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From your President, Betty Bohac:

Hello Fellow Genealogists,

This is the first of many of my messages to you. It is a pleasure to be president of our Society. May we have a pleasurable journey together.

You are the most important person in our group and it is important that you take an active part. Any suggestions for programs or contributions to our newsletter are very important.

Our outing in August to the Stanton and Pilger museums was enjoyed by the few people who joined in the activity. Perhaps we need to take another look now at what we want to do next year. A retreat may be an alternate idea.

September's meeting will consist of an evaluation of the Society as well as listening to you, the members, as to what stage you are now at in your own research.

October you are in for a real treat!! Our program will consist of a book review by Don Vossberg, Plainview, NE author of the book "Hector's Bliss". This book is a very intricate and interesting story of the black homesteaders in Nebraska.

October will find me in Madison, WI attending the 11th Czechoslovak Genealogical/Cultural Conference. They are offering many seminars on the various aspects of Czech research as well as access to the many sources that are available. They have included this year some information in German research. I will pick up as much information as I can to share with you in November.

Do take advantage of our research library at the museum. I am assuming based on the many visitors we have, and their comments, that a wealth of information is available. Karen is always happy to point you in the right direction and share the many programs we have in the library. Remember we have city directories, obits, cemetery records as well as photos and information other people have shared with us. We always need more volunteers so come see Karen and assist the staff.

I am anxious to share the next meeting and share your world. See ya all then.

Betty

July Meeting Notes

The Madison County Genealogical Society held their monthly meeting on July 17, 2007 at the Elkhorn Valley Museum and Research Center with 11 members and 5 guests present.

President Karen Rogat opened the meeting by welcoming everyone present. The secretary and treasurers reports were given.

Karen read an e-mail she had received from the students that presented their program on Hallmark cards. They reported doing well in their competition with their presentation.

Betty and Patty reported that they had selected the Stanton and Pilger, NE museums, for our annual August Field Day trip. Patty is to call the museums to set up the date, and cards will be sent to members letting them know the date and time.

The nominating committee reported that Betty Bohac had been nominated to be president for the coming year along with Karen Rogat as vice president, Diane Kimble as treasurer, and Sharon Thompson as secretary. Jeannie Rix made the motion that we accept these nominations as is, and everyone voted in favor.

Nancy Zaruba and Richard Streng are co-editors of the societies newsletter and it was decided by all present to have them put all of the officers names in the newsletters from now on.

The program for the evening was presented by Pat Yoch and Betty Bohac, with each telling what they were doing in the way of researching and sorting out some of the family histories that were received from Mrs. Wainwright in Oregon a couple of years back.

Sec. Patty Eucker

August Meeting Notes

The Madison County Genealogical Society had their annual yearly field trip on Saturday, August 18, 2007.

The trip was made to the Stanton and Pilger museums. Everyone reported of having an enjoyable afternoon.

Our next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, September 18 at 7 pm with Sue Askew serving refreshments.

Subject: Heritage Quest is available from home:

I had received several queries from customers who were unable to access Heritage Quest from home. This is the genealogy database that is offered through NebraskAccess. They were getting a page long message indicating that their authentication failed. I tried it from my laptop at home and got the "authentication failed" message, too.

I contacted the Nebraska Library Commission and they sent me instructions for configuring my Norton Internet Security which I did and then was able to access Heritage Quest from home. Allana said that a lot of customers are currently having trouble getting into the genealogy database from home for this same reason.

I have made 6 handouts of the instructions for customers if they so desire to configure their Norton Security at home which will be at the reference desk. Please give them the hand-out but it is up to the customer to do their own configuring of their security on their home computers. The instructions are very detailed and clear and it is not up to us to walk them through it.

On a different subject, the other genealogy database that NPL subscribes to is available **only here at the library**---**Ancestry Library Edition**. It is **not** available remotely on home computers.
(The Norfolk Public Library Reference Dept.)

NARA Record Request Fees Go Up Oct. 1

Effective Oct. 1, NARA (National Archives Records Administration) will charge \$75 for a Civil War pension file of up to 100 pages, plus \$.65 per additional page (for longer files, staff will contact the requestor with a price quote before filling the order). NARA will charge \$50 for pre-Civil War pension files regardless of page count, and \$.75 per page to copy other records.

While still a steep increase from the current \$37 for a Civil War pension file, these fees are less than the \$125 and \$60 NARA originally proposed for Civil War and pre-Civil War pensions, respectively. (Still, save some cash by sending your request before October.

The NARA lacks funding for digitizing all the Civil War pension files. The agency considers them prime candidates for a digitization partnership, but "there is no near-term alternative to the current process for fulfilling fixed-fee order requests for reproductions of Civil War pension files."

Type of Record	Order Form	Fee
Passenger Arrival Lists	NATF Form 81	\$25.00
Federal Census Requests	NATF Form 82	\$25.00
Eastern Cherokee Applications to the Court of Claims	NATF Form 83	\$25.00
Land Entry Records	NATF Form 84	\$40.00
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Full pension file (pre-Civil War)	NATF Form 85	\$50.00
Pension Documents Packet (selected records)	NATF Form 85	\$25.00
Bounty Land Warrant Application Files	NATF Form 85	\$25.00
Military service files more than 75 years old	NATF Form 86	\$25.00

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College Park, MD 20740-6001

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TDD lines: For College Park, MD: **301-837-0482**

To send us a fax, please call: **301-837-0483**

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The following are excerpts and then arranged alphabetically from The Tilden Citizen Thursday, July 23, 1931 on page 6. Compiled by Richard Strenge

Madison County Public Schools
Mrs. Alice Hall, County Superintendent
Rural School Board Officers 1931—1932

Surname	Dist. No.	Surname	Dist.No.	Surname	Dist. No.
Albracht, Aloys	70	Dieter, William	6	Huelle, Herman	74
Altschuler, Charles	6	Dittberner, Theodore	42	Huelle, O. G.	18
Anderson, Arthur	49	Dittrick, William	23	Hughes, Joseph	23
Anderson, C. O.	45	Doering, Arnold	3	Jacobsen, Herman	58
Anderson, John M.	67	Dover, Clifford	46	Johnson, Casper	68
Anderson, Leo	67	Dover, R. N.	42	Johnson, John G.	14
Barnes, James	75	Ellis, Frank	25	Kaufman, Ralph	59
Beaty, George, Jr.	30	Etling, John	67	Kent, John	16
Bennett, Will E.	14	Feldman, Carl	54	Kielty, James	4
Berg, C. F.	44	Fender, Will	79	Kierstead, G. A.	82
Besk, William	46	Finkral, J. G.	28	King, Eddie, Mrs.	29
Best, Clyde	73	Forre, Gunder	62	King, Ernest	29
Bickley, Arthur	30	Foss, Henry	34	Klein, George	79
Bierman, Leo	14	Fowlkes, Lester	10	Klein, Henry	73
Blair, Lem	65	Fowlkes, Walter	85	Knapp, George	85
Blehyl, Art	16	Freudenburg, Ed	63	Knebel, Ernest	37
Boe, Albert	21	Freudenburg, Otto	63	Knebel, Sophie, Mrs.	37
Boyer, Fred	33	Frey, W. H.	19	Knull, Frank	66
Boysen, August	56	Friedrich, Herman	20	Kohl, William, Jr.	70
Braun, Lewis	10	Fundum, J. H.	31	Kohlhoff, Paul	43
Brockemeier, Henry	4	Gabelman, Fred	40	Kohlund, Frank.	7
Brosh, V. J.	61	Gall, Gus	11	Larson, John	76
Brosh, William	9	Gall, Otto	11	Larson, L. W.	76
Carpenter, Amos	3	Gillespie, Charles	44	Lauver, John	22
Catron, Ernest	41	Ginn, P. H.	56	Leu, Fred	30
Choutka, Frank	40	Grant, J. I.	50	Lindahl, Raymond	54
Classen, Peter	36	Grant, L. P.	50	Lindner, Joe	78
Collins, E. T.	52	Gross, Daniel	40	Linn, Myron	47
Congram, Phil	55	Gustafson, H.	15	Luebeke, William	17
Conway, T. O.	83	Hanke, Herman	26	Lutjen, Herman	33
Cook, J. C., Mrs.	74	Harms, R.	7	Lyons, C. F.	45
Cook, John C.	74	Hash, John H.	41	Marquardt, Henry	20
Craig, Everett	83	Henderson, Ora	43	Matheson, Earl	26
Cunningham, A. E.	22	Herda, John	28	Maurer, John, Jr.	7
Dahl, W. E.	27	Higbee, W. T.	77	McKibbon, J. W.	8
Dahlhouser, Michael	49	Hintz, Emil	48	Meisinger, Ernest	15
Daniel, Carl	61	Hofferber, Jack	65	Michales, Bert	36
Dederman, A. H.	24	Hofmann, Paul	51	Miller, George	51
Dederman, Harry	24	Horrocks, J. G.	52	Miller, Israel	75
Diefenderfer, W. H.	65	Horrocks, S. H.	44	Minkler, Fred	33
Dieter, Otto	78	Huebner, J. C., Mrs.	75	Moehnert, Fred	36

Surname	Dist. No.	Surname	Dist. No.	Surname	Dist. No.
Mollhoff, J. F.	50	Rottler, William	19	Terry, Clyde	18
Morris, Will, Mrs.	16	Sandin, Emanuel	54	Terry, F. J.	71
Moses, Joseph	28	Sattler, Fred	59	Texley, N. H.	62
Nathan, Otto H.	70	Scbastian, F. L.	86	Thomas, Herman	58
Neidig, E. J.	48	Scheer, F. P.	53	Thomas, W. C.	69
O'Banion, Ross	77	Scheer, W. J.	27	Tillotson, Ed	64
O'Brien, J. P.	76	Scheerger, F. A.	18	Timperly, Van	24
Oleson, Hilmer	59	Scheffler, C. E.	86	Trine, S. M.	83
Osborn, C. C.	57	Schlender, Ernest	85	Unkel, Albert	17
Oschner, Honor	78	Schmidt, William John	15	Vaage, Adolph	58
Petersen, M. J.	4	Schmitt, George	19	Vaage, Richard	68
Peterson, C. F.	22	Schott, Otto	38	Volk, Elmer	64
Pettitt, M. B.	25	Schwager, John	62	Wacker, Conrad	8
Piskac, Charles	47	Schwank, Ed	56	Walldeen, C. A.	49
Pobanz, Emma, Mrs.	11	Schwartz, Raymond	35	Walmsley, H. E.	82
Pojar, Joseph	66	Seckel, Fred	51	Walmsley, James	82
Pojar, R. J.	47	Severson, Henry, Mrs.	68	Walters, J. J.	31
Prauner, Walter	9	Sherlock, G. C.	77	Warner, E. C.	25
Preuss, Ed	42	Shiple, John	31	Wedekind, Henry	55
Purdy, Walter	6	Stanek, Steve	55	Weertx, John	52
Raasch, Darius	3	Steward, J. B.	71	Weiand, Frank	29
Ray, Ina	73	Stewart, S. M.	8	Weiting, Carl	41
Reeves, G. C.	57	Stirk, G. E.	17	Wetjen, William	46
Reigle, J. C.	53	Suckstorf, August	23	White, Frank, Mrs.	48
Reitz, Fred	86	Sullivan, Emma	21	Willems, R. U., Mrs.	37
Renner, Charles	26	Sunderman, Emil	35	Winter, Frank	20
Renner, Robert	66	Sunderman, Louis	63	Wisch, Henry	10
Risor, Ray	64	Sunderman, Walter	53	Wohlfeil, O. J.	34
Rix, H. B.	38	Switzer, S. M.	27	Wright, Ella, Mrs.	79
Roberts, F. O.	21	Swoboda, R. G.	45	Young, H. O.	9
Roewert, Paul	71	Tannehill, Earl	69	Young, J. C.	57
Roewert, Walter	34	Tannehill, George	69	Zessin, Oscar	35
Rottler, Emil	43	Tegeler, Walter	61	Zohner, John	38

Ancestry Quick Tip 8/14/2006 - **Archive** Your Quick Tips

Keeping the Letterhead in the Family

I have been enjoying the weekly and monthly updates from Ancestry and have a tip of my own. While visiting a cousin recently, she produced an old pad of 'steno' paper with an elaborate letterhead across the top of the page that belonged to our great-grandfather. I took one sheet and had it scanned to a disc and now whenever I correspond with that side of my family I pull up the letterhead and use it as stationary. It is a lot of fun to have and I have gotten much positive feedback from family members.

Peg Sullivan
North Carolina

Yes, the English have their ways

This information about England was shared with the Saint Paul United Methodist genealogy group. Evelyn Young.

Written by Fred J. Snyder. An English genealogist who is helping him research his Ashdown family history gave the information.

Question 1: When referencing the country should I use U. K. or England?

Answer: I know this is very confusing for Americans. England is just England (without Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland). Great Britain is England, Scotland and Wales (without Northern Ireland). The United Kingdom is all four of these countries together. As Northern Ireland is still "owned," as it were, by Britain, the correct terminology for the country today is the U.K. (The vast majority of Brits would be only too happy for Northern Ireland to be reunited with the Republic of Ireland in the South, but back in 1921 the North (mainly Protestant) democratically voted to stay with Britain instead of unifying with the (mainly Catholic) South, so we've been stuck with it ever since, with all the troubles that followed.)

Question 2: Which is the correct listing, Kent County or County Kent?

Answer: It's either just Kent or the county of Kent. Brits don't say Kent County the way Americans do. Shire is an old word for county, as in Buckinghamshire, Hertfordshire, etc. Back in medieval times, counties were divided into "hundreds" which were feudal demarcations. Later, they were divided into parishes, because back then the Church of England was predominant and there was usually just one church (always the Church of England after Henry VIII broke with Rome in the 1500s) in a village or locality. A "village" always had a church (and today it also has at least one shop and one pub) whereas a "hamlet" was (and still is) a collection of houses and cottages that had none of these amenities. A "town" of course was much larger and had at least one church plus shops, etc., and usually a market where in pre-industrial times (and often even today) people from the countryside came to see their produce once a week. A "city" in correct British terminology is a town larger or important enough to have a cathedral (with a bishop presiding). As towns changed in importance over the centuries of British history, you'll find today that there are large ones that do not have cathedrals (and are therefore not called cities) and very small ones that do. But, unlike in the States, a town is never called a city if there isn't a cathedral there. And it's always town, never "township," which I think is uniquely American.

Question 3: What was the function of parishes in the 1800s?

Answer: Parishes were the main administrative unit up to the mid-1800s, and that's why they administered the Poor Laws (charity for the poor) and the workhouses (shelter for the destitute made famous, or infamous, by Charles Dickens in "Oliver Twist.") And all births, marriages and deaths were recorded by the parish church. But in 1837, when the Civil Registration Index began, the names of district changed. So, for example, someone born in Sutton Valence before 1837 would be recorded, even in the censuses, as having that birthplace. But after 1837, because Sutton Valence then came under the Maidstone registration district, the event would have been recorded as happening in Maidstone. All very confusing for family historians! So if you look something up on the CRI and want to know all the localities

covered in a single registration district, you can click on the latter and a list will come up.

Question 4: Why did people in Kent emigrate to the United States in the mid-1800s?

Answer: The 1830s and 1840s were very harsh for Kentish agriculture, with miserable harvests and the falling price of wheat. The economy tanked, and times were so hard for the people who worked on the land that, because of the lack of work, there were major riots throughout the county. Our Ashdowns, like yours, were agricultural laborers, so they must have been hit very badly. In those days, people who were starving were dependent on the charity of the parish in which they lived. And in the late 1840s, the parish of Marden collected money to pay for the passage of poor people to America—after all, in the long run, that would have cost less than continuing to support them indefinitely.

Source: Newsletter of the Lincoln-Lancaster County Genealogical Society, Lincoln, Nebraska, January 2007, Vol. 32, No. 1, page 4.

A Look Back to the Events of the People during the 1930's

Compiled by Richard Strenge

OFF TO THE FATHERLAND

Battle Creek Couple Start on Belated Honeymoon Trip to Germany

Married about three years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Uelner, both employed for some time on a farm northwest of Battle Creek, left Thursday morning on a belated honeymoon trip which will take them to Germany. They will spend at least two years at the old home where Mr. Uelner's father anxiously awaits return of the son who left Germany as soon as possible after the big war. That they will stay two years is not determined so much by their own inclinations as by the laws of the fatherland. Mr. Uelner has not completed his American citizenship and he will not again be eligible for a German passport until he shall have spent another two years on the old soil. Mrs. Uelner was formerly Miss Dora Mantey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Mantey, living northwest of Battle Creek.

Necessity urges that the trip be made at the least possible expense, said Mr. Uelner, so he reshod old Lizzie, took a few of the wheezes out of her innards, anchored her weakened frame as best he could, provisioned her well for the trip to New York, loaded in bride and baggage and rattled merrily away. Oswald figures that if he cannot sell her (the car, not the bride) for the price of a night's lodging for two after he gets to the big city, he will find a place near the docks where he may park her and escape without being prosecuted for unloading junk on the pavement. Until the intrepid honeymooners return two or three hence, "Viel Gluck!"

Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, October 2, 1930, page 1.

DEER CREEK SCHOOL HAS A "HOMECOMING"

Former Pupils, Teachers and Patrons of School Organized in 1871, Meet, Eat and Reminisce.

(The following comprehensive report of the recent homecoming celebration of the Deer Creek school district was written by Mrs. N. D. Evans (nee Mattie Simmons) of Battle Creek, in her younger days a teacher of the school.)

At 2 p.m. Friday August 22, cars gathered at the Deer Creek school house for an event that will not soon be forgotten by those present. All came with well filled lunch baskets and the anticipation of hearing a well planned program to be given by former patrons, teachers, and schoolmates. In planning this event, the first of this kind to be given by this school, no efforts were spared to make a profitable and pleasant affair. Even the weather man was at his best.

Among the crowd of nearly three hundred present, as registered by Miss Rose Schroeder, were two of the first pupils registered in the school, organized in 1871. They were Mrs. George Haight of Battle Creek and Mrs. Conrad Hansen of Pierce. Twelve former teachers were present, several from other counties and one from Council Bluffs, Iowa. There were also present several former pupils from out of the state and greetings were sent from Los Angeles, California, by Mrs. W. H. Palmer, also Mrs. Malone of Madison who was away on a vacation.

With Louis Braun as chairman the program began at 3 p.m. with an invocation by Rev. Hutchinson of Meadow Grove. "America" was sung by the gathering accompanied by Mrs. Ruth Scott at the piano. The address of welcome was given by Miss Violet Schroeder who was a former pupil of the school. The response was given by Mrs. N. D. Evans, probably better known in the community as Mattie Simmons. Mrs. Evans, who at one time was a teacher at Deer Creek, commented upon the modern building and equipment and upon the advancement made in education and all lines of work since the organization of this school.

Mrs. Hall, our popular superintendent of schools who is a candidate for re-election without opposition, then gave an address presenting Mrs. Haight who had compiled a history of the school. Mrs. Hall discoursed upon what comprised history and in a humorous way, which brought much applause, illustrated with school experiences of her own, the meaning of work "history." In presenting Mrs. Haight, Mrs. Hall compared the wedding days of the past with those of the present, remarking what a brave man Mr. Haight must have been to whittle out a potato masher and a rolling pin on the eve of their wedding. Mrs. Haight followed on the program, giving a short talk followed by the presentation of the history of the school to Mr. Fowlkes, president of the school board. Mrs. Harry Reavis of Battle Creek read the history.

The Rodekahr quartet, members of which were at one time pupils of the school, gave a pleasing number followed by an encore.

Miss Bernice Braun, at one time pupil, also teacher of the school, gave a humorous reading in a very able manner as was manifested by the hearty applause, to which she responded with another humorous number.

The program was concluded by an address given by a boy who received his primary education in the Deer Creek school under the tutelage of Miss Elizabeth Zimmerman, now of Omaha. After graduating from high school and the university he was admitted to the bar becoming a practicing attorney. He can pride himself upon the fact that he is the youngest man to be elected to the office of county judge of Madison county, also upon receiving every vote polled in this home township for that office. This boy is no other than our own Judge Ernest Reeker. The ovation with which Judge Reeker was received showed the high regard with which he is held in his home school.

Judge Reeker began his address by relating incidents of his early school life, branching out into his chosen line of work and his present office. He adjured the people to go to the polls and cast their votes for the men of their choice to legislate for them as a remedy for

some of the evils of the present day. He closed with the thought that not more legislation is needed in the country but more christianity, more of the good old fashioned religion.

Following the program, time was given for old friends to exchange greetings while the ladies of the community arranged the bountiful lunch of fried chicken and all its accompaniments, to be served cafeteria style with hot coffee and lemonade.

After everyone had been served and had eaten until too full for utterance, the friends bid farewell and in their sixty-eight cars left for their various homes well pleased with the entertainment and reception that had been accorded them. All joined in the commendation of the Deer Creek people upon the success of their first homecoming and hoped for many more such reunions in the future. Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, August 28, 1930, page 1.

Smith 57 Years with Madison Concert Band

Madison Star-Mail: Sheer love of music makes a good municipal band. The authority for the statement is A. V. Smith, Madison, who is now entering his 57th consecutive concert season with the Madison Citizens' band, which is the oldest musical organization in Nebraska. In beginning when a group of about 14 youngsters formed a band one fall for their own pleasure, Smith was one of the musicians. Some of the lads played by note and some by ear—that was in 1879. Jake Knapp, who came from Germany to escape the Bismarkian militaristic rule, was the first leader of the group. He could read music and a Teutonic inherent love for melody suited the purposes fine. Following Knapp was Jake Kalmar, also a German youth who left Germany to escape the Iron Fist of Bismark.

In 1935 this same group, or rather the same band organization, is still playing together. Two members, A. V. Smith, who has worn out five wind instruments, and Charles Altschuler, are still members of the group. Each is 75 years of age and still looking forward to several more years service with the band. Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, Oct. 10, 1935, page 1.

Dairy Cows Respond to Call of Auto Horn

Recalling the welcome ding-ding of the old dinner bell of his boyhood's happy days down on the farm (Missouri), and remembering the alacrity with which he could get his feet braced against the center table leg for a long, strong pull at the kartoffel und kraut, Fred Tegeler, Battle Creek's philosophic vendor of pure standard test milk and cream, pondered long weeks, it is said, to devise a method by which he could similarly induce his dairy herd to come a-runnin' when he reached the pasture gate with milk pails and fodder. Then an idea struck him and like Euclid he must have exclaimed "Eureka!"—or maybe it was just "Ich hab es!" Anyway, he forthwith reconditioned the old horn on the fresh-air Hudson and with patient tutoring the milkers in time learned there was something else than noise and driver in the gas cart. Now, early or late, Fred may sound klaxon as he approaches within three blocks of the pasture and every dam and her pedigreed progeny are at the gate to meet him and give down as they eat up. And southsiders claim they may set their clocks at 5:17 every morning when the siren calls the kine. Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, September 3, 1936, page 1. (Kartoffel=potato, "Ich hab es!"= I have it! {German})

Mrs. Henry Walters

Tilden Citizen: Mrs. Henry Walters, mother of William and Arthur Walters of Tilden, died at the home of her daughter near Norfolk on Saturday. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Battle Creek Monday afternoon conducted by Rev. R. S. Kauffroath of

the Morning Star U. B. church. Interment was made in the Union cemetery at Battle Creek.

Elsie Peters was born in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, on December 17, 1864, and passed away September 14, 1935, at the age of 70 years, eight months and 27 days. She came to America when 16 years of age, locating in Clinton, Iowa. In December, 1884, she was united in marriage to Henry Walters. To this union nine children were born, six son and three daughters, all of whom are living except on son, Ben, who died in 1929.

She was baptized when a small child and later was confirmed in the Lutheran faith. She has been in failing health for the past year but never complained of her ailments. She was a good wife and mother and delighted in her home.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her husband, Henry Walters of Fremont, five sons, William and Arthur of Tilden; Herman of Elgin; Richard of Norfolk; Oscar of Fremont; three daughters: Mrs. Emma Rowland and Miss Minnie Walters of Norfolk, and Mrs. Bertha Rood of Fremont. Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, September 19, 1935, page 1.

Deaths and Funerals in the Newspaper

Editors Notes: The following are excerpts from the newspaper. Many of the items had lengthy articles on the person when it was published in the paper.

Mrs. Giles S. Craig died September 9, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Gallagher east of Inman. Funeral services were held in Inman and the burial was in the family lot at Union cemetery at Battle Creek. Dora F. Chewning was born in Bedford County, Virginia. She had reached the age of 79 years, 1 month and 13 days. She was married to Giles S. Craig in 1871 and came to Madison county, Nebraska in 1885. Mr. Craig died in 1910. Survivors were A. W. Craig, Mrs. Gallagher, William Craig, George Craig, Mrs. Harry Niles, Mrs. J. M. Warner, Mrs. William Decker, Mrs. J. W. DeMerritt, and Mrs. Edwin Hallee. Also surviving were twenty-five grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, September 11, 1930, page 1.

Earl Bartee died Monday at a Norfolk hospital. Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Methodist church in Battle Creek with burial in the family lot at Union Cemetery. He was born in Wythe county, Virginia in 1888. He had reached the age of 29 years, 7 months and 4 days. He was the third son of John Bartee. His mother passed away about a year ago. Survivors were his aged father, five brothers and three sisters: Mon, Dale, Jesse Bartee, Mrs. Mike James, Mrs. Fred Volk, Arthur and Fearn Bartee, and Mrs. Claus Borchers. Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, October 23, 1930, page 1.

Mrs. Emma Laas died September 10, 1935 at her farm home north of Battle Creek. Funeral services were held from St. John's Lutheran Church in Battle Creek with burial at the Lutheran Cemetery. Emma Schmidt was born in Weimar, Saxony, Germany, December 4, 1859 and she had reached the age of 75 years, 9 months and 13 days. She came to the United States at the age of 13 with her parents and they settled in Philadelphia for about 5 years. The family came to Nebraska in 1878. She married John Laas on April 18, 1881. Mr. Laas died ten years ago. Only two children, Alfred and Ida Laas, survive. Source: Battle Creek Enterprise, Thursday, September 12, and September 19, 1935, page 1.

Madison County Directory 1919-1920

Extractions by Richard Strenge

The following is listed by business type, then by city and then the surname in that city in which that person was located or doing business in at the time the directory was printed.

Physicians & Surgeons

Battle Creek: Edw. Tanner

Madison: F. A. Long, E. N. Smart, E. O. Wilson, L. W. Wuesthoff

Meadow Grove: H. L. Kindred

Newman Grove: F. L. Frink, C. A. Meyer

Norfolk: A. C. Barry, S. A. Campbell, G. E. Charlton, R. R. Craft, R. O. Dunn,
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I am Chuck Rodekohr. My ancestors came to Battle Creek, Madison county, the PRAUNERS in 1867, and the RODEKOHRs in 1904. My website <http://www.rodekohrcestors.com/> includes these families back to the 1550's in Germany. I would appreciate it if you would make this website address available to anyone that may be researching these families.

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