# Madison County Remembers ...

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This issue of the newsletter is all about news items of interest to genealogists and local history buffs as found in the Madison County Review Chronicle newspaper and it's further name changes from 1874 to 1894. Keep in mind that some issues of the newspapers were missing and were not available to be microfilmed and as such are now unavailable. A massive thank you to Karen Tiedgen Reed for this huge indexing project, which will continue in the next issue or two of the newsletter.

## **Madison County Review Chronicle 1874**

Jan. 30 1874 Born: Mr and Mrs David Brewer a daughter,

**Born:** Mr and Mrs Funks a daughter

March 6 **Born:** Mr and Mrs Dan Brooks a son

March 20 **Born**: Mr and Mrs William M. Synder a son

April 3 **Died** Frederick Leach 21 year old

April 10 **Died** child of Mr and Mrs Haynes, died from burns, buried on 5<sup>th</sup> instant.

**Died** at Portage, Wisc. Chief of Winnebago Indians-Yellow Thunder

April 17 Born April 14<sup>th</sup> Mrs. William J. Barnes- twin boys, April 13<sup>th</sup> Mrs Paul Willemont, a

son

April 24 **Died** at Deer Creek-April 11, Luella J. Cady-only daughter of William L. and Sarah E. Cady, 11yrs. & 5 mos.

May 8 **Died** April 28 Mrs Mary Weller 55yrs, April 18- Mrs Nancy J. Peutherer

June 5 **Died** May 18 Alexander Donnell of Antelope Run

July 17 **Died** July 14 William J., son of William J. and Margaret Barnes 3 months,

**Died** July 15, Richard J. son of William J. and Margaret Barnes, 3 months and 1

day

August 28 **Died** infant child of Mr and Mrs William J. Horton died last Tuesday, Age 2 weeks September 11 **Died** on the 4<sup>th</sup> instant Mrs Samuel Barrett of Kalamazoo, had given birth to a fine girl that weighed 14 lbs

October 2 **Born** Sept. 27, a son to Mr and Mrs C. B. Graham of Tracy Valley-Platte Valley

October 9 **Died** infant of Mr and Mrs Joseph Goldsmith, Wednesday, October 7, of School craft precinct

October 23 **Died** Mrs Schleip's one week old baby, buried Thursday

Born: Thursday, October 15 daughter to Mrs. T.V. Voorhees of Madison

November 13 **Born** November 8, boy to Alex Craig,

**Died** Nov. 1, 1874, infant son of Rev. C.W. Wells

**Died** Lot Barnard 65 years old

Nov 27 **Born** at Fairview, 8 lbs. daughter to Mr and Mrs Reigle

**Born** Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, a boy to Mr and Mrs J. Moore

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#### **GREETINGS FROM OUR MADISON COOUNTY GENEALOGY SOCIETY**

Our genealogy group met Saturday, September 20th, at the Elkhorn Valley Museum. The Treasurer's report was reviewed and accepted. Following discussion, it was voted that the Madison County Genealogical Society continue to pay \$125 annual dues to the Elkhorn Valley Museum without an increase. This allows our members free access to the library, and to hold our meetings there, according to the original agreement. The Society will provide our Genealogical newsletter to the Elkhorn Valley Museum at no cost as a further consideration, and members will provide additional volunteer services to the Museum when possible.

With great interest the list of Dederman School teachers was reviewed, with members sharing a lot of good memories of those early teachers so well remembered. It was agreed that the Christian Photo Studio Collection (mostly portraits/people) should be mentioned in our newsletters as a resource available to current or descendant family members. Procedure for handling requests for earlier 'Christian' photos will be announced in later newsletters. Our researchers have been busy with queries, some including names and data in the Jordan, Hodges and Doughty files. Doughty was an early Norfolk photographer along with Macy, and we have many of their photos in our Museum archives. We are compiling a list of early photographers in this area.

Our October 18th meeting was lively with members giving views and information on a variety of subjects from pioneer antiques to tattoos, and interesting cemetery talk about the merits of 'grave witching' which has been quite successful for some members. A 'witching' project is up for consideration as a future program.

Tentative plans are to again have a 'Christmas' party in January, always enjoyed by all members able to attend. If this is finalized in our next meeting all members will be notified. There will be no meeting in December as everyone is busy with the holidays.

#### **SOCIETY NOTES**;

Halloween at the Museum was a tremendous success and now it's on to Thanksgiving—fast gobbling up our days. We wish one and all a healthy and enjoyable Thanksgiving—we have much to be thankful for in our great country. If you are driving during the holidays, please drive carefully. We extend a sincere THANK YOU to all of our volunteers who continue clipping and filing obituaries, and other newspaper items of interest. Entered into our computer base, they form a valuable resource for research. Volunteers in the Museum Library are always welcome. The Museum also appreciates volunteers, so if you have a few spare hours please call the Museum—if you enjoy meeting people, a stint at the front desk might be just your thing.

#### **MEMBER RESEARCH;**

**Bobette Ferguson**, born and raised in Pierce, still has lots to learn about her many ancestors, the primary one being Wilhelm Ruhlow, one of the pioneer settlers of Norfolk in 1866. Her family names of Ruhlow and Steinkraus were well known of course, but what a thrill to find additional family in the gravestones at the Prospect View and other Pierce cemeteries. The Pierce Public Library has digitized both its Leader and Call newspapers and the obituaries obtained were a great help. The Courthouse also provided additional data on her successful Pierce research trip. Her grandfather's lines include countless Ruhlows, Steinkraus, Pasewalk, Hartman, Peters, Hart, Young; and the list goes on as she excitedly digs deeper into the extended and related families. And the timely decision— a family photo to be printed in the current Pierce County Leader, which may yield recognition and more family history. Earlier Pierce business places and homes of Ruhlow and Steinkraus were located, as well as farmland on the Pierce County Plat books. How exciting it is for Bobette to collect the genealogy and related family histories after having lived outside of Nebraska, and the United States, for so many years. She has come home to assemble the separate family records, anecdotes and histories into a whole story. Comments or questions can reach Bobette at 208 Willow Way, Norfolk, NE 68701

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### **MADISON COUNTY REVIEW CHRONICLE 1875**

- Jan. 1 **Born** December 13, 1874, a daughter to Mr and Mrs J. C. Higgins of Columbus
- Jan. 8 **Born** Jan. 3, a daughter of Mrs C.F. Mathewson
- Jan. 15 **Born** Near Madison, Sat. Jan 9<sup>th</sup>, Mrs James Tilford, a son, 12 lbs.,

**Died** last week-Mrs Sarah Honeysett

- Jan. 22 **Born** Tuesday a boy to John Voorhees, 15 lbs.
- Feb 26 **Born** Tracy Valley-Feb 18 Mrs John Malderson a son
- March 5 **Died** Thomas Welch of Battle Creek, found frozen to death in snow drift, 28 years old

**Died** Tracey Valley, on Stearns Prairie-Mrs Pfeiffer froze to death died Tues Feb 28, 1875

**Died** at Madison Thursday, March 4, Willie Mohr

**Died** at Madison-Feb 15 infant son of Brooks E. and Mary A. Rogers, 10 months and 11 days

March 26 **Died**-Lewis Hayes-Parished in Snow Storm in Boone Co. Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

April 2 **Born**: At Kalamazoo, March 25, Mrs. T. J. Sheswood, a daughter,

**Born**- at Madison, March 28, Mrs. H.H. Miller a son.

Birth at Madison, March 29, Mrs. L. A. Lovelace a daughter

**Died** on Stearns Prairie, March 27, Mrs. Mathias King's 3 children,

Died on Stearns Prairie March 28, Infant son of Mr and Mrs J. B. Sleelitoe

April 9 **Died**: Story of Thomas Welch of Battle Creek, how he died

April 16 **Born** April 8, daughter to Mr and Mrs John Koberg, birth at Longland, Madison Co., Wed. April 14, Rev. J. B. Long, a son.

**Died** at Madison, Sun. April 11, Infant child of Mr and Mrs E. Rush

April 23 **Born** Norfolk=Mrs Mochmiller a son.

**Died** near Madison, Tues. April 20, at 10 ½ oclock a.m. Elizabeth D., only daughter of Rev. J.B. and Mary J. Long, age 1 year and 7 months

May 14 **Born** Mrs L. Creshan a tiny girl

May 28 **Died** 3 children (Girls) of Mr and Mrs Robert McPherson, 7 miles east of Colum bus, burned to death **Died** Minerva Sevengood, 43 yr. old wife of Christian of N. Madi son Grange #391 April 28 1874 (?)

July 23 **Died** at Madison Thursday July 15, 22 yr. old May Gardner Wilson, wife of John A.

## July 30, 1875 the paper is now called, "WEEKLY REVIEW"

August 6, Friday, Page 6, **Died** youngest child of Mr and Mrs E. Krause, Tuesday afternoon of a combined attack of whooping cough and typhoid fever.

**Died** Joseph A. Bruce, the founder of the Bruce Colony in Knox Co., died on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Ult. He was 62 yr. old. Leaves a wife and 4 children

August 20 **Died** Dr. DeNormandle, formerly of Madison, died in Indiana

September 10 **Died** Infant daughter of Mr and Mrs Leonard Crenshaw of Kalamazoo, Sept. 2, 6 months old

**Died** Levi M. Jenkins only child of C.D. and Josie, 1 yr and 8 mos., Sept. 6 of Kalamazoo

**Died** Infant son of Mr and Mrs Henry Clausen, near Madison, Fri. Sept. 6, nine (9) weeks old

**Died** at West Point, Sept. 2, Lilly, youngest daughter of Joseph A. and Henrietta Leppen 17 mo. 15 days

**Died** at Albion Aug. 27, 1875, Lena, daughter of Mark and Ellen Mattison, 6 mths.

September 17 **Died** Sept. 9, Hugh McComb, killed by lightning

Born Sept 8, near Madison, son of Mr and Mrs W T. Baker 8 lbs.

Sept 24 **Died** Infant of Mr and Mrs David Harrington, died last Monday. Mrs Harrington is now lying very ill, from Pleasant Valley

Oct. 8 **Died** at Boone Co., Infant of Nathan Bristol, died last Sunday from whooping cough and cholera infantum.

**Died** Mr Platte-oldest citizen of Boone Co.

Born Mr and Mrs Peter Fedderson of Madison Co., a baby girl

Oct. 15 **Born** Dr. and Mrs Merriam at Madison, a daughter, born October 11

Born Mr and Mrs Willis Bryant at Madison, a daughter, born October 10

**Died** Charles Ditbenner, near Madison, October 9

Oct. 29 **Died** Mrs Roe passed away, from Tracy Valley

**Died** Hugh Compton, Friday Oct. 15 of pneumonia

Born Mr and Mrs George W. Clother of Columbus, Oct. 17, a daughter

Nov 5 **Born** Mrs Thomas Farrage, a daughter, Nov 1, near Madison

Born Mrs Frank Parks, a son, Oct. 21, at Grand Island

Born Mrs C. Wanser or Wamser, a son, Oct. 25at Grand Island

Died Horace C. Ludwig, of Platte co., Oct. 24, 10 yr old son of Henry C. Ludwig

**Died** Mary Jane Rowe, wife of Abraham, Oct. 22, of Platte Co.

**Died** Ivers at Grand Island, Oct. 25, Mrs Rebecca Ivery, 47 years

Nov 12 **Died** Martin W. Allen committed suicide, Nov. 4, 3 miles north of Albion

**Died** Mrs Sarah Robinson, wife of John Robinson, Platte Co. Oct 30

**Died** Hanna Sangpiel, daughter of Ferdinand and Sopia, Oct. 27, 7 years 5 days

**Born** Mrs A. Alderson of Tracy Valley, Nov. 10, a baby weighing 9 ½ lbs.

Nov 19 **Died** Mr Allen of Dresser Valley, committed suicide

Nov 26 **Born** Mrs John Onley, a daughter, at Norfolk, Nov 14

**Died** Otto Bauman at West Point, Nov 14, oldest son of Otto and Helena Bauman, 7 years

**Died** Katie Wise at West Point, Nov 14, Oldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Andrew Wise, 9 years

**Died** Diana Fedelwert, of St. Charles, Cuming Co, Nov 13, oldest daughter of Theodore and Dianna Fedelwert 4 years

Dec 3 **Died** Halder Haverson killed by horses kicking, Nov 23, of Shell Creek, leaves a wife and large family

**Died** Mrs Maria Arnold, 74 years, of Columbus, Nov 24

**Died** Edward C. Sharp, Canton Pct., Stanton Co., Nov 10, Typhoid fever, 26 years

Dec 17 **Died** Grma McFarland, Stanton Co.

Died John Shiltz of Boone Co., born Switzerland, 27 years old

Dec 24 **Died** Albert George of Buffalo Co., killed by runaway team of horses

**Born** Mrs James R. Thomas, a daughter, in Madison, Dec 18

## **1876 Madison Chronicle**

Born Mrs Joseph E. Ritchey, a daughter, in Norfolk, Dec 15

Born Mrs H. H. Tipton, a daughter, near Kalamazoo, Dec 17

Jan 21 **Died** John Barr at Stanton, infant son of Joseph and Fannie Barr, 4 mos &11 days

Feb 11 **Died** 5 year old daughter of Mr W. Dierks, 8 miles west of Madison. She got burnt and died the next day. Died Feb 5, 1876

Feb 18 Norfolk News-Boy and Girl drown-funeral largely attended

Feb 25 **Died** Mamie Rummons, daughter of Mr and Mrs Rummons, 3-4 years old, died Feb. 23

Born Mr and Mrs C. D. Mendell of Iowa Valley- baby girl

March 10 **Died** Youngest son of Richard and Melissa Burtwistte, 6 months old, Canton, Stanton Co.

March 17 **Born** baby girl to Mr and Mrs Joseph Martin, of Norfolk

March 24 **Died** Inf. daughter of J. W. and Clara Stirk of Center Precint, of whooping cough, 1 year, 1 month, and 9 days

April 7 **Born** a daughter to Wesley Reed, March 15 of Stanton Co.

**Died** Inf. Son of Daniel F. & Sophia Cook, Stanton Co., Canton, 5 mos. & 26 days, died of pneumonia

May 5 **Died** Fritz-only son of Mr and Mrs G. Alstadt, on May 3, 5 years and 8 months **Died** Dr. G. Morgan, on April 17, 1876, 80 years old of Emerick, Lung fever

May 12 **Died** Adam Nye at Stanton, age 81 years 10 months 18 days

**Died** Mrs William Wobbermin of Stanton, while giving birth to triplets, only 1 lived

May 19 **Died** Mrs J.M. Hugher, 43 yrs old, at Stanton, Pleasant Run. Died of consumption

May 26 **Born** a son to Mrs E. D. Leach, 9 lbs., on May 20

June 2 **Born** A son to Mrs J.T. Funk of Maple Grove, May 22, 10 ½ lbs.

Born A daughter to Mrs John Alderson of Tracy Valley, Platte Co., May 23

June 9 **Died** Mollie Chess, eldest daughter of R.R. Chess of diphtheria, 9 years old

June 30 **Died** Mr Frederich Rogge, of Stanton. One of the earliest settlers died last Thurs day.

July 7 **Died** daughter of Mr and Mrs W.H. Wells of Tracy Valley, died in Madison Co., last Monday

**Died** Guy Willis LaBarre, youngest son of Lewis C. & Julia C. LaBarre, at Humphrey, July 1, 2 yrs. 8 mos. 13 days

Aug. 11 **Died** youngest boy of Mr and Mrs August Tilmor, of Stanton Co., 8 months, last Tuesday

Aug. 25 **Died** Infant daughter of Mrs. John C. Voorhees, Madison Co., last Saturday and buried Sunday

**Born** Daughter to Mrs William Bickley, last Sunday

**Born** a baby to Mrs Homer Wilberger, 2 weeks ago

Oct. 20 **Died** Martha Patterson of Stanton Co., daughter of Mark Patterson of Pleasant Run, died Oct. 13, 8 yrs 1 mos.

Oct 27 **Died** Mrs Wineberger, last Sunday morning, 3 miles west of Madison

Died Caroline Smith 20 years, on Oct. 20

**Died** Dr. T.A. Pinkney 68 yrs. of Columbus

## 1876 Madison Chronicle continued

Nov 10 <b>Died</b> Henry Mitchell Barnes Fri. Nov. 3,	, 62 years old, Prospect Hill Cemetery
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Born A son to Mr and Mrs H. B. Tyrrell

Nov 17 **Died** Fannie Kendall, Nov. 5 at Stanton

**Died** Babe of Mr and Mrs L. F. Taylor, 3 days old

Dec 22 **Born** A baby girl to J.B. Long, Sunday Dec. 10

## **1877 Madison Chronicle**

Jan 5 **Born** A girl to Mr and Mrs Christian Moritz, of Stanton, Dec 21

Jan 19 **Died** Huse takes baby to neighbors, but never gets there, baby froze to death.

Rest of year missing

#### 1878 Madison Chronicle

Most of year missing

March 21

Dec 13 <b>Born</b> A boy, to Mr and Mrs Louis Heer of Madison, 9 lb.
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Dec 20 **Born** P.J. Barnes, a girl

Dec 27 **Died** Katie Jane Fritz, infant daughter of Charles Fritz, Tuesday, Dec. 24.

## 1879 Madison Chronicle

Jan.	3	<b>Died</b> near Battle Creek	Monday Dec 30	1878	George Bauer, 53 years.
Jan.	J	<b>Died</b> fical battic circux	, Monday Dec. 30	,, 10/0,	ocorac bauci, 33 years.

Jan 10 **Born** Mr and Mrs Joseph Martin, a boy

Jan 24 **Died** brother of L. F. Taylor

**Died** in Madison, January 21, Minna Ditmar, wife of Andrew, 24 years old, 2 small children

Feb 21 **Died** last week, Johney, 9 months, son of J. W. Bishop, of Schoolcraft

Feb 28 **Died** Feb. 21, Infant daughter of Mr and Mrs Linn, Humphrey News

Born Feb 22 Boy of Mr and Mrs Edgar Leach

**Born** Son of M.T. Hamley, Feb 18, of Deer Creek

March 7 **Born** a daughter to Mr and Mrs Lawrence Weltz, of Kalamazoo

March 14 Born a daughter of Mr and Mrs F.W. Barnes, in Madison, on Tuesday

**Died** Michael Herslet, he was going to return to Norway, but died in Columbus

**Born** daughter to Mr and Mrs Henry Clausen, Thursday.

April 4 **Born** a boy to Mr and Mrs J.R. Thomas

**Born** a baby to Kate Oesligle-unmarried, George B. Griffin is supposed to be the father, county expense

**Died** Newman Grove-John Williams, son, 2 ½ yrs old, died Mar. 28<sup>th</sup>-second child he has lost this spring.

May 9 **Born** A son to Mr and Mrs Ed Jenkins, last Saturday

May 16 **Died** Charles Hauylar, Friday May 9, 1879

May 30 **Died** Walter L. Lyon, 15 yr. 7 mos. 10 days, son of Joseph A. & Olive Lyon,

parents of 9 children,

**Died** May 21, 1879, buried May 23 in Madison Cemetery of rheumatism pneumnia June 13 page 2. State Journal The spirit of Casper Dircks-murdered a boy near Nebraska City and was hung. They say his spirit is in the jail and no one can get much sleep.

June 27 **Died** Belle Davis, daughter of Charles and Emma L. Davis, 1 year 11 months and 5 days

Aug. 15 **Died** Infant son of A. Dittmar, Aug. 8, 8 months old

**Died** Henry Demmel oldest son of Philip and Maria Demmel, 18 years 9 months

Aug. 22 **Died** son of David Brewer, buried last Wed. 8 months, died of summer complaint

Aug. 29 **Born** a son to Charley Jenkins

Born a daughter to Charley Prauner

**Born** a daughter to Mr and Mrs Valentine

**Died** Infant daughter of Charles Dittberner, last Monday and buried Wednesday

**Died** only child of Mr and Mrs Albert Mantey, 19<sup>th</sup> of Aug. Buried Friday, Rev. J.

Hoffman

**Died** at Tracy Valley: Thursday Aug. 20, George Wright, 84 years 7 months 13 days. Member of Baptist church, came from Canada 8 months ago, leaves a widow and 1 son.

Sept 5 **Died** infant daughter of Kate Oesligle, Sunday Aug. 31. 4 months

Sept 12 **Born** son of Mr and Mrs Joseph Reeves, on Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>

Oct. 9 **Died** Infant son of Mr and Mrs J.R. Thomas- Arthur, 6 months old

Oct. 16 **Died** north of Madison, Lizzie Jane Bickley, daughter of Mr and Mrs William Bickley, of diphtheria born Dec. 19, 1870-Died Oct. 13 1879, 8 years, 9 months, 25 days. She had penned this a short time ago.

Lizzie Bickley is my name.

Madison is my dwelling place

And Christ is my Savior.

When I am dead and in my grave,

And all my bones are rotten,

In this book you'll find my name,

When I am quite forgotten.

Oct. 23 **Died** Louis Herr, born in Germany 1842, came to America in 1852, lived in Balti more till 1867,

**Died** Sunday, leaves to mourn, a wife and a child

Oct. 30 **Died** Albert Heath, 25 years old at Fairview-on Monday

**Died** at Madison, last Monday. John Brocker of typhoid fever.

Nov 6 **Died** Mrs Dittmar, Mr A Dittmar received a large and handsome tombstone for his wife, marks the last resting place of deceased.

**Died** at Madison, Nov. 5, Mrs Polly Sanford-mom of Mrs. C. Kennedy, 70 years 6 months. Born Washington, Conn. Dropsy the cause

Nov 20 **Died** Cora Belle Stevens, infant daughter of Andrew J. & Mary F. Stevens, died at Tracy Valley,

**Died** at Tracy Valley, Nov. 13, age 16 months.

- Nov 27 **Died** Libby Thuenet, daughter of Emery and Emily Thuenet, Nov. 20, 5 yrs 11 mos. 26 days
- Dec 4 Rumored that W.M. Gregory of Fairview was murdered. He is still alive!
- Dec 11 **Born & Died** Twins boys born to Tom Williams last Sunday, but one died.
- Dec 25 **Died** Maria Elizabeth Altstadt, wife of F.J. on Dec 19.
  - **Died** Mary Long, daughter of Mr and Mrs Thomas Long, at Clarion, 5 years old

#### **1880 Madison Chronicle**

- Jan 8 **Died** Mrs A.C. Tyrrel at her mother's home in Lorain, Ohio, last Monday
  - **Died** Mother of Louis Herr-body going to Baltimore
- Jan 22 **Died** Amelia Dorr, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Dorr, 4 years 9 months, died of diphtheria
  - **Died** at Stanton, 2 Children of Mr and Mrs Jessie Beard, died of diptheria
  - **Died** at Stanton, 3 children of Mr J. S. Robinson, lost to diphtheria
- Jan 29 **Died** 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Mr and Mrs Dorr, last Sunday, 2 years 2 months, of Madison Co,.
- Feb 5 **Born** Son of Mr and Mrs Sims, Jan 31
- Feb 12 **Died** Mary Reigle, daughter of Mr & Mrs John Reigle of Fairview, 5 years old, died of diphtheria
  - **Died** Freddie Owen, 5 years old, son of Mr & Mrs W.H. Owen of Fairview, died Tues. of diptheria
  - **Died** Georgie Clark, 7 years old, son of Mr & Mrs A. Clark of Fairview, died Feb 3 of diptheria
    - **Poem** for daughter of Mr. Thomas Long of Taylor Creek, who died in December.
    - **Died** John Strasser of Jackson, IA, last Monday, accidently shot and killed himself.
- Feb 19 **Died** Freddie Sargent of Fairview, Infant son of Mr and Mrs Fred Sargent, died last Thurs. 4 yrs old **Died** from croop and diptheria
- March 4 **Died** Infant of Mr & Mrs Remainder, buried last Monday Probate for Michael Hearteleth
  - **Born** Twins a boy and a girl to Mr and Mrs Tom Farrage, on Sunday
- April 8 **Died** 8 year old daughter of Rev. O.E. Forgesson on March 26, Wisner, in a prairie fire.
- April 22 **Died** Mr Peterson's little daughter, who was burned a few days ago by prairie fire, was buried yesterday.
- April 29 **Born** son of Charley Snider
- May 13 **Probate** of Louis Herr- Annie Administrator
- May 27 **Born** Daughter to J.D. Gould
- June 10 **Died** Mrs Laura Wellman at Humphrey, 89 years old, mother of Mrs T.D. Dickin son
- July 1 **Died** Twins of Mr and Mrs J.T. Brown, one died Thursday and one on Sunday, 7 months
  - **Died** William Abts, son of Mr & Mrs J.P. Abts of Township Farm, 18 years 10 months lung fever
- July 22 **Died** Ella Gerecke at Madison, July22, 6 years 9 months

- Aug 5 **Died** Otto Lee son of Mr and Mrs John H. Stevensons, last Monday, 6 months
- Aug 12 **Died** William H. Davis, son of Mr and Mrs A.C.L. Davis, died Aug 10, 18 years old **Died** Mrs C.W. Smith, last Thursday. 32 years 4 months 8 days, leaves a husband, 3 children. The youngest is 3 and the oldest is 9. We are informed that C.W. Smith intends to return to Penn., this Fall and will take the remains with him.
- Aug 19 **Born** a daughter to Mr and Mrs Conrad Deiter, last Monday
- Sept 16 **Died** May Daisy Hotskin, Aug 5 at Burnette, wife of Franklin Hotskin and daughter of C.W. and Sarah A. Carpenter, age 23 (?) years 6 months and 16 days
- Oct 21 **Born** a daughter to Mr and Mrs A. Worthem, 12 lbs. last Saturday night **Died** Samuel N. Gilbert, Sun. Oct 17, 26 years 7 months 6 days, Hemorrhage of the bowels
- Nov 11 **Born** a daughter to Mr and Mrs M. Kellner, last Saturday
- Dec 2 **Died** Mrs Barbara Neidig, mother of Christian and Frank, died last Thursday, 79 yrs. 3 mos. 1 day

**Born** in Saxony, Germany on 24 Aug. 1801, came to America with her husband in 1846, In 1878, they came to Nebraska.

**Died** William, son of Mr and Mrs John Koberg, 19 years, last Friday

**Died** Jos., oldest son of Mr and Mrs S. T. Funk, last Thursday, Scarlet Fever, 13 years 11 months

**Died** Mrs. Preuss, resident of the German Settlement west of town, died last Thursday, 72 years old

Dec 23 **Born** a daughter to Mr and Mrs Lawrence Welz of Kalamazoo, last Friday.

## **1881 Madison Chronicle**

- Feb 3 **Died** Mother of A.J. and S.H. Thatch, 73 years died at S.H. residence
- Feb 17 **Born** daughter to Mr and Mrs Albert Bohn, Feb 10

**Born** daughter to Mr and Mrs James Horn, last Tuesday

**Probate** for Lewis Herr and Gilbert Peterson

- March 23 **Died** A Buffalo Creek man on his way to Oakdale, fell from his sled. He died from heart disease.
- April 14 **Born** at Kalamazoo: Sam Mains has a girl, calls her "Henry".
- April 21 **Died** William Abts, a German about 45 came from Stanton and hung himself at John Gould's farm
- April 28 **Born** Ernest Messersmith said that he was the happy father of the baby that we announced as belonging to August. It was our mistake and his treat, and so it was all right.

**Born** a daughter to Mr and Mrs J. L. Knisel 8 lbs.

May 5 **Born** a son to Mr and Mrs M. Klassen

**Cards of Thanks**-Families of William Abts and his father-in-law, August Hettle, signed by Mrs. Anna Abts

May 19 **Born** a daughter to Mr and Mrs C.W. McQuown, Sunday evening, May 15, standard weight

May 26 **Died** Mrs Nellie Cogswell, 25<sup>th</sup> of May, 28 yrs 1 mo., wife of F.A. Cogswell, daughter of Levi & Julia Jenkins

June 9 **Died** A young man drowned near Burnette last week. No body has been found. Eugene Brown about 30 years, a widower, his wife died in Michigan

June 16 **Died** John F., eldest son of John F. and Annie Dierks, June 11, 6 years 2 months 1 day

June 23 **Born** A son to Mr and Mrs Dr. Bridenstine, June 20

Died Albert H. Dierks  $2^{\text{nd}}$  son of John F. and Annie Dierks, 4 yrs 1 mo., June 18 died from diptheria

**Died** Hannah Maud Harris, oldest daughter of Charles and Carrie, 7 yrs 6 mos died from diptheria

June 30 **Born** A son to Mr and Mrs M.H. Bordwell, last night

July7 **Born** a daughter to Mr and Mrs John Stevenson, last night

**Born** First born to Mr and Mrs James Moore a son

**Died** Mrs P.B. Russel, suicide, hanging herself last week. She was a resident of Tracy Valley, one of heaviest losers from the storm. She did all her ironing and cleaned house before she hanged herself.

**Died** Son of Mr and Mrs C.H. Harris 5 years. He was doing very good, but re lapsed of diptheria.

**Died** Commissioners Proceedings: S.C.&P.R.R. Co. transportation of corpse of Fagan, coffin, etc. for Pauper (Fagan) \$22.25

July 14 **Died** Alonzo L. Trine son of J.T.C. & Hannah, died July 10, 1881, Born Oct 28 1868 at Cadiz, Ohio

July 21 **Poem** written by Mrs. Charles H. Harris: Death of a Child

August 18 **Died** Mr. Decher, yesterday. He had gotten ran over by his wagon

Died Miss Lillie Hughes at Genoa, Sat. July 29, She lived in Madison last year

Sept. 1 **Died** Mrs S.M. Merritt, committed suicide at her sister's home at Coldwater, Mich. Age 23

**Died** Mon. Sept. 5, youngest son of F.W. & Amelia Fritz, 2 years, 8 days died from diptheria

Sept. 15 **Died** Ethan Allen Wills-Mon. Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, typhoid fever, youngest son of William & Jennie Wills 4yrs and 8 months

**Died** Mrs. Sabra Huylar, Tuesday Sept. 13 64 year 5 months 8 days

Sept. 29 **Died** in tornado that hit Madison: 4 year old boy of Mr. Sonnechson, S. O. Trine, and a little girl 1 year old

Oct 13 **Died** Sophia Lydia Wolf, Oct 7, Diptheria-croup, oldest daughter of F.W. & Carrie Wolf

**Died** Charlie Litke on Tues. Oct 11, youngest child of August & Nancy Litke 1 year 4 months 11 days

**Died** a married dau. of George Schwank, came from Cheyenne, 2 wks ago, Died last Wed. morning

Nov 10 **Died** Mrs S. O. Campbell of dropsy. Buried at Wisconsin

Nov 17 **Died** Two sons of Daniel Knapp 6 miles west of Madison. 8 & 14 Diptheria is the cause

Nov 24 **Died** Mr.H. A. Craig of Fairview, an old resident of Madison County was called

#### 2014-2015 Officers

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## Madison County Genealogical Society P. O. Box 1031, Norfolk, NE. 68702—1031

#### Our future meetings

November 16
December no meeting
January Christmas Party
February 21
March 21
Join us and bring a friend.

Memberships are \$15 per year. Our membership year runs from September through August annually and includes our newsletter. Joining anytime is welcome and your first year membership will be pro-rated to expire on August 31. If you would like to join our society please send your payment to our mailing address. Please include your email address. Let us know if you prefer an email newsletter or a paper printed copy.

**Meetings** on 3rd Saturday of each month except December and January at 10 a.m. at 515 Queen City Blvd., Norfolk, NE., Elkhorn Valley Museum and Research Center.

Website at http://mcgs.nesgs.org or www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nemcgs/

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#### **1881 Continued**

away to his last resting place on Monday evening. He leaves a wife & several children to mourn his loss.

- Dec 1 **Died** Rev. Samuel Burr of Fairview, Friday Nov. 25, heart disease, Methodist Church
- Dec 8 **Died** Eddie Kost of Battle Creek. He was accidently shot with a revolver by his brother Isaac Kost, youngest son of Adam Kost of Battle Creek.

**Died** A sister to Mrs A. H. Steele, Tuesday evening. A 30 lbs tumor removed and she was to be married on 24<sup>th</sup>. It was postponed-Death claimed his bride

**Died** Richard Dress was accidently killed last Sabbath, at the residence of William Grant, 6 miles west of Columbus. Richard Dress was shot by Edward Grant. They thought the guns were empty-each saying, "I have the draw on you Cowboy". Grant's went off-killing Richard Dress. Trial will take place tomorrow.

Probate: H.A. Craig by wife Ida J., Estate of Charles Huylar

Dec 22 **Died** Oakdale Pen & Plow: Revolver accidently went off killing, 19 year old Louis Steffens. He was living a few miles north of Neligh, with his parents.

Born a son to Mr and Mrs J.W. Davies, Sunday Dec. 18.

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## **NEWS FLASH!!!**

The Norfolk Daily News has been digitized. This means it is now available to be keyword searched on the computers in the Norfolk Public Library. You can search any name, any place or any word. Dates available are from November 1887 to 1955. You do NOT need to use the microfilm anymore for these years. Yeah!



#### TEMP RETURN SERVICE **FIRST CLASS**

Your membership renewal date is on the address label.

## **Upcoming Events** Sunday, November 23 Working with family heritage photos

2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Walt Branch Library 6701 South 14th St., Lincoln, NE Join Linda Conroy as she provides guidance and assistance with incorporating photos into your family history project

**December 4 — Christmas Open House** at the May Museum in Fremont—Free admission, folk music program, 7-9 pm

Sunday, January 4, 2015 Sunday Afternoon with a Genealogist (Genealogy "Help" Session) 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Walt Branch Library 6701 South 14th St. Lincoln NE Get your New Year off to a good start by bringing in your information and your goals and seeking advice from Lincoln Lancaster County Genealogical Society genealogists.

January—Madison Co. Genealogical Society Christmas Party—to be announced

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