

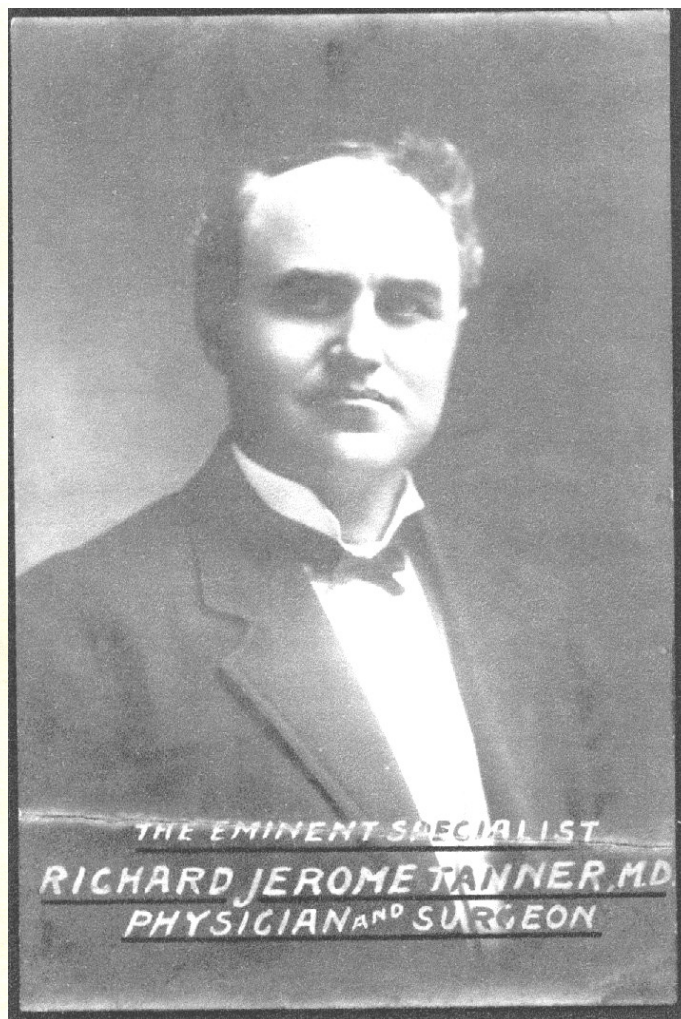
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COWBOY TO DOCTOR – Dr. Richard J. Tanner

"We Have With Us Today—" thus began the June, 1927 introduction to "Diamond Dick", Champion Man of the West, and well known to many of our local citizens as our own **Dr. R. J. Tanner**.

Several people including Karl Stefan, then Congressman of Nebraska's Third District, had the idea of gathering the old time western scouts as a historic roundup in Norfolk. The American Legion made the initial announcement of the identity of the man to lead the pageant in the three day frontier exposition. And the Norfolk Daily News was quick to announce in August of 1925 that "Diamond Dick" would appear in this unique social gathering of old timers--- portraying the Wisconsin settlers who made the historic 1866 trek to their new Nebraska homeland. Of course, thousands remembered Diamond Dick of the 1890s, but many people were unaware

from plants. Many of these recipes and formulas he learned from the Indians and from living in the West. He thus created many of his own medicines and his medical journals are filled with recipes and formulas for tonics, creams and cures. Dr. Tanner and his wife Elizabeth Ruth had no children that survived them and they spent their days at home at 315 South 12th Street in Norfolk. Dr. Tanner passed away on July 2, 1943 after suffering a broken hip. He is buried in Prospect Hill cemetery.



Carl Uecker, Pioneer Settler

Carl F. Uecker was among the first of the pioneer settlers who loaded his wagons and left Ixonia, Wisconsin on May 14, 1866, and headed for the new land in Nebraska, said to be plentiful and cheap. It was a 612 mile slow trek over prairie trails and rivers to this valley of the Elkhorn River and its North Fork branch. His carpenter skills had augmented his farming as the family grew, but Carl never doubted his decision to work for a still better life for himself, his wife Mary, and their five children: Johanna, Gustav, Heinrich, Carl and baby Edward.

Carl was born in 1830 to William and Friedrike Uecker in Kummerow, Prussia, and at a young age emigrated to New York, arriving in 1849. He settled in Ixonia, Wisconsin, where he and Mary Augustine Timmel were married January 10, 1854. The Wisconsin colony's move in 1866 to Nebraska was welcomed by Carl as he valued his religious freedom, and the opportunity to acquire land. And so the overland journey began for his two well loaded wagons each pulled by two oxen.

After nearly eight weeks on the trail the wagon trains arrived mid-July 1866, at the junction of the two rivers, and continued up the North Fork branch to their new homeland ... almost the same time span as Carl's seven week boat trip across the Atlantic to reach the United States. Most of the wagons reined in at what was soon to become the important grist mill corner on the North Fork River. But Carl prodded his sturdy oxen on a few miles north beyond the raw future village, and on a stretch of flat virgin prairie that looked good he stopped his wagons. He succeeded in drawing that 160 acres and filed his homestead application May 15, 1867 on the South One-half of the North One-half of Section Four, T24- R1W, Madison County. There were no roads, only trails, so over the years the well traveled trail through his homestead, almost at his front door, became the Old Hadar Road, which today is still a well established shortcut north to Pierce.

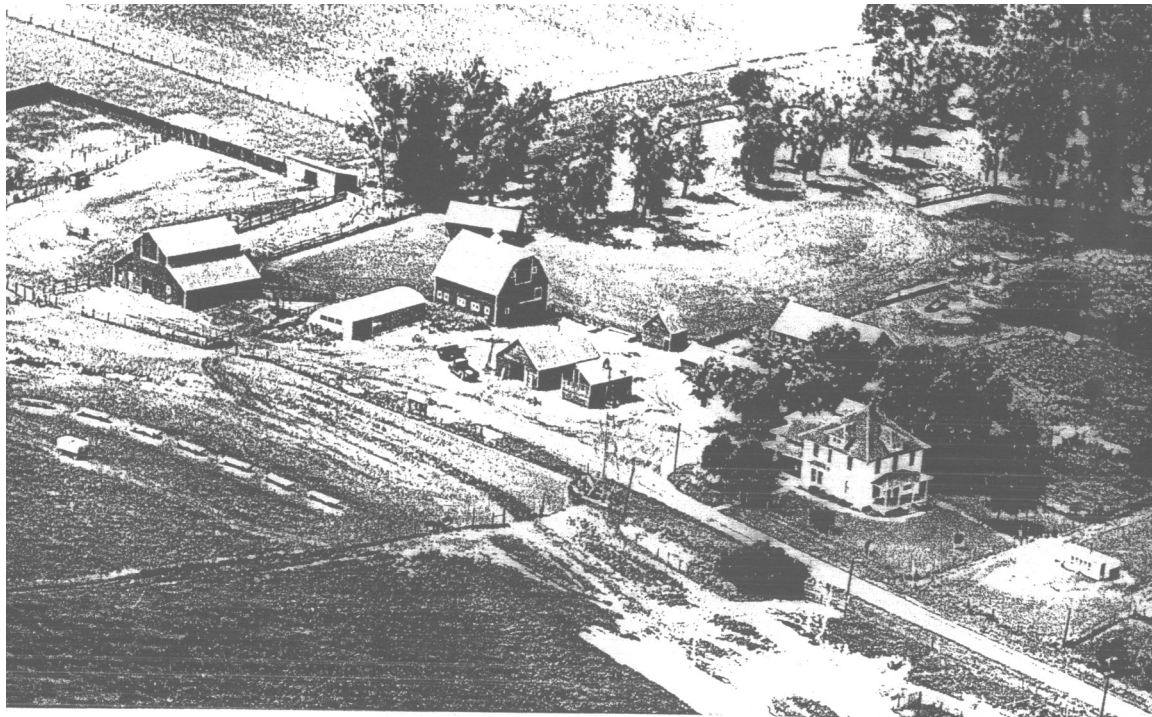


Wife Mary and their youngest children had ridden in the wagons for most of the trip, while the older ones walked alongside and helped herd the animals. The family lived in those wagons

that summer while a sturdy log cabin was built, which was the roof over their heads for about four years. Carl was a skilled carpenter and built a nice home, 1 ½ stories high, with shingle roof, board floors, good door and windows, and a large 12 by 15 foot kitchen. There was cottonwood and oak along the river, used for other construction, but for his home the lumber came from West Point and Omaha. They also had a cellar, as well as a good well for water outside the door. Additional buildings were needed and built including a stable for 14 horses, hen house, pig pens and corn cribs.

It was hard work turning the unbroken prairie into good farmland and some had to be burned off before it could be plowed. The daily farm routine was a lot of hand labor as there was little machinery. Carl plowed and cultivated 90 acres of the prairie, and planted 1200 cottonwood trees, as well as 60 fruit trees in those early years. A large vegetable garden was a necessity as the family had grown to 9 healthy children, with August, Louis, Ernst and Bertha, born in Nebraska. March 12, 1873, his ownership was certified, and the farm was already well established as the Uecker Homestead. The fertile soil raised good crops of wheat, oats and corn in those first years, but 1874-1875 brought the grasshopper devastation. Everything edible was devoured, even some wood tool handles and clothes in their path of destruction. Those hard years were felt in town also; food was scarce and costly but reserves of potatoes and corn kept many families from giving up and leaving their farm. Family and neighbors helped one another, and they shared problems, as well as fun times, and of course, the church was ever present in their daily lives.

Carl was industrious and took an active interest in the affairs and development of the new country. In the early years he did carpenter work along with farming, using his carpenter skills to help build the St. Paul's Church, and he later built the Lutheran Church in Hadar. The Church and school were the center of village life and church services were held in homes of Herman Braasch



The David Uecker Farm-Carl Uecker Homestead
1952

and Frederick Wagner until the first St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church was built in 1867. It was a simple affair of logs, straw floor and plank seats, but well served its purpose. Pastor Heckendorf had arrived in the fall of 1866, and taught school in this church in the German

language. Rev. J. W. Kidder arrived in 1870. This was a major improvement for the community as his wife Mary was a school teacher and taught English. It's likely the first four of Carl's children learned English under her watchful eye.

Carl was among farmers who in later years contracted with the American Beet Sugar Company and raised sugar beets, until the company closed (1891 to 1904). Some of Carl's land extended east to the river and while he did not irrigate, some of his family could later irrigate crops from the river. Today the original Uecker land is divided by Highway 81 north of Norfolk. Ueckers

who have lived on the original Homestead founded by Carl are Louis E. W., Herbert, and David. A Pioneer Farm Award from Ak-Sar-Ben was awarded to David in 1976 who was then farming the homestead.

FORWARD IN CHRIST WITH HOPE



In 1866 they came
47 families by wagon train

Urgent was this trip at hand
They were going to their promised land

From rocks and trees to fertile black
These pioneers weren't turning back

They couldn't find West Point as they
came But they made it all the same

On the North Fork of the Elkhorn they put their stake
Just a river, not a lake

Hopes and dreams were answered here
With faith in God, why should they fear?

Hopes and dreams of kids in school
Teach the Word and the Golden Rule

Brick and mortar, nail and board
They built a church to praise the Lord

Forward in Christ, their anchor and rock God
blessed them here, his little flock

John Uecker,

*St. Paul's pioneer ancestor from the confirmation
class of 1960*

The Eucker family lived through all the sorrows and good times of those early years, as did most of the early pioneers. Education, marriage, and farming in the footsteps of their fathers and grandfathers, fills the albums and scrapbooks of the Uecker children. Some pursued business interests of their own, one such being the purchase of the historic Oxnard Hotel by Carl's son, Louis E. W. (1870-1947), built in 1892 by Henry Oxnard. The Hotel was a spectacular showplace, and what titillating and amusing stories could be told about its lifetime of respectability, and intrigue. Parties, celebrations and wedding receptions were the norm in which some of the Uecker family participated until its sale in 1946, and sad demise in 1965.

Carl's wife Mary Augustine Timmel was born January 4, 1836 in Naugard, Pomerania, and died November 20, 1891. After her death Carl married Augusta Klunther. Carl died February 6, 1915. Carl and Mary are both buried in the St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery, in Norfolk. Today the Uecker homestead is farmed by Mike Uecker, great-great grandson of Carl and the house built about 1913 is a well known landmark along the Old Hadar road.

John S. McClary

John Sommerfield McClary, early pioneer businessman of Norfolk, had already been there and done that---his occupations had included railroad and military service long before traveling along the Elkhorn River to view the country at its junction with the North Fork. Here he found the beginnings of the Norfolk village, with its Mill, and only a few dozen people, and one store— John Olney's general merchandise on the corner of First and Main. The land looked good to him so he settled here in 1870, put up a frame building on the north side of Main Street-- about 108-110, and operated the second general merchandise store with his partner, Henry Fish. About 1883 he sold the property to Herman A. Pasewalk, who a few years later tore down the old building and constructed his own blacksmith and wagon shop.



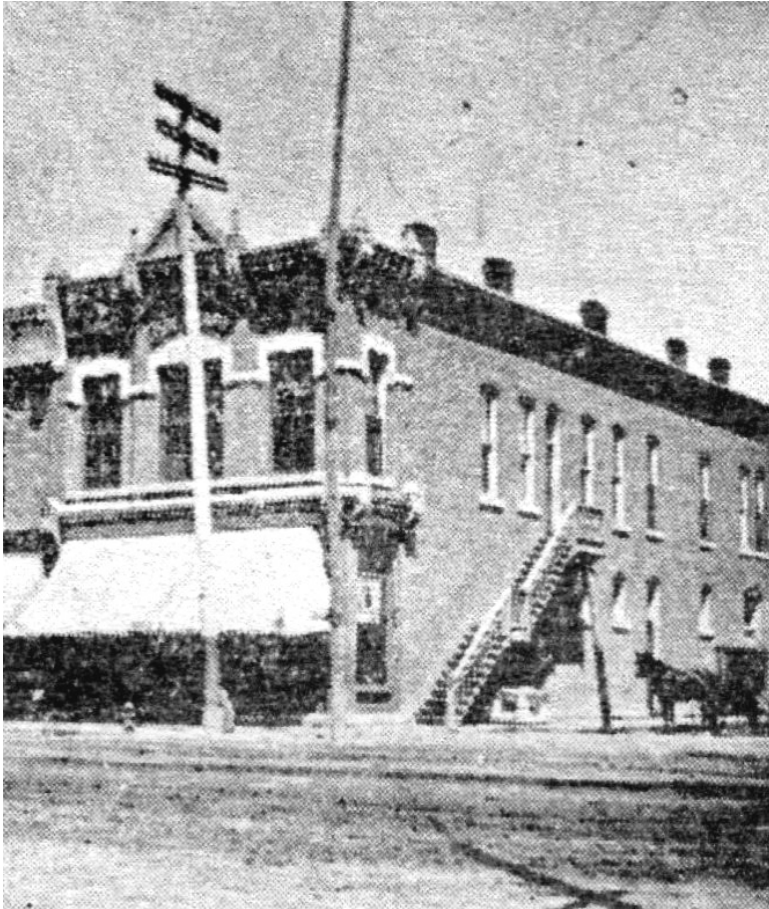
Earlier, in 1851 at 18 years of age, John McClary joined an engineering party of the old Galena and Chicago Union Railroad which developed lines from Savannah, Georgia to Dixon, Freeport, and Chicago, Illinois. After about five years at that work, he became a conductor for three years on an Illinois Central passenger train, and following that job, he conducted a passenger run on the Burlington & Missouri Railroad, from Burlington, Iowa.

In 1861 the Civil War broke out and John gave up his railroad work and enlisted in the 13th Illinois Infantry, Company B, known as "Fremont's Grey Hounds", and was in the first Regiment to cross the Mississippi River into hostile Missouri. The 13th Illinois Infantry's history under Gen. John C. Fremont is filled with victories and defeats, which seemed to follow the General in his memorable post-war life. McClary was Quartermaster Sergeant and inclined to boast a bit of how well he had scrounged for his Regiment, not only food, but also 'anything else around' he felt they could use. Later he was commissioned First Lieutenant of his Regiment. The major battle he recalled in later years was Gen. Ulysses S. Grant's long siege of Vicksburg, and due to Grant's successful entrenchment of the city, its surrender July 4, 1863, giving up 25,000 starving Confederate troops under Gen. Pemberton. Additional historic battles for McClary were at Lookout Mt. and Missionary Ridge. He mustered out June 18, 1864 at Springfield, Illinois.

On September 26, 1864, John married Aletha H. (Lettie C.) Hayes, daughter of Samuel W. Hayes. They lived briefly in Minnesota, then operated a merchandise business in Fremont, Nebraska, and in 1870 they made their final move to Norfolk, Nebraska. John McClary was receiver of the U. S. Land Office from 1875-1881 in Norfolk, and issued Homestead papers to settlers in the Nebraska Territory, extending to Niobrara, O'Neill and Dakota City. His residence was a fine large home at 1204 Norfolk Avenue, which is the present location of the Odd Fellow Manor. He was active in the



civic and business development of Norfolk and was a charter member of the Prospect Hill Cemetery Association. Based on his railroad experience he was instrumental in building the Union Pacific Railroad grade between Norfolk and Madison.



By mid 1880s the 2 story brick building at 300 Norfolk Avenue, was built and operated by John and his father-in-law, Samuel W. Hayes. This is the northwest corner at Third Street where the first Beels Hotel had operated 1876-1882. With the McCLARY name boldly at its peak it was a popular trading spot right from the beginning-- there was no mistaking it for supplies of groceries, general merchandise, and coal delivered anywhere in the city. The upstairs provided some living quarters and work space for Miss S. L. Weaver a, dressmaker. Law offices of Brome, White and Mapes located upstairs, and Norfolk's first telephone company, the Nebraska Telephone Company had its office on the second floor.

In later years McClary's had various occupants, and in the 1950s became the Third Street Bar, developing its own unique identity over several decades. It was the popular hangout for seniors who gathered

most every day around a table at the large front window, with card games the main event. The open doors of the Third Street Bar on a hot summer day gave out such a whiff that a person walking slowly past could almost become intoxicated...best to hurry on by. Of course, thirst had to be quenched, perhaps often during a heated card game. Not too surprising, excess thirst quenching brought about the loss of one senior's driver license! Heaven forbid. Uncle Herman was not to be put out to pasture over such a minor detail, and lose out on his card games. Well, he did go to the pasture, turned the key in his old faithful Case tractor, and calmly drove it to town, parking it on Third Street alongside the open doors so as to keep an eye on it, and continued to enjoy his card games. Compassion prevailed, no more complaints were filed, and so a certain asphalt road was preserved from iron cleats. But the day for such pleasures was coming to an end, and the Third Street Bar closed in 1981.

Today the McClary building still stands, its bold name and memories intact, but now the sober pleasures found therein are composed of music and dance. The Paulyns Dance Studio enjoys a large following of young dancers, energetic and enthusiastic to show their talents in orchestrated and costumed dance recitals, well attended by parents and friends.

John S. McClary, died on June 10, 1920 at his home 1204 Norfolk Avenue. Aletha, died in 1922. There were survived by two sons and a daughter and are buried in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND QUERIES

The Chapman Family Assn. is holding its annual meeting this June in Overland Park, Kansas, a suburb of Kansas City. We hope that you will spread the word among your members. We always have a lot of fun and learn some good stuff about the Chapmans and genealogy in general. Thanks for your consideration.

The 16th Annual Chapman Family Association Convention

June 17-18, 2016 OVERLAND PARK MARRIOTT

The CFA website is <http://www.chapmanfamilies.org>

BOLOFSKI MURDER QUERY from Steve Moores: stvistoy@fidalgo.net email address

Where is Julius Bolofski buried? The family was renting a farm south of Meadow Grove at the time of the shooting. Some of the rest of the family are buried in Rosehill Cemetery in Emerick Township, Section 28, but not Julius. Can anyone help?

Julius Bolofski Shot

Cornelius Smith, His Son-in-Law, Does the Shooting: Result of a Family Quarrel

Victim of the shooting came home intoxicated and started in to raise a rough house as was his wont, and was shot in self defense.

From Wednesday's Daily

Julius Bolofski, a farmer about 50 years of age was fatally shot yesterday morning during a family quarrel by his son-in-law, Cornelius Smith at his home south of Meadow Grove.

Bolofski and family and Smith and family live together in the house belonging to the old man. The Bolofski's lived in the east part of the building while the Smith's occupied the west part. The old man and the two young men each farmed a portion of the land. The old man had threshed his portion of the crop sometime ago and on Monday went to help a neighbor thresh. While absent he secured some liquor and when he arrived home at 3 o'clock yesterday morning he was in a bad humor and went in to make trouble, but nothing serious happened until it came time to do the morning chores.

Smith was to thresh his grain yesterday and Bolofski's son went to the barn to get the teams ready. His father appeared with a pitch fork and drove him out. As he was running away the young man fell over a barb wire fence injuring his leg quite severely. Mrs. Bolofski also went to the barn but was driven away by her infuriated husband.

The attention of the crazed man was next directed to the house which he entered, and drove out the threshers who were eating breakfast. He then started into the rooms occupied by Smith in which were Mrs. Smith and her eight-weeks old baby. The old man threatened to kill all of them and Mrs. Smith called to her husband and told him to shoot the old man.

Smith secured a 22 caliber revolver and fired at Bolofski three times, all the shots taking effect. The first entered the old man's head at about the center of the forehead: the second entered at the temple and the third took effect in his throat. The victim of the shooting didn't fall until the third shot had been fired.

Any one of the shots would ordinarily mean almost instant death, but up to the last reports heard Bolofski was still alive, although his death was believed to be but a short time and is probably dead by this time.

Young Smith went to Meadow Grove where he gave himself up to the officers and is now in charge of Sheriff Losey at Madison. Public sentiment is almost unanimously in sympathy with young Smith. Bolofski has the reputation of possessing a terrible temper, especially when drunk, and there have been numerous rows before.

He was in the county jail about a year ago, charged with beating his wife and abusing his family, and at another time Mrs. Bolofski was protected against him by being kept in jail by Sheriff Losey. He was an ugly customer according to all accounts and there will be few to mourn his loss. *August 23, 1900 Norfolk Weekly-News Journal*

At the preliminary hearing before County Judge Bates at Madison yesterday afternoon, Cornelius Smith was declared justifiable in the shooting of his father-in-law Julius Bolofski near Meadow Grove a week ago, and he is now a free man. Many witnesses were examined proving the evil disposition of the dead man and there is no objection to the results of the trial by anyone. That Bolofski was an ugly customer when full is beyond question.

August 30, 1900, Norfolk Weekly-News Journal

MADISON COUNTY, NEBRASKA MARRIAGE RECORDS Book One #1 - 1868 to 1888

Page (Note: spellings are as in the original records not as we know and use them today

109. David Hurd, age 21; born Michigan; res. __. Father: Byron Hurd. Mother: Sarah Dix.
Mary Warner, age 14; born Illinois; res. __. Father: Thomas Warner. Mother: ___ Hoyt.
Lisc.issued: 29 Sep. 1874. Married: 3 Oct. 1874.

110. Allen Bartow, age 51; born Canada; res. Father: __ Mother:
Sarah M. Champion, age 35; born Canada; res.
Father: Mother: Lisc. issued: 12 April 1874. Married: 16 April 1874.

111. William Guite, age 36; born Derbyshire, England; res. __ Father: Peter Guite. Mother:
Hester Bousell. Mattie J. Darling, age 35; born Ohio; res. ___ Father: John Darling. Mother:
Amanda Bozorth. Lisc. issued: 16 July 1874. Married: 16 July 1874.

112. Frank Halskin, age 19; born Iowa; res, Madison County, Nebraska. Father: John Holskin.
Mother: C. James. Daisy Carpenter, age 17; born Michigan; res. .Father: Charles Carpenter.
Mother: Degolia. Lisc. issued: 31 August 1874, Married: 31 August 1874,

113. William Schlender, ae 52; born Germany; res. . Father: Charles Schlender, Mother: _
Gruner. Frederike Wolff, ae 51; born Germany; res. . Father: John Wolff. Mother: Suffie Lisk.
Lisc. issued: 24 June 1875. Married: 24 June 1875.

114. S. P. Tyrrel, age 29; born Davisbrough, Massachusetts. res. Father: F. Y. Tyrrel.
Mother: A. Maria Parks. Lew R. Stevenson, age 20; born Murphysville, New York; res.
Father: Robert Stevenson. Mother: Mary A. Howe. Lisc. issued: 30 April 1874. Married:

115. B. Churchill of Platte County, Nebraska; age 27; born Ohio. Father: S. Churchill, Mother:
Mary A. Losdick. Esther Diets, age 18; born Ohio; res. . Father: Fred Diets. Mother:
Married: 14 June 1874.

116. Edgar D. Leach of Platte County, Nebraska, age 23; born New York. Father: L. B. Leach:
Mother: Ann P. Dickenson, Ina A. Scott, age 20; born Wisconsin; res. . Father: M. C. Scott.
Mother: L. A. Slatterly. Married: 14 Oct. 1874.

117. Charles Warner, age 28; born ; res. Father: Thomas Warner. Mother: Rectina
Hoyt. Lydia Hoyt, age 28; born ; res, Father: James Creamer. Mother: Lidiason. Married:
10 Oct. 1874

118. Albert Zessen, age 25; born Germany; res. Father: Ferdinand Zessen. Mother: _____
Henry. Augusta Bitner, age 26; born Germany; res. Father: Gottlieb Bittner. Mother: Vert.
Married: 9 Oct. 1874.

119. Timothy Scannel of Antelope County, Nebraska, age 30; born Ireland. Father: John Scan-
nel, Mother: Kate Murphy. Julia Ellen Corkle, age 17; born Illinois; res. . Father: Anthony
Corkle. Mother: Ellen Lynch. Married: 20 Sep. 1874.

120. Ludwig Rudolph Wagner of Stanton County, Nebraska; age 22; born Lebanon, Wisc.
Father: Ludwig Wagner. Mother: Minnie Moldenhauer. Wilhilmina A. Huebner of Pierce County,
Nebraska; age 20; born Wisconsin. Father: Christian Huebner. Mother: Luisa Lengheman.
Married: 10 Dec. 1874.

121. George A. Whitcher, age 29; born Indiana; res. . Father: William Whitcher. Mother: Elizabeth McClury. Betsy W. Jackson, age 22; born Wisconsin; res. . Father: John Jackson. Mother: M. Bakor. Married: 20 Nov. 1874.
122. Fred Scheriger, age 24; born Germany; res. . Father: Geor. Scheriger. Mother: Carline Gross. Caroline Schott, age 20; born Germany; res. , Father: Reinhold Schott. Mother: Katharina Brehow, Married: 20 Oct. 1874
123. Lewis Sessions, age 24; born Connecticut; res. Madison County, Nebraska. Father: Louis Sessions: Mother: E. M. Partridge. Gertrude Rollins, age 21; born Massachusetts; res. . Father: Daniel Rollins. Mother: Augusta Berry. Married: 3 Nov. 1874.
124. George W. Wilkinson of Dakota County, Nebraska; born Parke County, Indiana. Father: Joseph Wilkenson. Mother: Eliza Harlan. Hattie G. Mathewson; born Pomfret, Connecticut. Father: Charles Mathewson. Mother: Mary G. Grosnavor. Married: 15 Oct. 1874
125. James Barnes, age 19; born New York. Father: E. J. Barnes. Mother: Susan Furman. Mary Hughes; age 18; born Iowa. Father: J. M. Hughes. Mother: _____ Hutton. Married: 18 Oct. 1874.
126. E. F. Elly, age 24; born Denmark. Father: P. Elly. Mother: Eliza Marci. C. B. Craig, age 17; born Ohio. Father: John C. Trine, Mother: H. J. Wright. Married: 3 Nov. 1874.
127. Daniel Drapp, age 30; born Germany. Father: Nicholas Drapp. Mother: Engbot. Kate Langgruger, age 25; born Germany. Father: Adam Langgruger. Mother: Married: 22 Oct. 1874.
128. Smith Benson, age 49; born New York. Father: Smith Benson, M'other: Sarah Beakely, M. E. Carns, age 34; born Iowa, (her parents not given). Married: 3 Sept. 1874
129. L. W. Sieffert, age 19; born Madison, Wisconsin. Father: William Sieffert. Mother: Maggie Meisinger. Emily Neker, age 19; born Wisconsin. Father: Carl Neker. Mother: Lena Kinal. Married: 17 June 1875.
130. Wilber Lewis, age 19, born Illinois. Father: Leonard L. Lewis. Mother: L. Rounds. Martha Williams, age 16; born Iowa. Father: Jessie Williams. Mother: Marella Greg. Married: 26 June 1875
131. Adam Pilger, age 22; born Wisconsin. Father: J. P. Pilger. Mother: Elizabeth Young. Ernestine Buettow, age 21; born Germany. Father: John Buettow. Mother: Wilhelmina Lipke. Married: 20 June 1875.
132. Lyman W. Lyons, age 26; born Wisconsin. Father: Joseph Lyons. Mother: Olive Chamberlain. Mary Stork, age 20; born Illinois. Father: Stephen Stork, Mother: Ann England. Married: 11 April 1875,
133. J. N. Besst, age 26; born Indiana. Father: Isaac Besst. Mother: _____ Ricker. Viola Walker, age 19; born Iowa. Father: John Walker. Mother: . Married: 6 Sept. 1874.

This concludes the marriages we have transcribed. If anyone wants to transcribe more we will print them.

2015—2016 Officers

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www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nemcgs/

Our future meetings

March 19

April 16 tour to Neligh

May 21

Join us and bring a friend

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

Queries, Society contact, Change of address, or Newsletter submissions can reach us by mail at our mailing address P. O. Box 1031, Norfolk, NE 68702-1031, or by email at mcgs@telebeep.com. We are here to help you in your research .for your ancestors in Madison county.

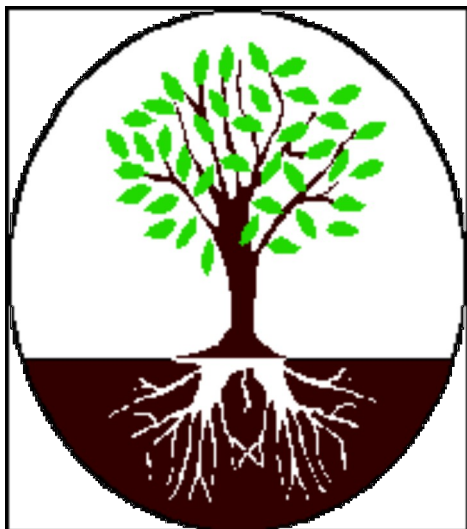
Greetings from the Madison County Genealogical Society

The Madison County Genealogical Society met January 16th, 2016 for a post Christmas lunch at the Granary. The table centered on good food, and lengthy discussion and suggestions for future programs and activities of the Society. May and June have a number of graduations and weddings for members, so it has been set to visit the Neligh Museum on April 16th, 2016 at 10 A.M. Members will be notified in advance of details and the time to carpool at the Museum. The Neligh tour will also include a visit to the Pierson Wild Life Exhibit if time permits.

A walk through the old Lutheran Cemeteries east of Norfolk in Stanton County is being considered for later in the summer, also a Saturday meeting at the Madison County Museum in Madison was suggested. Details will be provided when finalized as to dates and time.

Our February 20th meeting was brief but covered ongoing research on Dr. Verges, and Fischer and Klug pioneer families, with data from our Madison County Atlas and master cemetery lists. We adjourned early so members could leave at 11 o'clock for the annual Lions Day pancake feed, which this year was held at the Pohlman Ag Complex on east Benjamin Avenue, since the city auditorium is no longer available. It was the usual success with people lined up waiting for the early breakfast, and native Americans entertained with music and dances. Members were reminded that our March 19th meeting will be the usual 10 A. M., in the Lueschen Bird Library as the 150th sesquicentennial committees will be using the regular library at the Museum. The value of federal and state census in research will be discussed.

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Your membership renewal date is on the address label.

Upcoming Events:

Jan. 16-June 18—Free beginning genealogy
classes at the Mormon Trails Center, Omaha.
genclass@aol.com

Friday, April 29, 2016 —Saturday, April 30,
2016 Nebraska State Gen. Soc. Annual Con-
ference, Ramada Inn, Kearney, Nebraska Top-
ics include: Court records, West from Missouri
(migration), and Our National Treasure (The Li-
brary of Congress), the Civil War (military re-
cords), Genealogical Applications of Historical GIS
(mapping resources) and Land Entry Papers and
Records of the GLO (land records). [http://
nsgs.org/eventListings.php?nm=19](http://nsgs.org/eventListings.php?nm=19)

June 29 to July 4—Norfolk's 150th Celebra-
tion www.norfolkne150.com

July 15-17 St. Paul's Lutheran Church
150th Celebration <http://www.stpls.com/>

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**GO AHEAD AND SMILE: His elderly aunts' used to come up to him at wed-
dings and prod him in the ribs and say "You're Next". They stopped doing
that after he started doing the same thing to them at funerals.**