

DIRECTORY OF LEADING FARMERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, KANSAS.

Table listing leading farmers in Washington County, Kansas, categorized by township (Clifton, Coleman, Farmington, Franklin). Each entry includes Name, Post Office, No., Sec., and R.F.D. numbers.

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Name	Post Office	No. Sec.	Name	Post Office	No. Sec.	Name	Post Office	No. Sec.	Name	Post Office	No. Sec.
Nutsch, Frank	Morrowville	1 12	Lindsay, George (R)	Haddam	4 16	Funnell, J. C. (R)	Palmer	2 33	Damon, D. (R)	Palmer	2 6
Nutsch, G. H.	Morrowville	1 27	Lindsay, J. C. (R)	Morrowville	1 22	Funnell, M. T. (R)	Palmer	2 26	Dennis, F. M. (R)	Palmer	1 30
Nutsch, Herman (R)	Morrowville	1 27	Lindsay, Ralph (R)	Morrowville	1 20	Funnell, W. H.	Palmer	2 28	Diedrich, Peter (R)	Greenleaf	4 1
Nutsch, J. F.	Morrowville	1 15	Lindsay, W. A.	Morrowville	3 25	Graham, R. C.	Clifton	1 32	Dierking, George	Palmer	1 19
Nutsch, John	Morrowville	1 15	Lipsey, W. W. (R)	Morrowville	3 13	Graves, J. W.	Clifton	1 33	Elliot, A. W.	Linn	3 9
Nutsch, J. W. (R)	Morrowville	1 27	Lock, P. J. (R)	Morrowville	3 12	Grocher, P. (R)	Clifton	2 7	Elliot, J. M.	Linn	3 10
Nutsch, Paul (R)	Morrowville	1 15	Lule, S. H.	Morrowville	1 24	Hanson, John	Palmer	2 10	Folsom, William	Palmer	1 20
Osterhout, C.	Morrowville	1 25	Long, Henderson	Haddam	2 28	Harnett, Henry (R)	Palmer	2 29	Forsber, W. A. (R)	Palmer	2 9
Pack, J. T.	Morrowville	1 16	LuB, A. H. (R)	Morrowville	1 21	Harris, Adelbert (R)	Clifton	1 35	Gabbert, Henry	Linn	3 20
Rice, H. B.	Haddam	4 20	McCormick, F. M.	Morrowville	3 13	Hawke, A. A.	Clifton	2 18	Gray, John	Linn	3 23
Robinson, W. H. (R)	Morrowville	1 3	McGregor, Robert	Morrowville	1 14	Heistermann, Christ	Palmer	1 24	Gray, Peter	Linn	3 25
Rose, William	Haddam	4 5	Maxwell, H. W.	Haddam	4 9	House, W. B. (R)	Clifton	1 34	Grote, Fred, Sr.	Palmer	1 8
Russell, A. R.	Haddam	4 31	Mezies, Peter	Morrowville	1 3	Hurley, B. C. (R)	Palmer	2 24	Grote, Fred, Jr.	Palmer	1 9
Rycharik, Anton	Haddam	4 17	Monroe, S. F.	Morrowville	1 10	Hurley, Catherine & S. S. (R)	Palmer	1 25	Hammel, J. (R)	Palmer	1 18
Rycharik, Ed.	Haddam	4 17	More, Alexander (R)	Haddam	2 32	Jansen, Lars	Palmer	1 12	Hapmann, H.	Palmer	2 5
Sabatisky, Paul	Morrowville	1 35	Newton, G. B.	Haddam	4 5	Jergesen, Reinholdt (R)	Palmer	2 16	Harmon, W. D.	Palmer	1 7
Seidal, John (R)	Morrowville	1 35	Nutsch, P. A.	Morrowville	4 19	Johnson, J. C. (R)	Palmer	2 4	Hayworth, B. H.	Palmer	2 5
Shaffer, Lewis (R)	Morrowville	1 32	Nutter, F. J.	Morrowville	1 3	Jones, William (R)	Clifton	2 29	Hayworth, C. V.	Palmer	2 5
Shaw, Sherman	Morrowville	1 3	Nutter, Isaac	Morrowville	3 24	Kahrs, John (R)	Clifton	2 6	Haxton, Thomas (R)	Linn	3 23
Sheer, Paul	Morrowville	1 44	Nutter, J. D.	Morrowville	1 22	Kelley, J. W. (R)	Clifton	1 7	Hogesmeier, Henry	Linn	3 26
Showalter, S. (R)	Morrowville	1 22	Palmer, S. W.	Morrowville	1 22	Kelley, J. W. (R)	Clifton	1 7	Holmes, Fmie	Palmer	1 21
Smith, J. B.	Morrowville	1 11	Parken, N. W.	Morrowville	1 22	Kisby, A.	Clifton	2 8	Hornbostel, H. C.	Palmer	2 6
Speers, T. H. (R)	Haddam	1 31	Patterson, G. J.	Haddam	4 8	Knoop, John (R)	Palmer	2 22	Hornbostel, H. W.	Palmer	2 8
Spradling, E. E.	Morrowville	1 16	Peckham, G. H. (R)	Morrowville	1 11	Kurtz, W. A.	Palmer	2 18	Hornbostel, J. C.	Linn	3 15
Spradling, J. A. (R)	Haddam	4 20	Percival, C. L. (R)	Haddam	4 19	Langrehr, Frederich (R)	Palmer	1 26	Hornbostel, H. W., Jr.	Palmer	1 19
Spradling, Wilber (R)	Haddam	4 20	Peterson, Peter	Haddam	4 5	Lecuyer, George (R)	Palmer	2 22	Hornbostel, H. W., Sr.	Palmer	1 19
Stane, Logan	Haddam	4 7	Pierce, Ira E. (R)	Morrowville	1 9	Lindhorst, Herman	Linn	2 5	Jensen, P. L. (R)	Palmer	1 20
Summers, W. L. (R)	Mahaska	1 33	Pursley, H. E. (R)	Morrowville	1 9	Lockas, Frank (R)	Clifton	1 34	Jeschke, C. H.	Linn	3 2
Taylor, O. E. (R)	Morrowville	1 47	Reas, H. A.	Haddam	4 19	Lower, F. G. (R)	Palmer	2 21	Johnson, Henry	Palmer	1 26
Tuma, Charles	Haddam	4 33	Rasmussen, C. C.	Haddam	4 7	Lynch, E. N. (R)	Palmer	2 16	Jungek, Edward	Palmer	1 29
Turinsky, Frank	Morrowville	3 30	Rickert, A. S.	Haddam	1 17	Lynch, Robert	Palmer	2 22	Kaiser, Herman	Linn	3 14
Turpin, F. A.	Morrowville	1 16	Rose, Mondel (R)	Haddam	2 20	McCall, William	Palmer	2 22	Keller, Rev. J. G. R.	Palmer	1 16
Walkemeyer, Josephine	Morrowville	3 24	Savage, Benjamin (R)	Morrowville	1 14	McQuillen, E. J.	Clifton	1 26	Kennedy, P. A. (R)	Palmer	3 23
Walkemeyer, O.	Morrowville	3 24	Savage, J. D.	Morrowville	3 34	Manchester, L. M.	Palmer	2 9	Kilman, Fred	Palmer	1 18
Weber, J. W.	Haddam	4 9	Sawyer, J. O.	Morrowville	3 36	Manchaster, L. M.	Palmer	2 9	Knox, L. (R)	Palmer	1 18
Wells, C. C. & W. A.	Morrowville	1 1	Schaich, J. W.	Morrowville	3 11	Marshall, Thomas	Clifton	2 30	Laird, A. W.	Linn	3 1
Wittmer, C. J. (R)	Haddam	4 16	Schmitz, W.	Morrowville	2 34	Meyerhoff, H. C.	Palmer	1 13	Lange, H. C.	Palmer	1 18
Wyman, W. D.	Morrowville	4 29	Sherrill, A. O.	Morrowville	1 21	Meyerhoff, William	Palmer	2 24	Lauston, William	Linn	3 25
Zimmerman, C. S.	Morrowville	1 24	Sherrill, T. O. (R)	Morrowville	1 26	Mickel, James	Palmer	2 12	Lee, G. R.	Palmer	1 30
Zimmerman, Louis	Morrowville	1 24	Simpson, Lafayette	Morrowville	1 27	Mowry, G. W. & B. L.	Clifton	1 27	Lull, C. F. (R)	Linn	3 4
Zimmerman, Michael	Morrowville	3 23	Snyder, W. B.	Morrowville	1 27	Norris, H. A.	Palmer	2 20	Lupher, F. A.	Linn	3 13

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Lillibridge, Wm. & Frank	Hanover	1 5	Wertemberger, A. S.	Greenleaf	1 19	Hazels, George	Washington	5 7	Quinn, Francis (R)	Hanover	1 13
Logan, H.	Barnes	1 29	Wertemberger, F. A.	Hanover	1 19	Hodges, J. D. (R)	Greenleaf	1 28	Quinn, Peter	Hanover	1 24
Ludwick, Vaclav (R)	Hanover	5 2	Wild, Edward (R)	Waterville	2 36	Hood, J. K.	Washington	5 5	Rector, J. W.	Washington	1 5
Luehring, Emelia	Hanover	5 4	Wild, J. E. (R)	Waterville	2 36	Jackson, J. A.	Greenleaf	1 21	Riley, D. S.	Greenleaf	1 21
McCarthy, Hugh	Hanover	5 10	Wilkinson, Henry (R)	Hanover	1 7	Jorgenson, Rasmus	Greenleaf	1 36	Rodgers, E. (R)	Greenleaf	1 25
McCloud, William (R)	Barnes	1 22	Wilkinson, W. B. (R)	Hanover	1 7	Kantack, August	Greenleaf	1 23	Roper, C. W.	Greenleaf	1 28
McDonald, M. D. (R)	Waterville	2 25	Wijpel, Gottlieb	Hanover	5 14	Kappel, A. D. (R)	Greenleaf	1 25	Rossman, W. E. (R)	Washington	5 17
McMullen, Edward (R)	Barnes	1 16	Wise, Conrad	Waterville	2 25	Kappel, Daniel	Greenleaf	1 30	Savoie, George	Greenleaf	1 22
Meyn, Fred	Hanover	5 4	Wolvertou, E. K.	Barnes	1 31	Keen, D. G. M. (R)	Greenleaf	1 23	Savoie, J. L.	Greenleaf	1 21
Meyn, Mrs. J. D.	Hanover	1 3	Young, D. C. (R)	Hanover	1 5	Kelley, T. B.	Washington	5 9	Seli, Anthony (R)	Greenleaf	1 3
Mullen, Francis	Hanover	5 14	Zabokrtsky, Joseph	Hanover	5 2	Kling, J. M.	Greenleaf	1 17	Shaffer, Thomas (R)	Greenleaf	1 32
Mullen, John	Hanover	5 14				Knedlik, C. & Matij	Greenleaf	1 33	Sheeley, W. C.	Washington	5 18
Osterloh, William (R)	Hanover	1 4				Koss, Frank	Hanover	1 13	Shum, J. B.	Greenleaf	1 25
Perkins, Henry G.	Hanover	5 23	LOGAN.			Koss, Joseph (R)	Greenleaf	1 14	Stama, Joseph, Sr.	Hanover	1 1
Petty, J. C.	Barnes	1 32	Bolinger, Milton	Greenleaf	1 13	Koss, V. (R)	Washington	5 17	Spencer, J. R.	Washington	5 7
Pifer, S. J.	Barnes	1 33	Bell, W. C. (R)	Greenleaf	1 29	Koss, Wess (R)	Washington	5 17	Spindler, J., Sr.	Hanover	1 2
Porter, John (R)	Barnes	1 20	Bennett, E. R.	Greenleaf	1 27	Lillibridge, John	Hanover	1 12	Stamm, Charles F.	Greenleaf	1 4
Parcell, Jas.	Greenleaf	1 31	Bennett, G. (R)	Greenleaf	1 27	Little, W. G. (R)	Greenleaf	1 22	Stamm, J. G.	Washington	5 8
Rauh, E. (R)	Barnes	1 33	Buchholz, C. (R)	Greenleaf	1 27	Lucky, M. C.	Greenleaf	1 33	Stamm, John	Greenleaf	1 3
Reedy, E., Jr. (R)	Hanover	1 5	Buczinski, M.	Greenleaf	1 27	McCall, J. K. P.	Washington	5 18	Stamm, Margaret & Sons	Greenleaf	1 3
Reedy, E., Sr.	Hanover	5 16	Cochran, W. E. (R)	Greenleaf	1 35	Marlow, Samuel	Greenleaf	1 35	Talbot, George	Greenleaf	1 22
Reedy, George (R)	Hanover	5 16	Cook, David	Washington	5 17	Morris, Michael (R)	Greenleaf	1 25	Taylor, D. O.	Greenleaf	1 15
Reedy, Peter (R)	Hanover	5 15	Crevier, Frank (R)	Washington	5 8	Morris, Michael (R)	Greenleaf	1 25	Taylor, W. B. (R)	Greenleaf	1 34
Rencin, J. C.	Barnes	1 20	Crutsinger, C. (R)	Washington	5 19	Minsball, T. B. & Ellis (R)	Greenleaf	1 25	Tegethoff, Albert	Washington	2 6
Robinson, F. M. (R)	Hanover	1 18	Danzler, John	Washington	5 18	Mehring, F.	Greenleaf	1 14	Tegethoff, A. H. (R)	Greenleaf	1 10
Roper, F. T.	Barnes	1 30	Davis, R. P. (R)	Greenleaf	1 11	Mercer, W. M.	Greenleaf	1 27	Thompson, A. B.	Washington	5 31
Rosenhaugh, D. L.	Barnes	1 34	Dean, William	Greenleaf	1 22	Mercer, W. S. (R)	Greenleaf	1 27	Truhlicka, Ves (R)	Greenleaf	1 3
Rnoth, Jacob	Hanover	1 18	Dennman, W. H.	Washington	5 20	Meyer, Henry	Washington	5 31	Van Houtan, E. B. (R)	Greenleaf	1 10
Savage, W. R.	Barnes	1 30	Depew, G. B. (R)	Washington	5 9	Meyer, J. H.	Washington	5 30	Van Kirk, J. H.	Washington	5 19
Sednaek, F. W.	Barnes	1 19	Duncan, Andrew	Washington	5 9	Meyers, L. A.	Greenleaf	1 13	van Lamingham, D. C.	Washington	5 19
Shumaker, Frank (R)	Hanover	1 6	Ferguson, J. C. (R)	Greenleaf	1 15	Nemec, Joseph, Sr.	Hanover	1 1	Walters, William (R)	Greenleaf	1 36
Smith, C. B. (R)	Barnes	1 35	Ferguson, M. (R)	Hanover	1 12	Neu, Jacob	Greenleaf	1 9	Waterman, L. C.	Greenleaf	1 3
Smith, J. T.	Barnes	1 35	Ferguson, P. M.	Greenleaf	1 10	Neu, William (R)	Washington	5 9	Waterman, William	Greenleaf	1 11
Stettmich, Edward	Barnes	1 31	Fink, B. J.	Hanover	1 1	Nielsen, N. D.	Greenleaf	1 35	Waber, E. (R)	Washington	7
Svec, Frank	Hanover	1 6	Firkin, William (R)	Washington	2 6	Nutter, Jacob	Greenleaf	1 27	Waber, W. M. (R)	Washington	5 8
Swohoda, John	Barnes	1 17	Fisher, J. J.	Washington	5 20	Parke, John	Washington	5 31	Wilkinson, Frank	Hanover	1 1
Tepley, Frank (R)	Hanover	1 7	Fishery, E. H. (R)	Greenleaf	1 29	Pavlik, Frank (R)	Washington	5 16	Wilkinson, W. H. (R)	Greenleaf	1 27
Tranase, C. S.	Hanover	5 25	Foster, S. D. (R)	Greenleaf	1 11	Peterson, C. C.	Greenleaf	1 36	Wiener, W. A.	Washington	5 30
Triska, A. M.	Hanover	1 9	Freeman, R. & Ode	Washington	5 9	Peterson, C. G.	Greenleaf	1 36	White, Clell	Greenleaf	1 24
Vogler, Joseph (R)	Waterville	2 24	Fritz, Frank	Greenleaf	1 28	Petty, Alfred (R)	Greenleaf	1 29	Worick, J. H. & D. G.	Greenleaf	1 33
Vogler, Theodore	Barnes	1 26	Green, W. B.	Greenleaf	1 36	Pinckley, A. J.	Washington	5 4	Wolvertou, Oren	Greenleaf	1 24
Wahdel, William	Hanover	5 13	Hansen, C. A.	Greenleaf	1 29	Pontre, D.	Greenleaf	1 34	Wylie, M. R.	Greenleaf	1 16
Welter, Jacob	Barnes	2 1	Harvy, Fred (R)	Greenleaf	1 29	Priest, I. H.	Greenleaf	1 32	Zimmerman, R. E.	Greenleaf	1 31
			Hauska, V.	Washington	5 8						
			Hawley, E. E. (R)	Greenleaf	1 33						



HISTORICAL SKETCH

—OF—

WASHINGTON COUNTY, KANSAS.

The object of history is to preserve some account of that race of intrepid men and women who paved the way for that remarkable development which this county experienced, to give some dates and figures of importance, and to record other matters of interest too valuable to be lost. Many of the pioneers have already passed away, and with them has vanished all record of the exciting scenes in which they were participants. It is well known that the destruction of the county's court house, in 1869, destroyed all the official records prior to that date. The loss of these records render it exceedingly difficult, and, upon some points, absolutely impossible, to reproduce the earliest official movements.

INDIAN HISTORY.

The Indian history of this county is very meager. That powerful nation of Indians, called the Pawnees, who held undisputed sway over this country previous to the arrival of the white man, had given place to the Sioux, Cheyennes, Arapahoes and Kaws. These were the tribes with which the pioneers of this country had to deal. Several raids were made by bands composed of one or all of these tribes.

In 1864, these Indians made a raid on the settlers, about the Little Blue in Washington and Marshall Counties; they were armed with bows, arrows, spears and raw hide shields, and were on their way to the Osce Village on a war expedition. The first place they attacked was on Mill Creek, at the house of John Ferguson, afterward O. S. Canfield's, plundering the house and insulting the women; leaving this place, they took Rufus Darby prisoner, somewhere in the vicinity of Mr. Wertman's; from here he was marched down to Washington, where another band were plundering the log house of Jesse R. Hollowell; from there they followed down the creek, plundering on their way M. G. Driskell of his household goods. Rich Bond was surrounded and taken prisoner on the mound above John Bond's barn. Andy Oswald was also taken prisoner; after taking them a few miles down the creek,

they were released. Many of the citizens took the alarm and started for Marysville in Marshall County. Those living in the southern part of Washington, and the northern part of Clay County fled south and gathered at the house of Orville Hunters, near the present site of Clay County. About two hundred of them camped there until the scare was over.

In 1868, another raid was made in Washington, Cloud and Republic Counties. As near as can be ascertained, the only citizens of Washington County who were killed by Indians were a party of five, who, with a comrade from Clay County, were murdered by the Indians May 20, 1866, near Lake Sibley.

As a general thing, their most violent depredations were committed on the extreme borders of civilization; the reports and rumors of these kept the settlers in a constant state of anxiety and watchfulness, although their greatest outrages in this county were horse stealing. It was not many years, however, before the increase of immigration caused them to vanish before the "onward march of civilization." Years ago they were driven into the country further west, and have been continually pushed from their place, driven out by the spade and the plow, and kept at bay by the smoke of chimney fires.

Tradition has not preserved an account of a single war dance, or a solitary white man scalped within the limits of Washington County. The plow-share has already obliterated the deep-worn trail, and time has destroyed the last traces of wigwams and camps.

EARLY EXPLORERS.

Five years ago there was not a vestige of civilization in that part of Kansas now known as Washington County. For untold ages it had been covered with a waving sea of wild grasses; vast herds of buffalo had, for numberless years, wandered almost unmolested across it, and its solitudes had been broken only by occasional bands of savages in search of prey or plunder.

It was a part of that section of country which old geographers had designated as the "Great American Desert"—"a barren waste, incapable of agricultural production, and uninhabitable."

The advancing wave of that great tide of civilization which crossed the Atlantic, and transformed a wilderness into an empire, at length reached this part of the American Continent, and have made this their home, coming from every State of the American Union, and from the territory of every European power.

The first white man who trod the soil of Washington County was that adventurous Spanish explorer, Francisco Vasquez de Coronado, who commanded an expedition, which marched, in 1542, from Mexico to the northern boundary of Kansas. His route was through that part of Kansas now embraced in the counties of Barbour, Kingman, Reno, McPherson, Harvey, Marion, Dickinson, Davis, Riley, Pottawatomie, Washington, Marshall and Nemaha. He crossed the Little Blue, near the eastern boundary of Washington County. He described the soil as "the best possible for all kinds of productions of Spain, for while it is very strong and black, it is well watered by brooks, springs and rivers." Coronado gave the first authentic account of the buffalo, when he said, "All the way, the plains are as full of crooked-backed oxen as the Mountain Serena in Spain is of sheep." He found this country in possession of a powerful and warlike tribe of Indians called the Pawnees. One band of this tribe, called the Pawnee Republic, gave its name to the Republican River.

In 1719, M. Destine, a French explorer, passed through the State, his route being a little south of this county. He found several Pawnee villages on the banks of the Big and Little Blue.

That part of Kansas now known as Washington County was crossed by Maj. Stephen H. Long, in 1819 or 1820. In 1823 the first wagon train crossed Kansas on its way to Santa