

1 Descendants of Andrew Arney.

Andrew Arney's first son was Jacob b. Nov. 14 '1857
died Apr. 25, 1937. He married Della Ferguson
Mar. 14, 1857. To them were born 2 daughters, Grace
& Jessie who married Mr. Miles

Elvin was the 2nd. son b. Jan. 4, 1862. He m.
Ella Veatch Mar. 15, 1883. They moved to Colorado
where she died, Their 3 children returned to Marshall
Co.. Daughter Rose being raised by Anderson Kinsey;
daughter Effie & son Albert by Leonard Arney.
Albert later m. Elsie Meelick.

Leonard Arney was the 3rd. son of Andrew a.
b. Sept. 24, 1873. He married Mary McKibben
Jan. 3, 1894, no children of their own.

The first daughter of Andrew A. was Luciana
b. May 11, 1853 died May 1, 1910.

the m. Joe Mishler May 25, 1873. They kept Wilson Francis, Bernie & daughter Minnie who m. Keohler a farmer near Corvado.

Another daughter of Andrew was Sarah who m.
Ephraim Griggs June 9, 1879. She died Feb. 26, 1886.
They begot Leonard, Effie + Bert

Mary daughter of Andrew b. Feb. 14, 1853 d. Jan 6, 1937
married John Grace & begat sons Fred & George.

(See descendants of Geo. Isaac)

Her 2nd. husband was Marion Kinsley Sept. 1889.

Their daughters were Edna, Anna, Mabel + Rose
See pages of their descendants -

Descendants of Andrew Arney II

Andrew's daughter Mary by her 1st. husband
John Grace begat sons Fred & George.

George Lemert Grace b. Albion La. Mar. 1876
m. Naomi Grantwith 1902 at Grundy Center La.

Regat 4 : Gladys Mildred; Harold Leo; Emma;
 & Lowell Burdette. Gladys b. 1903 at Raintree m.
 Loren Eckles 1927 at Marshalltown Ia. no children.

B. Harold C. Allron Esq 1706 on Evelyn Ainsworth
at Clinton 1730 Legat 4

1. Patricia b. Rockford Ill. 1931: m. Louis Marchini

Rockford Ill. 1753, they began 4

± Kimberly Ann L. Marshalltown Ia.
Rockford Ill. 195

† *Kimberly Ann W. [unclear]*
Rockford Ill. 1953-
II Terra Elizabeth b. " " ~~1954~~ 1958
1963

III Timothy Drake b. " " 1963

IV Linda Lou b. 1960

IV Linda Lou b. 1916
2. Richard Eugene son of Harold & Evelyn A. Rockford
1932 2d.
arrived 1944 at Rockford 2d.

" " m. Kay Geigler 1756 at Rockford Ill.
" " + " " begat 3 daughters.
" " b. 1755 Rockford Ill.

I. Dawn Marie b. 1955 Rockford Ill.
b. 1957 "

I. Dawn Marie b. 1959
I. Lori Ann b. 1961

III Christie Lee

III Christhead
D. George Lee daughter of Harold L.
m. Robert Hammer in 1954 aged 3.
m. 1955 Rockford Ill

m. Robert Hammond on 170
R. 1855 - Rockford Ill

2 mile S. 1853
" " 1851

II Todd br. 1951
 Todd br. 1954 " "

H. Todd

Descendants of Andrew Arney

Andrew's daughter Mary by her 2nd. husband, Marion Kinsey, begat 4 daughters Edna, Anna, Mabel + Rose. I Mabel b. 1894 m. John Diekhof 1911

They begat 3 sons John Vernal D. remarried 1962 to Anna Ege.

A. John Vernal D. born 1918 m. 1937 to Arlene Roe b. 1920
To John + Arlene was born 2 sons.

1. John Allen b. 1940 m. 1958 to Jeanette Goodman

2. James Dale b. 1945 m. 1966 to Diana Volkmer

B. Herbert Francis Diekhof b. 1920 m. 1949 to Bernice Selvig Stolzman who was b. 1922

She had 2 daughters by previous husband.

1. Virginia Stolzman b. 1940 who m. Clarence Damon 1968

2. Joan Stolzman b. 1944 m. 1959 to James Hunt b. 1940
4 children b. to Joan + James

To Herbert F. Diekhof + Bernice Stolzman was b.

1 son. Herbert Stanley D. b. 1950

Daughter Katherine b. 1955 + Nancy b. 1950

C. Lowell Richard Diekhof, 3rd son of John + Mabel D. was born Nov. 16, 1929, married June 15, 1948 to Marjorie Schraffel who was b. Apr. 1928.

To them was born 1 son Robert Joseph Jan. 1950

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C. Emma Jean daughter of George + Naomi Grace b. near Liscomb, Ia. 1908 m. Glenn Cooper, Ames, Ia. died March 1958 Marshalltown, Ia. survived by ¹⁹³⁸ mother, husband ^{adopted} son Robert Allen all of Marshalltown, Ia. Also a daughter, Mrs. John R. Ruttin Laramie, Wyo. ^{adopted} " a grandchild, a sister Mrs. Fern Echles (Blodys) " " brother Harold of Rockford, Ill.

(This from obituary, published in Times Republican)
Bernice Purcell Davis Child, Inverness, Rock Hill.

D. Lowell B. Grace, son of Geo. + Naomi, b. 1913 near Liscomb, Ia. m. Evelyn Bassett at Bathing, Ia. in 1936. Begat Judith, b. Waterloo, Ia. 1938

" son. Rob Merriott at Chicago, Ill. 1967
2. Janice Lee b. Can. Claire, Wis. 1943

" " m. Jerry Murphy 1968

They begat Shannon Lynn b. 1964 at Can. Claire, Wis. also

Kelly Erin b. Can. Claire 1967

Lowell Grace passed away at " " 1965

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II Rose; daughter of Mary Arney Kinney & Marion K.
was b. June 5, 1897; m. Clarence Brubaker Nov. 1916
To them was b. a son Burdette, Oct. 1920 he died Apr. 1962
On May 30, 1942 Burdette m. Elsie Mueller; they were
parents of 5 children.

a. Jo Ann b. Sept. 20, 1943 m. Ray Griffith Sept. 1963
who had a son by previous m. b. Mar. 13, 1962 Ray Carl G.

b. Eileen b. Sept. 29, 1946 m. Kenneth Reese Aug. 1966
To them was b. Theodore Phillip July 1967

c. Phillip b. Apr. 10, 1951

d. Margaret b. June 1953

e. Kathy b. Sept 1961

III Edna; eldest daughter of Mary Arney K. & Marion Kinney
m. Roy Leonard. Begat 10 children.

IV Anna; d. of Mary & M. Kinney m. Ben East & begat
2 sons & a daughter. Glen Wayne ~~born 1914~~ & Rose b. 1919

Glen married 1937 begat (son Donald 1939
" Ronald 1943
" Mike 1946
m. H. Kober 1945
son David K. born 1951

Don m. in 1967 Sharon Heath. She was b. 1945

Ron m. in 1964

Arney

Descendants of Solomon & Eliza Fuller Arney
Solomon obtained the original John Arney homestead of 1849.
To him was born Carey, Perry, John, Mrs. Ed Cronse &
Rosa who m. Frank Long & begat a daughter who m.
Howard a minister. She graduated from Drake.

Solomon's son John m. a Price & begat daughter Nina &
son Claude who made a career of the Army. John
farmed in Howard Co. & at one time worked at the
Stanley Mill 1 mi. west of Albion.

Solomon's daughter who m. Ed Cronse begat 2 sons
& 2 daughters. Benlah m. John Edwards & begat a
son Delos. They obtained the Cronse homestead 1 mile
east of the Bethel Church. Benlah's sister Chloe was cook
at the Marshall Co. Hospital for yrs. at a good salary.
Brother Carl married an Albion teacher & became a
minister. Brother Floyd m. Norma Wiley & moved to
the southwest.

Solomon's son Carey born 1886 on old homestead.
The 1st. two generations of Arneys owned 160 acres
with the Dents & Denisons close neighbors to the west
at the edge of Bangor Trp.

In 1893 when Solomon was stricken with Cancer,
Carey returned from Anderson & Carr Co. purchased
the original 160 acres & enlarged it to 700 acres.

On Feb. 27, 1876 he m. Jennie Miller who was born
in Knox Co. Ohio 1858 daughter of George & Henry Allen Miller
Another Miller daughter m. Porter. Their son known as
Sparky Porter was Superintendent of Marshalltown parks.
Carey begat Willie, Elmer & Joe.

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Descendants of Jacob & Rebecca Arney Hauser.

Six daughters + one son were born to these two. Their home was just south of the Bethel church on the opposite side of the road. Daughter Almada married Albert Ficens & secured this home. They begat 2 sons Lem & Harley. The latter built his home directly across the highway. At times he directed the Bethel band & was musical director at evangelistic meetings.

Lem m. Jennie Spindler, who inherited the family home 1 mile west of Albion. To them was born sons Harold, Leland & Raymond.

The 2nd. daughter of Jacob Hauser: Elmira m. Andy Ficens & begat Herman & Elva.

The 3rd. daughter Martha never married.

" 4th. " Harriet m. Hulet.

" 5th. " Sarah m. Nichols. They begat 3 sons + 1 daughter. If arranged in proper order of birth she comes first, being born July 1849 Owens Co. Ind. buried at Bethel Grove La. (see printed story)

Jacob Hauser's 6th. daughter Helena m. John Miller & begat 3 sons Clarence, Roland, & Art who m. Ethel Reese: their sons Tom & Laverne.

The only son of Jacob H. was Matthias, who m. Rosetta Weatherly adopted by Nancy Arney Druff. Their home 1 mi. south of Bethel on Indian bridge road.

Their daughter Lola m. Austin Wiley who was killed beneath a tractor. It was Hauser who planned the log cabin in Marshalltowns park. Over

daughter of Carey
Nellie b. Dec. 1877 never married. Elma b. Apr. 1882 m. Loyd Springer. They begat son Corwin who m. Clara Wilsaleck. They " daughter Bernice " m. Gene Dr. Rill. To them got the old Dr. Rill homestead was b. daughter (Lail) twin son (Evan Emory) b. 1957 and daughter Melinda Jane b. Sept. 16, 1963

Carey's son Joe b. 1893 on the old homestead first married Agnes Dunbar of Healdroines. They begat one son Frank. Later he m. Dorothy Allen.

They begat 2 sons Frank & Roger. The latter, in 1968, is farming part of the home place.

He m. Miss Sams.

Joe has served two terms as County Supervisor.

Perry son of Solomon born on the original homestead Apr. 1869. He became Albion's dealer in grain & lumber in 1892; then on to Marshalltown for the implement business just opposite the courthouse. He was interested in numerous enterprises. One that helped in was the organization that drove the saloons from Marshalltown. A large tabernacle was built on west Main St. & Billy Sunday obtained as an evangelist.

On July 1911 Perry m. a neighbor girl Cora Crouse. To them was born Wanda, Bernice, Mildred & Max. He lost his 1st. wife in 1901 & m. an Albion teacher Cora Hill in 1903.

Solomon's daughter Emma m. Ed Crouse. Begat sons Floyd & Carl, daughters Chloe & Beulah who m. John Edwards & begat son Melos. Solomon's daughter Rosa m. Frank Long. They begat daughter who m. Ward.

There are some descendants of Solomon Arney that we have not as yet mentioned. Daughter Emma married Ed Crouse & moved to the Crouse homestead one mile east of the Bethel Church. Here sons Floyd & Carl were born. Also daughters Benlah & Chloris. The latter for years supervises the cooking at Marshall County's hospital. Benlah marries John Edwards & farms the home place until son Delos takes charge. He has a family almost grown, this year 1963.

Solomon's daughter Roroline marries Frank Long.

Their daughter, graduates from Drake University & marries a minister by the name of Hurd. After his death she makes her home in Marshall Co, often being called on to speak before gatherings. Two sons were born to this couple.

~~Arney & Will~~ Geo. Hanser's mother was Mary Arney who m.
~~John Hanser~~

George ^{Hanser} secured a wife at the Ketchum homestead about ~~about~~ half way along the road to Albion. Their son Willard, upon marrying Mary Boyd, made this his homestead, raising a large family. While working in the woods a tree strikes him, breaking his back.

One of his daughters, marries Brown & spends years working at a hospital in Eldora. A son Willard II marries ^{Jan} Sybil Eckles & works for a lumber company. Ronald farms the home place with his son —

Willard I has 2 more sons: Cecil who marries a daughter of Louie & Claudia Collins and George named after his grandfather. He marries a teacher in the Albion schools.

John Hanser m. Mary Arney, daughter of John Arney who founded the Arney Bend settlement. John Hanser was brother of Tom Hanser who established the Whitten Branch of Hansers. The latter published a Hanser history in 1967. To John & Mary Arney Hanser was born George, Leon

Descendants of William Arney.

Wm. Arney m. Elizabeth Boyle. They secure land about half way between father John's homestead & where the town of Albion is soon to be started. A squatter by the name of Gordon has started bidding but he moves six miles east of Albion. Gordon & Vookries left the Mormon band as federal troops helped these worn out people back to Iowa City.

Wm. Arney nearly meets death when the Dy Kill saw mill blows up. A tree falls on him another time when working in the woods. His children are

Elmer, who begets Marnie by his 1st. wife. He farms near his father & also operates a small grocery; this becomes known as Pumpkin Center & is used as a telephone center.

Elmer secures a 2nd. wife from the Kilsabek family at Ferguson. Several children are born to them. Ed the oldest farms Mr. Marble's land near Waterloo for years.

Another son of Bill is Wilkie, who m. Minnie Kilsabek & farms the homestead for years. Their 3 daughters are Rena, who m. Johnson & begets a son Furnham.

Lotia marries Ray Sheeley & their daughter m. a minister by name of Wilcox. Lotia is prominent in musical circles of Marshalltown for years. She is killed in an auto accident 1968.

Thelma m. Ted Cripps: no children.

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IV Continued Descendants of Wm. Arney

Hannah, daughter of Wm. & Elizabeth Boyles & m. Ben Wiley & beget 1 child Daisy who m. Hugh Poling. They had 3 sons, the middle one Clarence m. m. The other two, Harold & Cleo m. sisters: Louise & ^{Marie} Ruby Fuller of Ferguson

Harold V. Poling b. May 31, 1918 on July 1, 1930 m. Marie Louise Fuller who was b. Sept 1 1914 They beget 3 daughters: Jeanette b. Oct. 13, 1938 Patricia Ann b. Oct 8, 1941 Linda Louise b. Dec. 1, 1945

On May 20 1959, Jeanette m. Elmer Peterson who was b. Apr. 25, 1937

~~On Apr. 25, 1937 they beget Elmer E. Peterson~~
On May 26, 1963 they beget Marilyn Marie P.
" Jan. 11 1965 " " Dennis E. Peterson

On Nov. 27, 1957 Patricia Poling m. Bernard Sak White who was b. Oct. 17, 1939 Their children are Michael Allen W. born June 1958 Janell Lynn W. born Sept. 1960, Steven Duane b. Oct, 1961: David Stuart White b. Nov. 17, 1965
On May 7, 1944: Carl David Christensen was born & on June 4, 1966 he m. Linda Poling

desc. of
Havens,
Painesville

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Carl David Christensen May 7-1944
married Linda June 4-1966

Arneys I

Henry & Mary Magdalene Arney, born in Germany buried near Freedom Ind.: moved from Stokes Co. N. Carolina to Owen Co. Ind. in 1820. To this couple were born thirteen children. One of these, John, married Mary Boyles. Their children, Lucinda died aged 6 months. Noah scalded to death, ~~when~~ at the age of 3 yrs., when he fell into a kettle of hot water before a fire place at the Frederick Fiscus. home. Rebecca, who m. Jacob Hanser, Martha who became Mrs. Cyres Elsberry, Mary who m. John Hanser; William who m. Betsey Boyles, Fred was killed by a falling tree at age 14; Andrew m. Elmira Mosier; Solomon who m. Eliza Fulk & Nancy marrying Henry Duff.

In the summer of 1849, John Arney counseled with his family & a decision was reached to migrate to that section of Iowa where the Coopers, Fergusons had recently settled. Flax was broken & woven into covers for 5 wagons. Two for the John Arneys & one each for Jacob Hanser, John Hanser, & Elsberrys.

In Sept. of 1849, seventeen people, with 3 teams of horses & 5 yoke of oxen started a 400 mile journey. In the Arney wagon was a chest of clothing & beside this, sacks of dried apples & peaches. Flax covered with blankets made beds for father, mother, the unmarried daughter Nancy & the bound girl Elmira Mosier.

The White river in Ind. was forded by hitching their driving horse ahead of the oxen. The Ill. river was crossed by ferry. Their Ia. journey was from Keokuk to Timbercreek Marshall Co. The 400 mi. trip required 4 wks, from Ind. to central Ia.

Temporary quarters were built here, but better land was found farther north.

Arneys II

In early spring 1850 the group settled in a bend of the Ia. river. John Arney traded a horse to John Ballard, for his improvements on a claim, later known for yrs. as the C. E. Arney farm. When this claim was could be purchased at the land office, Arney pd. \$125 per a. The others secured farms close by.

The good book says, "go forth, multiply ^{the} ^{earth}." These 17 people of 1849 have so multiplied that it takes pages to record their descendants.

This John Arney, founder of the Arney Bend group had a brother Henry Junior who came later from Owens Co. Ind. & settled out on the open prairie about 3 mi. n. east of Albion. One son of this Henry was John who married Betsey Hanser & while living 1/2 mi. north of Albion begat a daughter May who later m. Elkanah Mc Rill. Another son of this Henry was Ira who m. a Beeson & begat Wallace Arney who m. a Kerr & begat Kenneth & Ralph Arney. Inside the center gate of the Albion cemetery is the Ira Arney stone & plot with father Henry's stone reading b. 1780 d. 1863 or 53. (See the Arneys of north east Albion.) Mother's stone read Mary b. 1798 d. 1874

1833 d. 1918

b. 1833 d. 1867.

Betsey Hanser who m. John Arney was a sister of John Hanser who married into the Arney Bend group. Betsey's husband John A. enlisted at Lincoln's 1st. call. "form & family was more than she could handle daughter May went to live with relatives at Whitten. After the death of husband John, ^{BETSEY} m. Taylor & begat a son Burt.

Burger — p. 1. Van Vranken families

Extending northwest from the town of Albion is a good sized farm. It is surrounded by Arney Mc Rill & Blanchard land. It has had a number of owners & tenants.

In 1846 William Ballard, with his brothers John & Phillip visited this part of Iowa. In 1848 he built his home, on a hilltop in heavy timber. The marriage of his ^{miece} daughter to Admiral Gear, was the 1st. in Marshall Co. William lost his wife and secured a 2nd. (at the little settlement near the foot of Mormon Ridge, ^{He married} a sister of John Sherman ^{who} was living there with ^{one of them} three daughters. ^{Union Gene} They moved to the Ballard farm, where two of the girls married Ashers & one Mart Peerson. (More about Beesons later) — ask Bonnie +

In 1866, Ballard sells to Van Vranken, who gives this land to a daughter, who has married Tucker, ^{I think} ^{when Sam & Susan lived} ^{Spring - Bay} ^{place} ^{includes Man} ^{— Mr. Rill Cady} ^{along on} ^{just w/ Gavin} ^(pub. owned the late McClure) ^{earlier I think Tucker taught in Albion} ^{later} Superintendent of Marshalltown schools.

To an unmarried daughter, Van Vranken gives land extending northeastward from Albion. She chooses to marry Charley Burger. In preparing for the wedding, freezers of home-made ice cream are lined up in the basement. A group of Albion boys find these & help themselves before the guests arrive.

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had weakened the ice near the log. I was not far away when I heard the ice break & a cry as they sank in the cold water up to her ears. Austin was tall enough to hand her to me as I lay flat. We hurried to our buggies & put robes around the wet folks. My home was nearest, where they found dry clothes. As Austin walked out I noticed my short pants legs only reached below his knees. This fine young fellow was killed beneath a tractor on the Dr. C. Hansen farm.

For a life partner Hazel chose a lively young man, Hersey Packer. Two sons & a daughter were born to them. Ralph, Neil & Pauline. The latter graduated as a nurse & then married Edward Dawson. Their home is at 210 N. Center, Marshalltown Ia.. They have ? children.

UNION PIONEER SPENDS 79 YEARS OF HIS LIFE IN SAME TOWNSHIP

Special to Times-Republican.

Union, Dec. 21. — Seventy-nine years of continuous living in the same state, same county and even the same township—a record which he believes no other “old timer” in the state can better—is the boast of David Hauser, of Union, who came to Hardin county in 1850 when he was but a year old and has lived in the same community since that time.

Born in Owen county, Indiana, Nov. 1, 1849, son of Thomas N. and Nancy Hauser, David was the baby of the family at the time the elder Hauser decided to move to the then unsettled new-born state of Iowa in 1850. With the two other children, Elias and Jennie, the Hausers moved their household effects in a covered wagon to the home of Thomas Hauser's brother, John, at Bethel, who had emigrated two years previously. The two families lived together for a short time until Thomas found Greenbarry Haggin, the first white settler of Hardin county and purchased his squatter's rights to what is now known as the Hauser homestead. The purchase price was one team of horses and \$15 in cash.

Walks to Des Moines.

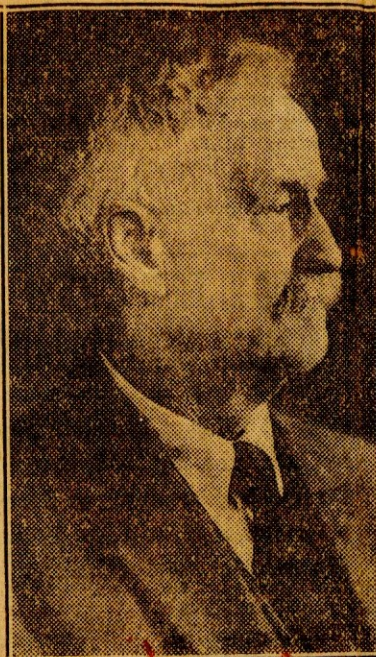
The elder Hauser walked to Des Moines to have his land entered and the family moved into the one room log shed which had no glass in the windows, no door or chimney, the day after Christmas. Young David's mother pasted brown paper over the window openings to keep out the wind and hung comforters over the opening for the door and in front of the fireplace until a chimney could be built.

Work was begun immediately upon the chimney. To do this it was necessary to take up some of the puncheon floor to get dirt that was not frozen to use for mortar for the chimney which they chinked and daubed, carrying water from a spring eighty rods south and heating it in a large iron kettle over a fire out of doors. Next was built a stable of rails and wild grass. The grass then grew as tall as a man and there was plenty to use for a covering for the stable and for feed for the stock.

When a small boy David drove a yoke of oxen and dragged logs to build a “corduroy” bridge, the logs of which yet can be seen as they project from the ground on what is now the S. R. Spurlin farm which adjoins the old homestead on the south. He also drove the oxen hitched to a thorn brush harrow, the brush being cut, spread out and fastened to a rail to answer to the purpose of a harrow. He helped haul wheat to the nearest mill, either to Iowa City or to Waterloo, and once when the weather would not permit this long journey his father made a mortar of a tree stump, fitted a wedge into a block and for seven weeks ground corn to make meal for bread while browned beans served as a substitute for coffee.

Corn Planting, Simple Process.

Later his father obtained some sheep and these served for food and



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clothing. When they were sheared the wool was washed in a basket in the Iowa river one mile west of the home and David's mother carded, spun and wove the wool, making blankets and clothes by hand. Hogs were marketed in the winter when they could be killed and frozen and as many as fifty in one day were dressed.

When David was a boy planting corn was a very simple process. The ground was broken with one horse and a single shovel plow and after the furrows were made the boy dropped corn by hand and it was covered over by the man who followed him with a hoe. Cultivating the corn was a slow task, necessitating going thru three times on each row, first on one side.

The lad also helped cradle grain, then it was hauled to the barn floor, where the horses were driven over it, around and around to thresh out the grain, stirring it occasionally with a fork and finally finishing with a flail which is made of two sticks fastened with a thong. The grain then was cleaned out in the wind in the same manner as the farm wife now cleans beans.

Early School Days.

The first threshing machine in Mr. Hauser's experience was a cylinder and tread power machine which one man manipulated, fed the grain, with his tread power behind him.

David's school days were begun in a log house on the corner of the farm a mile west of what is now Whitten, the first school in this locality. It was heated by a box east iron stove and the neighbors in the district took turns cutting long length timber and hauling to the school house, then the larger boys had to cut the wood. A bench along the wall on each side, a rude desk in front with two rows of puncheon seats in center for those old enough to write were the only furnishings while the other pupils put their books beside them on the benches. There

were no fences nor outbuildings, just prairie. Entertainment was vastly different and the old fashioned spelling school satisfied.

During the winter in the old home, when it snowed, his mother would have to go up the ladder to the loft where the children slept, with a broom to sweep off the snow before they got up and before it melted and ran down thru the floor.

Mr. Hauser vividly recalls the total eclipse in 1869 during harvest time. The men had come in from the field and about 5 o'clock at the supper table, which was set in the yard, all became dark for a short time, but they were not alarmed as it had been predicted before.

Remembers Early Lamps.

His earliest recollection of lamps dates to the year 1871, and he recalls an amusing incident concerning it. It was customary for the young men to go around the neighborhood Thanksgiving eve, singing songs outside homes and often they were invited in for a treat of apples or some kind of food. His parents had their first lamp and a number of young men, two of which he remembers as “Tom” Lockard and Marion Dowdy, came in. Tom leaned over to smell it and told the others to sniff. Marion became too near it and burned his nose. In 1872 the cloth mosquito bar was introduced to put a ban on the host of flies and this soon was followed by the wire screen.

Mr. Hauser is one of a family of ten children. Of the five others living, are three sisters, Mrs. Jennie Lockard, of Whitten, who was 3 years old when her parents came to Iowa. She lived in Grundy county for a number of years after she was married and the rest of her life has been spent in Hardin county; Mrs. Hattie Smith, of Whitten; and Mrs. T. R. Madole, of Union; two brothers, George, of Union, and Carey, of Whitten.

Mr. Hauser was married to Miss Emma Martin in 1872 and lived a mile north of his parent's home on 160 acres his father gave him. Each of his brothers obtained 160 acres from their father, paying \$10 an acre except the youngest who paid \$40 in 1887.

Father of Seven.

To this union seven children were born, six sons and one daughter. Four sons are living, E. J. and H. L. Hauser, of Union; Frank, of Whitten and Claude, of Perry, and a daughter, Mrs. Jack Ahrends, of Applington. Those dead are Thomas and Ralph. Mr. Hauser's first wife died Oct. 1, 1895. Three years later he was united in marriage to Mrs. Alma Hudson, of Marshalltown. They continued to live on his farm, northeast of Union for about nine years, and then moved to Union. Later they bought the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carothers, now of Marshalltown, living there a number of years, trading it off and then buying and building in 1917 the home where they now live.

Mr. Hauser enjoys good health and enjoys working. He says he has no desire to live after he can not be useful and active. Recently he has been cutting and hauling in wood to Union, tho past 80 years old.

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3C. Arthur Willard Felsing ^{Born} April 3-1939 married
 Joyce Kinney ^{2 children} July 8-1941 Nov 6-1960
 1 Anthony Felsing June 30-1962
 2 Dick Felsing March 7-1964
 4C. David Paul Felsing Aug 10-1943
 5C. Margaret Elaine Felsing Nov. 20, 1948
 6C. John Malcolm Felsing Nov 6, 1955

D Ruth Agnes Leonard Aug 21, 1915 ^{married} Nov 3, 1938
 Albert H Mohr April 30, 1904
 E. Edna Mae Leonard June 27, 1917 ^{married}
 Nicholas Richard Thomsen ^{6 children} March 28, 1913 April 15, 1936

1E Larry Eugene Thomsen Feb 6, 1937 Nov 25, 1956
 Lorraine Gallagher ^{4 children} Jan 5, 1938
 1 Sheryl Thomsen Sept. 6, 1957
 2 Sheila Thomsen Sept. 13, 1958
 3 Sherman Thomsen Aug. 1, 1960
 4 Shawn Thomsen Jan 12, 1963

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2-E Marlene Marie Thomsen ^{Born} Apr 30, 1938 ^{married}
 Robert E. Sheldahl ^{3 children} Apr. 16, 1939 May 19, 1957
 1-Robin Ann Sheldahl Aug 17, 1957
 2-Kerin R. Sheldahl Feb 7, 1960
 3-Alan Sheldahl May 17, 1963

3-E Karen Mae Thomsen ^{married} Dec 6, 1939 Jan 2, 1959
 Rex W. Larson ^{2 children} Aug 17, 1940
 1 Monty W. Larson Nov 22, 1959
 2 Nicky J. Larson June 2, 1962
 4-E. Charlene Kay Thomsen ^{married} Apr. 30, 1941
 Garry Spear ^{3 children} May 10, 1940 July 27-1963
 1 Tamie Spear Sept 7, 1961
 2 Theresa Spear Feb 15, 1964
 3 Thandi Spear Feb. 19, 1965

5-E Joyce Elaine Thomsen Aug 4-1943
 6-E Richard Nicholas Thomsen Jan 18-1947

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Andrew Arney & his descendants

With the John Arney family which arrived in Marshall Co 1849 was Elmira Mosier. Her parents were so poor, that at the age of 13, she was bound to the Arneys until she reached 18. She was to receive 6 mo. schooling, a horse & saddle & a cow.

When the Arneys arranged to come west, Elmira was told she could come with them or remain in Indiana as a free girl. She chose to come to Ia.

& four years later married Andrew Arney.

It was John Arney's custom to give each son 80 acres of land, as a wedding present & each daughter \$100⁰⁰. Andrew received 80 acres about 1 mile to the n. east of the original homestead. Here 8 daughters & 3 sons were born to the couple. Soon after the first child arrived, Andrew's youngest sister Nancy was staying with Elmira. Threshing grain was keeping the men busy at the old homestead.

Elmira suggested they drive over, so Nancy hitched a pair of oxen to a cart & helped Elmira & the baby aboard. Soon the oxen started to run. Nancy couldn't control them, so she took the babe & Elmira, picking up a long blacksnake which, commenced lashing out. A few cuts on a nose brought them to a walk.

Andrew Arney continued. His descendant married an Arney descendant.

Jacob R. Smith born Dec. 1795 Scott Co. Ky. married Kate Resor 1820 & begat 5 sons & 8 daughters. They moved to Decatur Co. Ind. 1826.

Son Hayden H. S. born 1831 d. Aug. 1899 buried at Birens Grove, Marshall Co. Ia. Sept. 4, 1856 Hayden m. Margaret Maple. She was b. 1833, died Sept. 1925. b. Birens Grove Ia. Margaret was born in Jefferson Co. Ohio of Wm. & Margaret Priest Maple.

In 1855 Hayden Smith arrived in Marshall Co. Ia. For his home, he purchased 40 acres on Minerva Creek; farther north 240 a. at 125⁰⁰ per a. He built a brick house from nearby clay. They begat 4 boys, 5 girls. Frank, George, Archie, Ira Catherine, Gay, Edna, Jessie, Florence.

Frank b. 1859 near Clemmons m. Hattie Perry She was born 1862. They had 10 children.

Bessie m. Spruckleson
Candice m. Cady Erickson
Catheryn m. Roy Van Metre
Emma m. Jesse McClane
Hayden m. Anna Stouts
Byron m. Mattie Van Metre
Clayton m. Etta Nordyke. Cady b. 1887 m.
Grace Sickman b. 1892 & married 1932

~~Mr. Bill Arney~~

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And his brother William marries Elizabeth Boyle. They secure land about half way between father John's homestead & where the town of Albion is soon to be started. A squatter by the name of Gordon has started building, but he moves six miles east of Albion & obtains a farm, later known as Merrill land. Gordon & Vochries left the Mormon band, as federal troops helped those worn out people back to Iowa City.

William or Bill Arney nearly meets death when the Mr. Rill sawmill blows up. A tree falls on him, another time while working in the woods. His children are

Elmer, who begets a daughter Mamie by his 1st. wife.

While farming near his father, he also operates a small grocery; this becomes known as Pumpkin Center.

He secures a 2nd. wife, from the Hilsabeck family at Ferguson. Several children are born to them: Ed the oldest farms Mr. Martle's land near Waterloo for many years.

Another son of Bill & Elizabeth is Wilkie, who marries Minnie Hilsabeck & farms the home place for a long time. Their daughters are Lotia, Rena & Thelma

Rena married _____ Johnson & begat a son Furnham.

Lotia " Ray Sheeley & their daughter married a minister by the name of Wilcox. Lotia was prominent in musical circles for years.

Bill's daughter Hannah marries Ben Wiley & farms in western Ia. Upon his death she returns to keep house for her father. A daughter marries Hugh Poling & begets 3 sons: Harold, Clarence & Cleo. Harold & Cleo marry the Fidler ? sisters at Ferguson. Harold has three daughters the older marrying Peterson. Cleo has a son & 2 daughters the older .. Gethman of Gladbrook.

Emily a sister of Bill A. marries Ayers Osberry. Their offspring ? Mark Somerlot is a descendant.

Another sister Rebecca marries Jacob Hanser
 their daughter Sarah Jane m. Nickle
 another " Admeda m. Bueghly
 " Helena m. Miller

A third sister ^{of Bill & Solomon} Mary takes John Hanser as husband. Their sons Lem & George spend a lifetime farming the land set secured from the government by ^{their father} this lay at the north edge of the Arney settlement.

Early Settlements + their People by F. Blanchard
Before the Elbe River Club of Marshalltown, Oct. '57

During my youth the 1st. generation of home builders in Marshall Co. were reaching retirement age. I became acquainted with a number + heard their stories direct. I hope I can present these in such manner that you may also enjoy them.

Almost at the same time that the 1st. permanent home was being built ~~near~~ the east edge of the Co.; the 3^d Asher Brothers were getting a start to the N.W. of here. Asher creek is named for one of these. People from Ind. were also coming into Jasper Co. Their settlement was known as Hoosier Grove (now town of Kellogg). Two groups from this place entered Marshall Co, one stopping in the south part + the other proceeding to the N.W.

Twice I have visited the Perry Cooper's home, on 8th St., + look over his family records; they are indexed + in excellent shape. Since I live but a few mi. from Mormon Ridge I was naturally interested in one of his stories.

A niece of Mrs. Wm. Smith became interested in the Mormon faith. With a small son on the wagon seat beside her, she drove one outfit across the plains to Salt Lake City. She married again, the family being sent to an outpost to build up that unit. Not many yrs. ago that small boy returned to a family reunion of the Smiths, Coopers + Fergusons on Timber Creek.

Mrs. Benson Wilson told me about the 2nd. group coming into the Co. In Aug. 1847 ^{of Galena} her grandmother with 2 small daughters a brother by the name of Sherman, Dr. Bush + perhaps a few others settled where little Minerva creek joins Big Minerva + the 2 flow round the lower point of Mormon Ridge into the Iowa river. Late that fall a band of Mormons dug into the steep side of the bluff for protection against a severe winter. Dr. Bush helps some. In the spring when the band leaves one woman is unable

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to leave. Dr. Bush places her in the Sherman home. This woman dies leaving an infant daughter who is cared for until she can obtain an education + teach school. J. B. Grinnell in helping push thru a branch railroad, is favorably impressed with a certain young man + names ~~the~~ a station Van Clere after him. This is how the village of Van Clere obtained its name. The young Mormon school teacher + this red headed young fellow are wed.

A military trail from Iowa City Ft. Dodge passed thru the Ridge settlement + other people gradually joined it. A minor trail forded the river here + led to the N.E. where Alents, Lawsons, Hamblins, Osbornes, + Ballards were building. Their cemetery was established on higher ground to the east which bordered the south end of the Orney Hanser group. These people had started a church + cemetery further north. Today, their descendants maintain the Bethel Grove church which ranks well among rural churches of the state.

In 1851 the state legislature, meeting at Iowa City, appoint 3 men to select a County seat site for Marshall Co. One of these men, meeting John Hobbs, tells him, that some land just to the south of him across the river had been chosen. Hobbs said, "he had no money to speculate in town lots". When told Isaac Dawson, had brot in gold and settled to the N.W. the 2 men join in surveying the site + starting the new County seat. Anson + Rice are working equally hard to start Marshalltown.

Robert Timmons, has been freighting goods from Iowa City to Fort Dodge; he secures a good chunk of land about the new court house + yrs. later builds the large house which still stands in the center of town. The name Marietta is chosen by a woman operating a tavern at the Ridge settlement. She was originally from Marietta Ohio. John Hobbs is chosen 1st. judge of the Co. yrs. later someone asked, "how come they chose you for judge". His reply, "they were damn short of material in those days."

Asher Dougherty - Havens - Davidson

Davidsons

1st white baby in co.

INTRODUCTION

By: George Donald Davidson

grandson of Mary "

For those interested in family connections, I am attaching an outline of the family starting with the parents of Joseph Carper Davidson whose wife, Mary Ann (Ferrin) Davidson, was the author of this "autobiography and reminiscence."

For years, many of us descendants of Joseph C. Davidson knew in a hazy way of the autobiography of Grandmother Mary Ann Davidson and of her collections of poems. The contents of these writings remained unknown to my family until the death of Mrs. Elva Davidson (Gans) Blackburn of Woodland, Washington, in 1955. Her papers and family records then came into the hands of her son, LeGrand Lewis Blackburn, and he in turn delivered them to my father, Roy Chalmer Davidson, of Portland, Oregon. Among these records were three journal books in the handwriting of Mary Ann Davidson. Only one of these contained the complete autobiography, the other two having pages missing and many of their pages were in addition pasted over with newspaper clippings. The poems also appeared in these journal books.

It has been possible to compare parts of all three versions of the autobiography, and on that basis I have made some footnotes on the attached typed copy. Basically, this copy is word for word that of the one complete version, with erroneous spellings as the author wrote them, e.g., sighn, skelps, musketoes. Where insertions were made on basis of the earlier incomplete versions, these insertions are in parentheses with explanatory footnote.

The complete version is dated April 5th, 1902. The earlier versions are not dated but internal information shows clearly that both were written in 1882 by mention of the fact that they had lived at Oswego, Oregon, for twenty-two years from 1860.

Nowhere in the autobiography does Grandmother claim that she and her husband were the first settlers in Marshall County, Iowa. She does record several other "firsts"--the marriage of Samuel Davidson and Ann Asher (Page 12); the first white child born in Marshall County, a son born to Isaac Asher in June 1848 (Page 10). Not mentioned but possibly also reliable-- the first divorce in the County by William Davidson from his first wife, Rebecca Knight.

I invite any comment or further information or questions.

G. Don Davidson

1416 S. W. 166th St.
Seattle, 66, Washington
October 14, 1958

One half mi. west of the present
site of Albion Farm. Owned by
Davidsons; 1965 now

1. Bessie Mae was born 1878, was married to Perry H. Springer in 1901 and lived on an excellent farm to the north east of Albion. Their children are Lester. Clarence, now deceased, Wilbur, Maxine, Keith and Neil.

2. *Children of Charles + Mary Emma Parkes Cowgill*
 Their son, Frank, b. 1883 attended and graduated from Drake Medical School and became a practicing physician in Ferguson, Zearing and Nevada Iowa. He and Estella Werts were married in 1910 and to them were born two sons, Carroll and Dee who lives in California and Colin Charles living in Gary Indiana. Colin has one son David who is the only descendant of Charlie and Emma bearing the name Cowgill. Frank died in Altadena, Calif in August 1954 where they made their home after Dr. Cowgill retired.

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 The youngest in the family was Hazel, b. 5 march 1891. I happened to be in the same group of young folks as was Hazel when we went ice skating near the Stanley Mill on the Iowa river. We built a large bonfire and then skated up the river. After a time Hazel and her partner, Austin Wiley, thought they would rest on a log that extended into the river. Not knowing that the current had weakened the ice under the log they sat down. I was not far away when I heard that ice break and a cry, as they sank into the cold water. Austin was a tall fellow and was able to hand her to me as I lay on my stomach on the rivers edge. We hurried to our clothes and put robes around the wet folks. My home being quite near, they found dry clothing. When Austin joined us dressed in my trousers I noticed the pant legs reached to just below his knees. This fine fellow was killed beneath a tractor on the M.A. Hauser farm. For her life partner Hazel chose a lively young man from Marietta, Kersey Packer, son of John and Ruth Packer. A daughter and two sons were born to them, Pauline Ralph and Neil. The daughter became a Registered Nurse and in 1940 married Edwin Dawson, son of Harold and Hazel Dawson. They now live in Marshalltown and are the parents of two sons, Craig and Larry.

Randolph Cowgill's
 Wash and Pheobe's youngest child, Henry, was born in 1854 and died in 1932. He married Addie Mitchell in 1878 and to them was born a daughter, Mamie, who married Clyde Rolston and moved to Ainsworth, Nebr. where she died in 1926. A son, Worth, was born in 1894 and lived most of his life near Albion where he died in 1963.

Wash Cowgill's oldest sister, Mary Emily, married Alfred Havens and they moved to Nebraska. His second sister, Jane Elizabeth, married Dan Havens and settled on a farm ^{1/2 mi. west} ~~about 10 miles~~ to the north east of Prairieville. His youngest sister, Elizabeth Ann, married David Randolph, Jr. and they too moved to Nebraska. Their daughter Nettie married Sam Rubee who turned Marshalltown's city dump into the beautiful Riverside Cemetery. Their daughter, Lucille Rubee Mc Mahon, was for years very active in the Y.M.C.A. - Y.W.C.A. and other city benefits.

These five generations of the Cowgill family have seen many changes in our manner of living and some other interesting events. While Marietta and Marshalltown were feuding over the county seat, Albion was granted the county high school. This failed financially, the property being sold at the courthouse then in Marietta. Thomas Swearingen was the buyer, arranging first with the Lutherans and then the Methodists to operate a Seminary. About 1898 this gave way to a consolidated school. Albion being among the first to bring the one-room rural school children in to town school by team and wagon. After sixty years the Albion H. School students are now being taken by motor bus to the super-consolidation in Marshalltown. A technical school was added to the Community College of central Iowa.

In the early days when a trip to Marshalltown meant an hours drive with a team of horses, the Albion village square was lined on three sides with business houses. A carriage factory occupied a prominent place on the Main street. Abe Stanley did ^(said to be \$100,000 per year) ~~big~~ business in big figures until several elevators were destroyed by fire. This bankrupted him and he saw his flour mill on the Iowa river sold by the sheriff.

Gideon Wheeler, living at the southwest corner of town, led some volunteers to the Civil War. While stationed with the troops on a southern plantation he noticed a bell with pleasant tones. This bell had been moulded in 1848 at Philadelphia and first used on a river boat. When the boat sank the bell was salvaged and taken to the plantation to call the slaves. Wheeler obtained permission to send the bell to the Albion school. When the Seminary building



Jacob Hauser
homestead a few rods
west of Bethel Church.
His son Mathias built on
next road south known
as Indian Bridge road.



Original John Arney
homestead. For years
known as Carey A. Horn
John A. was followed
by son Solomon then
Carey then Joe & in 1968
Joe's son Roger farms
part of the land.

THE BENTLEY FAMILY

From the Meda research bureau we get the following information.

The name Bentley by some authorities derived from the word "bent lea" meaning long grass. Another interpretation is given as meadow lee, probably meaning where some people lived, or tall people.

On ancient and early American records the name is spelled in many ways but more often it was spelled "Bentley."

The name Bentley appeared on record as early as 1272 Derbyshire, Shropshire and Staffordshire England recording the valor in service for their country. The records show they held high offices in the English government, were honored for their bravery in war and in general were good citizens. One family of Bentleys owned and operated a dish factory in London.

Besides in England different branches of the Bentley family were found in Scotland and Ireland and the given name most used was William, John, Joseph, David, James and Richard.

Many of these branches came to America in the early colonial days, probably in the year of 1634 and 1635 in the ship "Alice" and settled in the Virginia colonies.

The first of the name Bentley in New England was Mary Bentley who sailed from London in the ship "Defence," July 1635 and William Bentley who came the following September and settled in Massachusetts.

Now by our own family records we have every reason to believe our ancestors came from this Massachusetts Colony, in fact, our oldest family record shows the parents of the four brothers were born in Massachusetts, and the following are from the records of this family taken from the Joseph Bentley's family Bible.

Deacon John Bentley born October 11, 1782. Mary Chapin born November 1, 1784. They were married about 1800.

To this union were born:

Sophis Bentley
Joseph Chapin Bentley
Elisha Bentley
Mary J. Bentley
Charles Bentley
Ezra Berchard Bentley
Harriet S. Bentley
Silas Taft Bentley

While yet in Massachusetts Joseph C. Bentley married Louisa E. Smith and Silas T. Bentley married Pamela M. Smith.

The spirit of adventure seemed to have come over the Bentley brothers, and the desire to go west to make new homes. Records do not show whether all four brothers started at once or just Joseph and wife and two children and Silas and wife came ahead. They left Massachusetts in the fall of 1840 and reached Wabash, Indiana in November. They crossed Lake Erie on a ferry boat. The lake was rough and all of them were seasick. Mary the youngest child did not recover from the journey. They crossed Lake Erie and followed the Wabash river and located in the woods in Wabash County.

Little Mary died before they reached their destination and they put her in a box and placed the box in the back end of their wagon and buried her on the newly purchased farm.



community of settlers. Second, they found timber along the Iowa river, springs and groves here and there over the land and that rolling prairie of black sandy soil. The third and most likely reason to me was that it was October and winter coming on and Eddie had been a constant care to his grandmother. Sissie was weaned just before they started and they could not get suitable food or milk for her and she she was not well. Ellen and Harriet began to have the ague.

Uncle Jake and Aunt Jane Estep with their two sons, James and Will Henry were living on the Morman place and they extended the pioneers' hospitality and took Ellen and Harriet into their home while Joseph was locating a home.

Joseph bought 160 acres of land on the Marshall and Hardin County line; Silas took the 80 joining on the south. Charles bought 160 acres still south and Ezra an 80 south of Charles and Joshua Bunch an 80 south of Ezra.

Now came the task of chopping down trees, hauling them to the saw mill and start building their cabins. They hurried Joshua Bunch's cabin first for he was not well. Their houses were crudely made, the cracks between the logs were chinked with mud, and a fireplace in them made of mud and stones. The roofs were canvas off their wagons. Fortunate for them the weather was nice until after Christmas, giving them about two months to prepare for winter.

At the beginning of the new year, winter set in in earnest. Cold weather probably twenty degrees below zero with deep snow. We today cannot realize the hardship. In March, Joshua Bunch took sick with lung fever and died leaving a wife with five children.

This necessitated a cemetery so Joseph gave an acre off his land, and Joshua was the first to be buried there. Other pioneers were buried there from time to time. This cemetery was called the Bentley graveyard.

It was an early spring and every one got out their breaking plows and began tilling the virgin soil. Every crop was a sod crop, sod wheat, sod corn, sod potatoes, and a sod garden. Sometime during this time little Sissie died and was buried in the garden.

There were children of school age and there must be a schoolhouse built. By this time Jacob Estep had bought an 80 acres west of Silas and he gave an acre of land and the neighborhood built a schoolhouse. The first teacher was Lizzie Keis and the second one was Annie Lancaster. This school is known as the Bentley school. John Bentley told us of his first day in school. He hurried away without

combing his hair, he was barefoot and his coat on wrong side out.

What did the people have to eat? They purchased a kind of a ground corn and made mush and bread. They called this meal samp, which was either fried on the griddle or baked in iron bake ovens. There was plenty of fish and game along the river and ponds. After the first year they purchased and raised hogs, cattle and sheep. All of their marketing was done at Iowa City, one hundred miles away.

News came to the new settlers that mail had been brought to a Mr. Myers who lived on the east side of the Iowa river near the Boman home. What this mail contained I do not know. Later the mail was brought to Bangor and there the post office was for many years. They did not use stamps but paid the postage in coin when they received the mail.

About this time Ezra's bought a milk cow, and they had milk and butter for their family. But one morning Rosetta went out to milk and their cow was gone. They hunted and hunted but could not find the cow. Nearly a year went by when one morning they looked out and saw a cow and Rosetta exclaimed, "Yits old Pide."

Was it all work and no play? Oh no, they visited each other frequently. They had entertainments at the school house. One of these was the spelling school where all took part. The teacher pronounced the words and they chose up and spelled down. Harriet was the champion speller.

I would not leave out the spiritual side of their lives. Little groups of neighbors met in homes and held prayer meetings, read and discussed the Bible. In the early sixties the Stanford neighborhood felt a desire to come together to worship. So at the Bangor quarterly meetings it was decided to appoint a committee to purchase the land and start to build a church. This was in 1866. In 1869 a two-story brick building was constructed. The first floor was for church services and the second floor served as a seminary. The Stanford church still stands and services are conducted there every Sunday.

During these years the settlers had been hauling their grain and dressed meats to Iowa City to market them. A growing desire for a railroad through central Iowa was having its effect. A railroad company and the people along the surveyed track formed a company. The settlers furnished what money they could or those who owned timber gave timber for ties and the company furnished the train and rails. The track began at Oskaloosa and extended through Grinnell, Marshalltown, Albion, Liscomb, Union, Eldora and on toward the Minnesota line.

Extending northwest from the town of Albion is a good-sized farm. It is surrounded by Arney, McRill, and Blanchard land. It has had a number of owners and tenants.

In 1846, William Ballard, with his brothers John and Phillip, visited this part of Iowa. In 1848 he built his home on a hilltop in heavy timber. The marriage of his niece to Almarion Gear was the first in Marshall County. William lost his wife and secured a second at the little settlement near the foot of Mormon Ridge. He married a sister of John Sherman, who was living there with three daughters. They moved to the Ballard farm, where two of the girls married Ashers and one Mart Beeson. (More about Beesons later)

In 1866, Ballard sold to Van Vrankin, who gave this land to a daughter who married Tucker, superintendant of Marshalltown schools. To an unmarried daughter, Van Vrankin gave land extending north-eastward from Albion. She chose to marry Charley Burger. In preparing for the wedding, freezers of homemade ice cream were lined up in the basement. A group of Albion boys found these and helped themselves before the guests arrived.

Burger proceeded to run through this property and then skipped the country with another woman. Mrs. Burger was left with four girls and a small boy. For a time she operated a hotel in the brick building on Albion's main street, near the park. When rural telephone lines came into town, she operated the central for many years.

The family worked in the Presbyterian Church. The first pipe organ got its air from a hand-worked handle. Sometimes it was the duty of one of the banker's sons, Paul or Phillip Burgett, sometimes of Billie Burger. If a Sunday morning happened to be extra nice,

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descendants of Solomon + Eliza Fulk Arney.

Solomon obtained the original John Arney homestead, where the family settled in 1849.

As age + cancer bore down on Solomon, he called son Carey from Audubon Co. This farm has been known for years as the Carey Arney place ^{on Carroll}

To Solomon + Eliza was born Carey, Perry John, Mrs. Ed Crouse + Rosa who ^{Frank} m. Long + begat a daughter who m. Hurd.

Son John m. — Price + begat a daughter Nina + a son Claude who made a career of the army. John farmed in Howard Co. + at one time worked at the Stanley mill 1 mi. west of Albion.

To the daughter who m. Ed Crouse, was born two sons + 2 daughters. Beulah m. John Edwards + begat a son Delos. They obtained the Crouse homestead 1 mi. east of the Bethel Church.

Chloe was cook at the Marshall Co. Hospital near Lamoile, for years at a good salary. Son Carl m. an Albion teacher + became a minister. Son Floyd m. ^{Nona} Wiley + moved to the southwest.

III.

Joe son of Carey was b. Aug. 1893 on land
his greatgrandfather homesteaded in 1849. Joe's
son Roger is farming this same land in 1968.

Perry, a brother of Carey, was b. on the old homestead
Apr. 1869. He became Albion's dealer in lumber &
grain in 1892: then on to Marshalltown for the
implement business just opposite the courthouse.

He was interested in numerous enterprises.

One that he took pride in, was the organization
that drove the saloons from Marshalltown. A large
tabernacle was built on west Main St & Billy Sunday
obtained as an evangelist.

On July 1911 Perry m. a neighbor girl Cora Crouse
To them was b. Wanda, Bernice, Mildred & Max
Cora Crouse died 1901. Perry m. Cora Hill, an Albion
school teacher in 1903.

Heavy rains raised the streams so that on the return trip, the little La. at Gifford was out of its banks. Boards were placed across the top of the wagon boxes & the sacks of meal stacked on them to avoid soaking the load. The slow steady open were more dependable than skittish horses so they were used to take the wagons through the flood.

Sam's schooling was at a one room school named after the Bentley family. This was one or 2 mi. north of the Stanford church where the Quakers worshiped & operated a small seminary.

— Frank Blanchard

page 4 Beesons.
• Story of Mart Beeson's wife & family.

In August of 1847 Dr Bush (1st. dr. in M. Co.) along with — Sherman (cousin of noted General Sherman, his sister with 2 small girls & several others came from Jasper Co & settled on Minerva creek. They spent the fall in building cabins & preparing for winter.

Late in the fall a group of Mormons, led by a Dr. Emmet arrived & began digging caves in the steep bluff side across the creek. There was much suffering & many deaths amongst these people. Perry Cooper's father was a young man at that time. He, with 2 companions, passed this way the following year & found trees stripped of their bark & graves showing numerous burials.

In the spring of 1848 troops from La. City helped the larger part of this group back to their fellow Mormons in Johnson Co. One woman unable to travel, was taken by Dr. Bush to the Sherman cabin. The woman died but her newborn daughter was cared for by Bush. She was teaching school at the time J. B. Grinnel was pushing through a branch railway. He told a young helper named Van Cleve that the next way station would be named after him. This young Van Cleve & the Mormon teacher were married.

This is the way the town of Van Cleve Marshall Co. Ia. obtained its name.

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Jim's son Gar m. Mable Pearson

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In 1896 the Tucker family sells to David Springer.
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less money in Iowa. Springer has four boys
Perry, Loyd, Walter & Roy.

His wife is quite sick when a cyclone strikes.
As the north wing of the house is torn away, each
boy takes a corner of their mother's mattress & carries
her to the basement. One mile south, near the Marietta
bridge, a cabin is torn to bits & a woman

In 1961 another cyclone follows this same path. ^{killed}
Mr. Finch, the Allion barber, starts with his wife, to
church services at Minerva church. They are driving
by this farm when the storm strikes. Turning into
the farm lane, they watch the storm go by.

In the heavy timber to the south, the largest trees
are torn out by the roots. When the wind hits the plow
land, brush, corn stalks, dirt & lightning roll
along the surface of the ground. Numerous barns
are thrown in all directions but no one is injured.

When the Depression arrives in 1932
A. S. Beary has paid forty thousand dollars down
on this farm. He is unable to meet his payments, so
moves off & the land reverts to its former owner.
In 1963 L. Brindle is owner; Lawrence McClure
tenant.

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The major portion of these club members came from Minn, Neb, Kan. + Iowa. During the winter, each state held a picnic. As president of the Iowa group it was my duty to help arrange the picnic in McAllen as well as one in June at Riverview Park in Marshalltown.

Mr. Wilson passed away in 1965 followed soon by his wife.

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(Mort Beeson teaches music from LeGrand to Liscomb - leads band at celebration opening narrow gauge railroad.)

In 1875 "The Farmers Union Railroad Co." was organized in Liscomb. J. N. Triff President
Wm. Batten Vice President.

This was narrow gauge with wooden rails + was to bring grain from prairie region of Conrad + Beaman to the main ^{the} railroad then called Iowa Central.

Ten cars + one engine were purchased in Ohio. Within a year this debt was foreclosed. The last cars of grain were brought in with horse power. J. N. Triff was declared bankrupt. He lost his home in Liscomb to John Hauser who had furnished considerable timber for ties + rails.

Let us now turn to the story of Mort Beeson's wife before marriage.

The first wife of William Ballard died. He was
 living on a large farm at the n.w. corner of Albion
 At the settlement on Dinwiddie creek, he obtained
 the mother of the two small girls for a 2nd. wife.
 Later one of these girls becomes the wife of West Beeson,
 who lived in the fall in building cabin

preparing for winter.
 late in the fall a group of men
 led by a Mr. Barnett arrived & began digging
 canals in the steep bluff side across the creek.
 There was much suffering & many deaths amongst
 these people. Every Cooper's father was a young
 man at that time. He had a companion, I called
 this way the following year & found trees stripped
 of their bark & groves showing numerous holes.
 In the spring of 1842 took from Dr. C. C. helped
 the larger part of the group back to their fellow men
 in Johnson Co. One woman made to travel, was
 taken by Dr. Bond to the Shiloh man cabin. The woman
 died, but her newborn daughter was cared for by Bond.
 The was teaching school at the time of B. Bond
 was passing through a branch railway. He told a
 young fellow named John Clark that the next day station
 would be named after him. This young John Clark
 & the woman teacher were married.

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Martin Beeson's Wife and Family

In August of 1847 Dr. Bush (first doctor in Marshall County) along with John Sherman, (Cousin of the noted General William Tecumseh Sherman) his sister with two small girls and several others came from Jasper County and settled on Minerva Creek. They spent the fall in building cabins and preparing for winter.

Late in the fall a group of Mormons, led by a Mr. Emmet arrived and began digging caves in the steep bluff side across the creek. There was much suffering and many deaths amongst these people. Perry Cooper's father was a young man at that time. He, with two companions, passed this way the following year and found trees stripped of their bark and graves showing numerous burials.

In the spring of 1848, troops from Iowa City helped the larger part of this group back to their fellow Mormons in Johnson County. One woman, unable to travel, was taken by Dr. Bush to the Sherman cabin. The woman died but her new born daughter was cared for by Dr. Bush. *as Martha Rigdon Bush, daughter of Sidney Rigdon*

This daughter grew up and was teaching school at the time that J. B. Grinnel was pushing through a branch railway. *He* told a young helper named Van Cleve that the next waystation would be named after him. This young Van Cleve and the Mormon teacher were married.

The town of Van Cleve Marshall Co. Ia. obtained its name in this way.

Dawson #1

Isaac Dawson was born near Susquahannah, Penn. July 17, 1795. He and Sarah were married at Crawfordsville Indiana where their seven children were born. They then settled near Galesburg, Ill., where several of their children were married, and then came on to newer land in Marshall County Iowa in early 1850.

Isaac invested in a tract of land in Marietta and Iowa Township and eventually several children filed claims and owned farms. In a belt around his waist Isaac carried enough gold to help John Hobbs finance the surveying of the future county seat at Marietta. Some of the land which he purchased became Marietta Village and was deeded by Hobbs and Dawson to the county. This deed was witnessed by their wives, Emily Hobbs and Sarah Dawson, and by Isaac's daughter, Martha, on April 22, 1852. This became the site of the first courthouse. When this courthouse was moved to Marshalltown many of the other buildings were moved also. The old Marietta Courthouse now stands on west State street and bears the name of the "L.coln House Apartments"

Isaac secured land to the northwest of Albion and built his home of brick from the brickyards one and one half miles west of Albion. This land is now owned by Ronald Hauser and has been in the Hauser family for nearly a century.

Isaac's daughter, Martha Jane married George Hauser in 1857 and acquired the *Isaac D. sold to - Hetchum & Martha Dawson begat son Foster 1860*
Hetchum's daughter m. Geo. Hauser son of John & Mary Arney H. In 1880 Foster's son Roy is
The seven children of Isaac and Sarah are as follows:

I. George, who married Jane Brown at Galesburg, Ill.. George died in 1900 at Liscomb. Their children were Isaac, Samuel, Reuben, Mary Jane and Lewis. Lewis married Kate Holden and were the parents of Mable, Ross, Elizabeth and Anna. Mable married Alva Piper and they live in Marshalltown and are the parents of 2 daughters and one son. *Jennie & E. Griggs has son killed in W. War I. daughter m. Ray Birens.*

II. Samuel B. Dawson, second son of Isaac and Sarah, was born in 1837 at Crawfordsville, Ind. and in 1859 married Marthe Ellen Dent who was born in Indiana in 1843. Six of their eight children reached maturity. Samuel enlisted in the Civil War in 1862 and served for three years. He died in 1906 and is buried in the

Yeastmatters III 1966

While in Chicago this past winter, another door of recreation & pleasure was opened to me. a short drive would take me to a large building in a park. I spent 3 afternoons a wk. in the wood working department. Nearby was a room for polishing & mounting semi-precious stones. In another place were women with delicate handpainted china.

We have walnut growing in our timber so I worked largely with walnut which takes a nice polish. Ducks gather on the river, near my farm home so I carved a duck for the base of this plaque. Humming birds feed at the flowering shrubs on my lawn, so at the top you see one of these.

We have but one granddaughter, so the inset is a childhood picture of her. With a sharp knife & a block of wood, one may spend long hours.

I wish each of you, many ~~different~~ ^{pleasant} lines of interest for the future.

The big thing with the elderly is to keep active both mentally & physically.

Do not by a boy who drives him to the farm. After removing the bullet, he is asked his fee & replies, "a poor man with a large family has little money for a Dr., so there will be no charges."

One of the early business men of Albion was J. B. Cripps. He employed considerable labor in the growing & marketing of small fruit. He had left Ky. because he liked neither slavery or the making of liquor. The village blacksmith held opposite oven on the liquor question. One morn., he was able to stand in his shop doorway by holding tight to each doorjam. Cripps happened to pass, when the smithy said, "there goes J. B. Cripps with an arm full of groceries, and I'll bet, he doesn't have a pint of whisky in the house."

Irene Thomas, a survivor of the Spirit Lake massacre, lived next door to us. When lonely of a winter's eve. she would stop in & tell no kids about the Sioux riding up in front of their cabin. When her husband & little boy stepped out, they were shot down. After dark, oxen were hitched to a sled & a start was made for Ft. Dige. The 2nd day out they met a detachment of soldiers who helped them on their way. For a time, the family operated a grocery in Marietta, then purchased 160 acres west of Albion. A son Frank enlisted in the Civil War. Afterwards he obtained a county office. The G.A.R. post at the Soldiers Home was known as the Frank Thomas post.

Uncle Henry Congill at one time owned considerable land but lost it, then signing notes with neighbors & friends. At that time, banks would not loan money without two or more ^{signatures}. He made a living by gathering the surplus cattle & herding them thru the pasture season upon the open range to the northwest.

Since split rails were the only fencing material of that day, most farmers were glad to be rid of all except milk cows... 50¢ ^{per head} was the charge for a seasons care.

Ballard's son Jabez becomes one of Albion's
carpenters & marries
They begot 3 sons & 2 daughters. Ethel teach
for years in Des Moines & retires to West
Wood Nursing Home in Marshalltown.
Edna m. _____ & lives in Conrad.

The sons were Earl, Frank & Lyle

All these were living about 1 mile east of
Albion when the Johnson family purchased the
farm, joining on the south. Years later when
the log cabin was built in a Marshalltown park
honoring early pioneer families, Frank & Fred
Johnson ordered a log in memory of this
Ballard family who had been so kind to them.

Ship Jonathan 1639 landed in Mass.

(Roland B. Blanchard 622 N. Adams St Junction City
Mo. Zip 66441

Hopkinton La.
Box 173
Mr. Blanchard farmer
Delaware Co.
Adel Blanchard Greene Box 173
J. Carter
great grandfather
Colonel Bk Blanchard
J. Carter
daughter Del. Co.
Below Carlville
Hugenot Settlement

* Ballard Family & their cemetery.

The 3 Ballard brothers, John, Philip & William,
from Ky, visited Marshall Co. in 1846. In 1848
they returned to build their homes.

John Ballard built his cabin before securing
title to the land. A representative of the Osney, Name,
Fiscus group traded him a horse for his cabin &
squatters rights. About 1/4 mi. s.e. of this cabin site
is a cemetery with a stone which says John B. died
May 1848. Other stones show burial of some
of his children & his brothers wife Mrs. Philip Ballard
June 1852 age 42 yrs. Philip's 2nd wife Rosannah
buried Apr. 1858 age 35 yrs.

Philip secured title to land about 1 mi. to
the north. Section 26 Twp. 85 Range 19. One son
enlisted in the Civil War & is buried at the La. Soldiers
Home cemetery. ^{burial 1924} In Jan. 1968 Reverend Harley Belhaus
is pastor of United Church of Christ: his wife is a
great granddaughter of Philip Ballard.

The first marriage in the county was Almarion ^{Seas}
& a daughter of Phil B.

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 " Abel 1730-1811 Martha Conant
 Abraham 65-39 ch
 " 1738-1806 Rachel Howe
 " 63-33 Francis Blood
 " 43-79 May Tebbel
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 " Mass - m Lyon NH
 " 114 a Lowe "

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 1/2 Christian
 m. Polly Miller

Sons & daughters of
 John & Mary Boyles Arney

Parents of
 Perry & Carley



Jacob and Rebecca Hauser.

Among the early settlers in the "Arney bend," in Liscomb and Iowa townships, were Jacob and Rebecca Hauser, William and Elizabeth Arney, Solomon and Eliza Arney, Thomas and Nancy Hauser, Andrew and



William and Elizabeth Arney.

Myra Arney and Ayers and Martha Elsberry, pictured above. These, and other hardy pioneers of the time, blazed the way for the development of northern Marshall county into one of the most productive agricultural sections in Iowa.



Solomon and Eliza Arney.

They endured the hardships common to the first settlers of Iowa with unfaltering faith in their God and the prairie land of this great commonwealth. How well they founded the neighborhood is evidenced today in a com-



Thomas and Nancy Hauser.

munity of fine homes, well kept farms and prosperous people, many of whom are their descendants. These people were religious and with their enduring faith they worked with the ever-present thought that they would prosper and to this end



Andrew and Myra Arney.

they labored diligently, mindful that their prosperity was dependant on their own efforts. They were workers who believed that the world owed them a living only when they dug it out of the soil. Success to them was a day's work



Ayers and Martha Elsberry.

well done and most of them lived to a ripe old age, spending their declining years in peace and plenty on the land they had taken as raw prairie to be converted into Iowa's richest farming land—to be found in Marshall county.

Tom Hauser did not marry an Arney. He founded the Tom's brother John H. married Mary Arney daughter of John & Mary Boyles Arney. Whitten branch of Hansers

Dawson

Isaac Dawson born in Penn 1795 married in Crawfordville Ind, died at Albion Marshall Co. 1886. He arrived in Marshall Co about 1850. In a belt round his waist was gold enough to help John Hobbs survey the future County Seat at Marquette. When this was moved to Marshalltown many of the buildings were also moved. The courthouse now stands on 1st State St. as Lincoln Apartments 608 W. State St. ^{Marshalltown}

Hobbs resigned as county judge to improve his farm at the west edge of Albion. This he sold to Thomas Livingston in 1853. I. Dawson secured land to the north west of Albion. With brick from the yards 1 1/2 on Albion he built a house on land occupied by Ronald Hanser in 1966. This land has been in the Hanser family for near a century.

To I. Dawson was born six children

1. Son George married Jane Brown at Galesburg Ill & their children were Isaac, Sam, Renben, Mary & Lewis. The latter ^{married} Kate Holden & begot Mabel, Ross, Elizabeth & Anna. Mabel m. Alva Piper of Marshalltown, They have 2 daughters & a son.
2. Sam B. Dawson 2nd. son of Isaac was b. 1837 at Crawfordville Ind. m. 1859 Martha Kent who was b. in Ind. 1843. Six children reached maturity from them. Sam enlisted in the Civil War & died at the Soldiers Home. I. A. Allen b. in Marshall Co. 1860, m. his cousin Celeste Houser 1882. He died 1940 in Okla. with 4 children settled round him. Son Lee had returned to I.

I B. Methias or Si. was 2nd. son of Sam & Martha d. 1862. He m. Lil Crouse: their children Harre, Herb, Chelse Mabel, Laura & Hattie.

I C: 3rd son of Sam & Martha was Isrant b. 1865 m. Amy Cope. Their daughter Pearl Dawson miller owns two farms in Marshall Co. A son Kyle moved away.

I D: Sarah or Sade was a daughter of Sam & Martha. From a first marriage to J. Buffington there were four children. From a 2nd. m. to Clem Dunham there was Eldon & Flossie. The latter m. Howe & begot Janice & Curtis.

I E: daughter Kate of Sam & Martha m. Sam Kilsateck. no children.

I F. son Frank of Sam & Martha m. 1894 S. Hall b. 1873. Their children sons Loyd & Harold.

Loyd m. Nora Sickman & begot Frank & Drona. Harold b. 1899 died 1951. In 1918 he married Hazel Crouse. Their children; Dwight, living near Steam Boat Rock La.; Velda & Oled in Calif. Ellis in Texas and Edwin in Marshalltown Ia. Ed. was b. in 1919, married Pauline Packer in 1940. Two sons Craig & Larry. Pauline is a graduate nurse of the Evangelical Hospital.

In 1919 I (Frank Blanchard) purchased from Ed's grandfather Frank Dawson a farm 1 mi. west of Albion. I found Mr. Dawson a fair & pleasant man with which to deal.

^{Marion Sarah Wiley}
Bert Griggs) Ephraim Griggs
Leonard
Effie ~~Wiley~~

Floyd
Marie

continued children of Isaac I

3 | Isaac II

4. Henry

5. Sarah Lawson m. Larkin Price 1844

6. H. Crawford Co Ind It. 1819 Va.

Martha Jane children 9

m. 1857 to Geo. Hames
their children

1. Foster b. in Liscomb
1860

m. Melissa Jester
1880

a son Roy a
barber

2nd a daughter
marries C. Griggs
as his 2nd wife

3. Celeste m. Alex Dawson
her 1st. comen

their children
were 10 in Okla.
+ Lee in Marshall Co

Sam Dawson

1. Harriett m. Tom Patton { Nettie
Frank

2. Sarah m. Almond Thurley 5 children

3. Will Price

4. Larkin Junior

5. Taylor

6. Ella

7. Rowena 1857 m. John H. Arney

8. Roy m. Ruth Miller
Price

9. Clara died in youth

Ross
Roy Junior
Lies

Forrestine m. Claude

2 child

Claude in Pa
Honolulu

Anna m. Hild

Heeler 2 daughter
Harry + 2 boys
Bib +

Enlisted C. H. 32 La. infantry July 1862 served till Aug '65

Rose Kinsey - daughter of Marion and
Mary Kinsey ^{Arney} ^{who was} daughter of Andy Arney
born June 5th 1897

Married to Clarence Brinkner Nov 29th 1910
One Son Burdette born Oct 10th 1920
May 30th 1942 Burdette married
Elsie Mueller, they were parents of
5 children -

Jo Ann born Sept. 30th 1943

Eileen " Sept 29th 1946

Phillip " April 10th 1951

Margaret born June 4th 1953

Kathy " Sept. 10th 1961

Burdette died April 15th 1962

Jo Ann married Ray ^{mond} Griffith on Sept 3
Raymond had a son born ^(mother died) 1965 -

March 13th 1962, Jo Ann has adopted him

Raymond Jr. Earl

Eileen married Kenneth Pease Aug 7th
One Son Theodore Phillip 1966

born July 18th 1967

"Aunt" Nancy Neff Celebrates Her Eighty-eighth Birthday Anniversary

"Aunt" Nancy Neff, the second oldest resident of Albion and a pioneer of Marshall county, celebrated her eighty-eighth birthday Thursday by entertaining neighbors and friends who called on her during the day to extend their greetings and best wishes. She also received many greeting cards from distant friends, who hadn't forgotten that she still had birthdays.

"Aunt" Nancy was born near Arney Postoffice, Owen county, Indiana, June 28, 1840, the youngest of ten children. The family consisted of the parents, John and Mary Boyles Arney; Lucinda, who died at the age of six months; Noah, who was scalded to death at the age of 3 years, when he fell into a kettle of hot water before the fireplace at the Frederick Fiscus home; Rebecca, who married Jacob Hauser; Martha, who became, Mrs. Ayres Elsberry; Mary, who married John Hauser; William, who married Betsy Boyles; Frederick, who was accidentally killed at the age of 14 when a tree fell on him; Andrew, who married Elmira Mosier; Solomon, who married Eliza Fulk, and Nancy, who became the wife of Henry Neff. This family lived in a three-room log house with a kitchen attached by means of a small porch. The "upstairs" consisted of one large room the size of the lower floor.

Seek Homes In West.

In the summer of 1849 John Arney called his three sons, Andrew, William and Solomon, and three sons-in-law, Jacob Hauser, Ayres Elsberry and John Hauser, and told them he had only three forty acre tracts of land and he did not think this would be enough for all to settle on to make a living and if they would all go with him he would try a new country, to which all agreed.

Other families had moved from Indiana to Iowa and had written back that it was a good country, so the Arney family decided to migrate to the west. Preparations for the 400-mile journey were immediately begun. Flax was broken and woven into cloth sufficient to make covers for five wagons or schooners, two for the John Arney family, one for the Jacob Hauser family, one for the Elsberry's and one for John Hauser and wife.

Caravan of Seventeen.

The caravan, composed of seventeen persons, started its pilgrimage to Iowa in September, 1849, with three teams of horses and five yoke of oxen. In the Arney wagon was a chest packed with clothing, and sacks of dried apples and peaches were placed beside the chest, forming a bed for the parents. "Aunt" Nancy and Elmira Mosier slept in the bottom of the wagon on piles of flax, over which were placed clothing and bed clothes. According to the laws of Indiana, Elmira Mosier, at the age of 13, was bound to John Arney until she was 18 years of age. She was to receive six months schooling, a horse and saddle and a cow.



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"AUNT" NANCY NEFF.

Bethel brick church later stood. Amos Roark was the teacher.

Settlement Becomes "Arney Bend."

The pioneer father of the Arney children, feeling this was the land of his heart's desire, gave to each of his sons eighty acres of land and to each daughter \$100, provided they remained here. This they gladly agreed to do and the settlement became known as "Arney Bend," being located at a bend in the Iowa river.

During the winters the flax was swingled, made into chains and woven into cloth, which was used for aprons and sheets. Cotton thread was purchased in skeins and dyed the desired colors and used with the flax to make plaids and stripes in the cloth. The wool from the sheep was carded and woven into flannel for the men's shirts and underclothing. The trousers, coats and vests were made of "linsey," a material of cotton and wool.

Market at Iowa City.

Most of the marketing in the early 50's was done at Iowa City. The hogs were butchered and cleaned, frozen whole, and piled into wagons and hauled to the market, as was also wheat and oats. The corn was sold to cattle feeders in the community, 25 cents a bushel being the common price. One man, who had an eye for business, bought a load of corn of John Arney for 25 cents a bushel and hauled it to a farm near what is now Clemons, selling it for 50 cents a bushel. He came back for another load but Mr. Arney in the meantime had heard of his "profiteering" and refused to sell him any more corn. Sugar was obtained from the sugar maples which were growing on the bottom land and the pioneers later learned how to cultivate cane and make molasses.

Johnny Green Frequent Visitor.

Old Johnny Green, a Pottawattamie chief, visited many times at the Arney home and the tribe was very friendly with the early settlers. The Sioux Indians, farther north, were hostile to the whites. At the time

first rocking chair with butter marketed at Marshalltown.

Land at \$51 in '94.

After several years Mr. Neff thought they needed a larger house and being a carpenter by trade planned and erected an eight-room house which the couple occupied until they sold the farm to Henry Leise for \$51 an acre in 1894, when they moved to Albion, where Mr. Neff passed away Jan. 10, 1918.

The couple enjoyed two winters in California, one in 1893-1894 and again in 1907-1908, and "Aunt" Nancy delights in visiting with recent tourists to the western state and noting the changes made by time.

Mothered Three Children.

"Aunt" Nancy was never blessed with children of her own but she found a place in her heart and home for three other children, two of whom were adopted. They are Carey Hilsabeck Neff, of Liscomb, who at nine months of age was taken into the family; Rosetta Weatherly Neff, now Mrs. M. A. Hauser, of Marshalltown, who came into the home when she was 2 years of age, and Bert B. Griggs, also of Marshalltown, who was nineteen months old when "Aunt" Nancy took him "to raise."

She is the last surviving member of this sturdy and courageous pioneer family and she, with a niece, Mrs. Sarah Jane Hauser Nickle, of Des Moines, are the only living survivors of the original wagon caravan, who braved the dangers and hardships of an unknown country that they might have greater opportunities. Her stories of pioneer life are an interesting feature of the Arney-Hauser-Beeson reunions.

To practically every resident of Albion and to many friends in other localities she is known as "Aunt" Nancy for her kindly face and gentle pleasing manner endear her to any one with whom she comes in contact. During the previous winter she passed thru a severe attack of pneumonia and for a time her recovery seemed doubtful but her rugged pioneer strength conquered and she is again active in her household and church duties and is a regular attendant at the church services. Her home in Albion, where she lives alone, is a delightful and inspirational place to visit.

Turn page for remainder of each column.

She remained with the Arney family until her marriage to the son Andrew in 1853.

The group forded the White river in Indiana by hitching the family horse ahead of the ox teams to keep them going straight across the stream. They were ferried across the Illinois river, a man pulling the boat by hand. The company entered Iowa at Keokuk and proceeded to Timber Creek in Marshall county where there was a settlement of Indians. After traveling entire days without seeing a house, they reached Timber Creek, where they were extended a hearty welcome by the families of Blakeley Brush, Joseph Ferguson, Joseph Cooper, Jackson Smith and William Smith, who later became judge of Marshall county, having completed the 400-mile journey in four weeks.

The newcomers, with the help of the earlier settlers, chopped the trees and within two weeks after their arrival had moved into a new log house. They then made bedsteads out of black walnut logs and strung them with cords which they had brought with them from Indiana. The other families were using "prairie" bedsteads which were stationary, the railings being fastened into the logs of the cabin. This arrangement made everybody good natured for there was no possibility of a member of the family getting up "on the wrong side of the bed."

Settle Bethel Grove.

William Ballard, who lived on what is now the A. S. Beary farm a mile west of Albion, heard of the newcomers on Timber Creek and went down to urge them to move farther on where he thought the land was better. Accordingly, in the early winter of 1849, John Arney his wife and daughter Nancy moved into the cabin, located on what is now the Mrs. Mary Hauser farm, two miles north of Albion, with the John Hauser family, which had come on previously. The rest of the caravan came in the early spring of 1850, before the ice went out of the river. "Aunt" Nancy says at this time there was one cabin located at what later became Marshalltown. This cabin was occupied by the John Braddy family. Two miles southwest of this lived John Campbell and at Marietta a cabin was occupied by the William Coddington family.

Buys Land at \$1.25.

John Arney traded a horse to John Ballard for the improvements on a claim, now the C. E. Arney farm, and when the land came on the market, bought it for \$1.25 an acre. A one-room cabin made of split logs was on the claim, but as this was inadequate, a two-room cabin made of hewn logs was built and the one-room cabin was used as a kitchen. The family moved in during the fall of 1850.

"Aunt" Nancy was 11 years old when she first attended school. The school at that time was held in one room of the John Hauser cabin and was equipped with one long board as desk with a bench put along the wall for seats. The speller was the only text book used. She attended school during the winter months until she was about 18 years of age, when she had mastered the three r's along with her spelling. Later with her brother Solomon she attended a "geography school" at night, going on horse back or walking to the school house located where the old

of her mother's death, "Aunt" Nancy says that the squaws attended the funeral and tears rolled down their cheeks for they felt that they had lost a dear friend.

The Arney home provided the religious center of the "bend" and itinerant preachers always found a ready welcome. George Patton, a Reformed Dunkard, who had settled at Marietta, started an organization of the Christian church at a meeting held in the school house and in 1858 the organization was completed at a meeting in the Arney barn and took the name of Bethel Christian church, having no creed but the bible for their faith and practice and making christian character a test of fellowship, with communion and the feet washing ceremony observed once a year. "Aunt" Nancy was a charter member of this church, which flourished for a number of years but as many members moved away from the community or died the church later was disbanded.

Married in 1861.

On July 7, 1861, her father's sixty-fourth birthday, "Aunt" Nancy became the wife of Henry Goodlow Neff, a young man from Champaigne county, Ohio, who had come here in 1856 seeking new opportunities. They were married at the Arney home by Rev. Joseph Ferguson, a Christian minister from Timber Creek, and Perlina Hauser (Price) and John Lockard, a young soldier in the civil war, "stood up" with them.

Following the ceremony and dinner the bride and groom and wedding guests attended church at old Bethel, the day being Sunday. Young Lockard was the only person in the group who had a horse and buggy, so as an honor to the newlyweds he offered them the use of his "rig" to ride to the church and he rode in one of the wagons. Hoop skirts were just coming into style and there were a few "flappers" in the community who had "stepped out" in them, or rather stepped in, but "Aunt" Nancy was conservative and had not yet adopted the fad.

Following the services on her wedding day one attendant at church was heard to remark that "the bride, would have looked real nice if she hadn't looked so much like a fence rail." Soon after their marriage Mr. Neff took his bride to Ohio to visit his people and "Aunt" Nancy wore hoop skirts.

Live in Frame House.

The young couple bought eighty acres of land, now part of the Henry Leise farm, for which they paid \$240 cash or \$3 an acre. Mr. Neff had lumber sawed at the Dr. McRill saw mill, two miles west of Albion, and erected one of the first frame houses in this part of the country. The 16x18 foot dwelling was completed in the fall, but as all the feed and wood for winter use would have to be hauled across the prairie if they moved then, the couple was persuaded to remain at the Arney home until spring. "Aunt" Nancy's mother died April 19, 1862, and shortly after that the couple began housekeeping in their new home.

"Aunt" Nancy recalls that the first butter which she marketed created a problem in 6's. She sold six pounds of butter to Battin and Lloyd at Albion, receiving 36 cents or 6 cents a pound with which she purchased six water glasses at 6 cents each. In short, one pound of butter bought one water glass. Several years later she acquired her

Carey Arney, Oldest Kiwanian In North America, Is Honored

It was Carey E. Arney day at the Marshalltown Kiwanis club Wednesday when the oldest charter member was honored by his club with a life membership certificate. Joe Mochnick, president, presented the honor.

As far as the records at headquarters of Kiwanis International show, Arney, of Albion, who is nearing the age of 95, is the oldest active member in the Kiwanis membership of North America, Claude Hooker, secretary, said.

Nicknamed "Push" Arney

Rev. Orval Walker and R. H. Lingard both spoke of the various aspects and events of Arney's life and it was revealed that Arney, a native of Marshall county, was nicknamed years ago by his neighbors as "Push" Arney.

Reason for that name was that Arney was always the first in his area to plant his crops each year, and in other activities in which he participated his aggressiveness in "getting the job done right" was a foregone conclusion.

Active In Church

Rev. Mr. Walker also reminded Kiwanians that Arney's close affiliation in all matters of his church at Bethel Grove has been greatly instrumental in gaining for that church the reputation it enjoys today.

Another phase in Arney's life that few persons today are aware of was his attending Iowa State college where he studied to be a veterinarian. He did this solely for the purpose of being able to care for his own livestock as well as his neighbor's, it was revealed.

Wagon To Jeep

Arney was referred to as a "progressive farmer, a farmer who was first to pioneer anything that would make for better farming."

"To sum up his past," Rev. Mr. Walker said, "you can say that he represents a span from the covered wagon to the jeep."

Carey E. Arney



Dinner Marks 94th Birthday Of C. E. Arney

Liscomb — (Special) — Carey E. Arney was honored on his 94th birthday anniversary at a basket dinner at the Bethel Grove Church of Christ following the services Sunday. About 60 attended.

Mr. Arney is one of the oldest native born residents of Marshall county and a charter member of the church.

Three-Tier Cake

The guest of honor was seated at a table with his brother, P. F. Arney of Marshalltown; his sister, Mrs. Emma Crouse of Bethel Grove; and his children, Nellie Arney, Mrs. Elma Springer and Joe Arney. The table was centered with a three-tier birthday cake.

Corwin Springer was master of ceremonies. Dr. Horace S. Parks presented Mr. Arney with a potted plant from the church. Mr. Arney gave the early history of the church and encouraged the young people to carry on the work of the pioneers.

Came From Indiana

P. F. Arney told about the coming of the Arney family to Bethel Grove in 1849 from Indiana.

A musical program was presented in the evening.

AND MRS. C. E. ARNEY, ALBION, SERVE 60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



MR. AND MRS. C. E. ARNEY.

March 1 — (Special) —
Wedding anniversary of
C. E. Arney, widely
known of Albion and
celebrated Saturday at
their son-in-law and
Mr. and Mrs. L. H.
one mile north of town.

Eight relatives and friends
gathered at a two-course
dinner. A large white bride's
room and the dining room
of the bride and groom
were seated. Cut
used on the smaller
handles of the nut cups
1877 and 1937.

The dinner Corwin
son of the honored
Rev. H. E. Watkins,
Bethel Grove Church of
greetings to Mr. and
and then to Mr. and
Springer who were that
their 29th wedding
The two then pre-
musical skit with
at the piano. Short
by Rev. Mr. Wat-
C. Hurd and P. F.
Springer read a
H. C. Hurd gave
heart of Mine,"
closed with "Blest
at Binds," with Mrs.
as accompanist.

for the observ-
Rossie Long, Man-
ney, Des Moines;
Mr. and Mrs. How-
Roy Springer,
and his daugh-
Snyder and Mrs.
Marshalltown; and
C. Hurd, Mr. and
and son, Rev.
Watkins, Mr. and
and son, Mr. and
Springer and family
A. A. Piper, Al-

nts Present.
and his daugh-
and Mrs. Milli-
andance at the
ago.

They were married
1877, at the home
parents, Mr. and
whose farm was
of the Mrs. Mary
house was 10-
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Albion, read the
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ney moved to
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in 1893 they
county, set-
farm north-west
ship where
for 25 years.

Nineteen years ago they moved to
their present home in Albion.

Mrs. Arney was born Jennie
Miller, June 2, 1858, at Mount
Vernon, Ohio. When she was 12
years of age her parents came to
the farm in Iowa township where
she grew to womanhood and where
she lived until her marriage. She
was a student of the old Albion
Seminary. She has a sister, Mrs.
Bessie Shearer, and a brother,
George Louis Miller, who live at
Willsey, Kan.

Born in Iowa Township.

Mr. Arney, who is probably the
oldest living native born resident of
Iowa township, is the eldest mem-
ber of the family of Solomon and
Eliza Fulk Arney. He was born
April 13, 1856, on the 160 acre
farm on which his grandparents,
John and Mary Arney, settled in
1849, when they bought it from
the government for \$1.25 an acre.
Later Mr. Arney's parents in-
creased the acreage to 303 and Mr.
Arney has added to it until the farm
which has been in the Arney name
since it was bought from the gov-
ernment, now consists of more than
700 acres.

The log cabin built by the grand-
parents was later moved to what is
now the Mrs. Matilda Turner farm
west of the Arney homestead and
here Mr. Arney's maternal grand-
parents lived. He remembers as a
boy watching his father and the
neighbors hitch 20 span of horses
to the cabin and haul it thru the
woods to its final location. He at-
tended the neighborhood school
and also the Albion Seminary. He
has a sister, Mrs. Rossie Long,
living at Manning. Another sister,
Mrs. E. S. Crouse, lives in Burling-
ton, Col. P. F. Arney of Mar-
shalltown, is a brother.

He has been a substantial and
progressive farmer and aside from
his interest in agriculture Mr.
Arney has taken an active part in
civic affairs of the county and his
community. He was a member of
the county board of supervisors
from 1901 to 1907. He has served
as township trustee and director on
the Albion school board. He is a
member of the Kiwanis Club of
Marshalltown and for years has
been actively connected with the
Bethel Grove Church of Christ.

Aside from the daughter, Mrs.
Springer, Mr. and Mrs. Arney have
another daughter, Nellie, at home,
and a son, J. V. Arney, who lives
on the Arney homestead northwest
of Albion. They also have three
grandchildren and two great grand-
children.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Nickle Honored on Anniversary

Descendants of Family Who Settled in Mar-
shall County in 1849 Pay Tribute to Only
Survivor of Those Who Came From In-
diana.

DESCENDANTS of Jacob and Rebecca Arney Hauser, pio-
neer residents of Marshall county who came from Owen
county, Indiana, by covered wagon in the fall of 1849 and
stayed with the first settlers on Timber creek while they felled
the trees and built the log cabins
for their homes in what is now the
Bethel Grove neighborhood, gath-
ered Friday at the Bethel Grove
church for an all-day reunion. The
day marked the 90th anniversary of
Mrs. Sarah Jane Nickle, the eldest
of the five surviving children of the
pioneer couple, and the only sur-
vivor of the large group that came
from Indiana.

Despite her 90 years, Mrs. Nickle
is active both in body and mind,
and takes a keen interest in present
day affairs. She has been a resident
of Iowa since the state was four
years old.

Married in 1868.

Her marriage to George S. Nickle
took place Jan. 28, 1868, Rev. Isaac
Johnson, pastor of the Bethel
Grove church, performing the cere-
mony. They lived at the Jacob
Hauser farm for two years and then
moved to land several miles east.
Mr. Nickle was a carpenter and
school teacher, teaching at both the
Ballard and the old Beatty schools.
In 1878 the family moved to Man-
ning, and in 1891 Mr. and Mrs.
Nickle moved to Des Moines. Later
they moved to Afton where Mr.
Nickle died in 1907. Mrs. Nickle
lived in Des Moines with her daugh-
ter, Miss Nora, a teacher in the pub-
lic schools, until Miss Nickle's death
in 1933, and since that time has
been with her son at Indianola,
altho she spends much of the time
in the summer visiting her sons and
other relatives.

She has four sons, Rev. E. L.
Nickle, Carlisle; O. D. Nickle, Sioux
City; C. E. Nickle, farmer and
schoolman, Woodburn; and L. J.
Nickle of Indianola, county agent
of Warren county.

Old Homestead Visited.

In true pioneer style, the family
came to dinner and stayed for sup-
per. The old homestead, which is
just south and across the road
from the Bethel Grove church was
visited, and the family graves in
the cemetery were decorated.

Jacob Hauser gave the land for
the Bethel Grove church grounds,
and also for the old Bethel church
which stood a half mile west, but
which has been torn down. He
served as justice of the peace in
the pioneer community, was one of
the leaders in church and school
work, led the singing in the re-
ligious services and served for a
time as a county official.

There were 12 children in the
Hauser family. Aside from Mrs.
Nickle they are Mrs. Helena Miller
and M. A. Hauser of this city, Mrs.
Almeda Bueghly of Liscomb, and
Mrs. Marilla Denbow of Parker,
S. D. Mrs. Denbow was the only
one not present at the reunion.
Contrary to the original plans, the
forenoon hours were spent in visit-
ing, the program was held in the
afternoon. A decorated three-tier
birthday cake, the gift of Mrs.
Ralph Hilsabeck of Union, center-
ing the table at which Mrs. Nickle
was seated.

Program in Afternoon.

C. E. Nickle of Woodburn pre-
sided at the afternoon program
which opened with hymns led by
Harley Fiscus of Van Nuys, Calif.
Following prayer by Rev. E. L.
Nickle of Carlisle, Mr. Fiscus sang
"Down Deep in My Heart," dedi-
cated to his aunt, Mrs. Nickle. Mrs.
Fiscus was his accompanist.

The address of the afternoon was
by O. D. Nickle, a lawyer of Sioux
City. Word pictures of the pioneer
life in the Hauser family were given
in short talks by Mrs. Nickle and
her sisters and brother. Others
who spoke were C. H. Neff of Lis-
comb, Harley Fiscus, and Nickle
brothers, grandsons of the pioneers,
and Rev. H. B. Johnson, pastor of
the Bethel Grove church.



SARAH JANE NICKLE.

Among those present from a dis-
tance were: Mr. and Mrs. Harley
Fiscus and Mrs. Ella Latimer of
Van Nuys, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. A.
D. Nickle and daughter, Miss Vir-
ginia, and George Van den Brink
of Sioux City; Mr. and Mrs.
Mitchell Wills of Alden; Mr. and
Mrs. Clarence Nickle of Wood-
burn; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fleming
of Osceola; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Nickle
and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nickle of
Carlisle; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Nickle
of Indianola; Mrs. Leonard Griggs,
Zearing; Mr. and Mrs. Leland Fis-
cus and Mrs. Jennie Fiscus, New
Providence, and Rev. and Mrs. H.
C. Hurd, Garwin.

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Stories of a farmer, teacher, and local historian

featuring memories of Albion residents

and area families

By

Frank Thomas Blanchard

Dec. 25, 1885 – June 7, 1969

THE JOHN BARE FAMILY

FAMILY HISTORY

John Bare was born in Rockingham County Va. He was the son of Jacob Bare. John was the elder of four brothers who came to Fairfield County, Ohio from Virginia about 1818. Later the brothers moved to Seneca and Wyandot Counties, Ohio in about 1825.

John Bare's Father, Jacob came to Lancaster County, Penn. in 1828 in August from Zurich, Switzerland.

The brothers names were: John; Jacob Jr.; Abraham; and Samuel.

Name
John Bare
Born in Rockingham Co. Va.
Sept. 4, 1798
buried in Albion
cemetery

SPOUSE
Catherine Bever
Born in Rockingham Co. Va.
December 21, 1798
buried in Albion, Iowa
cemetery

Children of above:-

Mary Bare
6-18-1820 2-3-1892

James Creeger
10-9-1814 10-9-1882

LeAnnsh Bare
6-25-1821 9-20-1896
Buried in Albion, Iowa
cemetery

Dr. Robert McRill
10-18-1818 9-12-1879
Buried in Albion, Iowa
cemetery.

Eliza Bare
?

Isaac Bretz
?

Susan Bare
1828 5-16-1896
Buried in Riverside cemetery,
Marshalltown, Iowa. In SECTION
N #30.

George Rosenberger
1-23-1826 2-5-1905
Buried in Badger Hill cemetery
near Gladbrook, Iowa.

Children of Eliza Bare Bretz and Isaac Bretz.
John Bretz Oldest died years ago.

Dosia Bretz
10-6-1860

Rev. Deeble

Jay Bretz
8-13-1869 3-27-1963

No

Children of Susan Bare Rosenberger and husband:-

Mary Rosenberger Smith
1849 7-14-1936

Wm. Smith
1844 1-20-1918

Buried in Marshalltown, Iowa cemetery, Riverside section N. #30

Scott Rosenberger
12-25-1851 11-24-1897

Grace
11-24-1877 7-1958

Buried in Badger Hill cemetery near Gladbrook, Iowa

*grandfather of Elizabeth 1728
Barr Palmer
Helma Augustine
from this one*

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THE JOHN BARE FAMILY CONTINUED PAGE 2

Children of Sylvia and Patrick Smith
Pamela
Marilyn *Smith*

Children of Errol and Virginia McRill
Errol Richard
Priscilla *McRill*

Child of Barbara and Wayne Locke:-
Terry
Janet (adopted)

Children of Gladwin and Gladys McRill
Eugene Byron McRill
6-28-1931

Gerrine Mae McRill
3-28-1934

Paul Emerson McRill
10-19-1935

Children of Eugene and Bernita McRill are:-
Gail Annette
9-5-1957

TWIN BOYS

Even Emerson.....and.....Emory Brian
born January 3, 1960

Melinda Jane
Sept. 16, 1963

Child of Paul and Barbara McRill is:-
Alisa Michelle
June 21, 1964.

Child of Connie and Donald Lee
Eric Afton
3-8-1965.

*Gene McRill
+
family
1968*



Barbara McIntire
Sept. 2, 1944

*McRill Homestead
1968
Established by Dr.
Robert McRill 1855*

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Susie L. Rosenberger
1854 3-17-1876 No
Buried in Riverside cemetery at Marshalltown, Iowa, Section N #30.

John Rosenberger
10-1-1868 7-1932 Jennie
1-8-1873 10-1-1946
Buried in BADGER HILL cemetery near Gladbrook, Iowa.

Children of LeAnnah Bare McRill and Dr. Robert McRill are:-

John Byron McRill Eliza Cowgill
6-21-1843 11-27-1925 3-2-1847 2-9-1917
Buried in Albion, Iowa cemetery.

Robert Bruce McRill Killed in a sawmill accident
11-3-1849 12-14-1867

Elkannah B. McRill Laura May Arney
3-29-1857 11-5-1931 3-1-1862 11-19-1950
Buried in cemetery at Albion, Iowa.

Children of John Byron and Eliza McRill are:-
Robert Bruce Jessie Wilbur (they moved to
? ? Nampa, Idaho.)

Leo Clifford Brown
Bert
Max McRill
1895 1912

Children of Elkannah and Laura McRill:-
Errol Mellin McRill Mary Emerson Perkins
May 16, 1885 March 1892 April 23, 1936
Claire Matilda Cummins
1889 1947
Gladis Bernard Walker
March 27, 1895

Laura LeAnnah McRill No
May 8, 1894

Gladwin Byron McRill Gladys Bach
10-5-1902 1-7-1964 12-8-1905

Children of Errol and Mary McRill:
May LeNore Doyle E. Jordan
3-1-1915 1-5-1914

Sylvia Pearl Patrick G. Smith
7-15-1916 11-25-1915

Errol Emerson Virginia Macomber
3-28-1918 6-26-1918

Barbara Eloise Wayne Locke
9-18-1925 3-1-1915
Second husband married 8-7-1964
Victor Schmeiser.