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NEWS RELEASE

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The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) will hold a national conference in the upper Midwest joining the Blackhawk Genealogical Society of Rock Island and Mercer Counties, Ill., and the Scott County, Iowa Genealogical Society to present "A Conference for the Nation's Genealogists" Sept 12-15 2001.

The national conference will be held in The RiverCenter in Davenport and will celebrate the 25th birthday of the founding of FGS. Other national FGS conferences have been held in, to name a few, Salt Lake City, Seattle, Richmond, St. Louis, and Cincinnati. Anyone with an interest in family history will enjoy the conference with four days of presentations geared to all levels of genealogical research experience. Banquet, luncheon and keynote speakers will provide entertainment with a genealogical twist. FGS conferences offer a friendly place to meet other genealogists, learn research techniques and swap research stories and suggestions.

More than 150 lecture topics include tips for British and Irish, Eastern European, German and Scandinavian research; "Back to Basics" lectures and specialized topics such as immigration naturalization. Afro-American, and using the Internet. There will also be management sessions for genealogical societies. Participants will have the opportunity to browse and shop in aisle after aisle of genealogical software, books, and services,

Anyone wishing to discover or expand their family tree will want to attend. To receive a brochure with full details about this event, email: fgs-office@FGS.org, browse the FGS Web site at: <http://www.fgs.org>; phone: 1-888-FGS-1500; fax: 1-888-380-0500; or write: Federation of Genealogical Societies, P.O. Box 200940, Austin, Texas 78720-0940.

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Researching the following surnames: GREEN HUSTON/HOUSTON STREETS GOULD
Bonnie Pillers 1153 N 11th St Clinton IA 52732-3415

Clay Cemetery names preserved in stone

by Shirley Jones

Four active board members, Ronnie Reid, Daryl Wherry, Neal Paulsen, and Dale Bickford, are diligently working to make improvements at Clay Cemetery on Temple Hill Road northeast of Onslow. Their latest project is to preserve in stone the family names of those laid to rest in the clay hill since 1856 when it was established.

A gigantic hard granite rock has been donated to the cemetery board by Tommy Doll. The board members had searched for three or four years to locate a suitable rock in Clay Township. The granite was taken to Stone City Stone, where it was cut in half and polished. One half is engraved with Clay Cemetery, and a very appropriate saying found by Reid, "The earth does not belong to man; man belongs to the earth." The other half will be inscribed with the more than 80 surnames of those buried in the half acre cemetery.

Three foot deep footings of cement were poured to keep the stone halves stable. The project was a cooperative effort. Neal dug the holes and formed them for the footings. Dale and Ronnie prepared the cement and filled the holes.

Quite a number of people have already donated to the project after observing what is being done. It is hoped that enough can be raised to cover the costs of the inscribing. The township contributes some money toward mowing the public cemetery, but any other work that is done is supported by donations.

The men are proud of the young trees they planted a few years ago, after losing most of the original trees as they aged.

A headstone marking the first burial site in the cemetery, that of Lyman Hall (1790-1855) and Susanna Clemens Hall in 1855, had deteriorated, so the four replaced it with a new one. The Halls were some of the first settlers in the territory. Family members are all buried in the cemetery with names such as Eckler, Green, Walters, and Orr.

A lot of work was done by Ronnie's dad and Daryl's dad back when the hill was overgrown with trees and brush in the back. They were also instrumental in installing the new fence that encloses the cemetery.

"They put in a lot of work, so we figure we should keep it up," Daryl said.

One grave had only a wooden cross to mark it. When it rotted out, it was replaced

with a second wooden cross. Neal brought a rock over to mark it. They are sure the gravesite is that of a veteran, but through the Veterans Administration it is a challenge to find the name of their unknown soldier. The Civil War information on microfilm at Hopkinton is providing a valuable source in their search for the missing pieces of history.

Another project in the works is to straighten the markers that are leaning.

When the cemetery was originally formed, each family took care of their own lot. As time progressed, many of the families moved away and there was no money available for perpetual care.

At one time Clay Cemetery was not well maintained. "If somebody doesn't take a hold of this when we are gone, the same thing can happen again," Wherry added. Caretakers Gale Williams and Johnny Carstensen currently do the mowing and trimming.

The trustees are responsible for raising money for maintenance, and the funds are levied to the board.

There are two and a half cemeteries in Clay township, Canton, Clay, and half of South Mineral. The township line goes through South Mineral Cemetery, with half in Wyoming Township and half in Clay Township.

Trustees Myron Walters, John Jenkins and

James L. Hall formed Clay Cemetery with the filing date of Jan. 21, 1856. The burial ground was established on property formerly owned by John and Sarah French. In 1914 it was reformed with witnesses being T. L. Green, William Fletcher, J.D. Neelans, J.A. Hamilton, R.A. Scroggie, R.W. Chatterton, J.A. Hanna, J.W. Orr, B.W. Streeper, A.C. Alexander and Jonn Dennison.



Class of 1898

Graduating Exercises

OF THE

Anamosa Public Schools

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Class Day Program.

GREETING, CLASS POEM, CLASS HISTORY,	MUSIC.	Garfield Madden Margaret Hartman Lynn W. Ellis
CLASS PROPHECY, ADDRESS TO UNDER GRADUATES, RESPONSE, FAREWELL ADDRESS,	MUSIC.	Bessie Curtwright Jewett Niles Jesse Yount Earle A. Tarbox

Commencement Program

Thursday, June 2, 8 o'clock.

AMERICAN PATRIOTISM, OLD AND NEW, THE REVERY OF A SPHINX, GRADUATION, JOHN BROWN, COMMON THINGS, NATURE'S WORKMEN,	MUSIC.	Lynn W. Ellis Harlo A. Byerly Pearl Bevans Perry Beam Fred I. Byerly Bessie Curtwright
FASHION, FOR THE GODS TO LOOK AT, AN ANALOGY, THE TWO SUNSETS, WHEELS OF THE CENTURY,	MUSIC.	Josephine Foley Eleanor Hartman Clark Joslin Gertrude Kelsall Margaret Hartman

Friday Evening, June 3.

THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED STATES, THE UNEMPLOYED, INDUSTRIAL PROGRESS OF OUR NATION, THE SHADOW OF A GREAT NAME, RESOLVED, THAT THE MOON IS MADE OF GREEN CHEESE, THE SLAVERY OF MAN,	MUSIC.	Garfield Madden Roy D. Morey Jewett B. Niles Mary Louise Rigby Mae Ross Roy L. Stewart
THE DESTRUCTION OF THE MAINE, THE DECLINE OF A GREAT NATION, CLASS SONG PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS, BENEDICTION.	MUSIC.	Earle A. Tarbox Alfred G. Remley, <i>Valedictorian</i> E. R. Moore, Pres. of Board

Thursday and Friday Evenings,
June 2 and June 3

Announcements.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON,	Sunday Morning, May 29th REV. GLANVILLE.
CLASS DAY,	Thursday Afternoon, at 1.30 o'clock High School Building.
COMMENCEMENT,	Thursday and Friday Evenings, June 2d and 3d. Grand Opera House.
ALUMNI REUNION,	Saturday Evening, June 4 High School Building.

Graduates.

Perry Beam, Pearl Bevans Harlo R. Byerly Fred I. Byerly Bessie Curtwright Lynn W. Ellis Josephine Foley Eleanor Hartman Margaret Hartman	Clark Joslin Gertrude Kelsall Garfield Madden Roy D. Morey Jewett B. Niles Alfred G. Remley Mary Louise Rigby Mae Ross Roy L. Stewart
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Earle A. Tarbox

Class Officers.

Garfield Madden, *President*,
Earle A. Tarbox, *1st Vice-Pres*,
Mary Louise Rigby, *2d Vice-Pres*,
Bessie Curtwright, *Secretary*,
Lynn W. Ellis, *Treasurer*.

Class Colors, Green and White.
Class Flower, Pansy.
Class Motto, Potens et Volens.

Husband: Barnard

in: Maryland

CHILDREN

1	Name: Mary A. Barnard Born: March 7, 1821 Married: April 22, 1847 Died: June 2, 1902 Spouse: Jacob B. Hoss	in: Lancaster, Penn. in: Marietta, Lancaster, Penn. in: Anamosa, Jones, Iowa
2	Name: Elizabeth Kirkwood Barnard Born: October 14, 1826 Married: 1852 Spouse: Jacob H. Gerber	in: Lancaster, PA in: Penn.

1902

OBITUARY.

Mary Barnard was born in Lancaster county, Pa., March 7, 1821, and was married to Jacob B. Hoss April 22, 1847. She departed this life June 2, 1902, in her 82d year. In April, 1856, she removed west with her husband and located first in Anamosa, which was the home for twelve years. Sterling, Ill., then became their home until three years ago, when they returned to Anamosa and took up residence with their daughter, Mrs. James Johnston, who has continued to care for them.

Soon after her marriage Mrs. Hoss became a member of the Methodist church, and usually attended the services. In later years, however, she became a great sufferer from rheumatism and was much confined to her home. Her sufferings continued almost to the last, but her solace was in the constant and faithful care bestowed by husband and daughter.

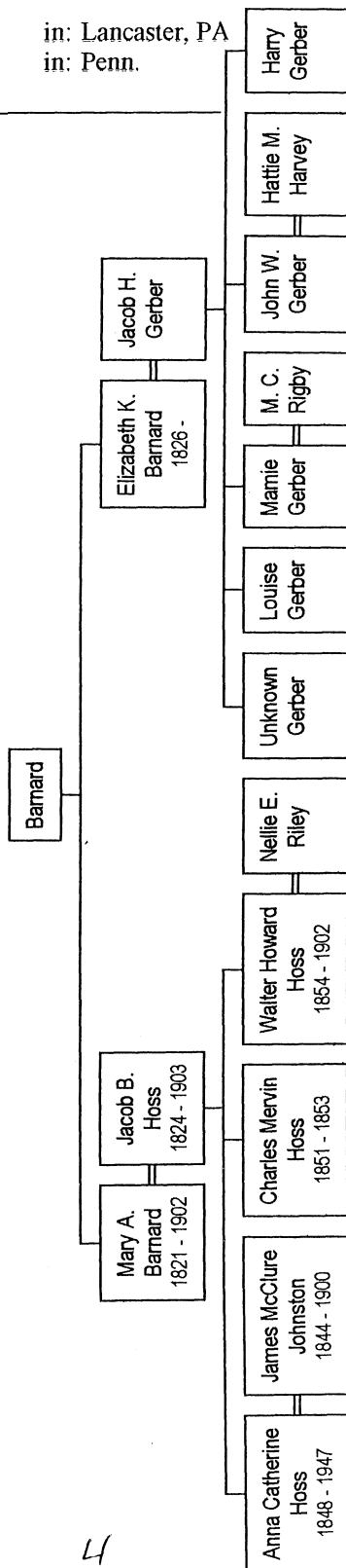
Mrs. Hoss is survived by her husband and daughter, having buried her two sons. For upwards of 55 years husband and wife have journeyed life's pathway together and, except for a few days' visit occasionally with their children, have never been separated. No wonder the aged husband feels keenly his loss.

The funeral services were held Wednesday of last week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Johnston, on south Garnavillo street, and the interment was at Riverside cemetery.

The pall-bearers were A. Heitchen, E. M. Harvey, F. M. Belknap, E. H. Stacy, W. W. Walbridge and Wm. Port.

The choir consisted of Alex. Wilds, James Abel, Laura Barrett and Mrs. Ramsey, with Mrs. Cruise at the organ.

DESCENDANTS OF BARNARD



DEATH WAS SUDDEN.

Mrs. Jacob Gerber Expires in Her Daughter's Arms.

Cedar Rapids Evening Gazette.

Beautiful as had been her life was the death of Mrs. Jacob Gerber yesterday. She had never caused a feeling of sorrow in any human breast, she had never given a wound to the tender hearts that held her life enshrined and her dissolution was without pain, as beautiful as the sunset of a spring time day. The family is overwhelmed with sorrow at her loss, but in their grief they know that all is well. The wife and mother died c. she had wished—surrounded by her loved ones and without pain or previous warning.

Mrs. Gerber has not been well for several months. One of her chief sources of sorrow, for she had none great, was that she was unable to attend her church—Grace Episcopal—during the winter. But on Easter Sunday she was able to go and she had shown her pleasure for the blessing by her conversation all the week.

Yesterday morning she arose in the best of spirits and in seemingly more than her accustomed health. Her daughter, Miss Louise, was assisting her at her toilet when she said she would rest awhile and lay back in her daughter's arms. Death came in sleep. The countenance showed no pain but a smile of happiness and contentment made her face as bright as that of the angels. Never was a life brought to a close by a more beautiful death. Mrs. Gerber had always been a quiet home woman, had lived for her religion and her family, and on the quiet Sabbath after Easter, just past the hour of noon, she passed away.

Elizabeth Kirkwood Barnard was born in Pennsylvania Oct. 14, 1826. She was married to Jacob Gerber in 1852 and removed to Iowa with her husband in 1856. They made their home in Anamosa until 1875 and since that time had lived at her present home on First avenue. Her husband, Jacob H. Gerber, survives, and with her children, Miss Louise and Mrs. Stebbins, was by her side at the last. Another daughter, Mrs. M. C. Rigby of Anamosa, with her husband arrived this morning. The sons, John and Harry, were telegraphed and are expected to arrive Wednesday.

The funeral will be conducted Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. at the home by Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Green, and the remains will be taken to Anamosa for burial.

Prepared By:
Linda Nell Johnston
2201 Marshall Dr.
Edmond, Oklahoma

Husband: Jacob B. Hoss

Born: March 30, 1824 in: Chester, Penn.
 Married: April 22, 1847 in: Marietta, Lancaster, Penn.
 Died: December 31, 1903 in: Anamosa, Jones, Iowa
 Father: Hoss

Wife: Mary A. Barnard

Born: March 7, 1821 in: Lancaster, Penn.
 Died: June 2, 1902 in: Anamosa, Jones, Iowa
 Father: Barnard

CHILDREN	
1 F	Name: Anna Catherine Hoss Born: February 10, 1848 in: Paradise, Lancaster, PA Married: February 21, 1867 in: Anamosa, Jones, IA Died: March 5, 1947 in: Anamosa, Jones, IA Spouse: James McClure Johnston
2 M	Name: Charles Mervin Hoss Born: September 22, 1851 in: Paradise, Lancaster, PA Died: July 18, 1853 in: Paradise, Lancaster, PA
3 M	Name: Walter Howard Hoss Born: September 7, 1854 in: Paradise, Lancaster, PA Married: December 21, 1876 in: Sterling, IL Died: Bef. 1902 in: Chicago, IL Spouse: Nellie E. Riley

April 1897

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hoss celebrated their golden wedding today at their home on west Fourth street, by entertaining a number of friends at dinner. It was a happy occasion and Uncle Jake and his bride were showered with congratulations. Prof. H. B. Hursh made an appropriate congratulatory speech, and all joined in singing "Auld Lang Syne." Dinner was then announced, it being two o'clock. Mrs. Gray of Morrison presided over this function, which was elaborate and sumptuous. She was assisted by Mrs. Vogt and Miss Bridget Riley. The party around the table was a merry one and none were merrier than the bride and groom of fifty years ago.

Those present were: Messrs. and Mesdames August Frank, Fred Buell, G. M. Robinson, Dr. Pennington, Prof. Hursh, N. Gaulrapp, Jr., H. F. Kent, John C. Meister, E. B. Roher.

Mesdames Johnson of Anamosa, Iowa, Rigby and Susan Gebhart.

Messrs. Alexander McCloy, Ben Royer, Howard Hoss of Anamosa.

Mr. Hoss was born in Chester county, Pa., in 1824, and his wife is a native of the lower end of Lancaster county, being born there in 1821. They were married in Lancaster, Pa., April 22, 1847, by Rev. McNair of the Presbyterian church. From there they went to the home of the bride's parents at Marietta, and later emigrated to the west in 1856 and settled at Anamosa. In 1868 they came to Sterling, where they have been respected citizens ever since. Mr. Hoss is a tinner by trade, having served an apprenticeship in Pennsylvania. They are as genial, happy, fortunate and good a couple of young old folks as bless any community.

They have seen this western country grow up and their children grow up with it, and feel complacently happy over the consummation of an event that few people live to enjoy. Everybody wishes them many anniversaries to follow their golden wedding.

Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Hoss, two of whom are living: Mrs. Anna Johnson of Anamosa, who is here, and Howard Hoss of Chicago, who was unable to be present today, Howard Hoss of Anamosa, their grandson, is here on his way to Brooklyn, N. Y., to take a position as an electrician. He will also visit their granddaughter, Mrs. Eva Ryerson, at Goshen, N. Y.

1902

MRS. JACOB B. HOSS DEAD

End Came at Anamosa, Iowa, June 2--
Resides Here for Many Years.

Mrs. Jacob B. Hoss died on Tuesday, June 2 at the home of her daughter Mrs. James Johnson, at Anamosa, Ia., and was buried at that city on Wednesday. She was in the eighty-second year of her age at the time of her death and for many years had been badly afflicted with rheumatism, with which she suffered intensely almost up to the time of her death.

Mary Barnard was born in Lancaster county, Pa., March 7, 1821, and on April 22, 1847, was married to Jacob B. Hoss, who with their daughter, survives. Two sons have preceded their mother to the grave.

In 1856 Mr. and Mrs. Hoss moved from their eastern home to Anamosa, Ia., where they lived for twelve years. They then came to Sterling and made their home here up to three years ago, when the weight of years bore heavily upon the aged couple and they removed their home to that of their daughter at Anamosa.

For upwards of fifty-five years Mr. and Mrs. Hoss traveled the journey of life in company and they aged husband is deeply stricken in the death of his wife.

During their long residence in Sterling Mr. and Mrs. Hoss gained many staunch friends who will extend to the aged husband and bereaved daughter, most hearty sympathy in their loss.

DEATH OF JACOB HOSS. 1903

Jacob B. Hoss was born March 30, 1824, in Chester county, Pa., and was married to Mary Barnard April 22, 1847. Mrs. Hoss predeceased her husband June 2, 1902. In 1856 Mr. Hoss removed with his family to Anamosa, Iowa, remaining until 1868, when he made his home at Sterling, Ill. In 1898 Mr. Hoss returned to Anamosa and has since resided with his daughter, Mrs. James Johnston, who alone of his three children survive him.

Prior to removing to Sterling Mr. Hoss had become a member of the M. E. church in this city and always claimed affiliation therewith, but since returning owing to family circumstances, he has worshipped at St. Mark's church, where for three years at least he has been an almost constant attendant.

On Christmas eve he was present at the children's exercises at St. Mark's and expressed his delight therein, appearing in his usual happy spirit. The following afternoon he complained of sickness and the physician being called it was ascertained he was a victim of pneumonia. The issue was not in doubt. He passed to his rest at 8:30 A. M., December 31, 1903, the funeral exercises being conducted by the Rev. Felix H. Pickworth at the house.

The choir was composed of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Cook, Mr. T. E. Booth and Mrs. Keedick with Miss Myrtle Balch at the organ. The pall-bearers were Elisha Stacy, D. M. Hakes, E. J. Wood, E. C. Holt, J. P. Scroggs and E. M. Harvey.

Husband: Jacob H. Gerber

Married: 1852

in: Penn.

Wife: Elizabeth Kirkwood Barnard

Born: October 14, 1826

in: Lancaster, PA

Father: Barnard

CHILDREN

1 F	Name: Unknown Gerber	
2 F	Name: Louise Gerber	in: Florida
3 F	Name: Mamie Gerber Spouse: M. C. Rigby	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA
4 M	Name: John W. Gerber Marricd: November 17 Spouse: Hattie M. Harvey	
5 M	Name: Harry Gerber	

MARRIED.

Wednesday evening, Nov. 17, at the residence of Mr. E. M. Harvey, by Rev. J. I. Corbrn, Mr. John W. Gerber, of Cedar Rapids, and Miss Hattie M. Harvey, of this city.

This event was quite unexpected and accounts for the flying visit of Mr. Chas. Harvey, brother of the bride. Mr. Gerber was an Anamosa boy years ago and has been engaged for some time with Benedict & Co., fruit commission merchants, Cedar Rapids. He is a young man of fine reputation and first class business qualifications, and will no doubt prove a generous provider and a kind husband. The bride is a lady of most estimable worth in every essential meaning of that word. Her inherent gentleness, modesty and intelligence have always drawn many friends around her, and they will heartily join with us in extending unqualified well wishes for the future of both herself and the fortunate young man who won her for his helpmeet.

The wedding was a very quiet one and attended only by the relatives. After partaking of a bountiful repast, the happy couple were taken over to Martelle where they boarded the evening train for their new home in Cedar Rapids. Blessings be upon them.

GERBER-HARVEY.

GERBER-HARVEY.

One of the most genuine surprises for many a day was the wedding of John Gerber, who is with L. Benedict, next door to the GAZETTE office. Last evening without "sayin' a word" he took the 4:45 train for Anamosa, on a mission which was a very happy one, indeed. Accompanying him were his mother and sisters, Misses Mamie and Lou, and Mesdames Frank Ohler and E. R. Shaw. They were met at the depot by friends and proceeded to the home of E. M. Harvey, the contractor, where John promised, according to the rites of the Episcopal ritual, to cherish and protect the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey, Miss Hattie, for life. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. I. Corban, rector at that place temporarily. The brother of the bride, Mr. Chas. Harvey, assisted as best man, and Miss Mamie Gerber, sister of the groom, made a most charming bridesmaid. The ceremony was witnessed only by the intimate friends and relatives, but was one of the most pleasant occurring in that burg for years.

Little need be said of John Gerber in this connection, for he is a stranger to no one, a pleasant acquaintance to everybody. He is punctual in business, practical, genial, whole-souled, and an untiring worker, and has just the temperament which would make any woman happy.

The bride is one of the most admired of the ladies in Anamosa, is a most excellent young lady, and we heartily congratulate both.

The party were served a most delicate and bountiful supper after the ceremony, and then were driven to Martelle, where they took the train, arriving here at 10:30. John is all business and is at his post today, smiling and handing out the cigars. If any one else can beat that record of leaving here at 4:45, getting a wife, a fine supper, heaps of congratulations, a ride to Martelle, and arrive home at 10 o'clock, we would like to see him. Mr. and Mrs. Gerber will live at 405 First avenue.

DEATH OF LOUISE GERBER.

A telegram received last week announced the death of Miss Louise Gerber in Florida, where she went a short time ago to look after her business interests. Miss Gerber has been assistant cashier in the National bank for many years. A sister, Mrs. M. C. Rigby, of Anamosa, with whom she made her home, died a few years ago. She has living two brothers, John of Washington, Harry of Florida, and a sister, Mrs. Nicodemus of Fremont, Neb. A nephew, John Rigby, resides in Knoxville Tenn., and a niece, Mrs. H. Kratochvil lives in Anamosa. Miss Gerber was a member of the Episcopal church and also belonged to the Order of the Eastern Star.

The body arrived from Florida, Tuesday evening and the funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 2 P. M.

The funeral was held from the E. A. Osborne residence, Father Campbell, Episcopal minister from Cedar Rapids officiating. Mrs. Lawrence Miller rendered appropriate hymns, Mrs. F. W. Henke, accompanist. Burial was in Riverside. The relatives present included her sister, Mrs. Nicodemus of Fremont, Neb., Mr. Nicodemus; Harry, brother, from Florida, and brother John from Washington, D. C.

Dates of articles are unknown.

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Husband: James McClure Johnston

Born: December 1844 in: Wellsburg, Brooke, VA (W.VA)
 Married: February 21, 1867 in: Anamosa, Jones, IA
 Died: September 2, 1900 in: Anamosa, Jones, IA
 Father: Johnston
 Mother: Sarah

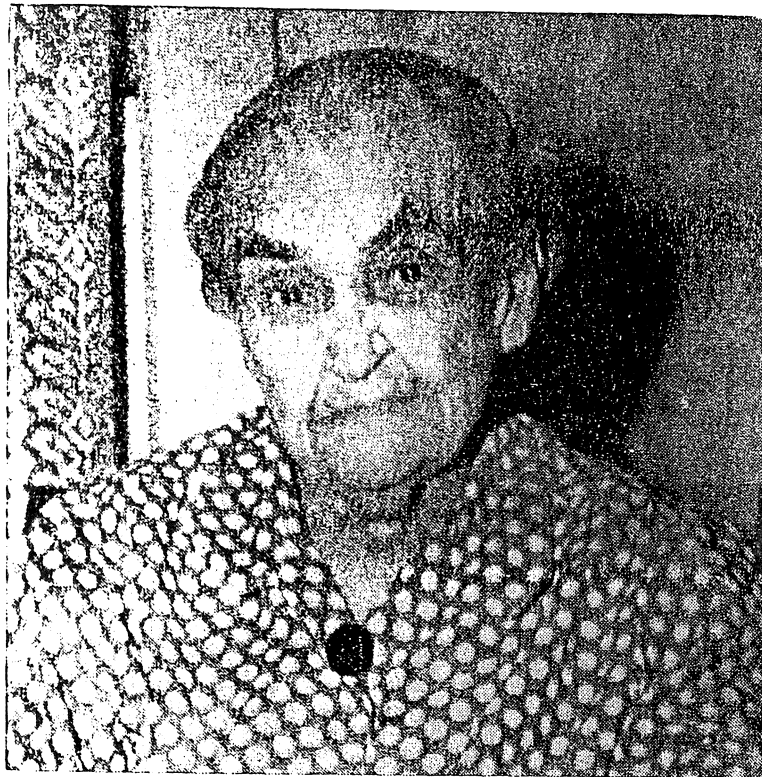
Wife: Anna Catherine Hoss

Born: February 10, 1848 in: Paradise, Lancaster, PA
 Died: March 5, 1947 in: Anamosa, Jones, IA
 Father: Jacob B. Hoss
 Mother: Mary A. Barnard

CHILDREN

1 F	Name: Olive Menetta Johnston Born: September 23, 1867 Died: June 13, 1884	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Anamosa, Jones, IA
2 F	Name: Mary Eva Johnston Born: February 4, 1870 Married: December Died: 1958 Spouse: Ira Ryerson	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Goshen, Orange, NY
3 M	Name: Jacob Howard Johnston Born: May 11, 1874 Married: 1900 Spouse: Mary Scranton	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Elizabeth, Union, NJ in: Brooklyn, Kings, NY
4 M	Name: Charles Sidney Johnston Born: February 8, 1877 Died: October 1902	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Fort Crook, Omaha, NE
5 M	Name: James McClure Johnston Born: July 25, 1880 Died: October 27, 1953	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Anamosa, Jones, IA
6 M	Name: John Emmett Johnston Born: June 10, 1882 Died: November 12, 1955 Spouse: Margaret	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Anamosa, Jones, IA
7 M	Name: Walter Guy Johnston Born: December 4, 1884 Died: March 29, 1947	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Anamosa, Jones, IA
8 M	Name: William Mervin Johnston Born: August 12, 1887 Married: January 21, 1915 Died: July 29, 1976 Spouse: Stella Augusta Coleman	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Maquoketa, Jackson, IA
9 F	Name: Anna Margaret Johnston Born: June 8, 1890 Spouse: J. Gerald Murphy	in: Anamosa, Jones, IA in: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, OK

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Mrs. Anna Johnston

Mrs. Anna Johnston To Observe 96th Birthday

Mrs. Anna Johnston observes her ninety-sixth birthday this Thursday at her home on south Garnavillo street. No special celebration is planned, but friends will visit her during the day.

Mrs. Johnston was born Feb. 10, 1848, at Paradise, Pa. She came to Anamosa, then known as Lexington, with her parents in the year 1856. Her parents names were Jacob and Katherine Hoss. Recalling her first trip to Anamosa, Mrs. Johnston says, "The roads were terrible." She accompanied her parents by train on the long trip from Pennsylvania to Dubuque. There the family crossed the river by ferry boat and finished the trip by stage coach. The trip took 14 hours.

Saw Anamosa Grow

Mrs. Johnston has watched the entire development of the town of Anamosa. She recalls the time when the present site of main street was covered with timber, and the place where the depot and freight yards are now located was the site of a small lake.

Mrs. Johnston still gets about the house without using glasses, although her eyesight is not as keen as when she was younger, and she must have the aid of a magnifying glass to read. Until three years ago she was an industrious knitter, and did some crocheting and embroidery work,

but rheumatism has disabled her hands. She retains a cheerful outlook on life, and passes her time by visiting with members of her family and friends.

Children Named

She has two daughters, Mrs. Ira Bryerson, Goshen, N. Y., Mrs. J. G. Murphy, Hopkin, Minn.; four sons, William, James, John and Walter, all of Anamosa; 13 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

1883

—For the fall term at the Academy, closing December 2, the following students are 100, or perfect, in rhetorical exercises: Misses Mary Harvey, Fannie Bowers, Lavina Franks, Alta Atkinson, Ollie Johnston and Corda Atkinson. In attendance and punctuality Alta Atkinson is 100 and received prize for perfect deportment for last two terms; and Misses Harvey, Franks and Johnston are 99. Gould Dietz took prize in oral lessons. Lavina Franks ranks highest—95—in arithmetic and orthography. Mary Harvey is best in physiology and 85 in Arithmetic. Ollie Johnston is first in "Science of Common Things" and Daniel Streeter stands next highest. Jennie Gillen is 90 in chemistry, French and literature. Several have done remarkably well in history.

DEATH OF JAMES JOHNSON — 1900

Passed Away At His Home Last Sunday Morning.

It was with a sense of deep regret that the people of Anamosa learned last Sunday morning of the demise of James Johnson. His health had been poor for several years past. Two years ago he was afflicted with pneumonia and for days he hovered between life and death. He recovered sufficiently to resume his work but the incursions of the disease had so shattered his health that slowly but steadily he has failed. The end came last Sunday morning at 2 o'clock.

Biographical.

James M. Johnson was a native of Virginia, born at Willsburg, in 1844. With his parents he removed to Iowa, when but two years of age, and the Hawkeye state has been his home since. In 1866, he was married to Miss Anna Hoss, of Sterling, Ill. A portion of their early married life was spent in Monticello. From there they came to Anamosa. Later during a number of years, they made their home in Cedar Rapids, after a short time in Springville, returning to Anamosa in 1888. Nine children were born to them, eight of whom survive. They are: Eva, now Mrs. Ira Bryerson, of Goshen, N. Y., at present in the old world; Howard, an electrician in New York City; Sidney, with regular army in the Philippines; James, John, Anna, Walter and William, at home. Ollie, the eldest preceded her father in 1884, Mrs. Johnson also survives.

Deceased served throughout the rebellion. He enlisted in 1862 at Springville. He fought in the battles of Corinth, siege of Vicksburg, was on the Red River Expedition, was at Stone River, Champion Hill, marched through the Carolinas and was at Arbor Creek. He belonged to the 24th Iowa, Huzzy's Brigade.

James M. Johnson was one of the most indulgent and self-sacrificing of men in his family. An unremitting worker, his will power alone impelled him when his physical condition was such as would have compelled another man to give up. He has reared a splendid family and his devotion was an object lesson. He had a remarkable disposition in its evenness. If he ever wronged a man he did it unknowingly. He has been a landmark in the city for twenty years, and his passing is felt by our people as a personal loss to each.

The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon from the house, Rev. Pickworth of St. Mark's society officiating. The three older children were unable to reach the city. Fred Steele post, G. A. R., had charge of the ceremony. The remains were laid at rest in Riverside cemetery.

No one receives a prize unless enrolled on the "Roll of Honor," to which have just been added the names of Misses Corda Atkinson, Franks and Bowers. Good students can finish the elementary branches and take the more advanced sciences. Winter term begins Monday, December 5. No deductions for absence and no students welcome for less than a term.

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A game of ball between the juveniles of Anamosa and the juveniles of Monticello came off at the fair grounds yesterday afternoon, resulting in a victory for the latter, the score standing 28 to 7. The Anamosa players were twice the size of the Monticello kids. The excellent pitching for the Monticello club was done by Billy Podhaski who is no bigger than a hop-o'-my-thumb.

Andrew Miller, an old man who made his home with Len Wismire of Richland township, for several years, died last Saturday of old age. His body was brought to town Monday for shipment into Dubuque for interment. But on account of its decomposition the railroad company refused to receive it. Connor & Hogan were paid \$15 for taking it to Dubuque in a wagon.

Mr. Geo. Bacher, who is in the employ of D. B. Fisk & Co. Chicago, was interviewing Monticello trade last week. Mr. Bacher, very much resembles his brother Charlie who used to live here. Being of a diffident nature, he is very much embarrassed at times during his trip here, by the young lady acquaintances of his brother very cordially grasping his hand and enquiring after his health and worldly prospects.

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MORTUARY FOR 1898.

The following is the record of burial in Riverside Cemetery for 1898:

		Age
Jan. 9.	Mrs. Jacob Bodenhofer	62 years
" 10.	Edith Harrison	2 "
" 21.	Mrs. Rebecca Andrew	32 "
" 27.	Mrs. Edmund Booth	80 "
Feb. 8.	S. G. Matson	80 "
" 18.	Barney Waggoner	94 "
" 19.	Mrs. Sarah Hopkins	65 "
Mar. 2.	D. C. Tice	72 "
" 9.	Mac Byerly	3 "
" 10.	John Van Ness	35 "
" 12.	E. T. Mellett	70 "
" 16.	Mrs. John Dimmitt	39 "
" 22.	E. W. Gawley	46 "
Apr. 1.	Roy Taylor	16 mos.
" 7.	C. H. Baldwin	88 years
" 12.	Mrs. C. H. Baldwin	81 "
" 22.	Mrs. J. Rinard	39 "
" 29.	Mrs. Wm. Buckner	55 "
May 8.	Mrs. H. Dunning	55 "
June 10.	B. L. Matson	64 "
" 11.	Mrs. Chas. Porter	84 "
" 30.	Hugh Connors	48 "
July 1.	Mrs. N. B. Smith	27 "
" 3.	Son of Jonas Green	2 wks.
" 5.	Wm. Stout	74 years
" 7.	Reuben Reed	93 "
" 17.	Fred Curry	88 "
" 25.	Infant daughter of Wm. Blackmar.	
Aug. 7.	J. B. Porter	45 "
Sept. 3.	Ray Port Andrew	7 mos.
Oct. 3.	Mrs. Lucian Ellis	47 years.
" 3.	Mrs. Nelle Smith	27 "
" 10.	H. H. Stivers	80 "
" 12.	Cora Smith	31 "
" 21.	Inez Nowlin	25 "
Nov. 1.	Fannie Leach	75 "
" 20.	Mrs. E. H. Brandt	68 "
" 21.	Infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Templin.	
Dec. 5.	Mrs. Mary McBride	40 "
" 6.	H. Lehmkuhl	68 "
" 15.	C. J. Golden	54 "
" 20.	R. O. Peters	74 "

Total 42

ADAM KRATZER,
 Sexton.

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Caroline J Merrill was born July 25 1844 in Cattarugas Co NY and died Anamosa IA 19 April 1920 at the age of 75 years 8 months and 25 days. She was the youngest daughter of Luman and Sophronia ANNIS and came from NY with her parents to Kane Co ILL when she was 10 years old. She continued to live in Kane Co ILL until one year after her marriage to Isaac S Merrill which occurred Jan 10 1864. She and her husband then moved from ILL overland to Wayne Twp. Jones Co Ia. where they farmed for a year. Then then moved to a farm they had purchased in Jackson Twp. where they remained for 27 years. They then moved to Anamosa to the home on Main St.. At the end of 2 years they planned to return to the farm but Mr. Merrill died before the plan could be carried out. After Mr. Merrill's death which occurred Feb 23 1895 Mrs. Merrill moved back to the farm and stayed one year after which she returned to the home on Main St. Anamosa and lived there until her death.

There were born to Mr. and Mrs. Merrill eight children one of whom died in infancy. three sons and four daughters survive her. Mrs. Ada Ireland of Anamosa, Mrs. Lily Schladtzky of N.D. , Lawrence and Frank of Anamosa, John who resides near Anamosa, Mrs. Carrie Voorhies of near Olin, and Mrs. Blanche Ellison of Anamosa. There are also living 17 grandchildren, and six great grandchildren. One sister Mrs. Emily Leek of Central City (Linn Co.) also survives *her*. Her loss also is mourned by other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Merrill united with the Baptist Church in Ill. when she was a young girl. Moving to IA. she attended other churches in the neighborhood of her home and about 20 years ago became a member of the Congregational Church of Anamosa. She attended the church and was interested in practical Christian service. But of late years on account of failing sight and infirmities of age she has been confined to her home. She kept her Christian convictions until the last and died as she has lived trusting in the greatness of God.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at the Congregational Church by the Rev. Ernest Evans. Interment was at Antioch.

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