

Madison County Remembers...

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From the President,

This winter has been a strange one. We've only had snow 3 or 4 times. The weather has been warm, even into the 70's, this February. The geese have been seen flying north and then south. I usually enjoy the rest during those cold, cold days and nights. That is when I plan my getaways, my research trips. That is when I go through my files. This mild weather has caught me off guard.

I did enjoy being at a surprise birthday party. The guest of honor was really surprised! We shared some of my family's birthday traditions. We had cake with candles, Happy Birthday was sung, presents, and ice cream were enjoyed. It is just natural for us to have these things. I never asked him if he had different birthday traditions. One character of a strong family is identity. Family traditions give your family identity, the understanding that we do things a certain way. That same identity says chocolate pie and honesty, going out to eat and social/political awareness. All these things weave together with our own choices to make us who we are. Some family traditions, like education, need to be encouraged, others like racism need to be discouraged. Traditions are a thing that can be changed, added to, or even lost. While you collect your names and dates, be sure to upgrade you family tradition file.

There are many seminars available this spring in Columbus, West Point, and here in Norfolk. Be sure to make one.

John Kielty

Norwegian names in the Newman Grove, Nebraska area

The tri-county area is the southwest corner of Madison County, the northwest corner of Platte County, and the east adjoining area of Boone County, Nebraska. While researching the book Tri-County Pioneers, I found reference to an ethnic naming custom peculiar to the Scandinavian regions.

Norwegian people came to this country in the 1800's with their own general naming customs. This custom is called patronymic or father name. In this naming pattern a child receives a given name, for example Peter. His name is his father's name with the suffix 'son' or 'sen' added, Peterson. A daughter would use the suffix 'dater'. Generally after a girl married she would keep her surname.

As the population of an area increased, this custom would prove confusing, with more than one person with the same name. To solve this problem, Ole Johnson would add the name of his farm to his name, Ole Johnson Vik to differentiate himself from other Ole Johnson's in the parish. The changing of a person's name became commonplace when the sons joined the military. When they joined up, they were given a different name to help in recordkeeping. At the end of their military service, a man could take his old name back, or keep his new name. When more than one Ole Johnson pioneered in Madison County, the post office asked them to add a name after Johnson. This was either their middle name or the area name in Norway, where they came from. Ole Johnson Haugen and Ole Johnson Bergen came from those areas in Norway. They were known as Ole Johnson H. and Ole Johnson B.

In the late 1800's the Norwegian government outlawed patronymics. They tried to get families to 'choose' a surname. Immigrants to the U.S. in the mid to late 1800's had pressure both in their homeland and in America to convert to our standard surname custom. Simon Christianson came to Wisconsin and later Nebraska about 1870. His son Christian Simonson accompanied him. All his subsequent children took the Simonson surname.

Patronymics presented a problem for me as I indexed Tri-County Pioneers. Was Ole Johnson Haugen to be listed under the H's for Haugen or under the J's because his real name was Johnson? The writer of Tri-County Pioneers mistakenly believed Haugen was his middle name, consequently he is shown as Ole H. Johnson. A researcher in Scandinavian names should be aware of this practice especially in regard to using indexes. My choice as an indexer was to list Ole both under Johnson and Haugen. I am thankful for my understanding of patronymics from two articles by Johan I. Borgos and Jan Oldevoll. By John Kiely

January 15th Meeting Highlights by Karen Rogat, Secretary

The January meeting was held at J.D. Brother's Steakhouse. The meeting was held after we enjoyed our evening meal together.

Nancy brought in a printout of all Ancestry.com databases. We as a group could donate money to purchase a year's subscription for the library at the museum. The treasurer's report was read and accepted. It was determined that there was enough money in the account to go ahead and purchase this. We will charge per use. The money will apply to next years purchase. This motion was passed by all.

We signed a card for the church thanking them for allowing us to use their facilities in the past, and a donation for \$50.00 was approved.

The next meeting will be held on February 19th at the Elkhorn Valley Museum. The State Historical Society will present the program. Lunch to be served by Mike and Nylotis Moats.

SECRETARY MINUTES FEBRUARY 19, 2002 by Karen Rogat, Secretary

The meeting was held at our new meeting place, the Elkhorn Valley Museum and Research Center. We enjoyed a wonderful talk by John Schleicher from the Nebraska State Historical Society about immigration groups coming to Nebraska, where they settled, when, why and how many. We also viewed a short portion of a tape on the early settlement of Omaha, NE.

Thank you to the program committee, especially Jean Masters for her diligence in getting John to our meeting. The State Historical Society loaned the group two films and we

discussed which we would view at the next meeting. We decided that we would view the film on hidden images in glass photos.

Richard Strenge announced that Nancy Gross, Register of Deeds of Madison County, has offered to open her office after hours one time for the Society. This will take place in either April or May, on a night other than our meeting night. We will discuss this offer at next month's meeting and arrive at a date and time.

In the library report: Ancestry.com is up and running. This is available to everyone for \$1.00 per hour. The Germans from Russia local chapter has donated their entire library to the Research Center. Ruthie Gallitz and Nancy Zaruba downloaded a genealogy program into the computer at the library. Everybody is encouraged to submit his or her own genealogy database information to the Society. This information will NOT be put on the Internet, but will be accessible through the Society library. To submit, either download a GEDCOM file or, a paper file which we can enter. Paper files are also encouraged to build family files. There have been more people coming in to the library to do research than in the past. More volunteers are needed on other days of the week for the library on a regular basis. If anyone is interested, please let Nancy know.

The workshops on oral interviewing and preservation of materials that are scheduled for April 20th still have openings. If we do not get enough people to sign up, we will not be able to have these workshops.

Research Center News

By Nancy Zaruba

Several donations have been received lately of books, maps, photographs and other interesting library items. Work continues on the cataloging of photographs and other items. Volunteers are needed to label, file, and learn museum and library procedures. If you would be interested and could put in at least 2 hours at a time once or twice a week for awhile, give me a call or stop in any afternoon. We always have fun down here while we work.

Something new is a subscription to Ancestry database. Ancestry is a website that helps you search out and find information about your family. The Madison County Genealogical Society has paid for a subscription to Ancestry that will allow you to come in and with our help use this database to look up facts about your family. Some of the thousands of databases included are the complete federal censuses from 1790-1920, Marriage records from many localities, city directories from various locations, passenger and immigration records, records from Scotland, Ireland, and various other countries. New databases are added daily. There is a small charge of \$1 per hour to use this database and it is available for you whenever I or another volunteer is in the library (which is most of the time). Call first to make sure I will be here then come down. Most afternoons I am here as well as regular library hours.

Our wish list last time had several books listed on it and one of those was donated last week. **They came in ships; a guide to finding your Immigrant Ancestor's arrival record** by John P. Colletta was received from Marlin Bree. Mr. Bree, a former Norfolkian also donated another book that he has written titled **Wake of the Green Storm; a survivor's tale.**

Some other items received recently include several issues of the Norfolk High School newspaper **The Telital** from the 1920s and 1930s; a **plat map of Holt County from 1949** that lists owners; several items from the **Class of 1937; St. Edward, Nebraska centennial book**; an index to the books **Echoes of the Past and Along Pioneer Trails in Pierce County, Nebraska; Nebraska Yearbook 1867-1967, 100 years of progress; Nebraska's militia: the history of the Army and Air National Guard 1854-1991; I remember Walthill When...; Nebraska Place-names;**

Genealogy via the Internet; Photographing your heritage; The Prairie Venture: Fremont Nebraska; Scribner Nebraska Centennial; Craig - One Hundred Years; Shaking your family tree; Mount Olive Lutheran Church Golden Anniversary 1931-1981; Peter Kiewit Sons Co. 1884-1944 60 years in the Construction Industry; 2 magazines of **American Modeler** both with articles on **Orville Carlisle**. Also received were a subscription to a genealogical newsletter **The Pipost** (Pierce and St. Croix Counties, Minnesota), and research guides for Genealogy and British Research in the LDS Library. Another interesting item is **The Complete National Geographic**, 108 years of National Geographic Magazine on CD-Rom.

Perhaps one of the biggest news items is the recent arrival of the entire library of the **Northeast Nebraska Chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia**. This collection includes several wonderful maps, videotapes, and audiocassettes as well as books and magazines. If you are doing German research (not necessarily Germans from Russia) there are several items here that will help you in your research also. Ruthie Galitz, the current president of the AHSGR Northeast Nebraska Chapter has been helping to accession items and generally volunteering at the Library here when she is in town.

One of our biggest wishes at the moment is for legal size file cabinets. Until next time.

MADISON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY EXCHANGE LIST MARCH 2002

These organizations receive our newsletter and publish a newsletter in exchange that they send to us. They are available in our Society library.

"Leafy Branches"

Adams County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 424, Hastings, NE 68902-0424

"The Scout"

Boone-Nance County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 231, Belgrade, NE 68623

"Out on a Limb"

Dodge/Jefferson County Gen. Society, P.O. Box 91, Watertown, WI 53094-0091

"Roots and Leaves" quarterly also a monthly newsletter

Eastern Nebraska Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 541, Fremont, NE 68026-0541

Elkhorn Valley Historical Society, 515 Queen City Blvd., Norfolk, NE 68701

"Family Tree"

Ellen Payne Odom Genealogical Library, P.O. Box 2828, Moultrie, GA 31776-2828

"Phelps Helps"

Holdrege Area Genealogical Club, P.O. Box 164, Holdrege, NE 68949-0164

"Connections"

Leila Stahl Buffett Genealogical Center, P.O. Box 258, West Point, NE 68788-0258

Newsletter

Lincoln-Lancaster County Gen. Society, P.O. Box 30055, Lincoln, NE 68503-0055

"Nebraska Ancestree" and "New Brass Key"
Nebraska State Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 5608, Lincoln, NE 68508-5608

NISIAN

Nebraskans of Irish/Scotch-Irish Ancestry, P.O. Box 5049, Lincoln, NE 68505-5049

"NENGS Notes"

Northeastern Nebraska Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 169, Lyons, NE 68038-0169

"The Wagoner"

Northwest Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 6, Alliance, NE 69301-0006

Plains Genealogical Society, 208 South Walnut Street, Kimball, NE 69145

"Kin Seekers"

Platte Valley Kinseekers, P.O. Box 153, Columbus, NE 68602-0153

Prairie Pioneer Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 1122, Grand Island, NE 68802-1122

Rebecca Winters Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 323, Scottsbluff, NE 69363-0323

"Homesteader"

Southeast Nebraska Gen. Society, Beatrice Public Library Heritage Room,
100 North 16th St., Beatrice, NE 68310

"Tri-Corner Connections"

Tri-State Corners Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 524, Humboldt, NE 68376-0524

"Bridging the Years"

Wayne County Genealogical Society, 220 Sherman, Wayne, NE 68787

"Wahkaw"

Woodbury County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 624, Sioux City, IA 51102-0624

New exchange starting with this issue:

Hooker County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 280, Mullen, NE 69152-0280

The following libraries receive our newsletters:

Allen Co. Public Library	P.O. Box 2270, Fort Wayne, IN 46801-2270
Battle Creek Public Library	P.O. Box D, Battle Creek, NE 68715
Madison Public Library	P.O. Box 387, Madison, NE 68748
Meadow Grove Public Library	P.O. Box 198, Meadow Grove, NE 68752
Newman Grove Public Library	615 Hale Avenue, Newman Grove, NE 68758
Norfolk Public Library	308 West Prospect Ave., Norfolk, NE 68701
Tilden Public Library	P.O. Box 457, Tilden, NE 68781
Western Reserve Historical Society	10825 East Blvd., Cleveland, OH 44106
Library of Congress	Exchange and Gift Division Washington, D.C. 20540

Early America at Work: A seller of food and supplies to prospectors, settlers, and the like was called a provisioner or chandler, which also meant candlemaker. An individual who sold provisions and supplies to troops was known as a sutler, victualler, or camp follower. The latter name also applied to a female who consorted with the troops.
Source: Early America at Work, by Everett B. Wilson, A.S. Barnes & Co., NY c. 1963, p. 59

1889 Norfolk City Directory (Cont.)

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- LaFarge, Mrs. Jane, 4th, betw. Pasewalk and Bluff Aves., 2-h-e.
Lamb, Frank, teamster, res. Philip Ave, betw. 12th and 13th, 1-h-s.
Lamb, Mrs. F. M., res. the same.
Langhoop, Henry, carpenter, res. sw cor 2nd Ave. and Madison Street.
Langhoop, Mrs. A., res. the same.
Langhoop, Miss A., bds. as above.
Lannenber, Fritz, carpenter, bds. at Wm. Zastrow's.
Laubsch, Carl, tin shop, 111 Norfolk Ave.; res. 1st, betw. Philip and Park Aves., 1-h-e.
Laubsch, Mrs. K., res. the same.
Lawson, Mrs. M. E., dressmaker, nw cor 3rd and Norfolk Ave., res. the same.
Lawrence, E. A., night clerk at depot; res. nw cor Pierce and 2nd Ave.
Lawrence, Mrs. E., res. the same.
Leavitt, W. M., proprietor of the [*Journal* ?], 2nd Str., betw. Norfolk and Madison Aves., res. the same.
Leavitt, Mrs. E. A., res. the same.
Leck, August, blacksmith, bds. at A. Pasewalk's.
Lee, Giles, laborer, res. Braasch Ave., betw. 1st and 2nd, 2-h-n.
Lee, Mrs. M., res. the same.
Lee, Geo., laborer, res. ne cor Braasch Ave. and 2nd.
Lee, Mrs. S., the same.
Lemke, Chas., butcher, res. Madison Ave. betw. 2nd and 3rd 1-h-n.
Lemke, Mrs. A., res. the same.
Leonard, Asa K., druggist, 410 Norfolk Ave., rms. at D. Desmond's.
Lester, James, bds. at G. R. Seiler's.
Lettow, Miss Minnie, domestic at W. J. Walker's.
Lew, Fred, carpenter, res. 4th, betw. Pasewalk and Bluff Aves., 1-h-e.
Lew, Mrs. E., res. the same.
Liese, — — res. so. side of Prospect Ave. betw. 13th and 15th.
Light, Joseph, mail carrier, res. 3rd, betw. Park and Pasewalk Aves., 6-h-w.
Light, Mrs. E., res. the same.
Light, Miss Alta, bds. as above.
Light, Miss Britta, bds. as above.
Lillie, W. W., traveling salesman, res. nw cor 5th and Pasewalk Ave.
Lillie, Mrs. N., res. the same.
Lindsley, O. L., car-repairer, 4th, betw. Park and Pasewalk Aves., 8-h-w.
Lindsley, Mrs. R., res. the same.
Linderman, G. D., (Kuhl & Linderman), 504 Norfolk Ave., res. 5th, betw. Park and Pasewalk Aves., 4-h-e.
Linderman, Mrs. A. M., res. the same.
Livingston, O. E., traveling salesman, res. ne cor 11th and Nebraska Ave.
Livingston, Mrs. E., res. the same.
Lockwood, Nelson, base-ballist, rms. at W. L. Clark's.
Loder, Harry, traveling salesman, bds. at Chas. Rice's.
Lodge, Miss Ella, domestic, at Chas S. Bridges.
Loescher, Theodore, carpenter, res. sw cor 9th and Prospect Ave.
Loescher, Mrs. P., res. the same.
Lord, Frank, N., Jr., day clerk at Pacific House, bds. at the same.
Low, James, bds. at B. C. McKee's.
Lowe, W. H., real estate, 220 Norfolk Ave.; res. ne cor 12th and Nebraska Ave.

Transcribed by Charlton Ryan, Ph.D.

Welcome New Members:

LaVonne Anderson, 46576 241st Street, Colman, SD 57017
Inez Wilson, 206 E. 10th Street, Dell Rapids, SD 57022-1249

Address Changes and Corrections:

Julia Neumeier, 23527 E. Clifton Place, Aurora, CO 80016-7061
Rev. James R. Tiegs, 16830 Pine Street, Omaha, NE 68130-1118
Joyce Real, telephone correction 402-368-2245

Calendar of Events:

March 23, 2002 A Genealogy Workshop by Dr. Arlene Eakle. Topics to be covered are: Solving Tough Pedigree Problems with Cemetery Records; How to find lost Genealogical Records and Genealogy Sources outside the library; New Immigration Sources for Eastern Europe, Including Exit Documents; European Research and Sources including Eastern Europe. Cost is \$20 pre-registration by March 16. Cost at the door is \$25. Send to Melissa Gould, 2520 30th Street, Columbus, NE 68601 Lunch on your own. Free handouts provided, Door prizes, and Genealogy books and supplies will be available for sale.

April 20, 2002 1st session will be on Oral Interviewing and runs from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. **2nd session on Conservation and Preservation of Photographs and Paper Items** will be from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Light lunch will be provided between sessions. These sessions will be held at the Elkhorn Valley Museum and Research Center at 515 Queen City Blvd. In Norfolk, NE. Pre-registration is due by March 15th. Late registrations may be accepted until April 19th, if there is room available. Each session is limited to the first 40 people who register. Cost of one session is \$30 and for both sessions is \$55. Please send your payment with registration to Elkhorn Valley Museum and Research Center, 515 Queen City Blvd., Norfolk, NE 68701. Phone 402-371-3886.

Take another look at the records

When analyzing your ancestor's land transactions, always make certain that the amount of property sold is essentially the same as what was purchased. If there is a significant difference, perhaps you overlooked a record, or perhaps property was obtained through an unrecorded deed or an inheritance. Source: Kin Seeker (Platte Valley Kin Seekers, Columbus, NE.) Vol. 21, Issue 4, Winter 2001.

How Long Will They Last?

How long will copy machine documents last? This is a much asked question about longevity of documents copied on the copy machine. If you make a xerographic copy on permanent archive quality paper, you have a copy that will last a long time (150 years if stored at 70 degrees with 50% humidity). This advice was by Kathy Ludwig, Archive Conservator of the Minnesota Historical Society.

Permanent quality paper (paper made from purified cellulose, less than 1% lignin calcium carbonate 2-3% dry weight and an alkaline sizing) is the specification that meets the American Society for Testing Materials specifications for permanent quality. If the machine is in good condition and the toner is fused to paper properly, you should have a relatively permanent copy. This also applies to computer laser printer copies. Source: The Genies View, LaSalle County Genealogy Guild, 115 W. Grover St. Ottawa, IL 61350 and past down from other newsletters.

BATTLE CREEK PRECINCT, Township 23 North, Range 2 West of the 6th P.M. Madison County, Nebraska. Names of persons living on or owning land in Battle Creek Precinct extracted from the **STANDARD ATLAS OF MADISON COUNTY OF 1918**. Extracted by Jeanne Rix.

Aldag, John, Marle Lane Stock Farm, Sec 30

Allberry, F. L., Res., Sec 10

Allberry, R. E., Blue Grass Valley Stock Farm, Sec 10

Baker, L. B., Wild Rose Hill Farm, Sec 29

Baker, Walter, Res, Sec 29

Barnes, Jas S., Sec 26

Barnes, Wilbert, Sec 35

Bartee, J. R., & Sons, Res., Sec 28

Beirman, H. J., Res., Sec 29

Bender, F. J., Sec 24

Berry, J. S., Sec 35

Bierman, Anna, Sweet Clover Stock Farm, Sec 29

Bierman, Fred, Battle Creek Valley Stock Farm, Sec 5 & 8

Bierman, Wm., Sec 5

Boes, Peter, Sec 30

Borchers, Carl, Sec 5

Borchers, John, Sec 9

Borchers, Odelia, Sec 8

Brink, Rose, Sec 18, 19

Bryant, C. E., Sec 25

Bullock, A. A., & E. C., Sec 24

Cemetery, Sec 15

Chapman, E. R., Sec 25

Church and Parsonage, Sec 31

Connelly, B., Sec 7

Cox, Robt., Sec 6

Cunningham, A. E., Res., Sec 27

Cunningham, A., Sec 27

Cunningham, Harry, Res., Sec 34

Cunningham, W. O., Maple Grove Stock Farm, Sec 34

Denbigh, Minnie M., Sec 1

Denninger, T. L., Sec 6

Deuel, A. A., Sec 11

Dickerson, W. S., Sec 6

Donner, Paul C., Sec 35

Durey, Mary, Sec 1

Erskine, M. H., Sec 14

Eyl, H., Sr., Sec 7

Fenske, Chas, Sec 5, 11, 22

Finkual, Chas, Sec 27

Fish, C. M., Sec 11

Flesner, F. H., Res., Sec 8

Flesner, H. H., Box Elder Stock & Grain Farm, Sec 8

Flesner, Wm., Sec 6

Flower, M. E., Sec 32

Foster, M. B., Sec 32

Funk, E. G., Sec 25

Funk, J. L., Sec 6

Funk, L. R., Sec 18

Funk, Victor L., Sec 35

Gibbons, Ann, Sec 21

Giltner J. M., American Stock & Poultry Farm, Sec 28

Green, C. A. & T. F., Sec 23

Green, C. A., Ash Grove Stock Farm, Sec 27

Gross, Adam, Est., Sec 32

Haman, F., Sec 4

Heath, A. W., Sec 14

Heggemeyer, John, Red Cedar Grove Stock Farm, Sec 11

Heideman, Henry, Sec 33

Heller, L. D., Locust Grove Stock Farm, Sec 18

Hoffman, Fred, Sec 20, 21

Hogrefe, Herman, Sec 6

Horner, M. U., Sec 13

Jefferson, Agnes, etal., Sec 34

Jost, H., Sec 20

Kent, S. Jr., Sec 1

Kent, S., Est., Sec 14

Klein, J. L., Grove Stock Farm, Sec 20

Knapp, John, Sec 22

Knipe, Almira, J., Sec 32

Knull, Carl, Sec 24

Knull, E. F. C., Sec 36

Kost., J. A., Sec 2

Lauver, J. P., Sec 33

Lauver, Wm., Sec 34

Long, B. M., Sec 23

Long, John, Sec 26

Lowe, Wm., Sec 6

Luebecke, M. C., Sec 10
 Luebecke, W. E., Sec 10
 Maas, Mary C., Sec 4
 Malone, H. A., Sec 36
 Mann, Aug, Sec 18
 Marr, C. C., Sec 15
 Merz, L. F., Sec 6
 Middlestaadt, L. C., Sec 4
 Miller, C. A., Sec 32
 Mozer, John, Sec 29
 Murphey, F. R., Sec 31

 Newkerk, Peter, Sec 19
 Nicolay, Wm, Eagle Stock & Poultry Farm,
 Sec 31
 Nicolay, Wm, Res, Sec 31
 Nicolay, Wm, Sec 30

 Otjen, J. H., Orchard View Stock Farm, Sec
 28

 Peterson, O. F., Res., Sec 27
 Plekonis, C., Sec 3
 Plekonis, S., Sec 4
 Plekonis, Sam L., Sec 3
 Praeuner, John, Jr., Sec 31
 Prauner, C., Sec 7
 Prauner, Carl, Sec 5 & 7
 Prauner, Chas., Sec 5
 Prauner, Fred, Sec 21
 Prauner, John Sr., Sec 20

 Raasch, Obed, Sec 13
 Renner, Emil, Cottonwood Grove Farm, Sec
 28
 Renner, Fred, Res., Sec 34
 Renner, Paul, Box Elder Grove Stock Farm,
 Sec 33, 34
 Renner, Paul, Jr., Sec 33
 Rowland, Jas., Sec 2

 Sanne, William, Sec 12
 Scheerger, John, Sec 19 & 30

 Schmitt, U. P., Sec 23
 School, Sec 4, 14, 25, 27, 30
 Schulz, Wm., Sec 4
 Seiffert, Catherine, Sec 8
 Simson, M. C., Sec 24 & 25
 Srb, Joseph F., Sec 6
 Stange, C. H., Cottonwood Stock Farm, Sec
 12
 Stange, J. C., Elkhorn Valley Stock Farm,
 Sec 13
 State of Nebraska, Sec 16
 Steffen, Clara, Sec 9
 Stirk, Clara, Sec 3 & 4
 Stirk, Geo. E., Sec 4
 Stirk, Geo., Sec 4 & 12
 Stirk, W. I., Sec 3
 Stuart, L. A., Sec 19
 Swanson, M., Sec 15

 Teatke, Fred, Sec 2
 Tillotson, A. W., Sec 9
 Timm, J. J., Sec 13
 Tomhagen, A., Elkhorn Stock & Grain Farm,
 Sec 7
 Tomhagen, A., Sec 6
 Tomhagen, H., Sec 6
 Tomhagen, M., Sec 6 & 8

 Volk, F. G., Sec 10
 Volk, F. G., Sec 14
 Volk, Fred. G., Sec 15
 Volk, W. A., Sec 9

 Wagner, A. O., Sec 12
 Wagner, H., Sec 3 & 10
 Walmsley, Susan, Sec 26
 Wetzler, Lucine L., Sec 26
 Wixon, Lincoln, Sec 21
 Wolske, G., Sec 8 & 17
 Wright, John, Sec 29
 Wynn, W. E., Sec 36

 Zimmerman, Geo, Sec 1

Early America at Work: The owner or manager of a wharf was a wharfinger, the owner of a grist mill or corn mill was a miller, the person who managed a market was a market master and a steward was a manciple.

A florist was referred to as a seedsman, and a liquor retailer was a rum dealer, since rum was a favorite beverage in the old days, especially in New England where it was distilled from molasses brought back from the West Indies by the trading vessels owned by the merchant princes. A brewer of beer or ale was a maltster or a brewster, if feminine.

A middleman or broker was known as a forestaller. Entrepreneurs, as we sometimes call individuals who assume the risk and management of business, were known as enterprisers and undertakers, the name we use today for a funeral director or mortician.

Source: Early America at Work, by Everett B. Wilson, A.S. Barnes & Co., NY c. 1963, p. 61.

CITY OF BATTLE CREEK, is located in two sections. The East side is located in Sec. 6, Twp. 23 North, Range 2 West (Battle Creek twp.) and the West side is located in Sec. 1, Twp. 23 North, Range 3 West (Highland twp.) of the 6th P.M., Madison County, Nebraska. Battle Creek is also located in Valley Township (T 24 N R 2 W Section 31) and in Deer Creek Township (T 24 N R 3 W Section 36). Information was extracted from the STANDARD ATLAS OF MADISON COUNTY OF 1918, Extracted by Jeanne Rix and Richard Strenge.

The corporation line for the city limits as shown on the 1918 map is within Battle Creek Township and Highland Township. The words Precinct and Township are interchangeable.

That part of the city in Battle Creek Precinct was divided into the following additions:

Avery's	Hogrefe's 1st Addition	Original Town
Days	Hogrefe's 2nd Addition	Pioneer Town Site Co's
Hale's, F. J.	Kimball & Blair's	Preece & Brechlers

The part of the city in Highland Precinct was divided into the following additions:

2nd Addition	Pioneer Town Site Co's	Western Town Lot Co's
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The part in Valley Precinct was divided into the following addition:

Hale's Suburban Lots

Those living in the city of Battle Creek in Battle Creek Precinct are:

Baker, C. A.	Hanson, Ida	Preece, T. D.
Baker, D.	Hogrefe, H.	Reeves, C. H.
Barnes, H.	Hogrefe, Herman	Rei_oskys, L. (sp)
Belefski, Carl	Ingoldsby, P. H.	Reit, Eliz.
Best,	Koryta, Wenzel	Scheerger, Steffen
Boyer, John	Lederer, John, M.	Schlack, J.
Boyer, W. L.	Linderman, J. N.	Schlock, Karoline
Collins, Randall	Martin, Chas.	Steffen, Aug.
Davis, P. H.	Miller, Anna	Stoltenberry, Henry
Dewey, Mrs	Mills, Wm H.	Warnke, G. F.
Feurst, W. B.	Pierce, W. C.	Whitney, G.
Gardels, H.	Pratt, F. C.	Winter, E.
Gosch, C.	Prauner, John	Wright, J. A.

Those living in the area just outside the city limits in Battle Creek Township are:

Borchers, Carl	Gardels, Bertha	Tomhagen, A.---
Bierman, Wm.	Hales, F. J.	Elkhorn Stock and
Cox, Robert	Lowe, Wm.	Grain Farm
Denninger, T. L.	Merz, L. F.	Tomhagen, H.
Dickerson, L. A.	Prauner, Carl	Tomhagen, M.
Dickerson, W.	Prauner, Chas.	Ulrich, Chas.
Flesner, Wm., Jr.	Sessler, M.	Zimmerman, Geo.
Funk, J. L.	Srb, Joseph F.	

Those living in the city of Battle Creek in Highland Precinct are:

Baker, L. B.	Hoover, L. J.	Thatch, M. M.
Connelly, M.	Lucht, J.	Wagner, John
Daniels, W. H.	Maas, Joe	Werner, C.
Derrick, E. Y. or E. V.	Maas, Mary C.	Werner, G.
Doering, M. G.	Magner, John	Zohner, H.
Heller, L.	Miller, Anna	Zohner, J.,
Hohinstein, F.	Narjok, A.	

Those living in Highland Township just outside the city limits of Battle Creek are:

Brown, F.	Lucht, J.	Phipps, M. D.
Derrick, E. Y.	Massman, Henry—	Rector, L.
Edens, O.	Bunker Hill Stock Farm	Schlack, J.
Kreidler, W. M.	Mc Dowell, Frank	Ulrich, Laura

Those living in Battle Creek in Valley Precinct are:

T D. Preece, et al	Claus, Wilhelmina	Lowe, Maria
Austin, J. C.	Derrick, W. E.	Palmer, F. H.
Baker, B. H.	Fenske, C.	Preece, T. D.
Bleich, E.	Fenske, Chas	Shipley, Mary
Catholic Cemetery	Fuerst, F. G.	Simmons, E & N. B.
Clasey, Wm	Haight, Wm	Whitla, W. L.
Classen, John	Ingoldsby, P. H.	

Those with land in Deer Creek Township just outside the city of Battle Creek are:

L. B. Baker	L. J. Hoover	John A. Moore
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Businesses in the City of Battle Creek in Battle Creek Township are:

Anderson, Charles	County Agriculture	Lutheran Parsonage,
Barber Shop	Agent Office	School and Teacher's
B. C. Bank, etal	Depot	Home
Battle Creek Valley Bank	Farm Implement	Newspaper
Baptist Church	Garage	Post Office
Catholic Church	Garage	Produce
Citizens Bank	Hotel	Public School
City Bank	Howard Miller Lumber Co.	Stockyards
City Hall		Telephone Exchange

Businesses in the City of Battle Creek in Highland Township are:

M. E. Church	Elevator	Coal Shed
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Businesses in Battle Creek in Deer Creek Township are:

Ice House

1899 Battle Creek Township

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The following comes from the Plat Book of Madison County, Nebraska published in 1899. The pages inside said, Patron's Directory of Madison County, Nebraska.

Battle Creek Township

Name	Business	Post-Office	Sec.
Allbery, Wm. M.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Norfolk	14
Avery, J. L.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Battle Creek	18
Berry, J. S.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Battle Creek	35
Brink, E. J.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Battle Creek	18
Cummingham, A. M.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Madison	27
Cummingham, W. O.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Battle Creek	34
Funk, J. T.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Madison	35
Kent, Jas. A.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Battle Creek	28
Lauver, Samuel	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Madison	34
Okee, J. L.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Norfolk	11
Prauner, John, Jr.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Battle Creek	31
Rowland, James	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Battle Creek	2
Sauders, Arthur	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Norfolk	27
Stirk, J. W.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Battle Creek	3
Sutherland, J. A.	Farmer and Stock Raiser	Battle Creek	5

Village of Battle Creek

Name	Business
Best, D. L.	Proprietor of Hotel and Livery.
Daniel, I. J.	Physician and Surgeon.
Fuerst, W. B.	Dealer in Staple and Fancy Groceries, Flour, Canned Goods, Meal, Spices, Cigars, Tobacco, etc. Also raiser of Fancy Poultry and Pigeons, Brahmas, Cochins, Plymouth Rocks, Wyandotts and all the Standard Breeds of Poultry and Pigeons. Send for Catalogue.
Hale, F. J., Hon.	Farmer, Stock Raiser and Feeder.
Hoffmann, J., Rev.	Clergyman.
Ingoldsby & Co. ...	Dealers in Fine Unadulterated Liquors, Wines, Beer and Cigars.
Maas, Otto H.	Real Estate, Loans and Insurance.
Miller, Howard	Of Howard Miller Lumber Co. Dealers in Lumber and Builders' Supplies.
Montross, C. F.	Editor and Publisher of <u>The Battle Creek Republican</u> .
Scott, R. D.	Editor and Publisher of <u>The Enterprise</u> .
Steffen, August	Dealer in Furniture, Trunks and Valises. Undertaking a Specialty.
Tanner, Edward	Physician and Surgeon.
The Battle Creek Valley Bank	Does a General Banking Business.

Venable, Geo. S. ... Real Estate, Loans and Collections. Justice of the Peace.
 Zimmerman, P. F.
 and Co. Dealers in Agricultural Implements, Wind Mills,
 Pumps, Wagons and Buggies. Manufacturers of Round
 Stock

A Look into the Past

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The following is a partial list of the individuals in Battle Creek Township in 1899. The list will have name, followed by birth date, month-day-year, and death date, month-day-year, information. Then the name of the cemetery and the city where the cemetery is located.

Name	Birth – Death	Cemetery, City
Avery, John	3-23-1900	Union, Battle Creek
Berry, John S.	1850 – 1936	Fairview,
Best, David L.	1861 – 1946	Prospect Hill, Norfolk,
Brink, Elmore J.	1849 – 1911	St. Patrick's, Battle Creek
Cunningham, Augustus M.	1842 – 1928	Crown Hill, Madison
Fuerst, William B.	1870 – 1961	St. John's, Battle Creek
Funk, Jerome T.	5-20-1839 4-25-1915	Crown Hill, Madison
Hale, Felden J.	3-3-1842 12-8-1921	Union, Battle Creek
Hoffmann, John	1-20-1881 6-24-1950	New Lutheran, Norfolk
Ingoldsby, Patrick Henry	12-1-1845 1-17-1918	Union, Battle Creek
Lauver, Samuel	6-16-1837 8-18-1911	Crown Hill, Madison
Miller, Howard	7-?-1861 2-?-1926	Union, Battle Creek
Rowland, James	5-19-1839 3-28-1918	Union, Battle Creek
Scott, Robert D.	5-17-1863 9-7-1900	Union, Battie Creek
Stirk, Joseph W.	4-10-1845 11-1005	Union, Battle Creek
Tanner, Edward	2-6-1855 1-29-1935	Union, Battle Creek
Venable, Geo. S.	10-19-1834 11-23-1901	Union, Battle Creek

Sources: Madison County Genealogical Society Cemetery Index Books
 Norfolk Daily News newspaper.

Has the Nerve of His Dad

In Germany when a soldier performs a feat of extraordinary skill or bravery he is rewarded by being presented with an iron cross, an insignia that he is a brave man. On Washington's birthday, Harry Purdy, 19 year old son of Commissioner Watson L. Purdy, performed a deed that is deserving of mention. Being possessed with an unusual amount of patriotism and having to go with this a similar amount of stamina, equal to that of his father, upon seeing the necessity of a rope being placed at the top of the seventy foot flag pole at the court house so that Old Glory might wave to the breeze, he consented to tackle the job. After two attempts by himself and others present he succeeded in reaching the top of the pole and the flag waved to the breeze that day.

This is but the third time that this pole has ever been scaled, one of these times by a professional who found it no easy task. While this may not seem to some such a great act or require a great amount of bravery, it is worthy of note when it is known that the top of the pole is only a small piece of gas pipe and sways easily in the breeze with nothing attached to it.

---Madison Star-Mail. Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, March 8, 1917, page 8.

1918 Battle Creek Township, Madison County, Nebraska

Extracted by Richard R. Strenge

The following is from the Standard Atlas of Madison County, Nebraska 1918. This is a selection of business and people found in 1918 Patron's Reference Directory of Madison County, Nebraska. The date following a name indicates the length of time the party has been a resident in the county.

The abbreviations are as follows: S. for Section; P. for Precinct; P. O. for Post-office address. When no Section Number or Township is given, it will be understood that the party resides within the limits of the village or city named, and, in such cases, the post-office address is the same as the place of residence, unless otherwise stated.

{In the above Precinct and Township are the same thing, just different words are used.}

Aldag, John, Farmer and Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle, Percheron Horses, Duroc Jersey Hogs and White Rock Chickens, Maple Lane Stock Farm, S. 30, P. Battle Creek, P. O. Battle Creek. 1872. Born in Minnesota in 1870, and married to Ida Setzkorn.

Allberry, F. L., Farmer, Stockraiser, Saw Mill Operator, Corn Sheller and Breeder of Shropshire Sheep and Poultry, Blue Grass Valley Stock Farm, S. 10, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Norfolk. Born in Madison County in 1891, and married to Belle Shelock, Mrs. Allberry was born in Nebraska in 1893.

Baker, Walter, Farmer and Breeder of Hereford Cattle, Horses, Mules and Rhode Island Red Chickens, Wild Rose Hill Farm, S. 29. P. Battle Creek, P. O. Battle Creek. Born in Madison County in 1884, and married Minnie Pinsley. Mrs. Baker was born in ILLINOIS in 1882.

Bartee, J. R. and Sons, Farmers and Breeders of Shorthorn Cattle, Draft and Percheron Horses, Duroc Jersey Hogs and White Rock Chickens, American Stock and Poultry Farm. S. 28, P. Battle Creek, P. O. Battle Creek. Mr. J. R. Bartee was born in Virginia in 1845 and came to Madison County in 1916. He is married to Margaret Rimmer, who was born in Virginia in 1859. They are the parents of three sons, Earl, Dale and Flarn.

Bierman, Fred, Farmer and Breeder of Hereford Cattle, Draft Horses, Duroc Jersey Hogs, Rhode Island Red and Plymouth Rock Chickens, Battle Creek Valley Stock Farm, S. 5, P. Battle Creek, P. O. Battle Creek. Born in Madison County in 1875, and married to Anna Praunar, who was born in Nebraska in 1879.

Bierman, H. J., Farmer and Breeder of Duroc Jersey Hogs and Plymouth Rock Chickens, Sweet Clover Stock Farm, S. 29, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. Born in Madison County in 1889, and married Minnie Lambert, who was born in Nebraska in 1889.

Borchers, Carl, Farmer and Breeder of Hereford Cattle, Draft Horses, Poland China Hogs and Plymouth Rock Chickens, S. 5, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. Born in Madison County in 1884.

Cunningham, A. E., Farmer and Breeder of Polled Durham Cattle, Draft Horses, Duroc Jersey Hogs and Buff Orpington Chickens, S. 27, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Norfolk. Born in Madison County in 1873 and married Effie Smith who was born in Wisconsin in 1875. Mr. Cunningham served as School Director for ten years.

Cunningham, W. O., Farmer and Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle, Percheron Horses, Duroc Jersey Hogs, Plymouth Rock Chickens and Percheron Stallion, Maple

Grove Stock Farm, S. 34, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Norfolk. 1871. He is married to Mary E. Nangle. Mr. Cunningham is a Veteran of the Civil War, having enlisted Sept. 1, 1862 in the 16th Pennsylvania Cavalry and was discharged June 17, 1865. Mr. Cunningham served as School Treasurer for twelve years and Moderator for five years.

Flesner, F. H. , Farmer and Breeder of Polled Durham Cattle, Draft Horses and Black Leghorn Chickens, Box Elder Stock and Grain Farm, S. 8, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. 1914. Born in ILLINOIS in 1886 and married Marie Dirks who was born in ILLINOIS in 1889.

Green, Chas. A. , Farmer and Breeder of Polled Durham Cattle, Draft Horses, Thoroughbred Duroc Jersey Hogs and Plymouth Rock Chickens, Ash Grove Stock Farm, S. 27, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Norfolk. 1884. Born in Iowa in 1866 and married Tillie Cunningham who was born in Nebraska in 1872.

Heggemeyer, John , Farmer and Breeder of Hereford Cattle, Draft Horses, Poland China Hogs, Threshing and Shredding Machine Operator, Red Cedar Grove Stock Farm, S. 11, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Norfolk. 1902. Born in Missouri in 1881 and married to Minnie Fenske who was born in Madison County in 1883. Mr. Heggemeyer has served as School Treasurer for four years.

Heller, L. D. , Farmer and Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle, Draft Horses, Poland China Hogs and Black Langshang Chickens, Locust Grove Stock Farm, S. 18, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. 1886. Born in Wisconsin in 1864 and married to Ada Tomhagen who was born in Nebraska in 1874.

Klein, J. Leonard , Farmer and Breeder of Thoroughbred Poland China Hogs and Plymouth Rock Chickens, Grove Stock Farm, S. 20, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. 1896. Born in Germany in 1880 and married Emma May, who was born in Nebraska in 1887.

Marr, C. C. , Farmer and Breeder of Polled Durham Cattle and White Leghorn Chickens, S. 15, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Norfolk. 1885. Born in Iowa in 1880 and married Emma Lauter who was born in Nebraska in 1882.

Nicolay, Wm. J. , Farmer and Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle, Duroc Jersey Hogs, Draft Horses and Rhode Island Red Chickens, Eagle Stock and Poultry Farm, S. 31, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. Born in Madison County in 1888 and married Anna Bergmeyer who was born in Nebraska in 1891.

Otjen, J. H. , Farmer and Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle, Draft Horses, Duroc Jersey Hogs and Brown Leghorn Chickens, Orchard View Stock Farm, S. 28, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. 1895. Born in Germany in 1872 and married Augusta Stolle.

Peterson, O. F. , Farmer and Breeder of Polled Durham Cattle, Percheron Horses, Duroc Jersey Hogs and Buff Orpington Chickens, S. 27, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. 1891. Born in Iowa in 1873 and married Alma Cunningham who was born in Pennsylvania in 1882.

Renner, Emil , Farmer and Breeder of Buff Orpington Chickens, Cottonwood Grove Farm, S. 28, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. 1886. Born in Germany in 1882 and married Polly Holsey who was born in Nebraska in 1892.

Renner, Fred , Farmer and Breeder of Hereford Cattle, Duroc Jersey Hogs, Draft Horses and Plymouth Rock Chickens, Box Elder Grove Stock Farm, S. 34, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. Born in Madison County in 1888 and married Luella Green who was born in Madison County in 1892.

- Stange, J. C.** , Farmer and Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle, Poland China Hogs and Rhode Island Red Chickens, Elkhorn Valley Stock Farm, S. 13, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Norfolk. Born in Madison County in 1886 and married Hatie Bernstrauch who was born in Nebraska in 1890.
- Stange, Christ** , S. 12, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Norfolk. Born in Madison County in 1894.
- Stirk, W. I.** , Farmer and Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle, Poland China Hogs, Draft Horses and Shropshire Sheep and Buff Orpington Chickens, S. 3, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. Born in Madison County in 1871 and married Laura Ward who was born in Virginia in 1876.
- Tomhagen, A.** , Farmer and Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle, Draft Horses, Poland China Hogs and Plymouth Rock Chickens, Elkhorn Stock and Grain Farm, S. 7, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. Born in Madison County in 1872.
- Wolske, Ed.** , Farmer and Breeder of Shorthorn Cattle, Draft Horses, Poland China Hogs and Buff Orpington Chickens, S. 8, P. Battle Creek, P.O. Battle Creek. Born in Madison County in 1883 and married Minnie Wheeler.

Death Notices in the Newspaper

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The following names were found in the Battle Creek Enterprise newspaper. The date following the name is the date it was found in the paper. The page number it was found on follows the date.

- Jefferson B. Jackson**, March 10, 1910, page 1.
E. J. Brink, December 21, 1911, page 1.
Mrs. David (Agnes. J. Webb) Whitla, December 21, 1911.
Mrs. Enoch (Irene Cox) Osborn, April 25, 1912, page 1.
John W. Cornett, June 20, 1912, page 1.
Fred Scheerger, Sr., June 27, 1912, page 1.
James A. Henderson, June 27, 1912, page 1.
Frank Weisenstine, July 4, 1912, page 1.
Rev. Father John T. Smith, February 4, 1915, page 1.
Mrs. Mike Weiser, September 30, 1915, page 1.
Frank Hobson Bottorff, December 30, 1915, page 1.
Henry Borchers, December 30, 1915, page 1.
James Conley, March 30, 1916, page 1.
Rev. Oscar Eggleston, March 30, 1916, page 1.
Ferdinand Kinkle, July 6, 1916, page 1.
George M. "Stokes" Barnes, August 17, 1916, page 1.
Valentine Scheer, September 14, 1916, page 1.
Mrs. Ed. (Petitt) Funk, November 1, 1917, page 1.
Mrs. Ashal (Mary M. Scott) Clark, November 8, 1917, page 1.
Rev. W. H. C. Oetting, November 8, 1917, page 1.
Peter Ericson, March 28, 1918, page 8.
James Rowland, April 4, 1918, page 1.
Samuel Thatch, April 4, 1918, page 1.
John G. Seckel, June 18 & June 25, 1925, page 1

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Name	Birth – Death	Cemetery, City
Aldag, John	1870 – 1958	St. John's, Battle Creek
Allberry, F. Belle	1893 – 1981	Prospect Hill, Norfolk
Allberry, Fred L.	1891 – 1975	Prospect Hill, Norfolk
Baker, Walter L.	1884 – 1960	Union, Battle Creek
Bartee, Margaret A.	8-15-1859 11-13-1929	Union, Battle Creek
Bartee, John R.	5-2-1845 11-10-1937	Union, Battle Creek
Bierman, Anna	1879 – 1974	St. John's, Battle Creek
Bierman, Fred	1875 – 1966	St. John's, Battle Creek
Bierman, Herman J.	1889 – 1964	St. John's, Battle Creek
Bierman, Minnie C.	1889 – 1972	St. John's, Battle Creek
Borchers, Carl	1-25-1884 8-14-1941	St. John's, Battle Creek
Cunningham, Alex	4-13-1873 8-23-1963	Crown Hill, Madison
Flesner, Frank H.	1886 – 1953	St. John's, Battle Creek
Green, Charles A.	5-11-1866 4-23-1947	Prospect Hill, Norfolk
Green, Tillie F.	3-21-1872 6-22-1957	Prospect Hill, Norfolk
Heggemeyer, John H.	1880 – 1971	St. John's, Battle Creek
Heggemeyer, Minnie H.	1882 – 1972	St. John's, Battle Creek
Klein, Emma A.	1887 – 1974	St. John's, Battle Creek
Klein, J. Leonard	1880 – 1969	St. John's, Battle Creek
Marr, Clifford C.	1879 – 1943	Crown Hill, Madison
Marr, Emma J.	1882 – 1944	Crown Hill, Madison
Nicolay, Anna W.	1892 – 1949	St. John's, Battle Creek
Nicolay, William J.	1888 – 1956	St. John's, Battle Creek
Otjen, Augusta W.	1880 – 1955	St. John's, Battle Creek
Otjen, J. Henry	1872 – 1927	St. John's, Battle Creek
Peterson, Alma M.	1882 – 1956	Crown Hill, Madison
Peterson, Oscar F.	1873 – 1939	Crown Hill, Madison
Renner, Emil	1882 – 1950	St. John's, Battle Creek
Renner, Fred	1888 – 1972	Fairview,
Renner, Luella	1892 – 1979	Fairview,
Renner, Polly	1892 – 1960	St. John's, Battle Creek
Stange, Chris H.	1894 – 1968	Hillcrest, Norfolk
Stange, John C.	5-11-1886 5-30-1963	New Lutheran, Norfolk
Stirk, Laura W.	1876 – 1959	Union, Battle Creek
Stirk, Willis I.	1871 – 1971	Union, Battle Creek
Tomhagen, Andrew	8-3-1872 7-13-1943	St. John's, Battle Creek
Wolske, Edward F.	1883 – 1965	I. O. O. F., Tilden
Wolske, Mina	1889 – 1974	I. O. O. F., Tilden

Sources: Madison County Genealogical Society Cemetery Index Books
Norfolk Daily News newspaper.

Allbery Cemetery

Allbery Cemetery is located in the northeast corner of section 15 of Battle Creek township, Madison County, Nebraska. A warranty deed was filed for record on September 4, 1879 that conveyed property belonging to John and Margaret Allbery to the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church that it "shall be used, kept, maintained, and disposed of as a place of divine worship for the use of the ministry and membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America...". The instrument was signed on 10 June 1879. The trustees were A. M. Cunningham, W. O. Cunningham, Thomas Ross, Samuel Lauver, Gerome Fink and Nicholas Meeks(?). The land that was conveyed was 20 rods north and south by 40 rods east and west. It contained 5 acres more or less. The money given for this land was \$25.00.

On September 7, 1976 a Quit Claim Deed was filed and it was dated August 27, 1976. The land was transferred by the Methodist Church conference to the Madison County commissioners. Over many years of prior and present owners the area had overgrown with brush, trees and weeds. After people complained about the look of the cemetery a complete clean-up was done. Today the cemetery is being maintained. It has a fence of all sides with a metal archway over the driveway on the eastside of the cemetery. There are a number of persons buried there from the early days. Some of the stones do exist from the early years but many are missing. Burials are still permitted in this cemetery.

The surname spelling have been shown as: Allbery, Albery, Alberry and Allberry

Gravestones with the following surnames are found in Allbery Cemetery
The first two listed have an unknown last name. The marker showed only the first name on the stone. If anyone knows about these two people please contact our genealogical society.

_____, Callie	Cuplin	Kamphaus	Peters
_____, Harry	Devers	Kinsey	Reavis
Allberry	Edstrom	Krimmel	Risor
Allbery	Faulstich	Leland	Saltonstall
Arrow	Finley	Lenser	Seaman
Bazer	Ford.	Little	Simmons
Butler	Friske	Lurz	Smith
Carroll	Garcia	Marsh	Sorensen
Casselmann	Gaudlitz	McBeth	Spreigl
Caubarrus	Gibbs	Mick	Steininger
Chavero-Cruz	Gillan	Morris	Swanson
Conarro	Hamouz	Mosansky	Vincent
Corrigan	Hannan	Moxley	Wanson
Cox	Harrington	Mundt	Wilberger
Cropper	Higgins	Neville	Willis
Cross	Jackson	Oltman	

Found on one of the grave stones:

Mary Livingston McBeth

Born in Winnipeg, British America 1815

Died in Warnerville, Neb. Feb. 7, 1899

Inscription on the back of the stone reads:

She hath done what she could.

Battle Creek, Nebraska Business Directory 1896

Compiled by Richard R. Strenge

The following is written as shown in the Battle Creek Enterprise Friday, Jan. 31, 1896, on page 7. The spellings are copied as found in the paper.

- Avery, J. L.**, real estate
Baker, L. B., lumber, grain, elevator, coal
Barnes, Wm. A., dry goods, groceries, etc.
Bates & Maas, (Wm. Bates, Otto H. Maas), real estate
Battle Creek Creamery and Live Stock Co., officers mentioned elsewhere
Battle Creek Enterprise, R. D. Scott, pub.
Battle Creek House, D. L. Best, prop.
Battle Creek Republican, O. F. Montross, pub.
Battle Creek Sugar Beet Co., officers mentioned elsewhere
Beck, Phil, constable
Blohm, Henry, beekeeper
Braisher, J. S., harness maker
Brechler & Merz, hardware, prop mentioned elsewhere
Clark & Kent, (Miss Daisie Clark, Miss Agnes Kent), dressmakers
Claus, Herman, shoemaker
Curas, Thomas, janitor public school bldgs.
Craig, W. W., carpenter
Connelly, M. J., carpenter
Daniel, I. J., physician
Day, W. C., station tel and ex agt.
Dennis, E. G., justice of the peace
Dittrick, Joseph, blacksmith and wagon shop
Doering, M. G., Prof, teacher Lutheran school
Dugher, Thomas, dry goods, groceries
Dufphy, J. H., livery barn
Edens, Henry, carpenter
Flood, Jennie Miss, milliner
Fuerst, W. B., groceries
Gardels, J. R., constable and well digger
Giblin, C. R., city marshall
Hale, F. J., live stock shipper
Hedman, Charles A., hardware
Hichborn, Charles, watchmaker
Hoffman, J., Rev., Pastor Lutheran Church
Hoover, W. _, house painter and decorator
Ingoldsby & Co., (P. H. Ingoldsby, P. Brecheisen), liquor dealers
Inkley, S. C., breeder of hogs and horses
Jardee, John, carpenter
Kilburn, Hiram H., attorney
Klindt & Gosch, (Wm. Klindt, Chris Gosch), liquor dealers
Knesel, J. L., real estate
Knesel, M. E., Mrs., milliner
Livingston, Chris, barber
Maas & Haman, (Otto H. Maas, Chas. T. Haman), drugs
Maher, W. J., barber
Martin, S. E., Mrs., grocery, restaurant
Miller, Howard Co., lumber, coal, grain
McFarland, A. M., Rev., Pastor Baptist Church
Moyer, A. G., mayor, meat market
Neagele & Zimann, meat market
Neely & Eaton, roller mills
Reavis, W. F., agricultural implements
Reif, Henry, Mrs., milliner
Rhynn, F. F., mail carrier
Scott, R. D., postmaster
Shown, Thomas L., restaurant
Steffen, August, furniture, undertaker
Schocker, John, brickmason
St. Lawrence, Father Rev., Pastor Roman Catholic Church
Taylor, W. R., deputy postmaster
Tanner, Edward, physician
Thomsen, M. L., dry goods, groceries
Venable, Geo. S., collection agent
Venable, W. A., brickmason
Walker, J. N., livery stable
White Drug Co., T. L. White, prop.
Wilcox, J. H., Rev., Pastor M. E. Church
Werner, Herman, carpenter
Wink, Henry, carpenter
Young, Wm., harness maker
Zimmerman, Geo., agricultural implements

Mrs. Souvignier Passes Away

Death Comes After Second Operation at a Norfolk Hospital. Complications Hasten End.

Mrs. George Souvignier died at a Norfolk hospital at 4 o'clock Wednesday morning and as this is written arrangements are being made for the funeral at St Patrick's church in Battle Creek Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Souvignier's condition was serious when she went an operation for appendicitis on Tuesday of last week. She rallied well after the operation and for a short time her condition appeared favorable for an early recovery. Complications developed, however, and a second operation did not relieve the ailments which brought the end a few days later.

Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, April 9, 1925, page 1.

Last Rites for Mrs. Souvignier

Hundreds Attend Funeral Friday. Said to Have Been First White Girl Born in Madison County.

Following removal to the Battle Creek home of the remains of Mrs. George Souvignier, who had passed away at a Norfolk hospital, funeral services were held at St. Patrick's church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The simple rites were observed and the Reverend Father Walsh in his brief sermon alluded particularly to the noble characteristics of the departed wife and mother. Though all available standing room was occupied, many were forced to show their reverence by remaining without the church. Burial rites were given at the Catholic cemetery.

It is difficult to express the sorrow and regret of a community which accompanies the loss of so valued a member. Mrs. Souvignier was an exceptional woman in many respects, as those who have known her a life-time will testify. Her devotion to the home and her loved ones was marked, and few, indeed, are those who show an ability and inclination such as was hers in the management of home and children. To what her pastor had already so admirably said, we may add in the words of others that "Her life, her deeds, her influence, living or dead, and her pure aspirations are the monuments that will keep her name burning in the home and the hearts of kindred and friends, while the flying moments are dimming with their dust and rust the inscription upon the brightest obelisk in the cemetery."

Alice Thatch was born near Norfolk on September 3, 1869, and lived to the age of 55 years, 7 months and 6 days. She was the eldest daughter of Samuel H. and Martha Thatch who came to Madison county in 1867, the year Nebraska was admitted into the union. So far as known she was the first white child born in the county. She was married to George Souvignier on New Year's day, 1892, and with exception of a number of years residence near Inman, Nebraska, she had spent her entire life in the Battle Creek community.

Mrs. Souvignier is survived by her husband, one son, Leo, and seven daughters, Mrs. Barbara Moore, Helen, Mary, Alice, Grace, Agnes and Lula, all of Battle Creek. She is also survived by her mother, Mrs. Martha Thatch, of Battle Creek, five sisters and one brother.

Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, April 16, 1925, page 1.

Card of Thanks.

We feel deeply indebted to our many friends of Battle Creek who aided us during the sickness and after the death of our beloved wife and mother and wish to acknowledge with sincere thanks the kind expressions of sympathy, the floral contributions, etc. George Souvignier and Children Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, April 16, 1925, page 8.

Mrs. C. C. Allberry

Battle Creek, Neb., Sept. 25,----Special to *The News*: Mrs. C. C. Allberry died Friday night at the home of her grand daughter, Miss Annie Wantlen, in the east part of town. She was about 90 years old and was an old settler of Madison County. Her husband died several years ago and she will be buried by the side of her husband at the Allberry cemetery, southeast of town on their old homestead.

Source: The Norfolk Daily News, Sunday, September 26, 1915, page 2.

Old Settler Dies at Age of 90

Grandma Allberry Passes Away at Her Home in Battle Creek Came to Madison County in 1871

“Grandma” Allberry, 90 years old last January, passed away at 11 o'clock last Friday night at her home in east Battle Creek. Death came peacefully after long suffering with complications induced by old age.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Monday afternoon and Rev. Matthew Doherty of the Baptist church delivered the sermon. Burial services were held at the Allberry cemetery southeast of Battle Creek, where a large assemblage of old friends gathered to pay last respects. Burial was made in the family lot beside the husband, C. C. Allberry, who died in 1910.

Mrs. Allberry, a native of Ohio, was born January 18, 1825. She came to Nebraska with her husband in 1870 and after a year's residence at Blair the family came to Madison County, homesteading the place six and one-half miles southeast of Battle Creek now occupied by R. E. Allberry. In her younger days and before the ravages of time made her a helpless invalid Grandma Allberry was an active member of local religious and charitable organizations and many will remember her as one whose ministering hands did much to relieve distress at the sickbed and gave timely aid when death invaded the household. Though regretting her death, her friends accept the inevitable with the belief that in the Great Beyond she is enjoying the heritage of a well spent life on earth.

There survive three sons and one daughter, William of Gretna, Neb., James of Seneca, Neb., Richard of Battle Creek, and Mrs. Jane Glass of Norfolk.

Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, September 30, 1915, page 1.

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Elkhorn Valley Museum News: **JOHNNY CARSON** is coming. At least his memorabilia, Academy Awards, photographs, monologues, etc. That's right. Johnny is donating all of these items to the Elkhorn Valley Museum. A professional exhibit designer has been hired and the exhibit will open the end of September for LaVitSef. The conceptual design is awesome and you will be WOWED! This should help put Norfolk on the map. Stop in when you get the chance.

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