63, Bright's disease, Sept 9.
 Mrs. Wm. Carrell, age 26, appendicitis, Sept 16.
 Mary E. Vance, age 65, heart disease, Sept 17.
 Albert Harrison, colored, age 7, malaria, Sept 17.
 Leonard Drury, age 76, paralysis, Sept 23.
 Henry Armentrout, age 70, paralysis, Sept 26.
 Cecil Fay Hill, age 2 and 2 mo, inflammation of the bowels, Oct 7.
 Clarence Travis, age 17, typhoid fever, Oct 15.
 A. Ridenour, age 71, inflammation of the stomach, Oct 28.
 Dale Evans, age 3 mo, shipped from Whiting, Nov 6.
 Mrs. Clara J. Long, age 67, general debility, Nov 7.
 Mary A. Abell, Nov 11.
 Jaunita Cavens, age 7 mo, diphtheria, Nov 11.
 Beverly B. Gahan, age 5 days, uremic poison, Nov 13.
 Nellie M. Cooper, age 40, hemorrhage of the brain, Nov 18.
 Louisa Dow, colored, 62, dropsy of the heart, Nov 20.
 Joseph Rhodes, age 93, Bright's disease, Nov 23.
 Otto Bammes, infant, 5 days, indigestion, Dec 8.
 Gertrude Millard, age 1 mo, Dec 10.
 Charles Moates, age 74, senility, Dec 13.
 Nancy Jane Murphy, age 76, stomach trouble, Dec 21.

John Peck, Early Settler and Sheriff of Riley County, Died September 14, 1907

From the *Manhattan Republic*, September 20, 1907

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John Peck died, last Saturday, Sept 14, at his
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home in Goldthwite, Texas. He was a native of New York, but one of the earliest pioneers of this section, and will be well remembered by old residents. He came to Manhattan in 1856 or 1857, and for a number of, up to 1875, lived on his farm adjoining that of John Tennant, who is his brother-in-law. Aug 25, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, 11th Kansas Cavalry and served through the war, being mustered out with the company June 13, 1865. At the time of muster out he was a sergeant and had gained a reputation for being a splendid soldier.

One of the incidents of the army life of John Peck was the killing of one of the most notorious guerrilla captains on the border, and intimate companion of Quantrell. It was during the Price Raid and the rebels were pushing on toward Kansas City while the Union forces were fighting against great odds, trying to hold them in check until reinforcements arrived. Company G, 11th Kansas, of which Peck was first sergeant was a splendidly drilled company and had been the special body guard of General Curtis. They were in the thick of the fighting preceding the battle of Westport Landing, doing their share to hold the enemy back. At one point in the fight a company of rebels had taken refuge in a good sized house standing in a clearing which it commanded. From this house they kept up a very annoying fire, of which Company G got the full benefit. At one side of the clearing was an old stake and rider rail fence, which ran up toward the Union line. Sergeant Peck noticed a rebel skulking along the fence working toward the Union line for a position within range from which to fire. Peck, who was a famous shot, made a detour through the timber and got around within range and got a shot at the rebel, giving him a fatal wound.

The fire from the house was kept up, and one of the officers spoke to Reverend, then Lieutenant Gill, of the artillery and asked him if he could not shoot them out. He reported that he would try. He aimed the gun carefully. It was fired and struck the house fair. The rebels skedaddled in all directions. From prisoners obtained a day or two later it was learned that these rebels were borderers;

that the man Peck killed was their captain, and that the shot that was fired by the artillery had killed seven or eight of them in the house. After Peck moved to Texas one of his close neighbors and friends proved to be a member of the same rebel company and they had many long talks about it.

Following the war he was twice elected sheriff of Riley County. In 1866, he was married and leaves surviving his four children as follows: Fred who travels out of Sherman, Texas; Russell, who is farming in Oklahoma; Archie who is in the grain and milling business and Ella a teacher in the Conservatory of Music in Sherman. All of the children were educated here in the Kansas Agricultural College and will be remembered by many friends and classmates.

John Peck lived and died a good citizen, a man who loved his home, his country and his friends. His last sickness was very short and entirely free from suffering. He felt that the end was near and arranged all his property affairs and died as peacefully as a child sleeps.

Perry McDonald, a Resident of Deep Creek Community Since November 1854, Died January 21, 1908

From the Manhattan Republic Jan 21, 1908

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Perry McDonald, who had been a resident of Kansas for the past fifty-three, died early this morning at his home about one and a half miles of town. His death was due to heart disease and old age, he having been in poor health for some time. Funeral services will be conducted from the home at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon and the Manhattan Grange will have charge of the services at the grave. Mr. McDonald was born in Indiana seventy-five ago. He came to Kansas in Nov 1854 and took a claim in Zeandale Township on Deep Creek. In this party were his brother, John McDonald, John McCormick, Lafayette Evans, William Wiley and Jonathan Snowden, who all took claims. These men all came from Virginia, Indian and Missouri, but were free soil men. They went back for the winter but came on again March and have been Kansans ever since.

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On Dec 11, 1856, Mr. McDonald was married to Miss McCurdy, whose father located a farm on Deep Creek in Feb of the same year. This was the first wedding that ever occurred in Zeandale Township. In Dec 1906, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald had the pleasure of celebrating their golden wedding anniversary. Mr. McDonald leaves his wife, five children, nineteen grandchildren and scores of friends to mourn his death. The children are Emmet, James and Charley McDonald, and Mrs. M. L. Douglas of Manhattan and Mrs. B. Atkins of Kansas City. The funeral of Perry McDonald will be held for the house at 12 o'clock Thursday afternoon. Services at the cemetery will be conducted by the Manhattan Grange.

S. D. Houston, Member of the Wyandotte Constitution Convention and Manhattan Resident

From the Manhattan Republic, July 13, 1909

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A good deal has been appearing in the state press recently concerning S. D. Houston, one of the three living member of the Wyandotte Constitution Convention. Some of it is incorrect, some more or less so. S. D. Houston came to Kansas from Illinois in a wagon drawn by an ox team in 1854, fifty-five ago. He located on the government road and built a cabin on the Houston farm, now about four miles west of Manhattan. There was no Manhattan then. A post office was established in his house and called Shannon. The father of the writer located on College Hill in 1856, and the letters he wrote back to New Hampshire were postmarked "Shannon, Kansas Territory". S. D. Houston was elected to the first territorial legislature, which met at Pawnee in July 1855. He represented Riley County, which included Pawnee, we believe, and was the only free-state man counted in. The democratic members were largely elected by border ruffians from Missouri. Mr. George W. Knapp, who recently died, in speaking of the legislature at Pawnee, said they met one day, were gloriously drunk the next, sobered up the third because of lack of supply and adjourned to meet at Shawnee Mission to be nearer the source.

Pawnee had been laid out by General, then Captain, Jackson, and other free-state officers at Pawnee. At one time there were several hundred people there. Jefferson Davis, then secretary of war took revenge for himself and his pro-slavery friends, by extending the boundary of the reservation to cover the town site and then using the military forced the town residents out of their homes. The Knapp family was thrown out on Christmas, 1855, in the midst of the hardest winter the state ever had. The Blue River was frozen to the bottom and when the ice went out with a warm rain in Feb, it took the government bridge at Juniata, the old pier which may still be seen just below the Rocky Ford Bridge. The bridge had been anchored by cables tied to trees, but the ice from behind extended for several miles. When the bridge finally went, it rode on top of the ice for two or three miles, perhaps, more, and was finally left on the right bank of the river along with several hundred tons of ice which did not melt until about June.

When the bridge did finally give way the noise of the great field of ice in starting was like a heavy cannonading and was heard for miles. S. D. Houston was a member of the constitutional convention. He lives now with daughter, Mrs. Parsons, in Salina. He was a brother-in-law of the elder Sam Kimble, the father of Judge Kimble and his daughter, Mrs. Charles Green, still lives on the Houston farm and is a valued subscriber of the Republic. Houston Street, the fifth avenue of Manhattan was named after S. D. Houston.

The Roll Call of Company G, 11th Kansas Cavalry, Civil War

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Adams M Christopher, Private
Adams, Nathaniel A, Captain
Allen John A., Private
Allen, Samuel, additional enlistment.
Amo, Andrew, additional enlistment
Arnold, Robert R., Private
Ashton, Thomas, Private
Barnes, James H., Saddler

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Bates, Anton, Private
BatesS, Daniel L., Private
Beavers, Joseph, Sergeant
Beck, John Corporal
Beebe, Charles W., Private.
Bence, Isaac W., Private
Bendix, Wm., Private
Benton, Flaviel P., Private
Berry, Joseph, additional enlistment
Block, John, Private
Blodgett, Wm. W., additional enlistment
Booth, Henry, First Sergeant
Booth, William, Sergeant
Boyles, David, additional enlistment
Boyles, John J., additional enlistment
Bridges, Charles, Corporal
Bridges, George O., Private
Casterline, Wm., additional enlistment
Chapman, John F., Private
Chase, George, Sergeant
Clark, Ira, additional enlistment
Colburn, Everett, Private
Cole, Angevine, additional enlistment
Conant, Thaddeus, Private
Cosgrove, Wm., additional enlistment
Crowder, Wm. E., Private
Cummings, Joseph, additional enlistment
Curry, George W., additional enlistment
Cavis, Henry J., additional enlistment
Dever, John, Corporal
Dixon Allen, additional enlistment
Dixon, John, additional enlistment
Donahue, James, Private
Edelblute, Wm. Corporal
Eels, Horace, Sergeant
Essick, Michael, Private
Finch, James F., additional enlistment
Frank, John, Private
Freeman, James E., Corporal
Garvey, James, J. S., additional enlistment
Goodman, Benjamin, Private
Gove, Grenville L., Captain
Graham, Wm. H., additional enlistment
Gyer, Charles, Sergeant
Hardaker, Wm., Corporal
Hardy, John S, additional enlistment

Harper, Robert J., Private
 Harshberger, Wm., additional enlistment
 Heindel, Joseph, additional enlistment
 Heindel, Louis, additional enlistment
 Horton, Nathaniel D., Private
 Hoyt, Samuel G., Private
 Housell, Wm, Corporal
 Howe, Michael, Private
 Hudson, John, Private
 Huey, Thomas, First Lieutenant
 Hurlburt, Simeon P., Private
 Iver, Wm. S., Blacksmith
 Jenkins, George, additional enlistment
 Klimball, Charles, additional enlistment
 Kimball, John M., Sergeant
 Kimball, Richard H., Farrier
 King, Benjamin H., Private
 King, James, Sergeant
 Klein, Charles, Corporal
 Knapp, George W., additional enlistment
 Kress, George W., Private
 Kress, John, additional enlistment
 Lee, Allen B., Private
 Long, Samuel, Second Lieutenant
 Martin, John, Private
 Marvin, Fred M., additional enlistment
 McCafferty, Michael, additional enlistment
 McCann, Michael, Sergeant
 McLean, Thomas A., Private
 Meader, John P., Private
 Miller, Jacob, Private
 Minter, Frank, Private
 Moehlman, Henry, Private
 Morgan, Charles H., Corporal
 Nordyke, George, Private
 Parkerson, Joseph, additional enlistment
 Peck, John C., First Sergeant
 Pierce, Alfred C., Captain
 Porter, Cyrus, additional enlistment
 Race, Newton W., Private
 Rehfeld, Charles, additional enlistment
 Reynolds, Wm., additional enlistment
 Robertson, David, additional enlistment
 Ryan, Athan, Corporal
 Sergeant, J. M., First Sergeant
 Shumway, Isaac, Corporal

Sigman, George W., Private
 Soupene, John, Private
 St. John, Thaddeus, Private
 Thompson, Charles G., First Sergeant.
 Thompson, Jonathan, Private
 Tilton, Arthur, Private
 Towner, Henry C., Private
 Towner, Wm. E., Private
 Van Antwerp, Jacob, Sergeant
 Van Degrift, Samuel, Private
 Van Degrift, Willie L., Private
 Walker, Robert, Private
 Waring, Charles, Corporal
 Warner, George, Corporal
 Warner, John, Corporal
 White, Jesse, Private
 White, Nehemiah, Private
 Whitman, David, Corporal
 Whitman, George, Private
 Wilbur, Oliver, Private
 Winkle, Augus, Private

Decatur Stout Rees Papers:

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In attempting to throw a glimpse of light upon the early days of the settlement of the Solomon Valley, I will briefly explain my own coming.

During the latter part of December, 1862, upon my arrival at Leavenworth from a winter trip to Ft. Union, New Mexico, in charge of a wagon train of Military supplies, I met an old friend, and fellow Plainsman, "Bob Chestnut". We had both in crossing plains been employed for the then well known government freighters Major, Russell and Waddell, until they quit business in the spring of 1861; and then commence work for their successors Irwin, Jackman & Co.; Chestnut had been

one of my best men, the previous winter, upon the Cheyenne Reservation in Colorado, where I was in charge of a herd of the Cos. stock, and he had also recently come in from a trip to Ft. Logan, Col. He was raised in the mts. of Kentucky, was part Cherokee, was extremely fond of hunting, was an excellent shot with rifle or pistol and heartily enjoyed plains life. Now as we were in the same predicament, out of employment until spring work upon the plains should begin; We soon arranged to make a hunting and trapping trip, out upon the Solomon River; having previously heard some glowing account of this region from an Old Blackfoot Indian "Neva" and also some Delaware trappers "Bill Altime" and Jim Brown. So in partnership we purchased a wagon and ox team, 26 New House Beaver traps, two dozen bottle of Strychnine and an abundance of ammunition, two old fashioned muzzle loading rifles, one breech loader, and each our old navy revolver, and plenty of provisions, and when about to start were induced to bring with us two more 'plainsmen out of a job'. John Moriarty, and a fellow named Biggerstaff; who was to be teamster and cook. So, after going to Jeneral Thom Ewing, then in Leavenworth, and requesting a pass, less we might happen to be stopped by someone wanting to show his military authority; Ewing, laughed at our fears, but nevertheless complied with our wishes saying "that as we had to pass right through Ft. Riley we might be mistaken for Bushwhackers."

We came right along without any event worth speaking of, only halting at Abilene to make some enquiry; Here at the frontier store and Post Office kept by "Uncle Jonis", we met Tim Hersey who a year or two before we had met at Ft. Wise (afterward Ft. Lyon,) Col., where one of our party had sold him two Kiowa ponies, which we had picked up near where a party of Texas Rangers and Kiowas (who were on the war path) had a skirmish. Hersey at that time had a Government contract putting up hay at Ft. Wise, and he now told us that he also had taken a contract surveying I think in Ottawa, Cloud and Mitchell Cos.; and gave us valuable information about the country. After

leaving Abilene our next camp was on Buckeye Creek, and as we had just unyoked our team in evening and a storm coming up, we were busy getting thing in shape. John Rearder rode up; I think driving some cows, but he halted a moment, telling us it would be a rough night to camp out, and noticing that Chestnut was taking care of His violin; he told us to come over to their cabin and be in shelter from storm, and give them some music; So after a thunder shower it soon cleared up, and after supper Chestnut and I walked up to the cabin and spent a pleasant evening among some mighty nice people, and a little late in the evening when we started for camp, we were invited to stop on our return, with the assurance that they would invite in some neighbors, and have a dance and Chestnut could furnish music. I suppose that I remember their kindness because those were the last civilized people we met for a long time. Old John Knight was the farthest settler out at mouth of Sand creek. I think we commence to trap for beaver near where now is Collins mills, and continued up stream moveing camp evry second or third day, until we reached the mouth of Granis Creek, near the Forks of the Solomon, then turning down stream. We only put out traps at a few points that we had missed in going up the stream, and as our party were a unit in the desire to get back to Leavenworth, in order to be among the first to get started upon the plains; we made as good time as we could and do justice to our teams, arriving in Leavenworth May 5th, '63. We disposed of our furs, consisting of beaver, otter, big wolf, coyote and coon skins; sold our oxen to Powers, a freighter, for more than we had paid for them, and furs to Leobenstein at good price, and I think began work for Irwin Jackman & Co. (our former employers) May 9th, and were soon at our accustomed work of crossing the plains, with the then only process of provideing supplies for the Government posts throughout the west. The slow moving , but pretty sure "ox train". Somehow I could not help building a few air castles about the splendid Solomon Vally. In fact I was so favorably impressed with the Solomon Valley country, that upon meeting my brother "Frank"

in Leavenworth during the month of September, after our summer's work upon the plains that I induced him to return with me for an all fall and winters trapping, wolfing, and hunting trip. So we at once provided ourselves with the necessary outfit, and employed a No. 1 faithful young Missourian "Mish Keith" - who was to act as cook, to look after our ponies, and take charge of affairs about camp. At that time the Solomon and tributaries was the finest grazing country I have ever seen. Elk and antelope were abundant upon the high lands, while along the river and creeks were beaver and otter and wild turkey in plenty, and especially in summers in this country. But one object of this trip was to make the comparison between this region, to that portion of Colorado not far from Trinidad, near the base of the Raton Mts.; where my brother had spent the previous winter in helping care for a bunch (about 600 head) of our Company's cattle, which were work oxen used in summer in hauling wagons trains, and which were wintered in that country without any kind of prepared feed, but simply grazing upon the apparent scant looking supply of dead and dry looking grass, and notwithstanding that many of the oxen and mules were thin in flesh, when we took them there, in the beginning of the winter they invariably improved verily imperceptably in condition by the next spring. but of course we kept moving them upon fresh range, and grazing over a wide scope of country during the winter. We pulled out upon this my second trip by the Solomon River about the 1st of Oct. 1863, agreeing that if this was thought to be the better country, we would then enter into partnership, select claims and engage in stock raising and farming and make this our future home.

Now since I had described this region as "the Indians veritable happy hunting grounds" to my brother; I still felt fearful that his choice might be Colorado.

We reached Abilene, our last chance to mail a letter or purchase anything which might be had at "The Frontier Store: as the sign posted above the door of Uncle Jones Cabin read. Stopping here a short time the mail came in carried upon

the overland stage coach and soon "Uncle Jones" the P.Master, read aloud to a number who had collected, the names of those who had received mail matter. I can now recall a few only Josiah Hawkes, Hugh Layttle, John Night, John Humbarger, Charles Thompson, and finally after a close scrutiny at the letter he remarked "Now who could have written to me from that place:, and laid it aside until he finished delivering the mail; when after taking up his letter and reading a moment, he turned to some bystanders, saying Well! I have made a blunder, this is a letter, returned from the Dead Letter Office, and although I thought it was for John Jones it is for John Jeness, who is driving the other stage, and reading a portion as follows: "My Dear Sister: My sweetheart although a western girl, "Prairie Flower", is never the less highly civilized & C & C. I thought at the time that the PostMaster was a "Course Christian: for reading that letter to others, but I want to say that Jeness and the young lady were afterwards married and as yet liveing in this valley. Also we again met Hersey, Charley Thomson and others who we afterwards became well acquainted with. Proceeding up the river we left about half of our supplies with a Mr. John Bagley on Buckeye Creek and after nearly a day's travel began the not easy work of trapping and hunting with excellent success until we reached a point near Ashers Creek. There we met a young Delaware Chief (White Turkey) with a dozen of his people, who had just been engaged in a skirmish with a large number of Gray Beards band of Cheyennes. The Delawares having lost most of their pack ponies and furs, and two of their party wounded, while the Cheyennes afterwards told us that the 'war chief' of their party was killed and a number of this ponies wounded.

Only a few days later having moved to the mouth of Mulberry Creek, during a heavy fog, and while putting up our lodge, a bunch of seven Cheyennes dashed into where we were making camp, taking us completely by surprise. They stampeded our ponies, but as their leader, a petty Chief, in attempting to pass, was met by my brothers and dismounted and quickly made to inform his people

that He was our prisoner; that if they returned our ponies and behaved themselves, we would treat them as friends. So after due consideration, they sent one of their party back to us for a talk, and he reported that the whole affair was a mistake, they having taken us for a lot of Delawares, that if we would release our prisoner, our ponies should be restored to us at once. But we could not listen, but assured him that if the ponies were not returned by the next noon, that the beautiful scalp of his young Chief, would be the principal ornament hanging in our lodge. This we assured him was straight talk; and the next morning four of the Indians came bringing the ponies, and making profession of friendship. So agreeable to custom we feasted them, and they took their departure, while the snow was fast falling, telling us that their village was then located on "Bow Creek". The snow continued falling until there was 6 or 8 inches of snow, and the next day those fellows came back, with a pitiful story of nothing to eat, and shivering with cold, and as the weather was verry bad, they continued from day to day as our guests for something more than a week. when the weather moderated and the snow disappearing, they all came across the river to our camp and bid us goodbye, and telling us they would now return to their village.

During the thaw the river raised and the ice in the river ran out and as we knew, our Cheyennes were on the opposite side, and the river past fording we were not expecting to be bothered with them again soon; however they returned in 8 or 10 days saying they had been down the river near the settlement, two of their number swam the river, and crept into camp badly chilled, begged something to eat, and reported that their comrades were nearly starved and by thus working upon the sympathies of Keith and Donaldson they induced the big hearted Keith to get busy at cooking for them; while Donaldson leaving his heavy dragoon revolver at camp took his old Hawkins Rifle and walked quite a distance from camp and killed a buffalo for them, in order that they might have plenty of meat to carry over to their hungry companions, and while Keith was buisy one of

the shivering villains, asked if he might borrow a heavy pr. of blankets to wear while he crept out to see if Donaldson got the buffalo. While the other said he would go out and signal to his people over the river that they would soon return to them with plenty of food, and as neither one of them were armed our fellows never suspicioned treachery.

But when Keith finished cooking and Donaldson came back to tell them to go and help themselves, to all the buffalo meat they wanted, they were greatly surprized to find that those Indians had cleared out, taking the pr. of blankets and the Dragoon revolver.

So, upon our return to camp it was soon decided that as it was nearly sundown, that Keith should prepare us grub enough to last us 3 or 4 days, get into saddle by midnight, and ride as rapidly as possible till morning, then cross the river ahead of those "jentlemen", and make a settlement with them without the ceremony of a "Peace Smoke". So we tied three of our best ponies near the lodge, feeding liberally with tender bark shaved from cottonwood limbs, with our butcher knives, and trusting to our Shepperd dog, outside to alarm us, should the Indians come sneaking around, layed down to rest and possibly get a nap, while Keith baked our bread, but upon awaking from a doze and hearing the dog growl, I hastily crept out and discovered only one pony remained; and in my surprise and anger I related the fact to our boys, in louder tone of voice than I should have done, and in an instant the clatter of galloping hoofs informed us that our confidence in a seemingly smart Scotch Colie, was misplaced, and the Cheyennes had got away with two more of our best ponies. We then brought our two remaining ponies from the river bend below camp where Keith had chopped down some small cottonwood trees during the day, for the ponies to browse on, saddled up and rode up stream and just at day break crossed the river and rode cautiously up a ravine about a half mile and to our surprise crossed the verry fresh trail of the villians that we had so earnestly hoped to head off.

Now we had faith that we could follow their trail to their village, make a true statement of facts to

their head Chief and as the Indians had not yet declared war upon the whites, that we would receive fair treatment. We kept up as good speed as our ponies could stand all day, crossing the north fork near Oak Creek where we halted to rest our ponies, and eat our breakfast. Here we found some trouble in following the trail, but found finally that after a makeing a pretense of going up Oak Creek they scattered out over some ground where they made a dim trail, then recrossing the north fork kept right up that stream and a little after dark we turned into a bend of the river and camped for the night in a low bottom. Starting upon the trail early next morning we followed it straight west until about three or four miles below where the town of Edmond in Norton Co. now is; when fearing that my horse would give out I took off the saddle and bridle and turned him loose telling the boys that I could easily keep up with them on foot; after going about a mile or two up the river not far from Edmond, we saw an Indian on horseback coming over a ridge, and being in the low ground, we were sure that he had not seen us, we rode and I ran, as rapidly as possible up a draw so as to meet him as he came over the next ridge, and we succeeded in getting close enough to him to converse by sign, but not until he had signaled his party with his blanket, whereupon about 40 warriors came like a whirlwind around to the east of us. Those, Donaldson & I halted til Frank had finished talking' and as they all claimed friendship, we let them advance. When the usual handshake and pow wow ensued they informed us that they belong to "Gray-beards" band of Cheyennes, a large party of whom was now halted across the river, and were marching against the Pawnees, who their scouts reported in camp on the Republican River, and insisted that we should hasten to them, and have a talk with their Chief, who was with their main body. So in a few minutes we had crossed to the north side of the river and approached Gray Beard and five or six of his people who were dismounted and squatting in a circle upon a little sand mound two or three hundred yards. to the north of their rather formidable looking strung out band of about 300 warriors. We re-

ceived a very friendly greeting, and immediately after the smoke of our errand was made known, they demanding of us a description of the stolen property, which we claimed their people had stolen from us, and also enquired verry closely as to the description of their people who we charged with the theft; and as to our treatment of them while our guests, and of all the details of our first meeting with them, etc.; then a short low talk in their own tongue, then "Gray Beard" arose and in that peculiar high key, and sing song manner, standing I think fully 6 feet in his moccasins when standing erect on his good or sound leg, with head thrown back, his blanket waveing in the wind while held loosely around his shoulders with one hand. He looked verry much "The Indian Chief". Now by this time, quite a large number of warriors had assembled near us, and as soon as the Chief ceased speaking, there was a rapid scurrying among them and soon our ponies, together with some of their own which closely resembled ours, were brought to us, and we were asked to select our ponies, after which Donaldson was handed his pistol, which he so highly prized, and had so little hope of recovering. The Chief now informed us that our blankets which had been left at their village, could not be returned to us, but in place, he would give us a robe or as I would be compelled to ride bareback, he would let me take an Indian saddle instead. This offer I declined, and informed him that my saddle and fagged out pony, had been left, only a short distance away. He then gave us a characteristic Indian talk, in substance, "That it made him feel verry sad that his people who we had treated with such jenerous hospitality, had proved so ungrateful, so much like the coyote: But that he would see to it that they were severely punished; that he was verry sorry that we had not met at his village, so that he might have extended to us the hospitable feeling that was in his heart.... I had been conscious for a while that I seemed to be the center of attraction, to the many warriors now assembled about us, and that critical, enquiring, insolent scrutiny that I met in the gaze of each new arrival, as they came in from where the main body of warriors had made a halt, was explained, when

"Gray Beard" asked my brothers, "Is not this man one of the Delawares, who was in the fight with my people down the river lately?" Frank answered "no" but the Chief insisted that Frank was speaking with a forked tongue, and that I was a Delaware or was surely a member of some Indian tribe to the east of here; as my leggings and bullet pouch were of Indian make, and my tanned face, and long glossy black hair told him truly that I was no white man. Donaldson, when appealed to, promptly confirmed Frank's report, stating that he had known me for three winters, and that Frank and I had been known to him as brothers, but the Chief insisted that he also lied, saying that himself and his people were not fools, and that when first he seen me walking up to them they knew I was an Indian by my walk, my appearance and manner; (cont. Aug KK) Of course I knew how they must feel toward the Delawares, when so short a time ago so many of those same fellows had attempted to clean out White Turkey and his 12 followers, near where now is the town of Brittsville or Simpson in a fight, where the small band of Delawares, in a retreat from the divide to the south, to the Solomon River, in which the Delawares lost most of the pack ponies, furs, traps, etc., but they managed to get the Cheyenne Chief, his war bonnet, spear & shield, killed and wounded several of their ponies & they hoped, and believed a number of Cheyenne warriors either killed or wounded; and when we asked White Turkey just after they reached the River where we met the Delawares just after the fight, if they had secured the scalp of the dead chief; He explained, that from the time the Cheyennes made the attack out on the ridge, that there was from two to three hundred of them circling around and in front until the river was reached, that his party being so few, when close pressed were compelled to dismount, and by steadily advancing toward the river; shielding themselves with as many of their pack and saddle ponies as was in their power to keep with them, and the Delawares being armed with the old fashioned muzzle loading rifles, and some of them revolvers; while the Cheyennes mostly had bow and arrows, with only a verry few fire arms of poor

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This proved Good Medicine for me. Then after a little more talk from Graybeard to his people, they hastily mounted and moved away to the northward; while Graybeard, Bent and three other Cheyennes escorted us down to where I had left my pony and saddle. There the Old Chief informed us that the Sioux, Cheyennes, Arrapahoes, and Kikowas, had decided in Council to go upon the war path against the whites, that they had not yet heard from the Comanches, who were far to the south, but were expecting favorable news from them by runners at any time. Then telling us to go home, and come back no more into their country. (to be continued.)

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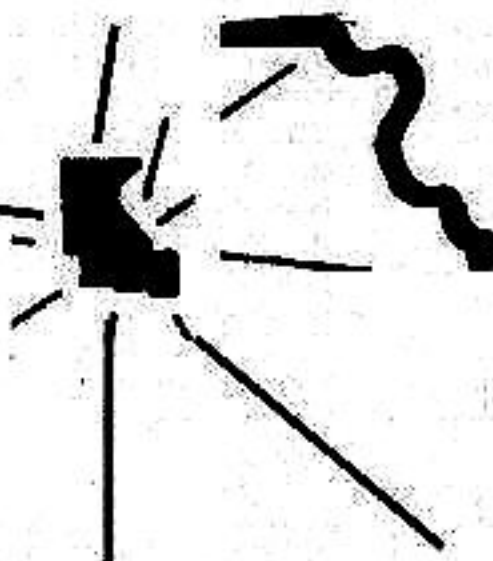
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Nov 10- Annual Meeting Zeandale Community Church

The library will be closed

Thanksgiving, Nov 27
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From the President—

Howdy fellow researchers. Summer has arrived and one of these days it will be hot! For the interim, let us enjoy the weather. Many have commented that it is very unusual to have things this green near the middle of July. It might be time to photograph the countryside.

One way to enjoy summer would be to find an air-conditioned space and pull the door shut behind you. Another way would be to find a library where you could carry on some research. Still another way would be to sit down in front of your computer and get some "face time" on the internet researching your family.

It looks like the available databases continue to grow in numbers. One recently added by Ancestry.com [April 15] added a database that contains information on income taxes paid by Civil War Era citizens with \$600 or greater income. The money, collected by a commissioner of Internal Revenue, was to help fund the Civil War. The site's IRS Tax Records collection database is at:

<http://content.ancestry.com/iexec/?htx=List&dbid=1264>

Example: type in Abraham Lincoln, select District of Columbia, then click on Search. Or go to the blog at: <http://blogs.ancestry.com/ancestry/2008/04/18/civil-war-era-tax-records/>

At the July Board of Director's meeting we learned that the two special programs we hosted were well received. Sy Ekart gave a most informative talk on St. Patrick's Church and Cemetery in Blue Township, Pottawatomie County. The 2nd was a presentation on the Kansa Indians by Doug Tippin. Doug had numerous items on display. Each presentation was well attended and those in attendance had numerous questions for the presenters.

Our membership stands at 155, including 10 Life Members. We have new books and have rearranged the upstairs area where publications are

Wish List

A New Dehumidifier

Donations for the New Sign on the South Lawn

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stored. Our building escaped the twister that went "oh so close" to the Platt House. We had only some debris that was carried on the wind and dropped into the yard.

Enjoy this issue and come see us at the RCGS Library. We really have some outstanding volunteers that staff the library. If you could spend even one half-day as a volunteer at the library, it would really be appreciated.

Happy hunting,

**Jim Bradley, President
RCGS**

In Memorium

Bob Crosson, a member since 1996, died May 9, 2008

Louise Brown, a life member, died June 13, 2008

Hazel Puett

Edythe Perry

New Member:

Beverly Dyer, Broken Arrow, OK

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They are worth money to our society. Just remember to include the whole thing, especially the numbers below the lines. Bring or mail them to the library. Pauline will take it from there.



(Ed. This is a continuation of the story begun in the May issue of Kansas Kin)

Of course I knew how they must feel toward the Delawares, when so short a time ago so many of those same fellows had attempted to clean out White Turkey and his 12 followers, near where now is the town of Brittsville or Simpson in a fight, where the small band of Delawares, in a retreat from the divide to the south, to the Solomon River, in which the Delawares lost most of the pack ponies, furs, traps, etc., but they managed to get the Cheyenne Chief, his war bonnet, spear & shield, killed and wounded several of their ponies & they hoped, and believed a number of Cheyenne warriors either killed or wounded; and when we asked White Turkey just after they reached the River where we met the Delawares just after the fight, if they had secured the scalp of the dead chief; He explained, that from the time the Cheyennes made the attack out on the ridge, that there was from two to three hundred of them circling around and in front until the river was reached, that his party being so few, when close pressed were compelled to dismount, and by steadily advancing toward the river; shielding themselves with as many of their pack and saddle ponies as was in their power to keep with them, and the Delawares being armed with the old fashioned muzzle loading rifles, and some of them revolvers; while the Cheyennes mostly had bow and arrows, with only a verry few fire arms of poor quality, The Delawares who were known to be his best marksmen taking a shot when an opportunity offered, and the others keeping in readiness, they had no time to fool away getting scalp. One of the wounded Delawares died shortly after reaching his home, so we were afterward informed, and the Cheyennes informed us afterward that their Chief they burried on a hill not far from the mound where he was killed. Knowing as I now did, how much those Cheyennes would be delighted to get their clutches on a Delaware prisoner, made me feel mighty uncomfortable. I was right in the mist of a large number of their warriors, and apparently with no means of disproving the charge, of being a Delaware, and one after another the warriors now arriving from near the river passed by me with an unfriendly look. But as one young fellow in passing, with a puzzled look, came a few steps nearer, I thought him a full blood but was studying where I had before met him. He halted and in his strong nasal tone claimed Halloo! Dick is that you? To my pleasant surprise and good fortune, this was the halfbreed son of Col. Bent of Bents Ft., Col. the well known Indain trader, and his mother a full blood Cheyenne woman. His explanation to the Chiefs: that he had known me well for a long time, that he and Jack Smith used to visit with me, and eat at my camp, where I was in charge of a freighters stock, while Jack Smith was in charge of the government beef herds, above Ft. Lyon and I was sure enough white man.

This proved Good Medicine for me. Then after a little more talk from Graybeard to his people, they hastily mounted and moved away to the northward; while Graybeard, Bent and three other Cheyennes escorted us down to where I had left my pony and saddle. There the Old Chief informed us that the Sioux, Cheyennes, Arrapahoes, and Kikowas, had decided in Council to go upon the war path against the whites, that they had not yet heard from the Comanches, who were far to the south, but were expecting favorable news from them by runners at any time. Then telling us to go home, and come back no more into their country, saying that if his people should hereafter get the drop on us, that we might expect no mercy. And with this parting advice remounted after a hand shake and goodbye, they moved away to Northwest, while we feeling pretty well satisfied, moved slowly toward our camp at the mouth of Plum Creek below where the town or city of Beloit now is, and upon our final arrival at our camp, Keith stepping into view around a bend of timber and brush, was the happiest appearing fellow imaginable. Seeing that we had our six ponies, and were allright he said, "that was the longest six days and nights."

After making our trip to Leavenworth where we disposed of our furs to Lobenstein satisfactorily, we stocked up with provisions, ammunitions.

After traveling the next day until arriving near Hell Creek as it was then called and after passing many small herds of bulls we finally at some distance to Southwest seen a nice herd of cows, and Abe Boss was unanimously chosen as Captain, ordered a halt, and telling all hands to keep back out of sight until Dick and he should creep up and kill as many as possible. Then after jerking almost south for some distance we reached a ravine where we could walk erect and out of sight of the buffalo, until almost within gunshot, then while crawling a short distance across a ridge, we could see that most of our party was in plain sight on the high ground behind us, and upon my remark, that I had not expected that of our fellows! Abe laughingly replied that "we will have to get in our work pretty quick, or there will be noting left to shoot. I felt more like saying something than laughing, as even at that long distance on top of the ridge so distinctly they were outlined between us and the sky to the northeast that I feared that the buffalo would become alarmed. However wwe were soon within pretty close range, and each of us selected our unsuspecting victim, fired at the same time, and both cows being shot through the lungs, were soon stretched upon the grass. Soon the majority of the herd which had been so quietly feeding, some lieing down chewing their cud, came and assembled about those that lay in their death struggles, and with their peculiar utterance which was something like the grunt of a hog, but much louder and something harsher, they tramped around, and made quite a lively contract to the scene 1st presented. From this on it was a case of load and shoot as fast as possible almost every shot proveing fatal. Our main buisiness was to be sure and get the old cow, that slowly walked off a few rods from the excited herd then stop and looking back with tail erect, as much as to say, "come you cows, calves, and other young buffalo, and follow me at once out of this mysterious trouble." So by shooting down those leaders, we could often get almost the entire herd - - Of course you must understand that our rifles were the old muzzle loaders. Abe Bosses rifle weighed 16 lbs., mine was much lighter. They must be loaded while we were lieing nearly flat upon the

ground, that although the herd paid no attention to the report of our rifles, while excited over their dead and dying; still we always avoided exposing ourselves as much as possible. We soon had about 20 killed, and it was not long until we were joined by others of our party, and as nearly all were hunters of some experience we soon had a nice lot killed, and the remainder of those struck out briskly to the south toward the Smoky Hill River.

Then the work of skinning, and quartering, and preparing the meat for loading into our wagons began, and as the wind shifted to the north we started in at our best speed. Abe Boss and I began work together, and Mr. Wooden began with a cow, only a short distance away, after he had laid his blouse, bullet pouch, and rifle on the grass he stepped up to finish her with his butcher knife, as she was still struggling, but she managed to get on her feet and Wooden with butcher knife in one hand and steel in the other wheeled and ran, with better speed than we thought him capable of, and the crazy cow only a few jumps behind him, with her head lowered and looking as vicious as a snake. Now our "Sprinter" was verry awkwardly built, and it was said by one of our early settlers, who disliked Wooden, "If you were to hew him to a square, youd cut him in two, oftener than any d-d man that was ever seen.". Abe Boss (who was by far the best buffalo hunter that I have ever known), upon seeing the cow get on her feet grabbed up his gun and with a mighty lucky shot he stopped the race, so far as the cow was concerned, but poor Wooden leaning away forward, his arms flying, kept going, until hearing Boss roar with laughter, at his desperate but awkward movement, he verry abruptly quit the race.

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D. S. Rees

A Tale of Old Days 1855 in the Manhattan Area

Copied from the *Riley County Democrat* Oct. 13, 1916

by Sylvester C. Ekart

A tale of Manhattan the Kaw Valley in '55 was told in Manhattan last week by Sol Secrest, of Randolph who is more than 80 years old and a pioneer in this section of the country. In company with his brother Ed Secrest who also lives at Randolph now, Sol Secrest in 1855, started west to locate some land. A pack pony was purchased from an Indian camp near what was then Wyandotte, and is now Kansas City. The men journeyed west with their camp outfit until they reached Manhattan, which then contained six or seven shacks. Their next day's trip took them to Fort Riley, which was then only a collection of sheds. They went on up the Solomon Valley for a time and then turned about and started to return to Manhattan. They camped just above the present site of Ogden. When they rolled out of their blankets the next morning, their pack pony was gone. For two days they scoured the unsettled country between Manhattan and Fort Riley for the missing animal. Then they came on into Manhattan. There an old plainsman told them to return to their camp, fix a straight line from there to the Indian camp where they had purchased the pony and follow the line. He assured them that they would find the pony or his trail on that line. The men took the advice and followed the line and located the pony with his picket rope tangled in some brush, directly on the line. "I told you so" said the old plainsman. "An Indian pony when he gets loose will hit as straight for his home camp as a bird flies."

In Memoriam Louise Brown

Vera Louise Gibson Brown died June 13, 2008 in Manhattan, KS. Louise and her late husband Lee P. Brown were life members of the Riley County Genealogical Society.

They joined our society 36 years ago. During that time the Browns were loyal volunteers, she

serving as Corresponding Secretary and as our Tuesday librarian for 17 years. They were very involved in preparing the Platt House and moving our library from the Goodnow House Barn into our present home. Louise, with her pleasant smile and quiet manner was involved in her church, the Girl Scouts and several other organizations. Many will feel her loss

Only in Genealogy....

- Do people scream at unknown dead people.
- Do people get more headaches from dead people than from living people.
- Can one say "I find dead people" and not be locked up.
- Does someone with no children, and no plans to have any, have an internet folder full of baby name resources.
- Will someone decide, just before going to bed, to enter "just one more" search term, find some one who's been giving her fits, scream so loudly that the entire town can hear her, IM whichever of her "buddies" is online at the time, YELL at her when she isn't at the keyboard, and email a cousin, all because she found an ancestor who's been dead for 40 years!
- Do people wait in line and pay good money for a document that not only is over 100 years old, but has no bearing whatsoever on their own situation in life.
- Do people vacation in graveyards!
- Does one run head-first into a brick wall at full speed and willingly go back for more.
- Does one enjoy reading obituaries.
- Does one get excited about receiving a death certificate.

RCGS Acquisitions for May and June 2008

1. *Baptismal and Marriage Register of the Old Dutch Church of Kingston, Ulster County, NY 1660-1808*. Purchase- Exchange with Stagecoach Library
2. Boddie, John Bennett. *Southside VA Families, Vol 2*. Donated by Robert Westbrook
3. *Cherokee Agency Records in TN c 1801-* (microfilm). Donated by Dorothy Dickerhoof
4. *Crittenden County, KY Cemeteries, 2 volumes*. Purchase/exchange with Stagecoach Library
5. Elsberry, Elizabeth Prater. *Clay County, MO Cemetery Records, Vol 2*. Purchase from Stagecoach Library
6. Ekart, Sy, compiler. *Index to the Births, marriages, Deaths and Other Items Printed in the Manhattan Republic and Weekly Republic (5 January 1905- 29 December 1908)*. Donated by the author. In house publication #175.
7. Ekart, Sylvester, compiler. *Index to Marriages, Deaths and Other Items Printed in the St Mary's, KS Express (21 May 1880-20 January 1888), St Mary's Eagle (11 August 1895-31 January 31 1907) and St Mary's Eagle Journal (10 March 1910-1 February 1912)*. Donated by the compiler. In house publication #176.
8. Ekart, Sy. *Index to Births, Marriages, Deaths and Other Items Printed in the Manhattan Republic 5 January 1909-28 December 1911*. Donated by the compiler. In house publication #177.
9. Ekart, Sylvester. *Peter Peak and Elizabeth Haynor Peak Family of Riley and Pottawatomie Counties*. Donated by the author.
10. Ekart, Sylvester, researcher and compiler. *St Patrick's on the Elbo, Pottawatomie County, KS*. Donated by the author.
11. Hoerner, Bonnie Jean. *Pioneering on Route 66 and Beyond.: The Story of Evangeline Hoerner McCoy*.
(Story begins with the history of four family lines-Strong, Baxter, Hensel and Horner-documenting their immigration to the US and subsequent settlement in rural KS. It is the story of one woman's journey with her family, from 1917 in Manhattan KS to life on Route 66 in the Mojave Desert to the San Fernando Valley in Southern California back to the Flint Hills of Wabaunsee County, KS to the present)
12. Hodges, Nadine and Mrs Howard Woodruff. *Genealogical Notes from the Liberty Tribune 1846-1858, published at Liberty, Clay County, MO , 2 volumes (reprint 1975)*. Purchase from Stagecoach Library
13. *Index to Osage County, KS Divorces 1861-1952*. Purchase.
14. *Index to Osage County, KS Probate Records*. Purchase
15. *Index to Osage County, KS Criminal Records, vol 1, 1861-1899*. Purchase
16. Ingmire, Mrs Frances Terry, compiler. *Hamilton County, IN Will book "B" 1835-1844*. exchange with Stagecoach Library
17. Mayhill, R. Thomas, compiler. *Cemetery Records of Greensboro Township and Harrison Township, Henry County, IN*. Exchange-Purchase with Stagecoach Library.
18. Mills, Elizabeth Shown. *Evidence Explained: Citing History Sources from Artifacts and Cyberspace*. Purchase. Memorial to RCGS Deceased Members 2007.
19. Riley County Genealogical Society. *Pioneers of the Bluestem Prairie Full Name Index*. In house publication
20. Rothenbreger, Von, compiler. *Osborne Co, KS Burials 1866-2000*, Purchase
21. Ruetti, Oretha *It Happened Here: Stories from Marshall County, KS* Purchase (Memorial

- Book for Alice Sanborn. \$25 contributed by Polly Ogden DAR for this book)
22. Smith, Patricia Douglass and Katherine Kelley Powell. *Finney County, KS Will Abstracts 1885-1922 (Will Books A-D)*. Purchase/
 23. Smith, Patricia Douglass and Katherine Kelley Powell. *Finney County, Ks Obituaries and Death Notices 1879-1911*. Purchase
 24. *Smith County, KS Early Businesses and Settlers*. Donated by Linda Fetters.
 25. *Smith County, KS Souvenir: Directions (Smith County Old Settlers Homecoming Assn, Smith Centre, KS Sept 25-26, 1912)*. Donated by Linda Fetters

The Peter and Elizabeth Haynors Peak Family

Researched by: Sylvester C. Ekart

INTRODUCTION: P. Peak and family are mentioned on page 426 of *Pioneers of the Bluestem Prairie*, Riley County Genealogical Society, 1976. That researched material was prepared for the publication as little was known locally about the family.

While researching a publication about the St. Patrick's Church and Cemetery, Elbo Community, Pottawatomie County, Kansas and the life of the individuals buried there, additional information has been located about the Peak family.

The Peter and Elizabeth Haynors Peak family consisted of sons (1) Mathias, (2) Peter, (3) August, (4) Frank, (5) John and (6) Lawrence and daughter (7) Elizabeth. The Peak family came to America and Missouri from Prussia/Germany in the early 1840s. Three of Peter and Elizabeth's family members served during the War of the Rebellion (Civil War). Peter was killed near Boonville and Mathias and August survived as did Elizabeth's husband Bernard Youngkamp.

The Peak family came to Kansas from Clear Creek Township, Cooper County, Missouri. They came shortly after the Civil War in 1865 to the Moehlman Bottom area of Manhattan Township, Riley County. Some records state that they came in 1864. The family members who came to Riley County in 1864/65 were Peter his wife Elizabeth and his sons Frank, John and Lawrence.

Also in 1864/65 came Mathias Peak, son of Peter and Elizabeth, with his 2nd wife Christina and his sons Peter, Joseph and August. It should be noted that Mathias Peak has two sons named August, the 1st August died in 1866. August Peak, brother of Mathias and son of Peter and Elizabeth came in March 1865. Peter and Elizabeth and likely John A., Frank and Lawrence returned to Boone County, Missouri in 1870 or before, as Peter Peak died there in 1870 and was buried in St. John's Cemetery, Pilot Grove. Shortly after Peter's death the family returned to Kansas. This time they settled in the Blue and St. George Townships areas of Pottawatomie County, known locally as the Swamp Angel area, however the family was most closely associated with the Elbo Community and later with Manhattan. In 1876 Elizabeth Peak, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Peak came with her husband John Bernard Youngkamp and children to Blue Township.

Mathias Peak was a blacksmith by profession, however he was also known as a farmer, stockman, saloon keeper, auctioneer, and business man. August Peak was a blacksmith by profession, but was also known as a saloon keeper and builder and especially as the owner of Peak's Hall. Frank Peak was primarily known as a farmer and stockman. John A. Peak was known as a farmer, stockman and he later owned a farm implements store in Manhattan. Lawrence Peak was known as a farmer stockman. Elizabeth Peak Youngkamp and her husband were primarily known as farmers and stock-raisers.

The family played an important part in the early building of Manhattan and with the completion of the Peak's Hall on Houston Street that building provided a place for many social and political events

for the community. They were also much involved in the early conflicts between temperance and the open sale of liquor. Mathias Peak's son William P. was shot and killed at a temperance meeting in 1879 at the Christian Church in Manhattan. Mathias Peak's son John H. Peak was an important contractor and builder in the community as well as owner of a taxi service. The entire family, but particularly Mathias was much involved in the establishment of the Roman Catholic churches in Manhattan and at the Elbo. 2nd generation members of the family were much involved in the grocery business in Manhattan.

[1] Mathias Peak was born on 18 March 1835 in Rie Priesse, St. Wenten, Germany, he died on 25 December 1909 at Manhattan, Riley County, Kansas, he is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo Community, Pottawatomie County, Kansas. He was married (1) on 1 July 1856 in Cooper County, Missouri to Gertrude Sommer who was born in Illinois. They were the parents of Peter William Peak and Joseph Peak both born in Missouri. Peter Peak who was born in 1857 in Missouri and know as Willie or Will, was shot and killed in 1879 at the Christian Church in Manhattan, he is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo Community. Joseph Peak's whereabouts after about 1880 is unknown; he was living in the area in 1880, but was not listed as surviving in his father's obituary of 1909.

Mathias Peak was a lieutenant in Company A of the 5th Missouri Cavalry, he served in the same unit with his brother-in-law Bernard John Youngkamp.

On 11 June 1862 Mathias was married (2) to Christiana Felton, an assumed widow, who was born 18 April 1835 in Germany, she died on 6 Oct. 1926, in Manhattan, she is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo Community. Christina brought to her marriage with Mathias, a son named Joseph J. Felton. Mathias and Christina had 4 children, (a) August Peak 1863-1866 who is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo; (b) Rosie Peak 1865-1867 who is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo; (c) August Peak born 30 December 1868 died 17 November 1948 at San Diego, California and is buried there, he married Bettie Brimer who was born on 16 March 1871 in Tennessee, she died on 13 May 1956 at San Diego and was buried there and (d) John H. Peak who was born on 12 December 1870 at St. Marys, Pottawatomie County, Kansas, he died on 31 Oct. 1956 at Manhattan, he is buried in Sunset Cemetery, Manhattan, he married Bertha Ellen Everett who was born on 26 March 1888 at Industry, Dickinson County, Kansas, she died on 14 July 1974 in Canon City, Colorado, she is buried in Sunset Cemetery, Manhattan.

(2) Peter Peak was born on 18 November 1836 in Prussia, he died on 9 Oct. 1864 during a Civil War battle near Boonville, Missouri, he is buried in St. John's Cemetery, Pilots Grove, Cooper County, Missouri; he was married on 15 May 1862 to Catherine Keck. Peter and Catherine had two daughters (a) Elizabeth Peak who married George Gross on 15 April 1858 and (b) Mary Peak a Catholic nun known as Sister Mary Maura who taught school in Conception, Missouri. After Peter's death Catherine Keck Peak married Bernard Horst to this union was born 5 children.

(3) August A. Peak was born on 7 March 1842 at Pilots Grove, Cooper County, Missouri, he married (1) on 31 January 1869 at Flush, Pottawatomie County, Kansas Margaret Reibenspies who was born in 1849 in A/M Berg, Bohemia, Austria, she died on 5 September 1879 at Manhattan and is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo Community. Margaret was the daughter of John Reibenspies and Margaretha Stoeber Reibenspies. August and Margaret Reibenspies Peak were the parents of six children (a) Rosa Peak married J. E. Drury, (b) Frank J. Peak, (c) Elizabeth Peak 1875-1937 married William F. Rosencutter, (d) William S. Peak 1875-1897, (e) Matthew "Matt" Peak 1876-1906 and (f) John A. Peak 1877-1921.

On 1 June 1880 August Peak was married (2) at St. Patrick's Church, Elbo to Anna Tauer who was born on 4 July 1862 in A/M Berg, Bohemia, Austria, she died on 20 April 1929 at Wichita, Sedgwick County, Kansas; she is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Flush, Pottawatomie County, Kansas. Anna

Tauer was the daughter of Joseph and Rosalia Reibenspies Tauer. August and Anna were the parents of two sons (a) August M. Peak born 1882 and died 5 June 1904 at Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas, he is buried in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Flush and (b) Joseph Peak who was born in 1883 and lived in Florida.

(4) Elizabeth Peak was born on 20 June 1846 at Boonville, Cooper County, Missouri; she died on 29 January 1916, at Manhattan, she is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo Community, she was married on 15 February 1865 in Missouri to John Bernard Youngkamp, Senior who was born on 27 December 1837/9 in Alsace Lorraine, Germany, he died on 21 Oct. 1911 at Manhattan; he is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo Community. John Bernard and Elizabeth Peak Youngkamp were the parents of six children (a) an unknown child, (b) an unknown child, (c) Frank Henry Youngkamp born 26 December 1869 at Pilots Grove, Missouri died 10 July 1920, buried St. Patrick Cemetery, Elbo, he married on 25 January 1899, in St. Patrick's Church, Elbo, Elizabeth Sylvia Pearl Nealis born 9 March 1874 she died on 16 March 1938, buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo, (d) Joseph J. Youngkamp born on 14 January 1866, at Pilots Grove, Missouri, he died on 9 November 1931, at St. Marys, Pottawatomie County, Kansas, buried Mt. Calvary Cemetery, St. Marys, Kansas, he married in February 1891 Mary Magdalene Whitehurst who was born in 1872 at Boonville, Missouri, she died on 2 August 1932 at St. Marys, she is buried in Mt. Calvary Cemetery, St. Marys, (e) Elizabeth Margaret Youngkamp was born on 11 Oct. 1874 at Pilots Grove, Missouri, she died on 21 March 1913 at St. Marys, Kansas, she is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo Community, she was married on 16 February 1895 in St. Patrick's Church, Elbo to Julius Immenschuh who was born on 11 Oct. 1869 at Flush, Pottawatomie County, Kansas, he died on 3 March 1950 at St. Marys, Kansas, he is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo. Julius Immenschuh was the son of Philip Jacob and Gertrude Repp Immenschuh and (f) John Bernard Youngkamp, Junior was born in 1881 in Blue Township, Pottawatomie County, Kansas, he died on 5 November 1950, he is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo, he was married on 4 May 1911 at St. Louis, Missouri to Laura C. Cleary who was born on 7 January 1890, she died on 5 July 1913, she is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo.

(5) John A. Peak was born in 1847 in Cooper County, Missouri, he died on 1 September 1905, at Lawton Oklahoma, he is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo, he married Elizabeth who was born in 1850 in Missouri, she died on 5 August 1910, at Lawton; she is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo.

(6) Frank A. Peak was born on 15 September 1851 in Missouri, he died on 4 May 1918, at Manhattan, he is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo, he was married on 10 March 1872, at Flush, Pottawatomie County, Kansas to Plina Shane who was born on 10 November 1853, she died on 2 November 1926 at Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas; she is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo.

(7) Lawrence Peak was born in 1853 in Cooper County, Missouri, he died on 20 Oct. 1925, he is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo, he was married on 15 August 1879 in St. Patrick's Church, Elbo to Ellen M. Mooney who was born in 1856 she died on 3 May 1920 at Manhattan, she is buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo.

Andrew G. Anderson Killed in 1911 While Rocking the Walls of a Well in Deep Creek Community

Sylvester C. Ekart

"I suppose it is generally known that Andy Anderson, the stone mason, was killed last Wednesday, while working in Mr. Ed Pillsbury's well. It seems that the machinery that was used in removing the earth and lowering stone was unsafe and that a bolt gave way, thereby precipitating the bucket very rapidly into the well which was forty-five feet deep, striking Mr. Anderson on the forehead as he was

warned it was coming and looked up to see which way to dodge. His skull was fractured, and he never spoke after he was hurt. The accident occurred at 4 p.m. and he died at the midnight following. Mr. Anderson was a good Christian man, a thorough workman, and his death casts a gloom overall. It was such a terrible shock. His family will not be forgotten by any means. Over one hundred dollars has already been raised for them, and the paper is still being circulated [4].

Mrs. Anna C. Anderson 60 years old, died at 1:30 o'clock yesterday of a complication of troubles. She had only been seriously ill a short time. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning from the home of Ned Howe, 718 Osage Street. Interment will be in Deep Creek Cemetery. Mrs. Anderson was born in Sweden. She came to America with her husband 44 years ago. She is survived by six children, Mrs. Jennie Kissel of Ganado, Texas, Mrs. Mary McCormick of Zeandale; Mrs. Ned Howe of Manhattan; Mrs. Emma Sterrett of Manhattan; Alfred Anderson and Edward Anderson, both of this city. Mrs. Anderson was well known and much beloved by all who knew her [6].

Andrew G. Anderson was born on 15 August 1838; he died on 24 March 1887 he was married to Anna C. Lundquist who was born on 11 November 1850; she died on 21 April 1911. They were both born in Sweden and married there; they came to Kansas in 1868. They are both buried in the Deep Creek Cemetery. Their children were (1) Jennie Bell Anderson 1869-1964 married Joseph Franklin Kissel 1865-1940, (2) Alfred Anderson 1875-1963 married Lucy Parker 1875-1968, (3) Mary Anna Anderson 1872-1950 married Henry Valstene McCormick 1848, (4) Ida Anderson 1882-1904 never married (5) William Edward Anderson 1878-1930 married Ida Parsons 1862-1933, (6) Emma Anderson 1881-1966 married Orley Sterrett 1872-1946 and (7) Ella Mae Anderson 1885-1970 married Clarence Edward Howe 1883 [1].

Alfred Anderson was the father of Joseph Earl Anderson and Paul Raymond Anderson. Joseph Earl married Cecelia Barbara Carlson; he was a

longtime Manhattan grocery man who died in 1996 in Manhattan [4]. Paul Raymond married Mildred Rose Repp; he was a longtime hardware and plumbing service and sales dealer in Manhattan who died in 1993 in Manhattan. Joseph, Cecelia, Paul and Mildred are buried in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Elbo Community. Joseph Earl Anderson lived on Pierre Street across from my parents who lived on South Manhattan Avenue. Cecelia Carlson Anderson was a 1st cousin of my father Clarence Ekart. Mildred Rose Repp Anderson was a cousin of my mother Genevieve Umscheid Ekart [3]. Paul and Mildred's sons were Boy Scouts in Troop 72 at the time I was scoutmaster of that troop. In the early 1990's, the author of this article in company of and at the request of Joseph Earl and Cecelia Anderson visited the cemetery in which Joseph's grandparents are buried and at that time Joseph related the story of his grandfather Andrew's death [2].

[1] Anna M. Anderson Parks, 1977.

[2] Personal communication with Joseph Earl Anderson grandson of Andrew G. Anderson, 1996.

[3] Repp Family History.

[4] Eckart, Eckert, Ekart Family History.

[5] Manhattan Republic, 31 March 1887.

[6] Manhattan Nationalist, 27 April 1911.

**Saint Marys Township, Pottawatomie
County, Kansas, Teacher for the Year, 1909**
Copied from the *Saint Marys Eagle Journal* July 22,
1909. by Sylvester C. Ekart.

All of the school boards in this township have secured their teachers for the coming term and each school is supplied with a St. Marys teacher. Miss Nettie Farrell will teach again in the Downing School, District Joint 9, southeast of the city; Miss Rose Passman will have the stone schoolhouse, District 87, north of the city, where she taught last year; Miss Sophia Pfitzemair will teach the Ryan School, District 68, west of the city and Miss Lucy Stephenson will be the teacher in the Stewart School, District 110. Miss Julia sage has been engaged for the Stony Pint School near Delia in Washington Township, while Miss Flossie Johnson will return to her last year's school over

in Kaw Township and Miss Nora Downing will teach the James School in Rossville Township.

St Marys Twnshp, Pottawatomie Co., KS Persons Over 75 Years of Age in 1907

Copied from the Saint Mary Eagle July 4, 1907.

by Sylvester C. Ekart.

Aubert, Adelene 84	Aylward, John 76
Berry, M. Mrs. 80	Berry Paul 85
Beseau, Adelene 80	Beseau, Joseph 83
Carlson, August 79	Conlan, Peter, Senior 82
Figure, M. Mrs. 77	Fitzgerald, Bridget 90
Floersch, Mathias, Sr 76	Goodall, Carrie 100.
Graff, John 80	Hoover, David 77
Hyett, Margaret 81	Martell, Sophia 87
Meyer, Herman 78	Muller, J. A. 75.
Mulvey, Mike 79	Pessemeier, Charles 83
Riley, Mary 75	Ryan, Ellen 78
Scheloske, Joseph 76	Scheloske, Mary 76
Siebert, Casper 79	Wilson, Zoe Mrs. 79

The Oldest Persons Living in St. Marys Township, Pottawatomie County, Kansas in 1897

Copied from the Saint Marys Eagle June 3, 1897.

by Sylvester C. Ekart.

Angle, Lloyd 83	Angle, Lloyd Mrs. 68
Bertrand, Adelaide Mrs. 79	Clark, Margaret 75
Connor, Sarah 89	Dimler, Dorothy 73
Eskridge, Jordan 85	Fitzgerald, Bridget 78
Folkes, M. 83	Francis E. 75.
Hammer, Anton, 88	Morrissey, Martin 76
Morrissey, Martin Mrs. 73	Oldham, NFN Mr. 70
Oldham, NFN Mrs. 70	O'Rourke, B. 86
Palmer Amelia 80	Sage, Edmund 76
Sage, Edmund Mrs. 70	Shuler, Henry 78
Shuler, Henry Mrs. 70	Verschelden, August 73
Verschelden, August Mrs. 67	Wallace, Henry 75
Wallace, Henry Mrs. 70	

Pottawatomie Co., KS, Individuals Certified to Teach for the Year 1897

Copied from the Saint Mary Eagle, July 22, 1897.

Aronson, Hannah, 3rd grade, Olsburg.
Atkinson, Maggie, 2nd grade, Broderick.
Barrett, E. P. 1st grade, Wamego.

Boies, Belle Mrs., 3rd grade, Westmoreland.
Boies, Isaac, 2nd grade, Westmoreland.
Campbell, Isla R., 2nd grade, Wamego.
Campbell, Lulu, 3rd grade, Wheaton.
Chadwick, Nellie, 3rd grade, Wamego.
Comfort, L. L., 1st grade, Westmoreland.
Corlett, Edia, 2nd grade, Wamego.
Dayhoff, Belle, 2nd grade, Louisville.
Esdon, Hattie, 3rd grade, Olsburg.
Fenn, Minnie, 2nd grade, Olsburg.
Fischer, Lillie, 3rd grade, Neuchatel.
Griswold, Walter S., 2nd grade, Wamego.
Hall, Iza, 3rd grade, Louisville.
Hall, Katherine, 3rd grade, Louisville.
Hayes, Nora, 3rd grade, Manhattan.
Higinbotham, E. L., 2nd grade, Westmoreland.
Kahill, Katie, 3rd grade, St. Marys.
Klingensmith, Pearl, 2nd grade, Broderick.
Leach, Nellie, 2nd grade, Wamego.
McCoy, Violet B. Mrs., 3rd grade, Rossville.
Miracle, Maggie E., 3rd grade, Wamego.
Morgan, Grace, 3rd grade, Havensville.
Moriarty, Agnes, 2nd grade, Louisville.
Mosher, Gertie, 3rd grade, Blaine.
Murphy, Lizzie, 2nd grade, Blaine.
O'Daniel, Nannie Mrs., 2nd grade, Westmoreland.
Page, Anna M., 3rd grade, St. Marys.
Peterson, Emma, 3rd grade, Cleburne.
Pitcher, A. D., 3rd grade, Havensville.
Prior, Mary F., 3rd grade, St. Marys.
Rairdon, W. C. 3rd grade, Havensville.
Shaffer, Clyde, 3rd grade, Wamego.
Shove, Katie, 3rd grade, Havensville.
Signor, Harvey, 2nd grade, Myers Valley.
Smick, K. L. Mrs. 2nd grade, Wamego.
Smith, Blanche, 3rd grade, St. Cleré.
Stout, Alfred, 3rd grade, Wheaton.
Strite, Daisy M. 2nd grade, Garrison.
Sullivan, Annie, 3rd grade, Louisville.
Tatman, Stella Mrs. 2nd grade, Manhattan.
Taylor, Maggie, 2nd grade, Westmoreland.
Taylor Maggie E., 3rd grade, Onaga.
Tibbetts, Addie, 2nd grade, Myers Valley.
Tibbetts, Grace, 3rd grade, Myers Valley.
Timmons, Allie, 3rd grade, Wamego.

Toothaker, Archie, 2nd grade, Wheaton.
 Toothaker, Ira, 3rd grade, Wamego.
 Tunison, Edith, 2nd grade, Wheaton.
 Wederbrook, Sue, 2nd grade, Wheaton.
 Whims, N. M., 3rd grade, Westmoreland.
 Witter, Eva, 2nd grade, Westmoreland.
 Wood, F. F., 2nd grade, Wamego.
 Wreath, Maggie, 2nd grade, Olsburg.

Pottawatomie County Township Trustees Meet for the Year 1896

Copied from the Saint Marys Semi-Weekly Eagle

March 6, 1896. by Sylvester C. Ekart.

Area, G. B., Pottawatomie Township.
 Bigelow, R. L., Grant Township.
 Brannon, Edwin, St. Clere.
 Crnahan, J. F., Green Township.
 Costello, Martin, Lone Tree Township.
 Dempsey, Charles, Blue Township.
 Dunn, George, Emmett Township.
 Grossnickle, Wm., Sherman Township.
 Heisler, H. F., St. Marys Township.
 Hooper, Frank, Belvue Township.
 Krames, H. R., Mill Creek.
 Leland, G. A., Wamego.
 Malone, G. J., Vienna Township.
 Page, J. W., Lincoln Township.
 Plummer, J. H., Rock Creek Township.
 Reed, A. H., Spring Creek Township.
 Regnier, E. N., Union Township.
 Scheel, Wm., Center Township.
 Schurr, R., St. George Township.
 Sheanan, John, Clear Creek Township.
 Stauffer, C. C., Shannon Township.

Charles Dempsey of Blue Township was elected Chairman and J. H. Plummer of Rock Creek Township was elected Secretary. G. B. Area, E. N. Regnier, H. R. Krames G. A. Leland and S. Huey were nominated to arrange a schedule for taxation purposes

Some Early St. Marys, Kansas History

from the Saint Marys Semi-Weekly Eagle, July 31, 1896.

by Sylvester C. Ekart

The 1st white child born in St. Marys was Hunter Kinsey in 1848 and the next was F. X. Palmer. The 1st log house built was erected by the Jesuit

Fathers in 1848 on the college grounds. The 1st private house built was erected by J. H. Bertrand, Senior on the hill where B. C. Mitchner now lives. The town was laid out by B. H. Bertrand, August 8, 1866, and the 1st addition platted thereto September 120, 1869 by L. R. Palmer, B. H. Bertrand and H. C. Linn. The 1st hotel was kept by Mrs. Eliza Bertrand and was located near the present college grounds. The 1st store was started in 1853 by a Frenchman by the name of Reubandile in a building on the agency grounds near where I. P. McAloon now resides. The 1st frame house built was erected by Mrs. A. P. Bertrand where she now lives. The 1st saw mill was brought to the country by Frank Bourbonnais, Senior. The 1st public school building was erected in 1868 on the sight of the present school building. The 1st teacher in the public school was N. W. Reddick. The 1st election held in Pottawatomie County was held at St. Marys to elect a member of the Legislature, E. P. McCartney received 7 votes to his opponent's 3. The 1st ferry was operated by H. C. Line and others. The 1st station agent was D. F. Easton. The 1st bank was opened by O. LeRoy Sedgwick. The 1st store in the new town was run by George Birer. The 1st suicide was in 1871 and was committed in a little building used as shoe shop that stood just north of the site of the present depot, the building is the one recently occupied by Dennis Lynch and wife, now deceased. The 1st newspaper was called the Star and was established about 1870. A post office was established in St. Marys with E. G. Booth as postmaster in 1854. The 1st steamboat to pass St. Marys on its way up the Kaw to Fort Riley was the "Excel." The 1st Indian agent was Luke Lea of Mississippi. Among the oldest white inhabitants now living who were here prior to 1860 are Brother Patten, Society of Jesus of the college, Mrs. Adalaid P. Bertrand, Mrs. Amelia E. Palmer, Mrs. Zoa Wilson, Mrs. Emma J. Bertrand, W. H. True, James Graham and Bernard Bertrand. The 1st city officers were elected in 1871, as follows: Mayor, Alva Higbee; police judge, Basil Hagan; councilmen, Michael Ward, George Siegwad, Owen McCarthy, J. F. Jenner and P. H. McHale;

treasurer, Owen McCartney; city attorney, John T. Bradley; city marshals, E. A. Bowers and J. L. Brown and city clerk John McAnerny. The 1st ordinance passed creating the office of city attorney, passed the council May 1871 and published in the Pottawatomie Independent May 13, 1871. the 1st bill allowed by city council was a bill of J. W. Fox for printing ordinance etc., \$59.89, allowed May 25, 1871.

Old Settlers Day 1910

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by Sylvester Ekart

Yesterday was Old Settlers day at the Grange and it was remarkable in that there were fifty people present sitting in a group by themselves, who came in to Kansas in 1860 or previous, that is, during the days when Kansas was a territory. In 1854, Emma Bisbey Smith came to Wabaunsee. In 1855 J. L. Soupene, Pollard Carnahan and A. U. Mussey came to Pottawatomie County; Stephen Barnes came to Eureka Valley, John W. Pipher came to New Boston (Manhattan), Amanda Arnold, Mrs. Mary McCurdy McDonald, Mrs. Helen McCurdy Akin, A. Browning, Mrs. A. Browning, Mrs. Jennie Mails Orr and Harriet Parkerson came to Manhattan. In 1856, J. M. Kimball, R. H. Kimball, James Allingham, Mrs. Margaret Allingham Tennant, Mrs. Helen Beebe Barnes came to Manhattan. Emma Haines Bowen of Zeandale, Ida O'Rourke Dye born in Kansas, Solomon Secrest of Randolph, Mrs. Mary Red Sargent of Riley; A. J. Whitford of Topeka and Mrs. Anna Warner Fay of Eureka Valley. In 1857, John Tennant, Charles Waring, Mrs. P. Inghraham and Mrs. Mary Hardy Rehfeld came to Manhattan; John Warner of Stockdale, William Knipe of Holton, George W. Martin of Douglas County, W. W. Emmons of St. George and Chas S. Powers born in Kansas. In 1858, Mrs. E. H. Strong came to Manhattan, Mrs. C. A. Pound of Brown County, William Stewart of Zeandale and Mrs. Flora Ingraham Allen born in Kansas. In 1859, Charles Rehfeld and Mrs. Anna Himes Nider came to Manhattan and O. T. Dix of Ashland. In 1860, Mrs. Jane G. Foster and Mrs. Mary Foster Greeley of Ashland, William Griffing, Mrs. Annie Barnes Inskeep and Mrs. Abbie Browning Whitney born in Kansas; Mrs. R. B. Sarber and Mrs. Mary Carlton Allingham came to Manhattan.

Report of the Riley Centre School

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by Sylvester Ekart

Adams, Charles 96	Craig, Anna 95
Craig, Looker 90	Craig, Sherman 89
Haddon, Johnny 94	Haddon, Lydia 98
Hair, Absolom 96	Hassebroek, Henry 86
Hassebroek, Minnie 94	Hassebroek, Willie 90
Heiner, John 95	Knapp Cyrus 99
Knapp Howard 96	Knapp Nellie 100
Knapp Laura 95	Knapp, Sidney 99
Nixon, James 100	Popejoy, Ernest 94
Popejoy, Henry 94	Rentz, John 95
Soar, John 92	Soar, Marion 88
Southwick, James 100	Wieble, Adam 98

School closes Mar 1st and will commence Mar 18th, I. E. Parish, Teacher.

Report of May Day School, Fall Term

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by Sylvester Ekart

Auckland, Katie 97	Auckland, Millie 93
Davidson, Amanda 93	Davidson, Martha 93
Davidson, Mary 93	Dicks, Annie 92
Dicks, Cora 93	Droll, Albert 95
Droll, Emma 94	Droll, George 95
Droll, Louie 93	Edgerton, Nellie 95
Edgerton, Will 94	Frankenfield Della 84
Gridley, Effie 99	Noble, Bettie 93
Noble, Eliza 89	Pickett, Albert 95
Powell, Rena 95	Smullin, Martha 92
Stephens, John 88	Swartz, Albert 92
Swartz, Fred 94	Swartz, Louiza 93
Swartz, Minnie 94	Willie, L. 80

Humphrey, L. E., Teacher.

List of Individuals Buried in Sunset Hill Cemetery, 1910

Copied from the *Manhattan Republic* Jan. 5, 1911

by Sylvester C. Ekart,

Clyde Nelson Pitman, age 24, pneumonia, Jan. 10.
 Mrs. Anna Elizabeth Towers, age 66, ulceration of bowels, Jan. 10.
 P. W. Zeigler, age 81, pneumonia, Jan. 10.
 Mary E. Morris, age 42, cancer of stomach, Jan. 11.
 Wylie Keele, age 77, dropsy, Jan. 12.
 C. E. Steward infant, weakness, Jan. 25.
 Wm. F. Epling inf., premature, weakness, Jan. 31.
 Wm. Stewart infant, age 7 weeks, brain fever, Feb. 14.
 H. C. Jenkins infant weakness, Feb. 22.
 Roxy Elgina Chamberlain, weakness, Feb. 28.
 Caroline Parkerson, age 87, heart failure, Mar 3.

Mary Ellen Bayles, age 55 , pneumonia, Mar. 4.
 John Elliot, age 77 , heart disease, Mar 7.
 Joseph Stewart infant, age 4 days, Mar 10.
 John N. Limbocker, age 79, heart failure, Mar 15.
 Grover Keefer, age 22 , dropsy, Mar 17.
 George W. Harrop, 61 , neuralgia of heart, Mar 20.
 Nathan Davis inf., age 5 days, weakness, Mar 21.
 Mrs. C. F. Briggs, Mar 21.
 Elizabeth Ann Smith, age 70 , cancer, Mar 27.
 Ruth Conley Swanson, 6 mo., pneumonia, Apr. 9.
 Della F. Patterson, age 75 , heart failure, Apr. 18.
 H. E. Best infant, Apr. 17.
 Silas Cooper infant, age 30 hours, premature birth, Apr. 24.
 Mrs. Sarah Heck, age 80, bowel trouble, Apr. 24.
 R. C. Walter, Apr. 25.
 Frances June Canary, age 12 yrs. and 10 mo., bowel trouble, Apr. 28.
 Thomas McCammon, age 59 , paralysis, May 2.
 Robert Emmett Williams 40, accident.injury, May 12.
 W. J. Griffing, age 49 , pneumonia, May 20.
 James Ellery Morris, age 53 , apoplexy May 22.
 Mary Ann Hood, age 73 , paralysis, May 27.
 Rachel Coffman, age 47 , cancer, May 31.
 Anna Peterson, age 64 , cancer, June 17.
 F. C. Nicholson, 32 , congestion of lungs, June 24.
 M. V. Dunn, age 3, paralysis, July 27.
 George O. Parker, age 39, apoplexy, July 30.
 Charles Rehfeld, age 66, gunshot suicide, Aug. 6.
 Mrs. John E. Hessin, age more than 40, heart failure, Aug. 8.
 Charles Peak, age 29, accidental explosion, Aug. 18.
 T. D. Oberlin, age 50, Aug. 18.
 Inez A. Lewis, age 22, bowel and liver complaint, Aug. 21.
 Benjamin Campbell, age 14, heart disease, Aug. 23.
 M. L. Hull, age 77 , heart disease, Aug. 15.
 Lucy Knight, age 44 , diabetes, Sept. 2.
 Elmer M. Woodruff, age 5 , nervousness, Sept. 2.
 Carl Ewing age 4 yrs, 4 mo., scarlet fever, Sept. 14.
 Jefferson D. Brown, age 68, heart trouble, Sept. 17.
 James Stagg, age 69 , bowel trouble, Oct. 10.
 Irene Conkwright, age 4 and 10 months, membranous croup, Oct. 17.
 C. V. Holsinger infant, age 12 days, hemorrhage, Oct. 24.
 Minnie A. Spohr, age 37 , consumption, Nov. 5.
 John Foreman, age 80 , old age, Nov. 5.
 Henrietta Whitmer, age 3 yrs and 9 mo., blood poison, Nov. 12.
 R. Loren, age 55 , cancer, Nov. 14.
 Frank L. Grimm, age 29, laudanum poisoning, Nov. 15.
 Clara M. Westgate, age 58, heart disease, Nov. 25.
 Scott Long infant, weakness, Dec. 8.

Calvin Orris, age 68 , cancer, Dec. 20.
 Mrs. Vilander Matson, 52 , stomach trouble, Dec. 24.

Burials in the Manhattan Cemetery, 1909

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Victor Carlton, rheumatism, age 8 .
 Eli Ewing, uremic poisoning, age 47 .
 John Burtis, Bright's disease.
 Juno Collins, colored, kidney disease, age 73 .
 Forrest Platt, railroad accident, age 17 .
 Thad White, apoplexy, age 46 .
 Wade R. Utterbach, lung trouble, age 3 months.
 Harvey Marshall, la grippe, age 73 .
 Florence Kellogg, chronic spinal trouble, age 58
 Mary Rader, paralysis, age 88 .
 Mrs. Harvey Marshall, old age, age 78 .
 George R. White, apoplexy, age 59 .
 Leonard L. Johnson, spinal meningitis, age 7 .
 Charles Deiber, pneumonia, age 8 months.
 Abbie J. Billings, paralysis, age 86 .
 Margaretta Dion, measles, age 15 .
 Sally Wesley, colored, rheumatism, age 40 .
 Mary Ann Sharp, paralysis, age 80 .
 Achsa Gillett, apoplexy, age 80 .
 Seymour D. Moses, heart disease, age 81 .
 Anna Horsford, burned in a fire at Kans City, 38
 Harrison H. Salvage, la grippe, age 95 .
 Wm. Prestwood, pneumonia, age 6 months.
 Marcilla Johnston, paralysis, age 49 .
 Elijah Green, heart failure, age 70 .
 Hiram Campbell, heart disease, age 62 .
 Mrs. Margaret Campbell, heart disease, age 61 .
 Albert L. Stoddard, heart trouble, age 48 .
 Otto Koeberle, suicide, age 38 .
 Presley Evan, consumption, age 26 .
 Gladys Irish, drowned accidentally, age 19 .
 Walter Gibbs, caved-in-ditch, age 31 .
 William Gist, stomach trouble, age 55 .
 Charles Evans, stomach trouble, age 77 .
 James Butler, whooping cough, age 2 1/2 .
 Zana A. Jenkins, rheumatism, age 55 .
 James McMillan, heart disease, age 62 .
 Mrs. Loretta Evans, cancer, age 50 .
 Cyrus Foltz, heart failure, age 76 .
 David Evans, heart disease, age 53 .
 Clarence Tudor, cholera infantum, age 4 .
 Pinckney Hines, weakness, age 3 months.
 Frank Mitchell, colored, blood poison, age 24 .
 Henrietta Stauffer, heart disease, age 22 .
 Heinrich Steg, old age, age 72 .
 Martha Rose, old age, age 82 .
 Charlotte Little, pleurisy, age 66 .
 Harry Mays, colored, railroad accident, age 15 .
 Howard Cleveland, colored, railrd accident, 15 .

Armenia Johnson, heart disease, age 64 .
 Walter Coffman, inflammation of bowels, age 11 months.
 Bertha C. Matherly, tuberculosis, age 28 .
 Dorcas Hammond, diphtheria, age 13 .
 Washington Marlatt, general debility, age 80 .
 Mrs. Clara Knostman, heart disease, age 69 .
 Lucile Hamond, diphtheria, age 4 1/2 .
 James Churchill, spinal disease, age 8 months.
 Dorothy Stewart, cholera infantum, age 14 mo.
 Lillie May Lane, diphtheria, age 19 .
 Walter G. Armstrong, fall in a building, age 45 .
 Emmett Dawson, colored, diphtheria, age 10 .
 Bessie Cole, heart disease, age 20 .
 Walter Plummer, consumption, age 21 .
 Thomas Patterson, stoppage of the bowels and heart trouble, age 68 .
 George Briddick, kidney trouble, age 65 .
 John Bowles, colored, heart disease and paralysis, age 52 .
 Joseph Mitchell, colored, dropsy, age 75 .
 Ruth E. McKeen, apoplexy, age 61 .
 J. B. Zarger, kidney and heart trouble, age 76 .
 Victor Lewis, kidney disease, age 38 .
 Peter Cool, heart disease, age 75 .
 Laura E. Wonsetler, general debility, age 62 .
 Catherine Jane Fulton, heart failure and pneumonia, age 57 .
 Mrs. NFN Nygren, paralysis, no age given.

Burials in the Manhattan Cemetery, 1905

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 by Sylvester C. Ekart

Mary Johnson, Jan. 5, age 44, heart disease.
 Martin Arnold, Jan. 8, age 78, heart disease.
 Anna Nelson, Jan. 14, age 41, consumption.
 Evalyn Alexander, Jan. 19, 7, col., consumption.
 Ella M. McCutchen, Jan. 31, 42, typhoid fever.
 Frank Dent, Feb. 13, stillborn child.
 E. St. John, Feb. 15, age 67, apoplexy.
 Edward Gill, Feb. 17, age 67, diabetes.
 Joseph T. Smith, Feb. 24, age 68, grip.
 Henry Stenvers, Mar 9, stillborn child
 Franklin Brizendine, Mar 12, 3 mo, meningitis.
 Ada How, Mar 13, age 25, Bright's disease.
 George K. Thompson, Mar 15, 33, pneumonia.
 Mattie M. Stenvers, Mar 16, 24, tuberculosis.
 Jane Collins, Apr. 5, 57, colored, heart disease.
 Sarah M. Allen, Apr. 19, age 61, paralysis.
 Gertrude Norton, Apr. 24, age 38, consumption.
 John A. Allen, Apr. 24, 62, inflam. of stomach.
 William Norton, Apr. 30, 15 days, heart failure.
 Prior Inman, May 4, still born child, colored.
 Kansas Kin

Delphin Ross, May 14, age 66, acute peritonitis.
 George S. Green, May 19, 59, cancer stomach.
 Helen M. Brink, May 27, age 4 months, congestion of brain.
 Dennis Foreman, May 31, colored, age 34, consumption.
 Rachel E. McCord, June 20, 54, heart disease.
 George Williams, June 24, 25, railroad accident.
 Harry Wilson, July 7, infant son, 9 days, colored, stomach trouble.
 Sarah Bush, July 14, inflammation of bowels.
 Hannah Boer, July 23, age 73, bladder trouble.
 Edgar R. Joyner, July 24, age 22, Typhoid fever.
 Edna Remmele, Aug. 5, age 54, dropsy.
 Antone Steck, Aug. 13, 58, tuberculosis/bowels.
 Clarence E. Duckwall, Aug. 19, 15, lung rupture
 Eva A. Shull, Aug. 26, age 45, heart failure.
 Emma Knight, Aug. 29, age 20, cancer.
 Spencer Schultz, infant, age 18 mo., Bright's disease.
 Anna E. Stagg, Sept. 7, age 62, heart disease.
 Herman Stagg, Sept. 22, age 26, appendicitis.
 Charley Godwin, Sept. 24, 17, typhoid fever.
 Margarette W. Purcell, Oct. 11, 3 mo, indigestion.
 Oma Hughes, Oct. 11, age 42, operation.
 Elizabeth Rhodes, Oct. 15, age 88, old age.
 Lettie Abell, Oct. 17, age 62, dropsy.
 George F. Brown, Oct. 18, age 76, dropsy.
 Jacob E. Failyer, Oct. 22, age 84, old age.
 Lorenzo Missina, Oct. 23, age 22, gunshot.
 Georgia Gosby, Oct. 31, age 29, colored, abscess of throat.
 Mollie Matter, Nov. 7, age 59, blood poison.
 Gust Panagopulous, Nov. 8, age 19, acute congestion of kidneys.
 Perley Kimball, infant, age 1 week.
 Enoch C. Persons, Nov. 21, age 84, heart dropsy
 Robert Woods, Nov. 22, age 2 days, colored.
 Walter Gish, Nov. 27, age 30, typhoid fever.
 Charles W. Kimball, Nov. 30, age 62, paralysis.
 Percy Voiles, Dec. 1, age 4 mo acute indigestion.
 Etta Woods, Dec. 5, age 25, colored, peritonitis.
 Mary R. Warling, Dec. 23, age 78, nervous prostration.
 Margaret Girard, Dec. 24, age 5, diphtheria.

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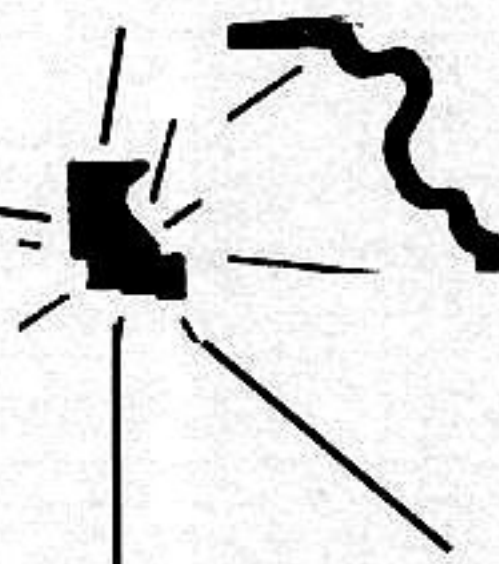
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Programs and Workshop Schedule

Plan to attend the RCGS Annual Meeting November 10, 2008 at the Zeandale Community Church.

Business meeting at 5:30 followed by dinner provided by the Zeandale Church ladies at 6:30.

The cost of the dinner is \$11. Paid reservations can be made by stopping by the RCGS library before November 3rd.

RCGS is located in the the Platt House at 2005 Claflin Rd., Manhattan, KS. Being built in 1871, the house is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Immediately following the dinner,

Candace Pannbacker and Jan Wichman, will present the program on *The Platt Family, Their House and Travels*. Recently found artifacts from the house from the time period when the Platt's lived in the house will be on display that evening.

Come and enjoy a bit of Manhattan history, visit with friends, and enjoy a delicious dinner. Guests are welcome.

From the President—

Where has 2008 gone? It seems to accelerate with each passing month. Fall is here and cold weather seems inevitable. With that thought we are reminded of our RCGS Annual Meeting on November 10th at Zeandale with the fine dinner meal.

The Annual Meeting is where the membership of the Society, present and voting, selects the Officers for the coming year. They keep your Society operating. These persons, together with the Coordinators, have done a great job this past year. We have new holdings, brought in through Accessions. We have several new Librarians and Computer Assistants who assist patrons using the Library. Our inventory has been entered into a computer database that will allow a value to be placed on our holdings.

We were lucky on June 10th. A tornado swept across Manhattan doing destruction and damage to the city and to the Kansas State University campus. The Library is near to the campus, but was not damaged although some debris was deposited on our lawn.

Vehicular access to the Library from Claflin Avenue has been improved and we have a new sign with the hours the library is open.

For more on our year in review, please see the FYI which has annual reviews.

And please plan to attend our Annual Meeting on November 10th. You will find it interesting and will help support the Society. See you there!

Jim Bradley

The library will be closed

Thanksgiving, Nov 27
Christmas, Dec 25, 26
New Years Day 2009

Report of Acquisition Activities for 2008

Rebecca Rose Committee Chairperson

RCGS acquired approximately 67 titles from November 2007 through October 2008. Nineteen were purchases or partial purchases, five were exchanges, forty-three were donations.

Although records were not kept on the cash brought in by duplicate sales, an estimate would be \$200. Three memorials (one to deceased RCGS members, two for DAR members) were added this year.

New Members

Faith Roach, Manhattan, KS
Terry and Mark Healy, Manhattan, KS

Save Those Best Choice Bar Codes

They are worth money to our society. Just remember to include the whole thing, especially the numbers below the lines. Bring or mail them to the library. Pauline will take it from there.



**Report of School District No 1, Pottawatomie
County, Kansas, Novembr 2, 1877
From the *Manhattan Enterprise*, Nov 7, 1877**

by Sylvester C. Ekart

The grades are on a scale of 100. Those who fall below 70 are omitted from the list, W. S. Thompson, teacher.

Brubaker, Amos; reading 75.
Brubaker, Amy; reading 90, arithmetic 80.
Brubaker, George; reading 85.
Brubaker, Sarah; reading 75, arithmetic 90, spelling 90.
Glenn Catherine; reading 80.
Glenn, Daniel; reading 80.
Glenn, Peter; reading 75.
Limbocker, Frank; reading 85, arithmetic 100, geography 95.
McCoy, Helen; reading 93.
McCoy, Sarah; reading 95, spelling 90
Oppy, Lilly; reading 80.
Smith, Laura; reading 98, arithmetic 80.
Soupene, Orlando; reading 80; arithmetic 80.
Spaulding, Arthur; reading 98, arithmetic 100, geography, 95, spelling 100

**Report of Mayday School, Sept 10, 1877
From *The Manhattan Enterprise*, Dec 7, 1877**

By Sylvester C. Ekart

The three months school term began on Sept 10 and ended on Dec 7, 1877; the pupils were graded on a scale of 100; the teacher was Louis E. Humphrey and the next term of school was to start on 17 Dec 17, 1877. The students with an asterisk * had a perfect deportment.

Auckland, Katie 97.
Auckland, Millie 93.
Davidson, Amanda 93.
Davidson, Martha 93.
Davidson, Mary 93.
Dicks, Annie 92*.
Dicks, Cora 93*.
Droll, Albert 95*.
Droll, Emma 94.
Droll, George 95
Droll, Louie, 93*.
Droll, Martha 95.

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Edgerton, Nellie 95*.
Edgerton, Thomas 95.
Edgerton, Willie 94.
Frankinfield, Dellie 84*.
Gridley, Effie 99*.
Lowsinger, Willie 80.
Noble, Betty 93.
Noble, Elysia 89.
Pickett, Albert 95.
Powell, Rena 95*.
Smullin, Martha 92.
Stephens, John 88.
Swartz, Freddie 94.
Swartz, Louiza 93.
Swartz, Albert 92.
Swartz, Minnie 94,

**Report of School Dist No 1, Pottawatomie
County, January 1878 From the *Manhattan
Enterprise*, Jan 9, 1878**

By Sylvester C Ekart

The teacher was W. S. Thompson and the examination was held 4 Jan 1878.

Brubaker, Amy; arithmetic 90, geography 90, reading 90.
Conroy, John; arithmetic 100, geography 60, reading 90, spelling 90.
Disney, Thomas; reading 85.
Glenn, Catherine; reading 84.
Glenn, Daniel; reading 80.
Glenn, James; arithmetic 70, reading 80.
Glenn, Peter; reading 70.
Limbocker, Clarence; arithmetic 70, reading 90.
Limbocker, Clyde; arithmetic 80, reading 80.
Limbocker, Frank; arithmetic 80, reading 90.
McCoy, Helen; arithmetic 70, geography 80, reading 90.
McCoy, Sarah; arithmetic 90, geography 100, reading 95.
Miller, George; reading 76
Miller, Lizzie; arithmetic 80, geography 90 reading 80.
Oppy, James; reading 78.
Oppy, Lilly; reading 85.
Powers, Benjamin; arithmetic 90, geography 100, reading 98.
Powers, Charles; arithmetic 100, geography 90,

reading 100, spelling 80.

Powers, Jessie; arithmetic 100, geography 100, reading 100.

Powers, Mary; arithmetic 100, geography 90, reading 90.

Searle, Ira; arithmetic 98, geography 90, reading 85.

Smith, Laura; arithmetic 80, geography 85, reading 95.

Spaulding, Arthur; arithmetic 70, geography 90, reading 98, spelling 90.

**Extracts of a Lecture Given by W. Marlatt at
the Baptist Church in Manhattan, Kansas,
Feb 20, 1877**

From the *Manhattan Enterprise*, Feb 21, 1877

By Sylvester C. Ekart

The winter of 1856-7 was memorable chiefly for its severity. This was felt all the more by the ten dwellers in Kansas from the fact that few of them were at all prepared for it. The idea had gone forth throughout the North and East, generally, that the winters were remarkably mild and pleasant; hence those coming from colder latitudes had no need to bring their winter clothing nor any amount of heavy bedding. Again, of the twelve or fifteen board shanties that composed the city of Manhattan not a single one of them was lathed and plastered, and but few of them were even lined with brown paper. Built of the cheapest class of pine siding, or green boards of the native cottonwood, and roofed only for dry weather, the snow, rain and wind, found ready access and were unwelcome visitors in every household. In one of the 2nd-class hotels we could lie in bed and count the stars through the holes in the roof, while at the 1st-class hotels the sleeper awoke in the morning to find his bed, clothing and all of the house envelope in a sheet of snow.

The winter set in early in Nov; by the 1st of Dec the ground was covered with snow so as to afford excellent sleighing and this state of things continued until near the middle of Feb. The ice on the Blue was twenty inches or more in thickness, while about the middle of Jan the mercury went down from twenty-five to thirty degrees below

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zero. A surveying party on the Republican (River) near Clay Center were overwhelmed in a snow storm, in Nov in which the mercury fell below zero wherein two or more of them froze to death, and the remainder to the number of seven or more were brought into Manhattan in a terribly frosted condition. It was just after this blinding storm of snow and sleet that Dr. Scammon appeared at the breakfast table and with a peculiar and expressive shrug of the shoulders, that scatted the snow from his literally snowy locks, in his nervous manner gave vent to his pent up feeling with "Italy of America! D---- such a country!" While all felt like saying "Amen."

The young men about town who were the fortunate possessors of an "old plug" went to work and make jumpers and took the girls out sleighing till they were the envy of all the less fortunate poor devils in the place. Among the fortunate ones we remember John W. Pipher and Tobias Neckelman, more familiarly known as "Uncle Toby," who was by all odds the gayest and liveliest "beau" of the season. The town knew no "upper or lower tendon;" all were on a happy equality. There was a freedom in social intercourse from the usual conventionalities of life that to the novice was really refreshing. The ladies, whether married or single, entered heartily in the little surprises and innocent amusements that could be gotten up in order to make the time pass off pleasantly and profitably to all concerned.

The town was connected with the outside world by means of a semi-weekly mail and had a post office of its own with the irrepressible John W. (Pipher) as postmaster. Hitherto we had gotten our mail once a week at Tarauma, a prospective city of the time located in what is now Stephen B. and J. H. Barne's corn field, opposite Juanita, the aforetime rival city of Manhattan. Just before winter set in, one of our enterprising merchants, Ira Taylor, dealer in whiskey, Missouri bacon, poor flour and dry goods, had erected and fitted up a public hall, a cottonwood building some 12 x 20 feet, and ceiled with brown paper, there the good people were wont to meet to hear preaching, have social reunions and hold the Manhattan

Institute.

As to the paternity of the Institute, I am not, after this lapse of time, able to speak with absolute certainty, but am inclined to think that the honor belongs to Albert Griffin. Being gentleman of leisure at that time, he and I were accustomed to meet at Mr. Miller's store, run by Mr. Pipher and while waiting for something to turn up, to talk up the interest of the town. My hobby was the establishment of a college. Mr. Griffin while favoring the idea, thought the timing altogether impracticable at that time, but thought the founding of a debating Club or Literary Association both feasible and a thing of practical utility. The thing was talked up a little. Everyone fell in with the idea at once, and sometime in Dec, I think a meeting was called and an organization effected by the adoption of a constitution and the election of the usual officers, Rev. Mr. Blood was the 1st President, your humble servant, Vice-President and Albert Griffin, secretary.

Among the number then present who have since passed on to their final reward we call to mind Thurston, Blood, Beebe, Scammon, Bishop, Wisner, Horton, Flagg, Goodnow, Mrs. Beebe, Mrs. Bishop and Mrs. Whitehorn. Others still having left the country, we know not whether to number them with the living or the dead. Of the eight, so called, charter members only three are known to be living, two in Manhattan and one, A. J. Mead in New York City. Among the more active members of the Institute twenty years ago, aside from those already mentioned, we call to mind General Hall, Captain Todd, Dr. Whitehorn, Ira Taylor and McCollum. Of others who were less active from the fact they were less forward, we might mention, Wells, Browning, George and Allen Lee, Colburn, Persons, Barnes and Booth. Of the ladies we call to mind Madam Pipher, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Browning, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Hunting. Of the younger ladies the Misses Beebe and Arnold. But few of all these, I suspect have realized the fond anticipations of twenty years ago, while most have been called to drink more or less deeply of the cup of sorrow and comes sooner or latter to chasten the spirit of us all.

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The Orrin A and Sarah Root Family

by Tom Branigar

This research was undertaken to identify the descendants of Orrin A. & Sarah Root, who were early settlers of Dickinson County, Kan (DKCO). The Roots were part of a large group of families that moved to southern DKCO from Whiteside co, Ill in the early 1870s. Orrin settled in Jefferson Township and became a prominent resident. He served 2 terms in the state legislature and he and his wife both served as postmasters of Newbern. The family appears to have fallen on hard times after his death and in 1900 three of their children were admitted to the county poor farm near Abilene where they spent the rest of their lives.

Orrin Root b 18 Sept 1822 in NY; mov to Whiteside co, Ill, 1833; m 1843 to Sarah Abbey; she was b 1826 in NJ; the family appears in the 1850 census of District 37, Whiteside co, and the 1860 & 1870 census of Newton twp, Whiteside co. In 1871 they mov to DKCO and settled in section 13 of Jefferson twp, ca 3 miles N of Dillon; Orrin served 2y in state legislature; he was postmaster of Newbern 1872-74 and his wife Sarah was postmistress 1874-78. Orrin d 16 Feb 1883 and was bur in New Basel cem in Jefferson twp (obit Abilene Gazette 23 Feb & 2 Mar 1883; DKCO probate file R-12). Sarah d 19 Feb 1899 at home in Jefferson twp and was also bur in New Basel cem (death notices Abilene Reflector 22 Feb 1899; Hope Dispatch 23 Feb 1899)

Children of Orrin A. Root & Sarah Abbey:

- 1 i. Adelaide, b ca 1844
- 2 ii. Lucy A., b ca 1849
- 3 iii. Hannah M., b 1850
- iv. Charles, b ca 1854; appears in 1875, 1880 & 1885 census of Jefferson twp living with his parents; after his mother's death he moved into Abilene where he d 23 Oct 1899, aged ca 45y (death notice Abilene Chronicle 24 Oct 1899; Hope Dispatch 2 Nov 1899); bur in unmarked grave at New Basel cem; unmarried
- v. Orrin Luther, b ca 1859; appears in 1875,

1880 & 1885 census of Jefferson twp living with his parents; in 1900 he was admitted to the DKCO poor farm; he d 15 June 1926 at the poor farm and was bur in an unmarked grave at New Basel cem (poor farm rec, DKCO Historical Society); unmarried

4 vi. Elizabeth, b ca 1861

vii. Mary A., b ca 1864; appears in 1875, 1880 & 1885 census of Jefferson twp living with parents; in 1900 she was admitted to the DKCO poor farm; she d 8 Oct 1937 at the poor farm and was bur in an unmarked grave at New Basel cem (poor farm rec); unmarried

viii. Grace D., b ca 1867; appears in 1875, 1880 & 1885 census living with parents; in 1900 she was admitted to the DKCO poor farm; she d 3 Mar 1929 at the poor farm and was bur in an unmarked grave at New Basel cem (poor farm rec); unmarried

ix. John, b ca 1871, Ill; appears in 1875, 1880 & 1885 census of Jefferson twp living with his parents; he probably d prior to his mother as her obit says she had 9 ch, 6 of whom were living; these are known to have been Lucy, Charles, Orrin, Elizabeth, Mary & Grace; John had probably left DKCO after reaching adulthood and died away from the area as no record of death has been found in DKCO

1. Adelaide Root b ca 1844 in Whiteside co, Ill; aged 5y in 1850 census & 16y in 1860 census; m 11 Dec 1862 in Whiteside co (Ill marriage index) to Lewis G. Miller. By 1880 Miller had died and Adelaide mov to DKCO to live with her parents. She appears in the 1880 census of Jefferson twp as a widow, age 30y. She m2 on 4 Apr 1883 (DKCO marriage rec) to Charles L. Sherman, a native of Mass who was a merchant at Solomon. He appears in the 1875 & 1880 census of Lincoln twp, DKCO. Charles & Adelaide appear in the 1885 census of Solomon, which gives her age as 36y. They later mov to Boston, Mass. In 1894 Adelaide returned to DKCO to visit her mother. She became ill and died at her mother's home in Jefferson twp on 8 Aug 1894 (notice of visit

Hope Crescent 26 July 1894; death notice Hope Crescent 16 Aug 1894, Abilene Chronicle 10 Aug 1894). She was bur in the Root plot at New Basel cem. Her tombstone gives her name as Adelaide Root and dates of 1844-1897, so the surname and death date on the marker are incorrect. She is not known to have had any children.

2. Lucy A. Root b ca 1849 in Whiteside co, Ill; age 11y in 1860 census; m 16 Sept 1869 in Whiteside co (Ill marriage index) to James N. Burton. He was b ca 1847 in Ill; they lived at Albany, Ill, in the 1870s and then mov to DKCO where they appear in the 1880 & 1885 census of Jefferson twp, which give her age as 28y & 35y; in the late 1880s and early 1890s they lived at Hope, and then mov to Abilene where they appear in the 1900 census, which gives Lucy's birth date as Jan 1855. James was an auctioneer and conducted many farm and estate sales in DKCO. Lucy d 8 Sept 1915 and James d 5 Sept 1921. Both are bur at Albany, Ill (death notices Enterprise Journal 16 Sept 1915 & 8 Sept 1921).

Children of James N. Burton & Lucy A. Root:

5 i. Mark L., b Feb 1871

6 ii. Nellie Adelaide, b 11 Oct 1879

3. Hannah M. Root b 1850, Whiteside co, Ill; aged 9y in 1860 census & 24y in 1875 census of Jefferson twp; she m 29 Nov 1876 to Charles Van Duyn (DKCO marriage rec). A few months after the marriage it was learned that Van Duyn had another wife living in New Jersey. Hannah fell ill from the shock and d 29 July 1877. She was bur in New Basel cem, where her tombstone gives her surname as Root, and dates of 1850-1877. Van Duyn was later convicted of bigamy in the DKCO district court. The court records from this period were later burned in a courthouse fire but accounts of the case appeared in the Abilene Chronicle on 3 Aug & 5 Oct 1877.

4. Elizabeth Root, b ca 1861, Whiteside co, Ill; appears with parents in 1875 & 1880 census of Jefferson twp; m 23 Sept 1880 to Thomas J. Tonkin (DKCO marriage rec); he was b ca 1856

in Tenn, son of John & Margaret Tonkin who mov to DKCO in 1878; Thomas & Elizabeth appear in the 1885 census of Hope twp. They later mov to Cleveland, Ohio, where they were living in 1889 when their son was born. The family appears in Ward 5, Toledo, Lucas Co, Ohio, in the 1900 census. In Nov 1905 they were living at Mt Sterling, Ky (obit of Thomas's mother Margaret Tonkin, Hope Dispatch 30 Nov 1905)

Children of Thomas Tonkin & Elizabeth Root:

i. Lucy, b ca 1882; age 3y in 1885 census; 18y in 1900 census

ii. Nina, b ca 1883; age 2y in 1885 census; 16y in 1900 census

iii. Thomas J., b Mar 1889, Cleveland, Ohio (birth notice Hope Herald 28 Mar 1889)

iv. Mildred A., b 8 Dec 1890 (birth notice Hope Herald 11 Dec 1890)

5. Mark L. Burton, b Feb 1871 in Whiteside co, Ill; mov to DKCO in late 1870s and appears with his parents in 1880 & 1885 census of Jefferson twp. He worked for a bank in Abilene, then became a newspaper editor and operated a paper at Hope in the mid-1890s. In 1896 he left DKCO. The Enterprise Journal of 23 Jan 1896 reported that he had seduced the daughter of a farmer near Hope and had to flee to avoid the farmer's wrath. He went to Grenola, Elk co, Kan, where he ran another newspaper. He m 24 Feb 1897 at Council Grove, Morris co, Kan, to Jessie Borman (marriage notice Hope Dispatch 25 Feb 1897); she was b Feb 1872 in Ind, dau of Thomas & Julia Borman of Council Grove. They appear in 1900 census of Grenola, Elk co. They were div shortly after the 1900 census. Jessie returned to Council Grove to live with her parents. She m2 on 24 Nov 1904 at Council Grove to Edward Cooley (Morris co, Kan, marriage rec). Cooley killed himself on 27 Dec 1905 and was bur in Greenwood cem at Council Grove (death notice Council Grove Republican 28 Dec 1905); Jessie was living with her parents in the 1910 census of Council Grove, but has not been further traced; Mark went to Okla where he ran another newspaper; in spring 1911 he went to Chicago, Ill, where he d in Aug 1911

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(death notice Hope Dispatch 17 & 24 Aug 1911); he was bur at Albany, Ill.

Child of Mark L. Burton & Jessie Borman:

i. Gladys, b 17 Aug 1898, Grenola, Kan (birth notice Hope Dispatch 25 Aug 1898); m --- Bever and was living in Kansas City, Mo, in 1949 when her aunt Nellie died (according to Nellie's probate file); d in May 1977, a resident of Phoenix, Ariz (social security death index)

6. Nellie Adelaide Burton b 11 Oct 1879 in Jefferson twp, DKCO; spent most her life in Abilene; m 5 Oct 1926 to George W. Miller, a widower with several ch; Nellie had no ch of her own; George d 24 May 1939 at home in Abilene; Nellie mov to Junction City ca 1945; she d 18 Sept 1949 in Junction City nursing home and was bur next to her husb in Rinehart cem, DKCO (obit Abilene Reflector-Chronicle 24 Sept 1949); her obit reported that she was survived by 3 step-ch; however, her probate file (DKCO probate 6068) shows her only blood relative was her niece Gladys Bever of Kansas City, Mo

Notes from The Kansas Agriculturist, 100 Years Ago, Oct 28, 1908

It is now over a year since the great panic in New York which caused so much commotion all over the country.

Wamego people to be in Topeka Saturday for the performance of 'Ben-Hur' are Mrs. H.W., Parsons, Mrs. Charles Hesse, Mrs. Mary Breymeyer, Miss Genevieve Rogers, Miss Lea Golliday, Miss Ella Plesse, Miss Mary Patterson, Mr. Homer Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs W. B. Johnson.

Walter Krouse has sold his livery stable and will retire.

The Lyric moved this week into winter quarters and occupies the room in the rear of the First National Bank. ...This is a popular electric theater.

Henry Dacquet died at his home Tuesday.(Oct 27, 1908) Frank Kropf and Harry Deweese were with him. Dr Brunner said his death was caused by neuralgia of the heart.

Your Family Coat of Arms and Other Myths

From Eastman's Newsletter

Many people, mostly Americans, believe that every family was once issued a coat of arms and then everyone born with that family name automatically gets to use the same coat of arms. If you believe that, it is time to correct the myth.

NOTE: There is an exception. I am told that Samurai families in Japan do have family coats of arms although they do not resemble British or European coats of arms. In any case, if your ancestry is 100% Japanese Samurai, the rest of this article does not apply to you.

To begin with, coats of arms are never issued to families; they are issued to individuals. Coats of arms are issued by heralds and there are different heralds in each country in the United Kingdom and in Europe. A coat of arms is granted by the King of Arms in England and in Ireland, while the court of the Lord Lyon King of Arms grants that right in Scotland.

England, Northern Ireland, Wales, and Scotland have the most rigid system of heraldry (coats of arms). Other European countries do record and permit coats of arms, but do not restrict their use as much as do the English and the Scottish heralds. A repository called the College of Arms holds an official register of all granted coats of arms that exist in England and Wales.

The United States has never accepted the concept of nobility and therefore has no officially-recognized heralds. Several American organizations claim to be able to issue coats of arms but any such arms issued by an American organization have to be considered as "unofficial." There is no official issuing body in the U.S. Most Americans who wish to obtain legitimate coats of arms apply first in the name of a foreign-born ancestor with the heralds in the country where that ancestor lived. The American descendant may then apply to use the ancestor's coat of arms as his own as his "inherited right to arms."

Throughout history, an individual could apply for a coat of arms and the heralds would decide whether or not to approve it. Coats of arms generally are issued to men although there are numerous exceptions. The Queen of England always has

a coat of arms, as do many high-ranking officials. For instance, Margaret Thatcher was issued a coat of arms when she was prime minister.

In medieval days, coats of arms were issued only to knights and to noblemen as an emblem to be displayed on shields and on various banners for use in battle. After all, it was difficult to see through the eye slits in the helmets they wore and every soldier wanted to make sure he was swinging the broadsword at the enemy, not at his commanding officer. The brightly painted coats of arms helped identify the combatants back in the days before uniforms.

As the years passed and the battles decreased, a wealthy merchant class began to flourish and many merchants obtained coats of arms as well. So did clergymen, elected officials, and a few others. In every case, the coat of arms has always been issued to an individual, not to a family. You might find a coat of arms issued to someone with the same family name as yours, but that doesn't mean that you are entitled to use the same arms.

When a man is entitled to display arms, his sons also may apply for coats of arms. Note that granting of coats of arms is not automatic, each person must apply. Sons usually are granted coats of arms that are very similar to their father's but are changed slightly, to add some small detail that shows that this is the shield of their own branch of this particular family. If a man has multiple sons, each son applies for his own coat of arms with slight differences, even different from those of his brothers. The use of slightly modified coat of arms is called "differenced arms."

When the father dies, the eldest son may then apply to use exactly the same coat of arms that his father used. Once granted, he stops using his differenced arms. His younger brothers continue to use their differenced arms, however.

Obtaining permission to use your deceased father's coat of arms is not automatic. For instance, each King of England traditionally uses his own design and does not use that of his father.

There have always been a few instances in which women could inherit a coat of arms and to use them. However, a woman can not pass them along

to her children unless she has no brothers. If this is the case, the woman owns the coat of arms, to pass along to her children, and she is considered to be the heraldic heiress to the coat of arms.

The wearing or display of coat of arms is restricted in most countries that recognize the ownership of coats of arms. There are no such restrictions in the United States; you may wear someone else's coat of arms, if you wish to. Even the countries that do restrict usage rarely enforce such laws. Therefore, the sale of bogus "family coats of arms" is rarely stopped by the authorities.

In the countries that do restrict usage, only one person may use any particular coat of arms although a grantee's sons or younger brothers might be using similar, but differenced, coats of arms, assuming they have applied for and received permission to use those differenced arms.

Did you ever receive an ad for "your family's coat of arms?" That ad isn't worth the paper it is printed on or the electrons used to display it on your computer screen. Regardless of your last name, you should display a particular coat of arms only if (1.) you have applied to the heralds for permission to display the particular arms and (2.) if such permission has been granted. Once that happens, you are the only person in the world authorized to display that coat of arms.

Displaying arms without proper authorization is a form of impersonation; you are trying to identify yourself as someone else. Legal or not, such impersonation is always in bad taste.

For authoritative information about heraldry (the display of coats of arms), look at the following:

Polish Genealogy and Heraldry Society: <http://www.fecfhs.org/pol/frg-pghs.html>

Luxembourg Society of Genealogy and Heraldry: http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/hotel_claravallis/genealog.htm#genealogy

Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies - Encompasses all aspects of genealogical and heraldic research, art and practice: <http://www.ihgs.ac.uk>

Heraldry Society of Scotland: <http://www.heraldry-scotland.co.uk>

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Heraldry Australia, Inc. - Australian Heraldry Society: <http://www.heraldryaustralia.org>

Heraldiska Samfundet - Swedish academy for the science of heraldry and related subjects: <http://www.heraldik.se>

Slovenian Society for Heraldry, Genealogy and Vexilology: <http://genealogy.ijp.si/hslov/all/index.htm>

The Birmingham and Midland Society for Genealogy and Heraldry: <http://www.bmsggh.org/>

Scandinavian Heraldry Society: <http://www.heraldik.org/>

Office of the Chief Herald of Ireland: <http://www.nli.ie/en/heraldry-introduction.aspx>

The Augustan Society - An international genealogical, historical heraldic and chivalric society: <http://www.augustansociety.org/>

South African Heraldry: <http://www.geocities.com/heraldrysa/>

Heraldry Society of Sweden: <http://www.geocities.com/Athens/Forum/1284>

Cambridge University Heraldic and Genealogical Society: <http://www.cam.ac.uk/societies/cuhags/>

Russian College of Heraldry: <http://www.armorial.ru>

Slovak Genealogical-Heraldic Society: <http://www.genealogy-heraldry.sk/>

Heraldry in South Africa: http://freepages.family.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~heraldry/page_optima.html

South Australian Genealogy & Heraldry Society Inc.: <http://www.saghs.org.au>

Royal Heraldry Society of Canada: <http://www.heraldry.ca>

The American College of Heraldry - a non-profit body with the aim of aiding in the study and perpetuation of heraldry in the United States and abroad: <http://www.americancollegeofheraldry.org>

Croatian Genealogical and Heraldic Society - CGHS: <http://fecfhs.org/cro/frg-cghs.html>

CUHAGS - The Cambridge University Heraldry and Genealogy Society: <http://www.cam.ac.uk/societies/cuhags/>

The Heraldry Society - The Heraldry Society ex-

ists to increase and extend interest in and knowledge of heraldry, genealogy, ceremonial and allied subjects: <http://www.theheraldrysociety.com>
The College of Arms - England. Holds the official register of all Coats of Arms or heraldry in England and Wales. Also grants arms to individuals and organizations: <http://www.college-of-arms.gov.uk>

The James B. Smart Family by Tom Branigar

This research was undertaken to sort out the Smart family who were early settlers of Solomon in Dickinson co, KS (DKCO). James B. Smart and his children mov to Solomon in 1870 from Mt Elgin, Ontario, Canada. James served as postmaster of Solomon from 1871 to 1879. He and two daughters are bur in section 1, lot 56, of the Prairie Mound cem at Solomon, although only one grave is marked. However, obituaries for James and other members of his family were found in old issues of the Solomon newspapers at the Kansas State Historical Society. These provided biographical information. Also, the family was found on the 1851 census of Hougham, Kent, England, as indexed on the Heritage Quest website. This showed the children were older than they appear from US sources.

James B. Smart b 6 Feb 1804 at Musselboro, Scot, according to his obit. The International Genealogical Index at the Family History Library website shows a James Smart b on this date at Musselburgh, Inveresk, Midlothian, Scot, son of William Smart & Helen McMillan, which is probably the DKCO settler. His obit says he attended the university at Edinboro, Scot, and traveled around Europe. He eventually settled in England where he m Sarah A. ---. She was b ca 1811 at Harefield, Sussex, Eng. They had 6 ch. The family appears in the 1851 census of Hougham, Kent, which gives the ages and birthplaces of the

children. In 1854 the family mov to Mt Elgin, Ontario, Canada. James served as postmaster of Mt Elgin for many yrs.. His wife Sarah died in 1858. In late 1870 he and his children mov to Solomon, DKCO. He appears in the 1875 state census of Lincoln twp, DKCO, which included the town of Solomon. James served as postmaster of Solomon from 1871 to 1879. After his term as postmaster he moved back to Canada for a few yrs.. In May 1884 he returned to Solomon (Solomon Sentinel 14 May 1884) and appears in the 1885 census of Solomon. In July 1888 he mov to Ontario co, CA, to live with his son Robert (Solomon Sentinel 18 July 1888), but later returned to Solomon. He d 23 Apr 1891 at Solomon and was bur in an unmarked grave in Prairie Mound cem (obit Solomon Sentinel 29 Apr 1891).

Children of James B. & Sarah A. Smart:

- 1 i. James B., b ca 1839, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng
- 2 ii. Jane, b ca 1842, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng
- 3 iii. Robert, b ca 1844, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng
- 4 iv. William Vernor, b ca 1847, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng
- 5 v. Helen, b ca 1848, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng
- 6 vi. Anna E., b ca 1850, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng

1. James B. Smart Jr, b ca 1839, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng; aged 12y in 1851 census of Hougham, Kent; not found in DKCO records; living at Olathe, Johnson co, Kan, in 1891, according to his father's obit; living at St Louis, Mo, in 1897 according to obit of his bro William; he appear in 1900 census of St Louis, Mo (b Eng, age 58y), with wife Mary (b Mich, age 51y) and 2 daus, Edith M. (b Kan, age 23y) and Grace B. (b Kan, age 20y); his wife Mary d 18 Mar 1923 in St Louis co, Mo; her death certificate (from Mo state archives website) shows she was b 28 Feb 1846 in Mich, maiden name Kimball, and was widowed

2. Jennie Smart, b ca 1842, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng; aged 9y in 1851 census of Hougham, Kent, which gives her name as Jane; appears with her father in 1875 census of Lincoln twp, DKCO, which gives her name as Jennie, aged 30y; d 10 July 1878 at Solomon, unmarried; bur in Prairie Mound cem; her tombstone is badly worn and her age cannot be read; brief death notices appeared in the Abilene Chronicle (12 July 1878) and the Enterprise Gazette (19 July 1878) but these do not give her age.

3. Robert Smart, b ca 1844, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng; aged 7y in 1851 census of Hougham, Kent; mov to Solomon ca 1870; m 27 Aug 1873 in Ottawa co, KS, to Lois Goodwin; she was b ca 1847-49 in Canada; they appear in the 1875 census of Lincoln twp, DKCO, and the 1885 census of Solomon, which give Robert's age as 28y & 39y; soon after the 1885 census they mov to Ontario co, CA, where they were living in July 1888 when Robert's father went to CA to live with them. Robert d in late April 1897 at San Jose, Santa Clara co, CA (death notice, Solomon Sentinel 5 May 1897); Lois and the 3 youngest ch appear in the 1900 census of San Jose, Santa Clara co, Calif

Children of Robert Smart & Lois Goodwin:

- i. Edward, b 1874; age 8m in 1875 census; probably d young as he is not with the family in the 1885 census
- ii. Ethel, b ca 1877, age 8y in 1885 census; 22y in 1900 census
- iii. Nellie, b ca 1879, age 6y in 1885 census; 18y in 1900 census
- iv. Carlton, b 3 May 1884, Kan; age 10m in 1885 census; 16y in 1900 census; d 18 Feb 1959 in Santa Clara co, Calif (Calif death index)

4. William Vernor Smart, b ca 1847, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng; aged 4y in 1851 census of Hougham, Kent; mov to Solomon ca 1871; appears in the 1875 & 1880 census of Lincoln twp (age 25y & 29y) and the 1885 census of Solomon (age 36y); he m 5 Aug 1880 at Junction City, Kan, to Ella A. Parish of Milford (Geary co marriage rec); she was b ca 1858 in Canada; they had 1 son. William d 17 Apr 1897 at Solomon and was originally bur in Prairie Mound cem (obit Solomon Sentinel 21 Apr 1897, which gives his birthdate as 4 May 1851); in April 1898 his wife had his remains moved to Riley co, KS (Solomon Sentinel 20 Apr 1898); Ella m2 on 7 Feb 1899 to Rev D. Livingston Parker of Abilene (DKCO marriage rec); they probably left the area as they do not appear in the 1900 census of DKCO

Child of William V. Smart & Ella Parish:

- i. William Vernor Jr, b 29 Aug 1883 at Solomon (birth notice Solomon Sentinel 29 Aug 1883)

5. Helen B. Smart, b ca 1848, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng; aged 3y in 1851 census of Hougham, Kent; mov to Solomon ca 1870; m 9 Nov 1871 at Solomon to Mervin B. Codey of Mt Elgin, Ontario, Canada (DKCO marriage rec); her marriage license gives her age as 19y. The Codeys settled in Canada after their marriage. In 1881 they mov to the US and settled in Mich. They appear in the 1900 census of Ward 3, Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo co, Mich with 4 ch

Children of Mervin Codey & Helen Smart (from 1900 census):

- i. Roy, b Canada, age 26y
- ii. Jennie, b Canada, age 23y
- iii. Mable, b Canada, age 20y
- iv. Winnifred, b Mich, age 17y

6. Anna E. Smart, b ca 1850, St Marys, Dover, Kent, Eng; aged 1y in 1851 census of Hougham, Kent; not found in 1875 census of DKCO; appears in 1885 census living with her father at Solomon, Kansas Kin

aged 27y; she m 13 Oct 1887 to Alonzo Vickers (DKCO marriage rec); Alonzo was b 26 Oct 1837 in Fayette co, Penn; served in Civil War with 32 Ohio Inf; m1 to Sarah Lewellyn; mov to DKCO 1877 and settled in Flora twp; his first wife d 28 Aug 1885 and was bur in Prairiedale cem near Talmage; Alonzo & Anna appear in 1900 census of Flora twp. Anna d 8 Nov 1913 and was bur in the Smart plot at Prairie Mound cem (obit Abilene Reflector 13 Nov 1913 which gives a birthdate of 31 Mar 1855; cem rec; her grave is unmarked). Alonzo d 9 Nov 1917 and was bur next to his first wife in Prairiedale cem (obit Manchester Motor 22 Nov 1917; pension file at National Archives) Children of Alonzo Vickers & Anna E. Smart:

i. Vera Vieva., b 13 Oct 1888; m --- Overlin; had 3 ch; d 2 July 1957 in Denver, Colo; bur at Denver (death notice Abilene Reflector-Chronicle (RC) 9 July 1957)

7 ii. William Walter, b 28 Jan 1893

7. William Walter Vickers, b 28 Jan 1893 near Manchester, DKCO; spent most of his life in DKCO; m 26 Sept 1920 at Abilene to Lillian Ida Kinderdick; she was b 23 Apr 1899 at Woodbine, DKCO, dau of Frank & Ida Kinderdick; they lived at Salina, Concordia & Junction City; eventually settled at Abilene; Lillian d 7 Feb 1953 and was bur in Abilene cem (obit RC 13 Feb 1953); Walter m2 on 5 Oct 1955 to Esther Leach Knox; she was b 10 May 1898 near Detroit, DKCO, dau of Edward & Marion Leach; she m1 in 1921 to Charles Knox who d 1950; Walter d 22 May 1985, and was bur in Abilene cem (obit RC 4 June 1985); Esther d 2 Sept 1997, age 99y, and was bur in Abilene cem (obit RC 4 Sept 1997)

Child of William Walter Vickers & Lillian Kinderdick:

i. Don C. Vickers, b ca 1922; lived at Hutchinson, KS; d 29 Jan 1977; married and had 2 ch (death notice RC 31 Jan 1977)

Burials in the Manhattan Cemetery 1898 From the Manhattan Mercury, Jan 4, 1899.

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O. H. Ballah, age 23 yrs., consumption, January 2.

Kansas Kin

Willie B. Graham, age 18 yrs, typhoid malaria, August 19.
Fanny R. Neal, age 69 yrs. cancerous tumor, Aug 1
Joseph Paine age 81 yrs., old age, August 24.
Caroline H. Pond, age 81 yrs., old age, August 27.
Samuel Hemsley, age 75 yrs., old age, August 27.
George W. Lee, age 75 yrs., heart disease, August 28.
T. W. Tedore Rehfeld, age 8 months, dysentery, August 30.
Rectina T. Gregg, age 60 yrs., la grippe, September 29.
C. B. Engel, infant son, October 7.
Cyrus N. Knapp, age 33, ulcer of stomach, October 9.
O. B. Engel, infant daughter, October 11.
Frank B. Anderson, age 27 yrs, typhoid fever, October 12.
Sylvester Smith, age 21 yrs., typhoid fever, October 13.
A. Haun, stillborn child, October 14.
Robert B. Spilman, Senior, age 59 yrs., apoplexy.
Justice B. Lofinck, age 82 yrs., old age, October 30.
Richard F. O'Rourke, age 50 yrs, consumption, Nov 10
Ada Pearl Short, age 5 months, convulsions, age Nov 11.
James W. Parkerson, 77 yrs., inflam of bowels, Nov 15.
Mary Wafford, age 25 yrs., pneumonia, November 19.
Samuel W. Baxter, 62 yrs., malarial fever, November 26.
Andrew Hatfield, age 79 yrs., bronchitis, December 3.
Mary Allen, age 44 yrs., consumption, December 13.
Frank R. Sponsler, age 70 yrs., paralysis, January 3.
Wm. Balderson, age 61 yrs., pneumonia, January 12.
Adaline Brock, age 11 months, pneumonia, January 13.
Stella M. Thomas, age 2 months, measles, January 28.
H. S. Moore, age 58 yrs., pneumonia, February 1.
John Dodson, age 39 yrs., pneumonia, February 2.
Maria Hunter, age 37 yrs., typhoid fever, February 18.
Frank W. Hall, age 59 yrs., Bright's disease, Feb. 26.
Charles M. Nubia, age 58 yrs., pneumonia, March 2.
Wallace Morgan, age 17 months, inflam of bowels, Mar 3.
Mary Davis age 31 yrs., spinal meningitis, March 17.
S. V. Lee, age 73 yrs., inflammation of kidneys.
C. N. Dawson, stillborn child, April 26.
Burrell Wahl, age 7 yrs., convulsions, May 13.
Harriet A. Lee, age 71 yrs., consumption, June 20.
Frederick Rehfeld, age 85 yrs., suicide, July 10.
Thomas Gist, age 72 yrs., paralysis, July 12.
Virgil Hungerford, age 1 year, cholera infantum, July 15.
Hollis B. Westgate, age 57 yrs, congest of lungs, July 19.
Martha Freeman, age 53 yrs., consumption, July 21.
Harry A. Frank, age 3 months, cholera infantum, July 28.

Burials in the Manhattan Cemetery, 1899 From the Manhattan Mercury, January 3, 1900.

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Elizabeth Meyers, 55, gangrene, January 8.
Carrie Westbrook, 39, heart disease, January 9.
Frederick Carl Engel, 4 mos, convulsions, January 9.
August Byers, 55, dropsy, January 13.
Laura Moore, 47, pneumonia, January 14.
Alva L. Limbocker, 1 year, pneumonia, January 28.
Mabel Champion, 1 year, la grippe, February 3.

Celica E. B. Deibler, 47, pneumonia, February 9.
 Nellie Almgren, 33, pneumonia, February 10.
 William D. Allen 67, consumption, February 20.
 Virginia Day, 4 months, hemorrhage, February 27.
 Richard B. Sarber, 56, cancer of stomach, March 17.
 Roswell D. Parker, 73, inflam of the bladder, March 22.
 Cassie M. Warner, 20, ulcer of stomach, February 23.
 William E. Harrison, 5 days, heart failure, March 24.
 Fred Schoenecke, 71, old age, April 3.
 Bazil Ferguson, 76, la grippe, April 4.
 Vinta May Hepler, 1 year, whooping cough, April 8.
 Bertha R. Brizendine, 15, spinal meningitis, April 11.
 Jeremiah E. Platt, 65, heart disease, April 16.
 Alpha Knight, 7 months, measles, April 20.
 Clara M. Long, age 20, consumption, April 21.
 Carrie B. VanBlacom, age 29, heart failure, April 21.
 Lewis Williams, 72, dropsy, May 13.
 Lewis R. Elliott, 63, heart disease, May 27.
 John W. Holliday, 2, consumption, July 16.
 C. G. Howard, 76, dysentery, July 19.
 Charles B. Allen, 62, malaria fever, July 23.
 John L. Johnson, 7 months, dysentery, July 29.
 Della Haskins, 48, dysentery, August 1.
 Reuben Blood, 75, Bright's disease, August 2.
 Oscar E. Johnson, 7 months, dysentery, August 10.
 Henn McClure, 26, morphine habit, August 10.
 John N. Smith, age 56, soft. of brain, August 14.
 Mrs. S. P. John and infant, August 23.
 Mary A. Fletcher, 75, paralysis, September 4.
 William Reynolds, typhoid malaria, September 5.
 George L. Hill, 17 months, cholera infantum, September 6.
 Oral V. Lofinck, 9 months, cholera infantum, September 7.
 Arthur Davies, Junior, 11 months, cholera.
 Myrtle Merchant, 20, consumption, September 11.
 Fanny L. Keele, 1 year, summer complaint.
 Stephen A. Sawyer, 58, gangrene, September 24.
 Robert B. Hays, 73, infection of bladder, September 25.
 Julia M. Westgate 67, cancer, September 29.
 Mary Grover, 43, typhoid malaria, October 2.
 Jane Gallaway, 65, hemorrhage of the lungs, October 6.
 Robert W. Lee, 23, dysentery, October 18.
 George W. Higinbotham, 71, heart failure, October 22.
 Albert Owens, 90, old age, October 29.
 Mary A. Flagg, 72, heart failure, November 3.
 Mary C. Collister, 41, heart failure, November 7.
 Wm. Lambert, 64, am. of aorta, November 11.
 N. S. Fearon, inf dau, 8 days, bowel complaint, Nov 30.
 Charles Tegmeier, 59, gallstone or jaundice, December 14.
 Aaron Matter, 75, typhoid pneumonia, December 24.
 Mary R. Broadux, 55, pneumonia, December 31.

Burials in the Manhattan Cemetery, 1900
From the Manhattan Mercury, January 2, 1901.

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N. H. Knight, 55, pneumonia, January 11.
 James H. Oppy, 35, consumption, January 29.
 Kansas Kin

Benjamin Voiles, 6, dropsy of brain, January 31.
 M. Ross infant son, 3 days, February 4.
 Frank Taylor, 75, dropsy, February 7.
 Daniel A. Kettleman, pneumonia, February 13.
 George W. Wisner, 66, par. of throat, February 14.
 Edward D. Clark, 55, heart failure, February 16.
 Joseph Dennison, 84, old age, February 19.
 Jane Brown, 27, consumption, February 27.
 Vente Moehlman, 6 months, colic, March 2.
 Anna Creviston, 31, heart clot, March 5.
 Clara Dow, 7 days, March 5.
 J. L. Herbert infant daughter, 2 days, March 13.
 Harry H. Moore, 22, quinsy, March 18.
 Henry V. Sederquist, 12 days, March 22.
 James Phillips, 63, apoplexy, March 23.
 Harry V. Sederquist, 13 days, March 24.
 Gottlieb Busch, 49, pneumonia, March 24.
 Eliza Wells, 68, old age, March 25.
 H. Gibson infant daughter, 1 day, April 7.
 E. Knight infant daughter, 1 day, April 8.
 Minnie Watson, 44, consumption, April 9.
 Mattie R. Hill, 2 months, typhoid pneumonia, April 16.
 Martha A. Embree, 44, la grippe, April 16.
 Mirrel G. Anderson, age 1, intermittent fever, April 26.
 Mrs. E. D. Goodnow, 88, old age, April 26.
 Guy Willey, age 7, diphtheria, May 14.
 Frederick Akrens, 80, old age, May 23.
 F. H. Purcell infant son, May 30.
 Charles Matthews, 76, dropsy, May 31.
 Lucinda J. Jennings, 47, apoplexy, June 9.
 John Pipher, 88, old age, June 13.
 Jesse McPherson, 15, drowned, June 20.
 Charles Brown, 39, July 10.
 Isabella D. Failyer, 45, July 13.
 Ada Freeman, 23, consumption, July 14.
 Oscar F. Fay, 79, old age, July 19.
 Carrie Higinbotham, 60, cancer, July 19.
 Antella Blantyre, 1, cholera infantum, August 2.
 Lennie Oakes, 10 months, cholera infantum, August 5.
 F. W. Schultz infant son, August 5.
 B. T. Dunn infant daughter, August 12.
 Sophia Shumate, age 21, cancer, August 20.
 Ethel L. Shofe, 18, typhoid fever, August 31.
 Sallie Breakbill, 71, September 3.
 D. C. Hulse, 68, stomach trouble, September 10.
 Anna Johnson, 16, typhoid fever, September 13.
 Robert Frost, dropsy, September 17.
 J. E. Thackrey infant daughter, November 17.
 Howard Varney, 7, croup, November 24.
 Wm. Balderson infant son, 10 days, November 30.
 Harvey Parker, 15 months, diphtheria, December 4.
 Emma Peasley, 40, surgical operation, December 5.
 Polly A. Reed, 66, paralysis, December 13.
 Wm. Johnson, 23, suicide, December 16.
 W. P. Greene, 14 days, December 18.

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A. Nesbuo, 75, epilepsy, January 9.
 Julia M. Cheney, 59, la grip, January 14.
 L. W. Goheen, 85, heart failure, January 19.
 Harriet E. Huse, 84, old age, January 20.
 P. Knight, 83, old age, January 28.
 Solomon Whitney, 68, pneumonia, January 29.
 Susie M. O'Rourke, 39, suicide, January 31.
 R. W. Forsman, 59, cancer, February 8.
 John Bayles, 74, pneumonia, February 21.
 Marian Wright, 22, pneumonia, March 26.
 Mark Harrison, 1, mumps, March 30.
 Frederick Schneider, 73, pneumonia, March 30.
 Clifford Moehlman, 1, dropsy of the brain, April 3.
 Mrs. H. C. Abbott, 71, apoplexy, April 23.
 Jerry Haines, 72, dropsy, May 13.
 Rose Deputy, 19, consumption, June 2.
 Levi Westbrook, 87, old age, June 3.
 John H. Gates, 67, old age, June 4.
 Mary Oppy, 29, malaria, June 10.
 Marie Haulenbeck, 26, consumption, June 16.
 Barney Swope, 81, old age, June 19.
 Esta Childs, 83, la grip, June 20.
 Mary Whitten, 29, consumption, July 12.
 W. C. Johnston, 57, lock jaw, July 15.
 Hannah S. Woodruff, 72, old age, July 18.
 Mattie Pelts, 5 months, fever, July 22.
 Edward H. Montgomery, 52, congestion of brain, Aug 24.
 Guy Carlton, 2, diphtheria, August 24.
 Amanda Stewart, 40, consumption, September 20.
 Margery R. Jones, 69, October 6.
 Frank L. Irish, 47, septic poisoning, October 7.
 John P. Dimmock, 88, old age, October 20.
 Etta Harrison, malaria, October 25.
 Frank Williams, 42, consumption, October 26.
 F. C. Mason, 49, typhoid fever, October 26.
 Edith (No Last Name Listed), 76, old age, October 31.
 Frank Wolfe, 40, gunshot, November 5.
 Minnie Green, 27, septic poisoning, November 26.
 David R. White, 71, suicide, December 4.
 Esther Harrop, 3, convulsions, December 10.
 Geratham Green, 77, paralysis, December 10.
 Mrs. G. E. Spohr, 54, Bright's disease, December 10.
 Josephine Avers, 14, peritonitis, December 19.
 DeLos Kimble, 30, typhoid fever, December 19.
 Emma Southern, 33, peritonitis, December 20.
 Nellie E. Thayer, 29, peritonitis, December 27.

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Oscar Wood, 56, heart disease, January 4.

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Elias R. Duckwall, 65, heart disease, January 20.
 Welcome Wells, 93, old age, dropsy, January 21.
 Alfred Grigsby, 68, colored, paralysis, January 22.
 Gertrude McCammon, 4, bronchitis, February 5.
 Henry Seymour, 55, manla portu., 55, February 1.
 Ida C. Flemming, 29, peritonitis, February 3.
 Charles McConnell, 44, consumption, February 4.
 David Mann, 76, apoplexy, February 9.
 Wm. Blodgett, 88, old age, February 10.
 Roy Drury, 24, appendicitis, February 20.
 Levi Elbert Johnson, 10 1/2, pneumonia, February 20.
 Olive A. Long, 26, consumption, March 4.
 Ollie May Drury, 25, liver complaint, March 6.
 Catherine A. Fry, 76, apoplexy, March 14.
 Wm. Moehlman inf.dau, 3 wks, unkn cause, March 22.
 Harvey A. Thackery, 49, heart failure, March 28.
 Mrs. Emma Hope, 72, peritonitis, April 16.
 Mrs. D. Mudge, 50, pneumonia, April 19.
 George E. Thompson's infant 5 days, unkn cause, Apr 19.
 Mercy A. Himes, 56, hemorrhage, April 25.
 Anson Irish, 87, old age, April 30.
 Hanah S. Woodruff, 75, old age, April 19.
 John W. Woodman, 25, cancer, May 2.
 John Parks, 20, railway accident, May 8.
 Bessie Wilyard, 16, heart disease, May 8.
 Ethel E. Simmons, 14, spinal meningitis, May 12.
 Oscar F. Fay, 79, old age, June 6.
 Oren Dawson, 4 weeks, purpura hem, June 20.
 Mary J. Barner, June 20.
 Joseph Kimble, 54, paralysis, June 22.
 Oliver Kimble, 8 months, inf. Bowels, July 10.
 Leroy Crofut, 47, pernicious malaria fever, July 11.
 NFN Rogers, 2 and 1/2, cong. of brain, July 14.
 Fern Audria Trice, 8 months, cholera infantum, July 14.
 Anna Miller, 9 and 1/2, heart disease, July 17.
 Harris J. Thompson, 74, insanity and old age, July 19.
 Erwin Knight infant son, 1 day, July 19.
 Jerusha E. Howe, 89, old age, July 30.
 Gladys Pearl Simmerman 15 months, blood flux, August 3.
 Charles O. Garretson, 42, suicide, August 14.
 Ralph E. McDowell, 33, drowned, August 16.
 Nancy A. Poole, 63, tuberculosis, August 19.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Keith, 62, Bright's disease, August 23.
 Carl Holbert, 2 and 1/2, whooping cough, August 27.
 Emma E. Travis, 14, malaria fever, August 29.
 Kate A. Carleton, 4, whooping cough, August 29.
 Mary Burch, 65, heart failure, September 25.
 Lydia M. Davis, 78, paralysis, September 26.
 Harriett Grinwell, 72, heart failure, September 28.
 Thomas Butterworth, 72, heart disease, September 30.
 Carrie B. Trice, 15 1/2 malaria fever, September 30.
 Hannah Butterworth, 75, old age, October 5.
 C. H. Jennings, 38, intestinal fever, October 15.
 Joseph S. Hays, 10, appendicitis, October 21.
 Unknown, man, 5 ft, 5 1/2 in., two front teeth out, Oct 30.

James M. Cox, 73, paralysis, November 23.
 Maria Green, 70, apoplexy, November 29.
 Albert Deibler, 2, brain fever, December 9.
 Will C. Green, December 18.
 Henry Dent, 64, apoplexy, December 24.
 Pearl Holland 2, months, spinal m., December 27.

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H. A. Platt, 29, tuberculosis, January 2.
 Archard Morse, 36, tuberculosis, January 5.
 Laura B. Ware, 21, tuberculosis.
 Eli Frazer, 64, accident, January 23.
 Mrs. Mary Holbert, 33, tuberculosis, January 25.
 Ida Day, three weeks, unknown, January 27.
 Marion Ross infant son, ten days, unknown, January 26.
 Gerry Putman, 18, of inflammation, February 3.
 Henry R. Beckwith, 71, heart disease, February 6.
 Charles L. Burnham, 59, heart & kidney disease, Feb. 17.
 Daniel C. Fleming, 83, apoplexy, February 18.
 Mrs. Ella Lofinck, 42, tuberculosis, February 23.
 Daisy Jones, infant son, colored, February 23.
 Charles J. Cedarquist, 66, heart disease, February 23.
 Charles Dow, 27, colored, dropsy, February 27.
 T. Murphy, three months, colored, unknown, February 27.
 Elijah Moore, 64, catarrhal pneumonia, March 2.
 Josephine Brouse, 77, heart disease, March 3.
 Emma M. Woodard, 52, paralysis, March 7.
 Lafayette Brunun, 17 months, pneumonia, March 9.
 Isaac Moore, 35, catarrh of bowels, March 9.
 Margaret A. Gordon, 70, measles, March 19.
 Samuel Thackery, 77, heart failure, March 24.
 Richard H. Short, 69, grippe, March 24.
 Rebeckah Hearson, 80, old age, March 28.
 Julia S. McKeen, 48, kidney disease, March 30.
 H. S. Roberts, 52, pneumonia, April 1.
 William Marshall, 27, bowel trouble, April 3.
 David W. Hassebroek, 64, general debility, April 6.
 Mary Morris, 77, old age, April 7.
 Betsy A. Haines, 78, paralysis, April 11.
 Vernon Miller, 14 months, croup, April 11.
 Dean Paul Keele, 19, colored, pneumonia, April 11.
 Floyd Potter Bayles, 20 mo, whooping cough, April 14.
 Jefferson J. Davis, 53, liver complaint & grippe, April 14.
 George Young infant, April 16.
 Albion Bennett, 19, pneumonia, April 16.
 Catherine Tippin, 91, old age, April 17.
 Mrs. T. A. McConnell, 76, paralysis, April 27.
 Addie G. Havens, 24, epilepsy, May 15.
 Wm. G. Flecker, 40, tuberculosis, May 22.
 Eliphalet L. Patee, 76, blood poison, May 23.
 Emily L. Long, 54, tuberculosis, May 29.
 Irene T. Walsh, nine months, brain fever, June 2.
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Wilson J. Wall, 43, dysentery, June 10.
 Ella B. Christie, 45, pneumonia, June 10.
 James R. Knox, 51, tumor, June 19.
 Catherine Spilman, spinal meningitis, July 5.
 Fanny Tripp, 35, consumption, July 6.
 J. B. Mitchell, 72, consumption, July 2.
 Jennie B. Powers, 17, consumption, July 5.
 Walter Van Dusen, four months, cholera infantum, July 14.
 Clarence Drury, 15 months, cholera infantum, July 16.
 George W. Sigman, 80, old age, July 19.
 Theodore M. York, five months, cholera infantum, July 28.
 Vivian Hungerford, 2, cholera infantum, July 31.
 James Alexander, 60, colored, typhoid fever, August 2.
 J. P. Winchip, 80, cancer, August 13.
 Margueretta Kimble, 2, summer complaint, August 19.
 Annie M. Duckwall, 68, dropsy, September 1.
 Leora Jennings, 13 months, cholera infantum, Sept 12.
 Lewis Wright, colored, shot by Marshall, September 20.
 Eve Tryon, 22 typhoid fever, October 13.
 Polly Kitchen, 49, colored, burned, October 19.
 Annie Holbert, 37, cancer, October 24.
 Baten C. Ladd, 62, heart disease, October 25.
 Susie Jacobs, 21, heart disease, October 27.
 Leona M. Smith, 18, gunshot, October 31.
 Gustof E. Spohr, 61, heart disease, November 6.
 John L. Gregg, 77, general debility, November 17.
 Bernard Graham, infant, unknown, November 25.
 James Ira Long, 16, malaria fever, November 27.
 Jefferson Robinson, 69, cancer, November 28.
 Scott V. Allen, 15, tuberculosis, December 2.
 Mrs. Alfred Parkerson, dropsy, December 4.
 Albert Melton, 63, apoplexy, December 7.
 Walter Harling, 31, tuberculosis, December 12.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Deibler, 85, old age, December 22.
 Francis Paul Aimen, 20 months, bronchitis, December 26.
 Myrtle Champion, 17 months, whooping cough, Dec 29.

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Eleanor Gibbs, 70, typhoid fever, January 1.
 Nannie Stenvers, 6 weeks, cholera infantum, January 14.
 John H. Stuart, 36, pneumonia, January 16.
 Crawford Gossup, 72, jaundice, January 21.
 Roman Rosencutter, 16 months, pneumonia, January 25.
 Joel T. Cary, 71, general debility, January 26.
 Sam Long, 70, paralysis, February 1.
 John Beatty, 80, old age, February 13.
 T. W. Brown, still born child, February 20.
 Charles Y. Brisbin, about 45, pneumonia, February 24.
 Wilburn A. Samuels, 24, Chronic dysentery, February 29.
 Joshua H. Brous, 86, apoplexy, March 3.
 Wm. Enterline, 67, pneumonia, March 6.
 Edward O. Stuck, 11 months, measles, March 10.

Raymond, Sandell, 2, pneumonia, March 11.
 Peolina DeNoyer, 65, kidney disease, March 9.
 John Kearns, 24, appendicitis, March 12.
 A. N. Blackman still born child, March 15.
 Annie E. Moffett, 76, grippe, March 20.
 Mary Shepherd, 7 months, measles, March 20.
 Cecil B. Dodge, 3, bronchitis, March 25.
 Kenneth R. Allen, 15 months, pneumonia, March 27.
 Kisie Willyard, 4, pneumonia, March 28.
 Chester C. Dodge, 6, bronchitis, March 31.
 Edwin W. Holland, 70, suicide, March 30.
 John B. Stenvers, 2, pneumonia, April 1.
 Jerry Skala, 17, pistol shot, April 4.
 Ethel Nora Dodge, 2, pneumonia, April 8.
 Elsie Harrold, 3, bronchitis, April 9.
 Daisy Campbell, 3, burned, April 10.
 Nary Patterson, 78, old age, April 18.
 Mary Jane Embree, 76, chronic bronchitis, April 19.
 George J. Frank, 60, dropsy, April 20.
 Annie Hinton, 55, apoplexy, April 24.
 Tom McCammon, still born, daughter, April 26.
 Mabel Fielding Hutchinson, 27, rheumatism of heart, April 29.
 Al Strong, 49, railroad wreck, April 30.
 Marion Ross, 3 days, heart disease, May 9.
 Michael Tipping, 87, pneumonia, May 10.
 Alvan Carter Campbell, 11, pneumonia, May 10.
 John Swart, 21, appendicitis operation, May 29.
 Lincoln Green still born child, June 3.
 Francis G. Priboth, 79, cancer of liver, June 7.
 Howard B. Baker, 5, pneumonia, June 11.
 James B. Fletcher, 85, old age, June 13.
 Hannah Johnson, 36, inflammation of stomach, June 24.
 Nancy Jackson, 75, old age, June 27.
 Wm. Campbell, 73, kidney disease, July 14.
 Mary E. A. Mudge, 84, congestion of lungs, July 19.
 George Haines, 72, liver complaint, July 26.
 James H. Matherly, 70, tumor on brain, August 14.
 Sinie L. Powers, 89, bowel trouble and old age, August 15.
 Caroline Whaley, 71, bowel trouble, August 23.
 Harrold Wilson, 12 days, bowel trouble, August 25.
 Otto Engel, 32, Bright's disease, September 7.
 Gladys Brum, 7, accident (run over by a street car in St. Louis), September 23.
 Unknown male, about 25, September 25.
 Mrs. Carrie E. Scott, 33, consumption, October 9.
 Cyrus A. Buell, 80, kidney disease, October 19.
 Charles Moehlman infant, 8 days, immaturity, Nov 8.
 J. C. Rickman infant, November 6.
 John Bush, 31, apoplexy, November 15.
 H. Lamie still born child, November 16.
 Tabitha Houston, 80, dysentery.
 Ward Mitchell, 70, pneumonia, November 20.
 Gladys Hutto, 10, hemorrhage of brain, November 25.

Arthur J. Foltz, 43, accident, November 28.
 Robert M. Tunnell, 74, heart disease.
 J. H. Stuck, 59, gall stones, December 2.
 Angeleine Jacobs, 85, pneumonia, December 2.
 Margaret A. Romig, 77, blood poison, December 6.
 Gen. J. L. McDowell, 77, Bright's disease, December 21.

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