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REGULAR MEETINGS: Third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m., Library Basement

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NOTES FROM OUR PRESIDENT--

The Davis County Genealogical Society is your organization and will only be as successful as the effort each of us put into our meetings and work. I hope each of us attend as many meetings as possible and participate in as many of the projects we undertake as we can. Our vice president Pat Howk has and will schedule very interesting programs for our meetings. If you have an idea for a project or program, bring or send it to the meeting and we can all discuss the pros and cons.

1. Our CEMETERY PROJECT is to re-walk the cemeteries in Roscoe and Prairie townships. We hope to get this done the last part of June or early in July. This information will be published and for sale later on. Walk time will be discussed at the June 20 meeting.

2. Jeanne Harrington of Unionville, Iowa, was the speaker for the May 16 meeting. She told about her recent trip to Salt Lake City, Utah, and to Ft. Wayne, Indiana, libraries to do research. She will return later and tell about her trip to Ireland to do research.

3. Sept 21, 1991, 8-3:30 is the time for the SOUTHEASTERN IOWA FALL SEMINAR hosted by Lee County Genealogical Society at the Heritage Center, 508 Main, Keokuk, Iowa. Speakers scheduled to date include the Stuart Purvines and Bill Soper. More details will be included in the July issue of GLEANINGS, and the fall issue of the Davis County Genealogical Society Newsletter. Mark your calendar now for Saturday, September 21, for a great day of fellowship and genealogical information. We hosted this meeting last September. Counties included are: Lee, Van Buren, Des Moines, Davis, Louisa.

4. I.G.S. 1991 ANNUAL CONFERENCE, Oct. 4 & 5, Adventureland Inn, Altoona, Iowa. "Locating Your European Ancestors" and John Coletta are among the highlights for the program.

5. Our Genealogical Room in the Public Library in Bloomfield is being used constantly. During the Friends of the Library book sale recently, the room was used all day by local people as well as people from California to Timbucktoo. We are glad to have the records used. We have many records but very little space to keep it in. We are very thankful to the Public Library for letting us have this room. (Continued next page.)

President's Corner continued.

6. Our next meeting will be June 20. Come. At this meeting Sue Spilman will have the reprints of the 1882 Davis County History books. We will help her with the mailing and delivery of these books to the people who purchased them earlier this year.

J. Watson Bumgarner, president.

Family Connections

by

kathy burkett

One problem most all family researchers encounter is the lack of interest on the part of their immediate family. It is important to us that our family supports and encourages our endeavor to discover their ancestors. We usually find a spouse that either whole heartedly supports our interest or he/she doesn't object to it. But our children are another story...They are either convinced that Mom/Dad has gone off the deep end with his/her interest in "dead" relatives, or they tolerate our enthusiasm with very little comment.

In my case, our daughter supports our interest but refuses to become involved in any type of research. She does ask a question from time to time, and even offered to help collate our book. However, the true depth of appreciation for our labor of love was revealed when our book was ready for distribution. She helped organize a family party in honor of the occasion and presented us with a little token of love along with a card that read:

"The children and I have seen five generations in part of our family and might possibly see five more. In that concept, it's easy to understand "family." What you have done is span generations not seen for years and bring it to sight within the covers of a book. Thanks Mom!"

We will continue our family research with the knowledge that even though our family chooses not to be actively involved in our interests, they do, in their own way, accept and support it.

I hope this personal experience will serve as a word of encouragement for others who find family history so rewarding and from time to time feel a little bit alone in their interest. --Gleanings, Lee Co. G.S. Newsletter-Apr 1991.

FOR THOSE WHO READ, "The History of the Four Golden Watches of the Four Hogue Sisters," in the last D.C.G.S. Newsletter, here is the rest of the story:

We had a show and tell meeting at the April Davis County Genealogical Society meeting. Mrs. Haselhoff, a Hague relative and one of our members, brought her golden watch to show. It was truly a beautiful 1862 or before ladies watch. She told us that after her step-mother died a few months ago, the golden watch she was to inherit couldn't be found. In moving a chest of drawers that her father had given her, and was to be hers after her step-mother died, to her home, a drawer accidently fell out of the chest. And, a secret compartment in this drawer opened up and out fell her golden watch. Her father had hid the watch in this drawer and by good luck, Rowena received the watch. Isn't this a funny world. Editor.

VISITING THE CEMETERY

Empty cemeteries on spring days used to scare me--if not exactly to death, thank goodness, at least to one of those rumbling-pit--of-the-stomach dreads. Remember that nasty old nursery rhyme about what happens to dead bodies? You know, the one that features the line "The worms crawl in, the worms crawl out"? Well, that's exactly where my cemetery sensations used to lie. There was just nothing nice that I could conjure up about a graveyard before my mother died and it became a place to visit from time to time.

And yet it isn't exactly familiarity that has bred this newfound cemetery ease in me. For even though I find myself on occasion standing alongside the grave marker with its pretty chiseled out morning glory, my mother's name, and the years 1890-1985, I don't think I'd feel as easy about being there if it weren't for my children.

I've got to credit my children for my attitude readjustment because I'm sure I would have continued to wear invisible but very real blinders every time I turned into the drive of Graceland cemetery in Davidson County, S. D. The kids literally jerked my attention away from the sadness that surrounds a cemetery and toward the lives it represents. My forays back would have fallen into the perfunctory, guilt-provoked category of must-do's: "Let's make this quick" with a spray of flowers while we keep our emotional thoughts in check.

Nowadays, our talks at the cemetery rank right up there in my mind on that illusory list of quality ways to experience my children. Oh, I know for a fact that the oldest would never place a visit to his grandmother's grave in the same category as a baseball game and that his sister would choose an afternoon of Barbie play over this visit, but being able to listen to my children's conversations as we drive to the cemetery through countryside is something I now treasure. They've taken the trepidation out of my own reliving of unhappy memories and have managed to change the cemetery song's refrain that plays in my mind from worms crawling in and out to something much sweeter.

This particular cemetery is a pretty place even though there is nothing fancy about it in a man-made way. It wins no prizes for statues either. But there are lots of tall trees that will calm you with the sounds they make while swaying and you can feel the breeze. But I wouldn't have noticed much of this if I had never taken my children along with me.---Author Unknown.

"AIDS AND ENDS CORNER"

Many of us have treasures that have been passed down from generation to generation and never given thought to the history behind these articles, and so many of these small inheritances have contributed to my appreciation of history and antiques. I have learned that even as a child, there are fine old things that are very precious and really should be saved.

Several years ago, long after I was married, I returned to my hometown where I was raised. We had moved only a couple of blocks from my grandmother in the old house where I had spent most of my early life. One morning Granny came over to see me and while we were having coffee, Granny brought out this old kleenex and laid it on the table. As she unwrapped her tissue, my curiosity could hardly be contained, and finally Granny said, Rhonda, you are my first grandchild and granddaughter, and I want you to have these two pair of earrings. She said, I wore these when I was a girl and since you have pierced ears it's only fitting that you should have them. Needless to say how delighted I was over my "old" treasure and I promised Granny I would keep them always and hand them down to my daughters. After years of wearing my proud possessions, they are tucked away in a safe deposit box awaiting their time to be handed down again.

The months passed by and one day we decided it was time for us to move to another state. Grandmother hated to see us go as I'd take her to do her shopping as well as other errands she needed done. Shortly before we were to

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"Auds and Ends Corner" continued.

leave, Granny came over carrying a small box under her arm. When she set the box on the table she proudly opened it and inside was a small berry bowl, again she explained why I was to have it. I recall Granny saying, "Your Grandpa and I got this berry set when we got married in 1912 before your mother was born." Oh, how her face lit up from the memories that crossed her mind. This big bowl is all I have left she explained, the smaller bowls were broken over the years. Along with the gift she had written a note with the date of their purchase and why I received it. Today my berry bowl is proudly displayed in my china cabinet for everyone to admire.

We do not have to hoard our hand-me-downs, but try to instill in our own children the love and worth of quality, tradition as well as the memories. Share these stories passed on by your ancestors, give them something of the past to tell their children. You may also have articles or things you have made-so what if they don't look store-bought. One day they will appreciate the hand-made quilt, an afghan or dollie and perhaps an old painting, so amateurish-ly done by you as a child.

If you pass on a "OLD" item, be sure to follow your ancestors example and explain why your gift is important. It's these little inherited gifts and tales that mean so much.
--Audrey Hall

When asked why she never married, the writer, Marie Credit replied, "I never married because there was no need. I have three pets at home that answer the same purpose as a husband. I have a dog that growls every morning, a parrot that swears all afternoon, and a cat that stays out all night."

MEMBERSHIP CARDS: Remember---when you visit the I.G.S. Library, you will be asked to show your membership card when you sign in. I.G.S. Library hours at 600 Douglas, Des Moines, IA, are Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., and Tuesday and Thursday evenings 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS: I.G.S. 1991 ANNUAL CONFERENCE--to be held October 4 and 5 at the Adventureland Inn, Altoona, Iowa. "Locating Your European Ancestors" and John Coletta are among the highlights of this year's conference. Mark your calendar today, and plan a family weekend.

KANSAS RESEARCH--The Midwest Historical and Genealogical Society, 1203 N. Main St., Wichita, KS, opened its new research Library in May 1990.--Warren Co.,G.S.

DID YOU KNOW THAT--In genealogy, the term LINEAL means ascending or descending in a direct line; COLLATERAL means descended from the same ancestor but not in a direct line of descent; ALLIED FAMILIES are families related usually through marriage.

AN ANCESTRY begins with a single individual and traces back in time to include the male and female lines of that person's ancestors. A full eight generations of one's ancestry would involve 511 persons.

A GENEALOGY, on the other hand, begins with a single ancestor and traces forward in time to include all descendents to the present.

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Page	Name	Age	Died	Burial Place	Born
63	Urich, George H.	7 mo.	15 Aug 1888	Bloomfield Cem.	Bifd Twp.
"	Carr, Jessie Larue	4 yr	21 Aug 1888	I.O.O.F.	Bifd, IA
"	Prentice, Josephine	17 yr	4 Aug 1888	South Cem., Bifd	WI
"	Home, baby (B)	8 yr	26 Oct 1888	South Cem., Bifd	Bifd, IA
"	Swinney, Jasper	32 yr	14 Jul 1888	Pleasant View Cem.	Davis County, IA
"	_____, Melinda (Widow)		8 June 1888	County Home	_____
"	Hackett, Garland (m)	80 yr	23 May 1888	County Farm	_____
"	Paucett, Eliza J.		12 Oct 1888		
"	Overturf, Charles M.	20 mo.	5 Nov 1888	Pierce Cem.	Floris, IA
"	Sloan, Mary E.	54 yr	7 Dec 1888	Money Cem.	PA
"	Scarborough, John Watson,	64 yr.	15 Feb 1883	Pulaski	Burks Co., PA
"	Walters, Margaret A.	24 yr	17 Jan 1889	Heidelbaugh Cem.	Van Buren Co., IA
"	Goode, Willie,	13 yr	5 Feb 1889	Bloomfield Cem.	Davis Co., IA
64	Mars, Louisa	65 yr	18 Nov 1888	Bloomfield Cem.	OH
"	Leech, Wm. D.	43 yr	20 Nov 1888	I.O.O.F.	Davis Co., IA
"	Bitner, Robert Rex Chantry	2yr	8 Nov 1888	I.O.O.F.	Pleasant Plains, IA
"	Dysart, _____ (B)	23 da	16 Nov 1888	South Cem.	Bloomfield, IA
"	Hill, William	59 yr	4 Dec 1888	I.O.O.F.	IN
"	Carlisle, C. E.	5 yr	9 Dec 1888	Bloomfield	Bloomfield, IA
"	Duckworth, Sarah E.	41 yr	6 Jan 1889	I.O.O.F.	Scotland Co., MO
"	Junkins, Thomas (B)	Inf	30 Nov 1888	S. Cem.	Bloomfield, IA
"	Wallace, Elisha P.	52 yr	22 Dec 1888	Lester Cem.	Indiana
"	Parker, Mary	4 da	17 Dec 1888	I.O.O.F.	Bloomfield, IA
"	Letner, Mrs.	80 yr	19 Jan 1889	I.O.O.F.	
"	Jennings, Cleaveland	7 mo	29 Jan 1889	I.O.O.F.	Cleveland Twp.
"	Lester, Sarah S.	85 yr	23 Jan 1889	Starks Cem.	Adair Co., KY
65	Hamilton, William	33 yr	4 Feb 1889	I.O.O.F.	N. Y.
"	Wilkinson, Sarah	84 yr	4 Feb 1889	Bloomfield	N. J.
"	Hoffstatter, Columbus	33 yr	17 Dec 1888	Money	OH
"	Mudd, Ella	17 yr	14 Feb 1889	Inskeep Cem.	Stilesville, IA
"	Mathews, J. G.	48 yr	15 Jan 1889	Moberly, MO	Indiana
"	Janke, Erma	3 yr	10 Feb 1889	West Grove Cem.	
"	Lanman, Nancy	68 yr	10 Feb 1889	Money Cem.	Indiana
"	McQuown, Mary	55 yr	20 Feb 1889	Ohio	Ohio
"	Parker, Lucy M.	72 yr	10 Feb 1889	N. Gilliad Cem.	Ohio
"	Archer, Emma May	9 da	2 Mar 1889	Rouch Cem.	IA
"	Ridenour, E. O.	12 yr	8 Mar 1889	Troy	Troy, IA
"	Garner, Sarah M.	27 yr	13 Mar 1889	Drakesville Cem.	IA
"	Smallwood, Harry	14 ye	23 Feb 1889		MO
66	Moughler, Henry	68 yr	10 Mar 1889	Troy Cem	PA
"	Champ, America (f)	70 yr	15 Feb 1889	Pierce Cem.	KY
"	Black, Vance	6 mo	27 Mar 1889	Davis Co., IA	IA
"	Patterson, Mary Jane	54 yr	2 May 1889	Pollard Cem	Indiana
"	Miller, Rosena B.	67 yr	24 Apr 1889	Point Isabelle	Germany
"	Young, Amanda	71 yr	4 Apr 1889	Soap Creek Twp.	
"	Myers, Cliff	-----	2 May 1889	Shunam Cem.	Floyd Co., PA
"	Mitchell, Abraham	75 yr	7 Mar 1889	West Grove Cem	Davis Co., IA
"	White, Deliliah	79 yr	23 Feb 1889	Derby Cem. Lucas,	IA. KY
"	Pearsall, Jacob	74 yr	21 Mar 1889	Bethel Cem.	Indiana
"	Pearsall, Jacob	74 yr	21 Mar 1889	Troy Cem.	OH
"	Wolfe, Adolphus	34 yr	17 Jun 1889	Troy Cem	IA
"	Kreedolf, Jacob	55 yr	27 May 1889	Savannah Cem.	Switzerland
"	Smock, Charley	45 yr	15 May 1889	Mars Hill Cem.,	Jefferson Co., IN

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67	Glasgow, Sarah E.	68 yr	10 Jun 1889		America
"	Watkins, Zena	10 mo	24 Jun 1889	Coatsville, MO	MO
"	McCann, Clara	8 mo	10 Feb 1889	I.O.O.F.	IA
"	Hibbits, Rachael	64 yr	31 Mar 1889	I.O.O.F.	Stark Co., OH
"	Frady, Nettie	18 yr	27 May 1889	I.O.O.F.	Davis Co., IA
"	Steele, Samuel	75 yr	10 Mar 1889	Bloomfield, IA	Indiana
"	Young, Larue J.	75 yr	8 Mar 1889	I.O.O.F.	PA, Westmorland Co.
"	Hulett, Roy H.	2 da	30 Apr 1889	Patterson Cem.	Bloomfield, IA
"	Mendenhall, Eliza W.	76 yr	29 Apr 1889	I.O.O.F.	N. C.
"	Creighton, Clara	8 mo	22 Apr 1889		Vedal Co., Dakota Terr.
"	Prehtiss, Martha (B)	12 yr	11 Jul 1889	S. Cem. Bldg, IA	Wisconsin
"	Prentice (f) (B)	1 yr	9 Jul 1889	S. Cem. Bldg, IA	Bloomfield, IA
"	Randall, John	85 yr	27 May 1889	Bloomfield, IA	N. Y.
68	Jones, Emeline	64 yr	9 Jul 1889	Bloomfield, IA	N. H.
"	Parker, Eva C.	4 mo	13 Jul 1889	I.O.O.F.	Bloomfield, IA
"	Randolph, Elizabeth F.	72 yr	25 Jul 1889	Wishard Cem.	Lincoln Co., KY
"	Hardman, Wesley M.	50 yr	27 Feb 1889	Hitts Cem., Scotland Co., MO.	IA
"	Childers, Levi Morton	Inf	24 May 1889	Shunam Cem.	Bloomfield, IA
"	Pirtle, Inf (m)	-----	7 Jun 1889	Hopkins Cem	Wyc. Twp, D.C., IA
"	Shelton, Ellner	30 yr	23 Jun 1889	West Grove Cem.	Wyc. Twp, D.C., IA
"	Walthen, Frank	-----	10 Aug 1889	Pulaski Cem.	
"	Brunk, Conda (m)	4 mo	14 Aug 1889	Savannah Cem.	IA
"	Wheaton, Ernest	25 da	16 Aug 1889	Pulaski Cem.	Pulaski, IA
"	Kinsinger, Florence	24 yr	5 Aug 1889	Pulaski Cem	KY
"	Fresh, Jessie (m)	71 yr	16 Sep 1889	Atwood Cem.	KY
"	Bullock, Henry W.	59 yr	19 Sep 1889	S. Wesley Chapel Cem.	England
69	Handy, (m)	1 mo	1 Sep 1889		Davis Co., IA
"	Day, Mary C.	48 yr	4 Oct 1889	Shunam Cem.	Champaign Co., OH
"	Stark, Thanie (f)	66 yr	16 Oct 1889	Pleasant View Cem.	Indiana
"	Foster, Mary	90 yr	20 Oct 1889	Spence Cem., Lick Cr. Twp.,	England
"	Haney, Glendale (m)	15 yr	10 Oct 1889	Mt. Moriah Cem.	Salt Cr. Twp, D.C., IA
"	Bales, Caleb	76 yr	24 Sep 1889	Rouch Cem.	PA
"	York, Ollie D.	5 yr	15 Oct 1889	MO	IA
"	Dabney, Amarilla	29 yr	17 Nov 1889	Savannah Cem	IA
"	Feagin, John	7 yr	7 Nov 1889		IA
"	Rocklitz, Emma	3 yr	31 Dec 1889	Pulaski Cem	IA
"	Banta, Roy	6 yr	22 Jan 1890	Pulaski Cem.	IA
"	Campbell, Edwin M.	12 yr	26 Jan 1890	Pulaski Cem.	VanBuren Co., IA
"	Leach, Jer	80 yr	11 Jan 1890	Troy Cem	W.V.
70	Hartzler, Anna L.	26 yr	22 Jan 1890	Union Cem	OH
"	Pearson, Mary	74 yr	12 Feb 1890	Pulaski Cem.	Indiana
"	Smath, William	4½ yr	20 Dec 1889	Scyhock Cem., Laddsville,	D.C., IA
"	Conard, Maggie	30 yr	12 Mar 1890	Bloomfield	
"	Stoffel, Lutburn (m)	34 yr	10 Mar 1890	Mt. Moriah Cem	
"	Gordon, John Finley	22 yr	28 Apr 1890	Pleasant View Cem.	Davis Co., IA
"	Traschal, Elizabeth	56 yr	29 May 1890	Union Cem.	Germany
"	Roger, Effa M.	6 yr	13 Jan 1890	Grant Cem. (Gray?)	IA
"	Spohn, Hubert F.	7 yr	29 Mar 1890	Rouch Cem	PA
"	Strand, Mary	42 yr	12 Jun 1890		OH
"	Turpin, Lelitha	40 yr	11 Jul 1890	Pleasant View Cem.	IA
"	Carl, (m)	2 wk	16 Jul 1890	S. Wesley Chapel	IA
"	Miller, Maud H.	2 yr	16 Mar 1890	KS	KS

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NOTE: I received this letter addressed to our Chapter. I know nothing about the person, but felt there might be some people interested in German Genealogy that would appreciate some help in their search. Editor.

Dear Mrs. Arnold:

March 30, 1991

with this letter I will give you some informations.

I do research work in a part of the northern region of Germany.

On the backside of this letter you find a detailed list of all records I have or know about: ∞ (marriage), * (birth), + (death).

I am 39 years old and work at the Courthouse in Bremerhaven as a secretary. I promise you, that I am fair (sincere). I do all the researching in my sparetime. In the past 10 years I collected a lot of informations from the churchbooks.

If necessary or by request I can give photostats of the churchbooks, but only about the following years: 1715-1726, 1746, 1751, 1752, 1759-1852.

About some villages I have also data after 1900 to nearly the present time or before the beginning of the churchbooks. I would be glad, if I hear from you. Also I would be glad, if you can publish my name with my search work in your publication of your organization and furthermore can give my adress to people, who want to know more about their ancestors of the villages I am working on.

By request I will go searching in other villages in Northern Germany.

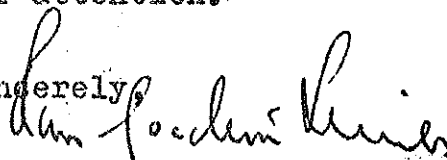
I am very interesting in helping other people in return for a little remuneration (13 Dollars per hour of work plus mileage and postage).

For the village Misselwarden I have put together an Ortsippenbuch (village lineage book). The volume is 334 pages and contents all families between 1680-1900. It cost 45 Dollars incl. postage (surface mail). Air mail 10 Dollar especially. Are you interesting in buying such a book?

If you or anybody else send me money, please as a Dollar bill (cash), because the german banks exact a large service fee for handling of foreign checks if you send me one. For this I have to claim 10 Dollars especially. Thank you for your attention.

Hans-Joachim Hinners
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Germany

Sincerely



Hans-Joachim Hinners--Germany page 2
* until 1910, ∞ until 1930, + until 1960:

Imsum from 1694	Wremen from 1667
Midlum from 1682	Cappel from 1681
Misselwarden from 1680	Dorum from 1672
Mulsum from 1697	Selsingen from 1715
Padingbüttel from 1715	Neuenwaalde from 1681
Spieka from 1715	

*, ∞, + until 1852:

Loxstedt from 1715	Bremervörde from 1689
Rhade from 1715	Altenwalde from 1715
Bramstedt from 1715	Debstedt from 1691
Bederkesa from 1715	Lehe from 1690
Geestendorf from 1688	Bramel from 1698
Wulsdorf from 1687	Holbel from 1691

*, ∞, + until 1900:

Schiffdorf from 1686	Bevern from 1680
other records * , ∞ , + :	Flogeln from 1700

Wersabe 1625-1800	Altluneberg 1674-1852
Bexhövede 1651-1875	Hambergen 1637-1743
Kirchwistedt 1668-1852	Oese 1669-1852
Stotel 1678-1852	Büttel 1683-1900

Beverstedt 1665-1852

only ∞:

Ringstedt 1678-1802 (partly the christenings)
Elmlohe 1652-1852 (" " " & the burials)

Horneburg 1632-1852

Gyhum 1715-1852

Harsefeld 1715-1852

Bargstedt 1715-1852

Ahlerstedt 1667-1852

Sittensen 1668-1852

Elsdorf 1658-1852

Zeven 1715-1852

village lineage books:

Krautzeel / Elbe

Mulsum / near Stade

Telling it like it is!

One researcher uncovered some less than "Medically correct causes of death while pursuing Missouri death certificates. Among her findings were these classics:

Died suddenly, nothing seriously wrong.
Worn out.

Went to bed feeling fine - woke up dead.

Don't know - never fatally ill before.

Don't know - died without the aid of a doctor.

Blow on head with an axe. Contributory cause -

another man's wife. Decatur, IL Gen Soc

My son Jimmy had been trying to get his father to go fishing with him, but Dad kept putting him off, saying he was "too busy". When Jimmy found his father working on a genealogy chart, he said, "While you're searching for your roots, your sprout is going fishing--alone."
Father and son went fishing--together.
Digest, contributed by Naomi E. Wilkins.
March 1991

Union Cemetery renovation complete

Families with ancestors buried in Union Cemetery will see a big change when they visit.

No longer are stones falling over or blackened by age and unreadable. New concrete bases support some grave markers and others have been sandblasted. A chain link fence now surrounds the small burial place a couple of miles southwest of Pulaski.

"It looks as nice as any cemetery in the county," said nearby resident John Swartzendraver. "People are saying now they'd like to be buried there."

While township trustees have levied taxes to cover mowing costs, there has never been any charge for burial there and no funds were ever appropriated for upkeep. Time took its toll.

But a spruce-up project initiated last year paid off, much to the amazement and delight of Swartzendraver, Ed Amstutz, Carmyn Miller, Beth Bunting and others who pitched in. Organizers got together and jotted down names of people with family buried in Union Cemetery. About 120 letters seeking donations were sent out a year ago last February after the group got estimates on how much the restoration would cost.

"Lo and behold, the \$5,000 came in," said Swartzendraver. Checks began pouring in from persons in Washington state, Brooklyn, N.Y. "and about every state in between."

Much of the renovation was accomplished last summer, but a few jobs remained this spring. The final stone was turned last week.

And not a moment too soon, said Swartzendraver. About the time the project was done, the money ran out: "When we got through, we had \$46 left in our account," he said.

22 May, Bloomfield Democrat 1991

Ahee serves as

chairman for reunion

Dr. Carl R. Ahee, former resident of the Blakesburg area, served as Chairman of the Mariners/Marlin Association Reunion, April 16 - 21, 1991, at the Handerly Hotel and Country Club in San Diego, Calif. On Friday night, April 19, he was Master of Ceremonies at the Annual Banquet with over 520 men and their ladies in attendance. Those attending were the men who flew the Glenn L. Martin flying boats during World War II and the Viet Nam conflict. Dr. Ahee was a Navy PBM pilot.

Carl was born near Blakesburg (Soap Creek), attended the Blakesburg and Turlock (CA.) schools, graduated from Modesto Junior College (CA.) in 1957 and received his B.A. from the University of Southern California in 1939.

Following distinguished service as a World War II Navy pilot, Dr. Ahee began his chosen life long

dream of becoming an educator. He entered the teaching profession as a teacher at Turlock High School in 1947. From 1950 through 1953, he was selected as principal of Wiesbaden and Heidelberg American High Schools (Germany).

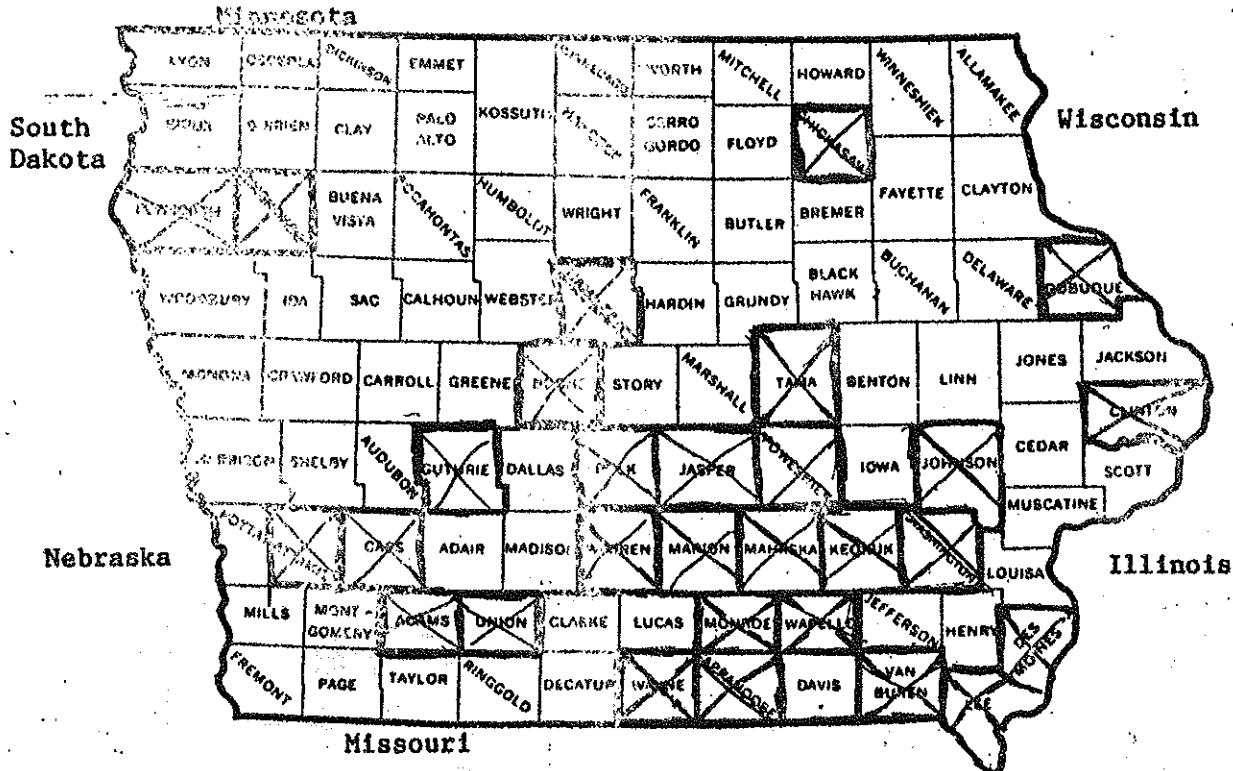
On returning stateside, Carl completed his doctorate at the University of Southern California. He served as principal of Torrance High School until 1970 when he was promoted to Director of Torrance Adult School where he remained until retirement in 1978. While Carl served in the latter position, Torrance Adult School received significant state and national recognition for innovative programs.

Dr. Ahee and his wife Lorraine, an elementary teacher for 35 years, are active in church and community programs, members of social and fraternal groups and travel extensively.

Dr. Ahee is a member of the Davis County G. S., and does research in Davis County, IA. -- Ad-Express-Iowegian, Centerville, IA, 29 Apr 1991.

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