Ancestors and Descendants of

Zaus and Rachel Tharp

1640 – 2001
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INTRODUCTION

To share is the greatest gift we have! Therefore we wish to share with all the descendants of Thomas and Mary Tharp of England the information we have procured on their descendants.

We have gathered data through court houses, cemeteries, the Denver Federal Center, libraries throughout this country, the Family History Center in Salt Lake City, Utah, newspapers, and also census, bible, church and military records, and correspondence with other people who were tracing branches of this family.

We wish to thank all of you for giving us information and pictures on your families so they may be enjoyed by all.

We would greatly appreciate hearing from you in regard to any errors you may find.

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Oh where oh where did my ancestors went?
Oh where oh where did they hid?
Who did they marry and where did they tarry
And what did my ancestors did?
Some fought in battles and some sailed the seas
And some hacked out wilderness places.
I know some by name and others by fame
But I wish I knew some of their faces.
Oh where oh where did my ancestors went?
I wish they had been famous schnooks.
It would save me much trouble and digging thru rubble
To find them writ up in some books!

By DJR
1958
Tharp Family Pedigree Chart

James Dennis Tharp
b. 12 Jan., 1876
w. Spickard, Missouri
m. 16 March, 1912
w. Spickard, Missouri
d. 5 May, 1936
w. Chillicothe, Missouri

James K. Tharp
b. 26 Sept., 1844
w. Boone Co., Indiana
m. 20 Jan. 1866
w. Spickard, Missouri
d. 25 Nov., 1925
w. Spickard, Missouri

Zaus Tharp
b. 16 January, 1804
w. Gallia Co., Ohio
m. 1828/29
w. Spickard, Missouri
d. 8 September, 1885
w. Spickard, Missouri

Rachel (Hoover) Calfrey
b. 1805
w. Ohio
d. 4 Dec., 1886
w. Spickard, Missouri

Susan Martin
b. 31 Dec., 1843
w. Monroe Co., Ohio
d. 13 Feb., 1912
w. Spickard, Missouri

Michael Martin
b. 1810
w. Monroe Co., Ohio
m. Monroe Co., Ohio
d. Grundy Co., Missouri

Rhoda Crow
b. 27 May, 1813
w. Monroe Co., Ohio
d. 8 April, 1892
w. Grundy Co., Missouri

Della Mae Gum
b. 5 June, 1891
w. Spickard, Missouri
d. 7 Jan., 1954
w. Hale, Missouri
Joseph Tharp  
**b. ca. 1763**  
**w. Kent Co., Delaware**  
**m. 1784/85, North Carolina**  
**d. Aft. 1850**  
**w. Clinton Co., Indiana**

Elsey Calhoun  
**b. ca. 1766**  
**w. North Carolina**  
**d. Aft. 1850**  
**w. Clinton Co., Indiana**

Isaac Tharp  
**b. ca. 1715**  
**w. Talbot Co., Maryland**  
**d. 1783**  
**w. Kent Co., Delaware**

Sarah  
**b. ca. 1718**  
**w. Talbot Co., Maryland**  
**d.**  
**w. Kent Co., Delaware**

James Calhoun, Jr.  
**b. 1735**  
**w. Virginia**  
**d. 1795**  
**w. Guilford Co., N.Carolina**

Jean Johnson  
**b. ca. 1736**  
**w. Virginia**  
**d. 10 June, 1804**  
**w. Guilford Co., N.Carolina**

Jacob Crow  
**b. 1732**  
**w. Germany**  
**m. ca. 1760 in Fayette Co., Pa.**  
**d. 18 Aug., 1822**  
**w. Greene Co., Pa.**

George Frederick Crow  
**b. 23 July, 1762**  
**w. York Co., Pa.**  
**m. 1781**  
**w. Greene Co., Pa.**  
**d. Before March, 1824**  
**w. Monroe Co., Ohio**

Susannah Secrist  
**b. 1735**  
**w. Germany**  
**d. ca. 1826**  
**w. Greene Co., Pa.**

Enoch Enochs  
**b. 29 Sept., 1750**  
**w. Hampshire Co., W. Va.**  
**m. 1771**  
**w. Hampshire Co., W. Va.**  
**d. 1835**  
**w. Noble Co., Ohio**

Rachel Enochs  
**b. 1764**  
**w. Greene Co., Pa.**  
**d. ca. 1827**  
**w. Monroe Co., Ohio**

William Tharp  
**b. 1682**  
**w. Talbot Co., Maryland**  
**m. 8 Jan. 1709**  
**d. 1748**  
**w. Talbot Co., Maryland**

James P. Calhoun  
**b. 1680**  
**w. Co. Donegal, Ireland**  
**m. 1713**  
**d. 1760**  
**w. Abbeville, So. Carolina**

Catherine Montgomery  
**b. 1684**  
**w. Ireland**  
**d. 1760**  
**w. Abbeville, So. Carolina**

Rev. Alexander Calhoun  
**b. 1662 in Ireland**  
**d. ca. 1716 in Ireland**

Lady Judith Hamilton  
**b. 1662 in Ireland**

William Montgomery  
**b. 1680 in Ireland**  
**d. 1760 in Ireland**

Henry Enochs I  
**b. ca. 1719**  
**w. Bucks Co., Pennsylvania**  
**d. ca. 1782/84**  
**w. Hampshire Co., W. Va.**

Elizabeth Ross  
**b. 1724 in Scotland**  
**d. ca. 1784**  
**w. Hampshire Co., W. Va.**

Morris Morris  
**b. 1725 in Pennsylvania**  
**d. Hampshire Co., W. Va.**

Enoch Enix  
**b. England**  
**d. Bucks Co. Pennsylvania**

Susannah Friend  
**b.**  
**d. Bucks Co. Pennsylvania**

William Ross  
**b. 1702 in Ireland**  
**d. 3 Nov. 1754**  
**w. Hampshire Co., W. Va.**

Arminello Whiteside  
**b. 1700 in Ireland**  
**d. Hampshire Co., W. Va.**
The earliest Tharp that I have located begins in England when Thomas Tharp was born in 1640. I have not found the name of his parents or where in England he was born. This is about as far back as records are available in England unless the family goes back to Royalty.

This Thomas Tharp, Sr., would be Warren E. Tharp's great, great, great, great, great grandfather. Thomas married in England in 1659 to Mary ______ who was born in England in 1641. In 1660 Thomas and Mary immigrated to America and landed in what is now the state of Virginia. They lived there until 1674 when they moved to Maryland. Mary died sometime after that and Thomas married a lady by the name of Elizabeth ______ in 1681. Elizabeth was born in 1661. This information is from the St. Peter's Parish Records 1681-1755 in Talbot County, Maryland. Other records were obtained from land records and wills from a book titled "The Maryland Calendar of Wills."

Thomas and his first wife Mary had 2 children as follows:
(A) Thomas Tharp, Jr. was born in 1660 in Virginia.
(B) Mary Tharp was born in 1662 in Virginia.

Thomas Tharp, Sr. and his second wife Elizabeth had two children as follows:
(C) William Tharp was born in 1682 in Talbot County, Maryland.
(D) Elizabeth Tharp was born in 1684 in Talbot County, Maryland.

The above William Tharp, born in 1682, was Warren E. Tharp's great, great, great, great grandfather.
Thomas Tharp/William Tharp

William Tharp, born in 1682, married Jane Austin 8 January 1709 in Eaton, Talbot County, Maryland. He was a planter and a cooper. Thomas Tharp Sr. died in 1686 when his son William was only 4 years old. Robert Erick became his guardian. William died at the age of 66 years, in 1748 in Talbot County, Maryland where he had resided with his wife and family from 1709 to 1748. William's wife, Jane Austin, was born in 1689. She was the daughter of Thomas Austin. Jane died after 1729. William and Jane Tharp had the following children:

1. John Tharp, son of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, was born 1711 in Talbot County, Maryland. He married Elizabeth Jordan about 1738 in Queen Annes County, Maryland. John died about 1764 in Mispillion Hundred, Kent County, Delaware where they had lived since 1750. He was a planter. Elizabeth died in Kent County, Delaware after 1756. Her father was James Jordan. John and Elizabeth also lived in Murderkill Hundred, Kent County, Delaware.
   (a) William Tharp, son of John and Elizabeth (Jordan) Tharp, was born 15 May 1740 and died 16 April 1812. He married Ruth Clark daughter of Thomas Clark, Esq. She was born May 1747 and died 24 July 1823. After William died Ruth married Long in Sussex County, Delaware.
   (b) James Tharp, son of John and Elizabeth (Jordan) Tharp, was born 1741.
   (c) Thomas Tharp, son of John and Elizabeth (Jordan) Tharp, was born in 1744. He married Elizabeth Pegg and he died in Rowan County, North Carolina.
   (d) Isaac Tharp, son of John and Elizabeth (Jordan) Tharp, was born in 1747.
   (e) Mary Tharp, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Jordan), was born about 1750. She married Campbell.
   (f) ______ Tharp was born in 1752.
   (g) Nathan Tharp, son of John and Elizabeth (Jordan) Tharp, was born 1754. He married Betsy ______.
   (h) John Tharp, son of John and Elizabeth (Jordan) Tharp, was born about 1756 in Mispillion Hundred, Kent County, Delaware. He married about 1782 in Rowan County, North Carolina. John died after 1830 in Franklin County, Indiana.

2. Thomas Tharp, son of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, was born in 1713.
Isaac Tharp, son of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, and great, great, great grandfather of Warren E. Tharp, was born about 1715 in Talbot County, Maryland and died in 1783 in Kent County, Delaware. He was a planter. He married Sarah and they had the following children:

(a) Isaac Tharp, Jr., son of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware. He married a daughter of Josiah Wilcuts.

(b) John Tharp, son of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware and married Leah Morris, daughter of Bevins Morris. Next he married Harriet Souls in Gallia County, Ohio.

(c) James Tharp, son of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware and he married Walker. James died in Guilford County, North Carolina in 1884.

(d) Aaron Tharp, son of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware. He lived in Guilford County, North Carolina.

(e) David Tharp, son of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware.

(f) Joseph Tharp, son of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., and Warren E. Tharp's great, great grandfather, was born in Delaware about 1763 and he died after 1850 in Clinton County, Indiana. He married Elsey Calhoun who was born about 1766 in North Carolina. She was the daughter of James and Jean (or Janet) Calhoun of South Carolina and North Carolina.

(g) Daniel Tharp, son of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware. He married Elizabeth Reed, daughter of James and Asa (Pratt) Reed. Daniel and Elizabeth were married 15 April 1793 in Delaware.

(h) Jeremiah Tharp, son of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware. He married Ursula Clark on the 21 July 1786 in Guilford County, North Carolina.

(i) Nancy Tharp, daughter of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware.

(j) Rachel Tharp, daughter of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware. She married Joseph Wilcuts, son of Josiah Wilcuts.

(k) Susannah Tharp, daughter of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr., was born in Delaware. She married Robert Hudson.
(4) Mary Tharp, daughter of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, was born in 1717.

(5) William Tharp Jr., son of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, was born in 1720 in Talbot County, Maryland. He married Barbara _______ in Kent County, Delaware in 1753. In 1763 he married Mary _______ in Kent County, Delaware. He died in Iredell County, North Carolina in 1807.

(6) Abner Tharp, son of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, was born in 1721.

(7) Elizabeth Tharp, daughter of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, was born in 1722 in Talbot County, Maryland. She married Robert Stuart 1 January 1739 in Queen Anne's, Maryland.

(8) Joseph Tharp, son of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, was born in 1723.

(9) Ogle Tharp, son of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, was born in 1725.

(10) Jane Tharp, daughter of William and Jane (Austin) Tharp, was born in 1727.
Joseph Tharp was born about 1763 in Kent County, Delaware. He was the son of Isaac and Sarah Tharp, Sr. Joseph and some of his brothers moved to North Carolina probably after their father Isaac died in 1783. Joseph Tharp settled in Rowan County, North Carolina where he married Elsey Calhoun. She was the daughter of James and Janet (Johnson) Calhoun. This information came from James and Janet Calhoun's probate record. There will be more on the Calhoun family later in this book. I was unable to find a marriage record on Joseph and Elsey. So many court houses burned and records were lost. Also some people were married by circuit riders, ministers who rode through the country, and the marriage was not recorded until they were in another state. As near as I can tell by records I would assume Joseph and Elsey were married in about 1784/85. The 1800 census for Rowan County, North Carolina, shows Joseph and Elsey had 4 daughters and 4 sons. Joseph was a farmer. The 1795 Rowan County Tax list shows Joseph as having 100 acres of land.

Joseph Tharp moved his family to Gallia County, Ohio sometime after 1800 and before 1804 as this was when his son, Zaus Tharp was born on 16 January 1804 in Gallia County according to Zaus Tharp's death record which we found in Grundy County, Missouri. Zaus Tharp was Warren E. Tharp's great grandfather.

The 1827 tax list for Gallia County, Ohio lists Joseph Tharp in Raccoon Township, Gallia County, Ohio and his sons listed as Abel also in Raccoon township, James in Raccoon township, and William in Huntington township, Gallia County, Ohio. Sometime after 1827 the families all moved to Tippecanoe County, Indiana. A daughter Jane was married in Gallia County, Ohio to a William Blagg who was a minister. Abel, a son, was married 7 September 1820 to Polly Bruno. They were married by Abel's brother-in-law the Rev. William Blagg when they were still living in Gallia County, Ohio. I will list some of the children of Joseph and Elsey Tharp. I have not found a probate record or any Bible records on this family. Therefore I do not have a complete list of all of their children but will list the ones I feel were their sons and daughters.


(II) Jesse Tharp was born about 1798 and was the son of Joseph and Elsey Tharp. He was born in Rowan County, North Carolina. Jesse married Nancy Stephens 30 December 1819 in Gallia County, Ohio. They were married by the Rev. William Blagg.
(III) Abel Tharp, son of Joseph and Elsey (Calhoun) Tharp, was born about 1795 in Rowan County, North Carolina. Joseph and Elsey were living with their son Abel on the 1850 Clinton County, Indiana census. Abel's first wife was Polly Bruno whom he married 7 September 1820 in Gallia County, Ohio. They were married by Abel's brother-in-law the Rev. William Blagg. Polly died and no children were born to this union. Abel's second wife was Amanda Bucks and they too were married in Gallia County, Ohio. They had the following children:

(A) Isaac Tharp who was born in 1828 in Gallia County, Ohio.
(B) Andrew C. Tharp who was born in 1831 in Indiana.
(C) Sarah Tharp who was born in 1833 in Indiana.
(D) Joseph Tharp who was born in 1836 in Indiana. After Amanda's death Abel married Celia Asher on the 25 July 1839 in Indiana. Celia died in Clinton County, Indiana in 1849. They had the following children:

(E) James Tharp who was born in 1842 in Clinton County, Indiana.
(F) Elijah Tharp who was born in Clinton County, Indiana in 1845. He was a twin.
(G) Martha Tharp who was also born in Clinton County, Indiana in 1845 was also a twin. She married Peter Strickler 24 July 1871 in Iroquois County, Illinois.
(H) Elizabeth Tharp was born in 1847 in Clinton County, Indiana.
(I) George W. Tharp was born about 1850 in Clinton County, Indiana. After Celia's death, Abel Tharp married the fourth time to Margaret Burt on 29 April 1851 in Indiana. Abel and Margaret lived in Fountain County, Indiana for a short while and then moved to Iroquois County, Illinois where Abel died 22 August 1874 at the age of 78.
Thomas Tharp/William Tharp/Isaac Tharp/Joseph Tharp

(IV) James Tharp, son of Joseph and Elsey (Calhoun) Tharp, was born in Rowan County, North Carolina in the late 1790's. He married Jane ________ in Gallia County, Ohio. Jane was born 15 January 1800 and died 28 January 1865. She is buried in Union Cemetery, Lauramie Township, Tippecanoe County, Indiana. James died sometime before Jane in about 1844 in Boone County, Indiana. James and Jane moved from Gallia County, Ohio to Tippecanoe County, Indiana in 1827/28. In 1839 they moved to Boone County, Indiana in Sugar Creek Township where they purchased land. James Tharp's brothers, which includes our Zaus Tharp, also made this same move. James and Jane Tharp had the following children:

(A) James who died at the age of 25 on 8 October 1843.
(B) William
(C) Joseph who married Elizabeth Uhler.
(D) Sarah
(E) Elsey
(F) Elizabeth who married William Davis on 11 June 1846.
(G) Tally was born about 1829 and died 19 January 1849 at age 19.
(H) Mahala was born in 1831 and died 17 March 1882. She married Robert P. McKee 29 September 1855.
(I) Zaus Tharp was born in 1844 and died at age 2 in September 1846. He is buried in Union Cemetery, Tippecanoe County, Indiana.

(V) William Tharp, son of Joseph and Elsey (Calhoun) Tharp, was born in Rowan County, North Carolina about 1791. He died 14 January 1849 in Tippecanoe County, Indiana where he is buried in the Tharp-Fink Cemetery. William Tharp donated the land for this cemetery. A Dr. Reser compiled information that the first burials in the Tharp-Fink Cemetery were several children of William Tharp and his wife (who purchased this land in 1828) who were the victims of small pox. It was a bitter cold winter and the father had to go alone to bury his children because of the dread disease. This land was purchased by William Tharp on 8 May 1828 and it consisted of 80 acres as follows: E¹/₂ NWq Sec 9 Twp 22N R4W.
Zaus Tharp, son of Joseph and Elsie (Calhoun) Tharp, was born 16 January 1804 near Gallipolis, in Gallia County, Ohio this being Warren E. Tharp's great grandfather. Zaus married Rachel (Hoover) Calfrey. She was born in 1805 in Ohio. Her first husband was James Calfrey. Gallia County, Ohio had a large settlement of French people so it is a wonder that the Joseph Tharp family lived there for 25 years or more. Joseph Tharp and his sons Abel, James and William were on the 1827 tax records in Gallia County.

Zaus's parents along with Zaus and Rachel and some of Zaus's brothers and sisters and their families moved to Tippecanoe County, Indiana in about 1829/30. There was a lot of prairie land in Tippecanoe County so therefore they only had to break up the sod before planting corn. The second year the ground was much better for corn and other crops they planted as it was a very dark and fertile soil. There were forests too, so they had timber to build their log cabins. The farmers would settle next to the timberland. The prairies were fine for the cattle or whatever livestock they might have and the farmers did not have to clear the land of stumps and rocks before he plowed. Zaus and Rachel purchased land in this county which consisted of 80 acres as follows: 

E\(\frac{1}{4}\)--NE Sec. 17--19N--Range 2W.

The Battle of Tippecanoe was fought about seven miles from the county seat which is Lafayette. The Indians were being pushed off their land and when the army came to make peace with the Indians they instead fought back and lost many of their people and the army lost many men too. The army was trying to make this territory safe for settlers who were soon to come in great numbers from the east and the south. The fame which came from the victory over the Indians at the Battle of Tippecanoe helped to make General Benjamin Harrison President of the United States years later.

At the Historical Society building in Lafayette we found a record from 12 November 1832 stating that Zaus Tharp of Tippecanoe County, Indiana was appointed guardian and was to oversee the estate of $200 of California Baxter, age 8 years and minor heir of Benjamin F. Baxter and Polly Baxter, both deceased and of Jackson County, Ohio. Zaus was to report to the courts once a year and failed to do so. In 1836 they accused him of spending California Baxter's estate of $200. Zaus proved to the court that he had clothed and fed her with his own means and that she still had her $200.

The children born to Zaus and Rachel while living in Tippecanoe County were Martha, Mary, Jane, and Vincent Tharp.

In 1839, the Zaus Tharp family moved to Boone County, Indiana in Sugar Creek Township. Some of his brothers also
moved their families to Boone County where they all purchased land to farm. Boone County is situated near the center of the state of Indiana. The county was named after the celebrated "Indian Fighter," Daniel Boone, whose name will ever be held in high esteem by the early frontiersmen. This land was more of heavy timber and low wet lands. It required a lot of work and untiring effort to clear away the heavy timber and underbrush which was so dense that the rays of sun were almost entirely cut off from the earth in the summer season. Lonely and desolate must have been the feelings of those who first traveled these woods, when nothing but nature's uncultured sounds greeted the ear--when the eye could see no heavens because of the intervening foliage--when serpents and lizards, frogs and hornets, and wild beasts were possessors of this land. Many of the early settlers cleared out a patch sufficient to raise some roasting ears, beans and other garden sass after which they applied themselves to hunting, fishing, and ginseng digging. The settler who could get a good rifle, two or three dogs, a cow, and one old horse, with the means to buy powder and lead, was considered supremely happy. In these early days there was an abundance of wild game, deer, bear, wolves, turkeys, pheasants and quails. The currency of the country was the skins of deer, raccoons, minks, and the wild honey.

The present site of the town of Thornton was once the habitation of five hundred Miami Indians and French traders. In 1828 the government purchased their land and the Indians were removed from the reserve at that place. The Zaus Tharp family lived six miles northwest of Thornton, Indiana.

Zaus and Rachel had three more children born in Boone County which were Dennis, Elizabeth, and James K. Tharp.

In 1850 Zaus and Rachel sold their land in Boone County and moved to Howard County, Indiana, the county seat there was Kokomo. They purchased land in Howard County. John P. and Serilda Tharp were born in this county. At this time Zaus's parents were living in Clinton County, Indiana with their son Abel, this information came from the 1850 census which listed Joseph as being 87 years old and Elsie being 84.

In 1855 Zaus and Rachel sold their land in Howard County and we found the following description of property sold:

40 acres sold for $1,000.

4. Zaus also sold W½ of Lot 9 and the W½ of lot 10 in the town of Cassville for $35. And he sold E½ of lot 9 and the E½ of Lot 10 in the town of Cassville for $37.50.

After selling this land in Howard County, Indiana, the Zaus Tharp family moved to Missouri in 1856 where they settled in Grundy County, near the town of Spickard.
We find the following land records in Grundy County, Missouri for Zaus Tharp:
South West of the South East Quarter of Section 21 in Township 63--Range 23 containing 40 acres at the price of $1.25 per acre for the total sum of $50.
North East Quarter and the East half of the South East Quarter of Section 18 in township 63 of Range 23--240 acres at $1.25 per acre. Some of this land was later sold to his son John P. Tharp and his son-in-law, Thomas Kirk.
Zaus Tharp died 8 September 1885 at the age of 81 years, 8 months, and 22 days. On the 1880 Federal Census it stated he was blind. He is buried in North Evans Cemetery in Grundy County, Missouri. Rachel died in Grundy County on the 4 December 1886 and is buried beside her husband, Zaus, in North Evans Cemetery.
They were the parents of 9 children: Martha, Mary, Jane, Vincent, Dennis, Elizabeth Ann, James K., John P., and Serilda. I will give a little history on each of these children.
The children of Zaus and Rachel Tharp were as follows:

(A) Martha (Patsey) Tharp, daughter of Zaus and Rachel Tharp, was born 6 April 1830 in Tippecanoe County, Indiana. Martha married Caleb B. Lame in Boone County, Indiana on the 24 August 1848. Caleb was born 26 May 1829 in Indiana and he was the son of John Lame. They were farmers and also moved to Missouri after her parents moved to Grundy County, Missouri. Caleb B. Lame died 4 May 1889 at the age of 59 years, 11 months, and 8 days in Grundy County, Missouri and is buried in North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. His wife Martha died 1 January 1898 in Grundy County at the age of 67 years, 8 months, and 25 days. She is buried beside her husband in North Evans Cemetery. They also lived in Woodward, Oklahoma. Caleb and Martha (Tharp) Lame had the following children:

1. John Baldwin Lame, son of Caleb and Martha Lame was born in December 1851 in Howard County, Indiana. He married California Evans in Missouri. California was born in November 1855 in Indiana. She was the daughter of Rev. Joseph and Jane (Tharp) Evans.
   (a) James Lame was born in October 1880 in Missouri to John and California (Evans) Lame.

2. James V. Lame, son of Caleb and Martha (Tharp) Lame, was born in February 1857 and married Serepta Sanders on 11 August 1885. She was born in August 1866 and died in 1957. James died 8 November 1931 and they are buried in North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. They had three children:
   (a) Minnie was born in September 1886 in Missouri and is the daughter of James V. and Serepta Lame.
   (b) Levi, son of James V. and Serepta Lame, was born March 1892 in Missouri.
   (c) Clarence, son of James V. and Serepta Lame, was born August 1897 in Missouri.

3. Jesse Dennis Lame, son of Caleb and Martha Lame, was born 15 May 1861. He died 7 November 1898 and is buried in North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. He married Sarah Vanderpool. Jesse and Sarah had the following children:
   (a) Bessie who married Junior Sparks.
   (b) Albert who was born February 1890.
(c) Esther, daughter of Jesse and Sarah (Vanderpool) Lame, was born 12 March 1898. She married Henry Broyles and died 16 April 1978.

(4) Anne Lame, daughter of Caleb and Martha (Tharp) Lame, was born about 1865. She married William A. Merrill 6 January 1887. Anne died 21 of October 1897 and is buried in North Evans Cemetery. She died at the age of 22 years, 5 months, and 9 days.

(5) Molly Lame, daughter of Caleb and Martha (Tharp) Lame, was born in 1872.
(B) Mary (Polly) Tharp, daughter of Zaus and Rachel Tharp, was born 15 October 1833 in Tippecanoe County, Indiana. She married William S. Keith on 22 January 1857 in Grundy County, Missouri. William was born about 1837 in Mercer County, Missouri. He is the son of Levi Keith who was born in Pennsylvania and Millie Hufstutter who was born in North Carolina in 1801. William S. Keith was a farmer in Mercer County. He went off to fight during the Civil War with Co. C, 23rd Regiment, Missouri Inf. Vol. He died 28 June 1864 in the Battle of Shilo. Mary (Tharp) Keith next married Dr. M. G. Regnier on 11 January 1867 in Grundy County, Missouri. Mary died 22 October 1886 in Missouri. William S. and Mary (Tharp) Keith had the following children:

1. John Wesley Keith, son of William and Mary (Tharp) Keith, was born about 1857 in Missouri. He married Eliza E. who was born about 1859 and died 8 September 1886. John died in 1906 and they are both buried in North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri.

2. Millie Jane Keith, daughter of William and Mary (Tharp) Keith, was born in 1859 in Mercer County, Missouri. She married William R. Hill who was born about 1852. Millie died in 1882.

3. Levi M. Keith, son of William and Mary (Tharp) Keith, was born in 1861 in Mercer County, Missouri.

4. James V. Keith, son of William and Mary (Tharp) Keith, was born about 1862 and died 8 September 1864 at the age of 2 years, 2 months, and 29 days. He is buried in Bethel Cemetery in Grundy County, Missouri.
Isaac Tharp/ Joseph Tharp/ Zaus Tharp/ Jane Tharp

(C) Jane Tharp, daughter of Zaus and Rachel Tharp, was born 17 November 1834 in Tippecanoe County, Indiana. She married the Rev. Joseph Evans, Sr. on the 11 November 1852 in Howard County, Indiana. They moved to Grundy County, Missouri, Paint Lick Community in 1856. Rev. Joseph Evans was born 26 January 1828 in Indiana and was the son of Rev. John Evans who was born in Ohio and Martha Cherry who was born in Pennsylvania. Rev. Joseph Evans was a minister at the Sinai Separate Baptist Church in Marion Township, Grundy County, Missouri. His father brought the family to Grundy County in 1856 from Indiana. The Rev. John Evans gave the land for the North and South Evans Cemeteries and churches. Jane (Tharp) Evans died near Paint Lick, Missouri on 1 December 1901 and the Rev. Joseph Evans died in Woodward, Oklahoma on the 30 December 1915. They are both buried in South Evans Cemetery in Grundy County, Missouri. They were the parents of five children:

(1) John Ponder Evans, son of Rev. Joseph and Jane (Tharp) Evans, was born in 1854 in Howard County, Indiana. He married Elizabeth R. Calley on 24 December 1874. They lived in Baker City, Oregon.

(2) California Evans, daughter of Rev. Joseph and Jane (Tharp) Evans, was born in November 1855 in Howard County, Indiana. She married John B. Lame, son of Caleb B. and Martha (Tharp) Lame. They lived in Woodward, Oklahoma.

(3) Mary Jane Evans, daughter of Rev. Joseph and Jane (Tharp) Evans, was born in April 1860 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married William Bridges and next married a Mr. Gossup. They also lived in Woodward, Oklahoma.

(4) Martha Jane (Patsey) Evans, daughter of Rev. Joseph and Jane (Tharp) Evans, was born 19 March 1863 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Ben D. Proctor who was the son of Joseph and Mary Proctor. They were the parents of six children and lived in Woodward, Oklahoma.

(5) Joseph Franklin Evans, Jr., son of Rev. Joseph and Jane (Tharp) Evans, Sr., was born in July 1874 in Grundy County, Missouri. Joseph also later moved to Woodward.
The following obituaries were printed on the Rev. Joseph and Jane Evans in the local papers:

1901

Died on Sunday Dec. 1st, at her home near Paint Lick, Mrs. Joseph Evans, aged sixty-six years and a few days. Mrs Evans was an old settler of Grundy County having come here in 1857. She was a sister of J.K. Tharp and John P. Tharp. Besides her husband, two sons and three daughters mourn in her death the loss of a loving wife and mother. She was a devoted Christian, having been for many years a member of the Separate Baptist church. The funeral was held Tuesday and the remains interred in South Evans cemetery.

PIONEER MINISTER DEAD
JANUARY 5, 1916

The funeral of a pioneer resident and minister of Grundy County occurred Sunday at South Evans church when the body of Rev. Jos. Evans was laid to rest in the cemetery there. Funeral services were conducted at one P.M. by Rev. J. R. Wright of Trenton.

Rev. Evans death occurred Dec. 31 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ben Proctor, at Woodward, Okla., and the body was brought to Missouri from there, arriving at Spickard Sunday night. Rev. Evans was 88 years old at the time of his death. He had been born and reared in this county and was one of the stalwart men of the pioneer days.

REV. JOSEPH EVANS
TRENTON DAILY REPUBLICAN
January 18, 1916

An obituary of a former pioneer resident here is sent The Republican as follows:

Rev. Joseph Evans was born in Indiana, January 26th, 1828, and died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Lame, in Woodward, Okla., Dec. 30, 1915, aged 87 years, 11 months and 4 days.

Deceased was one of seven children born to Rev. John Evans and wife. His father was in the ministry continuously from young manhood until retired by old age. Joseph, early in life took up the ministry and continued in the active service of his calling in the Separate Baptist church until within a few years of his death. When feeble from age and long service he preached many funerals and otherwise engaged in the cause of religion.

Rev. Evans was married to Miss Jane Tharp in Howard county, Ind., Nov. 11th, 1852, moving with his family from that place to Grundy county, Mo., in 1856, settling in the Paint Lick community where he continued to reside up to four years ago when he went to live with his children in Oklahoma.
He was preceded in death by his wife who died Dec. 2, 1901. He leaves five children to mourn his death. They are John P. of Baker City, Ore.; Joseph, Jr. of Woodward, Okla.; Mrs. John Lame, Mrs. Mary Gossip and Mrs. Martha Proctor of Woodward, Okla.

Besides the immediate family Rev. Evans leaves a large host of relatives and friends who join in sympathy with them in the loss of their esteemed father.

The funeral sermon over the remains of the late Rev. Evans was preached by Rev. James R. Wright of Trenton, at the South Evans church, Jan. 3, 1916 from 2 Tim. 4:6-8. The house was packed with a large crowd of friends and relatives who mourned the loss of this good man.

The following article was in the Trenton Republican Newspaper in Trenton, Missouri on March 25, 1875.

HORRIBLE AFFAIR

A MAN BURNED UNDER HIS OWN ROOF!

SUPPOSED MURDER OF REV. JOHN EVANS

On last Monday night between nine and ten o'clock the house of Rev. John Evans who lived about eight miles northeast from Trenton was burned down and the old man's body burned up with it. The fire was discovered by two of the neighbors living about one-half mile from him who reached the place just as the roof fell in, the walls falling in soon after. After everything was sufficiently burned up an examination was made and a small quantity of human bones were found near where the foot of the old man's bed stood, and it is supposed that he had been murdered and his house set on fire so as to destroy all traces of the deed. Coroner Stevens went out on Tuesday and found the facts as above stated. Mr. Evans was living entirely alone, his wife having been dead some years, and his children all being married. The supposition is that he had been murdered for his money as he was known to be in the habit of keeping money about the house. Search was made in the rubbish to find some gold, and resulted in finding what they supposed would amount to fifteen hundred dollars, part of it so melted that it cannot be used without going through the mint; but they found thirty seven twenty dollar pieces, and some smaller ones, which can be used. This was found by direction of one of his sons, who supposed he kept his gold in bags hanging to the rafters, next to the roof, and searching about the spot where they supposed it would fall. How much other money he may have had is not known, but in all probability considerable amount. He was known to have money loaned out, but as all notes and other papers were lost, there is no evidences to be found. Tracks of both men and horses were found indicating that two or three persons had come to and left the house.
showing that there were probably more than one engaged in
the murder. On Tuesday morning a man by the name of James
Sayers, living three miles north of town, quite shabbily dressed,
came to town and purchased a pair of boots of Mr. Tomey, and
paid for them in gold dollars. He also paid twenty dollars
at one of the banks, and said he brought them with him from
Texas. He purchased some things at other places and paid
for them in nickels, which had the appearance of having been
laid away somewhere and not used. He also stated that he
was going to Kansas City ..... to Texas to herd cattle. After
the news came to town of the fate of Mr. Evans, suspicion
at once centered on this man, and Sheriff Boyce started in
pursuit of him and brought him back. He was lodged in jail
to be examined. This same man was married some time ago by
the Mr. Evans, to a woman of a bad reputation and has been
known to have been back and forth to Mr. Evan's several times
since. He was also riding a horse the tracks of which answered
very well to the description of the tracks of one of the horses
that had been to Mr. Evans's house. His people know nothing
about his having any money of any kind.

Rev. Mr. Evans was a minister of the Old School (hard
shell) Baptist faith, and was very much dispenced to horde
up his wealth, not even telling his own children anything
about his business. It will be remembered that he had Merken,
Collier, and Huyken to get him up a big marble monument a
year or so ago, costing over one thousand dollars, with an
inscription on it for his wife filled out, and one for himself
finished, except the date of his death. This he had put up
near his wife's grave. We understand his bones, what could
be found of them, were buried there. Some years ago he erected
a church house in his neighborhood, known as the Paint Lick
Church, all of his own money. Most of the family live in
the same neighborhood.
Vincent Tharp, son of Zaus and Rachel (Hoover) Tharp, was born 18 December 1837 in Tippecanoe County, Indiana. He moved with his parents to Grundy County, Missouri in 1856. Vincent married Mary Keith on the 24 September 1859 at the home of her parents, Phillip and Isabelle (White) Keith of Grundy County, Missouri. Mary Keith was born about 1843 in Missouri. Vincent was a farmer in Grundy County, Missouri. Mary died after 1860 as no exact death date has been found. They had no children.

Vincent next married Rachel Elizabeth (King) Schooler about 1868. Rachel was born about 1837 in Kentucky. She died in Missouri about 1873. They had two children:

(1) Martha Tharp, daughter of Vincent and Rachel Tharp, was born in February 1870 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married W. H. Brashier on the 10 November 1886.

(2) Effie Ann Tharp, daughter of Vincent and Rachel Tharp, was born 29 June 1871 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married George W. Wade on the 2 July 1890.

After Rachel's death in 1873, Vincent next married Mary (Scott) (Keith) Regnier on 24 April 1881. Mary was born 25 October 1837 in Decatur, Illinois and was the daughter of John C. and Catherine Scott. Vincent and Mary (Scott) Tharp had two children:

(3) Arthur Love Tharp, son of Vincent and Mary (Scott) Tharp, was born in January 1883 at Grundy County, Missouri. He died of typhoid 30 January 1903 and is buried in Bethel Cemetery in Grundy County.

(4) George E. Tharp, son of Vincent and Mary (Scott) Tharp, was born in October 1884 in Grundy County, Missouri.

Vincent Tharp died on the 27 October 1910 at the age of 73 years. Mary (Scott) Tharp died 21 July 1919 and they are both buried in the Masonic Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri.
Arthur Love Tharp died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Tharp, 6 miles east of Spickard, Friday, Jan. 30, 1903, Arthur Love Tharp, aged 11 years, of typhoid. Arthur was a bright boy, with many friends, and his death leaves a vacant place impossible to fill in the home. Funeral was held Saturday at the Bethel church, conducted by Rev. Weary of Spickard and interment in Bethel cemetery.

Spickard, Missouri, Thursday, July 21, 1919

Once more the thing we call death has visited our little city and we are called upon to give up a loved one.
Sister Tharp or Grandma Tharp, as she was often called, was Miss Mary Scott before she was married.
She was born near Decatur, Ill., Oct. 25, 1837 and departed this life July 21, 1919 being 81 years, 8 months and 26 days of age.
She was married to Stephen H. Keith about the year of 1854. To this union was born five children, three boys and two girls. After the death of her first husband she was married to Dr. W. G. Reigner about the year of 67 or 68. To this union were born two children, one boy and one girl.
After the death of her second husband she was married to Vincent Tharp. To this union there was born two sons.
Those of the first children that are living are W.D. Keith, J.B. Keith and J.G. Keith. Those of the second children is Frank Reigner and those of the third children are Arthur and George Tharp.
Sister Tharp when only a small girl came with her parents from Illinois to Grundy County, Mo. where she lived the remainder of her life.
When young in life she first went into the M. E. Church. Not many years afterwards she placed her membership with the Christian church at the old Franklin school house and later with the congregation in Spickard where she has served and labored for the Lord about 50 years.
Sister Tharp was as well respected and loved as anyone in all this part of the country. She has lived an exemplary devoted life in the Master's service. Her faith and love for the church was a real inspiration to all who knew her.
The funeral was held in the Christian church at Spickard, Mo., July 22, 1919 in the presence of the family and a large number of friends. All of the children living were present except Arthur Tharp.
The family have the sympathy of the entire community in the loss of this dear mother and friend of all who knew her.
VINCENT L. THARP
DEC. 18, 1837
OCT. 27, 1910
MARY HIS WIFE
OCT. 25, 1837
JULY 21, 1919
Isaac Tharp/ Joseph Tharp/ Zaus Tharp/ Dennis Tharp

(E) Dennis William Tharp, son of Zaus and Rachel Tharp, was born 11 February 1840 in Boone County, Indiana. He married Margaret Jane Keith on the 18 December 1856 in Grundy County, Missouri. They farmed near Spickard, Missouri in Grundy County. Margaret was born 28 July 1834 in Ohio and is the daughter of Phillip and Isabelle (White) Keith. Dennis Tharp joined the army during the Civil War. As the army marched by his farm he tied his horses to the fence and joined up with them without going to the house and telling Margaret. Dennis died 27 February 1907 at the age of 67 years and 9 days. Margaret died 7 May 1931 at the age of 96 years, 9 months, and 9 days. They are buried in the North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. According to the 1900 census they were the parents of nine children, 6 living. Their children were Caleb L., William A., James K. Polk, Jemima E., Joseph F., Charles V., Mary J., and Zace. I donot know the name of the ninth child.

OBITUARY OF DENNIS THARP 1907
Dennis Tharp was born in Douglas County, Indiana Feb. 18 1849. When a boy about 16 years of age he came to Missouri. He was married to Margaret Keith. There are six children living, three having preceded him to their rest. He died at his home Feb. 27, 1907 at the age of 67 years, 9 days.
He was well known to a large circle of friends, and held the esteem and good will of all. He suffered greatly in his last illness but never complained, he took it patiently and died trusting in the Lord. The funeral was conducted at the North Evans church by Rev. J.A. Westerman. His body rests in the cemetery adjoining the church.

A FORMER RESIDENT OF SPICKARD DEAD 1931
Mrs. Margaret Tharp, 98, Died At Home of Daughter Thursday Evening At Wintersville
Mrs. Margaret Jane Tharp, 98 years old died at 6:15 P.M. yesterday, at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. David Keslig, near Wintersville. Mrs. Tharp had been ill since last February. The survivors include five sons, Caleb, Bill, Joe, and James Tharp all of the community of Spickard; Charles Tharp, Chillicothe; one daughter Mrs. David Keslig, Wintersville. The funeral arrangements have not been completed. Mrs. Tharp was born in Ohio and came to the community of Spickard as a small child. Her husband, Dennis Tharp preceded her in death 24 years ago. For sixteen years after his death, Mrs. Tharp lived with her
son, Caleb Tharp at Spickard.
Funeral services will be held at the North Evans Church, with burial at the cemetery there. The time has not yet been set.

There are several errors in these two obituaries. Dennis was born in 1840 not 1849 as stated and he was born in Boone County, Indiana. There was no Douglas County in Indiana. Mrs. Tharp died at the age of 96 instead of 98 as stated in her obituary.
Back Row: Joseph Tharp, James K. Polk Tharp, William Andrew Tharp, and Charles V. Tharp
Front Row: Caleb Tharp, Elizabeth Tharp, the father Dennis Tharp, and the mother Margaret J. (Keith) Tharp
This was a gathering of the Dennis Tharp family. Mrs. Dennis Tharp (Margaret Jane Keith) is seated 2nd from left.
The man in the frame (within the picture) is Caleb Tharp, son of Dennis & Margaret Tharp.

1927
Caleb L. Tharp, son of Dennis and Margaret Tharp, was born 10 April 1860 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Malinda Susanna Vandevender on the 8 February 1880. Malinda, daughter of Nimrod and Malinda (Evans) Vandevender, was born 22 October 1861 in Missouri and died 10 August 1925 in Grundy County. Caleb died 24 November 1940 and both are buried in North Evans cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. Caleb and Malinda had six children:

(a) Geminiah (Lizzie) E. Tharp, daughter of Caleb and Malinda Tharp, was born 24 April 1881. On 25 December 1900 she married Wm. F. Wagner who was born about 1864. Wm. died in 1948 in Grundy County, Missouri. They had one son:

(I) Walter A Wagner, son of Wm. F. and Geminiah Wagner, was born about 1910 in Texas.

Geminiah next married Joseph F. Britton on the 9 October 1916 in Grundy County, Missouri.

(b) Cora E. Tharp, daughter of Caleb and Malinda Tharp, was born 4 October 1882 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Ezekiel Keith on 7 February 1933. Cora died 29 December 1964 in Grundy County. Ezekiel was born 30 November 1860 and died 17 October 1951. There were no children born to this union.

(c) John Dennis Tharp, son of Caleb and Malinda Tharp, was born 11 September 1885 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Pearl Hahn on the 21 February 1903. Pearl was born 9 April 1886 in Illinois and died 7 November 1961 in Missouri. John died 27 March 1962 in Grundy County. They had two sons:

(I) Donald Tharp who was born about 1906 in Grundy County. He married Rena Mae Sims on the 2 November 1926.

(II) Paul Russell Tharp was born about 1918 in Grundy County, Missouri.
(d) Joseph Franklin Tharp, son of Caleb and Malinda Tharp, was born 8 May 1890 in Mercer County, Missouri. He married Sadie Ann Brown 28 May 1911. They had three children:

(I) Elmer A. Tharp, son of Franklin and Sadie (Brown) Tharp, was born 20 August 1912. He married Marie [blank]. He died in October 1970 in Chillicothe, Missouri. He is buried in Rose Hill Cemetery, Breckenridge, Missouri. Elmer and Marie had two children:

(a) Diana Kay Tharp
(b) William Dennis Tharp

(II) Wilbur Hadley Tharp, son of Joseph F. and Sadie (Brown) Tharp, was born 21 October 1914 in Mercer County, Missouri. He married Hattie Hazel Booth, daughter of Byron and Winnie (Harper) Booth, on 21 January 1941 in Jamesport, Missouri. Hattie Hazel was born 4 November 1921 in Cainsville, Missouri. Wilbur and Hattie had two children:

(a) Janice Mae Tharp who was born 8 January 1942 in Trenton, Missouri and died there 25 May 1943.
(b) William Howard Tharp was born 27 August 1943 in Trenton, Missouri.

(III) Mary Malinda Tharp, daughter of Joseph F. and Sadie (Brown) Tharp, was born 5 August 1927 in Mercer County, Missouri. She married Junior L. Breeze 13 May 1950 in Gallatin, Missouri. Junior L. Breeze, son of Jim and Rose (Lewson) Breeze, was born 7 November 1922 in Sampsell, Missouri. They had 4 children:

(a) Linda June Breeze was born 16 August
1953 in Jamesport, Daviess County, Missouri. She married Robert Smith 28 October 1972. Robert, son of Cleo and Mildred (Starkey) Smith, was born 4 March 1948. They have a son:


(b) Terry Dean Breeze was born 26 April 1955 in Kansas City, He married Teresia Waterman.

(c) Gary Dale Breeze was born 22 February 1960 in Chillicothe, Missouri.

(d) Laura Jean Breeze was born 13 January 1969 in Chillicothe, Missouri.
AGED MAN FOUND DEAD IN HIS HOME
Caleb L. Tharp Who Lived
Alone, Died Sunday At His
Home In Spickard

Caleb L. Tharp, age 80, was found dead at his home in Spickard Sunday morning about 11:30 by his son-in-law, Wm. Stottlemyre. Dr. E. W. Ewing who was immediately called says the death was due to a heart attack. When found, the body was still warm and it is believed he had died only about an hour prior to being found by Mr. Stottlemyre.

David Gose of Spickard had called at the home of Mr. Tharp about 5 a.m. to inquire the location of a family that lived nearby. Mr. Tharp came to the door and gave the requested information. At that time, it is reported Mr. Tharp appeared to be in his usual health. Apparently he had been sitting in a rocking chair when the attack came and he had slid off to the floor.

The coroner, Dr. Fair of Trenton was notified but on account of illness could not come and asked Dr. Ewing to make the necessary report on the death.

Caleb L. Tharp was the son of Dennis and Margaret Tharp. He was born in this county (Grundy) April 10, 1860 and had spent all his life here. His wife whose maiden name was Malinda Vandevender, died fourteen years ago.

Surviving him are three sons: John, Frank, and Fred Tharp; three daughters: Mrs. Cora Keith, Mrs. Elizabeth Brittain and Mrs. Margaret Stottlemyre, all of Spickard; three brothers, Joseph and William of Spickard and Charles of Chillicothe, Mo.

The body was taken to the Schooler Funeral Home and from there taken to the Spickard U. B. church Wednesday afternoon, the funeral being conducted by Rev. Clark and interment was in the North Evans Cemetery.
Spickard, Missouri - 1925

Malinda Susannah Vandevender Tharp, daughter of Nimrod and Susannah Vandevender, was born October 22nd, 1861, departed this life August 11th, 1925, making her stay on earth 63 years, 9 months, and 19 days. Her father, mother and three sisters preceded her to the great beyond. She was married to Caleb Tharp February 8th, 1880. To this union six children were born: Mrs Lizzie Brittain, Miss Cora Tharp, John, Frank, and Freddie Tharp, and Mrs. Margie Persell. Mother had been a continual sufferer for years, but bore her suffering with patience, and was kind and loving and easy to care for. All was done that could be for her relief, but the Lord saw fit to take her from us, and we have to be submissive to his will. She sweetly passed away in the triumph of a living faith. She received her hope in Jesus nearly thirty-eight years ago. She, with her husband, was baptized in the fellowship of the New Hope Church, near Spickard, Missouri where she remained a member until death. She was baptized by her brother, Elder J.B. Vandevender. With the evidence we have of her hope we feel that she is now at rest in the paradise of God, nevermore to suffer the pains, trials and troubles of natural life, but to sing praises in the immediate presence of her Savior. She was a devoted wife, a dear, kind, loving mother and a good neighbor. We miss our mother, but feel our loss is her eternal gain. She leaves to mourn her departure her husband, six children, nine grandchildren, three brothers: Elder J.B. Vandevender, Phillip Vandevender, and William Vandevender, besides a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at the North Evans church-house by Elder W. T. Walters, of Stahl, Mo., and her body was laid to rest in the North Evans Cemetery to await the resurrection morn, when we hope to meet mother where there will be no more farewell tears.

Written by her daughter, and sister in hope of life beyond the grave,

Cora Tharp
Martha (Tharp) Lame, wife of Caleb B. Lame

Caleb and Malinda Tharp tombstone
Elmer A. Tharp, 58, father of William Dennis Tharp, Chillicothe, died at 9 o'clock Wednesday evening at the University of Missouri Medical Center and Hospital in Columbia, following a long illness.

Mr. Tharp, a farmer of the Breckenridge community was born Aug. 20, 1912, a son of Frank Tharp and Sadie (Brown) Tharp.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Marie Tharp; a daughter, Diana Kay Tharp; St Joseph; son, William D. Tharp; Chillicothe; a sister, Mrs. Mary D. Breeze; a brother, Wilbur A. Tharp, and his father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tharp, Breckenridge.

Memorial service will be at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Breckenridge Christian Church. Interment will be in the Rose Hill cemetery.

There will be family visitation at 7:30 o'clock Friday night at the chapel of the Mead-Pitts Funeral Home, Breckenridge.
(e) Malinda Margaret Tharp, daughter of Caleb L. and Malinda S. (Vandevender) Tharp, was born 15 January, 1897 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married David A. Persell 10 August 1919. He was the son of Emanuel Persell and Alice Stottlemyre. Malinda married William Lee Stottlemyre next and he died 19 January 1975. David and Malinda had two children:

(I) Cora Mae Persell was born 17 January 1922 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married George Calvin Grouse on the 17 March 1940. George was born 9 November 1918 in Livingston County, Missouri. His father was Ruda Calvin Grouse and his Mother was Sarah Ella Wert. They had two children:

(1) Betty Ann Grouse who was born 13 September 1942 in Chillicothe, Mo. She married Gary A. Mumpower on the 4 April 1964.

(2) Margaret Ellen Grouse was born 5 January 1945 in Chillicothe, Missouri. She married Gary D. Bills 2 December 1966. They have one daughter:

(A) Janelle Lynette Bills who was born 5 September 1975.

(II) John Arthur Percell, son of David and Malinda M. (Tharp) Persell, was born 17 October 1924 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Mildred Hamilton.
William and Malinda M. (Tharp) (Percell) Stottlemyre had a daughter: 
(III) Cleta Stottlemyre was born 29 August 1931 in Livingston County, Missouri. She married 26 December 1951 to John Andrew Moore, son of Vernon and Audrey Moore. John and Cleta had three children:

(1) Steven Andrew Moore who was born 3 October 1955 in Chillicothe, Mo.

(2) Malinda Kay Moore was born 4 December 1956 in Lebanon, Missouri. She married Steve Harmon and they have two children:

(a) Stephanie Lyn Harmon born 28 March 1975 in Moberly, Missouri.

(b) Amy Harmon was born 6 March 1976 in Moberly, Missouri.

(3) Carol Ann Moore was born 26 May 1965 in Chillicothe, Missouri.
(f) Freddie Caleb Tharp, son of Caleb L. and Malinda S. (Vandevender) Tharp, was born 12 March 1900 near Spickard, Missouri. He married Jennie Hazel Leytham 25 August 1918. Jennie was born 28 May 1901 near Persia, Iowa and died 16 December 1991. She was the daughter of Wm. Leytham. She and Freddie were farmers near Spickard, Missouri. Freddie died 27 June 1984 and they are both buried in the North Evans Cemetery near Spickard. They were the parents of five children:

(I) Leland Elwood Tharp, son of Freddie and Jennie H. (Leytham) Tharp, was born 4 June 1919 near Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. He married Hazel Luciene Stottlemyre 7 April 1939. She was born 4 April 1921 in Grundy County, Missouri and died 7 May 1989 in Des Moines, Iowa. She was the daughter of James Arthur Stottlemyre and Sabrina Vanderpool, also of Spickard. They have three children:

(a) Betty Lou Tharp was born 4 February 1940 in Grundy County, Missouri. She is the daughter of Leland and Hazel (Stottlemyre) Tharp. Betty Lou married Harry Dean Hyde 1 June 1958. Harry was born 13 April 1934 in Iowa City, Iowa and was the son of Sherman Wesley Martin and Sarah Jane (Baker) Hyde. Harry died 12 May 1969 near Dallas Center, Iowa and is buried in Sunny Hill Cemetery at Grimes, Iowa. They have three children:

(1) Elizabeth Ann Hyde born 22 May 1959 in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

(2) Lindy Von Hyde was born 29 October 1960 in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

(3) Terry Lee Hyde was born 7 June 1964 in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.
(b) Leland Junior Tharp, son of Leland E. and Hazel (Stottlemyre) Tharp, was born 9 November 1943 in Aurora, Illinois. He married Dee Ann Honnald 8 December 1962 in Grimes, Iowa. Leland Jr. died 15 April 1971 in Grimes, and is buried in Lincoln Cemetery in Granger, Iowa. Dee Ann was born 29 September 1944 in Des Moines, Iowa and she is the daughter of John and Margaret (Lytle) Honnald. They had one son:

(1) Robert Dean Tharp was born 30 August 1963 in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

(c) Sandra Sue Tharp, daughter of Leland E. and Hazel (Stottlemyre) Tharp, was born 18 May 1947 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Roger Wayne Good on the 26 May 1966. They had one son:

(1) Marshall Wayne Good who was born 16 January 1970 in Des Moines, Polk County, Iowa.

On the 8 September 1973 Sandra Sue married Howard Lee Sinclair in Elk Point, South Dakota. Howard was born 2 June 1941 in Iowa City, Iowa and his parents are Russell Clinton Sinclair and Olive May Story. They have one daughter:

(2) Sebrena Marie Sinclair was born 19 July 1974 in Osceola, Clarke County, Iowa.
(II) Lyle Dale Tharp, son of Freddie C. and Jennie H. (Leytham) Tharp, was born 24 June 1924 near Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. Lyle married Marie Burkert on the 4 May 1945 in Trenton, Missouri. Marie was born in St. Joseph, Missouri on the 23 December 1919 and is the daughter of Charles Leo Burkert and Ollie Edna Shield. Lyle and Marie had two children:

(a) Emery Dale Tharp was born 30 January 1946 in Trenton, Missouri. He married Terry Smith and they had two children:

(1) Terri Dale Tharp was born 8 July 1966 in Trenton, Missouri.

(2) Lisa Jo Tharp was born 6 June 1968 in Trenton, Missouri.

On the 11 January 1974 Emery Dale Tharp married Gladys Keeler in Bedford, Missouri. They had one child:

(3) Jeffrey Ray Tharp was born 25 October 1974 in Trenton, Missouri.

(b) Kenneth Ray Tharp, son of Lyle Dale Tharp and Marie Burkert was born 3 July 1951 in Trenton, Missouri. He married Christina Halter on the 4 November 1970 in Auburn, Nebraska. Christina was born 27 December 1951 in St. Joseph, Missouri and is the daughter of James Thomas Halter and Marjorie Magdaline Jung. They have three children:

(1) Maleea Tharp was born 22 February 1971 in Cameron, Missouri.

(2) Jennifer Tharp was born 12 August 1972 in Princeton, Missouri.

(3) Johnathan Ray Tharp was born 10 June 1975 in Brookfield, Missouri.

Lyle Dale Tharp next married Marjorie Magdaline (Jung) Halter.
(III) Lillie Lafern Tharp, daughter of Freddie C. and Jennie H. (Leytham) Tharp, was born 24 July 1926 near Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. She married Phillip Leon Swank on the 28 September 1946. Phillip was born 10 September 1909 near Milan, Sullivan County, Missouri and is the son of Phillip Swank, Sr. and Eva Zigler. He died June 1970 in Trenton, Missouri. They had one daughter:
(a) Phyllis Lafern Swank who was born 19 October 1947 in Milan, Missouri. She married Mike Huston on the 5 December 1965. Mike was born 14 July 1947 and is the son of Earl Litton Huston and Doris Ruth Tague. Mike and Phyllis had one son:
(1) Shawn Allan Huston was born 24 January 1972 in Trenton, Missouri.

Lillie Lafern next married Ed Huff.

(IV) Donna Tharp, daughter of Freddie C. and Jennie H. (Leytham) Tharp, was born 5 October 1936 near Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. She married Frank Leon Wendt on the 30 May 1954 Spickard, Missouri. Frank was the son of Lonnie Wendt and Vaughn Conner. Donna and Frank had three children:
(a) Debbie Wendt was born 15 September 1955 in St. Joseph, Missouri.
(b) Gene Rae Wendt was born 28 June 1958 in Germany.
(c) Penny Wendt was born 13 November 1959 in Princeton, Missouri.

(V) Freddie C. and Jennie H. (Leytham) Tharp had an infant son die at birth on the 27 March 1940.
OBITUARY

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Tharp died at birth March 27, 1940.
He leaves to mourn his departure his father and mother; two brothers and two sisters, Leland Tharp of Harris, and Lyle, Lafern, and Donna Darline of the home; a niece, Betty Lue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Tharp; and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Laythem of Osgood and Caleb Tharp of Spickard. His grandmother Tharp preceded him in death August 10, 1925.
Burial was in the North Evans cemetery March 28.

"Sleep our little darling and take thy rest;
God called thee home; he knew 'twas best.
Why should we mean departing friends,
Or shake at death's alarms,
'Tis but the voice of Jesus sent
To call them to his arms."
(2) William Andrew Tharp, son of Dennis and Margaret Tharp, was born 15 July 1866 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Francis Adeline Gumm 9 June 1895. She was born 26 October 1871 in Bond County, Greenville, Illinois and was the daughter of William Jefferson Gumm and Martha Shields. William A. Tharp died 12 February 1950 and Francis died 11 July 1950 both in Grundy County, Missouri and they are buried in the North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. William A. Tharp farmed east of Spickard, Missouri. They had three children:

(a) Carl Dewey Tharp, son of William A. and Francis A. (Gumm) Tharp, was born 10 March 1901 near Spickard, Missouri. He married Lora Rhoades 18 March 1922. Lora died at age 36 on the 17 May 1930. She is buried in North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. Carl married Ethel Cunningham 8 December 1931. Ethel was born 22 January 1909 and was the daughter of Wesley and Nina (Berry) Cunningham. They were the parents of 12 children:

(I) Jack Wendell Tharp, who was the only son of Carl and Lora Tharp, was born 20 May 1928. He married Delilia Mae Kincade. They had 6 children who were Patricia, Jackie, Doris, Brenda, Wendell, and Richard.

(II) Shirley Tharp, daughter of Carl and Ethel Tharp, was born 5 October 1931. She married Howard Keith. They had two children who were Barbara and James Keith.
(III) Louisa Tharp, daughter of Carl D. and Ethel S. Tharp, was born 28 February 1933. She married Franklin Stephens and they are the parents of two sons Danny and David.

(IV) Laverna Jo Tharp, daughter of Carl D. and Ethel S. Tharp, was born 4 December 1935. She married Loren D. Adams on the 25 November 1962. Loren was born 26 September 1941. They are the parents of one son, Terry, born 27 August 1963.

(V) W. A. Tharp, son of Carl D. and Ethel S. Tharp, was born 17 January 1936. He married Myrna Wells and they are the parents of William, Rodney, and Cindy.

(VI) Nina Tharp, daughter of Carl D. and Ethel S. Tharp, was born 4 May 1939. She married Cecil P. Persell 18 May 1957 and they are the parents of Jerry, Janice, Jeffery, and two that are deceased, Janet, Wendy.

(VII) Betty Tharp, daughter of Carl D. and Ethel S. Tharp, was born 17 May 1940. She married Harold Kincade and they are the parents of Floyd and Dianna.

(VIII) Glen Tharp, son of Carl D. and Ethel S. Tharp, was born 28 December 1941. He married Carolyn Sturdevant 16 November 1962. She was born 8 January 1946. They are the parents of Stanley who was born 1 September 1963 and Kimberly born 10 September 1965.
(IX) Carolyn Tharp, daughter of Carl D. and Ethel S. Tharp, was born 2 March 1943. She married Bill Wendt 5 July 1960. They are the parents of two children, William who was born 6 June, 1961 and Melinda who was born 10 April 1970.

(X) Sharon Tharp, daughter of Carl D. and Ethel Tharp, was born 25 August 1947. She married Gordon Blacksmith on the 19 August 1967. Gordon was born 13 December 1942.

(XI) Linda K. Tharp, daughter of Carl D. and Ethel S. Tharp, was born 9 July 1950. She married Larry Crawford 9 July 1968. Larry was born 28 July 1948.

(XII) Mary Lou Tharp, daughter of Carl D. and Ethel S. Tharp, died in infancy.
(b) Ruth Pearl Tharp, daughter of William A. and Francis A. Tharp, was born 27 August 1903 near Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. She married Guy Aquilla Minshall 1 May 1923 and his father was J. L. Minshall. Guy was born 30 May 1903 in Missouri. They later moved to Wheatridge, Colorado in 1937. Guy died 27 November 1989 in Wheatridge and Ruth died there on the 9 March 1972. They are both buried in Crown Hill Cemetery in Denver, Colorado. They are the parents of three children:

(I) Fredona Jo Minshall, daughter of Guy A. and Ruth P. Minshall, was born 5 April 1924 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Kenneth Jeffries on 29 June 1950.


(III) James Arnold Minshall, son of Guy A. and Ruth P. Minshall, was born in Quincy, Illinois. He married Bonnie Clemens.

(c) Glenna Tharp, daughter of William A. and Francis A. Tharp, was born 21 January 1909 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Esta D. Parr 6 November 1927 in Princeton, Mercer County, Missouri. Esta Parr is the son of James Parr and Arizona Gose. He was a State Food Inspector and a Real Estate Investor in Arvada, Colorado. He died 11 January 1971 in Arvada and is buried in Crown Hill Cemetery in Denver, Colorado. Glenna died in Wheatridge, Colorado on the 26 April 1994 and is buried beside her husband in Crown Hill Cemetery. They have one son:

(I) Ivan Parr, son of Esta D. and Glenna Parr, was born 19 May 1944 in Denver, Denver County, Colorado. He married Shirley Renee Fournier on 1 July 1966 in Bound Brook,
New Jersey. She is the daughter of Norman Ray and Margaret Elizabeth Fournier, and was born 27 March 1944 in Zarephath, New Jersey. Ivan S. and Shirley Renee Parr have two children:

(1) Michelle Renee Parr was born 14 July 1969 in Wheatridge, Colorado.

(2) Danielle Janae Parr was born 27 October 1977 in Wheatridge, Colorado.
William A. Tharp, 83,
Dies After Long Illness

William A. Tharp, 83, Farmers Valley community farmer, died at his home east of Spickard Sunday after having been in ill health a number of years.

Mr. Tharp was the son of Dennis and Margaret Tharp and was born in Grundy County in 1866 and had lived his entire life near the same vicinity.

On June 7, 1895 he was married to Ida Gumm, who survives. Other survivors are a son, Carl Tharp, east of Spickard; two daughters, Mrs. Guy Minshall and Mrs. Esta Parr, both of Denver; 14 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two brothers, J. F. Tharp of Spickard and Charles Tharp of Kansas City.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Schooler's funeral home and burial was in North Evans cemetery.

Mrs. W. A. Tharp
Dies At Son's Home

Funeral Rites Thursday
Schooler Funeral Home
For Spickard Resident
1950

Mrs. W. A. Tharp, 78 years old, died at 6:15 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home of a son, Carl Tharp, seven miles east of Spickard.

Funeral services will be held at 12:30 Thursday at the Schooler funeral home in Spickard. The Rev. J. T. McClanahan of Kirksville will officiate. Interment will be in North Evans cemetery.

Mrs. Tharp was born in Greenville, Ill., Oct. 26, 1871 a daughter of W. J. and Martha Gumm. She moved with her parents to Spickard when a child.

On June 9, 1895, she was married to W. A. Tharp who died Feb.5, 1950

Surviving are the son of the home; two daughters. Mrs. Guy Minshall and Mrs. E. D. Parr both of Denver; 15 grandchildren; a great-grandchild; a brother, L. A. Gumm and two sisters, Mrs. Con Proctor and Mrs. Archie Proctor of Spickard.
Jack W. Tharp, age 63, of Spickard, Mo. died March 1, 1992 at his home.

He was born May 20, 1928 in Spickard to Carl and Laura (Rhoades) Tharp. He married Dilia Kincade May 11, 1949 in Trenton, Missouri.

Mr. Tharp attended Brush Rural School in Spickard and was a painter.

Surviving are his wife of Spickard; two sons, Richard and Wendell, both of Spickard; four daughters, Patricia Travis of Liberty, Jackie Marrs and Brenda Tharp, both of Spickard, and Doris Travis of Salina, Kansas; two brothers, Glenn Tharp of Chillicothe and W.A. Tharp of Bettendorf, Iowa; eight sisters, Shirley Keith, Betty Kincade and Carolyn Wendt, all of Chillicothe, Louise Stephens of Jefferson City, Jo Adams of Spickard, Nina Persell of Mt. Carroll, Ill., June Blacksmith of Indianola, Iowa, and Kay Crawford of Trenton; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two infant children.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 4, at 2 p.m. at Wise Slater Funeral Home in Spickard. Burial will be in North Evans Cemetery east of Spickard. Visitation will be today (Tuesday) from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.
9 March 1972

RUTH P. MINSHALL

Services for Mrs. Ruth P. Minshall, 68, of 3495 Ames St., Wheat Ridge, Colorado, will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Olinger Mortuary, W. 29th Ave. and Wadsworth Blvd. Burial will be in Crown Hill.

Mrs. Minshall died Thursday at Georgian House, Inc., Lakewood, Colorado.

She was born Aug. 27, 1903, at Spickard, Mo., where she was married to Guy A. Minshall May 1, 1923. They moved to Denver in 1937.

She attended the First Church of the Nazarene.

Mrs. Minshall is survived by her husband; a daughter, Mrs. Fredona J. Jeffries, Arvada; two sons, John W., Wheat Ridge and Arnold, Arvada; a sister, Mrs. Glennie Parr, Arvada; and a brother, Carl Tharp, Spickard, Mo.

GLENNIE PARR
WHEAT RIDGE HOMEMAKER, 85

Glennie Parr of Wheat Ridge, a homemaker, died Tuesday, April 26, 1994, in Wheat Ridge, Colorado. She was 85.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Crown Hill Mortuary Chapel. Entombment will be in Crown Hill Tower of Memories.

She was born Jan. 21, 1909, in Missouri. Her husband, Esta D. Parr, preceded her in death.

Mrs. Parr attended the First Free Methodist Church of Lakewood and was active in the Jefferson County Republican Party.

She is survived by a son, Ivan, Conifer; and two granddaughters.
YEAR-OLD BOY IS WHISTLER WITH SKILL AND REPERTOIRE

Babies usually pucker up to say "goo" when they are six months old. But Ivan Samuel Parr, 2698 S. University Blvd., at six months puckered up and whistled like a teakettle. And that is unusual. His mother, Mrs. Glennie Parr, says so; his father says so; the neighbors say so; the family physician says so, and the entire staff of the Rocky Mountain News, who for years have been meeting gurgling cooing babies, say so.

The whistling prodigy will be a year old May 19, and he still is whistling. There are skeptics who think he must have swallowed a whistle, or that Mr. Parr, an investigator for Dun & Bradstreet, and his wife are ventriloquists, trying to hoax the public.

But just let young Ivan pucker up and "give" and doubt vanishes.

No one thought to record the circumstances of Ivan's fine whistle. One day he simply sucked in his breath and expelled it in the shape of a whistle.

Mr. and Mrs. Parr said "how cute," and thought no more of it. Then one day Ivan woke up at 4 A.M. and whistled, and Mr. Parr said something else. When friends and neighbors began to exclaim, the Parr's realized they had a prodigy.

Heredity won't explain Ivan's whistling success. Mr. & Mrs. Parr are just ordinary folk from Spickard, Missouri who attended the same high school and married shortly after graduating. Mrs. Parr plays the piano but Mr. Parr says he can't even play the radio. Neither was a whistling baby.

Even the cousins offer no clue. Pvt. Celeste Parr, a WAC in Washington, D.C.; Miss Marjorie Parr, in nurse's training at Mercy Hospital, and Rita Parr, 3325 W. Scott Pl. and cousins of young Ivan, were normal babies.
James K. Polk Tharp, son of Dennis and Margaret Jane (Keith) Tharp, was born 14 May 1869 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Edna Dora Betz on the 7 June 1890. Edna was the daughter of William Henry Betz, Jr. born in Ohio and Mary Rheuport also born in Ohio. Edna was born 7 March 1870 in Coldwater, Michigan. James K. Polk Tharp died 24 September 1940 in St. Joseph, Missouri and Edna died 28 July 1961 in the Whitfield Nursing Home in Trenton, Missouri. Both are buried in the Bethel Cemetery near Trenton, Grundy County, Missouri. They had four children:

(a) Albert Love Tharp, son of James K. Polk and Edna (Betz) Tharp, was born 12 May 1891 in Grundy County, Missouri. He died 30 January 1903 from typhoid fever at the age of 11 years, 7 months, 18 days and is buried in Bethel Cemetery, Trenton, Missouri.

(b) Cecil May Tharp, daughter of James K. Polk and Edna (Betz) Tharp, was born 30 December 1895 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Harley Raymond Norton 16 July 1919. Cecil died 9 September 1939 at the age of 43 years, 8 months, 9 days. They had two children:

(1) Donald Raymond Norton, son of Harley and Cecil (Tharp) Norton, was born 11 April 1920 near Clarence, Shelby County, Missouri. He married Elma Gleason 2 March 1941. She was born 30 October, 1911. They are the parents of two children:

(a) Sharon Kay Norton was born 17 March 1943 and married Walter Nichols. They had three children:

(A) Eileen G. Nichols.

(B) Ricky A. Nichols.
(C) Lynelle Antoinette Nichols.

(2) Judith K. Norton, daughter of Donald and Elma Norton, was born about 1945. She married Kenneth Alan Rowe in 1971. They have two children:
   (A) Nathan Alan Rowe.
   (B) A daughter.

(II) Clarence Allen Norton, son of Harley and Cecil (Tharp) Norton, was born 1 May 1922 in Missouri. He married Mary Louise Gott 1 December 1941. They are the parents of 5 children:
   (1) George Raymond Norton, son of Clarence and Mary Norton, was born 13 March 1943 near Spickard, Missouri. He married Shirley Lashbrook on the 21 October 1961.
   (2) Clarence Junior Norton, son of Clarence and Mary Norton, was born 31 May 1944 near Spickard, Missouri. He married Janice Daley 31 October 1963.
   (3) Danny Lee Norton, son of Clarence and Mary Norton, was born 25 February 1947 at Brimson, Grundy County, Missouri. He married Lou Ann Billingsly on the 6 October, 1968.
   (4) Richard Leon Norton, son of Clarence and Mary Norton, was born 31 March 1950 Napa, Napa County, California. He married Nancy Jackson on the 30 October 1971.
   (5) Suzanna Marie Norton, daughter of Clarence and Mary Norton, was born 18 October 1953 at Rushville, Schuyleres County, Illinois. She married Paul W. Smith, Jr., 6 February 1970.
(c) Eula Vada Tharp, daughter of James K. Polk and Edna (Betz) Tharp, was born 15 January 1898 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Thomas David Ricketts 15 May 1921 in Galt, Missouri. Thomas was born 25 February 1898 in Grundy County, Missouri and is the son of Joseph Ricketts and Catherine Lenz. Eula died 22 September 1966 in Grundy County, Missouri and is buried in South Evans Cemetery in Grundy County. Eula and Thomas Ricketts had five children:

(I) Nola Fern Ricketts was born 13 May 1922 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Robert Clark 14 December 1946.

(II) Thomas Cecil Ricketts was born 31 December 1923 in Grundy County, Missouri. He died 1 January 1924.

(III) Willis Vada Ricketts (Billie) was born 31 March 1925 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Eugene W. Smith 7 October 1950 in Columbus, Kansas. They have two children:

1. Mareta Smith, daughter of Eugene and Willis Smith, was born 11 June 1958 in Pittsburg, Kansas.
2. Maria Smith, daughter of Eugene and Willis Smith, was born 27 August 1959 in Pittsburg, Kansas.

(IV) Kathleen Edna Ricketts, daughter of Thomas and Eula (Tharp) Ricketts was born 21 March 1927 in Columbus, Cherokee County, Kansas. She married Thomas V. Corrigan of Scammon, Kansas. They have 6 children:

1. Thomas W. Corrigan was born 13 August 1947 in Columbus, Kansas. He married Lynn ________ of New York.
2. Kathleen Elizabeth Corrigan was born 21 December 1948 in Columbus
Cherokee County, Kansas. Kathleen married Eddie Burns of New York.

(3) Dennis Corrigan, son of Thomas and Kathleen Corrigan, was born 6 August 1950 in Columbus, Kansas. He married Marilyn of New York.

(4) Margaret Corrigan, daughter of Thomas and Kathleen Corrigan was born 2 June 1953 in Albany, New York. She married Steven Miller of New York. They have two children, Scott and Tim.

(5) Patricia Corrigan, daughter of Thomas and Kathleen Corrigan, was born 21 July 1955 in Albany, New York.

(6) John Corrigan, son of Thomas and Kathleen Corrigan was born 27 March 1963 in Albany, New York.

(V) Lawrence David Ricketts (Larry), son of Thomas and Eula Ricketts, was born in December 1929 in Columbus, Kansas. He married Marvelle Dill 3 October 1954. They have 5 children:

(1) Thomas Clay Ricketts was born 5 August 1955 in Columbus, Kansas.

(2) Sue Ann Ricketts was born 8 February 1958 in Columbus, Kansas.

(3) Rena Kay Ricketts was born 7 March 1959 in Columbus, Kansas.

(4) Amanda Fern Ricketts was born 27 January 1962 in Haysville, Kansas.

(5) Dorrie Ricketts was born 12 February 1964 in Haysville, Kansas.
Zaus Tharp/ Dennis Tharp/ James K. Polk Tharp

(d) Elmer Truman Tharp, son of James K. Polk and Edna (Betz) Tharp, was born 12 January 1906 in Grundy County, Missouri. Elmer married Lydia Edith Terry 13 April 1930 in Trenton at her parents home. She is the daughter of Edmond and Lieuella M. (Wolf) Terry. Lydia was born 22 January 1902 in Grundy County, Missouri and was a school teacher. Elmer T. Tharp died 11 March 1966 at 2504 Main St. in Trenton, Missouri and is buried in Tolle Cemetery. Lydia married Thomas F. Ricketts on the 5 January 1967 in Chillicothe, Missouri. Thomas died 28 July 1989. Lydia died 2 April 1994 and is buried in Tolle Cemetery south of Trenton, Missouri. Elmer and Lydia Tharp had three sons:

(I) Edmund Dale Tharp was born 4 May 1934 in Columbus, Cherokee County, Kansas and is the son of Elmer and Lydia Tharp. He married Joanne Clark 26 March 1960 in Ottumwa, Iowa. Joanne was born 29 November 1932 and is the daughter of Joseph W. Clark and Mary Louise Spurgeon. Edmund Dale Tharp worked in Law Enforcement in Kansas, Iowa and Colorado. Joanne was a school teacher. Edmund and Joanne Tharp had four children:

(1) Judith Ann Tharp was born 4 November 1960 in Ottumwa, Wapello County, Iowa.


(3) Linda Kay Tharp was born 31 July 1963 in Ottumwa, Wapello County, Iowa.

(4) Patricia Ann Tharp was born 5 November 1967 in Maquoketa, Jackson County, Iowa. She married Gregory Victor Borman 5 October 1985.
(II) Virgil Kay Tharp, son of Elmer Truman and Lydia (Terry) Tharp, was born 12 December 1937 in Trenton, Grundy County, Missouri. He married Mary Margaret Vanderpool 3 March 1959 in Gallatin, Davies County, Missouri. They had one daughter:

(1) Margaret Kay Tharp was born 22 July 1959 in Herington, Dickinson County, Kansas. She married Wakeen Barrett on the 28 July 1977.

(III) Dennis Eugene Tharp, son of Elmer Truman and Lydia (Terry) Tharp, was born 12 February 1940 in Trenton, Grundy County, Missouri. He married Patsy Ann Almutt 24 September 1960 in Trenton, Missouri. They had two children:

(1) Brenda June Tharp who was born 13 September 1961 in Trenton, Missouri.

(2) Ricky Wayne Tharp was born 21 September 1962 in Trenton, Missouri. Dennis Eugene Tharp then married Anna Lee Bomar 5 December 1965 in Miami, Oklahoma. They had two children:

(1) Sherrie Lynn Tharp was born 19 October 1966 in St. Joseph, Missouri.

(2) Brian Timothy Tharp was born 19 October 1966, a twin to Sherrie. Dennis Eugene Tharp died 18 December 1981 of a heart attack in Topeka, Kansas. He is buried in Tolle Cemetery south of Trenton, Missouri.
(4) Jemina (Aikey) Elizabeth Tharp, daughter of Dennis and Margaret Tharp, was born in 1872 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married the Rev. David Keslig 12 October 1893. He was the son of John Keslig and Evaline Donaldson. Rev. Keslig was born in 1870 and died 31 January 1933. Jemina died 16 March 1939 and they are buried in North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. They had one child:
   (A) Ethel Keslig was born in 1895 and died of diptheria in 1902 at the age of 7.

(5) Joseph Franklin Tharp, son of Dennis and Margaret Tharp, was born 8 September 1876 in Grundy County Missouri. He married Ola Cox 21 October 1897 and she is the daughter of Riley and Nancy (Cartmill) Cox. Ola was born 3 January 1878 in Missouri. Joseph and Ola had eight children:
   (A) Zella Tharp was born July 1898 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Grant A. Petersen 13 July 1918 in Mercer County, Missouri. They had two children:
      (I) Lloyd
      (II) Donavan
   (B) Verl Tharp, son of Joseph and Ola Tharp, was born March 1900 and died 1919.
   (C) Gilbert Glen Tharp, son of Joseph and Ola Tharp, was born in 1903 in Missouri. He married Pearl Howe 30 May 1921. Pearl is the daughter of Dale Howe.
   (D) Thelma Tharp, daughter of Joseph and Ola Tharp, was born about 1906. She married Oscar Sutton in 1925 and lived in Phoenix, Arizona. They had two children:
      (I) Roger Sutton
      (II) A daughter.
   (E) Corene, a twin, and daughter of Joseph and Ola Tharp, was born in 1918 and died in 1918.
   (F) Lorene, a twin to Corene, and daughter of Joseph and Ola Tharp, was born in 1918 and died in 1918.
   (G) Vere D. Tharp, a twin, and son of Joseph and Ola Tharp, was born in 1920. He married Dollie Wilson. Vere died in 1972 and is buried in North Evans Cemetery. Vere and Dollie had one son:
      (I) Meredith Tharp.
   (H) Vaughn J. Tharp, a twin to Vere, was
born in 1920. He died in 1922 at the age of 2.

TRENTON NEWSPAPER
31 January 1933
David W. Keslig, 62, Dies at Trenton

David William Keslig, 62 years old, for years a resident of the Harris and Half Rock community, died Tuesday morning at 4 o'clock at his home in Trenton, Missouri. His death following a lingering illness of several months duration with a complication of ailments.

Mr. Keslig is a son of Mr. & Mrs. John Keslig and was born in Grundy County, Missouri, October 22, 1870, being 62 years old at the time of his death.

He was married to Lizzie Tharp and to this union one child was born, Ethel Tharp, who died at the age of seven.

He is survived by his wife and a half brother, John Donaldson of the Tindall community. A daughter and his parents preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be held this Thursday afternoon at the North Evans church, conducted by Rev. A. C. Watkins of Kansas City assisted by Rev. Carswell. Burial will be made in the North Evans Cemetery.

MRS. KESLIG DIES AT HOME IN SPICKARD 16 March 1939

Mrs. Lizzie Keslig, 65, died at her home in Spickard at about one o'clock this morning (Thursday), as a result of a heart attack.

Mrs. Keslig, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tharp, was born near Spickard and was reared in this community. She was married to Dave W. Keslig who preceded her in death on January 31, 1933. They had no children.

Survivors include her brothers, Caleb Tharp, W. A. Tharp, and Joe Tharp of this community, J.K. Polk Tharp of near Trenton and Charley Tharp of Chillicothe.

Funeral services will be held at the United Brethren church in Spickard at 2 P.M. and burial will be in the North Evans Cemetery.
Services Sunday For Joseph F. Tharp - 16 December 1960

Services for Joseph F. Tharp, 84 year old resident of Spickard, who died Friday at the Neal Nursing Home in Trenton will be conducted at 1:30 P.M. Sunday at the Spickard Baptist Church. Rev. Harry L. Clifton, pastor of the Princeton Baptist Church and Rev. Wendell Payne, church pastor will officiate. Burial will be in the North Evans Cemetery.

Mr. Tharp was born September 8, 1876 in Grundy County, the son of Dennis and Margaret Tharp.

On October 20, 1896, he was married to Ola Cox who preceded him in death.

On May 20 1952 he was married to Mrs. Inez Sigler who survives.

In addition to his wife Inez of the home, he is survived by four children, Mrs. Zella Corners, Miami, Fla.; Mrs. O. F. Sutton, Moline, Ill.; Gilbert Tharp, Steilacoom, Wash.; and Vere D. Tharp, Mt. Pleasant, Ia.

Other survivors are 5 step-children and include Mrs. Ed Miller and Miss Ruth Sigler, both of Trenton; Kenneth Sigler of Spickard; Mrs. Paul Rains, Portland, Ore.; and Mrs. Roberta Moberly of Green City.

He is survived by 12 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

(6) Charles V. Tharp, son of Dennis and Margaret Tharp, was born 14 May 1879 near Spickard, Missouri. He married Lillie E. Nichols in 1898. She is the daughter of J. G. and Eva (Dye) Nichols and was born 2 September 1881 and died in 1960 in Chillicothe, Missouri. Charles died in 1952 and they are buried in the North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. They had one son:

(A) Thurman E. Tharp was born in 1901 and died in 1973 in Chillicothe, Missouri.

(7) Mary Jane Tharp, daughter of Dennis and Margaret Tharp, died young of whooping cough.

(8) Zace Tharp, son of Dennis and Margaret Tharp, died in infancy.

(9) A daughter also died in infancy. The 1900 census states there were 9 children born to Dennis and Margaret Tharp.
Elizabeth Ann Tharp, daughter of Zaus and Rachel Tharp, was born 2 June 1842 in Boone County, Indiana. She married John C. Nichols 6 October 1867 in Grundy County, Missouri. John was born 9 January 1840 in Illinois. He died 19 July 1920 in Denver, Colorado. Elizabeth died 12 September 1878 in Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. They had one daughter:

(1) Sarah Nichols, daughter of John C. and Elizabeth (Tharp) Nichols, was born in 1870 in Grundy County, Missouri.

John C. and Elizabeth Nichols are buried in North Evans Cemetery, Spickard, Missouri. John's parents were Benjamin Nichols and Ann Huston. Benjamin was born in Kentucky and Ann in Ohio. John C. Nichols next married Millie A. Spickard who was born in September 1862. They were married in Spickard, Missouri in 1892. Millie had two children from her first marriage:

(1) Hilda Spickard who was born February 1885 in Missouri.
(2) Claude Spickard was born May 1886 in Missouri.

GRUNDY COUNTY GAZETTE OF SPICKARDSVILLE, MISSOURI

Obituary of John C. Nichols

John Clark Nichols was a son of Benjamin and Anna Nichols. He was born Jan. 9, 1841 and died July 18, 1920 at the age of 79 years, 6 months, and 9 days. He enlisted in the Union army during the Civil War and served until it closed. He was married October 1867 to Elizabeth Tharp, who died in 1878. He had no children. He was a member of the Methodist church, the Grand Army of the Republic and the Masonic Lodge. He leaves to mourn his death two brothers and one sister, B.C. Nichols of Trenton, R.H. Nichols and Elizabeth Booher of Spickard. Uncle John, as he was generally known, was loved and respected by all who knew him. The body was brought here and funeral services were held at the Methodist church. Internment was made in Masonic Cemetery.
TRENTON DAILY REPUBLICAN  
Friday, July 23, 1920  

John Schooler received notice from B. C. Nichols from Denver, Colo., that he will arrive with the body of his brother, J. C. Nichols on No. 12 Friday evening. Body will be taken to Spickard on No. 12 and taken to the home of R. H. Nichols, his brother.

Funeral will be held at the Methodist Church at Spickard at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Burial at North Evans Church.

Masonic Lodge of Spickard will have charge of the body.

JOHN C. NICHOLS, private of Capt. James A. Brewer's Co. C, 23rd Reg. Inf., enrolled 11 Aug. 1862; discharged 10 June 1865 near Washington D.C., by reason of "muster out". Born in Grundy County, Mo; 5 ft. 7 in. tall; dark complexion, blue eyes, dark hair; farmer. By Jacob Cline, Capt. Recorded 11 Sept. 1866. (57)
NICHOLS

JOHN C. NICHOLS
JAN. 9, 1840
JULY 19, 1820
ELIZABETH ANN HIS WIFE
JUNE 2, 1842
SEPT 12, 1878
James K. Tharp, son of Zaus and Rachel Tharp, was born 26 September 1844 in Boone County, Indiana. In 1850 he moved with his family to Howard County, Indiana and then on to Grundy County, Missouri in 1856. On the 4 September 1862 he joined the Co. C, 23rd Regiment, Missouri Inf. Vol. and was in the service about 3 years during the Civil War. According to his Military packet he was in a Military Prison in St. Louis, Missouri from June 19, 1863 till June 30, 1863. On August 16, 1864 he became ill and was in the hospital in Chattanooga, Tennessee till the end of October 1864. He then marched with Union Major General William T. Sherman's "March To The Sea" leaving from Tennessee and going to Atlanta, Georgia and then on to the sea. He was discharged 10 June 1865 near Washington D.C. He then started to farm after returning home from the War. He married Susan Martin on the 20 January 1866 near Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. Susan was born 31 December 1843 in Monroe County, Ohio and was the daughter of Michael Martin and Rhoda Crow. Susan died 13 February 1912 near Spickard, Missouri and James K. died 25 November 1925. They are both buried in the Masonic Cemetery in Grundy County, Missouri.

James K. Tharp was a member of the G.A.R. Post, Liberty No. 150 which was organized in 1883 with 39 charter members.

James K. Tharp's Military Record During The Civil War

James K. Tharp was a soldier in the Civil War. He was 21 years of age when he joined Captain James A. Brewer's Co. C., 23rd Regiment of the Missouri Infantry Volunteers on the 4th day of September 1862 from Trenton, Missouri and he served 3 years. On June 23, 1863 he was captured in St. Louis, Missouri and held till July 8, 1863 when he was released to a Captain Smith. His military records state he was 5 feet and 8 inches tall, medium complexion, gray eyes, dark hair and by occupation a farmer. On his Company Muster Roll it states he was absent and sick in a Division Hospital since August 16, 1864 in Chattanooga, Tennessee. On the next Muster Roll it states he was in Savannah, Georgia January 14, 1865. He was with Sherman's "March To The
Sea" which became one of the most brutal episodes of the entire war. Yet it achieved its purpose. On December 21, 1864 Sherman's army enters Savannah, Georgia following a 10 day siege. On December 22, 1864 Sherman presented Savannah to Lincoln as a "Christmas Gift". Sherman's army cut a swath fifty miles wide on their trek of 285 miles from Atlanta, Georgia to Savannah, Georgia and to the sea. Behind them they left precious little in the way of material. And, yes, they pillaged a great deal of private property as well, though not as much as southern myth has recorded. Never the less, Sherman's march to the sea did make Georgia howl. And it demonstrated to the world that the North had a power the South could no longer resist. From Savannah and the sea they marched up through the Carolina's. James K. Tharp was discharged on the 7th day of June 1865 near Washington D.C. by reason of muster out in obedience to telegram orders from the War Department on May 15, 1865.
James K. Tharp and his wife Susan Martin
James K. and Susan Tharp Farm Home

L to R: Lavina Tharp, Mrs. Susan Tharp, Rosa Tharp, James K. Tharp, James D. Tharp
Susan and James K. Tharp

Their Farm Home
Mrs. J.K. Tharp Dies After Short Illness

Susan A. Martin was born Dec. 31st, 1843; died Feb. 13th, 1912, aged 68 years, 1 month, and 13 days.

In the year of 1859 her parents settled here in the state where she has since made her home. She was married to J.K. Tharp 20 Jan. 1866. Eleven children have been given to this union. Six of the children together with the husband survive the wife and mother. The children are: Mrs. George Sowder, Mrs. Charlie Kincade, Mrs. Geo. Hammons, Mrs. Ernest Cooper, W.S. and J.D. Tharp.

Mrs. Tharp united with the Christian Church at an early age and has since lived a devoted christian life. In her last hours she said "all was well with her and she saw the light shining from a far and that her prayers were for her children." Truly a kind neighbor, a loving mother and companion, from the community life has been taken. Surely the earthly loss can not but be her eternal gain.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Padget from the family residence 3 miles north east of Spickard, Wednesday 10 A.M. Interment was made in the Spickard Masonic Cemetery.

Also in the paper on that same date was the following article:

PROPERTY CHANGES HANDS

Arvin Dickson currently sold W.H. Lyons one of the two residences lately constructed in East Spickard. It is reported on good authority that he has now sold the other residence to James Tharp. The consideration in each case has not been disclosed.
JAMES K. THARP DIED WEDNESDAY
November 25, 1925

James K. Tharp, civil war veteran and one of Grundy counties oldest and most respected pioneers, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C.C. Kinkade on Wednesday, November 25th. At the time of his death he was past 81 years of age.

Death was caused by neuralgia of the heart. He was taken ill at Excelsior Springs where he was visiting. Word was received here on Monday, November 23 that he was very ill and C.C. Kinkade, accompanied by Wm. Tharp and John Broyles left at once in the Broyles car to bring him home. They arrived back home at 6 o'clock Tuesday morning and Mr. Tharp kept failing until his death relieved his suffering at 11:30 on Wednesday.

For several years Mr. Tharp has spent a part of each year at Excelsior Springs for the benefit of his health but has made his home for the past 13 years with his daughter, Mrs. C.C. Kinkade at Spickard.

Born in Indiana on September 26, 1844, he moved to Missouri with his parents while a small boy and located on a farm near here. In 1862 he entered the Civil War and served with Sherman during his march to the sea.

At the close of the war he returned to his home here. In 1866 he was married and moved onto a farm near Spickard. Eleven children was born to this union, six of whom are living. He also leaves 22 grand children and 5 great grand children.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Todd from the local Christian Church on Friday morning, November 27, and he was laid to rest in the Masonic Cemetery by the side of his wife.

The sons and daughters left to mourn his passing are Mrs. Lizzie Kinkade, Mrs. Roda A. Sowders and W.S. Tharp of Spickard and James D. Tharp of Fowler, Colorado, Mrs. Rosa Hammons and Mrs. Vina Cooper of Trenton.

Mr. Tharp was of the sturdy, hard working pioneer that helped to develop this section of Missouri. He was held in high esteem by everyone that knew him. Besides his relatives he leaves a host of friends to mourn his death.
According to the 1900 census, James K. and Susan A. (Martin) Tharp had 12 children but their obituaries state 11 children were born to this union. They had Mary, Ulysis Grant, Rhoda, Wm. Sherman, Amanda, James D., J.C., Elizabeth Bell, Rosa E., LaVina, Dock, and another daughter who died young.

(1) Mary Tharp, daughter of James K. and Susan Tharp, was born December 1866 near Spickard, Missouri and died 22 February 1868 at the age of 1 year, 3 months, and 17 days.

(2) Ulysis Grant Tharp, son of James K. and Susan Tharp, was born 26 May 1869 near Spickard, Missouri. On the 30 November 1890 he married Sally M. Reid, daughter of George and Provie Reid. Sally was born in March 1874 in Missouri. Ulysis Grant Tharp died 29 November 1902 at the age of 33. Ulysis Grant and Sally Tharp had three children:

(a) Clifford Tharp, son of Ulysis Grant and Sally Tharp, was born 17 May 1897 in Grundy County, Missouri. He died in 1907.

(b) Ada L. Tharp, daughter of Ulysis Grant and Sally Tharp, was born 1 September 1900 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Orville Bryan George on the 9 September 1917 in Mercer County, Missouri. He was the son of Andrew R. and Elizabeth (Letcho) George. After their marriage they moved to Parsons, Kansas for 2 years where he was employed by the M K & T railroad. They moved to Trenton, Missouri in 1919 where he was employed by the Rock Island railroad. He retired as a conductor in 1960. He is buried in the Resthaven Memorial Gardens north of Trenton, Missouri.

(c) A third child was born to Ulysis Grant and Sally Tharp but died young.

Sally then married Glasco V. (Rip) Moore 6 September 1905. He was born in 1877 and died in 1944 and was the son of O.J. and Allie (Flowers) Moore. Sally died in 1937 in Grundy County, Missouri and is buried with Glasco in the Masonic Cemetery in Grundy County.
Ulysis Grant Tharp and his wife Sally M. Reid and daughter Ada L. Tharp
Clifford and Ada Tharp, children of Ulysis Grant and Sally M. Tharp
A SAD ACCIDENT

Last Saturday about 2 o'clock, Grant Tharp, on the road home from town and close to his father's house, about 2 miles northeast of Spickard, saw some quail and rode up to the house, tied his horse, went in and asked his mother for the gun, which she tried to persuade him not to take, but being accustomed to handling a gun and liking the sport of hunting he took it and went out and killed a couple of quails, and started to return to the house, and about 50 yards north of the house, in climbing over a fence his foot slipped and one load of the gun entered his left leg just below the knee, on the inside, passing through and shattering all the bone. His mother and two sisters heard the report and heard him holler and went to his assistance.

As soon as possible they called for medical aid and also the neighbors, who when they got there found him unconscious, but he revived in about half an hour and began to suffer. Dr. Pitman, Addington and Travis got there in about one hour after the accident, put him under the influence of chloroform and dressed the wound, but he gradually sunk away and soon after the wound was dressed he died, not having regained consciousness any more.

Grant Tharp was born May 26, 1869. Was married November 30, 1890, to Miss Sallie Reed. He died November 29, 1902, was buried in the Masonic Cemetery Sunday November 30, his 12th wedding anniversary. He leaves a wife and two small children, his aged parents, two brothers and four sisters, who have the sympathy of neighbors and friends.

While conscious he talked to his mother, telling her he knew he had not done right, and asked God's forgiveness. He had many friends who deeply regret the sudden accident that ended his life.
DEATHS

1979

RETIRE RAILROAD CONDUCTOR DIES

Orville B. George, 79, a resident of 607 W. Crowder Road, died at 9 P.M. Wednesday in Wright Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient one week. He was a retired conductor of the Rock Island railroad.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 P.M. Saturday from the Memorial Chapel of the Blackmore-Whitaker Funeral Home. Father Orlis North, pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Gardens, north of Trenton.

The rosary will be recited at 7:30 P.M. Friday at the funeral home.

Mr. George was born April 4, 1900, at Newtown, a son of Andrew R. and Elizabeth Letcho George. He attended rural schools in Mercer County, and on Sept. 9, 1917, was married to Miss Ada Tharp at Princeton.

After their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. George lived at Parsons, Kansas for two years, where he was employed by the MK&T railroad. They moved to Trenton in 1919, where he was employed by the Rock Island railroad. He retired as a conductor in 1960.

Mr. George was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and Trenton IOOF Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Ada of the home; two brothers, Jim George of Phoenix, Ariz., and Andrew George of Des Moines, Iowa; and two sisters, Mrs. Abby Barr, also of Des Moines, and Mrs. Jessie Gaul of Lamoni, Iowa.

TRENTON NEWSPAPER

1979

FUNERALS

LAST RITES HELD FOR O.B. GEORGE

Funeral services for O.B. George were held at 2 P.M. Saturday from the Memorial Chapel of the Blackmore-Whitaker Funeral Home. Father Orlis North, pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, and the Rev. Victor Victoria, pastor of the Hodge Presbyterian Church, officiated.

Mr. George, 79, a resident of 607 W. Crowder Road, died Wednesday night in Wright Memorial Hospital. He was a retired conductor of the Rock Island railroad.

Special music was provided by Eugene Oneal, who sang, "How Great Thou Art." Mrs. Homer Hertzog played the organ accompaniment.

Pallbearers were Dr. Laurence Walker, Bill Welch, Art Hunolt, Ed Lickey, John Woody and Paul Pfaff.

Burial was in the family lot at Resthaven Memorial Gardens, north of Trenton.
Rhoda A. Tharp, daughter of James K. and Susan Tharp, was born in 1870 near Spickard, Missouri. She married George W. Sowders on 4 April 1889 in Missouri. George, son of R.M. and Mahala Sowders, was born in Missouri in 1864. He died in 1932 and Rhoda died in 1954 in Grundy County, Missouri. They are both buried in the Masonic Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. They are the parents of two children:

(a) James Sowders who was born 13 February 1890 in Missouri and died 8 September 1907 at the age of 17 and is buried in the Masonic Cemetery near Spickard.

(b) Nora Sowders was also born in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Albert Dean.
William S. & Bertha Tharp and daughter Clora

THARP
BERTHA M. 1877–1958
WILLIAM S. 1872–1941
William Sherman Tharp, son of James K. and Susan Tharp, was born 3 August 1872 near Naponee, Nebraska. They moved to Missouri when he was a small boy. He married Bertha M. Bosley on the 12 February 1896. She was born 21 January 1877 and is the daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Etherton) Bosley. William Sherman Tharp died 30 March 1941 in Grundy County, Missouri and Bertha died 21 October 1958. They are buried in the Masonic Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. They had seven children:

(a) William Hobert Tharp, son of William S. and Bertha (Bosley) Tharp, was born 29 September 1896 and died 22 June 1897. He is buried in the Bethel Cemetery.

(b) Clora Mae Tharp, daughter of William S. and Bertha Tharp, was born 15 January 1900 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Charles Clifford Coon 9 July 1921 and he was the son of Henry and Mary (Goldsby) Coon. C. Clifford was born 5 May 1900 and died 1 July 1956. Clora died 30 August 1980. They are buried in the Masonic Cemetery in Grundy County. They had four sons:

(I) William H. Coon, son of C. Clifford and Clora (Tharp) Coon, was born 15 March 1923 in Spickard, Missouri. He married Erma Gene Persell 14 June 1942. Erma is the daughter of Oren Cecil & Lacey (Gose) Persell. William and Erma had two children:

(A) Billy Gene Coon was born 12 September 1944. He married Charlene E. Mathews on the 7 March 1969.

(B) Beverly Mae Coon was born 20 November 1946 in Spickard,
(II) Robert Lee Coon, son of C. Clifford and Clora (Tharp) Coon, was born 1 March 1925 in Spickard, Missouri. He married Virginia Lee Ratliff 17 April 1945. She was born 30 June 1927 in Brimson, Missouri and is the daughter of Lloyd Elden Ratliff and Hortense Shields. Robert Lee Coon died 9 February 1990 at the Valley Baptist Medical Center in Harlingen, Texas where they were spending the winter. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II and farmed in the Spickard community. Robert and Virginia had three children:

(a) Linda Kay Coon was born 11 September 1948 in Trenton, Missouri. She married Richard Daniel Meighen 13 June 1970.

(b) Lowell Dean Coon was born 20 December 1949 in Trenton. He married Marilyn Jane Mason 12 October 1969.

(c) Lilla Lea Coon was born 11 September 1955 in Trenton. She married Jerry David Rardon 7 July 1972.
The death of William S. Tharp, age 68, occurred Saturday evening at a Trenton Hospital where he had undergone a major operation last Wednesday.

The body was taken to the Schooler funeral home here and the funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at the local Christian church by Rev. Todd of Trenton. Burial was in the Masonic cemetery east of Spickard.

William Tharp was born in Naponee, Nebraska Aug. 3, 1872. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Tharp. When a child he came to Spickard and had lived in this community since that time.

He was married to Bertha Bosley in 1894. The widow and the following named children survive him: Edgar and Harley Tharp and Mrs. Cliff Coon of Spickard; Mrs. Nada Graham of Richmond, Calif. Also surviving are four sisters, Mrs. Rhoda Sowders and Mrs. Vina Cooper of Spickard; Mrs. Rosa Hammond of Laredo and Mrs. Lizzie Kinkaid of Oklahoma; and four grandchildren Billy, Bob, Roy and Ray Coon.

DEATHS 1990

Robert L. Coon

Robert L. Coon, a resident of Spickard, died Friday night, Feb. 9, 1990, at Valley Baptist Medical Center in Harlingen, Texas. He was 64 years old.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Wise and Slater Funeral Chapel in Spickard.

Mr. Coon was born in Grundy County, Mo., on March 1, 1925, the son of Clifford and Clora (Tharp) Coon. He attended Spickard schools, and was married to Virginia Ratcliff on April 17, 1945 at Spickard.

Mr. Coon, who served with the U.S. Army during World War II, farmed in the Spickard community.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia of the home; two daughters, Mrs. Lilla Rardon and Mrs. Richard (Linda) Meighen, and one son, Lowell Dean Coon, all of Spickard; three brothers, Ray Coon of Trenton, and Roy Coon and W. H. (Bill) Coon, both of Spickard; and seven grandchildren.

Mr. Coon was preceded in death by his parents.

SERVICES SET

Memorial services for Robert L. Coon will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday at the Wise and Slater Funeral Chapel in Spickard. The Rev. Harry Clifton, Pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Independence, will officiate.

There is no family visitation schedule at the Chapel.

Mr. Coon, 64, a resident of Spickard, died Friday, Feb. 9, 1990, at Valley Baptist Medical Center in Harlingen, Texas. Mr. Coon's body was cremated.
MRS. BERTHA THARP
DIES AT SPICKARD

Mrs. Bertha Mae Tharp of Spickard died at 11 a.m. Thursday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cliff Coon, at Spickard.

The body was removed to the Schooler Funeral Home. Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Spickard Christian Church. Burial will be in the Spickard Masonic Cemetery.

Mrs. Tharp was born in Grundy County Jan. 21, 1877, a daughter of Ben and Sarah Etherton Bosley. On Feb. 12, 1896, she was married to William S. Tharp who died March 30, 1941.

Besides her daughter, Mrs. Coon, Mrs. Tharp is survived by two sons, Harley Tharp of Trenton and Edgar Tharp of Mill Grove; another daughter Mrs. John Graham of San Jose, Calif; five grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; two brothers, Elmer Bosley of Trenton and William Bosley of Dunlap; and one sister, Mrs. Cliff Hurt of Kansas City, Kan.

Mrs. Tharp was a member of the Spickard Christian Church. The family will be at the funeral home after 7:30 o'clock Friday evening for visitation.
C.C. COON, 56,
SPICKARD, DIES

Funeral Services To Be
Held At 2 P.M. Wednesday
At Christian Church

July 2, 1956

Charles Clifford Coon, 56, died at 7 o'_clock Sunday night at his home in Spickard after a few hours illness.

The body was removed to the Schooler Funeral Home in Spickard where it will remain until time for the services which will be held at 2 P.M. Wednesday at the Spickard Christian Church. Rev. Kenneth Hatfield, pastor of the Spickard Methodist church will officiate. Burial will be in the Masonic cemetery.

Mr. Coon was born May 5, 1900 in Grundy County, a son of Henry and Mary Goldsby Coon. On July 9, 1921 he was married to Clora Tharp. They lived on their farm two and a half miles northeast of Spickard until about a year and a half ago when they moved into Spickard.

He is survived by his wife, four sons, William H. Coon, Robert Coon, Roy Coon, all of Spickard, and Ray Coon of Trenton; seven grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. John Fitspatrick of near Spickard, and Mrs. Bertha Franklin of Odessa, Mo. Three sisters preceded him in death.

Mr. Coon was a member of the Spickard Christian Church.

Visitation will be held at the funeral home from 7:30 to 8:30 o'clock Tuesday night.

FORMER SPICKARD RESIDENT DIES

Sept. 2, 1980

Mrs. Clora Mae Coon died Saturday night at the Sunnyview Nursing Home. A former resident of Spickard, she was 80 years old.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 P.M. Monday at the Spickard Christian Church, with Brother Clayton Davis, church pastor, officiating.

Miss Karen Patterson played the accompaniment for Mrs. Shirley Berry, who sang, "Beyond The Sunset," and "Beautiful Garden of Prayer."

Pallbearers were Billy Gene Coon, Lowell Dean Coon, Greg Coon, Mark Coon, Richard Meighen, Donald George, Ron Kelsall and Ronald Frazier.

Burial was in the Spickard Masonic Cemetery, under the direction of the Wise-Slater Funeral Chapel of Spickard.

Mrs. Coon was born Jan.15, 1900, at Spickard, a daughter of William Sherman and Bertha Bosley Tharp. She attended Spickard schools, and on July 9, 1911, was married to Charles Clifford Coon at Trenton. He died July 1, 1956.
Roy E. Coon, twin son of C. Clifford and Clora Coon, was born 9 January 1927 in Spickard, Missouri. He married Marilyn Joann Nichols 26 August 1950. Marilyn was born 16 January 1932 and is the daughter of Carroll Levern Nichols and Cora Irene Wagner. They have two children:
(a) Cynthia Earlene Coon was born 18 April 1951 in Spickard, Missouri. She married Ronald Eugene Kelsall 8 November 1969.
(b) Gregory Alan Coon was born 6 May 1952 in Spickard, Missouri. He was a sheriff in Trenton, Missouri.

Ray C. Coon, twin son of C. Clifford and Clora Coon, was born 9 January 1927 in Spickard, Missouri. He married Martha Carolyn Wingate 23 July 1948. Martha was born 17 September 1929 and is the daughter of Nova Wingate and Maude Meeker. They have two children:
(a) Mark Ray Coon who was born in 1957. He was adopted.
(b) Monte Gail Coon was born 16 June 1959 and was also adopted.

Birdia Tharp, daughter of William S. and Bertha Tharp, was born 22 June 1903 in Spickard, Missouri and died 20 January 1904.

Benjamin P. Tharp, son of William S. and Bertha Tharp, was born 16 February 1905 and died 26 February 1907. He is buried in Bethel Cemetery along with Birdia.
Zaus Tharp/ James K. Tharp/ William Sherman Tharp

(E) Edgar Tharp, son of William S. and Bertha Tharp, was born 10 April 1908 near Spickard, Missouri. He married Vivian Debra Fitzpatrick 2 February 1932 in Trenton, Missouri. She was born 21 November 1909 in Mercer County, Missouri and is the daughter of Joe Fitzpatrick Leona Stanturf. Edgar died 22 May 1979 at St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri and he was 71 years old. He is buried in Spickard Masonic Cemetery. They had no children.

OBITUARY
Edgar Tharp,
Age 71, Dies

Edgar Tharp, 71, of Princeton Route 1, died Tuesday night in St. Luke's Hospital at Kansas City, Mo. Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Friday at the Wise-Slater Funeral Chapel at Spickard. Clayton Davis, pastor of the Spickard Christian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in the family lot at the Spickard Masonic Cemetery.

There is no family visitation scheduled at the funeral chapel.

Mr. Tharp was born April 10, 1908, in Grundy County, a son of William Sherman and Bertha Bosley Tharp. He attended Grundy County schools and was a farmer and auctioneer. On Feb. 2, 1932, he was married to Vivian Debra Fitzpatrick at Trenton.

Mr. Tharp is survived by his wife, Debra of the home; one brother, Harley Tharp of Trenton; and two sisters, Mrs. Clara Coon, a resident of the Sunnyview Nursing Home, and Mrs. Nada Graham of San Jose, Calif. His parents, two brothers and one sister preceded him in death.

LAST RITES HELD
FOR EDGAR THARP

Funeral services for Edgar Tharp were conducted at 11 a.m. Friday at the Wise-Slater Funeral Chapel at Spickard. Clayton Davis, pastor of the Spickard Christian Church, officiated.

Mr. Tharp, 71, a resident of Princeton, Route 1, died Tuesday evening in St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City.

Mrs. E.D. Porterfield played the piano accompaniment for Max Oyler, who sang, "Until Then," and "Each Step I Take."

Pallbearers were Roy Coon, W. H. Coon, Bob Coon, Ray Coon, Billy Gene Coon and Lowell Dean Coon.

Burial was in the family lot at the Masonic Cemetery.
(F) Nada Tharp, daughter of William and Bertha Tharp, was born 2 December 1910 near Spickard, Missouri. She married John B. Graham on the 30 November 1929 in Grundy County, Missouri. Nada and John adopted one daughter. They lived in California and John is now deceased.

(G) Harley Tharp, son of William S. and Bertha Tharp, was born 29 December 1914 near Spickard, Missouri. He married Vera Beatrice Stottlemyre on the 18 December 1937 in Trenton, Missouri. Vera was born 19 May 1920 near Spickard, Missouri and is the daughter of George Samuel Stottlemyre and Belva Mae Persell. They had no children. Harley died 17 March 1987 at the Livingston Manor Nursing Home where he had been a resident since March 13. He was 72 years old and is buried at the Resthaven Memorial Gardens at Trenton, Missouri.

OBITUARY

Harley Tharp

Harley Tharp, a resident of 1606 Tindall Ave., died this morning, March 17, 1987, at the Livingston Manor Nursing Home at Chillicothe, where he had been a resident since Friday, March 13. He was 72 years old.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Blackmore-Whitaker Funeral Home.

Mr. Tharp was born Dec. 29, 1914 at Spickard, Mo., the son of William and Bertha Mae Bosley Tharp. He attended Spickard schools, and was married to Miss Vera Stottlemyre on Dec. 18, 1937 at Trenton, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Tharp had lived in Trenton since 1959.

Mr. Tharp, a lifelong resident of Grundy County, was self-employed as a carpenter. He was a member of the Tenth Street Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Vera of the home, and one sister, Nada Petersen of Salinas, Calif.

Besides his parents, Mr. Tharp was preceded in death by one sister, Mrs. Clora Coon, and one brother, Edgar Tharp.

HARLEY THARP

Funeral services for Harley Tharp will be held at 3:30 p.m. Friday in the Memorial Chapel of Blackmore-Whitaker Funeral Home. The Rev. Dennis Hansen, pastor of the Tenth Street Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Gardens at Trenton. There is no family visitation.
scheduled at the funeral home. The casket will be closed at the beginning of the service and will not be reopened.

Mr. Tharp, 72, a resident of 1606 Tindall Ave., died Tuesday morning, March 17, 1987, at the Livingston Manor Nursing Home in Chillicothe.

(5) Amanda Tharp, daughter of James K. and Susan (Martin) Tharp, was born 6 March 1874 near Spickard, Missouri. She died at age 5 years and 29 days on 4 April 1879 in Grundy County, Missouri.
(6) James Dennis Tharp, son of James K. and Susan (Martin) Tharp, was born 12 January 1876 near Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. He married Della Mae Gum 16 March 1912 at the home of Rev. Eugene J. Hall in Spickard. At this time, James D. Tharp and his brother-in-law, Charlie Kincade, had a Grocery and Hardware Store in Spickard. He later bought his father's farm and lived there for eight years. In 1920 they moved to Fowler, Colorado where he worked as a carpenter. James D. helped build a house in Fowler for his family to live in. In 1921 he sold the house and bought a farm 16 miles south of Fowler. A daughter, Rosalie, and a son, Warren, were born on this farm. Velma, Goldie, Richie and Archie were all born in Missouri before coming to Colorado.

The Apishapa Dam provided water to irrigate the land in this area. In August 1923 the dam broke and was never repaired. The farmers started moving out of this part of Colorado as they were unable to raise any crops without irrigating. The James D. Tharp family moved back to Missouri in the spring of 1929. Della Mae (Gum) Tharp, daughter of Taylor Jefferson Gum and Susie West, was born 5 June 1891 in Grundy County, Missouri. She died 7 January 1954 near Hale, Livingston County, Missouri. James D. Tharp died 5 May 1936 in a truck accident which happened near Cameron, Missouri. James D. and Della Mae are buried in North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. They are the parents of six children:

(a) Velma Mae Tharp, daughter of James D. and Della Mae Tharp, was born 8 April 1913 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Norman Orville Dewees 15 June 1947 in Omaha, Nebraska. Norman was born in Illinois 22 October 1907. He died 19 July 1965 in Nebraska. Velma died on the 24 June 1963 in Lincoln, Nebraska. Both are buried in Resthaven Memorial Gardens in Chillicothe, Missouri. They have one son:

(I) George Rae Dewees, son of Norman and Velma Dewees, was born 1 March 1951 in Storm Lake, Beuna Vista County, Iowa. His Mother died when he was 12 years old so he went to live with his Uncle and Aunt, Lewis and Goldie Wampler. He attended school in Lincoln, Nebraska and Hale, Missouri. He now resides in Chillicothe, Missouri.
James D. & Della M. (Gum) Tharp
Their home in Spickard, Missouri.
James D. Tharp  Age 21

Velma, Richie, & Goldie
Children of James & Della Tharp

James D. Tharp on far right.
Charlie Kincade on far left

KINCADE & THARP GROCERIES AND HARDWARE
Spickard, Missouri
INJURIES FATAL TO
J. D. THARP

May 5, 1936 Passed Away At Chillicothe Hospital
Late Tuesday; Was Injured near
Cameron Monday

James D. Tharp, 60 years old, died at the Chillicothe Hospital Tuesday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock of shock and injuries received in an accident which occurred near Cameron Monday afternoon. The body is at the Norman Funeral Home where it will lie in state until noon Thursday when the funeral party will go overland to Spickard, where services will be held from the Christian Church at that place at 1:30 conducted by Rev. C. R. Emariah. Burial in the Spickard Cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Della Tharp and six children, Velma, Ritchie, Archie, Rosalee and Warren Earl Tharp of the home and Mrs. Louise Wampler of near this county; a brother, William Tharp of Spickard, and four sisters, Mrs. Rhoda Saunders, Spickard; Mrs. Lizzie Kincaid, residing in Iowa, Mrs. Vina Cooper, Trenton, and Mrs. Rose Hammons of Laredo.

Mr. Tharp was born at Spickard January 12, 1876. He was united in marriage to Miss Della Mae Gum March 16, 1912. During the last seven years he had lived in the vicinity of Chillicothe.

Mr. Tharp, who was a helper on one of the Thompson fruit trucks of this city was injured Monday afternoon about 3:30 o'clock when a Thompson truck is alleged to have sideswiped a truck on Highway 36 while returning to Chillicothe from a trip to Kansas City. Dayton Coliver was driver of the truck. He was only slightly injured.
Mar. 16, 1912

THARP-GUM

At the home of Rev. Eugene J. Hall in Spickard, Mo., James D. Tharp and Della May Gum, both of Spickard, were united in marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. Tharp are both well known in and about Spickard.

Jan. 7, 1954

MRS. DELLA M. THARP
DIES NEAR AVALON
She Formerly Lived at
Spickard, Chillicothe

Mrs. Della Mae Tharp, 62, died at 4:50 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Goldie Wampler, 3 1/2 miles southeast of Avalon. She had been ill two years and in serious condition the last week.

Mrs. Tharp was born June 5, 1891, at Spickard, daughter of Jefferson and Susan Gum. She attended school at Spickard.

March 16, 1912, she married at Spickard to James D. Tharp. They lived at Spickard, then at Chillicothe. For the last 10 years she made her home with her daughter. Mr. Tharp died May 5, 1936.

She was a member of the Olive Branch Baptist Church.

Surviving are six children, Mrs. Velma Mae Dewees, Beatrice, Neb.; Mrs. Wampler; Mrs. Rosa Lee Gibson, Meadville; Richie Tharp, Chillicothe; Archie Tharp, Macdoel, Calif., and Warren Earl Tharp, Atlantic, Iowa; three brothers, William Gum, Spickard; Warren Gum, Perryton, Tex., and Fred Gum, Marshalltown, Ia., and six grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, two sisters and one grandchild.

The body is at the Norman Funeral Home. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.
Mrs. Norman O. Dewees, the former Velma (Gwenie) Tharp, died 6:15 Monday morning at the Bryan Memorial hospital, Lincoln, Neb., where she had been a patient since March 20.

Mrs. Dewees was born on April 8, 1913, at Spickard, the daughter of the late James D. Tharp and Della (Gum) Tharp. She was a nurses aide at the Chillicothe hospital from 1936 to 1943. Mrs. Tharp attended St. Margaret's School of Nursing, under the Cadet training program and was graduated in 1946 in Kansas City, Kan. She was a public health nurse in Kansas City one year. Following her graduation she was a private duty nurse until her illness.

She was married to Norman O. Dewees on June 15, 1947, in Omaha, Neb. Mr. and Mrs. Dewees had resided in Lincoln nine years.

She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Beatrice, Neb.

Survivors include her husband, at the home; one son, George Rae, 12; three brothers, Richie Tharp, Chillicothe; Archie Tharp, Macdoel, Calif.; Warren Tharp, Denver, Colo.; two sisters, Mrs. Clarence M. Gibson, Linneus, and Mrs. Lewis H. Wampler, Hale, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one nephew.

The body will arrive in Chillicothe early Thursday morning and will lie in state at the Norman Funeral Home until 12 O'clock noon at which time it will be removed to the First Baptist Church to lie in state until the hour of services. Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock with the Rev. Medford Speaker officiating.

Burial will be in the resthaven Memorial Gardens.
(b) Goldie Tharp, daughter of James D. and Della Mae Tharp, was born 12 June 1915 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Lewis Henry Wampler on the 9 March 1935 in Missouri. Lewis was born 29 March 1898 near Marceline, Linn County, Missouri. He is the son of William Henry Wampler and Eva Leitha Gamble. Lewis and Goldie farmed south of Avalon, Missouri. Lewis died 22 August 1990 at the age of 92 years and is buried in Wheeling Cemetery near Wheeling, Missouri. Lewis and Goldie had two children:

(I) Lewis James Wampler, son of Lewis and Goldie Wampler, was born 25 February 1937 and died 27 February 1937. He is buried in Wheeling Cemetery.

(II) Lois Elaine Wampler, daughter of Lewis and Goldie Wampler, was born 11 January 1942 near Mooresville, Livingston County, Missouri. She married Jack Lee Singer on the 20 October 1963 in Hale, Missouri. Jack is the son of Herschel Emery Singer and Lena Bessie Chris. Jack died in December 1982 and is buried in Hale, Missouri. Jack and Lois farmed west of Hale. They are the parents of four children:

(A) Jackie Lee Singer, son of Jack and Lois Singer, was born 11 December 1964 in Carroll County, Missouri. He married Anita. They have two children:
   (1) Kristy
   (2) Jackie Jr.

(B) Rodney Lee Singer, son of Jack and Lois Singer, was born 29 March 1966 in Carroll County, Missouri. He married Sheri. They have two children:
   (1) Ryan Lee
   (2) Lance Dalton

(C) Stacy Lee Singer, daughter of Jack and Lois Singer, was born 29 March 1967 and died the same day.

(D) Kathy Elaine Singer, daughter of Jack and Lois Singer, was born 5 December 1968. She married Chris Jackmon.
LEWIS H. WAMPLER

Lewis H. Wampler, a farmer in the Hale area since 1944, died at his Hale RFD 1 home Wednesday, August 22, 1990. He was 92.

He was born in Marceline Mar. 29, 1898, to William Henry and Eva Gamble Wampler. On Mar. 9, 1935, in Chillicothe, he married Goldie Tharp. She survives of the home.

He attended Bedford schools and lived in Utica before moving to the area northwest of Hale. Mr. Wampler was a member of Olive Branch Baptist Church.

Also surviving are a daughter, Lois Singer of Hale; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A infant son, two brothers, three sisters, a grandson and a son-in-law, preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be Sunday, Aug. 26, at 1:30 p.m. at Norman-Wagy-Singer-Gordon Funeral Home. Burial will be in Wheeling Cemetery.

Persons may call after 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 25. Family visitation will be from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday.
(c) Richie James Tharp, son of James D. and Della Mae Tharp, was born 21 October 1917 near Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. He married Mildred Lucille Newton on the 14 November 1940 in Chillicothe, Livingston County, Missouri. Mildred was born 10 September 1919 in Sarycuse, Kansas and is the daughter of Bert F. Newton and Edith L. Brown. Mildred died 24 September 1982 and Richie died 31 October 1982. Both are buried in Resthaven Memorial Gardens in Chillicothe, Missouri. The have one son:

(I) James Lee Tharp, son of Richie and Mildred Tharp, was born 7 February 1950 in Chillicothe, Livingston County, Missouri. He married Regina Gilroy 3 January 1969 in Chillicothe. Regina was born 9 December 1949 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and is the daughter of Dick Gilroy and Margaret Culling. They have two daughters:

(A) Kimberly Margaret Tharp, daughter of James and Regina Tharp, was born 24 February 1970 in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. She married Shane Huit. They have two children:

(1) Nickolas Dale Huit was born 22 Aug. 1990.

(2) Lynsey Marie Huit was born 27 Feb. 1995 in Alaska.

(B) Tammy Eileen Tharp was born 14 August 1972 in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. She married Christopher Benjamin Saylor 17 August 1996. They have one son:

(1) Jacob Saylor.
Richie J. and Mildred L. (Newton) Tharp

Back Row, L. to R.
Regina (Gilroy) Tharp
James Lee Tharp
Mrs. Margaret Gilroy
Tammy (Tharp) Saylor
Kimberly (Tharp) Huitt
Nickolas Huitt
Lynsey Huitt

Chris B. & Tammy (Tharp) Saylor & Jacob

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Mrs. Mildred L. Tharp, 63, of 1211 Third St., died at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon at Hedrick Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Richie Tharp of the home.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later from the Norman-Wagy-Singer Funeral Home.

MILDRED THARP SERVICES

Funeral services for Mrs. Mildred Tharp, who died Friday at Hedrick Medical Center, were held at 2 P.M. today at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Donald Palmer officiating. Burial was in Resthaven Memorial Gardens, under direction of the Norman-Wagy-Singer Funeral Home.

Mrs. Tharp was born Dec. 10, 1919 in the state of Kansas, a daughter of Bert and Edith Brown Newton. She attended school at Bedford and the Warrensburg Teachers College. On Nov. 14, 1940 she married Richie Tharp. During her lifetime, Mrs. Tharp was a school teacher, a nurses' aid at Hedrick Medical Center, worked at Thompson Motors, and sold Stanley Products for 33 years.

She was a member of the Royal Neighbors, Stanley VIP, and the First Baptist Church.

Survivors are her husband of the home, 1211 Third St; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Newton, 315 Wilson St; a son, James Tharp, Grandview; three brothers, Donald Newton, Chillicothe; Eugene Newton, Liberty, and Earl L. Newton, New Boston, Ill., and two grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a brother and a sister.

RICHIE J. THARP

Richie J. Tharp died Sunday at his home at 1211 Third. He was 65.

Mr. Tharp, a lifelong resident of Chillicothe, was born Oct. 21, 1917, a son of James D. Tharp and Della Mae Tharp. He was a veteran of World War II, in the Air Force. He had attended school in Fowler, Colo. and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors are a son, James Lee Tharp, Grandview; two brothers, Archie Tharp, California and Warren Tharp, Colorado; two sisters, Mrs. Goldie Wampler, Hale and Mrs. Rosalee Gibson, Chillicothe, and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, and his wife Mildred Newton Tharp on Sept. 24, 1982.

Funeral services will be at 9:30 Tuesday morning at the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Donald Palmer officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Gardens. The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church.
Zaus Tharp/ James K. Tharp/ James D. Tharp/ Archie D. Tharp

(d) Archie Dennis Tharp, son of James D. and Della Mae (Gum) Tharp, was born 2 January 1920 in Grundy Co., Missouri. He attended schools near Fowler, Colorado and Chillicothe, Missouri. He married Lela Marie Criss 21 October, 1950 in California. Marie, the daughter of Author and Lucille Marquerite (Duncan) Criss, was born 24 March 1917 in Adin, California. Archie and Marie lived on their farm near Macdoel, California most of their married life.

(I) Norman Gale Holbrook, who was adopted, was born 26 March 1947 in San Jose, California. He married Lucinda Jewel Cross on the 24 July 1971 in Reno, Nevada. Lucinda was born 10 September 1949 in Klamath Falls, Oregon and is the daughter of Vernon O. and Delma P. (Hickey) Cross. Norman and Cindy farm near Macdoel, California. They have three children:

(A) Sheila Ann Holbrook
was born 8 March 1973
in Klamath Falls, Oregon.

(B) Craig Dennis Holbrook
was born 8 August 1976
in Klamath Falls, Oregon.

(C) Jenny Lynn Holbrook
was born 7 November
1978 in Klamath Falls, Oregon.
Archie and Marie Tharp and son Norman Holbrook

Back row, L. to R. Craig & Archie
Middle row; Cindy, Marie, Sheila
Front row; Norman, Jenny
(e) Rosalee Tharp, daughter of James D. and Della Mae (Gum) Tharp, was born 28 January 1922 near Fowler, Otero County, Colorado. She married Clarence Melvin Gibson on 19 July 1945 in Chillicothe, Livingston County, Missouri. Clarence was born 27 August 1918 in Linn County, Missouri. He was the son of Alva Lee Gibson and Veda Elizabeth Kimbrough. Clarence and Rosalie farmed and Clarence also worked for the Co-op in Chula, Missouri at the same time. He died 28 May 1979 near Chula, Missouri and is buried in the Resthaven Memorial Gardens in Chillicothe, Missouri. They have three children:

(I) Della Ann Gibson, daughter of Clarence and Rosalee Gibson, was born 25 October 1946 in Chillicothe, Missouri. She married John Robert Tracy on the 23 May 1967 in Kirksville, Missouri. They have two children which are twins:
   (B) Michael Patrick Tracy was born 23 July 1969 in Kirksville, Adair Co., Missouri.

(II) John Jay Gibson, son of Clarence & Rosalee Gibson, was born 4 June 1948 in Chillicothe, Livingston Co., Missouri. He married Caroline Reynolds in Columbia, Boone Co., Missouri. They have one son:
   (A) John Jay Gibson, Jr. was born 23 May 1970 in Columbia, Boone Co., Missouri.

(III) Deborah Elaine Gibson, daughter of Clarence and Rosalee Gibson, was born 26 May 1955 in Chillicothe, Livingston Co., Missouri.
CLARENCE (SUG) GIBSON
Died 28 May 1979

Clarence M. (Sug) Gibson, 60, rural Chula died unexpectedly Monday shortly before 4 A.M.

Mr. Gibson was born Aug. 27, 1918, in Linn County, the son of Alva L. and Veta Kimbrough Gibson. He was reared in Chula and in April, 1943, he entered the U.S. Army Air Force and served three years in the European Theater. On July 19, 1945, he married Rosalee Tharp in Chillicothe. They spent all their married life in Chula. He was a farmer and was also employed by Cargill Seed Company and had worked several years at Chula Co-Op.

Survivors include his wife Rosalee, of the home; son, John Jay, Columbia; two daughters, Mrs. Della Ann Tracy, Dubuque, Ia., and Miss Debra Elaine Gibson, Chillicothe; five brothers, Lowell, Wheeling; Oscar, Ludlow; Floyd, Stet; Nelson, Braymer, and William, Gallatin; two sisters, Marie Ottman and Opal Ewing, both of Chillicothe, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon at the Lindley Funeral Home with the Rev. Donald Hoffman officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Gardens.

The family suggest memorial contributions may be made to the Heart Fund and left at the Funeral home. The body will lie in state after 4 P.M. today.
Warren Earl Tharp, son of James D. and Della Mae (Gum) Tharp, was born 20 April, 1923 near Fowler, Otero County, Colorado. He attended schools in Missouri. He married Lorraine Johanna Berg on 30 December 1948. She is the daughter of Nels and Hertha (Hansen) Berg and was born 6 November 1927 near Brayton, Iowa. In 1960 the family moved to Denver, Colorado where Warren was employed in construction. They have two children:

(I) Nancy Kathleen Tharp was born 30 December 1952 in Atlantic, Cass County, Iowa.

(II) Roger Steven Tharp was born 6 February 1954 in Atlantic, Cass County, Iowa.
Warren E. & Lorraine J. Tharp
50th Wedding Anniversary Party
Son, Roger and Daughter, Nancy
(7) J. C. Tharp, son of James K. and Susan (Martin) Tharp, was born 1 January 1878 in Grundy County, Missouri. He died 6 April 1879 at the age of 1 year, 3 months, and 6 days in Grundy County.

(8) Elizabeth (Lizzie) Bell Tharp, daughter of James K. and Susan (Martin) Tharp, was born in September 1880 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Charlie C. Kincade on the 16 October 1897 in Missouri. Charlie was born 10 August 1878 in Missouri and his parents were Calvin and Thelathia (Nida) Kincade. Charlie and his brother-in-law, James D. Tharp, had a grocery and hardware store in Spickard, Missouri. Later Charlie went to farming as did James D. Tharp. Charlie and Lizzie had three children:
(a) Bonnie M. Kincade was born September 1898 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Bert Raga.
(b) Coy Kincade was born in 1905 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Pete Peterson.
(c) Roy A. Kincade was born in 1910 in Grundy County, Missouri. He lived in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.


CHARLES KINCADE DIES AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

Funeral Services
1:30 P.M. Saturday
Davis-Blackmore Chapel

Charles C. Kincade, a resident of Trenton for about 30 years, died Wednesday evening at his home, 310 East 17th Street after a few days illness.

The body was removed to the Davis-Blackmore funeral home where services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Saturday. The Lester Moreland, pastor of the Evangelical United Brethren church, will officiate. Burial will be in the family lot at North Evans Cemetery.

Mr. Kincade was born Aug. 10, 1878 east of Spickard, a son of Calvin and Thelathia Nida Kincade. In 1898 he married at Spickard to Lizzie Belle Tharp. They were the parents of a son and two daughters, all of whom survive. They are Roy Kincade of Oklahoma City, Mrs. Bonnie Raga of Kansas City, Kan. and Mrs. Coye Peterson of Coquille, Ore.

On May 30, 1942 he was married to Mrs. Pearl Tharp who
survives. Also surviving are two stepdaughters, Mrs. Lois Jean Stoops of Route 6 and Mrs. Laveta Collins of Trenton; 13 grandchildren, 22 great grand children and two great-great grandchildren and two brothers; George Kincade of Spickard and Lee Kincade of Spickard rural route, and two sisters, Mrs Ida Payne of Trenton and Mrs. Josie Kirk of Spickard.

Mr. Kincade was a member of the Christian Church at Spickard. There will be no scheduled visitation at the funeral home.
Back Row: L. to R. - Elizabeth Bell Tharp, Rhoda Tharp
Front Row: Rosa E. Tharp, LaVina Tharp
Daughters of James K. and Susan Tharp
(9) Rosa Tharp, daughter of James K. and Susan (Martin) Tharp, was born in August 1882 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married George E. Hammons 21 January 1903 in Grundy County. George was born 11 May 1879 and died 22 May 1969 and Rosa died in 1948. They farmed in Grundy County, Missouri. Later George married Sadie (Upton) Dickmon. George is buried in the Masonic Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. George and Rosa had two children:

(a) Gilbert Hammons was born about 1905 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Grace [Surname]. Gilbert and Grace had one daughter:
   (I) Nancy Lou Hammons.

(b) Velma Hammons was born about 1912 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married John Corbin of Trenton, Missouri. They had one daughter:
   (I) Lena Corbin.
Corbin
L. to R. Velma (Hammons), Rosa & George Hammons
Velma's daughter Lena

Gilbert and Grace Hammons
Velma (Hammons) Corbin
LaVina Tharp, daughter of James K. and Susan (Martin) Tharp, was born in May 1884 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married W. Ernest Cooper, son of Poe Cooper, on the 29 August 1908. They had four children:

(A) Ruth Cooper born about 1911.
(B) Gerald Cooper born about 1913. He died at age 6 or 7 of the measles.
(C) Francis Cooper was born about 1917.
(D) Forest W. Cooper was born 19 May 1918 in Grundy County, Missouri. He died 1 February 1959.

Dock F. Tharp, son of James K. and Susan (Martin) Tharp, was born 1 December 1885 in Grundy County, Missouri. He died 4 March 1889 at the age of 3 years, 4 months, 3 days.

According to the 1920 census James K. Susan (Martin) Tharp had 12 children but I only have the names of 11, which leaves me to believe one died as an infant.
Ruth and Forest Cooper
(h) John Ponder Tharp, son of Zaus and Rachel Tharp, was born 10 May 1847 in Howard County, Indiana. He married Martha Jane (Lewis) Shanklin on the 26 of August 1866 in Warren County, Iowa. Martha was born 24 June 1848 in Ohio and is the daughter of George W. Lewis. She died 18 May 1895 in Grundy County, Missouri. She is buried in the North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. John P. was with the Union army during the Civil War serving with Co. A, 48th Reg., Iowa Volunteer Infantry Battalion as a Private. He enlisted 4 July 1864 at Davenport, Iowa at age 18. At this time he was still living in Warren County, Iowa. He received an honorable discharge 1 October 1864 at Rock Island, Illinois. After Martha's death, John P. Tharp married Amanda (Etherton) Benner on the 29 November 1903 at Spickard, Missouri. He died 1 September 1921 in Grundy County, Spickard, Missouri at the age of 74. Amanda died 25 July 1927 and they are buried in North Evans Cemetery. John P. and Martha J. were the parents of six children.

GRUNDY COUNTY GAZETTE
SPICKARD, MISSOURI
September 1, 1921

Dies Suddenly

John P. Tharp, a veteran of the Civil War, and one of the best known and highly respected citizens of Spickard, dropped dead in his home Thursday morning about 9:30 o'clock.

Mr. Tharp had been in failing health for the past seven years but was able to be about and do his work around home. He had just returned from the postoffice and had been splitting wood in his garden a few minutes before the fatal stroke came.

Heart trouble was the cause of death.

His body was prepared for burial but the final arrangements for the burial had not been made as we go to press.
The reaper has come, the grain to gather into the garden above.

John Tharp, or Uncle John as he was commonly known to his many friends and neighbors, was born in Howard County, Ind., May 19, 1847 and left his earthly home for the home above on Sept. 1, 1921, at the age of 74 years, 3 months, and 21 days. On August 26, 1866 he was united in marriage to Martha J. Lewis and to this union were born six children. This good wife and two of the children passed to eternity a number of years ago.

He was married to his present wife, Amanda Benner, Nov. 29, 1903 and she lived to tenderly care for him through his declining years. Uncle John was a good husband, father, friend and neighbor as well as a consecrated Christian man. A member of the Spickard U.B. church, he was always counted among the faithful and undoubtedly has reaped that reward of the faithful.

He enlisted in the Union army during the Civil War and was honorably discharged and settled in Spickard shortly after its close. He needs no obituary for his life is known to us all and life after all is the greatest monument that could be built. We say farewell and hope to meet where farewells are never spoken and where all is joy and happiness forever more—Amen.

July 28, 1927
MRS. AMANDA THARP DIED
MONDAY JULY 25th

Mrs. Amanda Tharp passed away Monday, July 25, 1927 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ella Shaw of southeast of Spickard. Mrs. Tharp has been a sufferer for many months and her death has been expected for several days, as she gradually lost ground against the ravages of disease.

Mrs. Tharp was the wife of Samuel Benner who for many years was a prominent grocer and butcher in Spickard. After his death she was united in marriage to John P. Tharp a retired farmer. She has lived in Spickard practically all of her married life and her home was open to all. She was first the devoted wife and mother, then a splendid neighbor. A Christian character and a true friend were her strong attributes.

Amanda Caroline Etherton was the daughter of Wilson and Sarah Etherton and was born in Mercer County, Missouri, February 26, 1855. She was 72 years, 4 months and 29 days of age at the time of her death.

She was united in marriage to Samuel Benner August 8, 1872, who preceded her in death April 20, 1902. To this union three daughters were born, Mrs. Elizabeth Winters of St. Joseph,
November 29, 1903 she was united in marriage to John P. Tharp, who also preceded her in death September 1, 1921.

Besides her three daughters, she is survived by four brothers, Joseph Etherton of Iola, Kansas, Joshua Etherton of Eureka Springs, Mo., John Etherton of Spickard, one sister Mrs. Lucretia Shipps of Ladonia, Tex., two grandchildren, Gaylord Shaw of Spickard and Mrs. Wilmeth Doolin of Trenton, four great grandchildren, Dick Doolin, George, Billy and Jack Shaw, Forest Winters, deceased, and many other relatives including the following step-children, Charley Tharp, George Tharp of Trenton, Mrs. Jake Briegel, Tindall, Mrs. Edgar Hurt of Trenton.

She united with the Christian church when a young girl and remained a steadfast christian throughout her life. After her marriage to Mr. Tharp, she united with the United Brethern church.

Funeral services were held from the Christian church in Spickard conducted by the pastor, Rev. Duncan, assisted by Rev. Clark of the United Brethern church. Splendid music was rendered by a quartette composed of Messrs. Arvard Perry, Wm. Ashbrook, D. G. Dennis and Miss Mattie Perry. The requested numbers given were "He Cares" "It is well with my Soul" and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere." A host of neighbors and friends gathered to pay their last respects to one they loved and the dear form was laid away in the Masonic Cemetery.

MARRIED

November 29, 1903

At the U.B. parsonage, this city, Nov. 29, 1903, John P. Tharp and Amanda Benner, both of this place, Rev. Morrow officiating.

Mr. Tharp is one of our good citizens, a farmer, and Mrs. Benner has resided in Spickard, both being well and favorably known to most of our readers. They have the best wishes of all.
John P. and Amanda (Benner) Tharp

Left: Charles Levi Tharp & his Dad, John Ponder Tharp

Left: Robert B. Tharp and his Dad, Charles Levi Tharp
Back Row--Phebe Tharp
Front Left--Rosie (Tharp) Briegel
Front Right--Mary (Tharp) Hurt
Daughters of John P. & Martha J. Tharp
George Washington Tharp, son of John P. and Martha Tharp, was born 14 July 1868 in Warren County, Iowa. He married Ella A. King on the 22 December 1887 in Grundy County, Missouri. George died 28 August 1950 in Joplin, Missouri at the age of 82 years. Ella was born 14 May 1868 in Missouri. She died 2 March 1931 at the age of 62 years. They are the parents of 5 children.

**GEORGE W. THARP DIES**
**AT HIS HOME IN JOPLIN**
**August 28, 1950**

George Washington Tharp, 82 years old, a retired farmer, died at 9:50 o'clock last night at his home, 215 North Oak street. He had been ill two months.

Mr. Tharp was born in Grundy County, Missouri and came to Joplin in 1942.

He is survived by one son, Ervil Tharp of Kansas City; two daughters, Mrs. Ethel McGowan of the home, and Mrs. Dollie Sutton of Kansas City; a brother Charlie Tharp of Tindall, Mo.; two sisters, Mrs. Rossie Briegle and Mrs. Mary Hurt of Trenton, Mo.; and 14 Grandchildren.

The body was received by the Thornhill-Dillon mortuary.

**ELLA (KING) THARP**
**OBITUARY**
**March 2, 1931**

Ella A. Tharp, daughter of James C. and Mary King, deceased, was born 5 miles east of Spickard in Grundy County, Mo. on the 14 of May in the year 1868, and died at her home in Trenton, Mo. Monday, March 2nd 1931, age 62 years, 9 months and 16 days.

She was united in marriage to Geo. W. Tharp December 22nd, in 1887. To this union four children were born; Leslie Tharp of Kansas City, Ethel Tharp McGowan of Joplin, Mo., Dollie Tharp and Ervil Tharp of Trenton, besides her husband and children she leaves to mourn her loss, three brothers and four sisters, Mrs. Melvina Martin of Spickard, Mrs. Lizzie Shelton of Sutterland, Nebraska, Wm. King of Spickard, Raymond King of Rose, Oklahoma, George King of McAlister, Oklahoma, Bertha Roberts of Kansas City, Mrs. Jesse Brown of Harrisonville, Missouri and eleven grandchildren.

Mrs. Tharp made her confession in Christ in early life and has been a member of the Baptist church for the past 18 years.
George W. & Ella A. Tharp
Son of John P. & Martha Tharp

Hershal J. Tharp
Son of Perry E. & Belva Tharp

Perry Elver Tharp
Son of George & Ella Tharp
George W. and Ella (King) Tharp had the following five children:

(A) William L. Tharp was born 8 February 1890 in Grundy County, Missouri. He died in 9 August 1934.

(B) Ethel V. Tharp was born in March 1893 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Sidney E. McGowan 3 April 1909. He was born 2 September 1886 and died 17 January 1957.

(C) Perry Ervel Tharp, son of George and Ella Tharp, was born in August 1895 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Belva W. Cooper 19 August 1917. They had two children. After Belva's death Perry married Lena Marie Burgert daughter of H. A. Burgert.

(I) Ruby Geraldine Tharp, daughter of Perry and Belva Tharp, was born 5 June 1918 at Spickard, Grundy County, Missouri. She married Alford Wayne Leffler 10 September 1939. He was born 8 November 1912 in Chillicothe, Missouri and is the son of Alexander Leffler and Lytha Riddle. Ruby and Alford lived in Chillicothe. He died in 1983 and Ruby died in 1984.


(D) Dollie Tharp, daughter of George W. and Ella Tharp, was born 7 May 1903. She married Denver R. Sutton 12 March 1922. Dollie died 29 May 1984 in Kansas City, Kansas.

(E) Leslie Tharp, son of George W. and Ella Tharp, was born in Grundy County, Missouri.

(2) Phebe Rachel Tharp, daughter of John P. and Martha Tharp, was born 19 November 1871 in Grundy County, Missouri. She never married. She died 19 June 1912 in Grundy County and is buried in North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri.
JOPLIN MO. NEWSPAPER
DEATHS
Ethel McGowan
January 4, 1982


Surviving are a son, Earl McGowan, Raytown; a daughter, Mrs. Wilma Starr, of the home; a sister, Mrs. Dollie Sutton, Kansas City, Kan.; nine grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday at the Thornhill-Dillon Mortuary chapel with the Rev. J.K. Wright officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery and grandsons will serve as pallbearers. The family will receive friends from 7 to 8 p.m. Thursday at the mortuary chapel.

PERRY E. THARP, 63,
DIED IN KANSAS CITY
October 16, 1958

Perry E. Tharp, 63, of 3224 Thompson Avenue, Kansas City, died Thursday at his home. Mr. Tharp had been ill since November. He was born at Spickard and had lived in Kansas City approximately 20 years.

Before retiring in 1948, Mr. Tharp was a pipefitter for the Rock Island railroad.

Surviving are the wife, Mrs. Lena Tharp, of the home; a son, Herschel Tharp, Ephrata, Wash.; four daughters, Mrs. Kathryn Duncan, Kansas City; Mrs. Ruby Leffler, Chillicothe; Mrs. Doris Cox, Patmos, Ark.; Miss May Etta Tharp of the home; two sisters, Mrs. Ethel McGowan, Joplin; Mrs. Dollie Sutton, Kansas City, Kan. and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock Monday morning at the Forster chapel. Burial will be in Green Lawn Cemetery in Kansas City.

MRS. DOLLIE A. Sutton

Mrs. Dollie Ann Sutton, 81 Kansas City, Kan., died Tuesday at St. Luke's Hospital. She was born in Spickard, Mo., and had lived in Kansas City, Kan., since 1942. Mrs. Sutton was a member of the Grandview Baptist Church. She leaves her husband, Denver R. Sutton of the home; a son Kenneth Sutton, Kansas City, Kan.; a daughter, Mrs. Virginia Mulhearn, Raytown; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren. Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday at the Highland Park chapel; burial in Highland Park Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the chapel.
Hersh Tharp, 63, of Quincy passed away Sunday Sept. 1
at Central Washington Hospital following a brief illness.

He was born Sept. 22, 1921 in Trenton, Missouri. He
attended schools there, then served in the United States Navy
from 1941 to 1946.

He married Janie Conkle on May 11, 1942 in Trenton,
Missouri. They moved to Ephrata in 1952 where he worked
for Ephrata Auto Parts for 7 years. He was the manager for
Quincy Auto Parts the past 25 years. The family moved to
Quincy in 1961.

He served as a Quincy Port District Commissioner for
12 years. He was a member of the Quincy American Legion,
the Moose Lodge #1925 of Quincy, the Trenton Baptist church,
and a member of the Crescent Bar Golf Club.

He is survived by: his wife, Janie, at home; two sons;
Tom, of Bellevue and Dennis of Quincy; one sister Kathryn
Duncan of Independence, Missouri; two granddaughters; and
one niece. He was preceded in death by his parents and one
sister.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. yesterday (Wednesday)
at the Free Methodist Church, with Rev. Verlin Elmore
officiating. Memorials may be made to the American Heart
Association.

Scharbach's Columbia Funeral Chapel, Quincy, was in charge
of arrangements.
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ALFORD W. LEFFLER

Alford Wayne Leffler, 205 Crescent Drive, died at 6:50 this morning at Hedrick Medical Center. He was 71 and had retired from REA in Chillicothe.

Born in Marceline, November 8, 1912, he was a son of Alexander Leffler and Lytha Riddle Leffler. He spent most of his lifetime in Chillicothe. On September 10, 1939, he married Ruby Geraldine Tharp. He was a member of the First Christian Church and Masonic Lodge and attended school in Chillicothe.

Surviving are his wife, of the home; son, Wayne Dewey Leffler, Chanute, Kan.; daughter, Betty Bee Bryant, Chillicothe; sister, Beulah James, Muskogie, Okla., and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and a sister.

Funeral services will be held at 1p.m. Saturday at the Norman-Wagy-Singer Funeral Home with Brother Jim Mabery officiating. Burial will be in the Wheeling cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society and may be left at the funeral home.

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MRS RUBY LEFFLER

Mrs. Ruby Geraldine Leffler, 205 Crescent Drive, died at 5:57 this morning at Hedrick Medical Center. She was 66.

Born in Spickard, June 5, 1918, she was a daughter of Perry E. Tharp and Belva Cooper Tharp. She attended school in Grundy County and was married to Wayne Leffler Sept. 10, 1939. She was a homemaker and had resided in Chillicothe since 1939.

Surviving are daughter, Betty B. Bryant, Chillicothe; son, Wayne D. Leffler, Chanute, Kan.; brother, Hershal J. Tharp, Quincy, Wash.; half sisters, Doris Cox, Louisville Ark.; Katherine Duncan, Independence, and Mayetta Fieldser, Chicago, Ill.; and two grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were her parents; husband, January 1983 and two half sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday at the chapel of the Norman-Wagy-Singer Funeral Home with Gene Saunders officiating. Burial will be at the Anderson cemetery. The family will receive friends from 7 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the chapel of the funeral home.
(3) Charles Levi Tharp, son of John P. and Martha Tharp, was born 7 October, 1875 in Missouri. He married Alta Hill 25 February 1897. Alta was born 2 September 1879 in Missouri. Charles Levi died 28 April 1959 in Missouri and Alta died 17 November 1969, age 90 years. Both are buried in Martin Cemetery, Grundy County, Missouri. They had five children:

(A) Myrtle A. Tharp, daughter of Charles Levi and Alta (Hill) Tharp, was born 28 April 1898 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Homer C. Browning 23 May 1917. Homer was born 24 October 1893 and died 27 December 1978 in Trenton, Missouri. They are buried in the North Evans Cemetery east of Spiceward. They are the parents of one son:

(I) Robert Daryl Browning was born 7 June 1919 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Elsie Mae Patterson, daughter of Frank E. and Mae Patterson. R. Daryl and Elsie are the parents of three children:

(a) Daphne Gail Browning, daughter of Daryl and Elsie Browning, was born 27 September 1951 in Trenton, Missouri.

(b) Maeanne Irene Browning, daughter of Daryl and Elsie Browning, was born 15 March 1953 in Trenton, Missouri.

(c) Denise Loraine Browning, daughter of Daryl and Elsie Browning, was born 15 July 1958 in Trenton, Missouri.
Charles Tharp
of Tindall, Dies

Charles L. Tharp, 83 year old resident of Tindall, died at 8:10 o'clock this morning at his home after a lingering illness.

The body was removed to the Schooler Funeral Home where services will be conducted at 1 p.m., Thursday. Rev. Harry Clifton of Princeton will officiate. Burial will be at the Martin Cemetery.

Mr. Tharp was born Oct. 7, 1876 in Grundy County, a son of John and Martha Tharp. He was married to Alta Hill on Feb. 25, 1897. Mr. Tharp was a lifelong resident of the Tindall community.

Survivors include his wife of the home; one son, R.B. Tharp, of Trenton: three daughters, Mrs. Homer Browning of Trenton, Mrs. Wilbur Poland of Phoenix, Ariz., and Mrs. Irving Ziegler of Moline, Ill.; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Rosa Briegel, of Trenton.

Mr. Tharp was a member of the Tindall Baptist Church.

There is no scheduled visitation at the funeral home.

DEATHS
November 18, 1969

Alta Tharp, 90,
Dies at Eastview

Mrs. Alta Tharp, 90, died at 11:45 p.m. Monday at the Eastview Manor convalescent home.

The body was removed to Blackmore-Whitaker funeral home where it will remain until 10 a.m. Thursday when it will be taken to the First Baptist church to lie in state until service time at 2 p.m. that day.

The Rev. A.L. Palmer, church pastor will officiate.

Burial will be in the Martin Cemetery north of Tindall.

No family visitation has been scheduled at the funeral home.

She was a member of the First Baptist church and the Hunter's Sunday School class.

Mrs. Tharp was born Sept. 2, 1879, in Ozark County, the daughter of Lewis C. and Melvina King Hill. She was married Feb. 25, 1897, in Spickard to Charles Levi Tharp. He died April 28, 1959. She had lived in the Spickard and Tindall community before moving to Trenton in 1959 where she has since resided.

She was preceded in death by her husband; one daughter, Golda Ziegler; one son, Burrell Tharp; three brothers and one sister.

She is survived by one son, R.B. Tharp; two daughters, Myrtle, now Mrs. Homer Browning and Velma now Mrs. Wilbur Poland, Phoenix, Ariz.; one brother, Eldon Hill, Penryn, Calif.; one sister, Mrs. J.H. Whan; seven grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

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HOMER BROWNING
DIES AT AGE 85

Homer C. Browning was dead on arrival at Wright Memorial Hospital at about 11:15 P.M. Wednesday, after suffering an apparent heart attack at his home at 912 W. 14th St.

The body is at the Blackmore-Whitaker Funeral Home where it will remain until 8 A.M. Saturday, when it will be taken to the First Baptist Church to lie in state until service time at 1 P.M. The church pastor, Dr. A.L. Palmer will officiate. Burial will be in the North Evans Cemetery northeast of Trenton.

There is no family visitation scheduled at the funeral home.

Mr. Browning was born on Oct. 24, 1893, in Grundy County, a son of Alfred and Mary Agnes Bondurant Browning. He was married at Spickard on May 23, 1917 to Miss Myrtle Tharp.

Mr. and Mrs. Browning lived in the Spickard community until 1924 when they moved to Trenton. He managed the Trenton MFA Exchange until 1946 when he and his son, Daryl, began the Homer Browning & Son Building Supply. He was still active in the business at the time of his death.

He had been a member of the First Baptist Church of Trenton since 1924, and was a church deacon. He taught the senior men's Sunday School class of the church for 15 years until retiring from that position on June 30, 1978.

Mr. Browning was also a member of the Trenton Rotary Club and had served on the North Central Missouri Fair Board for several years. He was also secretary of the fair board for more than 15 years.

He is survived by his wife, Myrtle of the home; one son, Daryl Browning of Trenton; two brothers, Ralph Browning of West Elizabeth, Pa. and Roy Browning of Long Beach, Calif.; and three grandchildren.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters.
Myrtle Browning Dies

Mrs. Myrtle Anna Browning, 86 died at 6:55 p.m. Thursday at the Sunnyview Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church. The church pastor, Dr. A. L. Palmer, will officiate. Burial will be in the North Evans Cemetery, east of Spickard.

A family visitation is scheduled from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Mrs. Browning was born in Grundy County, Mo., near Spickard, on April 28, 1898, the daughter of Charley and Alta Hill Tharp. She attended Grundy County schools, and was married to Homer C. Browning on May 23, 1917 at Spickard. They lived in the Spickard community until 1924 when they moved to Trenton where Mr. Browning managed the MFA Exchange until 1946. He opened the Homer Browning & Son Building Supply in Trenton from 1946 until his death on Dec. 27, 1978.

Mrs. Browning was a member of the First Baptist Church. She is survived by a son, Daryl Browning of Trenton, and three grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials have been suggested to the First Baptist Church in honor of Mrs. Browning. These may be left at the church or at the funeral home.
Birl Tharp was born in 1901 in Spickard, Missouri to Charles Levi and Alta (Hill) Tharp. He died 19 March 1904.

Robert Broshia Tharp, son of Charles Levi and Alta (Hill) Tharp, was born 4 May 1902 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Lillian Bittle 23 December 1923. She is the daughter of Walter and Louisa (Briegel) Bittle. Robert B. Tharp was a Judge in the Grundy County Courts. He died 29 December 1982 and Lillian died 13 November 1993 at Trenton, Missouri. They are buried in Resthaven Memorial Gardens in Chillicothe, Missouri. They are the parents of three children:

(I) Goldie Alberta Tharp, daughter of Robert B. and Lillian Tharp, was born 12 April 1925 in Spickard, Missouri. She married Leo Earl Bell 10 November 1946. They are the parents of one daughter:

(a) Beth Ann Bell who was born 7 December 1952 in Trenton. She married Billy Gene McLain who was born 11 January 1949 in Trenton. They were married 3 June 1972. Billy is the son of Wm. Silas and Claudia (Brown) McLain. Beth and Billy have 2 sons:

(1) Bradley Alan McLain.
(2) Eric C. McLain.
(II) Billy Jean Tharp, son of Robert and Lillian Tharp, was born 7 January 1928 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Peggy Wales 25 December 1948. He was in the U.S. Navy 1945-1947. Billy Jean died 11 August 1983. They had three daughters:
   (a) Roxie Tharp
   (b) Toni Tharp
   (c) Cheri Tharp

(III) Robert Lee Tharp, son of Robert and Lillian Tharp, was born 28 September 1931 in Trenton, Missouri. He married Betty Jean Clark 25 March 1951 in Trenton. They had one son:
   (a) Robert Bruce Tharp was born 30 November 1952 in Trenton, Mo. He married Evelyn Ferguson 10 June 1972. They have two children:

Robert Lee Tharp next married Gracie Arlene Gibler 7 Sept. 1958 in Gallatin, Missouri. Gracie was born 20 January 1939 in Brimson, Missouri. They have two children:
   (b) Kendal Lee Tharp born 10 November 1960 in Columbia, Missouri.
   (c) Terri Dawn Tharp born 27 October 1962 in Columbia, Missouri.
(D) Velma Tharp, daughter of Charles Levi and Alta (Hill) Tharp, was born 11 December 1905 in Spickard, Missouri. She married Wilbur Foland 24 January 1925 in Spickard. Wilbur was born 3 September 1900 in Tindall, Missouri. He is the son of Edward C. Foland and Sally Ethel Terry. They had one son:

(I) Wendall Foland who was born 30 August 1934 in Tindall, Missouri.

(E) Golda Tharp, daughter of Charles Levi and Alta (Hill) Tharp, was born about 1910 in Spickard, Missouri. She married Irving Zeigler 16 April 1933. Irving was born in Moline, Illinois. Golda died 6 March 1966. They are the parents of two children:

(I) James Allen Zeigler

(II) Donna O'Neill Zeigler

(4) Mary A. Tharp, daughter of John P. and Martha L. Tharp, was born January 1877 in Missouri. She married Edgar Hurt 24 December 1896 and they farmed in Grundy County, Missouri. They are the parents of six children:

(A) Edna Hurt was born December 1888 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Luther Wagner.

(B) Louise Hurt was born March 1892 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Simpson.

(C) Clifton Hurt was born July 1898 in Grundy County, Missouri.

(D) John Hurt was born in Grundy County, Missouri.

(E) Gerald Hurt was born in Grundy County, Missouri. He later lived in Samoa, California.

(F) Juddi Verne Hurt was born 29 August 1905 in Grundy County, Missouri. He married Eula Hunter on 24 June, 1927 at Jamesport, Missouri. They moved to California in 1947 residing in Arcata at the time of his death.

(5) Rosa Tharp, daughter of John P. and Martha L. Tharp, was born May 1882 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married Jacob G. Briegel, a farmer, on 30 October 1901. He died in 1941. He was the son of Valentine Briegel. Rosa and Jacob had two children:

(A) Cletus L. Briegel born about 1907.

(B) Judson Briegel born about 1916.

(6) John W. Tharp, son of John P. and Martha Tharp, was born June 1888 in Missouri. He died 2 March 1891 in Grundy County, Missouri.
FUNERAL RITES AT DAVIS-BLACKMORE'S

Funeral services for Juddie Vern Hurt of Arcata, Ca., a former resident of Tindall were conducted Monday afternoon at the Davis-Blackmore Funeral Home. Mr. Hurt died Wednesday night at Trinity Hospital at Arcata where he had been a patient a few days. He had been in failing health about five years. Pall bearers were Vern Hurt, Gary Hurt, Earl Wile, Jim Leeper, John Leeper, and Ernest Wagner. Burial was in the North Evans Cemetery.

Mr. Hurt was born at Spickard August 29, 1905, a son of Edgar and Mary Tharp Hurt. On June 24, 1927, he was married at Jamesport to Eula Hunter of Trenton. They moved to Calif. in 1947 where he was employed as a carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurt were the parents of three daughters, two of whom survive.

Besides his wife and two daughters, Mrs. Carl Leeper of McKinleyville, Calif., and Mrs. Glenn Winters of Arcata, Calif., he is also survived by two granddaughters, Mary Lynette Leeper and Beverly Ann Leeper of McKinleyville, and one grandson, Stanley Vern Winters of Arcata; three brothers, John Hurt of Trenton, R.C. Hurt of K.C., Ks. and Gerald Hurt of Samoa, California, two sisters, Mrs. Luther Wagner of Tindall and Mrs. Louise Simpson of Trenton.

He was preceded in death by a 5½ mo. old daughter, Marjorie, in 1930 and his father in 1954 and his mother in 1957.

He was a member of Tindall Christian Church.

Attending from out of town, Mrs. Judson Briegel, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hurt, and Victor Hurt of K.C., Kansas.

A PLEASANT WEDDING
October 31, 1901

On Thursday, October 31, 1901, Miss Rosa A. Tharp and Mr. Jacob G. Briegel were united in marriage, Rev. A.M. Scovill officiating. The bride is the daughter of John P. Tharp, living near this place. She has been raised here and is highly respected and accomplished young lady, loved by all who know her. The groom is the son of Valentine Briegel, a prosperous farmer of near Tindall, was raised here and is popular young man.

We wish the young couple a long and happy life.
R.B. THARP
Dec. 30, 1982

R.B. Tharp, 80, died this morning at his home on Route 3, Trenton.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Blackmore-Whitaker Funeral Home.

Mr. Tharp was born May 4, 1902, east of Spickard, Mo., a son of Charles Levi and Alta Hill Tharp. He was reared in the Spickard and Tindall communities, and was married to Lillian Bittle on Dec. 22, 1923 north of Tindall. They spent the first few years of their married life in the Tindall community. He served as collector for the Lincoln Township Board before he and his wife moved to Route 3. He later became judge of the Grundy County Court, a position he held for 16 years.

He was a member of the Hodge Presbyterian Church and the Trenton Elks Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Lillian of the home; a daughter, Alberta, now Mrs. Leo Bell of Trenton; two sons, Dr. Robert L. Tharp of Maysville, and B.J. Tharp of Trenton; a sister, Myrtle, now Mrs. Homer Browning of Trenton; nine grandchildren; and nine great grandchildren.

Besides his parents, Mr. Tharp was preceded in death by two sisters and a brother.

Services were held Tuesday from the Memorial Chapel of the Blackmore-Whitaker Funeral Home. The Rev. Ocie E. Griffith, pastor of the First Christian Church, officiated.

Special music was provided by Mrs. William R. Robbins, who played several organ selections, including "Largo," "Sarabande," "If With All Your Hearts," "Pastoral Symphony," and "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth."

Pallbearers were William R. Robbins, Jim Witten, Jeff Weston, Frank Hoffman, Bill McVay and Vern VanHoozer.

Burial was in the Trenton Masonic Cemetery.

LILLIAN THARP
Nov. 15, 1993

Mrs. Lillian Tharp, a 91 year old native of Grundy County, died early Saturday morning, Nov. 13, 1993, at Sunnyview Nursing Home.

Funeral services were held this morning (Monday, Nov. 15, 1993) at Resthaven Mortuary with the Rev. Shuford White officiating.

Gary Black sang "Amazing Grace," and "The Lord's Prayer." Jackie Gibler was the organist.

Pallbearers were Bobby Bruce Tharp, Kendall Tharp, Greg Bell, Brian Bell, Mike Kelly, Bill McLain and Darrell Wilford.

Burial was at Resthaven Memorial Gardens, north of Trenton.

Mrs. Tharp was born Sept. 15, 1902 in Grundy County, the daughter of Walter and Lulu Briegel Bittle. She was married to Robert Broshia Tharp on Dec. 22, 1923, north of Tindall. He preceded her in death on Dec. 29, 1982.
Mrs. Tharp lived most of her life in the Route 3 community. She was a member of Hodge Presbyterian Church, Elks Ladies Lodge #801, the Laugh and Learn Club and the T.C.W.

Mrs. Tharp is survived by a daughter, Alberta, now Mrs. Leo Bell of Trenton; one son, Dr. Robert L. Tharp of Maysville; eight grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, one sister, two brothers, a granddaughter and twin great-granddaughters.

The family suggests contributions to the Hodge Presbyterian Church. These may be left at the funeral home.
(i) Sarilda Tharp, daughter of Zaus and Rachel Tharp, was born 8 May 1850 in Howard County, Indiana. She married Thomas R. Kirk in Grundy County, Missouri. He was born 10 May 1837 in Anderson County, Tennessee and he died 23 July 1906 and is buried in North Evans Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. He was a Civil War Veteran being discharged in St. Louis, Missouri on 25 August 1864. Sarilda died 15 September 1891 in Grundy County and is also buried in North Evans Cemetery. Thomas and Sarilda were the parents of 9 children:

(1) Martha Kirk was born 1 January 1866 in Grundy County, Missouri. She married George W. Kincaid 22 December 1881. He was born May 1865. They had six children:
   (A) Mary Kincaid was born in February 1883 in Grundy County, Missouri.
   (B) Minnie Kincaid was born March 1885 in Grundy County, Missouri. She died 29 March 1907 at the age of 21 years.
   (C) Calvin Kincaid was born February 1887 in Grundy County, Missouri.
   (D) B. Kincaid was born February 1889 in Grundy County, Missouri.
   (E) Levi Kincaid was born July 1891 in Grundy County, Missouri.
   (F) Nora Kincaid was born May 1896 in Grundy County, Missouri.

(2) Elijah Kirk, son of Thomas and Sarilda Kirk, was born in 1867 in Grundy County.

(3) Elisha Kirk, son of Thomas and Sarilda Kirk, was born in 1869 in Grundy County and died 15 January 1870.


(5) Aaron Moses Kirk, son of Thomas and Sarilda Kirk, was born in 1874 in Grundy County, Missouri.

(6) Enoch Kirk, son of Thomas and Sarilda Kirk, was born Dec. 1876 in Grundy County.


(8) Dow Kirk was born 15 Sept. 1886, the son of Thomas and Sarilda Kirk and died 21 Dec. 1912.

(9) Marie Kirk, was the daughter of Thomas and Sarilda Kirk.
"Billy" Rose Kirk Dies
28 Dec. 1918

The readers of this paper will generally be saddened to learn that Mr. "Billy" Rose Kirk has been called from his labor to rest. William (Billy) Rose Kirk was born the 17th day of September 1872 and died the 27th day of December 1918. He was married to Ida Bell Fisher April 3, 1898 and to this union four children were born, Mrs. Ethel Orndorff and Mrs. Lee Stottlemyre, Kelley and Bertha. Bertha passed away last August. William Kirk was converted when he was twenty years old but back slid and then he was converted at Brother Davll Keslig meeting in the year of 1915 and from that time lived a Christian life. The chief cause of his death was cancer of the stomach. He was confined to his bed about four months. He bore his affliction with patience and prayed that soon the Lord would come and take him to his better home where he could be with his dear old father and mother and his dear little daughter. His folks and friends will greatly miss him but if they keep themselves unspotted from the world they may all meet him in heaven where sickness and death will never be known.

John R. Kirk Rites are Set
Services Saturday For Native Grundy Countion;
Body To Slater's
3 Jan. 1963

Funeral services for John R. (Jock) Kirk, who died Thursday morning at the Whitfield Nursing Home, will be held at 1:30 p.m., Saturday at the Slater Funeral Home.

Rev. Roy A. Donelson, pastor of the Assembly of God Church, will officiate. Burial will be in the family lot in North Evans Cemetery east of Spickard.

Mr. Kirk was born March 17, 1883, in Grundy County, the son of Thomas and Sarilda (Tharp) Kirk. He has lived in Grundy and Mercer Counties most of his life.

In 1924 he was married to Mrs. Viola Gardner. She died in 1940.

Survivors are 2 nephews Alma Kincaid, Mill Grove, Mo. and Kelly Kirk, Bethany, Mo., and one niece, Mrs. Nora Gumm, Spickard.

He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers and two sisters.
September 3, 1978

Tharp Family Reunion
Draws 115 Descendants

The Tharp family reunion was held Sunday at the VFW Hall in Chillicothe, with a pot luck dinner at noon. It was attended by 115 ancestors of Zaus and Rachel Tharp who came to Grundy County, Missouri from Indiana in the mid 1850's.

A display of old pictures, family Bible, church records, census, land records, and other items dating back to Zaus Tharp was arranged. These roots are being traced by several members of the Tharp families.

Those attending were from Arvada and Denver, Colorado; Savanna, Ill.; Indianola, Granger, and New Virginia, Ia.; Kansas City and Pittsburg, Kan.; Macdoel, Fullerton, Burbank, and San Jose, Calif.; Chillicothe, Hale, Princeton, Spickard, Trenton, Kansas City, Chula, Parkville, Grandview, Liberty, Jefferson City, Breckenridge, and Columbia, Mo.
THE RACHEL HOOVER FAMILY

Rachel Hoover has been very difficult to trace as I have been unable to find a marriage record on her and Zaus Tharp. I would assume they were married in either Ohio or Indiana. I did find a record that stated Rachel Hoover married James Calfrey. Also this information has been passed down by members of the Tharp family.

There were many Hoover families that moved into Indiana from Ohio, as did the Tharp's. Some lived in the same counties as Zaus and Rachel (Hoover) Tharp. It could be that her parents never came to Indiana. I have found several ladies with the name of Rachel Hoover in Ohio but no proof it was our Rachel who married Zaus Tharp.
THE CALHOUN FAMILY

The history of the Calhoun family is very lengthy. Therefore I will only tell some of the highlights of this family.

The first Calhoun to marry into the Tharp family was Elsie Calhoun, daughter of James Calhoun, Jr. and his wife Jean Johnson. Elsie's name has been written many ways—Alse, Else, Elsey, Elseerman, and Elsaman. She married Joseph Tharp, father of our Zaus Tharp, in 1784/85 in Guilford County or Rowan County, North Carolina. Joseph and Elsie (Calhoun) Tharp were Warren E. Tharp's great great grandparents.

Elsie Calhoun's father was James Calhoun, Jr. who was born in the state of Virginia in 1735 and died in Guilford County, North Carolina in 1795. Elsie's mother was Jean Johnson who died in Guilford County, North Carolina on 10 June 1804.

James Calhoun, Jr. was the son of James Patrick Calhoun who was born in 1680 in Ireland and died in Abbeville, South Carolina in 1760. James Calhoun's mother was Catherine Montgomery, daughter of William Montgomery. She was born in Ireland in 1684 and died in 1760 in Abbeville, South Carolina.

James Patrick Calhoun and his wife Catherine Montgomery and their five children emigrated from County Donegal, Ireland to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania in 1733. Later they moved southward along the Alleghenies, on to the banks of the Kanawha in what is now Wythe County, Virginia. The incursions of the Indians compelled them to a new emigration and again moving southward they established, in 1756, the Calhoun Settlement in the upper part of South Carolina, near the Savannah River, in what is now the Abbeville District.

It is not clear if the three brothers of James Patrick Calhoun—Ezekiel, William, and Patrick—emigrated with them from Ireland in 1733 or came later. Land grants indicate they all lived in or near the Abbeville District in about 1756/58.

Catherine (Montgomery) Calhoun was killed by the Indians in February, 1760, along with 22 other people. Her cemetery marker reads as follows:

Patk. Calhoun, Esq.
In memory of Mrs.
Catherine Calhoun
aged 76 years who
with 22 others was
here murdered by
the Indians on the
first of Feb. 1760.

James Patrick Calhoun, husband of Catherine, was killed in the Indian massacre of Feb. 1, 1760 while in command of defensive forces.
James Patrick and Catherine Calhoun were the parents of Patrick C. Calhoun. He married Jane Craighead in 1765 and she gave birth to twins in 1766 when she and the twins died.

Patrick C. Calhoun married 2nd to a Mrs. Caldwell of Abbeville, South Carolina. They were the parents of the Honorable John Caldwell Calhoun born in 1782 and died in 1850, a famous Statesman, graduated 1802 with highest honors from Yale, elected to Congress 1811, became Secretary of War under President Monroe, Vice-President of the United States under John Quincy Adams and Andrew Jackson, and Secretary of State under John Tyler. John C. Calhoun was a first cousin to our Elsie (Calhoun) Tharp, (Mrs. Joseph Tharp).

In tracing the Calhoun family, I find their ancestry goes back to Ireland and Scotland. The name was originally Kilpatrick. The Calhoun name has been spelled various ways, Calhoun, Calhoon and Colquhoun. The Kilpatrick's of Ireland purchased land named Colquhoun in Scotland. The following article written by William Fraser tells the story of the name change as the Calhoun family goes back into Royalty in Ireland and Scotland.

In tracing the history of the family of Colquhoun of Colquhoun and Luss, the origin and remote ancestry of two distinct families, Colquhoun of Colquhoun and Luss of Luss, require to be investigated. Both these families are of high antiquity, and they merged into one in the reign of King David the Second, by the inter-marriage of Sir Robert Colquhoun, who was the fifth Laird of Colquhoun, with the daughter of Godfrey of Luss, the sixth Laird of Luss. That lady was heiress of the estate of Luss, and she was commonly called "the Fair Maid of Luss."

The earliest surname under which the family of Colquhoun is traced is that of Kilpatrick. In the reign of King Alexander the Second, which was from the year 1214 to 1249, Umfridus de Kilpatrick obtained from Maldouen, third Earl of Lennox, a charter of the lands of Colquhoun, situated in the parish of Old or West Kilpatrick, within the earldom of Lennox and shire of Dumbarton. On acquiring the lands of Colquhoun, Umfridus dropped his original surname of Kilpatrick, and adopted that of Colquhoun. The adoption of surnames from lands successively acquired was a common practice in the time of King Alexander the Second when surnames were less fixed than they came to be in later times. Umfridus is thus the earliest ancestor of the Colquhoun family who is vouched by the testimony of an authentic charter.

I have records from the Mormon "Family History Center" library in Salt Lake City, Utah on this branch of the Calhoun family going back to 1190. I also have pedigree charts on the families that married into this Calhoun family with some of the branches going back to 6 A.D. and 8 A.D.
SUSAN MARTIN FAMILY

Susan Martin, daughter of Michael Martin and Rhoda Crow, was born 31 December 1843, in Monroe County, Ohio. Susan married James K. Tharp on the 20 January 1866 in Spickard, Missouri. Her parents, Michael and Rhoda (Crow) Martin also moved to Spickard, Missouri area in the 1850's. I was unable to find any information on Michael Martin's parents as the court House burned in Monroe County, Ohio. I have compiled a family history on Rhoda Crow's family which begins on the next page.
Jacob Crow, Sr., born in 1732, left Germany when he was a young man of 18 coming to America without money and leaving his mother and two sisters behind. He came in a small sailing vessel and told about the height of the waves in comparison to the height of the sailing vessel as it crossed the Atlantic ocean in 1750. Family tradition states that he left Germany to get away from forced military duty and the following wars.

From the book "Ohio Valley Genealogies" I find the following information about German's immigrating to America in the 1725's to 1775 with our Jacob Crow coming to Philadelphia in 1750. Those who left their fatherland from 1700 to 1720, the Palatines, so-called, because they came principally from the Palatinate States along the Rhine River, endured many hardships before they reached America. Thousands came here and among the German emigrants were Mennonites, Dunkards, German Reformed, and Lutherans. Our Jacob Crow must of been of the German Reforms as some of their children were baptized in the German Reform Church. The number of Germans coming here were so great, that James Logan, Secretary of the Province of Pennsylvania, wrote in 1717, "We have, of late, a great number of Palatines poured in upon us without recommendation or notice, which gives the country some uneasiness, for foreigners do not do so well among us as our own English people."

From 1730 to 1740 about sixty-five vessels, filled with Germans, arrived at Philadelphia, bringing with them ministers and schoolmasters to instruct their children.

From 1740 to 1755 (the time our Jacob Crow came to America) upwards of one hundred vessels arrived with Germans, in some of them, though small ships, there were from 500 to 600 passengers. The Germans had found out that there was a land of peace on the other side of the Atlantic, and they knew by sad experience that their own country was a land of war. A man was deprived, practically, not only of the enjoyment of his own religion, but he was also robbed incessantly of the fruits of his labor. This was a state of things which he naturally rebelled against and emigration afforded him the only relief.

In 1790 there were nearly 145,000 Germans in Pennsylvania. These included the Sectaries, the Dunkards, and the Hessian soldiers, who had been taken prisoners by Washington's army and preferred not to be exchanged after the Revolution. Another source said our Jacob Crow was said to be a Hessian soldier.

When our Jacob Crow arrived in Philadelphia he was an indentured passenger requiring him to work for someone a certain length of time, about two years, after landing in America, to pay for his passage and Jacob faithfully served his time. He then married Susannah Secris(t) and it was said she also was an indentured servant and had earned her freedom.

The couple lived on a 362 acre farm on Route 40 on the Youghiogheny River at the Great Crossing in what is now Fayette County, Pennsylvania. The Crow family lived on this farm
for several years and their first five children were born here. The farm is now covered with water from the building of the Youghiogheny Dam and Reservoir. In 1769 they moved on west to Greene County, Pennsylvania to a farm near the mouth of Dunkard Creek. Six more children were born to this family. This farm on the south branch of Wheeling Creek was known as the Crow Farm or Crow's Mills. They raised eleven children, five sons and six daughters who were Frederick, Martin, Peter, John, Michael, Elizabeth, Susan, Catherine, Christina, Esther and Mary.

There have been many stories written in books about this family and others who lived in this area as there was so much trouble with the Indians during this time period in Pennsylvania and other eastern states. I will tell a little more history on the Crow Family and some of their descendants. Jacob Crow Sr. was born in Germany and came to America in 1750. He was probably married about 1760/61 to Susannah Secrist. They settled in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania which is now Fayette County. Jacob died 18 August 1822 at the old age of 90 years. Susannah his wife was born about 1735 and she died about 1826 in Greene County, Pennsylvania where Jacob also died. They are both buried on the Crow Farm in Richhill township, Greene County, Pennsylvania. L.C. Evans in his book "Pioneer History of Greene County, Pennsylvania" gives a very good description of the Crow homestead. On the Ohio River in the vicinity of the present site of the City of Wheeling, Jacob Crow, an enterprising and irrepressible Dutchman, was also on the very verge of the border, spying out the goodly land. The German element seemed instinctively to take to the hills as if it reminded him of the vine-clad mountains of the Rhine, and Jacob Crow most truly exemplified this peculiarity by penetrating away back into the deep and wild recesses of Richhill Township in the northwest corner of Greene County, Pennsylvania, in the everlasting hills which line the almost impenetrable mazes of South Wheeling Creek. Many miles up that uninviting, rugged stream, he found the cozy nook which his fancy sought. It was a charming and most romantic place. A miniature prairie of many acres of fine, smooth, rolling, fertile land, was hemmed in by lofty hills. All around and at every point, hill after hill loom aloft in mountain grandeur, while the winding stream like a huge serpent winds its way leisurely through the valley. In its normal natural state it was doubtless grand and picturesque beyond description and portrayed such enchantments to Jacob Crow as wedded him to it for the rest of his life. In the charming solitude of this lone retreat, remote from civilization, the family partook of its hospitable fare of hog and hominy and pone and milk.

Jacob Crow, first by tomahawk right, secured the farm and then proceeded to add, as he could, all the lands adjoining. He improved the lands which were later owned by his grandsons, Michael and Jacob Crow II. He afterwards included within his tomahawk boundaries, all of those lands later belonging to Thomas Scott, Cornelius Dorsey, the Harshes, and the Lowry
estate, until he owned all the land that adjoined the original tract.

Jacob and Susannah (Secrist) Crow had the following children:

(1) George Frederick Crow, son of Jacob and Susannah Crow, was born 23 July 1762 in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. Frederick was Warren Tharp's great great grandfather. We have the following baptismal record on Frederick, as he was called, this being in the "Genealogical Reports For The Historical Society Of York County, Pennsylvania," reads as follows:

Register of the First Reformed Church, York, Pennsylvania and of the Trinity-First Reformed Church: transcribed by Henry James Young.

(57) Friedericus, son of Jacob and Susanna (Nee Siecrist) Gro, was born 23 July 1762 and was baptized 29 August 1762, Sponsors: Frederick Stritmeyer(?) and his wife Magdalena.

Frederick married Rachel Enoch sometime in the 1780's but we have not found the marriage record on them. They were living in Greene County, Pennsylvania at that time. Rachel Enoch was the daughter of Enoch Enoch and his wife Rebecca Morris. (See more on the Enoch and Morris families in this book.) Rachel Enoch was born about 1764 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. Frederick and Rachel Crow had the following children: (Frederick Crow died 5 Dec. 1828)

(A) Jacob Crow, son of Frederick and Rachel (Enoch) Crow, was born in 1790 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. He married Mary Leasure about 1817 in Monroe County, Ohio. Mary was the daughter of Jeremiah Leasure. Jacob died 9 March 1846 at the age of fifty-six. Mary died in 1887. They were the parents of 12 children as follows:

(I) Elizabeth who died in Noble County, Ohio.

(II) George who passed away in 1889 while residing in Reno County, Kansas.

(III) Anna who died in Washington County, Ohio.

(IV) Nancy who died in Wyandot County, Ohio in 1899.

(V) Isaac who died in Reno County, Kansas.

(VI) Jacob who laid down his life for his country during the war of the rebellion.

(VII) Mary who died in childhood in Monroe County, Ohio.

(VIII) Rhoda who died in Noble County, Ohio.
(IX) Cynthia who died in Noble County, Ohio.
(X) Martin who resided in Hutchinson, Kansas.
(XI) Robert who died in a Soldiers Home in Newark, Ohio.
(XII) Diantha who married and resided in Wyandot County, Ohio.

(B) Eleanor Crow, daughter of Frederick and Rachel Crow, was born about 1792 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. She married Ruerson Bean on the 20 August 1811 in Guernsey County, Ohio.

(C) Martin Crow, son of Frederick and Rachel Crow, was born in Greene County, Pennsylvania and married Phebe __________. He died in 1840.

(D) Michael Crow, son of Frederick and Rachel Crow, was born 1801 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. He married Nancy Mary Brister.

(E) Isaac Crow, son of Frederick and Rachel Crow, was born in 1810 in Monroe County, Ohio.

(F) Rhoda Crow, daughter of Frederick and Rachel Crow, was born 27 May 1813 in Monroe County, Ohio. She married Michael Martin. Michael and Rhoda (Crow) Martin were Warren Tharp's great grandparents. They moved to Grundy County, Missouri in 1859. Rhoda died 8 April 1892 in Grundy County and is buried in Wyatt Cemetery along with Michael her husband. Rhoda's mother died around 1827 so Rhoda and her brother Isaac were raised by the John Carmichael's who had guardianship of these two children. Their younger sister Mary who was six or seven at the time of their mothers death was raised by their brother Jacob II.

Michael and Rhoda (Crow) Martin had the following children:

(I) Elizabeth Martin, daughter of Michael and Rhoda Martin, was born in 1832 in Monroe County, Ohio.

(II) Amanda Martin, daughter of Michael and Rhoda Martin, was born in 1835 and died young in Monroe County, Ohio.

(III) Isaac Martin, son of Michael and Rhoda Martin, was born in 1836 in Monroe County, Ohio and died young in same county.

(IV) Lisa Martin, daughter of Michael and Rhoda Martin, was born in 1838 in Monroe County, Ohio and died
young in same county.

(V) Frederick Martin, son of Michael and Rhoda Martin, was born 16 November 1840 in Monroe County, Ohio. He moved with his parents to Grundy County, Missouri where he married Elvina Lee. He was a Civil War Veteran. He died 22 March 1932 at the age of 91 years and is buried in the Masonic Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. Elvina was born 15 June 1848 and died 8 October 1920 in Missouri. They had one son, Charles S. Martin born 13 January 1869 and died 22 October 1928.

(VI) Susan Martin, daughter of Michael and Rhoda Martin, was born 31 December 1843 in Monroe County, Ohio. She married James K. Tharp 20 January 1867 in Grundy County, Missouri. James K. Tharp was born 26 September 1844 and was the son of Zaus and Rachel Tharp. Susan died 13 February 1912 and James K. died 25 November 1925. Both are buried in the Masonic Cemetery near Spickard, Missouri. (See Tharp Genealogy for more on this family.) James K. and Susan (Martin) Tharp are Warren Tharp's grandparents.

(VII) George Washington Martin, son of Michael and Rhoda Martin, was born in 1846 in Monroe County, Ohio. He married M.J. He was a Civil War Veteran and was discharged 18 July 1865 near Louisville, Kentucky.

(VIII) William B. Martin, son of Michael and Rhoda Martin, was born in 1848 in Monroe County, Ohio. He married Polka in Grundy County, Missouri.

(IX) Katy Martin, daughter of Michael and Rhoda Martin, was born in 1855 in Monroe County, Ohio.

(G) Mary Crow, the last daughter of Frederick and Rachel Crow, was born in 1820 in Monroe County, Ohio. Her mother died when she was seven years old and she was then raised by her brother Jacob II.
(2) Peter Crow, son of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born in 1763 in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. He married Susan Earlwine and they resided in Marshall County, West Virginia and later in Ohio County, West Virginia where they both died. Susan was born 7 June 1773 and died 11 February 1854. Peter died 15 November 1826. They had eleven children: Jacob, Isaac, Abraham, Peter, Samuel, Mary, Francis, Sebria, Sophia, Susannah, Licy Ann.

(3) Martin Crow, son of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born 13 May 1765 in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. He married Elizabeth Cackler January 1800 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. Elizabeth was born 12 March 1782 in Washington County, Pennsylvania. She died in Monroe County, now Noble County, Ohio. An "E. Crow" is buried on the Dimmerling farm, in Noble County, Road 43 at Berne, Ohio. Her father was Christian Cackler, Sr. and her Mother was Julia Ann Sedekar. Martin Crow died 27 September 1837 in what is now Noble County, Ohio. They had the following children: Michael, Esther, George, Nancy, Elizabeth, Martin, Peter, Susan, Jacob. It was said that Martin and Susannah had ten children but I have only nine.

(4) John Crow, son of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born about 1767 in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. He was killed by the Indians in 1789 in Pennsylvania.

(5) Michael Crow I, son of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born in 1769. He married Nancy Johnson 26 November 1799 in Pennsylvania. Nancy was born 19 May 1782 in Greene County, Pennsylvania and was the daughter of William Johnson and Mary Sample. Nancy died 26 February 1853 in her 72nd year and is buried on the old Crow Farm along with her husband Michael I who died 8 May 1852 in his 83rd year. They had the following children: Michael II, Martin, Mary, Elizabeth, Sara, Susannah, William, twins that died in infancy, Agnes, and John.

(6) Elizabeth Crow, daughter of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born about 1771 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. She was the oldest of the four sisters attacked by the Indians. She died 4 May 1791 in Greene County, Pennsylvania.

(7) Susan Crow, daughter of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born about 1773 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. She also died on 1 May 1791 when attacked by the Indians.

(8) Katherine Crow, daughter of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born about 1775 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. She also died 1 May 1791 when attacked by the Indians.

(9) Christina (Tena) Crow, daughter of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born 17 November 1781. She
was the fourth sister to be attacked by the Indians but she escaped from them. In about 1804 she married John McBride. Tena died in Noble County, Ohio 27 August 1853 and John died 26 February 1874 at the age of 95 years. Both are buried in Carlisle Methodist Cemetery in Noble County, Ohio. John was born 26 June 1779 and was the son of John McBride, Sr. Tena and John had eleven children: William, John, Martin, Susan, Jacob, Michael, Mary, Nancy, Christina, Elizabeth, and George.

(10) Esther Crow, daughter of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born about 1785 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. She married Jacob Sailor who was born 17 March 1777 in Germany. They moved to Indiana prior to 1830. Jacob Sailor died in Chickasaw, Iowa in October 1867 and Esther also died there. They had eight children: Susan, Elizabeth, Jacob, Moses, Martin, Nancy, Anna, and Esther.

(11) Mary Crow, daughter of Jacob and Susannah (Secris(t)) Crow, was born 15 March 1787 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. She married Hiram Gray 1 December 1812. Hiram was born in 1780 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. Mary died 27 January 1866. I know very little on this family.
A grieving tale of hardship and suffering marked often by grim tragedy was unfolded in the history of the Crow family, read last Sunday as descendants of Jacob Crow, first American settler of the clan, gathered on the homestead farm in their annual reunion.

Now scattered to the four winds, members of the clan gathered from every part of the nation to commemorate the fortitude that was largely responsible for the civilization of this section. The history told by Wylie Crow to Prof. Martin Crow, historian on the faculty at Waynesburg College, and is prepared by the family as an authentic record.

The reunion was held at Sycamore Grove on Crow Creek, Marshall County, near where the trepid related in the following history, transpired.

History of the Crow Family by Wylie Crow as told to Martin Crow.

The first American ancestor of the Crow family, Jacob Crow, or Jacob Gro as he wrote his name in German on his last will and testament, came to this country about 1750 at the age of eighteen. From what part of Germany he came we have no record but as he was said to be short in stature and dark complexion, he probably came from one of the southern provinces. After paying his passage money for which he was indentured, he married Susannah Secris and settled on a tract of 362 acres situated near the Great Crossings on the Youghiogheny River in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania.

When the older children were in their teens, the family began to look for a home farther west. They traded a team and wagon for a tract of land of about 450 acres, situated on what was later to be known as Crow Creek, in Greene County. On this tract were located two mounds and an earthen circle, built supposedly by the Indians who were later to wreak such terrible vengeances on this pioneer family. The settlers moved to their new home about 1769, their son Michael being then a baby six weeks old. Their home was a log cabin the chimney stones of which may still be seen. The first night in their new home was not one of peaceful slumber for fearing an attack by the Indians, the family fled into the woods, the Mother and her baby Michael getting lost wandering about till morning in a wild plum thicket not far from the house.

Soon the family made the new settlement seem like home. They planted the apple sprouts they had carried in saddle bags over the mountains, (the last of the apple trees to grow from these sprouts, a great tall tree with a twisted trunk, was still standing ten years ago), they opened sugar camps, cleared patches for corn, built corrals for their sheep, erected a log fort near the house, and hunted for game which than included otters, panthers, bears, wolves, deer, wild cats,
wild hogs and wild ducks and turkeys.

But the fear of the Red Man was never absent from their thoughts as the following incident shows: The bottoms of the new farm or plantation as it was called were covered with sugar trees and the making of maple sugar was in the spring an important business. Sometimes a hundred pounds or more of maple sugar would be stored at one time under the ledges of rock at the lower end of the bottom. A few years after the Crow's had moved when Michael was perhaps a boy of five or six years old, he and his brothers were hauling down sugar water one night in the camp in the big bottom over the creek. Intending to work all night, they had brought sliced bacon with them to cook over the fire. Little Michael, having grown sleepy as he sat watching the blazing fires, had been put to bed in a hogs head turned down on its side. The brothers were busy watching the boiling cauldrons of maple syrup when suddenly the dogs bristled up and ran out into the darkness, barking fiercely. They kept up these actions until the boys got afraid there were Indians lurking about in the woods. Throwing sugar water on their fires to smother them out, they awakened Michael, went together way up on top of a hill on the other side of the creek and spent the rest of the night on a bed of leaves behind a fallen log. They had taken their bacon with them, afraid to light a fire to cook it, they ate it raw. Michael told this story to his children and said it was the only time he ever really ate raw meat.

The following children were born to Jacob and Susannah Crow: John, Martin, Frederick, Peter and Michael, Susan, Katherine, Lisbeth, Christina, and Mary. The family talked German at home, Michael the youngest son being nine years old before he learned English. Jacob lived to the ripe old age, dying probably in the summer of 1823, as his will was probated in Waynesburg on August 18th of that year. The date of his wife's death is not known. They are buried together in the old family burying ground on the farm, their graves marked by cut sandstone slabs.

Near these headstones in the family lot are two rudely hewn stone markers, each bearing the date 1791, one of the initials L.C., the other S.C. and K.C. These stones mark the graves of the three daughters of Jacob and Susannah who were killed by the Indians just across the creek from where we are meeting today.

Before the massacre of the girls, however, came stories of other earlier adventures of the Crow's with the Indians. One of the most popular of these stories is another about Michael, who being the youngest son as I have said, was made in family tradition the hero of many exploits. It was when Michael was eight or nine years old that he was allowed to accompany two of his other brothers, Frederick and Martin on a trip to the Farley home over another fork of the creek. Arriving there they found the Farley's had fled for fear of an Indian attack and learned that the Indians had murdered two white men who had been living down the creek a short way. The older brothers persuaded Michael with his dog to remain
in the Farley house while they should go and help bury these two men. They expected to be gone not more than two or three hours but thinking they might be able to help capture the Indians if they followed them at once, the brothers set out with a party on the trail. Not for two days did they return. All day Michael remained alone in the Farley house, baking himself and his dog Johnny cakes from the meal he found in the cupboard and drinking some cream from the churning, which the family in their precipitate flight, had left undone. At night the youngster lifted up one of the puncheons in the floor, crawled down under, and after strapping his dog's mouth shut with his suspenders to keep it from barking, spent the night in safety. And there he was when his brothers returned, though if they had not returned when they did, Michael would have set out alone to try and reach the fort at Lindley's Mill over twenty miles away. The anxiety the family felt when neither Michael or his brothers returned for two days may well be imagined.

The next story, that of the hunting expedition to Big Fish Creek is, in contrast, tragic, as it ends with the murder of John. It was a few years later that John, Martin, and Frederick went back on the creek to hunt elk, reported to be numerous in that vicinity.

When the boys were getting ready to go they noticed that John was delayed in one way or another. For example, he had trouble molding his bullets. Finally Frederick and Martin went on ahead, leaving John to follow. Still John seemed to hesitate and after he crossed the ravine below the house and had climbed part way up the opposite bank, he was seen to stop a time or two and look back towards home, as if he thought it was a farewell.

They had been encamped on Big Fish Creek only a night or two before the Indians attacked. Frederick and Martin came into camp late in the evening with a wild duck. John had not yet come in. Just when the boys tossed the duck on the ground the Indians, ambushed behind a bluff, gave a fierce yell and fired their guns, shooting the tip off Martin's ear and wounded Frederick in the muscles of the right underarm. Martin, seeing Frederick throw up his arm and toss his gun backwards supposed he was badly wounded or perhaps killed. Before the Indians could reload their muzzle loaders, Martin dashed up the creek not daring to wait to see what happened to his brother. Frederick was not, however, wounded seriously and was only a short distance behind Martin in their mad race for life. Behind them chased the Indians uttering blood curdling whoops.

At the end of a little bottom Martin dashed across the creek as a tomahawk whizzed by his head and landed on the gravel bar before him. He sought refuge in a dense woods while Frederick, still unnoticed by Martin, fled up a hill in the opposite direction.

Martin remained hiding quite a while as he listened in the darkness, heard more gun shots echoing across the valley, these being no doubt the shots that killed John when he probably
was coming in to see what had happened, found the Indians waiting for him. When the prolonged stillness seemed to indicated that the Indians had gone, Martin ventured to make a noise like an owl to signal Frederick if by chance he might still be living. After two or three attempts he was rewarded with an answering hoot. Hardly able to believe his ears he signaled again and so the boys got together. Frederick had succeeded in stanching the flow of blood from his wound by chewing sassafras leaves and holding them against the torn flesh. The two set out for home immediately.

A day or two later they returned, found John's body near their tent, his breast pierced by five bullets and his throat slashed from ear to ear. Having rolled their brother's body in a blanket, they buried him on the spot in a shallow grave which they dug with their hunting knives. On a nearby beech tree they carved the date and his initials, but this living marker has long since died and rotted away.

Occasionally the pioneers in the years following has suspicions of another Indian attack and after warning all the people in the neighborhood, shut themselves in their fort for a day or two. On one of these occasions Michael, still just a boy, distinguished himself by venturing after everyone had gone into the fort at night, to take a message to a forgotten family over near the present site of Majorsville. On his return he saw two top knots silhouetted against the moonlight in the path before him. He took a round-about way home and escaped harm. No attack was made on the settlers by the Indians at this time.

We now come to the well known story of the massacre of the three Crow girls, Susan, Katherine and Lisbeth. This occurred on Sunday morning, May 1, 1791. The girls named and their sister Christina, were going on foot to see an old couple who lived at Ryerson Station. They had stopped to play with a snake in the ripple of the creek just below the Indian rock when their brother Michael, who had been after a stray horse up Crabapple, came along on the horse going home. He stopped to talk a moment and asked Christina if she wanted to get up behind him and go back. She said she'd rather go on with the girls. He then galloped on down the creek, noticing that his horse snorted and pranced about uneasily.

The horse had scented the Indians who were hiding behind the rock, now inscribed with the names of the unfortunate girls. No sooner had Michael ridden out of sight than they emerged, two Indians and one renegade white man Spicer. They brandished their tomahawks to warn the girls to keep silent and advanced to capture them. They led the girls up on the creek bank to a little flat. One of the older girls said to Christina, the youngest, "Pray to God to prepare us for what is before us." The Indians sat down on a log and asked them questions about the forts, etc., in the vicinity, Spicer doing the talking for the two Indians. Then they prepared to kill the girls. Grasping the victims clasped hands with one of their own, each Indian proceeded with his free hand
to tomahawk a girl. When Spicer who had to hold two girls, struck the larger, the other, Christina, jerked her hands loose and started to run. An Indian punched her in the back with his gun and she fell on her hands and knees, but scrambled up again immediately and ran on. Glancing over her shoulder as she ran she saw Spicer hit her sister three times in the temple. She escaped and the Indians also made their getaway.

Christina flew home and told the news of the gruesome tragedy. Right away the family, grief stricken and in terror for their lives, set out on foot to the fort at Lindley's Mill, Michael carrying little Mary on his shoulder. This fort, near Prosperity, was likely a garrisoned station, while the Crow fort was a small and unprotected fort.

Meanwhile another of the girls, probably Lisbeth, who had been scalped but not killed outright, came to herself enough to crawl down to the creek and get a drink. She was found alive Tuesday morning by a hunter named Enlow, and carried down the road to the shade of a clump of trees growing around the great boulder in the bottom of the road. Here the family, accompanied by a posse of armed men, found her and her protector that same day. She could still talk and said to her brother, "Oh Michael why didn't you come sooner!" She was taken home and a doctor sent for. (The nearest doctor in those days was usually near Uniontown), but he arrived too late to save her. She died the next day. He said she might of lived if she had not lain so long with her scalped head exposed to the hot sun.

So Lisbeth was buried beside her two sisters, already interred in one grave, and rough hewn stones were set up to mark these first graves in the family burying ground.

Some years later when the sole survivor of this tragedy, Christina, was a young woman, Spicer and an Indian had the boldness to ride up to the Crow home one summer day and ask for a drink of buttermilk. The horn had been blown for dinner and Christina and her Mother Susannah were in the garden gathering vegetables. Christina looked up and exclaimed to her mother, "Law, those are the very men that killed the girls." The mother abruptly refused the request for buttermilk, and the men, suspecting probably that they had been recognized, rode hurriedly away. As the Crow men came in from the bottoms where they had been having a log rolling, they saw Spicer and the Indians gay in their fancy blankets, riding down through the fields. One of the men took Michael's gun (they of course always went armed to work) and leveled it on a bright flower which formed a spot like a target in the back of one of the Indians. He took aim and in play snapped the half cocked trigger.

As soon as the log rollers reached the house, the women hastened to tell them who the strangers were. Everyone came on into dinner but Michael and another man held a whispered conversation aside. They then ate a hasty lunch, shouldered their guns and started out on foot to follow Spicer and the Indians. All that afternoon they walked as fast as they could uphill and ran down hill and on the level, following easily
the fresh hoof prints. But those pursued must have sensed danger and trotted their horses for by nightfall Michael and his companion had not yet come up with them. It seemed the chase was lost, and, tired and wet with sweat, Michael and the other made camp. The next morning they pushed on to see how far they were behind the Indians and found it just a short distance to where their fires, yet smouldering, indicated the site of their camp. According to Michael they then gave up the pursuit and started home. But as it was then against the law to kill an Indian, peace having been made, Michael may not have told all. And the man who went with him, when questioned, neither denied nor affirmed the accusation, but merely replied that they were close enough to count the buttons on the Indian's coat. So the conclusion of this episode will always remain untold.

The Crow's may not have taken revenge on the Indians this time, but the story I am about to relate, they paid back in kind. Two of the boys, again Martin and Frederick, decided they would take a scout out into Ohio and play Indian. After going out, about Coshocton, they came upon an Indian camp and at once concealed themselves nearby to await darkness. It will be seen that their procedure paralleled roughly that of the Indians when they attacked the boys and killed John on Fish Creek. After awhile two Indian warriors came in. They built a fire, cooked their supper, danced and played on the bones, and finally one of them went into their tent and lay down to sleep. When the other had gone away, the Crow boys stole up to the tent, pulled up a peg, and lifted up the edge right by the Indians head. One of the boys held up the flap and the other shot the Indian in the head. Then they jerked his blanket off him, took his gun and belt, and fled through the woods toward home. Still hurrying along the next day at noon, they stopped at a pool for a drink. Looking at their fine Indian blanket they found it bespattered with the brains of the fellow they had shot. They tossed it over in the weeds but brought the belt and the gun, a very pretty weapon, on home. However the gun proved also to be useless. But the boys felt, no doubt, that they had done something to square their account with the Red Man.

The surviving sons and daughters of Jacob and Susannah were by this time growing up and making homes of their own. We cannot, for the lack of time and information, tell in detail about the various branches of the Crow family, and we here suggest that the descendants of Christina, who married a McBride and moved to Ohio, of Mary who married a Gray, of Frederick who settled for a time on Fish Creek, of Martin who lived for a while on what is now the Hewitt farm and then settled in southern Ohio, and of Peter who settled on Fork Ridge, we suggest that the descendants of these, if they have been located and are here today, should continue the separate family stories. Of Michael, my own grandfather of whom I have told several incidents already, I shall relate briefly the remaining life history.

Michael married Nancy Johnson, the daughter of a local
cabinet maker, William Johnson, several of whose pieces of sturdy block walnut furniture are yet treasured by the Crow family as heirlooms. Nancy bore sixteen children, twelve of whom lived to grow up, among them being William, John, Jacob, Michael, Sally Patterson, Elizabeth Spillman, Charlotte Carrol, Susannah Braddock, Nancy Joab, Mary Lazier and Margaret, who never married. The four boys settled in four different states, William in Ohio, John in Indiana, Jacob in West Virginia and Michael in Pennsylvania.

Before his father's death Michael, that is, Michael who was the son of Jacob, lived on the upper place, now the home of M.L. Crow. After Jacob's death in 1823, Michael, having contracted with his father as early as 1803 to purchase his plantation for the sum of two thousand dollars, to be paid in trade in annual allotments of corn, wheat, oats, rye, salt and pork, moved to the home place.

When a young man Michael loved to hunt. Deer was his favorite game. For hunting he had his wife make him a home spun red wool hunting shirt, which is still in possession of the family. Many stories are told of his good markmanship. Even as a little boy he was reputed to have shot a wild boar which had treed him down by the creek and had the bad manners to hang about the foot of the tree. Another time, this when he was a man, he was returning one night from in about Wolf Run with the carcass of a deer slung over his horse when he met a mad dog in the road. The dog turned on him, glaring and frothing at the mouth. With but one shot to save himself, he took aim and fired, blowing the dog to pieces. Another time when he was walking home after dark, he heard a rattlesnake in the weeds. He stopped and waited till it rattled again. Then guessing by the sound he struck with his stick several times. The next morning he went back to the place and there lay the snake dead. He cut off its rattlers and we have them yet, a souvenir of his prowess as a hunter.

Frederick's ability is also attested to by this story. One day he came upon a panther kitten in the woods and shot it. Right away he heard the crashing of brush and there was the mother panther. Just a little way from him she stopped, fixed her eyes on him and begin flipping her tail back and forth like a cat ready to spring. Without taking time to measure he poured some powder from his horn into the barrel of his gun, spit out a bullet (for emergencies a bullet was always carried in the mouth), rammed down the charge and fired. Fortunately one shot was all that was needed. When in his prime Michael was also known for his feats of strength. When the men of the neighborhood gathered at a muster, he could outdo most of his opponents in heaving the "shoulder stone," or in tossing a rail. A fellow by the name of Barger, having heard that Michael was "a good man," came one day in corn hoeing time to challenge him to fight.

"Why Barger, what's the matter with you? I don't want to fight you," said Michael leaning on his hoe.

But Barger was not to be put off. Sidling up to Michael, he landed a good blow on his cheek, and the fight was on.
The dust of the corn field flew as they struck and dodged. Presently they went down in a clinch and Barger was on top. It looked bad for Michael, but he got his arm around Barger's neck and held him so close he couldn't strike. They scrambled around in the dirt, and all at once Michael was on top. Then what a beating he gave Barger. Barger would not yell quits until his eye was swelled shut and his face so pummelled that it looked like raw meat. Michael's oldest son, William, who was hoeing corn with his father and witnessed this fight, said he never saw a man get such a thrashing as Barger did. When it was over Barger slunk out of the field without saying a word. But he didn't take on Michael for any more fights.

The Crow home in these early days was the center of various industries, many of which were community projects, like the cornhusking, log-rolling, apple-cuttings and quilting bees. Other industries were carried on for the benefit of the whole community, such as carding wool, grinding grist and curing meat. The Crow smoke house often hung full of pork, which was doled out in harvest time as wages to the hired hands. For clothing the men tanned deer hides, which was used for pantaloons and moccasins, while the women carded and spun and wove. They dried fruits and vegetables instead of canning. Sugar making we have already referred to. All the common grains were raised on this farm, harvested, and thrashed by hand and later ground into meal or flour. They carried their produce including butter and eggs, to Wheeling in wagons. The girls would make these long trips to market taking one of the boys along to ride lead horse. They traded their products for such farm and household necessities as were not made at home. The farm was, however, almost a independent unit.

A great business man, Michael was also a great builder. Shortly after his father died he erected a tread mill (or horse mill), and the first brick house in all the country around. Also to provide the whiskey then considered an essential commodity he built and operated a still house, the logs from which were taken from the old fort. The tread mill was used for carding wool by day, when it was driven by a team of oxen, and for grinding grain by night, when it was run by a team of horses. Neighbors usually arranged to come to the mill in pairs, each carrying his grain in a sack across his saddle and each supplying one of the two horses needed to run the mill.

An amusing incident is told of how one day, when they were carding wool with the oxen, the great tread wheel, thirty feet in diameter, got out of control and the faster the oxen tramped the faster the wheel revolved, until such a din and clatter arose as to bring everybody on the run. The wheel was stopped by dropping into place a great wooden beam, which acted as a brake. So the steers were saved from running themselves to death or breaking their legs. Their mill was supplanted in 1845 by a water mill, built by Michael Crow when he was an old man, for his youngest son, also named Michael. The water mill with its great stone dam, five acre mill pond, high undershot wheel and the finest of
French Burrs, ground grain for the community for fifty years, running day and night in the busy season. An up and down saw mill was added, also run by water power. Hence the name Crow's Mill, as the little growing village with its mills, store, blacksmith shop and post office, came to be known. But came the inventions of steam power and the roller flour mill and rapid railroad transportation. And now all that remains of Crow's Mills are traces of the land dam, a few moss covered stones at the edge of the creek and some old timbers made into the framework of other buildings.

The brick house, which Michael Crow built about 1825, was as I have said, the first in this section of the country. It was of hand molded bricks burnt in a kiln on the farm. Two stories high it had lower and upper porches, halls and six rooms. In 1871, this house was thought to be leaning and Michael Crow II, using the same bricks, doors, etc. rebuilt it a short distance below its original location.

Michael and Nancy his wife were both rigid in their observances of religious rites. Michael donated money toward the building fund for the Presbyterian Church at Haneytown and was one of its organizers. Though it was eight miles away, he and his family attended regularly. Michael died in 1852, in his 83rd year. His wife died the next year in her 72nd year. They are buried in the family lot on the farm.

The farm then passed into the hands of Michael Crow II. He married Sarah Jane Lucas near Burnsville. She bore him twelve children, nine of whom grew to maturity and three of whom still survive. Michael II we have already described as a miller. He, like his father, was a great business man, handling about eight hundred acres of land besides the flour and lumber mills.

During his time the Crow farm was noted as the home of a flock of beautiful peacocks, the first pair of which was given by Berridge Lucas to his daughter, Sarah Jane Crow, whom she named her first born Berridge Lucas Crow.

It was Michael's II's time also that an event occurred which marked the end of deer hunting in this part of the country, a diversion so often indulged in by the Crow's. The last deer ever to be seen around here at the mill by the dogs and worried so much that it ran out into the mill pond to get away from them. Jacob Crow, brother of Michael, ran out into the pond and held the deer's head under water until it was drowned. Its antlers were taken off its head and kept as a souvenir. Thus ignominiously came to its end in this country the last of the deer, an animal that had roamed the wilds in frontier days and furnished thrills to man a hunter in chase.

Michael II was much interested in education and sent several of his children to college. He spent a great deal of time in reading, mostly religious literature. Every morning his home was a scene of family worship, and every Sunday found the family at church in Haneytown where for over thirty years he served as elder. He died in 1908 in his ninetieth year. His wife had died in 1879 in her fifty-sixth year. They also
lie in the old burying ground in a stone vault, which Michael had constructed many years before his death.

Without making any attempt to trace the story of the present generations of the Crow family which is scattered far and wide over the United States, I now bring to a close this history of our family, a record of the pioneering spirit, of course in the face of danger, of endurance in the face of hardships, of unremitting toil to establish a home on the frontier, and of continued effort to be of service to the people of the community, a family record of which each member may well be proud.
In the book titled "Local History of Greene Co. and S.W. Pennsylvania," by Andrew J. Waychoff, I found the following information.

THE SPICER MASSACRE AS TOLD BY THE SPICERS IN 1924

The history of the Spicer-Bowen family reads like a romance but it is one based on indisputable facts. It was on June 4, 1763, that William Spicer, his wife and children, with the exception of Elizabeth and William, aged respectively 13 and 11 years, were massacred by the Indians. The white people lived mostly in forts as protection from the attacks of Indians. The Indians at that time were in an ugly mood, being sorely provoked by the constant intrusion of the whites upon what they considered to be their possession. William Spicer and his family lived on a farm believing his people to be immune from any danger of attack, as good feeling apparently existed between them and the Indians. When the alarm was finally sounded the Spicers were unprepared and unable to offer any defense.

Job, the eldest child, who was 16 years of age, was the first whose life was sacrificed. He was in the act of setting traps to catch squirrels when he was killed. The father, busy hewing fence posts nearby, was the next victim. The destruction of the lives of the mother, who was ironing, and four of her children, completed the orgy.

Elizabeth, the 13 year old daughter who had been assisting her mother with the ironing, and William, 11 years of age, had been witnesses of the killing of the older brother. In a frenzy of fear they made an attempt to escape through the rear door but were observed by the wily Indians. The latter gave pursuit and succeeded in capturing the two youngsters who were returned to the house under guard. The baby of the family which was thought to have been killed with the other members, was found to be alive. A burly young warrior, taking the innocent babe by the feet, hurled it with all possible force against the walls of the log house, killing it instantly.

The miracle is, that the lives of Elizabeth and William were spared. Fearing immediate pursuit, the Indians started with their captives for the Ohio River, proceeding along the dividing ridge between the Dunkard and Whiteley creeks. They hid during the nights in a deep hollow and the following day continued their journey into Ohio in safety.

The children were held captive for about two years, Elizabeth being liberated and returned to civilization at the mouth of the Great Kanawha, in accordance with the treaty made between Lord Dunmore and the Indians. William became a great favorite with his captives and greatly endeared himself to them by his personality and aptness in all that pertained to the Indian and Indian custom. Any suggestions as to his release was given no consideration by his captors.

When the time for his liberation had arrived, provided for by Lord Dunmore's treaty, William was spirited away and taken further west. When he arrived at man's estate, he was chosen chief of the Cherokee tribe, remaining with them up
until the time of his death. Once he came back to see his sister. He was accompanied by an Indian, who constantly watched and guarded him. His friends begged him to remain in their midst, but he was deaf to all entreaties, giving as his reason: "I have been with them so long, have learned their ways and manner of living, and have been accustomed to it all. They like me and treat me well and I promised to return. If I should remain people would call me Indian. I have been trained by them and I will feel better satisfied to return, so I will go." He did so, married a squaw and reared quite a family. He was unusually industrious and became wealthy. His chief desire in life was to so wield the influence he possessed over his followers to divert them from their savage customs. Two of his sons, so it is said, were educated at Washington and Jefferson College at Washington.

William was very anxious to have one of his daughters marry a white man, and on one occasion, he sent word to his sister that if she would send a young man, who would agree to accept his daughter, he would bestow one-half bushel of silver dollars on them, with which to begin life. His sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Bowen, and her son Corbly once visited him. As they approached the tented city, the Indians welcomed the visitors with a war whoop and quickly surrounded them. Mrs. Bowen had lived with the redskins and knew their customs. She answered with a war whoop but her son was badly frightened. The mother asked to be taken to her brother, who received her warmly and during the latter's stay in camp, she was treated with every consideration and respect.

It has been said that it was this William Spicer and two Indians that killed the three Crow sisters and repeatedly planned raids into this county, resulting in many murders.
The tombstone for Susan Crow (SC) and Katherine Crow (KC), 1791

The tombstone for Lisbeth (Elizabeth) Crow (LC) The initials, LC, are close to the ground and do not show in the picture.
THE VAULT IN THE CROW CEMETERY

THE DOOR OF THE VAULT
In the name of our Lord, James I Jacob Brow, of of Richfield Township, Greene County and State of Pennsylvania, Being weak in body, but of sound understanding and memory, fleeced to God for it — Do, the fourth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and twenty one. Doth make and publish this my last Will and Testament, and desire that it may be received by all as such, in manner following, that is to say —

First, I will and positively order, that my wife Susanah Brow to have Thirty Dollars per year out of the Estate during her life time, and

Secondly, I will and positively order, that my son Frederick Brow shall have fifty Dollars more of the Estate than any one of the rest of the Legatees, and the said Frederick and all the Legatees to have an equal part of the Estate of the late deceased Jacob Brow at the decease of his wife Susanah Brow, and

Thirdly, I will and positively order, that my wife shall have all the household Furniture and one cow, and

Lastly, I make and ordain my son Michael Brow and Moses Dinmore sole Executors of this my will in trust for the intent and purpose in this my Will contained. In witness whereof I the said Jacob Brow have set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

[Signatures]  John X. Sictel
Mary Brow

[Signature]  Jacob  [unreadable]  [Seal]
Personally appeared before me John Liclett and Mary brow, and on their solemn oath did depose and say, that they were present and saw and heard Jacob brow, the Testator within named, sign, seal, publish and declare the same, as and for his last Will and Testament, and that at the time of doing thereof he was of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding according to the best of their knowledge, observation and belief.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 18th day of August 1823.

[Signature]

John X Liclett
Mary brow

Registered 18th August 1823 and Letters Testamentary granted to Michael brow & Moses Dunemore this 18th day of August 1823.
The following article was found in "Biographical History of Central Kansas." This was written years ago.

The deserved reward of a well spent life is an honored retirement from business in which to enjoy the fruits of former toil. Today, after a useful and beneficent career, Mr. Crow is quietly living at his beautiful home in Reno County, Kansas, surrounded by the comforts that earnest labor has brought to him. He is a prominent citizen of this section, and the splendid accomplishments of his life should serve to encourage others who must look to themselves for the prosperity which they may enjoy.

Isaac Crow was born in Noble County, Ohio, on the 16th of August, 1832, a son of Jacob Crow, who was born in Pennsylvania in 1790, and throughout his entire business career he followed the tilling of the soil. Jacob's father, Frederick Crow was also a native of the Keystone state and was of German descent. In the state of his nativity he grew to manhood, and was there married to Rachel Enoch, a lady of English descent. With his wife and children Frederick Crow made the journey from Pennsylvania to Monroe County, Ohio, where he was among the early pioneers and at that time the country was covered with dense forests and was infested with hostile Indians and wild animals. Entering a heavily timbered tract from the government, he there erected a substantial log cabin, and this dwelling is still standing on the old homestead, which is now owned by George Reed, also a descendant of one of the early families of the Buckeye state. As time passed Frederick Crow succeeded in clearing his farm from the dense timber, and from time to time he added to his landed possessions until he became an extensive property owner. He was an upright, honorable and conscientious citizen, honored and respected by his neighbors and acquaintances. His political support was given to the Democracy.

Jacob Crow, the father of him whose name introduces this review, was but a youth when he removed with his parents to Ohio, and in that commonwealth he was reared to agricultural pursuits, while the educational privileges which he enjoyed in his youth were those afforded by the common schools of his neighborhood. Remaining under the parental roof of Frederick and Rachel Crow until his twenty-seventh year, he was then married in Monroe County, Ohio, to Mary Leasure, a native of that county and a daughter of Jeremiah Leasure, one of the early pioneers of that locality. Shortly after his marriage Mr. Crow removed with his bride to what is now Noble County,
Ohio, where he entered one hundred and sixty acres of government land on the east branch of Duck Creek, between the towns of Stafford, Monroe County, and Harriettsville, Noble County. As the years passed by and prosperity attended his efforts he was enabled to add one hundred and sixty acres to his original purchase, and there he spent the remainder of his life, his life's labors being ended in death in 1840 when he had reached the age of fifty-six years. He was a Democrat in his political affiliations, and of the Methodist Episcopal Church he was a worthy and consistent member. His wife was called to the home beyond in 1887, while making her home with her eldest son. Unto this worthy couple were born twelve children, namely: Elizabeth, who died in Noble County, Ohio; George who passed away in death in 1889 while residing in Reno County, Kansas; Anna who died in Washington County, Ohio; Nancy who died in Wyandot County, Ohio in 1899; Isaac, the subject of this review; Jacob who laid down his life on the altar of his country during the War of the Rebellion; Mary who died in childhood in Monroe County, Ohio; Rhoda and Cynthia both of whom died in Noble County, Ohio; Martin who resides in Hutchinson, Kansas; Robert who is in the Soldiers Home in Newark, Ohio; and Diantha who is married and resides in Wyandot County, Ohio.

Isaac Crow, of this review, attended the district schools of Noble County, Ohio during his youth, and when only fourteen years of age his father, Jacob, died and from that time on he received but limited educational advantages. After attaining to years of maturity he continued to make his home on the old farmstead, subsequently buying out his mother's interest and later purchased the interests of the remaining heirs, thus gaining entire possession of the old home place, on which he erected an elegant residence at a cost of three thousand dollars, and an enormous barn large enough to shelter three hundred head of stock. His farm was one of the most fertile and best cultivated in that section of the state and there he followed farming and stock raising on a large scale. In 1880 Mr. Crow was elected one of the commissioners of his county, and during the three years in which he served in that capacity he was responsible for many of the important changes which took place, he having introduced and carried through more measures for improvement than had been made for the previous twenty-five years. Among other things may be mentioned, his levying a three-mill tax on the dollar, and was thus able to carry on a vast amount of work, having purchased the eighty acres for the infirmary and the farm for the Children's Home. In 1880, after serving his country faithfully for three years in that capacity, he sold his beautiful farm in Ohio for fifteen thousand dollars and came to Reno County, Kansas, here purchasing the west half of section 17, Reno township, and later added a seventy-acre tract on the south half of the same section. Six years later he removed from that place to Hutchinson, purchasing a residence and twenty acres of land on the west side of Cow Creek, where he made his home for two years, during which time he greatly improved the place until it is now a very valuable property. He next bought the eighty-acre farm
and residence where he now resides, on the southeast quarter of section 19, Reno township, where he has since lived in quiet retirement, his son, Luther, a most excellent farmer, having charge of the place. The place is located in one of the finest farming districts of Reno County, and as a proof of the fact during the present year his sixty-two acres of wheat yielded a return of forty bushels to the acre, which is, indeed an abundant yield. Since his residence in the Sunflower state, Mr. Crow has owned as high as eight hundred and ten acres of land, located on section 17 and 19, but he has since sold or divided his land among his children, until he now has but his homestead of eighty acres.

In Noble County, Ohio, on the 1st of August, 1859 Mr. Crow was united in marriage to Mary A. Calvert, who was born in Belmont County, Ohio, but was reared in Monroe County, that state, a daughter of Jacob and Mary (Powell) Calvert, natives of Pennsylvania and Virginia, respectively, and the former of Scotch-English and the latter of Welsh descent. During the war of 1812 the father enlisted for service, but the war had closed before he was sent to the front. Ten children have been born to Isaac and his wife Mary namely: Adalaska, who died in infancy; Leola Dell who is an artist and resides in Hutchinson; Edward Gordon, a farmer of Salt Creek township, Reno County; Charlie R. who died in infancy; Cornelia Jane who passed away in infancy; Elizabeth Ellen, the wife of Frank Danford, a farmer of section 17, Reno township; Will R. who is engaged in business in Hutchinson; George Luther, a farmer of section 17, Reno township; Roswell Holland, who died in infancy; and Otis Homer, who is employed as a painter in Hutchinson. In political matters Mr. Crow is a life-long Republican, and has long been an active worker in the ranks of his party, having frequently served as a delegate to county conventions. In his social relations he is a member of the Masonic order, and in his daily life he exemplifies its ennobling and helpful teachings. Both he and his wife are consistent members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.
Isaac Crow was born 1832 and his wife above was Mary A. Calvert. Isaac was the son of Jacob Crow and his wife Mary Leasure. Jacob Crow was the son of Frederick Crow and Rachel Enoch. The above Isaac Crow and Susan Martin were first cousins.
Martin Crow was born in Noble County, Ohio, August 22, 1835. His father was Jacob Crow and his grandfather was Frederick Crow, and they were both natives of Pennsylvania where in the early days Frederick Crow achieved fame as an Indian fighter.

The subject of this sketch, Martin Crow, was reared on his father's farm and when scarcely more than a youth he began farming on his own account on a portion of the family homestead, for which he paid rent to his mother, which was all due to the early death of his father, Jacob Crow. His early educational advantages were limited to those afforded by the public schools near his home, but by reading and observation he has become a well informed man. After farming several years, as stated, he went to Clark County, Illinois, where for a year he was employed by John Briscoe, a leading farmer. Returning to Noble County, Ohio he located at Frederick, where he opened a dry goods store, which he disposed of one year later and resumed farming. While he was engaged in trade at Frederick he married Martha Ray, of that town.

In 1859 Mr Crow sold his possessions in Noble County, Ohio, and removed to Gentry County, Missouri where he bought a farm of two hundred acres, but in that borderland country where the community was divided between union and southern sentiments and where war seemed imminent, public feeling ran so high that residence there was almost impossible to one who was inclined to be at peace with his fellow citizen and Mr. Crow sold his farm and returned to Ohio, where he farmed until the summer of 1862. August 20 of that year he enlisted in Company K, Ninety-second Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and leaving a fine crop awaiting the harvester went to the seat of the war. His regiment was sent to West Virginia, where it participated in the work of driving the Confederate force out of the Kanawha Valley, a movement which culminated in a severe engagement at Loop Creek late in the fall. The weather was extremely cold for the season, storms were frequent and the regiment was without tents and as a consequence of such exposure Mr. Crow and others became ill. He contracted a fever which shattered his health to such an extent that he was deemed unfit for further military service and was honorably discharged January 1, 1863.

On his return to Ohio Mr. Crow was still too feeble to again take up the arduous work of the farm and he engaged in cabinet making and in undertaking until 1878, prospering in a material way and gradually regaining his health to a considerable extent. In the year last mentioned he went to Kansas and bought the southwest quarter of section 17, in Reno township, Reno County. During the first spring after his arrival he broke about eleven acres of his ground and planted it with corn, also erected a frame house, a story
and a half high, covering a ground space of eighteen by twenty-two feet. For several years thereafter he devoted himself successfully to general farming and stock raising, building outbuildings and an addition to his house, adding three hundred acres to his farm and improving his property in every way. About 1886 he removed to Hutchinson, where in company with his son, J.W. Crow, he engaged in important real estate transactions, buying ninety lots in the town, which became known as the fourth addition to Hutchinson and selling them after three months at an advance of eight thousand dollars on the purchase price. After that they bought eight thousand acres of land in Rice and Reno Counties for forty thousand dollars, which they later sold at a handsome profit. Since then Mr. Crow has not dealt much in farm property, but from time to time he has handled other real estate to good advantage. He bought four lots at North Main and Fourth streets in Hutchinson for six thousand dollars and subsequently sold them several times and in each case they reverted to him with some profit in money and eventually he sold two of them for seven thousand dollars, reserving the other two as building lots for himself and son. In 1887 he had practically gone out of business and considered that he had retired permanently, but later opportunity was presented for profitable real estate transactions on a large scale and he took advantage of it, buying three fine business houses in Hutchinson from his son, J.W. Crow, and trading them for a large hotel in Clinton, Iowa, which had been built at a cost of eighty thousand dollars, but which was traded to Mr. Crow at a valuation of only forty thousand dollars. Mr Crow later disposed of that property advantageously through his son, who was his agent in the transaction.

His reputation for business integrity and honesty is beyond reproach and he is known as a man whose word is literally "as good as his bond." He bought his present home in Hutchinson five years ago. In politics he was a Democrat until 1888 when he cast his vote with the Republican party for President Harrison and since then he has been a zealous Republican. Since he was fourteen years old he has been a faithful and active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a member of Joe Hooker Post No. 17, Grand Army of the Republic, and for two years he has been its junior vice commander.

Martin and Martha (Ray) Crow had seven children: John W. Crow, who is a railway land agent with headquarters in Chicago, Illinois; Martin, Jr. who lives in Kentucky; Humphrey, a farmer in Reno County, Kansas; Sarah Ellen, who died in Ohio; Columbus, who died in Reno County, Kansas; Eveline, who married R. Coggsdell and died in Hutchinson, Kansas; and Jane who became the wife of Alexander Miller and died in Reno County, Kansas. Mrs Crow died in May 1871. December 13, 1876, Mr. Crow was married in Noble County, Ohio to Linda Hallett, daughter of Orlena and Lucy (Blake) Hallett.
Ancient Burial Mound
Found at Crow Creek

Four people displaced this summer by the Wheeling Creek Watershed project didn’t mind at all.

They had been dead for about 1,500 years.

Their skeletons were removed from an ancient burial mound on Crow Creek where one of the seven flood control dams is to be built.

The mound is a remnant of the Adena culture which flourished in this area from 600 B.C. to 600 A.D. It is located on the historic Crow farm just east of the West Virginia - Pennsylvania state line. Not far away is the site of the famous Crow sisters Indian massacre of the late 1700’s.

The mound, one of two on the Crow farm, was excavated by Pittsburgh’s Carnegie Museum under a contract from the National Park Service.

Don Tanner of Bethel Park, Pa., a Carnegie Museum field associate, and three students did the excavating, which was completed a few days ago.

"This is what we call archaeological salvage work," Tanner explained. "We save what we can before it is destroyed." The mound’s location will be the site of the flood control dam’s spillway in a year or two.

The other mound is on a hilltop and not in danger. There is a third mound on an adjoining farm in West Virginia.

Excavation was a tedious process. It had to be done slowly and carefully, section by section, to keep from damaging any items which might be found.

In addition to the four skeletons, the diggers discovered several hearths (apparently used for ceremonial purposes) and stone drills, knives and arrowheads.

Most of the tools came from a culture earlier than that of the Adenas, Tanner said, indicating that they had been brought to the site accidentally with the dirt the Adenas used to build the mound.

The mound site originally was an Adena house, with a cone-shaped roof supported by wooden poles.

Tanner explained the building of the mound this way:

"When a "fairly influential member of the group (tribe) died, the Adenas dug a hole, buried the body and built a small mound, perhaps three feet high, over the tomb. Later the house was "deliberately destroyed" and the large mound built. The Crow mound is about four feet high and 38 feet in diameter. After the primary burial, others were sometimes added.

The Crow mound had been partially excavated in the 1930’s by the Works Progress Administration. A skull and some spear points were recovered at that time.

Tanner said the Adena culture consisted of small, scattered homesteads and represented "the very beginning of agriculture in this area."
The Enochs family has been very difficult to compile because so much has been written about the family and the same names were used from generation to generation. I will quote genealogy written about the Enochs by Dr. Hermon P. Williams, Mabel Williams Bean, and Mrs. Elizabeth Weddle. I will begin with Henry Enochs I, who was Warren E. Tharp's great, great, great, great grandfather.

There was an Enoch Enoch in Southeastern Pennsylvania in the late 1600's who was a member of the Nishamini Dutch Reformed Church. His wife was named Susanna and they had several children among them a Gabriel, Andrew, and perhaps our Henry I. But I have been unable to prove this. There is a tradition that the family was descended from a foundling in a brick yard, who by the workman was dubbed Enoch Enoch. However, there were other Enochs who came to America from England and Wales where the name was very prominent. This first Enoch Enoch and Henry Enoch I seemed to be living very close to each other so therefore we feel there must of been some relationship to each other.

Dr. Hermon P. Williams who has researched this area and the records very thoroughly writes the following: "As British influence increased in the area the Presbyterians organized their churches. The Bensalem Church was one of these and is still a going organization. Shortly after it was organized the records show, in the writing of the Dutch clerk that "Hendereck Enoch and his wife" were received into membership under date of April 22, 1719 by the Reverend Malachi Jones, on profession of faith. The wife of Henry Enoch I was Elizabeth Ross, related by marriage to Betsy Ross, the seamstress who made the first American Flag for George Washington. It is apparent that Henry and Elizabeth Enoch I were beginning their life with that religious devotion that is manifested in later family history.

Henry and Elizabeth Enoch I did not continue to live in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. A few years later, with other settlers, they removed into the lower Shenandoah Valley of Virginia, where John Van Metre and Jost Hite had secured a large grant of territory from the Council of Virginia. Later the territory westward to the South Potomac River was promoted by the uncle of George Washington in cooperation with George's older brother Lawrence. In 1748 when George Washington was but sixteen years old, he was sent by his uncle to survey lands on the South Potomac River. The "widow's son" had learned to read and write and cipher, as they called it, and now he must begin to take a man's part in the marvelous developments of his time. There in the wilderness he spent the next three years, "himself his own cook, having not spit but a forked stick, no plate but a large chip, rarely sleeping in a bed." The boy grew to be a master in woodcraft, a strapping frontiersman six feet and three inches in his moccasins. About this time Henry Enoch I came from Frederick County into
Hampshire County, Virginia and began to establish himself at the forks of the Cacapehen or Cacapon River. This name means in the Indian tongue "Healing Waters" and even now at its sources there are springs claimed to have medicinal properties.

Washington's Journal shows that on April 23, 1750, he surveyed for Henry Enoch I, a tract of 288 acres of land in the forks of the Cacapehon. Two days later he was surveying for John Newton on the North River branch about a mile above the forks beginning at Enoch's corner. And the next day, with Henry Enoch I as chainman, he surveyed two hundred acres on the Cacapehon River for John Parker. In Washington's Journal of his tour to the Ohio River twenty years later he writes that on November 28, 1770, he dined with Henry Enoch in his home at the forks of the Cacapehn; and this was the time, we think, when George Washington kissed Henry's beautiful granddaughter, the baby Betty who was the daughter of Henry Enoch II and his wife Sarah Enoch. Henry II and Sarah were first cousins and married at the early age of fifteen.

The domain of Henry Enoch I eventually comprised of some twelve hundred acres of land. His home had been established as the northern most of twenty forts located by Colonel Washington for the protection of the Virginian Frontier against Indian raids. A year after the visit of Washington just mentioned Fort Enoch was attacked by a war party and one of the defenders was killed by a rock catapulted from a nearby hill.

The story of the Battle of Captina, as told by Martin Baker, then a boy of twelve years of age, is as follows: Capt. Abram Enochs, son of Henry Enochs II and grandson of Henry Enoch I, went with fourteen men set out to punish the Indians who had been on depredation in the southeast corner of Belmont County, Ohio, several miles below the present site of Wheeling in 1794. In the midst of the fighting the party was ambushed from behind. Enoch, Hoffman and Baker were shot. Enochs was scalped, his bowels torn out, and his eyes screwed out with a wiping stick. One of his companions was shot through the arm. The Indians ran a strip of bark through the wound, tied a knot at the end and drove their prisoner along before them. The next day friends recovered the bodies of the dead and buried them near Baker's Fort on Virginia shore. Long afterwards seven skeletons were found in the rocky crevices of the Indians who had been killed in the battle. The Indian war party was of Charley Wilkey's Shawnees and this chief afterwards said that the battle of Captina was his hardest fight in which he lost half of his band of thirty warriors.

And here at the forks of the Cacapehon is the old graveyard where lie the remains of Henry and Elizabeth Enoch I, who lived to be over eighty years of age. Many others are buried there, both whites and blacks; but the graves of the Enochs cannot be distinguished. The old markers are broken slabs of sandstone, which by now are weather worn and fallen. If they ever had inscriptions on them these are now indecipherable but the hills survive, and the pleasing fields and the old
mill race, and the healing waters of the Cacapehon, yes, and the memory and influence of lives so earnestly lived when the wilderness was flourishing.

The Virginia census for 1782 shows Enoch Enochs as head of a household in Hampshire County with thirteen whites in his family. Henry Enochs I appears on the same census at head of family of two whites. The census for 1784 shows Enoch Enochs with the same family. Henry Enochs I does not appear but Elizabeth Enochs appears for the first time as the head of a family of one. She is undoubtedly the widow of Henry Enochs I whose death must have occurred between 1782 and 1784.

Henry Enochs I and his wife Elizabeth Ross had the following children:

(1) Henry Enoch II born 12 May 1732. He married his cousin Sarah Enochs in 1748 when they both were 15 years old. He died 14 July 1787.

(2) Rachel Enochs married Henry Sargent.

(3) John Enochs

(4) David Enochs was born ca. 1746 and died after 1797. He married Nancy _____.

(5) Macy Enochs married Issac Cox.

(6) Elizabeth Enochs married William Craig.

(7) Enoch Enochs was born 29 September 1750 in Hampshire County, West Virginia. He married Rebecca Morris. Enoch died in 1835 in Monroe County, Ohio. This Enoch Enochs was Warren Tharp's great, great, great grandfather.
Enoch Enochs family

Enoch Enochs was born 29 September 1750 in Hampshire County, W. Virginia. He was the son of Henry Enochs I, and Elizabeth Ross. (See more later on Ross family.) Enoch Enochs married Rebecca Morris about 1771. Rebecca was born about 1754 in Hampshire County, West Virginia. She died after 1834 in what is now Noble County, Ohio near Harriettsville. Enoch died in 1835 also in Noble County, Ohio. There were 12 children born to this couple:

1. Sarah was born about 1773 and died at about age 72. She married Jesse Davis.
2. Rachel was born in Washington Co, Pa. and married George Frederick Crow.
3. Elisha was born about 1775 and died 1 Feb. 1856. He married Nancy Archer and she died before 1850.
4. Henry died before 1849. He was on the Montgomery County, Ohio tax list in 1816.
5. Rebecca was born 28 Aug. 1780 in Pennsylvania. She married James Archer 2 July 1799. She died at the age of 67 years, 4 mo., 14 da. James was born 15 Oct. 1779 and died at the age of 76 years, 9 mo., 29 da.
6. Elizabeth was born 1782 and died in 1854. She married Isaac Morris who was born 1779 and died in 1849.
7. Lydia married Nathan Lincisome.
9. Amy was born in 1783 and died 1 Feb. 1874. She married Matthew Gray.
10. Jesse was born in 1788 and died in 1823.
11. Enoch was born in 1801 and died in Tyler Co., West Virginia in 1886. He married Margaret Price.
12. Rhoda (no information on her.)
THE WOODS RANGER

There is much tradition concerning Martin Crow, Frederick Crow, the Enochs, Braddocks, Teagardens, Bonnets, Wetzels and others who lived in early days along Wheeling Creek. Their names are often mentioned among private defenders of their people and occur in the rolls of the Minute Men of the Frontier and in the rosters of the Militia. These companies did much service at Seller's Fort above Waynesburg, at Enoch's Station at Graysville, and at Ryerson's Blockhouse. Their names are found among Woods Rangers who by regular system scouted by both day and night over the entire frontier in this region from the troublous days of 1774 to the end of the Indian atrocities. The location of their homes had something to do with the prominence which they had in early border history. The only great Indian Trail through this county was the Warrior's Trail. The principal branch of it led up Wheeling Creek joined by a branch trail from Grave Creek.

Later other Forts were built among them Shepherd's Fort and Crow's Fort.

The record here tells of an order to be drawn on the Treasurer of Pennsylvania to be paid to Frederick Crow, Jesse Van Meter and others for watching the movements of the Indians and protecting the frontiers in the year 1782.

The rangers were organized and patrolled the frontier during both day and night. They had a system of call warnings etc. that the settlers understood. They carried keel and with this often marked the nightly messages on the doors or lintels and designated posts near the cabins. When urgent response was advised at night it was often a certain number of taps on the door or window, a signal that every settler understood. Some of the old records say that many settlers lost their lives because they did not give quick heed to the Woods Ranger's signal or were determined to stay in their cabins.

The companies of Col. Wm. Crawford and Capt. James Seals were stationed in the western part of this county (now Pennsylvania) during troublous Indian times and completely broke up Indian incursions farther east by their service as Woods Rangers. Warren E. Tharp's great, great, great grandfather, Enoch Enoch, served under Col. Wm. Crawford.

About the year of 1803 a colony of five families, named Archer, Enochs, Crow, Forshire, and Morris, in Marshall County, Virginia (now West Virginia), crossed the Ohio River and made their way westward through dense forests, till they reached the East Fork of Duck Creek, in what is now Noble County, Ohio. This settlement was known as the Archer settlement, now the present site of East Union. In 1834, at the age of 84 years, Enoch Enochs applied for a pension for his military services. He stated he was born in Hampshire County, Virginia, 29 September 1750 and there is a record in the family Bible which he had then given to his daughter Amy Gray. He lived in Washington County, Pennsylvania when called into the service in Enochs Garrison. Since the war, he lived on Fish Creek,
18 miles from the Ohio River. He served under Col. Crawford, Capt. Cunningham, Col. Cresap, Col. Nobel, Capt. Wiggins, Generals Broadhead and McIntosh. He guarded the frontiers of Pennsylvania from place to place, from fort to fort, against the Indians. He hired men to guard Enoch's Fort one summer and paid them out of his own funds for which he never solicited any remuneration, leaving him now reduced to want. His ambition and spirit forbid his making an earlier application for a pension. He now lives with his son-in-law Joseph Archer. Enoch Enochs's wife was still living at this time and was as helpless as an infant of six months. Enoch Enochs has to be led by the arm when he walks as he is blind. I placed the pen in his hand and then held his hand to the paper and he signed his name to these papers.

From the War Dept. Pension Office - Dec. 27, 1834

Sir:
The declaration of Enoch Enochs has been examined. He alleges that he served a tour in 1774 and another in the spring of 1775 on the Indian Frontiers in the state of Pennsylvania. He also claims for two years service as a Capt. in Enoch's Fort terminating in June 1777. Also for service in 1783 and subsequent years. The applicant resided on the frontier, the inhabitants of which associated themselves for their mutual protection against the invasion of the Indians and were liable to be called out for their mutual protection. Such associations were proper but the services performed under such circumstances form no claim for military service. The Revolutionary war was terminated early in 1783. The Act. of June 7, 1832 provides for none who did not serve in a military capacity in a regularly organized corps called into service by competent authority. The claim cannot therefore be allowed. The paper will be placed on file in this office.
General William H. Enochs, one of the most gifted sons of Noble Co., Ohio, and the only native of the County who attained to the rank of general in the late war (Civil War) is now a prominent lawyer and an influential citizen of Ironton, Ohio. His parents were Henry and Jane (Miller) Enochs. He was born near Middleburg, in Noble County, March 29, 1842. He was reared on his father's farm and attended the common schools in winter with the advantage, however, of one term at the Ohio University. When Fort Sumter was fired upon he was a student at the Ohio University, and on the 19th of April, 1861, he enlisted in Company B, Twenty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry; soon after he was promoted to corporal and sent to guard the railroad between Marietta and Parkersburg, thence to West Virginia, participating in the numerous marches and skirmishes of his command, and the battle of Rich Mountain. He was promoted to fourth sergeant, and in that rank was mustered out of the service July 24, 1861. He at once re-enlisted in Company K, Fifth West Virginia Infantry, an organization composed almost wholly of Ohio men. In October he was elected captain of his company, but owing to his youth the colonel of the regiment refused to recommend him for a captain's commission, and he was made first lieutenant of the company. His drill and discipline soon attracted the attention of army officers, and he was frequently complimented for the manner in which he had brought up the company. His regiment was organized and camped at Ceredo, West Virginia. Rebel regiments were also being organized within a few miles of its camp, the surrounding country swarmed with bushwhackers, and his company and regiment was in active service from the time of their enlistment. In the winter of 1862 the regiment was ordered to Parkersburg. Soon after Lieutenant Enochs was sent with his company to New Creek Station and assigned to the command of that outpost. At this time there was a vacancy in the majorship of the regiment, and Lieutenant Enochs was recommended by the officers of the regiment for the position, but again his youth prevented his preferment, and he was promoted to captain and assigned to Company E. This company soon became the best drilled and disciplined company in the regiment, and in the spring of 1862 led the advance at the battle of Moorfield, participating in all its marches and skirmishes along the south branch of McDowell, May 8, 1862. Returning to Moorfield, the regiment crossed the mountains with the army under Generals Schenck and Milroy, striking the rear of the Confederate army under Stonewall Jackson, where the regiment was engaged. The Union armies, united under General Fremont, followed Jackson up the Shenandoah Valley, skirmishing and fighting day and night until the battle of Cross Keys, June 8, 1862, when Jackson crossed the river under cover of night, burning the bridge behind him; Fremont's army went down the valley. Schenck's division and General Milroy's brigade (to which the regiment then belonged) marched from Luray Valley across the Blue Ridge and joined the army of
Northern Virginia commanded by General John Pope. The division was assigned to the Eleventh Corps, then commanded by General Franz Sigel. The regiment participated in numerous skirmishes until the terrible battle of Cedar Mountain was fought, which was one of the most desperate battles of the war. The regiment afterward participated in the battles along the Rapidan and Rappahannock Rivers, including Freeman's Ford and Sulphur Spring, being under fire every day for about twenty days.

In the first day of the second battle of Manassas, although the junior captain of the regiment, Captain Enochs was in command. The regiment went into the fight near the stonehouse, and in the woods some distance beyond, the regiment fought almost the entire two days of the battle over the possession of a railroad cut in the woods. The cut was taken and retaken until one fourth of the regiment was either killed, wounded or missing.

History has never given the facts concerning this battle; the loss and disaster to the Union army there has never been fully told. The regiment next participated in the battle of Chantilly. In all these marches, skirmishes and battles Captain Enochs took an active part, being in command of either his company or regiment. After the battle of Chantilly the regiment, being almost entirely destroyed, was ordered to the fortifications around Washington to obtain shoes and clothing. Soon afterwards it was transferred to the Kanawha Valley, West Va. In the spring of 1863 it was ordered to Gauley Bridge on the Kanawha, where it remained the greater portion of that year, scouting and skirmishing through the mountains of that country. August 17, 1863, Capt. Enochs was commissioned lieutenant colonel of the regiment. May 4, 1864, his command broke camp and started toward Louisburg, West Va. At Meadow Bluffs it joined the army under General George Crook, and crossed the mountains, destroying the railroad and bridges. It joined the army under General Hunter at Staunton, VA., and under that general made the raid upon Lynchburg. In its endeavor to get into Lynchburg, Colonel Enochs with his regiment charged the breast-works but was repulsed and driven back with heavy loss. The Union army was compelled to retreat to the Kanawha Valley. This was one of the longest and hardest raids of the war. It was, as the general states it, "days and nights of marching, starving and fighting." The regiment remained but a short time in the Kanawha Valley, when it was ordered to Harper's Ferry and the Shenandoah Valley. The army started up the valley, fighting the rebels at Bunker's Hill, July 19, 1864, and at Carter's Farm, July 20, 1864, and at Winchester, July 24. The Union army was driven north of the Potomac River and soon became a part of the army under General Sheridan, and under him was in the battles near Halltown, Va., August 22, 23 and 24, 1864. At the battle of Berryville, September 3, 1864, Colonel Enochs regiment made a brilliant charge on a Mississippi brigade of four regiments, driving them from the field and capturing a number of prisoners. At the battle of Winchester, September 19, 1864, Colonel Enochs regiment was in the front
on the extreme right of the Union army. Shortly after going
into the fight the rebels were found behind stone walls on
the opposite side of a deep slough, the regiment waded through
and charged the rebels, driving them from their chosen positions
until their fortifications were reached. In this charge Colonel
Enochs was severely wounded when within one hundred yards
of the fortifications, a ball striking him in the head and
cutting through a heavy felt hat. He was supposed to have
been instantly killed, and was left where he fell.
During the night he was conducted to his regiment, and the
next morning was again in command, following the retreating
rebels toward Fisher's Hill, which point they had strongly
fortified. September 22, Colonel Enochs was given charge
of the advance, which climbed the mountain and got in the
rear of their works before they were discovered. When the
signal was given, the whole army charged the fortifications,
capturing most of the enemy's artillery and routing their
army. The regiment under Colonel Enochs participated in numerous
other skirmishes up to the battle of Cedar Creek.

For gallant and meritorious services during this campaign,
Colonel Enochs was brevetted general being the youngest man
of his rank in the Army of the Potomac. During this service
his regiment had become so depleted that it was consolidated
with the Ninth West Virginia, and was afterwards known as
the First West Virginia Infantry. The regiment remained in
the valley under General Hancock until near the close of the
war, when it was sent to Cumberland, Md., where Colonel Enochs
was assigned to the command of the department of Maryland,
and on March 13, 1865, he was commissioned brigadier general.
General Enochs saw much hard service during the war, and
distinguished himself for bravery and gallantry, as is shown
by his successive promotions. His fellow officers speak in
the highest terms of his intrepidity and the fact that he
commanded a brigade at the age of twenty-two years is the
very highest possible testimony as to his superior abilities
as a soldier and officer. He was mustered out of the service
July 24, 1865. He studied law as he could during the war,
and on bring discharged, entered the Cincinnati Law School,
from which he graduated in 1867. He began practice in West
Virginia, removing in the fall of 1868 to Ironton, Ohio, where
he soon rose to prominence and is still in successful practice.
General Enochs was married in 1875 to Miss Annis Hamilton.
Ex-President Hayes thus speaks of General Enochs: "Brigadier-
General William H. Enochs served in my command as colonel
of the Fifth Virginia Infantry, and after the re-enlistment
of the regiment and its consolidation with the Ninth Virginia
as colonel of the First West Virginia Veteran Infantry, that
being the title, as I recall it, of the consolidation veteran
regiment. Of course I knew him intimately as a soldier and
as a regiment commander. He was conspicuous and a man of
mark always. His courage, promptness and energy were
extraordinary. He was faithful, cheerful and hopeful. His
diligence was great, and his ability and skill in managing
and taking care of his regiment were rarely equalled. If called
upon to give his distinguishing merits as a soldier, I should say force, energy, intrepidity. I have often said that the old Kanawha Division could make its fastest and longest march in a day with an enemy in front, trying to retard and obstruct, and with Colonel Enochks and his regiment in the advance clearing the way. His military record is in all respects honorable and bright. In the language of the old iron-clad oath, "it is a pleasure to command his soldierly qualities, without any mental reservation whatever." General I.H. Duval, of Wheeling, speaks of General Enochks as follows: "I first met General W. H. Enochks early in the war in the Kanawha Valley, West Virginia. I think he was at that time Major of the Fifth West Virginia Regiment. I was very favorably impressed with him at sight, and soon discovered that he was a remarkable man for his age. We were intimately associated during the war, and I can safely say that I did not meet an officer during that time in whom I had more confidence. He was brave, daring and efficient, always ready for whatever duties were required of him. Later in the war his regiment and mine were consolidated and formed, the First Veteran Regiment of West Virginia. I was retained a Colonel, and General Enochks was the lieutenant colonel. I was proud of the association, feeling that I had an officer upon whom I could rely under all circumstances. Soon after the consolidation he was promoted to the colonelcy of his regiment as he distinguished himself on all occasions, wherever he fought, and I think commanded one of the grandest regiments I ever saw. It was thoroughly drilled and disciplined."
The Ross Family

Elizabeth Ross married Henry Enochs I, in West Virginia. Elizabeth was born in 1724 in Scotland and Henry was born about 1719 in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Henry was the son of Enoch Enix who came from England in 1693, and his wife Susannah. Elizabeth was the daughter of William Ross and his wife Arminello Whiteside. William was born in 1702 in Ireland and Arminello was born about 1700 in Ireland.

Children of William and Arminello Ross were:

2. William Ross, Jr. was born about 1720 in Ross Shire, Scotland. He married Winifred Rector about 1741.
3. Lawrence Ross was born 15 May 1722 in Ross-Shire, Scotland. He married Susan Oldham about 1762 in Prince William County, West Virginia. Susan was born 1 January 1746 in Prince William County, West Virginia. Lawrence died 8 August 1818 in Jefferson County, Kentucky.
4. Hanna Ross was born about 1722 in Ross-Shire, Scotland and married a Mr. Miller in Cumberland, Ohio in about 1750.
5. Elizabeth Ross was born 1724 in Ross-Shire, Scotland and married about 1739 to Henry Enochs who was born in about 1719 in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Elizabeth died after 1790 in Hampshire County, West Virginia. This is Warren Tharp's great, great, great, great grandparents.
6. Tavener Ross was born in Ross-Shire, Scotland in about 1728. He married in 1752 to an Indian named Aphia Ward.
7. Arminello Ross was born about 1730 in Ross-Shire, Scotland and married a Mr. Wood in about 1750.